THE WEATHER.
By United Press.
West Texas—Snow in north and rain in south tonight. Warmer in southeast tonight.

Ranger Times

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Five cars were required to carry flowers at a recent gangster funeral. But only one car was required to carry surviving gangsters!

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Squabble On Gilbert Appointment Continues

PEEPING THRU THE KNOTHOLE
with BILL MAYES

It's a great life if you don't weaken is an old adage that has more truth than poetry to it. But when this columnist got in bad with one of his best clients, then that was enough, almost, to make us weaken.

It all happened like this. Mrs. A. H. Henderson of Olden, has a daughter who is quite a piano player. Not long ago she went to school at Centenary college at Shreveport, La., and was put on the orchestra as piano player. The Shreveport Times carried a story about the orchestra and it was clipped and sent to us. So we used it. But, instead of getting Miss Maxine down as a piano player, we made a trombone tooter out of her, much to Mrs. Henderson's consternation, not to say anything of the anguish she suffered at the thought of her daughter tooting a trombone. We don't blame her.

And, being a good client of this column, we hate to misquote the facts about her daughter and we hate to arouse her ire. She knows just how it happened. She has been married to A. H. so long that she pictured us as being somewhat like him.

"I know just how it happened," she said to A. H. "That editor is just like you, so careless that he almost forgot to say anything about it and then read it over hurriedly and wrote what he thought the clipping said."

At least that is the way Mr. Henderson quoted her as figuring out the error. And she was partly right. The main reason we didn't get the facts any straighter than we did was because that day we had received one straw vote, which is exactly equal to no vote at all, for president of the United States and it went so to our head that we were unable to concentrate on anything like playing a piano.

Anyway, after threatening to make red hair disappear from off our head as fast as fried chicken can disappear from a banquet of Methodist ministers, she got A. H. to come in and see us about it. We explained as best we could and even got out the clipping to show him just how we read it. And we satisfied him but we may have to take that clipping to Olden to argue our case before Mrs. Henderson yet.

Now, we don't know Miss Maxine, though we have written about her playing at the Rotary club on several occasions and should know better than to try to make a trombone tooter out of her. She has appeared on a number of occasions in Ranger and even Mr. Steinway himself couldn't complain of the way in which she goes about producing music from one of his pianos. Anyway, we wish to inform the few who do not already know it, that Miss Maxine is not, never has and probably never will be, a trombone player.

Now the stock excuse of an editor is to claim that the linotype operator made an error in setting his copy, but we could hardly make anyone believe that we wrote piano in such a way that it looked like trombone to the linotype operator, so we had to pass up that one and thing up another.

The clipping, to quote it corectly said " . . . trumpets, Bill Prentiss, Ed Murry; tronibones, T. J. Jenkins, Joe Defatta; piano, Miss Maxine Henderson." And, in reading it over just before we wrote that she had gone off to Shreveport and had become a trombone player, we overlooked the piano part and thought it said she was one of the trombone players.

Anyway, basing our assertion on the reputation Miss Henderson has as a piano player, we would bet anyone as high as a dime that if Miss Henderson took up slinhorn playing in a big way, she would be as good at it as either T. J. Jenkins or Joe Defatta, which must mean someththing as they were selected to play that instrument on the Centenary orchestra.

Tuesday we ran a little squib to the effect that the Ranger Chamber of Commerce had decided to go out of the florist and nursery business and would give away any or all of the 13 trees that were left on hand. We did this at the suggestion of the secretary. Wednesday, before the office help could get the sleep rubbed out of their eyes, about a dozen people had telephoned and called in person for the trees.

Now, since the cold weather was threatening to ruin the 13 trees, W. C. Hickey took them out to his farm and bedded them down so they couldn't freeze. Anyway, the point of the whole thing is that the publicity we gave those poor, homeless trees brought quite a few inquiries, in spite of the fact that the weather was so cold that it would have been impossible to plant them.

We don't know who got the trees, if anyone did, or just what was done about it. All we know is we helped find homes for 13 trees that were temporarily orphaned.

COMMITTEE IS WORKING ON RELIEF PLAN

The Ranger unemployment campaign committee met in the offices of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce Wednesday afternoon, with members from the Lions club, Rotary club, American Legion and other civic organizations present. The Child Welfare club of Ranger is to take an active part in the plans to aid the unemployment by providing work, but the members of the committee from that organization were unable to be present at the meeting.

Plans for securing work for many of the needy families were discussed and it was decided that some of the families that have been dependent on the Child Welfare for clothing, food and other necessities, would be given an opportunity to work part of the time each week, thereby augmenting the aid secured from charity sources.

The campaign, which was started by the Carl Barnes post of the American Legion, and which has the support of practically every organization in town, is designed to furnish work to those who cannot find employment in the city, and who are willing to work.

The three committees are to be appointed by the central committee, each committee to have charge of securing work from different sources.

One committee will visit the homes of Ranger in an effort to secure employment for men who can do yard work and general work around the home. This committee will secure the names and addresses of those who can use a man a few hours each week and will arrange the work so that as many men as possible can be assured of some work each week.

The second committee will solicit work from the business houses of the town, trying to secure part-time work for as many as possible, either in the stores or around the premises of the business institutions of the town.

The third committee will work the manufacturing plants, including the oil companies, in an effort to secure work for more men. This committee, which is to be appointed in the next few days, will work the outlying districts of the city.

A report on the work so far accomplished is to be made at the regular meeting of the Carl Barnes post of the American Legion tonight and suggestions and plans will be discussed at that time.

Anti-Hoarding Committee Ready To Start Working

J. E. Meroney, chairman of the Ranger anti-hoarding committee, has written to A. P. Barrett, of Fort Worth, general chairman for the state of Texas, asking for information on the baby bonds, which are to be offered to the public in an effort to lure hoarded dollars back into circulation.

The Ranger committee is ready to start work on the campaign against hoarding just as soon as the bonds are ready for distribution and instructions are received.

It is expected that the bonds will be available by the middle of next week, when an attempt to have the public buy them out of hoarded money will be made.

Road Meeting Is Called Friday at Merriman School

G. J. Rex, who resides in the Merriman community, has called a meeting of the farmers of that section, to which a number of people have been invited, to work out plans for having the road from the Bankhead highway to the Merriman school.

The meeting is to be held at the Merriman school at 7:30 Friday night and a large crowd is expected to be present.

Enough teams and fresnos have been secured to haul the gravel and trucks have been donated for hauling gravel by one of the oil companies. The gravel is to be secured, free of charge, from a gravel pit near the road. Several men to help handle fresnos are needed and it is planned to secure them from the city of Ranger.

V. V. Cooper, county commissioner, has agreed to scatter and level the gravel after it is hauled and to keep the road in good condition after it is fixed. He, accompanied by a representative of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce, will attend the meeting and help to work out a schedule by which the farmers in the community may work.

It is expected that the road will be built without expense to the county, within the next few months, having it ready for use this spring.

WAR VETERAN DIES TRYING TO GET FOOD

By United Press.

PORT ARTHUR, Texas, March 10.—Four small children learned today from their widowed mother that their father died last night trying to provide them food.

T. J. Veasey, a World war veteran, had been jobless for months. He had no money. The children were crying and hungry.

On the coldest night of the winter, insufficiently clad, he borrowed a shotgun and shells and set out to hunt rabbits. Shortly before midnight his body was found in a marsh near here. He died from exposure.

Talks Are Heard By Ranger Lions at Meeting Today

The Ranger Lions Club was entertained today with a talk by Leslie Hagaman based on his observations of private enterprises going to the United States treasury for funds with which to operate private business.

Mr. Hagaman's talk showed that he had given it much preparation and thought. He pointed out that movements like the federal farm board, in attempting to revive an industry for which there was little demand, and the rehabilitation of railroads, was more of a detriment to the people of the United States than it was an aid.

Lion C. C. Craig made a report on the trip to Fort Worth to attend the Lion's banquet there Tuesday night. He said that more than 300 Lions from all over the state were present and that everyone had a good time. He explained that by having 22 people present at the banquet from Ranger, the Lions did not try to put anything over on the others when they won the flag, as Lions and visitors from a town were counted.

Dr. Harry A. Logsdon, a former Lion, visited the club and presented the flag that was won at Fort Worth. He made an interesting presentation talk and said that by June 1 he would become a Lion again.

