

Suggest Plan To End Fuss Of RR, Labor

Committee Named By FDR Favors Special Board

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23. (AP)—President Roosevelt today named a committee on railroads recommended to-day creation of a transportation board to be charged with responsibility in regulating all modes of transportation.

The committee, composed of three representatives each from railroad management and labor, proposed a comprehensive program for immediate rehabilitation of carriers.

The committee urged revision of rate-making rules by the interstate commerce commission and substitution of a new rule "applicable to all modes of transportation."

Third Attempt at Suicide Success For Boy in Jail

HOUSTON, Dec. 23. (AP)—Thwarted twice yesterday when he sought to leap from downtown buildings, George Washington Gibson, 17, Santa Monica California, hanged himself with a borrowed belt in jail today.

A justice of peace returned a verdict of suicide.

On the corner of an envelope in the youth's pocket was a message to a girl. It read "I am dying for you."

Ownership of Beef Sought by Officers

Have anyone lost a cow? Or any portion of a cow? Officials in the sheriff's office here yesterday took a quarter of a beef from two men placed in the county jail and are anxious to know whether or not the meat was stolen.

The two were reported to have attempted to force a negro beer joint proprietor to purchase the beef for payment of beer drunk by one of the men. One of the men was said to have left the meat after drinking the beer and the other man later demanded payment for it from the negro. After payment was refused, the man was said to have left the place with the announcement he would be back. When both returned they were taken to jail by deputies called to the scene.

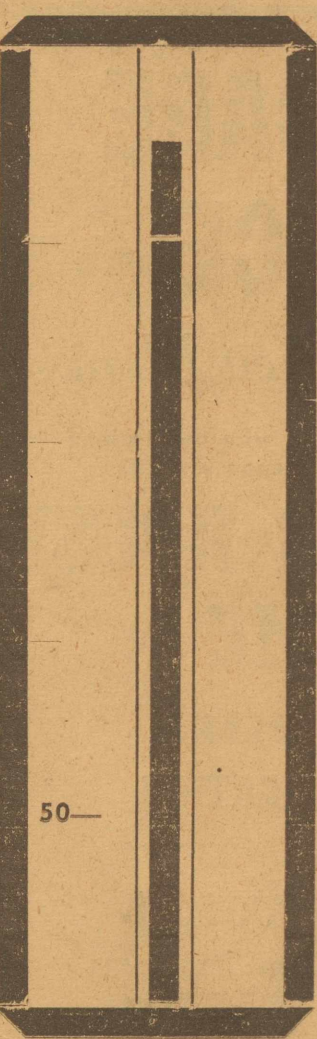
Placed in jail, the two denied any knowledge of the meat, it was reported.

TO ALPINE

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Stanley and son "Dub" who have been visiting friends and relatives in Midland, left Thursday for Alpine where they will spend Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Perry Wallace.

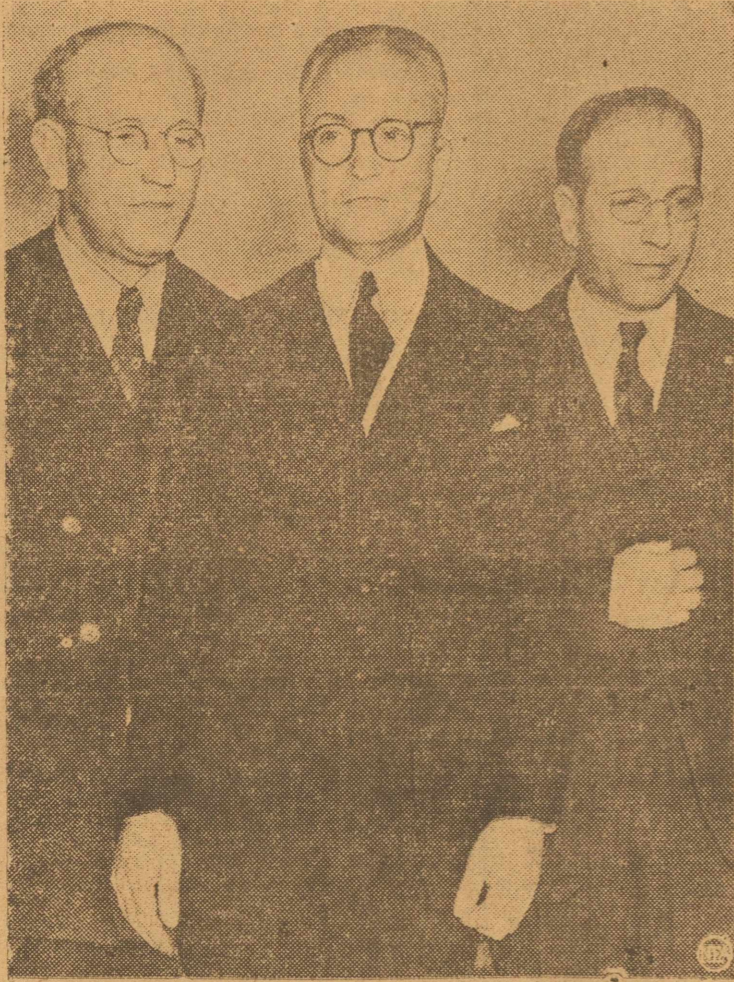
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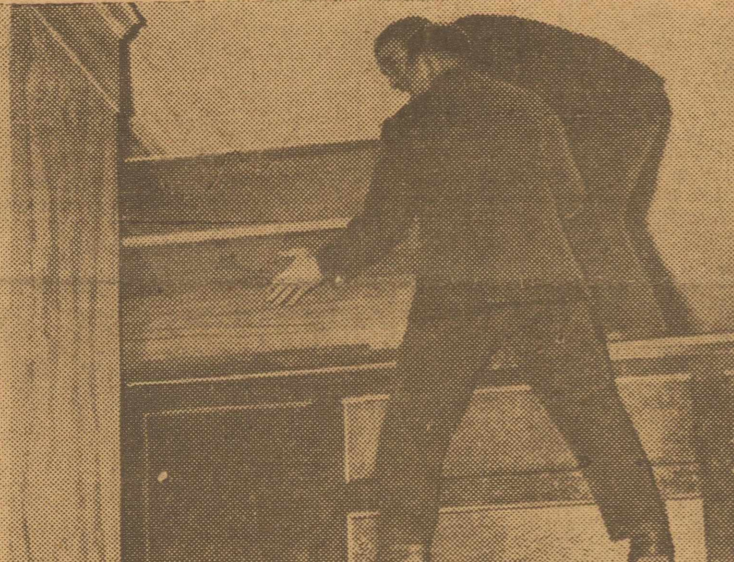
HELP IT GROW

Indicted as Forgers



On the same day that the superswindler "F. Donald Coster" (Philip Musica) was buried, his surviving brothers were indicted for forgery and larceny. Pictured in the New York Federal building, they are, left to right: "George Dietrich" (George Musica), "George Vernard" (Arthur Musica), and "Robert Dietrich" (Robert Musica).

Final Masquerade



Death did not end the masquerade of Philip Musica, for the crypt in Brooklyn, N. Y., where he was buried will bear his alias and false birthdate, "F. Donald Coster, 1884-1938". Above, the copper casket containing his body is placed in the crypt.

Turkey Shoot Not to Be Open Christmas

American Legion officials here today announced the "turkey shoot" now being held just west of the Midland city limits would not be held at all during Christmas Day. Previously, it had been planned to hold the shoot in the afternoon.

However, the shoot will be open after Sunday through January 1. Both turkeys and ducks will be furnished for marksmen to shoot at.

A total of 13 turkeys and 3 ducks were shot yesterday, with most of them being killed late in the afternoon.

Midland Stores to Be Closed Monday

It was announced today that all Midland stores would be closed Monday in observance of Christmas. Since Christmas Day falls on Sunday, it was decided earlier in the year to observe the holiday by closing the day after Christmas.

All grocery, dry goods and other stores will be closed, with the probable exception of drug stores. Whether or not the drug stores will close all or part of the day has not yet been decided.

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Prospects of commercial production from Adams & Bradley No. 1 Ohio-Glean Crain, indicated three and one-half mile north extender of the Seminole pool in Gaines, were brighter today, with hole filling 1,700 feet with oil in 10 hours.

Yesterday, after swabbing down to bottom of tubing at 5,263 feet following first acid treatment with 1,500 gallons, the well had shown accumulation of four barrels of oil in three hours. It then was shut down for 10 hours, with casing shut in and tubing opened. During that time, it built up pressure of 200 pounds on casing, and oil rose 1,700 feet. Swab was run once, and hole was blown dry with bradenhead Yates gas. Operators then lowered tubing to 5,265, one foot off bottom, and reacidized with 4,500 gallons. Slight increase in gas was in evidence after the second acid treatment. Swabbing was suspended at midnight, but was scheduled to be resumed at eight o'clock this morning.

The Adams & Bradley well is located 1,890 feet from the north, 650 from the west line of section 216, block G. W. T. R. R. survey.

Amerada No. 2 Riley, Seminole pool test, is drilling at 4,950 feet in anhydrite, while Osage and Atlantic No. 1 Tippett is still fishing for slips, bottomed at 2,973 feet in anhydrite and red rock.

Stanford State Kills Gas. Gas estimated at from 20 to 40 million cubic feet daily struck from 3,895 to 3,906 by Stanford No. 1 State, north offset to the Westmount discovery gasser in the Lovington area of Lea county, N. M., was killed by pumping in 10 tons of baroid and 50 tons of clay. Drilling was resumed, and this morning the test had reached 3,945 feet in anhydrite and lime.

Skelly No. 1-N State, two miles north of the Westmount well, is drilling at 4,306 feet in lime. Parther southeast, Repollo No. 1 State, Lease No. 182, is drilling at 445 in red beds.

TEXAS STUDENTS HERE.

Among University of Texas students who have either arrived or are expected to arrive home shortly to spend the Christmas holidays are: Jack Carroll, Bernard Westerman, Robert Payne, Miss Velma Johnson, Miss Janie Marie Johnson, J. Frank Miles, Frank Nixon, Joe Norman, Aldridge Estes, Rimmel Cowan, Murray Fasken, John B. Thomas Jr., B. C. Girdley.

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Andrews Wildcat. Honolulu No. 1-18 J. E. Parker, Andrews wildcat south of the Parkers area, last night was drilling at 4,970 feet in anhydrite and lime.

Hilton No. 2 Wiltcher, in the Foster pool of Ector, flowed 1,742 barrels of oil on 24-hour potential test. It had made 1,386 barrels the first 14 hours following shot with 585 quarts from 3,985 to 1,75, the total depth.

In the Jordan pool of Crane-Ector, Fogelson No. 2-B University, has been completed for daily potential of 460 barrels a day, natural, with gas-oil ratio of 870-1. It topped pay at 3,343 and reached total depth of 3,725.

