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Ranger Times

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A statute 147 years old provides \$1000 fine for revolt on the high seas and probably was originally entitled Bounty on the Mutiny.

INQUIRY INTO BIG BUSINESS STRIKE ASKED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Rep. Martin Dies of Texas announced today he would introduce a resolution in the House demanding congressional investigation of New Deal charges that big business is now engaged in a sit-down strike to produce economic chaos.

Dies said he had submitted his resolution and that it would be referred to the committee on rules. The Texas congressman requested that the Speaker of the House be authorized to "immediately appoint a special committee to be composed of seven members, not more than five of whom may be from the same political party for the purpose of conducting a thorough and far-reaching investigation."

Dies asked that the charges made by the secretary of the interior, Harold Ickes, and Assistant Attorney General Robert Jackson be inquired into.

Dies asked that the justice and labor departments be requested to cooperate in the investigation and that Ickes and Jackson "be afforded an opportunity to appear before a congressional committee to refute the charge that they are demagogues and establish the truth of their charges."

Meantime critics of last week's New Deal anti-monopoly speeches invited President Roosevelt to show in his message to congress Monday how they reflected his own views.

At his press conference the President said they were aimed at certain "malefactors of great wealth" and not at all wealthy individuals.

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 1.—Individual initiative, self-reliance and private enterprise are fully capable of combatting the business recession if the government will "not hinder but aid."

Bailey called on the administration to turn back to private enterprise the responsibility for permanent recovery.

OIL ACTIVITY FOR COUNTY AT LOW EBB

Oil activity in Eastland and surrounding counties this week-end, outside routine drilling, was light. North of Cisco Lone Star Gas Company's No. 1 M. Thomas, west of the Hickok Van Parmer Ellenburger discovery well, was drilling at 675 feet.

Hickok's well a mile and a half southeast, the No. 1 Donovan, was drilling at 2,800 feet. Also northwest of Cisco the G. D. Chastain No. 1 Weddington section 496, SPRR survey, at 3,525 feet was reported drilling.

In Callahan county the closely watched Phillips Petroleum Company No. 1 Cozart, 4,000-foot test, was reported to be drilling at 2,850 feet.

Gallagher-Lawson et al No. 1 Terry, deep test near Desdemona, but in Comanche county, at 4,650 feet was stated to be shut down.

Also in Comanche county, the W. J. Dobbs No. 1 Hodges was at 2,400 feet. In Erath county the Arnold Oil Company No. 1 McMillen was shut down at 3,100 feet.

Killed Baby on 'Ghost's' Order



Because the "ghost" of his father, dead six years, commanded it, Henry Nead, 19, shown above with his 15-year-old wife, Luella, beat his six-week-old foster son to death in Vesper, Wisconsin.

Beer Question Is Still Muddled As Year 1937 Is Ended

As the year 1937 came to an end the beer question in Eastland county was about as muddled as it was throughout most of the year, with the final outcome still in the hands of court officials.

A brief report shows that in May an election was held to determine whether or not sale of beer in the county would be continued. A canvass of the votes showed that the sale had been voided but attorneys for the beer dealers claimed that the wording of the ballot was so confusing and the posting of election notices so inadequately done that a contest was filed.

When the case came up for trial Judge George L. Davenport disqualified himself and a district judge from Breckenridge heard the case, in which a decision was found in favor of the beer dealers.

Another appeal was filed, this time in the Eleventh Court of Civil Appeals by the county judge and commissioners' court, who were defendants, and this court reversed the decision of the trial court.

Attorneys for the beer dealers again filed an appeal, this time for a rehearing in the court of civil appeals, the law allowing 15 days from the time the decision was handed down in which to appeal. Since this appeal was filed no action has been taken by the appeals court, where the appeal now rests, awaiting its place upon the records of the court.

Clerk's November Receipts Increase

Receipts during November this year proved \$36.98 better than those for the same month in 1936 at the office of County Clerk R. V. Galloway.

The \$479.48 total was made by the following items: Recording, \$219; chattel mortgages, \$80; release of chattel mortgages, \$16.75; marriage licenses, \$40.50; certified copies, \$16; court costs \$90.05; notary bonds, \$1.50; hunting and fishing licenses, 1.70, and miscellaneous fees, \$13.98.