The secretary was instructed to write a letter of appreciation to Dr. Logsdon and the Tickville Band for their cooperation in aiding the club to help put on the entertainment at Fort Worth and their aid in winning the flag.

Two Bandits Rob Oklahoma Bank

By United Press.

FAIRFAX, Okla., March 10.—Two bandits robbed the First National bank here this afternoon of about $1,500, locked two bank employes in the vault and kidnaped the president. The president, H. N. Cook, was released west of town, unharmed.

Knob Knockers Rob Mathena Milling Company, Ranger

Knob-knockers were busy in Ranger again Wednesday night, this time visiting the J. M. Mathena Milling company and breaking into the safe.

A check-up this morning revealed that between $50 and $60 in cash was taken from the safe by the burglars along with a number of checks and papers that were in the safe.

The burglars gained entrance to the building by prying open a door with a jimmy or bar of some kind, knocked the knob off the safe and broke the tumblers inside so that the outer door could be opened.

After opening the safe the thieves broke into the locked drawers inside, taking one of the drawers with them.

Carl Barnes Post To Meet Tonight

The regular weekly meeting of the Carl Barnes post of the American Legion is to be held tonight at Legion hall, Ranger, it was announced today by L. R. Herring, post commander, who said that although the weather was disagreeable he was expecting a good crowd to be present.

A report of the plans made to hold an open house meeting, at which time the public is to be invited to an evening of entertainment, is to be made by Clint Davis, chairman of the entertainment.

Another report on activities of the committee appointed to aid the jobless in securing work, will be made and further plans of the campaign discussed.

Commander Herring urged that as many members as possible be present as the Legion post is entering upon one of the most active periods in its history, and he wants every Legionnaire to have a part in the work that is being done.

After Landslide Dealt Death In West

Floods of melted snow and landslides have taken a score of lives, wiped out parts of towns and caused thousands of dollars of property damage in the northwest. Here you see wreckage of the home of George Johnson, a logger, at High Point, Wash., after warm rains sent tons of boulders, logs and earth crashing down the mountainside. The water in the foreground is from a flooded creek.

CISCO CASE IS BEING HEARD BY COMMITTEE

By United Press.

AUSTIN, March 10.—The executive committee of the Texas interscholastic committee today proposed to investigate further alleged violation of eligibility rules by Cisco high school.

The committee met yesterday to consider the recommendation of the Oil Belt committee that Cisco be barred one year from league football.

Testimony was declared conflicting and the committee deferred action.

Oil Belt Teachers To Meet Friday At Sweetwater

The second annual spring meeting of the Oil Belt Educational association is to be held in Sweetwater on Friday and Saturday of this week, at which time the theme will be "Character Training."

Among those on the program will be B. E. McGlamery, county superintendent of Eastland county, who will speak on highlights of the Montgomery, Ala., meeting; W. W. Jarvis of Ranger, who will talk on "Character Training Through Well Planned Lessons"; Miss Thresa Power of Ranger, who will speak on "How May English Be Made As Appealing As It Should Be to the Mill-Run Student"; Miss Verna Johnson of Eastland, whose subject will be "The Building of Character Through Biology and Literature"; Charles Bonner of Ranger, who will speak on the subject "Vitalizing Geometry," and Mrs. T. E. Ward of Ranger, who will take as her subject, "Teaching of General Science in Our High Schools."

Acquitted Cop May Get Back His Job

AMARILLO, March 10. — A move to have Jack Murr re-instated on the police force was started today after he was acquitted of charges of murder in connection with the slaying of Bill Elston.

Mrs. Mooney Fails to See Hoover

Carrying to the White House an appeal for her son's freedom, Mrs. Mary Mooney, 84-year-old mother of the long-imprisoned labor leader, is shown above as she left the Executive Mansion. Though she failed to see President Hoover, she gave her appeal to Theodore Joslin, a secretary.

Snow Reported In Many Places In Southwest Texas

By United Press.

DALLAS, March 10.—The belated winter weather over Texas that brought snow today to many unfrequented spots in the southern and southwestern portion was moving eastward today.

Weather bureaus predicted rain and snow over the eastern section today.

Reports of snow reached the United Press today from as far south as Beeville and Freeport. Other places reporting snow included Laredo, Del Rio, Gonzales and Houston. Most of West Texas was blanketed.

East Texas fruit is reported 50 to 90 per cent destroyed with the loss running into millions of dollars.

Reports from the Arkansas fruit belt said damage was near 50 per cent with the loss near $2,000,000.

RUMORS BABY IS HOME ARE DENIED AGAIN

By BATES RAINEY,
United Press Staff Correspondent.

HOPEWELL, N. J., March 10.—Baby Charles A. Lindbergh Jr. is still missing.

That fact announced officially today stood out still as the dominant news in a welter of rumor, fantasy and misinformation circulated on the status of the kidnaping of Col. and Mrs. Lindbergh's 20-month-old son.

In the forenoon press conference with peace officers, it was denied Colonel Lindbergh is on the verge of a nervous collapse. His wife, however, is watched carefully because the strain of more than a week of waiting for return of her baby is cruelly tearing her heart and body.

Col. Henry Breckenridge, Lindbergh's personal adviser, is still trying to make contact with the underworld and is going into regions hitherto unknown to him. But he has received nothing tangible as a guiding star in the effort at restoration of the child.

The United Press reiterated on positive unimpeachable authority that the Lindberghs did not receive on Sunday two communications from the kidnapers. Reports that they did have been given wide but erroneous circulation, stirring in the public the idea of a real and definite contact between the sorrowing household and the kidnapers.

The Lindberghs are having the assistance of a man listed as Morris Rosner, who has in the past been associated with persons high in the justice department. It is hinted he supplied Colonel Breckenridge with the names of Spitale and Bitz as go-betweens with the underworld.

A rumor coursed through press offices today that Spitale was aboard a train inbound from Chicago with the baby in a private car.

Spitale, however, was in a speakeasy in the early morning hours when interviewed by the United Press. At that time he denied, again, he had any real tips from the underworld and indicated his belief that the kidnapers if they are professionals, are waiting to have the "heat turned off," that is, they are laying low until the hue and cry in police quarters dies down before coming forward.

All state troopers of the rank of sergeant or below, assigned to the Lindbergh case, were withdrawn from the investigation and replaced by new men today.

The change was made without warning when the night shift went off duty at 8 a. m. and officers declined to explain the move.

Lost Dog Found Through Times Ad

D. C. Singleton, who lost a German police dog the other day and who was anxious to find him again, notified the Times today that within two hours after the notice had run in the paper the dog was back at home.

Mr. Singleton was delighted with the results obtained from the publicity given the report that the dog was lost and gave the Times credit for locating his dog for him.

GORILLA DIES TODAY.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—N'Gi, the national zoo's prize baby gorilla, died today despite science's efforts to save him from the ravishes of a lung infection.

PRESIDENTIAL STRAW VOTE
RANGER TIMES

My choice for President of the United States is:

(.....)—NEWTON D. BAKER
(.....)—CHARLES G. DAWES
(.....)—JOHN N. GARNER
(.....)—WILLIAM M. MURRAY
(.....)—ALBERT C. RITCHIE
(.....)—FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT
(.....)—ALFRED E. SMITH
(.....)—OWEN D. YOUNG
(.....)—MELVIN TRAYLOR
(.....)—.....

(This space is for the voter's choice not mentioned)

Designate your favorite candidate by marking "X" before his name. So that this poll may interpret the sentiment of this city and the neighboring communities, this paper ask those who vote cast ONLY ONE BALLOT.

Address Replies To:
STRAW VOTE EDITOR, THE RANGER TIMES
RANGER, TEXAS

FOURTH MAN DIES AFTER A GUN BATTLE

By United Press.

NEW ORLEANS, March 10.—Patrolman Albert Oesoriecher, 36, died early today, the fourth fatality in yesterday's gun battle between local police and Percy Thompson, negro prisoner.

The negro himself was wounded after a two-hour battle and while en route to the hospital he again tried to escape and was shot to death.

Patrolman Cornelius Ford, Corporal George Weidert were killed yesterday, and William King, a negro trusty, was wounded.

National Guards To Hold Shoot On Next Sunday

Captain Wayne C. Hickey, of the Ranger national guard company, announced today that Company I would begin open range shooting on Sunday, March 13, if the weather would permit.