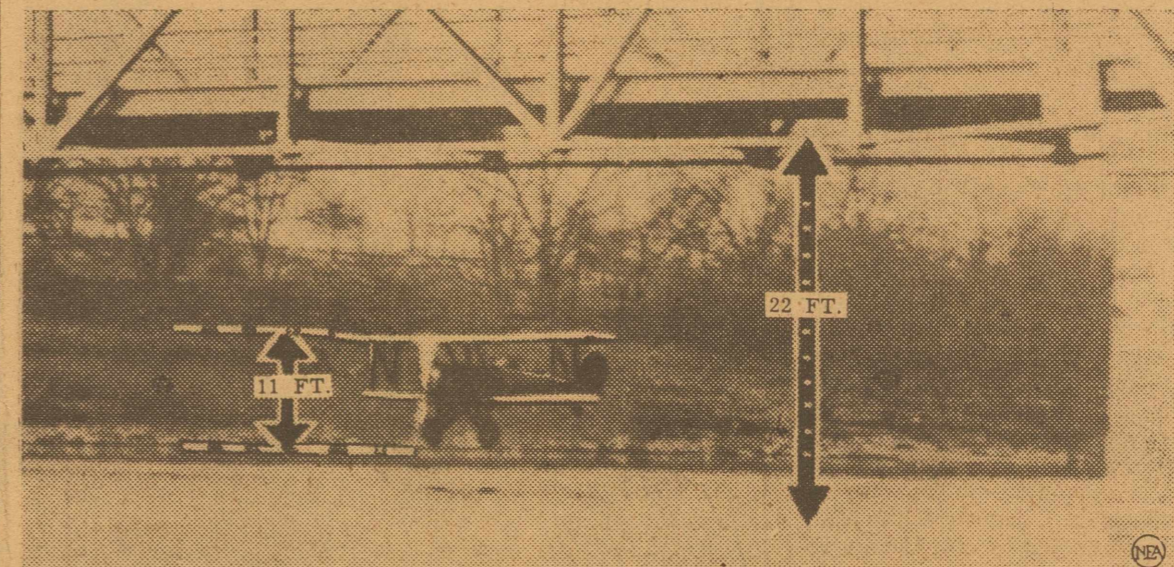
Ruyts Shows Water. After unloading hole into pits, Shell No. 1 Ruyts, extension test a mile southeast of the Bennett pool in southeastern Yoakum, swabbed 41 barrels of fluid, averaging 65 per cent basic sediment and water, on six-hour test. Fluid remained 1,260 feet off bottom while swabbing. The well is bottomed at 5,266 feet in lime and tubing packer is set at 5,190, with perforations above the packer.

In the pool, Honolulu No. 9-677 Bennett is drilling at 3,690 feet in anhydrite.

Texas No. 4 Slaughter, in southwestern Hockley, was swabbed in after re-acidizing with 4,000 gallons and flowed 22 barrels of oil the first 45 minutes on test. It had swabbed and flowed 176 barrels a day after first treatment, bottomed at 4,985 feet.

ROOSEVELT RIDICULED BY NAZIS

How to Break Law--and Maybe Your Neck



Because it accomplishes no good, wrecks planes and kills people, flying such as this is held illegal by the Department of Commerce. The flyer and two passengers shot beneath a bridge at Columbus, O., with disaster less than six feet above and below.

B. F. Stanleys Have Family Reunion Here

Those who throng the streets from day to day probably missed one of their members Wednesday and Thursday as "Grand Pap" Stanley was home preparing "Turkey Dinner" for his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Mr. Stanley, who is a cook as well as a real estate man, put on his apron and prepared a dinner for 4 children, 11 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

Answering to the ring of the dinner bell were: Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Stanley and sons, Bill and A. M.; Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Stanley, of Joshua, and son, "Dub," daughter Mrs. Percy Wallace of Alpine and daughter, Elaine; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Voliva and son Allan; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stanley and children, Duffy, Miles, Joan and Benny; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Whitson; Mrs. Dick Whitson and children, R. A., Peggy, Lou, Barbara, and Mae Margaret; Mrs. Susie Mae Davis, and Miss Louise Whitson.

Children unable to attend were Mrs. E. P. Whitson; Mrs. Harold Johnson and Mrs. Tom Nance of El Paso.

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Defense Plan Is Adopted by 21 Republics

LIMA, Peru, Dec. 23. (AP)—The 21 republics of the Western Hemisphere proclaimed last night their "decision to maintain and to defend" their continental solidarity "against all foreign intervention or activities."

Following more than two weeks' exhaustive discussions they arrived at a unanimous decision to declare their "common concern" in case the peace, security or territorial integrity of any American republic is threatened by acts of any nature that may threaten them.

The declaration which was finally adopted was drawn up by Argentina, which throughout the conference had insisted that no mention be made specifically of aggression from off the continent. Argentina's emphasis of this point was regarded as a reflection of her fear that the United States some day might turn aggressor.

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Cheerless Yuletide Sure for 'The Gimp' After Conviction

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 23. (AP)—It will be a cheerless Yuletide for Martin (The Gimp) Snyder, who managed Ruth Etting in the lush years when she made a half million dollars as a radio singer, for a jury convicted him Thursday of attempting to murder his successor as her husband, Myrl Alderman.

The conviction carries a penalty up to 20 years in prison.

It took the jury almost 48 hours to dispose of the five counts in the complaint. Snyder was found innocent of attempting to murder Miss Etting, and innocent of attempting to kill his 21-year-old daughter, Edith, by his first marriage. The jury also decided Snyder was innocent of violating a state law pertaining to possession of firearms on which serial numbers are defaced.

An appeal will be argued next Tuesday when Snyder comes up for sentence.

Insurgents Break Through Lines of Foes Along Front

ZARAGOZA, Spain, Dec. 23. (AP)—The insurgent high command announced the government's front in Catalonia, northeastern Spain, had been broken in four places by the first onslaughts of a new insurgent offensive.

For a month reports from both sides of the Spanish civil war have described insurgent preparations for a major offensive by which Generalissimo Franco hopes to end the conflict, now in its thirtieth month.

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14 Persons Injured In Bus-Auto Accident

AUSTIN, Dec. 23. (AP)—J. W. Gray, Dallas, died today of injuries suffered in a highway accident near Kyle yesterday in which 14 persons were injured, five seriously. A bus and three automobiles were involved in the crash.

AUSTIN, Dec. 23. (AP)—Fourteen persons were injured, at least two seriously, in a bus-auto accident on the San Antonio highway, four miles north of Kyle, Thursday.

Most seriously injured were Mrs. W. H. Bennett of Fairbairns, driver of one of four passenger cars involved in the accident, and Henry M. Bennett of Lamesa, a passenger in Mrs. Bennett's car.

The southbound bus, topping a hill, came upon the cars tangled in a wreck. The driver attempted to swerve the vehicle to avoid a second mishap but the heavy bus slithered onto a soft shoulder and overturned.

Bus passengers treated for injuries at San Marcos were Miss Rena Campbell, 20, of Taft; Miss Anna Onyschek of New Braunfels and J. R. Riddle of San Antonio.

Passengers in the Bennett car who suffered slight injuries were Nina and Ina Bennett, 20, twin sisters, of Lamesa; Louis Bennett of Fairbairns, Mrs. Bennett's daughter, and Ronald Graham of McAllen. All are Baylor University students.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Frost of Colorado City, riding in a second passenger car, suffered wrenched backs.

J. W. Gray of Dallas, Helen Johnson of San Antonio and a woman tentatively identified as a Mrs. Greathouse of San Antonio were brought to Austin hospitals. The extent of their injuries was not known immediately.

CC OFFICIALS HERE. Visitors at the local chamber of commerce office this morning included Ben Smith, manager of the Pecca chamber of commerce, A. G. Bearden, manager of the Lamesa chamber of commerce, and L. C. English, manager of the Odessa chamber of commerce.

Answer to Welles Is Formulated

Officials Await Next Move After Apology Refused

BERLIN, Dec. 23. (AP)—Nazi-controlled newspapers ridiculed President Roosevelt today as German officialdom awaited word from Chancellor Hitler as to the next move regarding German-American tension arising from Secretary of Interior Ickes' anti-dictatorship speech.

The press was apparently instructed to mark time on the Ickes affair until the government had time to formulate a stand following a firm rebuff on its request for an official apology from Secretary Ickes' remarks.

As a result attacks on Ickes gave way to expressions of scorn for the president because he received a medal awarded by the American Hebrew magazine.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23. (AP)—The United States, adopting the stiffest language used toward Germany since World War days, emphatically refused to apologize for Secretary Ickes' recent denunciation of the Nazi regime and warned that such attacks could neither be prevented nor restrained.

Sumner Welles, acting secretary of state, told the German charge d'affaires that recent policy in the Reich had shocked American public opinion more profoundly than anything in many decades and that indignation as expressed by Ickes at Cleveland last Sunday represented the feeling of the overwhelming majority of the people of this country.

His warning was delivered in a point blank refusal to accept Germany's protest against Ickes' speech. The protest was delivered verbally yesterday by the charge d'affaires, Dr. Hans Thomsen, who requested an official expression of regret.

Pittman Comes Out. Ickes had declared that Germany's persecution of Jews carried that nation back to a "period of history when man was unlettered, benighted and bestial."

About the time of the Welles pronouncement, Senator Pittman (D-Nev.) issued a formal statement declaring that the American people "do not like" the German or Japanese governments and have the "right and power to enforce morality and justice" in accordance with peace treaties.

Although Pittman is chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, he asserted that he was not speaking in that capacity, but was making a personal utterance which he hoped would be "beneficial as a frank statement of facts." His statement follows:

"1. The people of the United States do not like the government of Japan.

"2. The people of the United States do not like the government of Germany.

"3. The people of the United States, in my opinion, are against any form of dictatorial government, Communist or Fascist.

"4. The people of the United States have the right and power to enforce morality and justice in accordance with the peace treaties with us. And they will. Our government does not have to use military force and will not unless necessary."

At the State Department, there was no comment on Pittman's statement.

Casts Aside Diplomacy. Welles, in his conversation with Thomsen, cast aside the kidglove verbiage of diplomacy. His words emphasized anew the strained relations which already have resulted in withdrawal of ambassadors by both countries.

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Nazis Borrow U. S. Gangland Technique

There is a reason for everything in this world, and if you want to understand why the Hitler government is cracking down so hard on the Jews you might consider the economic crisis that is developing so fast in Germany.

During 1938, according to a recent United Press dispatch, new loans amounting to some \$3,200,000,000 were floated, bringing the nation's total indebtedness up to \$20,000,000,000. This is almost entirely an internal debt—money owned by the German government to the German people.

Such figures make dry reading, but they are the only background against which the recent pogroms can be understood.

For the essential fact about this wave of anti-Jewish savagery is that it is a financial measure. The technique perfected by Machine Gun Kelly and Ace Bailey is being used cold-bloodedly by the German government.

First, there is the "fine" that is being collected from Germany's Jews. The first installment of this \$400,000,000 is going into the Reich's treasury now, and more will follow.

Hand in hand with this goes the rest of the restrictive program by which the Jews are to be mulcted of their last pennies.

All free professions are now closed to Jews. By the end of the year the retail trade will be closed to Jews. Jews must sell all their investments in industry and real estate. They cannot get ordinary jobs because, as Jews, they cannot obtain the needed labor passes.