Newspapermen Are Killed by a Bomb

ST. JEAN DE LUZ, France, Jan. 1.—Two newspapermen, one a member of a wealthy American family, now residing in Paris, were killed and another American war correspondent was injured in what nationalist sources said today was an accidental shell explosion.

The bomb fell on a car in which the correspondents were riding near Coned, Spain. Bradish Johnson, correspondent for American magazines and member of a prominent New York family, was killed outright, as was an English correspondent.

THREE ARE KILLED

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., Jan. 1.—Three persons were killed and two injured critically today when their cars collided on a straight stretch of pavement.

GARRETT LEAVES FOR MEET OF CONGRESS AT CAPITAL AFTER VISIT IN DISTRICT

The undistributed profits and capital gains tax is almost certain to receive revision after Congress convenes Monday, Representative Clyde L. Garrett stated Saturday at Eastland.

The congressman, accompanied by Mrs. Garrett and two of their children, Katherine, student at George Washington University at Washington, and Clyde, student at Kemper Military Academy at Boonville, Mo., had been in Eastland and the district over a week before they left Saturday for Washington.

Congressman Garrett said that there is some discussion that the undistributed profits and capital gains measure be repealed but he stated that in his belief it was a remote possibility.

"It is apparent that Congress if it near-unanimous opinion the undistributed profits and capital gains tax should be modified and seemingly the only difference in the manner, method and extent to which it should be done," declared the official.

Garrett believes revision and change of the measure will tend to materially and promptly stimulate business. From talks with constituents the official declared it was evident the recession in this district had become noticeable about mid-September. Lagging of business in this district, similar over the nation, is a matter of great concern to Congress, the former Eastland county judge pointed out.

As to farm bills' status, Garrett stated both senate and house conferees are working over legislation passed in both houses, but which are not in accord. "It is feared," explained Garrett, "that the conferees will not accomplish the result desired by both Congress and agricultural interests."

"But," he said, "it is to be hoped the conferees in adjusting the two bills will bring back for approval a bill which will not only be fair and equitable to all concerned but which will mean much to agriculture."

"No doubt," Garrett continued, "it will be necessary to change the farm legislation year to year as conditions arise and irregularities are removed."

Asked of wage, hour legislation, Garrett stated leaders would urge the immediate consideration and passage of such measures. He pointed out that in the called session a wage, hour bill met defeat by 18 votes.

Questioned on the Ludlow resolution which would provide an amendment making possible a national referendum before entrance into war, Congressman Garrett said that the proposal, in his belief would not gain much strength.

"My best information," declared the official, "is to effect that a large majority who signed the Ludlow petition did so at the regular session in Congress which met in January, 1937, and long before recent occurrences in the Far East (bombing of Panay, exchange of diplomatic notes between Japan and the United States, etc.)"

Garrett remarked that in his opinion it would be inadvisable at this time for Congress to pass the resolution. "I shall not support the resolution now," he added.

"Although I would very much like to see the budget balanced as quickly as possible I doubt the wisdom of curtailing expenditures or cutting appropriations for federal highways as recommended by the president, especially in view that gasoline tax is being levied and collected for that purpose."

"It has been estimated 90 cents of each dollar spent on highways and farm-to-market roads goes to labor and material. To cut the appropriation at this time would be extremely detrimental to our highway building program."

"It is true as stated by the president in his recommendation to cut the appropriation that very little relief labor is used in the building of state and federal roads. "I deeply regret that under the present set-up more relief labor can not be used but still it should be borne in mind that if the appropriation for highway building is cut probably thousands of people now employed would be thrown on relief."

Bright White House Outlook



If the New Year is as bright as the White House in its holiday dress, the United States has little to fear from 1938. As you see above, the Presidential mansion in Washington, D. C., is a dazzling spectacle at night, brightly lighted trees and spotlights augmenting the usual illumination.

Agents Outline Extension Work

Main points in their 1938 work have been outlined by Elmo V. Cook, county agent, and Hugh F. Barnhart, his assistant who is in charge of 4-H club activity.

Cook's program places emphasis on the following lines of activity: Terracing and soil improvement through that work, trench silt for feed conservation, control of grasshoppers, growing and turning under legumes, utilization of barnyard manure, use of commercial fertilizer and orchard improvement.