The company is to be divided into three sections of 15 men each, and the sections will alternate in shooting, one section firing each Sunday. No practice firing will be engaged on Sunday, March 20, as that is the date set for the opening of the American Legion Rifle club season and the members will be on the range on that date.

The men in the company are to meet at the national guard armory on Sunday morning at 8 o'clock and will proceed to the rifle range for instructions and practice.

Fire Losses In 425 Texas Cities Total Over Million

Special Correspondent.

AUSTIN, March 10—Fire losses in 425 Texas cities and towns in January reached the total of $1,321,924, Raymond S. Mauk, fire insurance commissioner announced. His statement was based on the conservative reports of fire marshals and fire chiefs of the towns, the loss representing one of the heaviest in any month without a major conflagration.

Commissioner Mauk issued an appeal to all fire and police officials in the cities and towns to make an immediate and thorough investigation of every fire, in efforts to stamp out those of a criminal nature.

There were 23 fires reported of incendiary origin, whose losses were placed at $34,831; 78 more fires in vacant houses, costing $143,278, and 240 fires of unknown causes, many of probably criminal origin, costing another $730,505 in property.

Following were some of the major causes of property destruction in the million and a third property toll of January:

80 defective chimneys, flues	$ 18,166
78 vacant houses	143,278
73 stoves, furnaces, boilers, pipes	73,018
70 exposures	112,741
44 match-smoking	54,714
39 electricity	63,578
23 incendiary	34,831
19 rubbish	18,862
16 explosions	20,495
16 open fires or lights	8,718
9 sparks on roof	400
7 spontaneous combustion	6,780
6 gas	9,329
3 fireworks	685
2 picture show fires	15
5 ignition of grease, tar, wax	430
22 various known causes	22,948
240 unknown cause	730,505
Total	$1,321,924

Application Blanks For Farm Loans Are Exhausted

All the application blanks allotted to Ranger in the first assignment of material for the reconstruction finance corporation loans have been used up and others have been ordered, it was said today by Miss Frances Coughlin, office secretary of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce, who has charge of the loan applications.

Only five blanks were sent in the first assignment, but notice was received that other application blanks would be forwarded immediately. Five loan applications were made out Wednesday, the first day for filing applications and those who applied for loans today were compelled to wait.

Mimeographed instructions as to information necessary, are being made out today and will be distributed to those who want loans, so that they will have all the information necessary when the application blanks arrive.

TO TAKE OVER JOB MARCH 15 OFFICE SAYS

Eastland County Representative Said To Be Considing the Position.

By United Press.

AUSTIN, March 10.—"Victor Gilbert of Cisco will take office as assistant director of the motor division on March 15," was the only reply at railroad commission offices here today to former Governor Pat Neff's nomination of Abe Gross of Waco for the post.

Neff protested to the commission yesterday that the appointment was one allotted to him.

Commissioner Lon Smith said former Governor Neff knew of the vacancy for two weeks,, that its filling was passed over at the regular meeting a week ago and filled at the regular conference Monday. Neff did not attend that conference.

"He made no nomination until after the place had been filled," said Smith.

Chairman Terrell declined to enter into the controversy. He walked away when the question was brought up by newspapermen.

Word from Cisco, home of Gilbert, said today that he had not made up his mind whether to accept the position or not. He was quoted as saying he had it under consideration and did not know at this time whether or not he would accept.

Move Started on Gasoline 'Leggers

By United Press.

FORT WORTH, March 10.—Cooperation of the Texas Oil & Gas Conservation association with law enforcement authorities to prosecute gasoline tax evaders and violators of proration laws was pledged by association directors today.

Committee Votes To Unseat Republican

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—A house sub-committee today voted to unseat Representative Granata, republican, Illinois, and declare his democratic contestant, Stanley Kunz, legally elected.

Champion Steer To Become Roast Beef

By United Press.

FORT WORTH, March 10—The grand champion steer of the Fort Worth Fat Stock show, owned and exhibited by C. N. Largent & Son of Merkel, was purchased today by the Blackstone hotel of Fort Worth for $1.53 a pound.

Markets

By United Press.

Closing selected New York stocks:

American Can	70⅝
Am P & L	15⅞
Am Smelt	15⅝
Am T & T	132⅝
Anaconda	9⅞
Auburn Auto	90⅝
Aviation Corp Del	2⅝
Barnsdall	5
Beth Steel	21⅞
Byers A M	17⅝
Case J I	37¼
Chrysler	12⅛
Curtiss Wright	1⅝
Elect Au L	31
Foster Wheel	11⅝
Fox Films	3⅞
Gen Elec	20⅞
Gen Mot	20⅞
Gillette S R	21⅞
Goodyear	17¼
Houston Oil	23
Int Cement	17
Int Harvester	23⅝
Johns Manville	19⅝
Kroger G & B	17⅝
Liq Carb	20⅝
Montg Ward	10½
Nat Dairy	30⅝
Para Publix	9⅝
Phillips P	5⅝
Prairie O & G	6½
Pure Oil	4½
Purity Bak	14⅝
Radio	8⅞
Sears Roebuck	34½
Shell Union Oil	4
Southern Pac	27¼
Stan Oil N J	30⅝
Socony Vac	10⅝
Studebaker	2⅝
Texas Corp	12⅝
Texas Gulf Sul	25
Und Elliott	21⅝
U S Inc Alc	29⅝
U S Steel	48⅝
Vanadium	17¼
Westing Elec	30¼
Worthington	19⅝
Curb Stocks.	
Cities Service	6⅝
Ford M Ltd	5⅛
Gulf Oil Pa	31
Humble Oil	47¾
Ntag Hud Pwr	5⅝
Stan Oil Ind	17⅝

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A CAUSE FOR WORRY

Texas officials whose jobs concern them with the state's steady revenues, are beginning to feel mild shivers of worry over the East Texas oil field.

Its production, after March 16 at 7 a. m. will be limited to 325,000 barrels a day, regardless of the number of its wells. With a limit now of about the same amount, the field, each well under a 75-barrel restriction, is not making quite the allowable given it.

At present it is paying the state about $5650 a day in production taxes. That runs into important money in a year. If the field should decline, or its production be deeply curbed below the present level, in the absence of any sharp rise in prices, the state's revenue would reflect a considerable shrinkage.

A JOYFUL BIRDMAN

A joyful birdman is the Rev. M. L. Barrett. This minister reared a large family in a log hut of an eastern state. One of his sons grew to be the important financial figure in Texas affairs. A P. Barrett, of Fort Worth, pioneer in commercial aviation, big-scale business man . . . The Rev. Barrett is making a super-speed tour of Texas with this son of his in the government anti-hoarding campaign, of which A. P. Barrett is state chairman.

"Get your money out of the tin box; deposit it in your bank, use it in your business, or buy good safe securities, or buy the new government bonds . . . it's all the same, so long as you put it to work." This is the net anti-hoarding argument for Texas. Mr. Barrett was reassuring in declaring that it is not desired that people be high-pressured into withdrawing their active bank deposits or using money otherwise required in business transactions, simply for the purchase of the new government bonds.

INCOME TAX REPORTS

This final week will see Texans busy in the scramble to get income tax reports finished . . . if the state ever adds the burden of income taxes, let us hope the reporting season will be some other time of the year . . . and the paying season, too.

The federal government has well over a million employes, and is paying out in salaries far over a billion dollars a year . . .

In that report, the shame-faced officials who compiled it failed to include over 500 national lawmakers, whose annual salary is over $5,000,000. . . . and as a guess probably failed to include several thousand legislative employes paid other millions.

PROGRESSIVE TEXAS

Texas may be rather progressive, after all . . . Dr. S. E. Leland, University of Chicago authority on public finance, has drawn a national survey for the real estate business of the country, as to tax reform and relief. Two of his 30 recommendations have a familiar sound. . . . One is that city, county and district governing agencies must be combined and only one set of local officers govern an area. . . . The other is that it is foolish and wasteful extravagance to maintain so many county set-ups of government. . . . Counties must be consolidated, if business is to be able to shake off any of the ghastly overload of taxeaters, he says.

BOOTLEG GASOLINE

Every time a bootlegger gets in with a 2500-gallon tank of gasoline, he defrauds the state out of $100 in taxes. . . . The state is losing at least $2,000,000 a year in criminal evasion of the gas tax law in the opinion of Comptroller George H. Sheppard, who administers the law. . . . Mr. Sheppard, as is his custom, has stepped forward to do something about it; and with investigators and enforcement officers of Attorney General James V. Allred's office, is holding courts of inquiry to begin stopping up the leaks of tax evasion.