The ultimate effect of this is tragically obvious. German Jews are barred either from earning a living or from making their capital work for them. They must live on their savings, and things are fixed so that their savings will vanish rapidly. It has been estimated that German Jews when the pogrom began owned property worth from 12 to 20 billions of marks. All of this is to be pumped into the leaky financial basket of the Reich.

When it is gone, what happens? Then a German Jew must either emigrate, receive support from Jews abroad—or die. If he emigrates, the government sees to it that a species of ransom is first paid. If he gets help from abroad, the money is simply pumped into the German trade stream. Only if he dies does he cease to be a source of cash to his oppressors.

Reviewing all of this, one can see that the whole scheme is nothing but a gigantic money-raising racket. The technique of American gangdom has been made a fundamental policy of a great nation. Those precious lads whom we keep locked up in Alcatraz apparently had the bad luck to be born in the wrong country.

SO THEY SAY

Penny Wise and Pound Foolish

The man who builds a home today must assume some of the blame if he is guided by a penny wise and pound foolish policy in the selection and purchase of his materials and is subsequently confronted with large repair and maintenance bills. Home builders cannot neglect consideration of any of the fundamental requirements of a good home without paying a heavy penalty in the years to come.

Good construction must start with the foundation, which must be adequate to sustain the weight of the building without settling. The frame of the building must be substantial. It is to the home what the skeleton is to the human body. Especial care should be exercised in the purchase of the lumber used in a home. IT MUST be properly dried and of uniform size.

Unfortunately, to many people, all lumber is just lumber. The average person, inexperienced in the purchase of this commodity, probably would not be able to tell properly seasoned or dried lumber from lumber containing an excessive amount of moisture. Nor could they tell whether or not lumber was less than standard size unless the difference is great.

One might purchase "green" or "wet" lumber at what seems to be a substantial saving, which appears to be just as good as any other lumber, and not discover his mistake until several years later when the plaster cracks, the floors sag and squeak and the doors and windows stick. By that time the party, from whom the lumber was purchased, has faded into oblivion. The small saving that seemed so gratifying at the time of purchase will then be expended many times over for necessary repairs.

Because of his inexperience in the purchase of lumber and his inability to differentiate between good and poor lumber, the home builder should welcome an opportunity to put this responsibility on a known contractor and established lumber dealer.

These men know the standard specifications for lumber which require careful manufacturing, proper seasoning and expert grading. Responsible manufacturers carry out these requirements and the owner and contractor can obtain this material from any responsible dealer—a dealer who stakes his reputation on the quality of the materials he sells and who has the interests of the people of the community at heart.

JOHN T. FLYNN

By JOHN T. FLYNN
NEA Service Special Correspondent.

A body known as the Social Security Advisory Council is reported ready with some recommendations about the old age contributory pensions system.

The session of Congress nears. And when the lawmakers sit down with the nation's troubles, old age pensions are going to be among the first to be considered.

It is a very serious moment for those genuinely concerned about the problem of the aged.

How to care for those who become too old to be useful in our highly geared industrial system is a delicate and difficult problem. It calls for the utmost exertion of whatever informed, expert experience there is.

This is an insurance problem. And there are men who know a good deal about that and about social security in this country.

The whole subject, however, has fallen into the hands of politicians.

Men and women over 65 have votes. And everywhere politicians are playing with this problem to get the votes of the aged.

If ever there was what Mr. Hoover called a case of "playing with human misery," this is one.

A FINANCIAL FOOTBALL

It must be conceded this is a difficult problem to the administration. It may be forced to make

1939 Political Show



The Town Quack

On New Year's Day we will publish Babson's annual forecast of the approaching twelve months. Beginning with 1933, he has issued 81 business forecasts, hit 67 times and missed 14. His 1938 score was 83 per cent, his 1937 score 85, his 1936 score 90 and his 1935 score 92. Just to give you a little insight into his 1939 forecast, if he hits this time everything is going to be all right, because Babson is optimistic.

Some forecasters start out to be optimistic but turn out by being bullish. But Roger W. Babson bases his forecasts on something definite and will make definite, unheeded predictions covering wages, jobs, living costs, retail trade and securities.

Many will go to the Rose Bowl, still more from this section to the Sugar Bowl, quite a few to the Cotton Bowl, but a well known lobby habitue said yesterday he will hold himself out for the Tom and Jerry Bowl. He went in last Saturday but will be ready again for Christmas week.

Blaming Wall Street, Coster Would Clear Brothers of Guilt

NEW YORK, Dec. 23. (AP)—F. Donald Coster-Musica's explanation of the scandal involving his firm—a half-incoherent denunciation of Wall Street, a substantial admission of his own culpability and exculpation of his brothers—was made public as the government began an investigation of men who had profited by knowledge of the master swindler's past rarer as Philip Musica.

It was in a letter that Coster-Musica told his side of the story—a strange posthumous apology written last Thursday night when he decided to end by suicide his long masquerade. It was addressed to Samuel Reich, the promoter's attorney, and released by him.

Admitted Betrayal

Coster-Musica admitted having betrayed some of those who had trusted him. At another point he wrote in a shaky hand: "As God is my judge I am the victim of Wall Street plunder and blackmail in a struggle for honest existence."

Government attorneys were not impressed, Assistant Attorney General Brien McMahon remarking in Washington that "Our information definitely indicates that the surviving brothers are more culpable than he would lead us to believe."

Acting U. S. Attorney Gregory Noonan asserted here at least eight persons made money in one way or another through knowledge of Coster-Musica's old secret—that he was once Convict Philip Musica.

Has More Evidence

Noonan asserted the government had evidence Coster-Musica had been in a conspiracy to violate the law covering sale of arms to foreign countries and had violated the alcohol tax laws.

On the \$18,000,000 overstatement of assets in his drug company, McKesson & Robbins, Inc., charged to him, he was direct and positive.

"McKesson," he wrote, "should

November Proves to Be 'Banner' Month For Traffic Safety

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—Texas scored its banner safety month in November when the lives of 33 pedestrians and motorists were saved, compared with the records of the corresponding month of 1937.

State police said the record shattering figures, which showed that 137 persons were killed in traffic crashes last month, made "wrong guessers" out of safety statisticians who had predicted a toll of 165 for that foobal-fanned period. Safety Director Homer Garrison, Jr., referred to the sharp decrease as "the greatest encouragement state officers have had in many months."

Faced with the prospect of unfavorable weather, heavily trafficked roads and shortened periods of clear visibility highway patrolmen, Director Garrison said, strengthened their vigilance along death "corridors" in November and worked many extra hours in their efforts to deter speeding and reckless motorists. Even the Thanksgiving holiday death record was halved, he said.

With 35 pedestrian deaths listed on the November crash reports—19 less than that month last year—

have been in receivership in 1930 and again in 1932 if its profits had not been bolstered in a frantic effort to save the company—and the alleged "millions" lost are simply "profits" to save the company from the hands of the bondholders and afford a dividend at least to the preferred stock in the hands of innocent stockholders that were not getting salaries for the rottenest kind of management."

The word caterpillar, translated literally, means "hairy cat."

Business Activity Now Well Above Levels of Last Year

Financial Writer Cites Ways to Help Out Business in 1939; Links Religion With Economic Phases of Government, Business

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- ROGER BABSON'S EIGHT RESOLUTIONS FOR 1939
1. LABOR: Resolved, that the Wagner Act be amended to give employer and worker equal protection.
2. TAXES: Resolved, that the Tax Laws be changed to encourage initiative and to penalize "riskless" investing.
3. SOCIAL SECURITY: Resolved, that the Social Security Act be put on a pay-as-you-go basis.
4. RAILROADS: Resolved, that the Railroads be given a free hand to get back on their own feet.
5. UTILITIES: Resolved, that the TVA play fair and deal justly in its great undertaking.
6. CONGRESS: Resolved, that "Reform Legislation" be shelved for 1939 at least.
7. DEFENSE: Resolved, that Armaments be expanded without forgetting that peace comes only as the causes of war are eliminated.
8. RELIGION: Resolved, that the Christmas Spirit be extended and applied throughout 1939.

BRUNSWICK, Ga., Dec. 23.—Few people this week-end are thinking about their jobs, professions, or businesses. For two or three brief days the thoughts and cares of this troubled world are being forgotten. I have no intention of breaking into these hallowed hours by emphasizing the problems facing our country today. Rather, let me give readers two cheerful facts about current business as an introduction to eight resolutions for the coming year.

The two cheerful facts concern the activity and trend of business at this Christmas Season:

- 1. ACTIVITY: General business is today 18 per cent better than it was last Christmas. Early reports show that Holiday trade has practically equaled last season's big retail volume. Nearly every manufacturing industry is now busier than it was a year ago.
2. TREND: Last year, general business was rushed downhill like a runaway freight train. Six months of lay-offs and hard times faced us. Today, business is swinging vigorously upward and a year of good activity lies ahead.

HAPPY CONTRAST

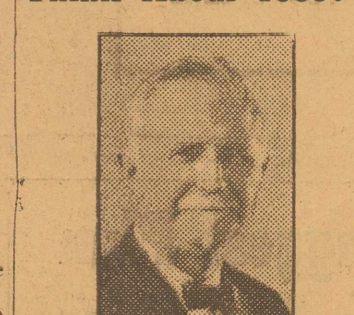
The contrast between this Christmas and last could not be more complete. Confidence in the future is returning. People this year are not worried that a new and bigger depression lies over the threshold of the New Year. Few expect a boom, but no one expects a crash. Nevertheless, big problems face us in 1939. We must solve them before we can have lasting prosperity for all. Moreover, these problems can be worked out only through the cooperation of everyone—employer and worker, Republican and Democrat, Jew and Gentile. Here is a list of our major problems. Their solution should be made a national code of New Year "resolutions" in which everyone can take part.

- 1. THE WAGNER ACT should be amended. Employers must be given the same protection as workers. We cannot expect to have employment increase materially if this Act is not modified. Unless everyone urges his Congressman and Senators to push such an amendment, however, the Act can not be changed.
2. OUR TAX LAWS should be modified. Uncle Sam must give back the profit incentive to businessmen and investors. New government bonds should be taxed and public employee tax laws to which other individuals are subject. Moreover, immediate steps toward budget-balancing must be taken.
3. THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT should be put on a "pay-as-you-go" basis. The current method of building up a gigantic reserve fund can lead only to inflation and ultimate disaster. Yet, I see little hope for such a change in this law in 1939.
4. THE RAILROADS should be given a free hand. Let them cut expenses, change rates, eliminate

the safety director declared that the education of those who walk on streets and highways is the most likely way to make headway in pedestrian safety work.

"With nearly 40 pedestrians killed each month in Texas," Director Garrison said, "there is every need for increased vigilance on their part. Motorists, contrary to many opinions, are not often at fault when a pedestrian is struck down by a vehicle."

What Does Babson Think About 1939?



Every worker, merchant, salesman, and investor is waiting to read what Babson thinks business will do in 1939?