Cook stated that the soil improvement provides the biggest problem for his work. Agent Barnhart's work will include: introduction of registered livestock, pigs and Jersey heifers, 4-H club orchards, hog feeding, securing better peanut, cotton and grain sorghum seed for planting as demonstrations, budding of 6,000 seedling peach trees to be distributed to 4-H club orchards, training of 4-H judging teams.

In addition, Barnhart and Cook have a multiple of work besides that outlined which is in the regular order of extension service duties.

Former Rangerite Buried in Abilene

Word was received in Ranger Saturday of the death in Abilene, of Mrs. C. C. Chenoweth, formerly of Ranger, who succumbed Friday afternoon after two years of failing health.

Funeral services were conducted at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon at St. Paul's Methodist Church in Abilene.

Mrs. Chenoweth is survived by her husband, two sons, Cecil and Max. While in Ranger Mr. Chenoweth was connected with one of the Ranger banks.

Tacoman Is Winner Of Liar's Trophy

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—John Zelenak, Jr., of Tacoma, Wash., today won the Burlington, Wis., liars club "diamond studded medal" for the tallest story of 1937, with a tale of his lazy wife who "feeds chickens popcorn so when she chokes the eggs they turn over by themselves."

New York Has a Record Death Toll

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—New York's New Year's celebration took a toll of ten lives, according to reports of police today. The new year was marked by what police described as one of the heaviest tolls of life and property damage in recent years.

TEN KILLED IN STATE ON NEW YEAR'S ENTRY

Accidents and violence during New Year's celebrations Saturday had resulted in ten deaths in Texas.

Miss Caroline Bartlett, 78, was killed in Houston by an automobile as she walked across the street in the rain.

Pitacio Davila, 69, was killed in San Antonio when an automobile struck him as he walked across a street.

Ruth Underbrink, 13, was killed at Kingsville when a truck struck her as she was roller skating. Eddie McCracklin, 28, negro, was shot to death in Fort Worth. Police believed he may have fallen and shot himself accidentally.

Camata Garcia, 70, victim of a hit-run driver, died in an El Paso hospital, as did Jim Williams, 50, hit by an automobile as he was crossing a street.

Lee Manor, 65, of Travis county, was drowned when his automobile plunged into a creek as he was returning home.

The body of Richard Ragland, 7, who fell into the Colorado river at Austin, Dec. 19, was recovered 100 miles downstream.

Clarksville officers sought to determine the cause of the death of Oscar Ward, 52, whose body was found Friday, floating on a lake at the Clarksville country club. A wound on his head appeared to have been inflicted by a heavy blow. Relatives said he had been missing a month.

The death in a Dallas hospital of H. A. Wilkerson, 43, injured New Year's eve in a head-on collision on the Fort Worth-Dallas Pike, brought the Dallas county traffic toll for 1937 to 110.

AMERICANS IN VIGILANTES TO STOP LOOTING

TSINGTAO, China, Jan. 1.—Americans joined the international force of vigilantes, today to save foreign property from burning and looting.

The foreigners, armed with clubs patrolled the streets in automobiles. Twenty isolated fires were extinguished.

SHANGHAI, China, Jan. 1.—Several hand grenades were thrown into a detachment of Japanese soldiers inside the International Settlement of Shanghai today, injuring at least nine persons, including Japanese.

The bombings precipitated a grave incident and the Shanghai municipal council, which governs the settlement, proclaimed emergency power to deal with terrorism.

About the same time 40 Japanese planes raided the southern city of Canton, including the air-drome and the railroad, causing heavy damage.

The police announced that four Japanese soldiers and five Chinese civilians, all men, were wounded in today's bombings. The Russian news agency at Nanking was burned to the ground today by a fire of undetermined origin, according to reports received from the Japanese news agency.

CANTON, China, Jan. 1.—Chinese troops repulsed a Japanese attempt to land 100 sailors a few miles north of Macao this afternoon. The nearness of Macao, a Portuguese colony, to British Hong Kong, caused apprehension to Britishers here.

Police Seek Three Who Robbed Pair

DALLAS, Jan. 1.—Police sought today three gunmen who held up and robbed Maurice Shackman, stock broker, and his wife, of \$1,000 in cash and jewelry valued at \$800.