THE BALLOT QUESTION

A court decision whether congressmen-at-large shall run for numbered places, and in a second primary was made doubly sure in the announcement of former Speaker F. O. Fuller for one of the three places.

Mr. Fuller stands ready to bring mandamus proceedings against W. O. Huggins, state chairman, and the executive committee, in case the free-for-all system is attempted.

Mr. Fuller was rather a surprise entrant in the crowded field of candidates. He was the speaker of the 35th legislature who called the session to consider the impeachment charges that were voted against Gov. James E. Ferguson . . . Mr. Ferguson called the session after members were responding to Mr. Fuller's call.

Senator George Purl of Dallas also has indicated a report to the courts in case of failure to require each candidate to get a plurality of votes for one of the three places, in a second primary if necessary.

NEW TAXES SOUGHT

Senator Ben G. O'Neal of Wichita Falls, chairman of the joint legislative tax survey committee, has been in Austin giving of his time to the state's work of assembling exhaustive records and data on which the committee this year will draw a series of tax bills . . . The members work without pay on this work.

Senator Oneal soon will return to a campaign in his district in his announced race for congress. . . . He will have a distinctive record of service in the 42nd legislature to which he may point in asking the support of his district for the congressional post.

A sympathetic friend came to the office Thursday and said he was getting up a raffle for a poor man—and wanted us to take a chance. We do not know what we would do with him if we won him.

A carrot has been defined by the Department of Agriculture as "the plant beinnial apiaceous-daucuscarota." Will someone call the hogs!

The Dennison Herald says that since the Literary Digest has started the straw vote on the prohibition question, it will not be necessary for the post office department to raise the price of postage to take care of the postal deficit.

The Difficulties of Throwing the Boomerang!

Balks Japanese

Praised by foreign military observers for his skillful campaign, stern-visaged General Tai Chi-above, is commander of the Shanghai and Woosung forts which have steadfastly blocked the progress of the Nippenese war machine.

Famed French Woman Is Shown In A New Light

By United Press.

NEW YORK.—The fascinating, lusty figures of the dark days of the French Revolution are brought to life again in a new historical novel of the period, "Scandalous Princess—the Exquisite Theresia Cabarrus," by Sidney R. Whipple, published today by the Century Co.

Within the attractive covers of the book is revealed a refreshing style of biography — vital, alive, sympathetic—in a narrative vein that holds the attention absorbed.

The amours of the scandalous Theresia, daughter of a Spanish soapmaker, and the vital part she played in the affairs of the revolution, never before have been told in their proper form, nor her role in history adequately assayed and put in its proper light.

Played Big Role.

The woman who was wife and mistress to an amazing succession of men, who played an important part in the assassination of Robespierre, and dipped her dainty hand into moulding the destiny of Napoleon, with its devastating effect on the history of the world, is presented here with utter sympathy. Her faults and weaknesses, her naive unchastity, and her many virtues are all presented to give the modern world for the first time a true picture of an absorbing interlude of the past.

The author, a feature writer on the staff of the United Press in New York, in making his bow with his first book, has succeeded in striking a delightful note in biography—an intimate, smooth-flowing story, in which the writer's eager interest in his characters is infectiously communicated to the reader, who is permitted to share in his interest and wonder at each fresh fact and episode.

Figures Glow Witht Life.

The book excels in its characterizations. The figures of the Revolution and the empire glow with life, and swagger or sink through the pages in bold relief, each according to his individual fashion. They move against a warm background, in which the foibles, loves, lusts and murders of the period are sketched.

An interesting collection of portraits and original sketches of the period illustrate the book.

"Scandalous Princess" shows plainly the fruits of long hours of patient reading and research, and digging through anicent books, papers and other original sources. It was patently a labor of love, and well done.

PASTORS GET LIQUOR PERMITS

By United Press

TORONTO, Ont.—Liquor permits were taken out by 400 ministers of the gospel, during the past fiscal year, the annual report of the Liquor Control Board of Ontario revealed.

Daily WASHINGTON LETTER

BY RODNEY DUTCHER
NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON—Most of the dope shovelers are confidently taking the Senate of the next Congress away from the Republicans and giving it to the Democrats.

It is generally felt that Democratic control in the upper branch is even more likely than in the House, which is already Democratic by a small majority.

If President Hoover is re-elected he probably will carry a House majority along with him, but the election set-up of next November for the Senate is such that a marked Republican trend seems to be required if the present Republican majority of one man in that chamber is to be preserved.

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Only One Dem Doubtful

THE important feature of the set-up, as conditions are now, is that while 18 Republican senators come up for re-election and only 15 Democrats, several of the Republican seats appear to be in distinct danger while only one of the Democrats whose terms expire in 1933 appears to have much to worry about.

Some of the Republicans represent states where their own re-election—or election of another Republican—will be a matter of course. But most of the Democrats up are from the south, where the same goes for their party.

The only Democratic senator whose re-election seems problematical is McGill of Kansas. His election depends on such factors as the identity of his Republican opponent, the extent to which Kansas is discontented and his own ability to convince the state it made no error in electing a Democrat.

Other Democrats whose seats are at stake are Tydings of Maryland, Black of Alabama, Bulkley of Ohio, Morrison of North Caroline, Fletcher of Florida, Thomas of Oklahoma, Hawes of Missouri (who has announced he will retire), Barkley of Kentucky, Mrs. Caraway of Arkansas (not expected to run), Smith of South Carolina, Hayden of Arizona, Broussard of Louisiana (whom Huey Long has promised to retire in favor of another Democrat), Wagner of New York and George of Georgia.

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Watson in Danger

REPUBLICAN Leader Jim Watson of Indiana is likely to have to depend on his own personal popularity to pull him through, for there were big Democratic victories in Indiana at the last congressional election.

Other Republicans who will be in some apparent danger in case they are renominated are thought to include:

Glenn of Illinois, whose state went Democratic for Senator J. Ham Lewis by a majority of 700,000 in the 1930 election.

Barbour of New Jersey, now filling by appointment the vacancy left by Dwight Morrow's death. New Jersey recently discarded a Republican governor in favor of a Democrat whom it elected by a very large majority.

Bingham of Connecticut who, though he has doubtless been attracting home support by his vigorous espousal of wet measures in this session, has to worry about the fact that his constituency elected a Democratic governor the last time it had a chance to vote.

Waterman of Colorado, facing a drive of Democrats to put another Colorado Democrat in the Senate alongside Costigan.

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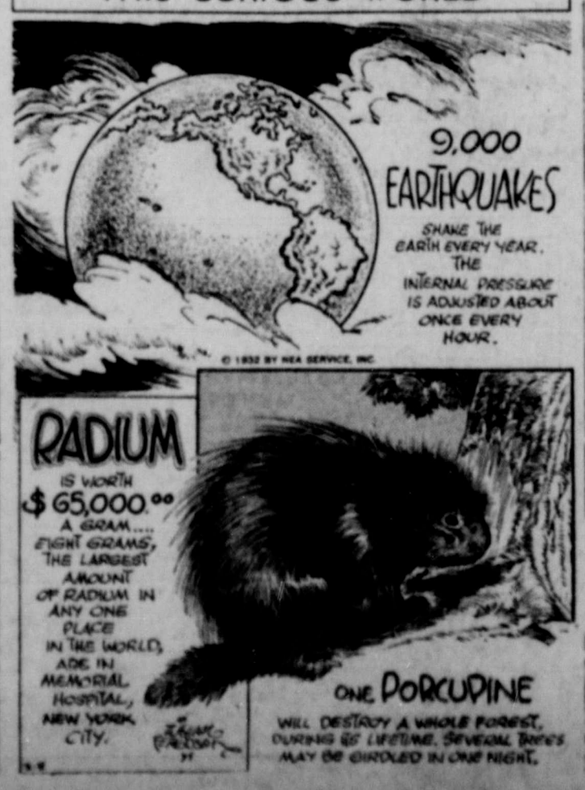
Jones Faces Stiff Fight

JONES of Washington, who has been hearing rumors of discontent from back home and probably will be opposed by Scott Bullitt, a strong wet Democrat.