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world is a rebirth of unselfishness. Until we get this, I see no hope of lasting prosperity. This resolution is not something that can be legalized. It is something that starts within the hearts of each of us!



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Ranch Home Is Scene of Christmas Parties for Edelweiss, 1928 Clubs

Two important social affairs of the week were given at the palatial Circle Cross Ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Parks. On Tuesday Mrs. Parks entertained with a Christmas party for the Edelweiss club and on Thursday she was hostess to the 1928 club, also with a Christmas party.

A Christmas tree, adorned with silver, blue, and red ornaments dominated house decorations and set the keynote for party appointments. Gifts were exchanged by club members.

Bridge games supplied recreation during the afternoon, with poinsettia tallies and prizes of poinsettia plants carrying out the seasonal theme.

Refreshments were served from a table covered with Venetian lace, with a centerpiece of blue and silver, where figures of the Wise Men and the Baby Jesus were ranged about the base of crystal candelabra in which burned blue tapers. An unguine white Christmas tree, the base of which was a music box, was a special feature of the table decorations. The music box played "Silent Night, Holy Night" during the refreshment period. The large punchbowl was in silver and other table service in silver and crystal.

Guest list for the Edelweiss party included: Members, Mmes. Clyde Cowden, W. Bryant, Ellis Cowden, John Dublin, J. R. Martin, Hayden Miles, Tom Nance, Hal Peck, Foy Proctor, W. W. LaForce, Mayme Stokes, A. P. Shirey, J. M. Speed Sr., Henry Wolcott; guests, Mrs. Robert Stalcup of Dalhart and Mrs. Fred Cowden.

Mrs. A. P. Shirey was presented with prize for high score and Mrs. Miles with prize for second high. For the 1928 club party, members present beside the hostess were: Mmes. J. M. Caldwell, Elliott Cow-

Bride-Elect Is Honoree at Dinner Party Thursday

Miss Vera Stephens, who is to become the bride of Frank Dunlop Jr. of Odessa on December 31, was honored by a group of coworkers of Wadley's department store with a dinner at the Log Cabin Thursday evening.

Tables were appointed in Christmas colors and barbecued steaks and Mexican dinners were served.

Miss Stephens was presented with a gift of glassware from store employees and with a down comforter from Addison Wadley, proprietor.

Present were: The honoree, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Blalock, Mr. and Mrs. Lenton Brunson, Mrs. Margaret Holmesley, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hoskins, Mrs. Ruth Ramsel, Mrs. Willie Stell Oliver, Mrs. Bertha Kennedy, Tom Grammer, Mrs. Dona Dunagan, Mrs. Louise Pope, Mrs. Lucille Westermann, Mrs. Louie Harris, Miss Martha Tidmore, Mrs. Jack Cecil, Miss Marian Cantelou, Mrs. Ira Pratt.

Dance for High School Crowd Continues Christmas Festivities of Younger Set

In a setting of Yule decorations at the Country Club Thursday evening, Kathryn Jordan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jordan, Helen Armstrong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Armstrong, and Joe Conkling, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Conkling, entertained with a Christmas dance for the high school crowd.

Parents of the young hosts assisted them as chaperones. Dancing was to the music of the nickelodeon.

Punch was served in the club dining room.

As a climaxing feature of the evening, serpentine was distributed to the young people and added hilarity to the fun of the occasion.

The invitation list included: Jane Hill, Catherine Blair, Mary Lou Hoskins, Marjorie Ann Monaghan, Margaret Ann West, Jean Ann Cowden, Mary Helen Walker, Lady Rankin, Doris Jean Shockley, Louise Cox, Marjorie Jordan, Mary Jane Harper, Jean Lewis, Frances Ellen Link, Marilyn Sidwell, Nancy LaForce, Doris Lynn Pemberton, Eula Ann Tolbert, Emily Jane Lamar, Hilda Vogel, Kathleen Collins, Melba Schlessler, Patricia Stephens, Patty Griswold, Elbert Leggett, Billy Kimbrough, Spencer Collins, Bill Summy, Joe Haygood, Hugh Corrigan, Payton Andersen, Paul Anderson, J. M. White Jr., Kenneth Williams, Jack Sappington, Marvin Park, Frank Wade Arrington, Mann Rankin, Bobby York, Cedric Ferguson, Bill Ferguson, Edward Culbertson, Odie Kelly, Charles Kelly, Bob Preston, Steve Stookey, Jim Turpin, James Mims, Roy Parks Jr., Jimmie Harper, Tommie Walsh, Marion Flint, Billy Wyche, Roger Sidwell, Billie Barron, Billie McGrew, E. J. Ragsdale, Foster Hedrick, Alfred Vogel.

Over 90 Million Paid Investors by the Federal Home Loan Bank Board Officials

WASHINGTON.—By the end of 1938, Federal savings and loan associations, during their first five years of existence, will have paid more than \$90,000,000 in total dividends to their investors, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board announced today. The figure is based on dividends actually paid up to the end of 1937 and the amount estimated to be distributed for the past twelve months. These nationally-chartered mutual thrift and home-finance institutions were authorized by Congress in 1933.

Of this cumulative amount, about \$70,000,000 represents earnings on the funds of individual savers and investors and \$20,000,000 paid or payable to the Government on its investments in about 1100 of these associations, had chiefly in the 1934-1936 period to expand local home lending. For the year 1938 the total dividends of the institutions are expected to be about \$31,700,000.

On November 30, the U. S. Treasury and the Home Owners' Loan Corporation had \$219,000,000 invested in these institutions. More than 1,100,000 private investors held nearly \$850,000,000.

During 1938 there was a net decrease in the number of Federal associations newly organized since the passage of the enabling Act, largely due to mergers, but the number of old-established state-chartered associations that have converted to Federal charter is constantly increasing.

These privately owned but Federally supervised associations continued to make marked progress during 1938—both in providing safe and attractive investments for millions of Americans and in making home loans in their communities. During the first ten months of 1938, analysis of monthly reports from identical institutions showed an average gain of nearly 1.5 per cent a month in the total of their investments from the public, equivalent to a rate of 19.4 per cent growth in capital per year.

Federal associations made long-term home loans totaling \$238,000,000 during the same months. Of this, 41 per cent was for the construction and repair of dwellings, 28 per cent for the purchase of existing houses, 22 per cent for refinancing present mortgages, and 9 per cent for other purposes. October loans by Federal associations were 8 per cent greater than in the same month of 1937. For the entire year it is estimated that loans by these institutions will exceed \$200,000,000.

Besides being a gathering place for the regular savings of individuals, and surpluses of business

houses, in many states Federal associations have become repositories of other investment funds when permitted by local law. These include funds of insurance companies, guardians, trustees, estates and others.

The Florida legislature recently authorized investment of city, county and school district funds in institutions that are members of the Federal Home Loan Bank System, membership in which is mandatory for Federal associations.

A law recently enacted in Pennsylvania permits the investment of state insurance, school and pension funds, sinking funds and many similar monies in Federal institutions located within the state, and state associations whose accounts are also insured up to \$5000 by the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation. In a recent token ceremony the Governor of Pennsylvania turned over checks for \$5000 each to three associations in Philadelphia. He pointed out the benefits of such investments in increasing the volume of local home-loan credit and providing an added source of income for state funds.

Spades are the worst suit of cards in the deck as used in fortune telling. They denote treachery, disappointment, ill luck, and even death.

T. E. L. Class Has Annual Christmas Party Thursday

Mrs. W. W. Wimberly, who each year is hostess to the T. E. L. class of the Baptist church with a Christmas party, entertained the group in traditional manner at her home, 617 W. Texas, Thursday afternoon.

House decorations were in keeping with the season. Blue paper sprinkled with silver stars backed the fireplace. Across the mantel hung 20 cellophane stockings in various colors. These were filled with candy, fruits, and such Christmas treats, and topped with flowers.

A Christmas tree made the party rooms even gayer with its array of color and glitter. A holiday party plate was served.

Visitors were Mrs. Fred Middleton, Mrs. Langford, and Mrs. Slaughter.

Class members present were: Mmes. Brooks Pemberton, F. Lord, D. W. Brunson, Martha Holloway, J. H. Barron, J. G. Arnett, Mary Quinn, T. O. Midkiff, P. C. Ratcliff, Hudson, Miller, J. H. Williamson, and the hostess.

Rural Schools

Christmas holidays began Thursday for Warfield school, following a Christmas program Wednesday night, Dec. 21, at which Santa Claus arrived with his pack. Classes will be resumed January 2.

Recent visitors to school have been: Rev. J. E. Pickering, pastor of the First Christian church, Midland, who presented an interesting pre-Christmas address, Judge E. H. Barron, Mrs. W. M. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Bill McKandless, and Alton Easterwood of Odessa.

Many Warfield citizens are planning on taking advantage of the holidays by visiting friends and relatives elsewhere. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Smith and son, Bronson, will visit relatives in East Texas. Misses Pearl Wilson and Retha Mae True-love will visit a few days in Jalisco, N. M.

Marvin Bryant will visit friends in Coleman, Texas. Miss Birdie Lee Robertson will leave today for Albuquerque, N. M., to visit her brother, Lowery Robertson and family.

GO TO DALLAS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hudman and daughter Lou Nell, left this morning for Dallas where they will visit relatives during the Christmas weekend.

L. W. (Dub) Harris left Thursday night, returning to school at State Teachers' college, Conway, Ark., after a visit with his mother, Mrs. Luell Harris, here. He is one of the Arkansas school's football men.

PERSONALS

Earl Van Huss of Galveston is here to spend the holidays with relatives.

George O'Brien was here yesterday from his Ward county ranch.

Try those delicious Mexican foods at El Campo Cafe. (Adv.)

Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Spiers and son, Bill, are here from Lovington to spend Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Young Lee have arrived for the holidays. They live on the Parks ranch south of Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Reynolds and small son are here from Kent where he is running a sheep ranch. They will visit relatives during Christmas.

Mrs. Robert O'Connor is returning today to her home at South Pasadena, Calif., after having attended the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Harry A. Anderson, recently. Mr. Anderson will go with her to South Pasadena for the holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. Tom C. Bobo and daughter, Betty, left today for a brief Christmas visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. McKague, at Gainesville.

W. W. Lackey, superintendent of the city schools, will spend the Christmas week end at Ft. Worth, meeting his sisters, Miss Nora Lackey and Mrs. A. B. Duckworth of Ft. Worth, Mrs. R. F. Stokes of San Antonio, his brothers, C. S. Lackey of Dallas and T. E. Lackey of Durant, Okla. He will attend the Cotton Bowl football game at Dallas before returning here.

Cecil Yaden, former Midland oil man, was here yesterday from Portales, on a business trip. He will spend the Christmas holidays at Children's in the home of Mrs. Yaden's relatives.

They are different—and better—the Mexican Foods at El Campo Cafe. (Adv.)

Tommy Walsh, student at Country Day school, Dallas, has arrived for a holiday visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Walsh.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. King are leaving today for Wichita Falls to spend Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Sauer and daughter, Betty Jane, are visitors here from Stanton.