Shackman and his wife were returning from Fort Worth when a car curbed their machine on a viaduct approaching Dallas. The robbers cursed Mrs. Shackman when she pleaded with them not to take her diamond bracelet and a diamond studded watch, but they permitted her to keep them,

Mrs. Wedig, Mother Of E. Hinrichs, Dies

Mrs. Ida Wedig, mother of E. Hinrichs of Eastland, died Saturday morning at 12:15 at her residence in Austin.

A resident of Texas 63 years, Mrs. Wedig was injured recently by a fall at her home when she stumbled on a rug. She had visited several times with her Eastland son.

Funeral services were arranged for this afternoon at 2:30 in Austin.

G. A. Murphy



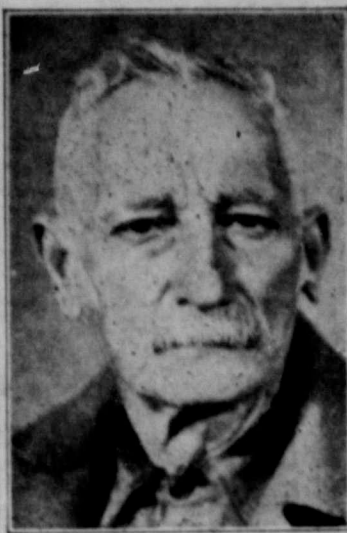
Fire Chief of Ranger since the boom days and who has lead the Ranger Fire Department through one of the best years in the city's history as far as fire loss is concerned.

Jim Ingram



Chief of Police of Ranger for more than 10 years, whose department has established an enviable record in keeping down crime during the past year.

"Dad" Stiffler



Who claims to be Texas' oldest newsboy, and who said Saturday he wished everyone a Happy New year in 1938.

Dr. P. M. Kuykendall



For a number of years connected with the West Texas Hospital, and who has served as a director and later as president of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce, Dr. Kuykendall is one of Ranger's most active citizens.

C. D. Hartnett



Ranger wholesale grocer who has had a good business throughout 1937 and who is looking forward to an even better year in 1938. Hartnett has long been an active member of the Ranger Country club.

Keeping Down Costs With The Joneses



In 1938 many people will be imitating their friends and neighbors by going in for one of the new developments of the Frigidaire laboratories at Dayton, which this year reaches a sensationally new low figure in operating costs. Above is one of the new model Frigidaires which incorporate every worthwhile feature known to the refrigeration business, including Frigidaire's patented silent motor-miser, and the double-easy ice cube release. Engineers say they designed this model so that it would save several times what it costs.

CHURCHES

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

H. B. Johnson, Pastor. Sunday school, 10 a. m., with Lawrence Bryan, superintendent. Golden Rule Bible class taught by Carl Clemmer. This is a class for men and every man of the church, should be in this class this morning.

Preaching by the pastor, 11 a. m. Subject, "My Presence Shall Go With Thee, and I Will Give Thee Rest." This is a New Year's sermon and it is the wish of the pastor that every member of the church would be present. Come and take your place, this first Sunday of the year.

Don't miss the communion service.

Christian Endeavor will meet at 6:30 with Mrs. Carothers in charge.

These young folks are doing a great work and should receive the help of every parent in the church. Preaching by the pastor, 7:15 p. m. Subject, "The Excuse Maker."

Announcements will be made this morning regarding the Missionary meeting.

The pastor and wife wish for every one a very happy and prosperous New Year.

Don't forget that Arthur Shel-

CHURCH OF CHRIST

W. Wallace Layton, Minister. For the past two weeks we have followed the ancient custom of being filled with the general spirit of Christmas. We were happy to have had a part in the distribution of groceries to the needy families of Ranger. Twenty-seven boxes were distributed, and the remaining commodities brought in for this work have been placed in the church storage.

The church completed payments on our mimeograph machine and other supplies which we purchased some two months ago for the publication of the "Lord's Way." We are happy to invite the public to visit our print shop any Tuesday night to witness the printing of this paper. The work shop is located in the basement of the Church building at 209 Mesquite St.