Moses of New Hampshire, popular at home, will undoubtedly be returned unless there is a Democratic landslide. Other seemingly safe Republicans who must campaign this year are Davis of Pennsylvania, Smoot of Utah, Norbeck of South Dakota, Steiwer of Oregon, Thomas of Idaho, Brookhart of Iowa, Nye of North Dakota, Oddie of Nevada, Dale of Vermont and Blaine of Wisconsin.

Democrats and Republicans, nearly every member up for re-election, are now trying to put on a very special act in Congress for the benefit of their constituents.

— THIS CURIOUS WORLD —



GRIPINGS

By GUS

This column is published as a daily feature and may not be construed as representing the editorial views of this paper. What follows is merely what one man thought at the time it was written, and the writer reserves the right to change his mind concerning any subject, without notice, explanation or apology.

Probably the following story ought to be withheld until next football season, but since it is possible that we won't be playing Cisco next year I'll just tell it to you now. It further serves to illustrate that very often a person gives out good valuable material for a column without being conscious of it. In such cases it makes lots better stuff than if it were consciously given out for publicity purposes.

Bill McDonald was waxing into one of his retrospective moments and observed that he was a member of the first Cisco High school football team to ever play Eastland. A little questioning brought out several interesting facts. For instance, all players bought their own suits because there was no such thing as an athletic fund and nobody would pay money to see them play. The game he spoke of was played back in 1916.

The field was located north of the present T. and P. station and was free of the customary chalk lines you see marked on a gridiron nowadays. They didn't even have goal posts. Presumably they drew a line with a stick and when the ball was carried past the line it was a touchdown. Cisco brought their own referee because there was no one in Eastland at that time who knew enough about the rules of the game to officiate. When Cisco had piled up 72 points to Eastland's nary a thing, the referee adopted the policy of penalizing Cisco . . . even taking the ball from their possession every time they came within ten yards of the goal line.

The Cisco boys, 12 in number, paid 25 cents each to a man who brought them to Eastland in a farm wagon. The trip took a little over two hours. They dressed in their football suits before leaving home and wore them both en route and in the game. Incidentally they didn't eat until they got back home. Imagine a team doing something like that in these modern days of high school competition.

P. E. Shotwell was the Cisco coach. Believe it or not. He might be reluctant about admitting it now. Anyway, he evidently had a date to go pecan hunting or wood chopping that day and found it impossible to accompany his team to the game.

He was probably proud the next morning when he went to town and learned that his boys had taken the county site eleven to such a cleaning. That 1916 team would probably have been district champions had there been a district. Coach Shotwell, with a district championship at stake failing to attend the crucial game is one for the book. In fact it's not in the book. As far as I know this is the first time it's even been in print.

Eastland only had about five or six boys who knew the game of football. Milton Lawerence wasn't going to school but was impressed into the service. Jew Roper played, too. All but three of the Eastland players played in overalls . . . the three had saved up enough soap wrappers to get them a pair of padded trousers. As I stated the score was Cisco 2, Eastland 0. It was the first time the teams ever played football and Eastland has never hung defeat on Cisco until plumb yet.

Eastland was a basket ball town. There was a vacant space between two buildings on the south side of the square. The Eastland boys played all comers and defeated most of them. At one time they challenged the world, but the world didn't accept and there was no contest . . . Eastland being world champion by default.

They also used to pitch washers on another vacant lot. That was before the football game mentioned. A man by the name of Martin ran a store next door and was the only man in town who had four silver dollars. On special occasions such as Sundays and holidays and for championship matches he used to let them pitch with his silver dollars instead of the washers.

But now the washer pitchers all gang up in the vault of the tax assessor's office and play checkers. Vacant buildings mark the spot where the old basket ball court was as well as the old washer pitching grounds. The old football field has the E. W. F. & G. railroad running through it. We drive to Cisco in 20 minutes and make the bank. Bill McDonald has lost that mop of shining black hair that assisted him, but he's not quite bald yet. Egad, how times do change. The old grey mare, etc. . . .

Aged Waco Citizen Dies At His Home

By United Press.

WACO, March 10.—Edward Rotan, 87, Central Texas pioneer and a resident of Waco for 64 years, died here at 8:30 this morning. The funeral services will be held Saturday. He is survived by four daughters living in the east, and George V. Rotan, a son, living at Houston. His wife died last Oct. 17. She was the first president of the Texas Women's club.

Coolidge says the time has come for the people to take charge of their own affairs. That's just what the politicians are so afraid will happen.

The Season for Indoor Gardening

Just as soon as the sun starts north, and the days begin to lengthen ever so little, there is a feeling of spring in the air. We may still hug the fire, but we feel an impatience, a stirring to be about affairs outdoors.

There is no better spring tonic to enliven the monotony of winter's final weary days, and make them seem shorter, then planning the garden. Fireside gardening, some one has called it. Let us get out paper, pencil and catalogs and sit by the fire to imagine the garden we would like to have next summer.

We can imagine better gardens than we grow, perhaps; but every garden will be the better for such imagination. A garden needs a plan as much as a house needs it. If you were going to build a house you would not go to a lumber yard to select doors that you liked, windows that appealed to you, and woodwork of various pleasing patterns, without a thought of how you were going to combine them in a house. It is true that garden plants selectedly haphazardly, as too often they are, would still be beautiful in themselves, however poor their arrangement might be. But how much more beautiful they are when well arranged.

So in planing the garden we should study how to combine our plants so that they will make a picture. Then their individual beauty will be enhanced, and we shall not merely possess beautiful flowers but shall have transformed our home grounds into a place of loveliness, inviting, reposeful, satisfying. For these are the qualities of garden beauty which impart to the beholder a pleasure as definite and keen as any experience in life.

So let us make a garden picture now. We may not know how to sketch, but try it anyhow. Put something down on the paper to represent the picture in your mind of what your garden should be. You may know little or much of the rules which govern garden design, which are much the same as those that govern all artistic arrangement, including the arrangement of furniture and ornaments in your living room. However much or little you may know, an attempt to visualize your garden and set your vision down on paper will teach you more and help you to read with a greater understanding discussions of design in newspapers and books.

Planning your garden now will make the rest of the winter speed away and is sure to help you achieve new beauties next summer.

JOB HUNTERS FORM CLUB.

By United Press.

FORT WORTH. — Unemployed men have organized a "Job Hunters' Club" here, under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian association. More than 50 charter members are on the roster.

Blaze Wipes Out Small Texas Town

By United Press.

LAMESA, Texas, March 10.—The business district of Ackerly, 27 miles southeast of here, was destroyed by fire today. Firemen from here and Big Spring were asked to help.

The blaze originated in a hamburger stand. Structures destroyed included a barber shop, grocery store, tailor shop and a vacant building.

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ROME.—By royal decree, Luigi Barzins has been named president of the superior commission of the press, to succeed the late Arnaldo Mussolini, brother of the premier.

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Mrs. Ethel Smith of Norwich, Conn., writes: "I lost 16 lbs. with my first bottle of Kruschen. By going on night duty it was hard to sleep days but now since I am taking Kruschen I sleep plenty, eat as usual and lose fat, too."

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WASHINGTON CIRCUS

—BY DAVID WRIGHT—

WASHINGTON.—The Senate's usual to appropriate government nds for relief of the unemployed will not be a "talking point" either party in the coming campaign. Party lines were shattered the "honors" were about even-divided, whichever way you consider the question.

Fifteen Republicans and nine-n Democrats voted for the La-llette-Costigan Bill, and twen-even Republicans and 21 Dem-ats against it. An ironic touch given to the proceeding, for the time this vote was taken, Boston & Maine Railroad serv-notice that it would seek re-funds from the government's onstruction Finance Corpora-n. The Boston & Maine was one the roads that were plundered stock jugglers nearly twenty rs ago. The B. & M. affair was hapter in financial infamy that uld make great reading in this r of grace.

Financially-minded members of ngress were interested in the stoffice department's report this k that postal savings increased 000,000 during the month of uary. Total increase since the nning of the fiscal year is 843,126, the amount now de-ited being $658,081,034. This presents the savings of more an a million depositors.

A banker here told of an amus-g incident which occurred the r day. He said a depositor me in and closed his account, ing that he had decided just "safety's sake" to place his ey in the postal savings sys-. That afternoon, a huge sum these postal savings were depos-d in that bank. "In all proba-ity," said the banker, "that n's money is still on deposit re—if you get the idea."