Norris Chesser and Joe Bell of Stanton are in town today.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Talkington of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Fowler of Big Spring have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Fowler.

Rev. J. E. Pickering of the First Christian church will leave Sunday, after the morning services, for Mississippi where he will visit his mother who is ill.

Mrs. J. M. Armstrong will have as her guests for Christmas her mother, Mrs. Mary Galbraith of Seymour, Indiana, and her brother, T. J. Galbraith of Houston. The visitors will arrive Saturday.

Buddy Ramsel is here from A&M college, visiting his mother, Mrs. Ruth Ramsel.

Mrs. W. W. Elland, Mrs. Guy Elland, and Mrs. Florence Smith were here from Stanton Thursday afternoon.

MIND YOUR MANNERS

T. M. Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.

Test your knowledge of correct social usage by answering the following questions, then checking against the authoritative answers below:

1. Is it good manners to stir coffee long and vigorously?
2. Should one lean an elbow on the table while eating with the other hand?
3. Should one who is eating put his napkin to his mouth before taking a sip of water?

4. When one is eating in a crowded restaurant alone and another person asks permission to sit at the same table, how should he be answered?

5. If a restaurant meal is Dutch treat, should one feel free to criticize the food?

What would you do if—
You have lunch with an acquaintance, expecting it to be Dutch treat, and she insists on paying—
(a) Let her, and you pay next time?
(b) Make an issue of it?
(c) Try to slip the money in her bag?

- Answers
1. No.
 2. No.
 3. Yes—to avoid leaving a ring-lution—(a).



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MERRY CHRISTMAS, SON!

JUST LOOK AT ALL THE PRESENTS SANTA LEFT YOU!

GEE, THEY'RE GREAT... BUT, HONESTLY, I DON'T NEED THEM ALL! I WISH I KNEW WHERE THAT LITTLE GIRL I MET IN THE TOYSHOP LIVES.

WHY... I KNOW! I HEARD HER GIVE HER NAME AND ADDRESS TO SANTA.

OH, SWELL! LET'S LOAD A LOT OF PRESENTS INTO OUR CAR AND TAKE THEM TO HER!

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Written by students of John M. Cowden Junior High School, under direction of Miss Louise Latham

THE REAL MEANING OF CHRISTMAS.

(By Nancy La Force)

Christmas Day is the day on which Christ was born. Every year since His birth, December 25th has been celebrated as His birthday. Many are forgetting though that it should be kept as a holy day and not for the sole purpose of receiving and giving presents.

Christmas is the time for all those of Christian faith to meditate upon the great sacrifice paid by our Savior that the might live in a Christian world. It was He who set the example of faith, good will, and peace among men. Today the world needs His teaching more than ever. No doubt if the peoples of the earth could realize at this time the true meaning of this glorious day, the coming year would find a more prosperous and contented world.

THE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM.

We do hope that all who saw our Christmas Program enjoyed it. Not only did it express a beautiful interpretation of Christmas, but it showed capable work and untiring effort on the part of the students and the directors.

Just one hundred boys and girls had been climbing out of bed about thirty minutes earlier every morning, getting to school at eight o'clock for practice.

Planning this Cantata brought about the assembling of a remarkably good boys' choir. Too, our music director discovered some lovely solo voices among the girls. We are proud of the talent in our Junior High School, and always appreciate the presence of the public at our programs.

CHRISTMAS PLANS.

Last week it was in the air, and now it's here. Christmas Spirit! You never heard of so many wild ideas on how to spend Xmas. You overheard plots and plans from a bull-moose hunt in Canada to a swim in the Gulf of Mexico. And it was hard to tell who was in the biggest hurry. Time marches on so they say, but to us, it slowed down to a slow trot Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Aside from the travelers in our midst the stay-at-homes are going to have just as much fun. What is more thrilling than a loaded, sparkling Xmas tree, or a bulging stocking, and a stuffed turkey, with all the goodies? What does it matter where we are? It's still Xmas! So, Merry Christmas, folks, from "us kids" in Junior High.

MR. PHILLIPS' PRESENT.

In order to show our appreciation to Mr. Phillips, the teachers and the student body decided to give him a Christmas gift. The gift was indeed a small one for all the good things and the help that he has given. There is hardly a student in

WHO.

Emma Harwell is a student in 7C. Not only is she known for her good work in school, but for her courage and her loyalty to her friends as well. She is a girl who can always be depended upon.

Last year she had an accident which left her badly crippled. But that didn't stop Emma; she came to school every day, even though she had to walk on crutches. And no one ever saw her frown or heard her complain. Because of her determination she has mastered the handicap and stands out among her fellow students as they term it "a swell person."

LAND MARKS.

The cemetery in Midland has a most unusual history. In most cities and towns, as we know, cemeteries are provided for by the city, some lodge, or maybe other organizations. But in our town, it was quite different. The original burial ground was a donated plot out near the old Midland College. It was established about 1864, being moved to the present location a few years later. At this time the women of Midland formed their Cemetery Association to care for and maintain the cemetery, then a plot of ten acres. Mrs. Youngblood was the first president. In order to have funds, each member of the association paid a fee of three dollars per year, while the city paid an annual twenty-five dollars. In a few years the space was increased to twenty-five acres, a donation by some worthy citizen. The fencing was the next step, and the association soon had the cost, \$1,000, by private donations. The first hearse was also bought this way. The old timers tell us also that a sexton was employed for twenty-five dollars per month. Various kinds of parties and suppers were given to raise money for the many expenses attached, for example, the planting of trees and shrubs. Some of the active workers in this cause were Mrs. O. B. Holt, Mrs. W. B. Elkin, Mrs. E. W. Cowden, and Mrs. Charley Goldsmith, Sr.

AN INDIAN STORY.

In later years the city government took over the responsibility and expense of maintaining the cemetery.

TRUE EXPERIENCES.

When I was only nine years old, we moved to Annadanco, Oklahoma, where my father worked for the railroad. Many Indians lived there, and we could speak English.

We had been there only three days when we had our first experience—a visit from a huge Indian buck who demanded a drink of whiskey from Daddy. Of course, he didn't get it, and became very angry, stalking away, looking like a wild man. I was quite frightened and expected him to return and scalp us, but he went to a small saloon nearby and I supposed managed to get the desired firewater.

A few days later came a new kind of experience with an Indian squaw. A little friend and I went across the river to look for the milk cow. We came upon a house and decided to see who lived in it. Imagine our surprise when a big old Indian squaw opened the door to our knock. But she could speak English even if she didn't order us away in a very angry tone.

"She told us not to enter her door then or ever, for it was only to carry dead people through. Then we were frightened almost to death, especially so when we looked and saw that we were standing between two graves. The squaw told us that they were the graves of her two children. Strange, but they were on each side of the door.

This wasn't enough, and she pointed to a long grave in the corner of the yard, telling us it was that of her mother who had died twenty years before. By this time she was a little more friendly and asked us into the house. She showed us some pretty things she had made. Then we saw the thing that made us really believe "once an Indian, always an Indian." There in the corner of the quite large room was a teepee in which she said she slept every night.

Sounds queer to be hearing Indian tales today, doesn't it? Well, mine is at least different. I still have my scalp.

NOTICE TO THE OWNERS OF PROPERTY ABUTTING UPON THE HEREIN BELOW MENTIONED PORTIONS OF STREETS, AVENUES AND ALLEYS, AND TO ALL OTHERS AFFECTED.

The Governing Body of the City of Midland, Texas, has heretofore ordered that the following portions of streets, avenues and alleys in the said City be improved by raising, grading, filling and paving, and by installing concrete curb and gutters, to wit:

Storey Avenue from the East Property Line of "D" Street to the West Property Line of Marienfeld Street, designated as Unit No. 116. TOTAL ESTIMATED COST: \$14,198.52.

Michigan Avenue from the West Property Line of "A" Street to the East Property Line of "D" Street, designated as Unit No. 117. TOTAL ESTIMATED COST: \$5,033.05.

The cost per front foot to be assessed against abutting property for curb and gutter is \$7.50, for other improvements \$1.25. The total cost to be assessed against abutting property and the owners thereof per front foot is \$2.30.

Contract for pavement of one of the following types:

- 7" Compacted Caliche Base with Asphaltic Concrete Wearing Surface.
- 7" Compacted Caliche Base with Rock Asphalt Wearing Surface.
- 4" Compacted Stabilized Soil Base with Asphaltic Concrete Wearing Surface.
- 4" Compacted Stabilized Soil Base with Rock Asphalt Wearing Surface.

has been made and entered into by the City of Midland, Texas, and rolls or statements showing the proposed amounts to be assessed against abutting property and the owners thereof have been filed with the City, such rolls or statements showing other matters and things, and have been approved, and the City Council of said City has fixed a time and place for hearing to the owners of property abutting upon said portions of streets, avenues and alleys, and to all others affected, at which hearing the amounts to be assessed against the respective parcels of abutting property and the owners thereof for improvements in the units upon which the particular parcels of property abut, the amounts of benefits to the respective parcels of property by means of the improvements in the unit upon which the particular property abuts, the regularity of the proceedings with reference to such improvements, the apportionment of the cost of such improvements, and other matters and things will be determined and after such hearing assessments will by ordinance be made and levied, and such hearing will be had and held by and before the City Council of the City of Midland, Texas, in the regular Council Room in the City Hall, in the City of Midland, Texas, on the 6th day of January, A. D. 1939, at 4 o'clock P. M. The rolls or statements showing the proposed amounts of such assessments are on file in the office of the City Secretary of the City of Midland and copies thereof in the said office are open to inspection of any interested parties at any time, and of all said matters and things all such owners of property, as well as any and all others in any wise affected or interested, will take due notice.

DONE BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, THIS 21st day of December, A. D. 1938.

J. C. Hudman, Secretary
City of Midland, Texas.
Dec. 23-26-Jan. 3

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CHRISTMAS THOUGHTS.

When you count your good fortunes this Christmas Tide, Stop and ask, "Does everyone have as much as I pride?" Besides your own warm fire each blustery night, Ask of thyself, "Have I helped as much as I might?" On Christmas Day when there's food to spare, Think again, and hear your conscience say, "Share."

When the season's merriment is at its peak, Please, a pause—just brief— Feel in your heart a kindred thought For a fellowman whose heart is laden with grief.

CHRISTMAS.

(By Charles Reader)

When the snow is all around, And in a blanket on the

6C ASSEMBLY PROGRAM.

Friday, December 16, the 6C class presented a program to the upstairs assembly. The numbers on the program were:

Piano solo, Peggie Anderson
Trombone solo, James Kerr
Dance, Marjorie Black
Saxophone solo, Billy Pander.

7A HAS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM MONDAY.

Nancy La Force was hostess to her room at a delightful party in her home Monday afternoon. Various out-door games were played after which delicious refreshments were served. At each place were unique and useful favors—pensstiffs and holders. Prizes were bottles of ink to go with the holders.

We all had a very good time, and want to thank both Nancy and her mother for such a lovely party.

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Each student in Junior High received a Christmas card from Mr.

weights 89 pounds.)

Mrs. Conner: "I'm planning to meet a big turkey with all the trimmings in Breckenridge, Texas."