We extend a hearty welcome to the public to attend the services of the Church of Christ. Bible Study next Sunday morning at 9:45. Preaching at 11:00. The sermon topic for the morning service will be "I Am Resolved." There will be two services Sunday evening. The young people meet at 6:00 and this is followed by the regular preaching service at 7:00. The subject at this hour will be "The successful failure."

There is a special service on Monday afternoon for the Ladies of Ranger. Opportunity is extend-

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday, January 2, 1938. 9:45 a. m.—Sunday School. Max Ohr, Supt.

11:00 a. m.—Prof. W. T. Walton, "Taking Stock."

7:00 p. m.—Christian Endeavor—Noma Dilworth, Pres. Due to the absence of Dr. Gray, Prof. W. T. Walton will speak on "Taking Stock" an appropriate New Year's sermon. All friends and members of the Church are urged to be present.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

G. Alfred Brown, Pastor

It is our sincere wish that you may have a "Happy New Year," and that the coming year shall be pleasant and profitable. It shall be one of the major aims of our Church this year, to help that wish to come true. Need I remind you that Jesus gave that as his major task, for according to his words, he came into this world that we might have life, and that we might have it more abundantly. A part of that "abundant life" may be lived by you and by me in 1938.

"Inventory Time" will be the theme for the Sunday morning sermon, and will be followed by a

Dr. W. L. Jackson



Member of the Ranger Clinic and for several years president of the Ranger School Board.

THE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Corner Oak and East Main Sts. Rev. A. G. Pool, Pastor.

Sunday School, 9:45. Ira Utz, Supt.

Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Tuesday night singing school

Wednesday night midweek, 7:00 p. m.

Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. W. A. Lewis, Supt.

We have classes for all and welcome you to meet with us around the open Bible.

Morning Worship, 11:00 a. m. Communion Service, with ser-

F. G. Yonker



Hydraulic Casing Pulling, Mgr. Who has been prominent in oil field circles in Ranger since the latter part of the boom, and who now operates a hydraulic casing pulling company.



OUR NEW YEAR MESSAGE.....

As we enter into the New Year your City Commissioners wish to express to all Ranger Citizens the very best of everything for the New Year. It has been a real pleasure and joy to work with the people of this city in the handling of their affairs, and we solicit their cooperation and interest during the year of 1938.



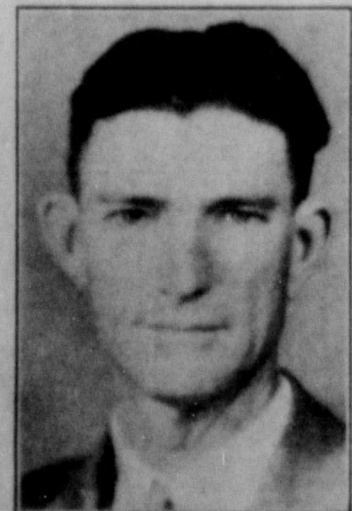
J. J. KELLY, Water Com.



HALL WALKER, Mayor



HAL HUNTER, Police Com.



EDWIN GEORGE, Finance Com.

MUCH WORK TO BE DONE

We, your City Commission, pledge ourselves anew to render every service within the keeping of good business and to make every improvement wherever it is possible. We covet the advice and counsel of interested citizens at all times.

CITY COMMISSION OF RANGER



CALVIN BROWN, Street Com.



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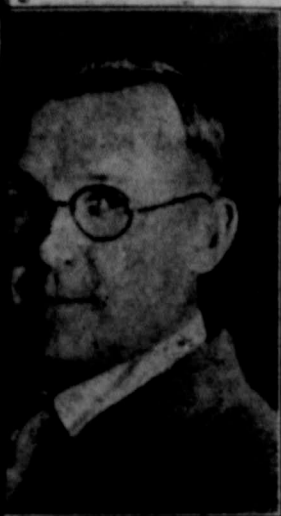
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IN RECOGNITION OF OUR PAST CORDIAL RELATIONS TO US TO SINCERELY WISH THAT THE COMING YEAR HOLDS FOR YOU MORE OF HEALTH, HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY.

GLOBE SAULE PERLSTEIN, Mgr.

H. A. Logsdon



Logsdon has held almost every position of prominence in Ranger since it was first opened. Dr. Logsdon has held a prominent position among the physicians and surgeons of Ranger for many years.