President Hoover took the me-horical bull by the horns again en he asked Congress for au-ority to reorganize the executive ranch of the government. In his ecial message he said that the owth of commissions and bur-us is costing the taxpayers mil-s of dollars. Scores of these its are duplicating work, he said asking that he be permitted to organize the various administra-e activities.

Mr. Hoover's charge that units ver let go their jobs once they e created has created consterna-on among political chair-warm-rs. In his observation that the vernment could and should be ite efficient, he serves notice t he is for reducing public ex-enses by abolishing some thou-nds of jobs. This is, of course, a nal for pressure pelities to be-n. Congress will move warily in giving its assent to the deflation of federal patronage.

Democratic wags were quick to ask if Feb. 12 was Mr. Hoover's birthday. They said that judging by the fulsome praise of the president in all Republican speeches, it could be seen by anybody with half an eye that Lincoln was becoming more like Hoover every day.

But all joking aside, Republican leaders claim that public sentiment seems to be turning toward the president. He has been raked over the coals and lampooned and lambasted so mercilessly for so many troubles for which he is in no measure responsible that the public's sense of fair play has suddenly come to his rescue, his friends say.

Nobody is more sensitive to criticism than Mr. Hoover, and considering his extreme sensitiveness, he has stood the gaff pretty well. In the one-sided brick-heaving contest that has been going on, he has taken the blows with the fortitude of a man who knows that he is a mark to be shot at. He has been kicked and cuffed so much that he has become an underdog; and when a man is in that position; the public instinctively begins to cheer him.

This is what some of the leaders are saying, and they are claiming that Hoover's stocks have taken a decided jump during the last month. They are banking on the work of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to enhance this change in sentiment for Hoover, which they profess to see. An improvement in the economic situation will be bound to react favorably on Hoover's political fortunes as the time for the national convention draws near.

A problem which is causing considerable uneasiness among the chieftains, however, is the Prohibition question. Even since Louis K. Liggett, national committeeman for Massachusetts, and wealthy contributor to Republican warchests, announced several months ago that Republican "wets" will not give a thin dime to the campaign unless the leaders do something about Prohibition, the big boys have been trying to work out a solution.

In view of Mr. Hoover's staunch position in defence of Prohibition in the past, it is obvious that he will not reverse himself. He couldn't do it without losing strong support from Prohibitionists. For that matter, it may be said that he hasn't the slightest intention of backing down. But it is equally certain that he will do nothing to stir up a row on the question.

The party's cheese-parers are hoping that they will be able to pacify the Republican "wets" by inducing the convention to adopt a plank in favor of a referendum on Prohibition as soon as a majority of the states have gone on record as favoring it. This would let the leaders out of an embarrassing situation and probably serve to force Prohibition as an issue into the background. Candidate Hoover could then maintain Coolidgian silence, an atitude which is very much to his liking.

There is danger that the singers of Republican hosannas may strain their vocal cords, and incidentally the credence of the people, in the attempt to claim all the credit for legislation aimed to pull the country out of the depression. Speaker Garner and Senator Robinson denounce the studied effort being made by G. O. P. spellbinders to glorify Hoover for what was accomplished by bi-partisan action in both houses.

Some of the President's pet measures could never have got to first base without Democratic support, and nobody knows it better than does Mr. Hoover, says Senator Robinson. The Lincoln Day addresses, which all gave the credit to the president and turned the observance of Lincoln's birthday into a re-election rally for Mr. Hoover, have stirred the democrats to take up a vigorous offensive.

Old George Moses waxed sarcastic against when he took a crack at "the weird devices" of the government bureaus. He thinks that the chief object of most of the legislation now before Congress is to take away $4.95 from everybody who has $5.

Government regulation of people's personal affairs has become his pet aversion, and he wants the government to stop attempting to dictate how the citizen's personal life shall be lived. "It is getting so that a law-abiding man cannot lay his head on his pillow at night without having violated some law even in his most circumspect day," he says, and adds the country's motto has been changed from E. Pluribus Unum to "Pass the Buck."

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CHEANEY NEWS

There is still lots of sickness in the community but we hope all will soon recover.

Mrs. Beulah Melton is reported improving this past week.

John Akers of DeLeon visited his brother, Webster, Sunday night.

We are all glad to hear that "Doc" Horn has a new wife. We wish them much success in their future life.

V. G. Melton of Ranger visited his wife and girls of Cheaney Sunday.

Wiley Powers and family visited R. R. Browning and family Sunday.

R. R. Browning is on the sick list and is reported no better.

Obie and Minnie Belle Elrod of Desdemona visited their father and mother Sunday, and Monday.

Oscar Strickler and Miss Alma Bryan were visiting Miss Alice Parker Sunday night.

Singing was well attended Sunday evening. We are glad so many are able to attend. All come again next first Sunday.

PRAIRIE LAND MOVES.

By United Press.

GRENOBLE, France—The sight of 2,000,000 cubic meters of land moving slowly forward across an area of 10 hectares has terrified many of the inhabitants here and damaged property to the extent of $40,000. The moving ground represents the prairie of Sainte-Marthe, near Smbrun. Long undermined by a steadily growing mountain torrent, the prairie land is being carried forward toward Sainte-Marthe.

The dime-a-dance girl

BY JOAN CLAYTON

BEGIN HERE TODAY

Ellen Rossiter, beautiful, 20-year-old, falls in love with Larry Harrowgate, young artist, whom she met at Dreamland where she works as a dance hall hostess. He is engaged to Elizabeth Bowes, a debutante, but shows attentions to Ellen until his fiancee returns from Europe.

From a sense of gratitude Ellen agrees to marry Steven Barclay, a kind and wealthy man of 57, who has paid hospital expenses for her brother, Mike, injured in a street accident. Barclay also finds a job for Bert Armstead, Ellen's sister's fiance. The girl convinces herself that gratitude can take the place of love.

Barclay has been marreid and divorced. Scandal accompanied his divorce from Leda Grayson, a notorious dancer. Fearing this talk may be revived, he and Ellen agree to keep their marriage secret. Myra and Bert are to be married the same day as Ellen and Barclay.

Ellen goes to the offices of Symes & Pendergast, Barclay's lawyers, where her fiance is to sign papers settling a private fortune upon her. On the way she passes Dreamland, remembers Larry and bursts into tears. She sends Larry a note telling him that she is to be married.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY

CHAPTER XXXII

Ellen walked slowly to the Park Avenue law office. When she entered the luxurious, oak-paneled rooms and saw Steven sitting in an armchair, looking tired and worn, her mind suddenly played traitor.

She found herself thinking of Larry who never tired, who could dance till dawn and by 10 o'clock be avid for tennis, swimming, boating. She thought of Larry who had lied to her in deed if not in words, of Larry who had dragged her pride into the dust, of Larry who had left her to bear her heartbreak as best she could.

She admired Steven, respected him, liked him, but what was to come of this union now that she knew she had not forgotten and could not forget a scamp? Steven turned to smile at her.

"Did you have a good time, darling?" he asked.

"It was simply marvelous. Wait till you see what I bought!"

"Sorry I couldn't tag along," he remarked, rising, "but I've been feeling a little seedy and the doctor thought I'd best rest up."

"You aren't ill!" she exclaimed in alarm.

"Certainy not," he laughed. "But I told you in the beginning I'm a poor matrimonial risk. My heart's an old crock and has been ever since I strained it diving—more years ago than I want to tell."

Preoccupied with her own doubts, Ellen was easily reassured.

She turned, faced Louis Symes and promptly disliked him. This graying, thin-faced man had handled Steven Barclay's legal affairs for years. The girl knew instinctively what Steven did not guess. Despite Symes' suave politeness she understand he believed his clinet to be making an unfortunate mistake.

As soon as it was possible Ellen attempted to clarify her own position. Steven and Symes were discussing figures and properties she could not comprehend. She plucked at Steven's sleeve.

"I don't need a private checking account," she said with dignity. "If I need anything there is no reason why I can't come to you and ask you for it."

Symes stared at her cynically. But Steven was impatient.

"It's all settled," he said. "The only thing left is to sign the papers."