Mr. Gilbreth: "No holiday excursion for us. We have to take care of the youngest Gilbreth and entertain guests."

Miss Alverson: "Sit up until midnight and sleep until noon."

Miss Price: "It's Paris for me. Not gay Paris and champagne, but good old Paris, Texas, and a big turkey."

Miss Hogue: "Nothing is ever nicer than Christmas holidays."

Miss Farnham: "No mon, no fun, can't roam, stay home."

Miss Lowry: "A change of scenery is all I ask."

Miss Latham: "Back to the 'cradle of Texas liberty,' but not to bed by taps nor up at reveille."

Mr. Freels: "Going to stay in Midland and look after my wells. May sell a load of steers if the market swells. Merry Christmas' to all, and to all a big turkey."

Mr. Kimbriel: "Headin' south myself. Going to make all the football

games if the Ford holds out."

Miss Smith: "I'm as thrilled as the kids. I'm looking forward to some late sleeping too."

Mrs. Tolbert: "Midland and its Christmas thrills suit me perfectly."

ground With sleds going down the streets

Accompanied by loud and childish shrieks. Everyone is happy when Santa comes around, Making his yearly visit to all the kids in town.

I wish everyone could hear just what I have to say. That whether you get gifts or not, should be happy on Christmas Day.

Because Christ, the redeemer of men, Was born at this time of year in Bethlehem.

So we should be glad this Christmas Day, Because God gave His only son to us on that Christmas Day.

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FOR SALE: Boston terrier puppies. See Bert Freeman at Safeway Store. (245-6)

FOR SALE: Fat hens, span of gentle work mules. One mile northwest of Pagoda Pool, W. A. Baumann. (247-3)

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Water Facilities Assured 3 Farmers

PORT WORTH. — Three West Texas farmers have been granted loans which make it possible for them to install water facilities on their farms to increase agricultural production and to aid in better use of the land, according to Louis P. Merrill, regional conservator for the Soil Conservation Service and C. M. Evans, regional director of the Farm Security Administration.

The loans have been granted by authority of the Water Facilities Act of 1937 which provides that funds may be made available for the construction of stock ponds, farm water storage reservoirs, wells, windmills, water spreaders and small irrigation systems.

The three loans announced are the first to be made to farmers in the arid and semi-arid sections of Texas. They were made to Rice G. Alvis of Haskell in Haskell County; Arthur Shepherd and Robert Barkley, both of Loraine in Mitchell County.

Mr. Alvis operates a 133-acre farm three miles west of Haskell. Under the terms of the loan the Soil Conservation Service will furnish materials and technical supervision required to install water storage facilities and a small garden irrigation system. Mr. Alvis will furnish a good galvanized steel tank, a used windmill and all labor required to install the water facilities on his farm. The system, when completed, will furnish the farm with approximately 700 gallons of water daily.

Under the terms of the loan, Mr. Alvis agrees to establish and follow a complete soil and water conservation program and a farm and home management plan developed by representatives of the Farm Security Administration and the Soil Conservation Service. These plans, in coordination, will provide better use of the land and make it possible for the farmer to produce most of the food and feed needed for the family and the farm livestock.

After technicians of the Soil Conservation Service have run the lines, Mr. Alvis will construct three miles of terraces to conserve moisture and protect cultivated fields from erosion. In conjunction with the terracing program, Mr. Alvis will use contour cultivations and strip crops for soil and water conservation.

Fifteen acres will be planted to sudan, 17 acres to small grain, 44 acres to sorghum, 5 acres to corn and 5 acres to peas, so that ample feed and temporary pasture will be provided to meet the needs of ten head of livestock on the farm. Sudan will be grazed during summer and fall months and small grain during the winter months. Pasture improvement plans are being developed so that rotated grazing can be followed and carrying capacity of pasture areas increased. No actual cash is being advanced to Mr. Alvis. His note covers the cost of materials being supplied by governmental agencies. He will repay the loan during a five-year period.

A loan made to Robert Barkley, who farms 80 acres located eight miles northwest of Loraine, will cover the installation of a windmill, a farm water storage reservoir and pipe to be used for irrigation of a one-acre vegetable garden. Productivity of the garden will be increased by the irrigation system to such an extent that Barkley will be able to raise most of the food supplies needed to support his family. He will follow a farm and home management program.

Under the terms of the loan Barkley will use conservation practices on his 68-acres of cultivated land and will practice pasture improvement and controlled grazing on 10 acres of pasture land.

Mr. Shepherd, who has an 80-acre farm near Loraine, has been granted a loan to be used for the construction and installation of a windmill and lower, farm water storage reservoir, tile for garden irrigation, well equipment and a stock pond.

The water facilities program in Texas is being applied through six projects that have been established in the watershed areas of six West Texas streams.

They are: Champton Creek and Lone Wolf Draws in Mitchell and Nolan Counties.

California Creek in Jones, Haskell, Fisher and Throckmorton Counties.

Mustang and Seminole Draws in Midland, Martin, Andrews and Gaines Counties and parts of Howard, Glasscock, Ector, Yoakum and Dawson Counties.

Rita-Blanca in Dallam and Hartley Counties.

Coldwater and Palo Duro in Dallam, Hartley, Sherman, Moore, Hansford, Hutchinson and Ochiltree Counties.

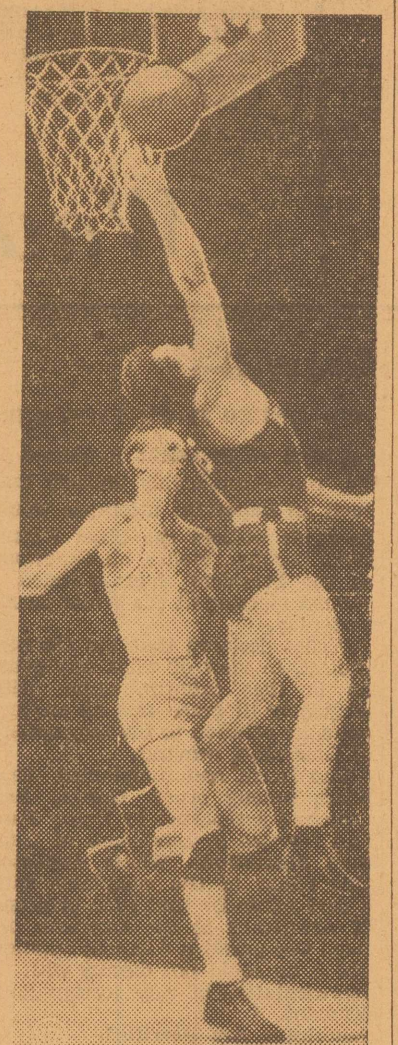
The Mustang Draw project is divided into two parts, coming under the supervision of Region 6 of the Soil Conservation Service with headquarters at Amarillo and part under the supervision of Region 4 with headquarters at Fort Worth. Rita-Blanca and Palo Duro projects are also supervised by Region 6.

The water facilities program is a cooperative enterprise of the Department of Agriculture being carried on jointly by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, the Farm Security Administration and the Soil Conservation Service.

General responsibility for the operations phase of the program is a function of the Soil Conservation Service while the Farm Security Administration has charge of financing farmers and assisting preparation of conservation and farm and home management plans.

The Bureau of Agricultural Economics is charged with the responsibility for general or over-all planning of water facilities programs in specified agricultural areas and is not concerned with specific plans for individual farms within these areas.

Nipped at Net



Up in the air goes Bob Voigts, guard and football tackle, for a lay-up shot in Madison Square Garden, only to be fouled by Bill McKeever of St. John's, who defeated Northwestern, 49-41.

Longhorns to Enter Tourney in Oklahoma

AUSTIN. — Christmas holidays will be brief for the University of Texas basketball squad. After a flying trip to their homes for a couple of days, the Longhorns will reassemble at Gregory gym Christmas morning to depart for Oklahoma City for a four-day tournament that Coach Jack Gray hopes will put them in trim for the Southwest Conference season starting early in January.

Twelve players, a manager, a trainer and Coach Gray will form the Steer contingent, which will travel by automobile. Since dividing an exciting series with the Kansas Jayhawks last week the Longhorns have had no letup. Their passing and ball-handling looked rough at times, compared to Kansas' smooth technique, and those fundamentals have been getting attention. Intra-squad scrimmage also has been stressed, to develop their spectacular fast-breaking type of attack.

Main weaknesses which showed up in the Kansas games, however,

was lack of accuracy on their short shots. Time and again they broke in for "crips" and near-cups, only to miss. A decided improvement has been noted in this important department, however, in recent scrimmages.

Coach Gray has indicated he may experiment with a slightly shuffled team in the Oklahoma City tournament. W. D. Hrupt, lowering sophomore center, has showed such rapid improvement that he may break into the first-string lineup. He has been alternating with Capt. Willie Tate at center, but he may appear at forward in the tournament.

A combination of Hrupt and Thurman Hull at forwards, Tate at center and Bobby Moers and Gran Spears at guards has worked well in scrimmage. Elmer Finley, Ches-

ter Granville and Tommy Nelms are weighed by avoirdupois weight are other possible starters. (7000 grains per pound), while gold is weighed by troy weight, 5760 grains per pound.

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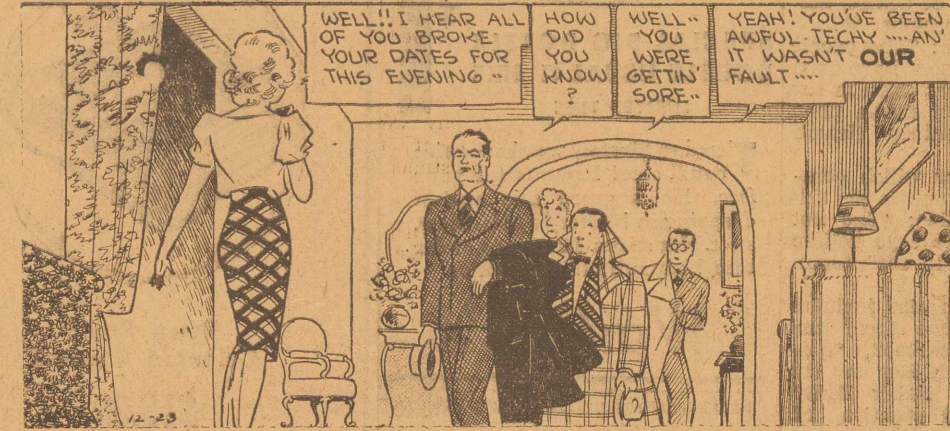
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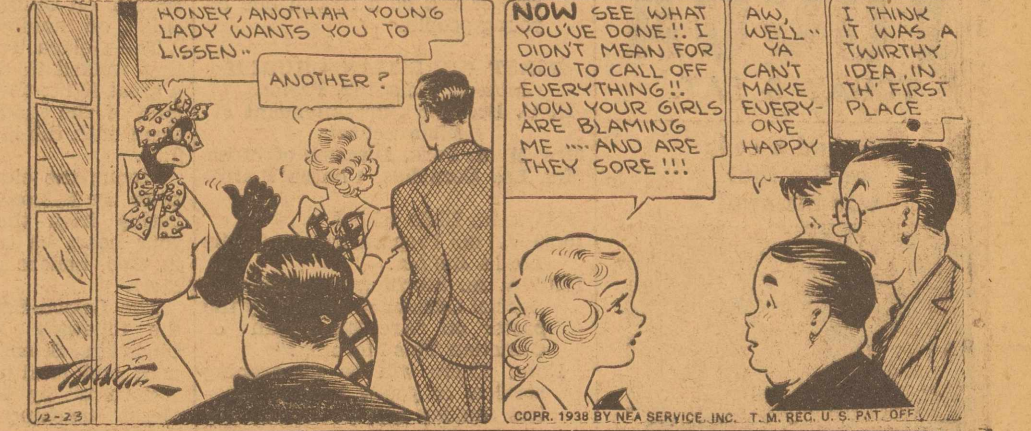
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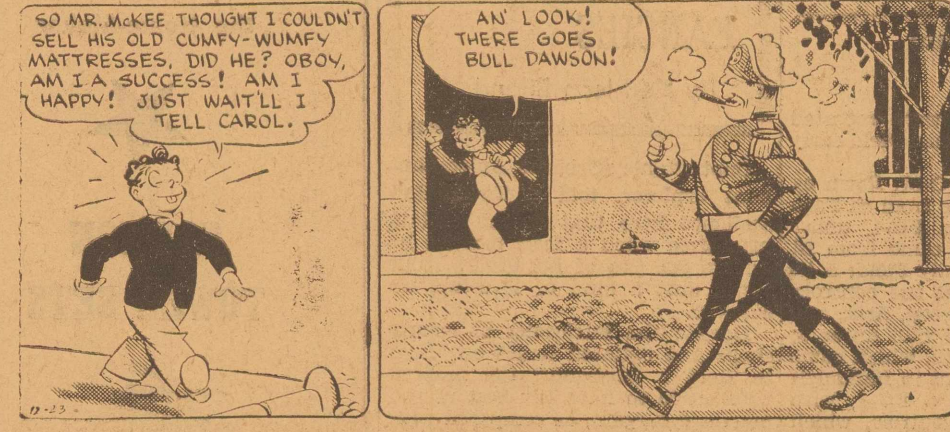
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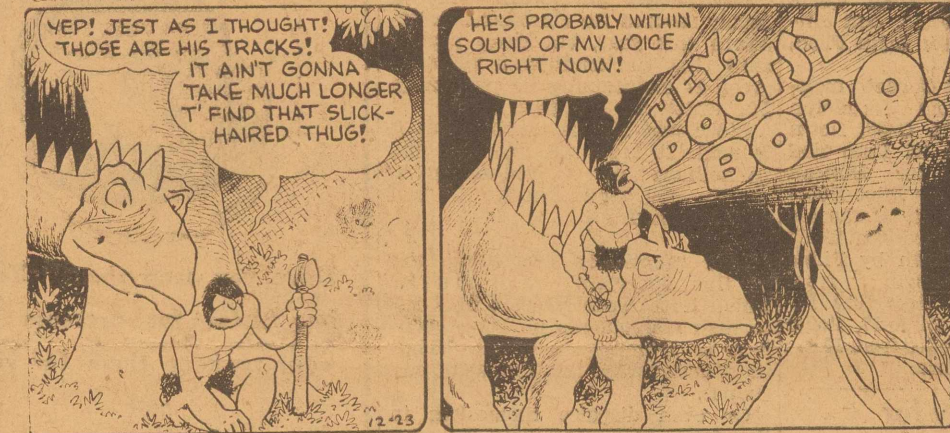
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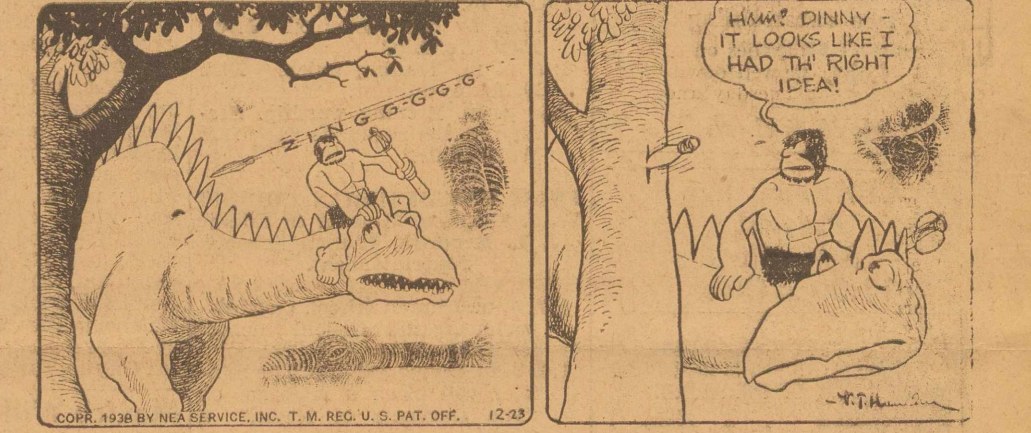
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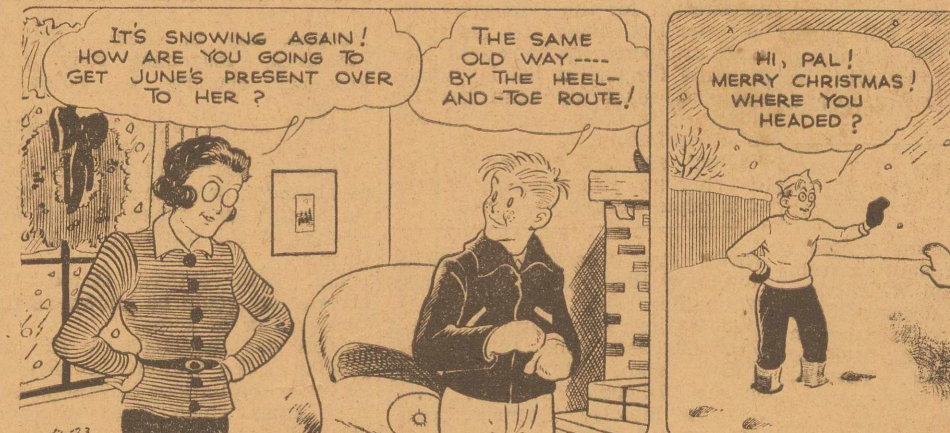
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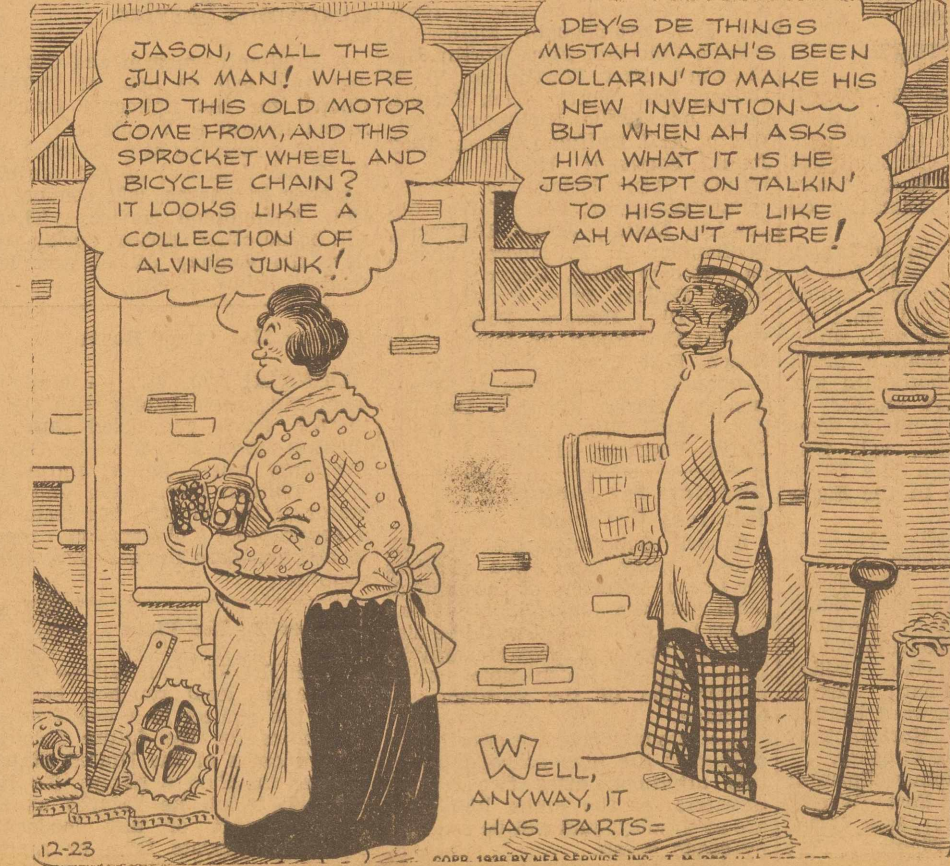
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By MERRILL BLOSSER



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MAJOR HOOPLE OUT OUR WAY



Henderson Man Dies In Auto Accident

NACOGDOCHES, Dec. 23. (AP).—Robert Rader, 37, chief engineer of the Texas-New Mexico pipeline company at Crane, died today of injuries suffered in an automobile accident which killed his companion, A. A. Wood. Their car overturned on a Henderson highway.

HENDERSON, Dec. 23. (AP).—A. A. Norwood, 34, was killed and Robert Rader, 37, was critically injured in an automobile accident four miles south of here on the Nacogdoches highway.

Norwood was a Henderson pipeline machinist. Rader is chief engineer for a pipeline company in the Crane oil field.

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9:45 a. m. Bible school.
10:00 a. m. Morning worship.
6:45 p. m. Young People's class.
7:30 p. m. Evening service.
2:00 p. m. Tuesday, Women's Bible class.
7:30 p. m. Wednesday, Prayer meeting.

SOUTH SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST
Corner of South Colorado and California Streets.
10 a. m. Song service.
10 a. m. Preaching.
5 p. m. Preaching.
Services will be held each Lord's Day.
5 p. m. Wednesday, Bible study.
The public is invited to attend.

HOLINESS TABERNACLE (Pentecostal)
Pastor O. W. Roberts.
10 a. m. Sunday school.
10 a. m. Preaching service.
30 p. m. Evening service.
45 p. m. Wednesday, Prayer meeting.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
T. H. Gaalman, Pastor.
Services are held every second and fourth Sunday.

LEAVES FOR KRESS
Raleigh S. Elliot left today for Kress to spend the holidays. He is assistant in the county agent's office in charge of pasture contouring range conservation.