"There's a little more to it than that, Steven," Symes put in. The lawyer began again to talk of insurance, of buildings, located here, of land located there, of trusts, of holding companies. And always where one word would have served he used three. Ellen's head began to spin. All that she grasped was that a staggering sum of money was to be settled on her outright—far, far too much. She did not want so much. The very thought of such sums frightened and bewildered her. Still she dared not intrude in the conversation. She could only sit there, inwardly resentful and rebellious.

"Bring on the papers," Steven said at length. "Ellen is bored to tears. But it will be only a few minutes now, dear," re promised, turning to her. Then Symes again, "I'd like to sign the will, too."

Symes glanced at his watch. "They aren't all ready yet," he said. "Would you mind waiting a few minutes?"

"I would mind," Ellen spoke up frankly. "I'm really tired." She appealed to Steven. "Do let's go and come back tomorrow or on the day we sail."

He might have argued but something wistful and weary in her face checked him. Steven gave in. The settlements could be left until the day following the wedding. Ellen took a malicious delight in the lawyer's surprise that she, who had everything to gain, wished for delay.

"Do you know," she said to Steven after they were out on the street, "I wish you weren't so frightfully rich."

"You've been so strange all afternoon," he complained, vaguely apprehensive. "You don't mean—"

"I don't mean anything," she interrupted. "I only mean I don't want so much money. It's indecent to be so poor and then all at once just because you get married to become so rich."

She put it childishly and he laughed at her.

"I couldn't understand half you were saying," she admitted sulkily. "But I gathered that your sister and your nephew were going to lose a lot of money just because—"

"My dear, that is something you must let me decide," he said. "I am only taking a step I have long contemplated. My sister will by no means be left in poverty. But you, as my wife, must come first."

Somehow Ellen was not thrilled as usual by his desire to care for her, to protect her. She was not a delicate bit of rare porcelain that he should speak of her in that hushed tone. She had earned her own living and, if necessary, could earn it again. The interview with the lawyer had been disheartening. Horrible to sit with a man who clearly believes you to be a cheap and greedy little gold-digger . . .

There was an unpleasant side to having money, decidedly an unpleasant side. As Steven assisted her into his car Ellen felt just a little as if she were being slowly buried beneath golden piles of money. There was something frightening in the reflection that there was literally nothing in the world for sale which she could not buy. Such a condition was stultifying to the imagination, stultifying to desire and ambition. She understood just then why Myra had said so proudly that she and Bert were young and strong and did not wish to have things made easy for them.

But gradually Ellen became aware that her mood was depressing and bewildering Steven. He had sunk back gloomily into the cushions and was staring straight ahead and away from her. It was her job to make him happy. With her eyes wide open she had chosen that job. She set about bringing him to good humor again with charm and artifice so that in the end, over the dinner table, they were laughing and talking and things were all right again.

All right, that is, with Steven.

After dinner he sent her out to Brooklyn in his car but alone. She was glad of the chance to be alone, glad of the chance to face her own situation, to face her own soul. In the end she decided what any Rossiter would decide. She would tread the path she had chosen and with courage and with grace. There should be no more of those moods to make Steven puzzled and unhappy.

Home and in the shabby hall,

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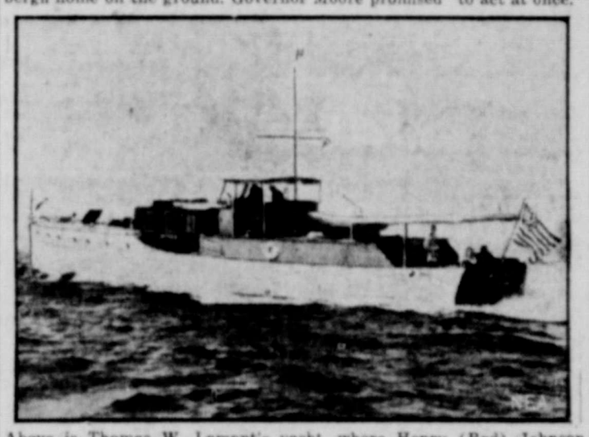
"Kidnap Air Flights" Attacked

Action of an aviation concern in offering to fly curious visitors over the Lindbergh estate near Hopewell, N. J., for $2.50 each aroused the ire of Dr. John G. Hibben, president of Princeton University, who deplored the "commercialization of the Lindbergh baby kidnaping" and who appealed to Governor Moore of New Jersey to intervene. Above is one of the air taxis which did a rushing business due to the fact that visitors are not permitted within three and one-half miles of the Lindbergh home on the ground. Governor Moore promised "to act at once."



Above is Thomas W. Lamont's yacht, where Henry (Red) Johnson worked as a deckhand before he was detained at Hartford, Conn., for questioning in connection with the kidnaping of Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh's baby son. Johnson, a friend of Betty Gow, nurse in the Lindbergh home, was taken to Newark, N. J., for questioning.

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Choir To Meet For Easter Practice

Every member of the First Baptist Church choir, and any other member who is not attending practice with any other choir, is asked to meet at the church this evening at 7:30. Songs will be practiced for the Easter service.

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Ceremony Is Performed At Frederick, Okla.

Mrs. Kina Crabb Hollingsworth and Mr. Richard M. Ivy were married March 3, with the ceremony performed at Frederick, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivy will make their home in Ranger. Mr. Ivy is an employee of the Lone Star Gasoline company.

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Delegates and Alternate Are Elected For District Convention

Mrs. D. H. Reese entertained Child Study club No. 1 at her Young street home Wednesday afternoon, March 9, with 10 present for the interesting lesson.

"Providing for Advantages of Higher Life Needs" was given by Mrs. D. W. Nichol, followed with a paper "Educating Parents" read by Mrs. E. R. Holland. Delegates were elected to represent the club at the district meeting which will convene at Cleburne, April 10-11 and 12. Delegates named were Mrs. P. E. Moore and Mrs. O. G. Lanier. Alternates, Mrs. John Hassen and Mrs. D. W. Nichol.

Special music for the hour was given by little Miss John Hazel Reese. The club's scrapbook which has been given much time was completed at this session. Mrs. John Hassen was announced hostess for the next meeting to be held on the afternoon of March 23 at 2:30.

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Well Carried Out Programs Are Featured At Week of Prayer

Throughout the week well arranged programs have been featured at the meetings held by the Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church. Monday of this week Circle No. 1 had charge of the program subject, "French in Louisiana" given with Mrs. C. H. Dunlap in charge of the lesson.

General subject topic, "The Healing of Land For Our Nation."

Tuesday morning at 10 'clock, Mrs. Mitchell, presented the program for the group of members composing Circle No. 2. Chosen program formed of papers relating the conditions and life of the "Italians."

Tuesday afternoon, another lesson followed presented with Circle No. 3 leading the hour with Mrs. McDougal, director of the hour. "Indians and Negroes" proved an interesting lesson, completely arranged and clearly carried out.

Wednesday evening at the regular prayer service the entire assembly of W. M. S. members aided to an interesting extent in completing one of the most impressive services held in many meetings. In addition to the special prayers offered Jews, Mexicans, and Mountain people were given a period of the time for a number of profitable discussions.

At the meeting held this afternoon Mrs. Walter Riemund, president of the W. M. S. was in complete charge. "Cuba and Panama" afforded topics of round table discussion. Despite the exceptionally cold weather the usual number of faithful workers have attended each of these home Week of Prayer services. Generous offerings for the foreign missionaries are also included in the reports.

Proficiency Certificates To Be Ordered for 100 Per Cent Officers.

During the meeting held at the Woodman Circle hall Wednesday afternoon when the Julia Alexander Grove No. 1954, Woodman Circle, met for their regular weekly session, many interesting and vital matters of importance were reported and generally discussed.

With the guardian in charge, minutes were read and approved. The committee of members who compose the visiting group rendered reports, as did Mrs. C. C. Cash, who is in charge of sending cards and flowers to absentees.

Mrs. Exa Davis, who is proving unusually capable as guardian, announced proficiency certificates would be ordered immediately for all officers who are qualified to give their charges 100 per cent.

Those included in this group of honary members according to yesterday's meeting are as follows: Present guardian, Mrs. Davis; past guardian, Mrs. Cash; advisor, Mrs. Ruby Greer; chaplain, Mrs. Loretta Bray; captain, Mrs. Eva Jackson; banker, Mrs. Ada Neville; outer sentinel, Mrs. Frances Sexton; inner sentinel, Mrs. Claudie Barney.