Church Services

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
W. C. Hinds, Pastor.
9:45 a. m. Church school.
Adult classes will meet together in church auditorium to hear address by Judge Chas. L. Klapproth.
11:00 a. m. Morning worship. Sermon by the pastor on the subject, "The Coming of Christ."
Epworth League Services.
6:15 p. m. Intermediate department at the church.
6:15 p. m. Senior department at the annex.
7:00 p. m. Evening worship. Sermon by the pastor on the theme, "The Numbering of Our Days." The text for this will be the League benediction and the service will be a special one for young people.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
John E. Pickering, Pastor.
H. G. Bedford, Superintendent of Bible School.
Mrs. M. A. Park, Director of Music
Mrs. Lee Cornelius, Church Pianist
9:45 a. m. Bible school.
10:50 a. m. Preparation for the Lord's Supper.
11:00 a. m. Morning worship.
Special Christmas sermon by the pastor on "Are We Pagan or Christian This Morning?"
Note: There will be no evening services or young people's services Sunday and no church activities during the week, as the pastor will leave after the 11 o'clock service for Mississippi to visit his mother who is ill. He will be gone a week.

ST GEORGE'S CHURCH
John J. O'Connell, O. M. I. pastor
Christmas Eve: Confessions—3 p. m.—6 p. m. 7 p. m.—9 p. m.
Midnight—High Mass. Sermon in English.
1:30 a. m. Low Mass. Sermon in Spanish.
Christmas Day Masses: 4:00—6:00—10:00 a. m.
9:00 a. m. Children's Mass. Short sermon.
Benediction after 10:00 a. m. Mass.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
H. D. Bruce, Pastor.
9:45 a. m. Sunday school, Claude O. Crane, superintendent.
11:00 a. m. Morning worship. Sermon by the pastor on "Jesus' First Worship."
6:15 p. m. Training union. Dick Denham, director.
7:30 p. m. Evening worship. Sermon by the pastor on "The Life Worthwhile."

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
W. J. Coleman, Minister in Charge
J. L. Kendrick, Church School Superintendent.
9:45 a. m. Church school. Good departments and efficient teachers for every grade.
11:00 a. m. Divine worship. The minister will bring a message on "The Darkness of Night," a Christmas message.
Christening rites will be held at this service.
7:00 p. m. People's Hour. The minister will bring another Christmas message on "What Shall His Name Be?"

TRINITY CHAPEL EPISCOPAL
P. Walter Henckell, Minister in Charge
Richard Gile, Lay Reader
9:45 a. m. Sunday school.
11:00 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon.

NAOMI CLASS.
The Naomi (inter-denominational) class for women will meet at 9:45 o'clock in the private dining room of the Hotel Scharbauer.
Mrs. J. Howard Hodge is the teacher.

MEN'S CLASS.
The Men's class meets every Sunday morning at 9:45 o'clock in the Crystal ballroom of the Hotel Scharbauer. It is a non-denominational class and every man who does not attend services elsewhere is cordially invited to attend.
The teachers are Marvin Ulmer and Judge Charles L. Klapproth. There is a singing service of fifteen minutes prior to the speaking.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.
Harvey Childress, Minister
800 West Tennessee.
9:45 a. m. Bible school.
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GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
T. H. Gaalman, Pastor.
Services are held every second and fourth Sunday.

LEAVES FOR KRESS
Raleigh S. Elliot left today for Kress to spend the holidays. He is assistant in the county agent's office in charge of pasture contouring range conservation.

Dorothy Gray
Blustery Weather Lotion

SPECIAL BIG BOTTLE DOUBLE USUAL SIZE LIMITED TIME

Timed to blustery weather—twice usual size! Famous for your face. Helps guard skin against chapping in blustery winds, snow, sleet. Not sticky. Luscious powder base, body rub and hand lotion.

Wadley's
FEMININE FANCIES

By Kathleen Eiland

Capt. Stanley Osborne, Australian-born explorer, told a Town Hall audience here that among certain primitives when a man marries he knocks out two of his bride's front teeth. Just a kind of love-tap, we suppose.

Despite the intricacies of beauty shops and agitated tones on "How to Hold a Husband," the modern wife seems to have the best of the marriage bargain, as compared with the savage.

Modernistic silver-and-blue is highly favored for Christmas decorations this year, but party reports show that the traditional red-and-green is maintaining its popularity. For which we are glad.

Silver-and-blue is dazzling but it is cold. It lacks the warmth and friendliness of a red-and-green combination. Or maybe we are just old-fashioned.

Like practically everything else in this uncertain world, muffs, which have recently come back to high fashion, are no longer content to remain just muffs. They must masquerade in all kinds of new shapes.

Or even disguise themselves in the form of a long fur sleevelet which reaches high above the elbow and is, so the style writers admit, only for sophisticates. We think it would take a sophisticate to look smart in such a queer contraption.

If your muff is chosen for beauty rather than warmth, then you may have it made of flowers. An ineffably feminine finishing touch for any girl's most dress-up gown.

Socks for winter sports may now be obtained which boast tiny bells attached at the top—so that music may accompany the sports enthusiast upon his merry way.

It must be nice to be the kind of person who is utterly natural enough, gay enough to wear such things with assurance.

Housewives are looking about now for the last things they can do in preparation for the Christmas dinner; the last cakes and pie to be made, cranberries to be cooked, nuts prepared for use at holiday meals. Last plans made for muffs, the best muffs set in order—and so on and on ad infinitum.

There are some compensations to being an office worker instead of a home worker.

Worth: Fred Shook, Fort Worth; Paul Snow, Rockwall; Connie Sparks Panhandle; Bud Taylor, Austin; Spud Taylor, Breckenridge; Logan Ware, Bartlett; Joe White, Fort Worth; Ward Wilkinson, Cisco; Charlie Williams, Hillsboro.

Arthur Moseley, Rochelle, manager's award.

Freshman numerals: Woodrow Adams, Midland; Selya Browning, Vivian, La.; John Brown, Corsicana; A. J. Brumbaugh, Montague; Donald Lee Brumbaugh, Montague; Eugene Coleman, Fort Worth; Bill Crawford, Fort Worth; La Verne Daring, Fort Worth; Dick Everett, Corsicana; Leslie Hightower, Fort Worth; A. J. Huffman, Itasca; Billy Jones, Eastland; Hoover Jones, Lufkin; Frank Krings, Fort Worth; Paul Longway, Fort Worth; Bill Lowden, Dallas; James McCaskey, Panhandle; A. E. Moore, Vivian, La.; Robert Moss, Belton; Buster Nicks, Dallas; Jerry Ormond, St. Elmo, Ill.; Howard Pope, Fort Worth; Dan Reese, Ft. Worth; Phil Roach, Brumbaugh, Montague; Ronald Panhandle; Floyd Thompson, Breckenridge; Harry Whately, Douglas, Kan.; Hank Winters, Fort Worth; David Wofford, Midland.

Defense Plan--

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consultation established by conventions in force and by declarations of inter-American conferences, using measures which in each case circumstances may make advisable.

The declaration stated, however, it was understood the "governments of the American republics will act independently in their individual capacities, recognizing fully their juridical equality as sovereign states."

In the fourth article the declaration called for meetings of the foreign secretaries of the American republics "in order to facilitate consultations" and "when deemed advisable, at the initiative of any of them."

The fifth article, stated the declaration would be known as the "declaration of Lima."

Such was the challenge the republics of the Western Hemisphere threw to the nations of Europe and Asia, from which many of them believed a threat might be looming.

Episcopalians in Christmas Service

A children's program and Christmas tree will be held at Trinity Chapel for the Episcopal Sunday school tonight at 7 o'clock.

Sunday morning at 9 o'clock, Rev. P. Walter Henckell of Big Spring, minister in charge, will conduct a Holy Communion service. There will be no other services during the day, the Sunday school and lay reading being omitted.

Theater Has "Cry" Room

DUNKIRK, O. (AP)—Mothers who bring their babies with them to the newly remodeled Dunkirk theater no longer need to leave the show when junior starts to cry. William Day, owner and operator of the theater, has installed a sound-proof observation room to accommodate mothers and their infants.

Rancher To Use Plane

RICHGROVE, Cal. (AP)—Hugh P. Burum, local rancher, believes he is the pioneer in a new field of necessities for the future farmers and ranchers of the United States. He has installed a hanger for his airplane which he regards as an essential part of any modernly equipped upstate farm or ranch.

Suggestions FOR LATE SHOPPERS

COMFORTERS

Down Proof
Celanese Covered
\$15.00
An Ideal Gift for the Home-Maker

CANNON TOWEL SETS

Have you seen them? You'll buy them for presents and want to keep them for yourself.
\$3.50

CHENILLE BED SPREADS

\$2.50 to \$15.00

GIFT SUGGESTIONS FOR HER:

A dress length... if she's hard to fit.
A housecoat... if she's hard to please.
A slip... if she's very fastidious.
Ha... if she has everything else.
A sweater... if she is the collegiate type.
Hosiery... if she's always on the go.
Gloves... if she takes pride in her hands.
Flannellette Pajamas... if she's cold natured.
A negligee... if you wish to flatter her vanity.
A bag... if she's inclined to be thrifty.
A blouse... if she lives in a suit.
A housedress... if she craves variety.
A collar set... if she likes smart accents.
A scarf... if it's a tribute to her good taste.
Lingerie... if it's an intimate gift you're giving.
An evening bag... if you wish to delight her.
A coat... if she appreciates clothes.
A smock... if she treasures your thoughts.
Lounging Slippers... if you want to be remembered in her leisure hours.

Roosevelt--

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approval of President Roosevelt, it was considered highly unlikely that such an important utterance would be made without the Chief Executive's backing. Welles, an old friend of the President, had attended a cabinet meeting at the White House yesterday.

Welles declared that the German protest, in view of what was going on in that country, came with singularly ill grace and at another point he referred to the impropriety of Germany's demand.

The Reich had complained that Ickes, among other things, had criticized acceptance by Henry Ford and Charles A. Lindbergh of German decorations. Welles dismissed this phase of the complaint with a curt reminder that such criticism of Americans by an American official was purely a domestic question which he could not discuss with a representative of any foreign government.

Americans Are Horrified.
Welles then turned to Ickes' criticism of German policies. He declared flatly that recent events in Germany had horrified the American people and that no curb on bitter indignation could be expected.

Welles added that he had closely followed the German press and had rarely read more unjustifiable criticism or open attacks on members of another government than had been made against President Roosevelt and members of his cabinet.

He said that recent derogatory remarks made by German government officials about President Woodrow Wilson also had been deeply resented here.

Welles stated that Thomson could not deny that the German press was under the influence of dictation of German government authority and that press attacks carried an authoritative note.

Welles terminated the short meeting by telling Thomson that while public recriminations did not help relations, attacks against Germany were bound to continue here so long as the persistent German attacks against American officials went uncurbed.

Last-Minute Christmas Suggestions

That half-checked Christmas list... don't let it get you down. Merely head for Wadley's, where you'll find your problem solved easily, quickly and suitably. We still have a plentiful assortment of gift merchandise... economically priced, so as not to put an undue strain on already tired purses! You still have one day to shop—make every minute count!

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Give Her Kenwoods
\$6.95 up
Others From \$1.00

GIFT LINENS

Make linens your gift to the family, or the nicest home you know.
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BULOVA "Lady Bulova" 17 jewels \$29.75

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