Other officers having received certificates during the term served by Mrs. Cash were Mrs. Minnie Shirley, clerk; Mrs. Hattie Lester, attendant; Mrs. Eva Jackson, assistant attendant; and Mrs. Frances Sexton, Mrs. Ella Reynolds and Mrs. Eva Jackson, auditors.

Mrs. Cash, reporter for the active grove, is in recent receipt of a letter from the field work committee composed of Mrs. Mary E. La Rocca, Mrs. Dora Alexander Tolley, and Mrs. Jeanie Willard, of Omaha, Neb., who complimented this particular grove for the splendid work and reports given during the new year.

Reports from this organization will be numbered among those substituting records shown for the month of February for the eleventh publicity campaign.

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Excellent Program Given Under Leadership of Mrs. Hagaman.

One of the most excellent and enthusiastic meetings of the club years was held yesterday afternoon at the Ranger high school when members of the New Era club met for the lesson, "Texas Day," which was perfectly given under the leadership of Mrs. M. H. Hagaman.

An impressive thought was conveyed, opening the program, as follows:

"God bless you, Texas,
And keep you brave and strong,
That you may grow in power and worth,
Through the ages long."

Spanish Occupation of Texas was given by Mrs. Mae Healer; Recent Relations Between Texas and Mexico, Mrs. Wallace Wagner; Texas Literature and Art, Mrs. H. L. Killingsworth; Texas Composers was give nby Mrs. O. Denny, substituting for Mrs. Hall Walker, who is absent from the city.

Carrying out the hour more pleasantly, special music was given by the group of Honey Harmony girls, under the personal direction of Miss Janet Holmes.

A special number was given by Miss Holmes, one of her own compositions. Title of the pretty number, "Her Smile."

The Dime a Dance Girl

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she was struck again with the contradictions in herself. For she could not help comparing this place that was her home with the rich offices of Steven's lawyers, with the subdued, graciously beautiful restaurant where they had dined, with the interiors of the smart Fifth Avenue shops. She walked slowly up the stairs. Mrs. Clancy popped out of her apartment as she passed and called to her.

"Your ma's home and Myra, too," she observed.

Ellen looked surprised.

"Mike decided he'd be a man and stay there at the hospital by himself," chuckled the Irishwoman. "Funny thing—your maw's tickled pink she's so proud of him."

Ellen had started on again. But Mrs. Clancy had more to say. She was evidently somewhat embarrassed for she kept twisting and twisting her apron.

"I think you got a guest up there, too," she whispered with a conspiratorial air. "I—well, I didn't manage to see him good but I think it's that same young fellow was here for you a coupla weeks ago."

Ellen felt that she was suffocating as she stammered out her thanks, turned away and ran up the stairs. She must get this settled at once and forever, while she had the courage. If she saw Larry now, he must know, must understand that she meant what she had written.

Her keys were in the lock and she had tugged back the door. She stopped short on the threshold. Myra, already wearing the new blue pajamas, was dividing her attention between a bowl of strawberries and the evening newspaper. Molly, dainty as a spirite in the voluminous black pajamas, was curled up on the couch with a book from the library.

No one else was present.

For a moment the surge of relief made Ellen feel actually dizzy. If Myra, in that quick upward look, saw anything amiss, Molly's extravagant praises of all the new and beautiful clothes and her delight at the things they had chosen for her, covered all other emotion for a space.

"Lovely, lovely, lovely," Molly was babbling. "Myra and I have had everything on and off a dozen times. The bedroom looks like a society bazaar. You should see."

Not until the new clothes, the shopping trip, the visit of the lawyers, not until Mike's rebellion, not until everything that had happened during the day had been discussed was Ellen given the chance to ask what was in her mind.

(To Be Continued)

OUT OUR WAY

BRUSHING UP SPORTS - - - - - - - By Laufer

William Powell is causing feminire hearts to beat quite a bit faster with his breathless escapades in "High Pressure" at the Arcadia Theatre today. Evelyn Brent, George Sidney and Evalyn Knapp are in the supporting cast of this Warner picture.

TRAINMEN PUT OUT FIRE AND SAVE SCHOOLHOUSE

By United Press.

WEST KEWAUNEE, Wis.—A train on the Green Bay and Western line was late at Casco Junction because its crew stopped to put out a schoolhouse fire here. Sound of the trainmen's boots on the roof was the first warning the teacher and pupils had that the school was burning. Damage by the fire was slight.

REPEAL FORECAST BY 1934.

By United Press.

PARIS—Dr. Georges Portmann, Bordeaux specialist and chairman of the French medical committee for the defense of wine, sees the repeal of prohibition in the United States by 1934. Dr. Portmann has just returned from a trip to America and affirms that "education of the dry states would so assist the general anti-prohibition trend as to bring about a revision of the eighteenth amendment within two or three years."

Ranger Cleaners Have New Line Of Spring Pattern

S. P. Boon, manager of the Ranger Dry Cleaners, announces today that his company is now agent for the International Tailors, manufacturers of fine clothing for men.

The Ranger Dry Cleaners have a complete line of samples of spring material for suits in a large assortment of patterns, that they are offering to the public at reduced prices. All suits made from these samples will be tailored to your measure by experienced tailors.

WOODSBORO—Machinery is arriving for new cannery to be in operation here shortly.

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Personal

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Garner were Dallas visitors this week.

Mrs. Hall Walker left this week for El Paso, where she will enter the Holman sanitarium as a patient for several months.

Joe Hendricks of Abilene was a Ranger visitor Wednesday.

Mrs. Willard Swaney, who has been confined to her home, West Main street, for the past four weeks, is much improved.

Mrs. Sam Brimberry is an Abilene visitor over the week-end of her sister, Mrs. Charles Murphy.

TELEVISION FOR FRANCE FORECAST BY ENGINEER

By United Press.

PARIS.—Television is soon to be a household commodity in France, according to Rene Barthelemy, engineer of one of the largest electrical concerns here. He also predicts telecinema at an early date, pointing out that he has already succeeded in reproducing 16 images a second, whereas the cinema requires 24. He says it is only a matter of a short time until the requisite number of images can be reached by telecinema.

FIRST AID COPS SAVE GIRL.

PORTLAND, Ore.—Police first aid training saved the life of Dolores Hall, 15 months old, after she had swallowed camphorated oil from a bottle. Patrolmen Stockdale and Fitzsimmons administered an emetic, prevented the baby's death and received official commendation from Police Chief Jenkins.

FIRE DAMAGE FIVE MILLION.

By United Press.

HARRISBURG, Pa.—Fire caused $5,548,000 damage to dwelling houses in Pennsylvania outside of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh during 1931, the state fire marshal bureau reported.

Nearly 2,000 deer were killed by accidents in 1931, the Pennsylvania game commission estimates. Getting to be nearly as dangerous for the deer as for the hunters.

AT RANGER HOSPITALS

City-County Hospital

Howard Hinton of Odessa, formerly of Ranger, who was operated this week, is doing nicely.

Mrs. Harvey Buffman underwent an operation this morning.

West Texas Clinic

Leroy Miller continues to improve following an operation.

Joe Gallagher of Cisco is rapidly improving.

Mrs. Truman Bohanan is resting well after having undergone an operation.

Mrs. Mary Lince Hinley of Thurber is a patient.

RANGER HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

MISS JEWELLE JUDD
Editor

Home Economics Club Has Meeting.

Members of the Home Economics club were entertained Wednesday with interesting talks on "Personality" and "Sportsmanship." Eva Littlejohn had charge of the program.

The program consisted of talk on "Personal Appearance" by Maxelle Shirley; "Friendship," Reba Calloway; "A Pleasing Disposition," Bernice Reuwer; "Jealousy," Ora Lee Ratliff, and "Sportsmanship," Lela Crutsinger.

This was one of the most interesting programs presented by the Home Economics club this semester.

Plans for the program for Wednesday, March 16, are being made by the program committee.

Life of Sousa Discussed By Music Club.

The Music Club of the high school chose as the topic for discussion "The Life and Work of John Philip Sousa" at the meeting Wednesday.

Travel Club Entertained.

The Travel club was entertained Wednesday with talks from various members of the club.

Those who had parts on the program were Mildred Moorman, Leewel Chance, Landrum Gilmore and Mildred James.

This program was enjoyed very much by everyone present.

Miss Ella Mae Hamilton was the guest of friends in Breckenridge the early part of the week.

Regular chapel exercises were held in high school today.

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