Dr. T. L. Lauderdale



With the West Texas Hospital since it was first opened. Dr. Lauderdale has held a prominent position among the physicians and surgeons of Ranger for many years.

J. E. Meroney



Former postmaster and for the past few years secretary of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Ranger School Board.

B. E. Garner



Manager of the Areadis and Columbia Theatres in Ranger for the past several years, and now president of the Ranger Lions Club.

Ward Manager



J. L. Ambler, popular manager of the Montgomery Ward Store in Ranger.

Dr. W. L. Downtain



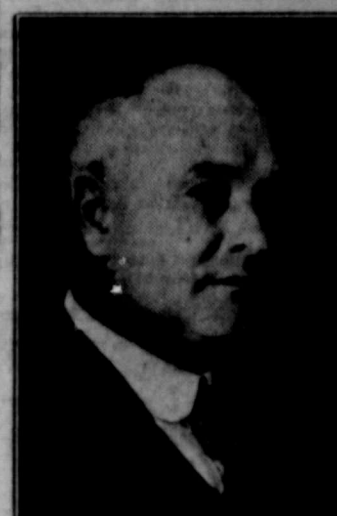
Ranger Dentist, who for a number of years has been connected with the Ranger Clinic.

A. J. Ratliff



One of the largest seed and feed merchants of this part of the country, and president of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Ranger since its formation several years ago.

Dr. W. C. Palmer



Associated with the Ranger Clinic since it was organized in Ranger and one of Ranger's most prominent physicians.

Police and Fire Departments Have Good Year's Record

With the police and fire departments of Ranger had unusually good years in 1937, with crime and fires both being at a low point, probably the lowest, in many years.

Very little crime was reported in Ranger during the year, and the petty crimes that were reported in were nearly all solved. Major crimes were comparatively few, with none of them remaining unsolved.

The fire department probably had the best record in its history, with a large number of calls being made and damage being very light in nearly all instances. There

was not a major fire in the city during the year, though several could have developed into disastrous blazes had they not been reached quickly.

It was believed by Fire Chief G. A. Murphy that addition of a booster tank materially aided in keeping the fire loss at a minimum this year, as it was used in stopping many of the fires that broke out after it was placed in service in the early summer.

Senior Play to the curtain fund. This equipment adds greatly to the beauty and usefulness of the building and has provoked favorable comment from visitors from all parts of the country.

During the past year a number of rural schools turned to Ranger to share the educational opportunities that the foresighted people of this city have provided. The

Cross Roads District closed its school in January 1937 and since that date its entire student body has been transported to Ranger. In August the Frankel District to Ranger and some are coming transferred its high school students from the Oakley District also. In September the tenth and eleventh grades of the Alameda High School were transferred to Ranger. These along with the high

school students from Bullock District and the Lone Cedar District have helped give the Ranger High School the largest enrollment it has had in years. More than 480 were enrolled up to the Christmas holidays.

Another progressive step that enlisted the interest of the city was in the school band. The patrons as well as the business men subscribed liberally and through

this cooperation sixty-five new uniforms were purchased for the school. For the first time the Ranger Band took part in the State High School Band contest which was held in Lubbock, and the band work was fully affiliated with the State Department of

Education. The most recent improvement for the band was in moving to the first floor of the Revis building where a comfortable practice hall has been arranged.

Another achievement for the year was in the Ranger Junior College obtaining advance approval for class "A" standing for the session of 1938-39.

Ranger Schools Have Enjoyed A Good Year

By W. T. WALTON

The year that has just closed afforded many significant evidences of progress for the Ranger Schools. These have been made possible by forty-eight teachers giving their best, by the loyal enthusiastic support of the people of the city, and by a cooperating student body. Only a few of the most important items can be mentioned here.

Early in the year the stage in the Recreation Building was fitted with a beautiful velour curtain, grey poplin cyclorama, appropriate drops, stage doors and windows. The Ranger business men made this notable improvement possible and the Senior Class of 1937 gave the entire net proceeds of its

Soviet explorers have drifted 750 miles from their original post at the North Pole. Evidently they had orders not to let any grass grow under their feet.

Greeting The NEW YEAR WITH A SMILE



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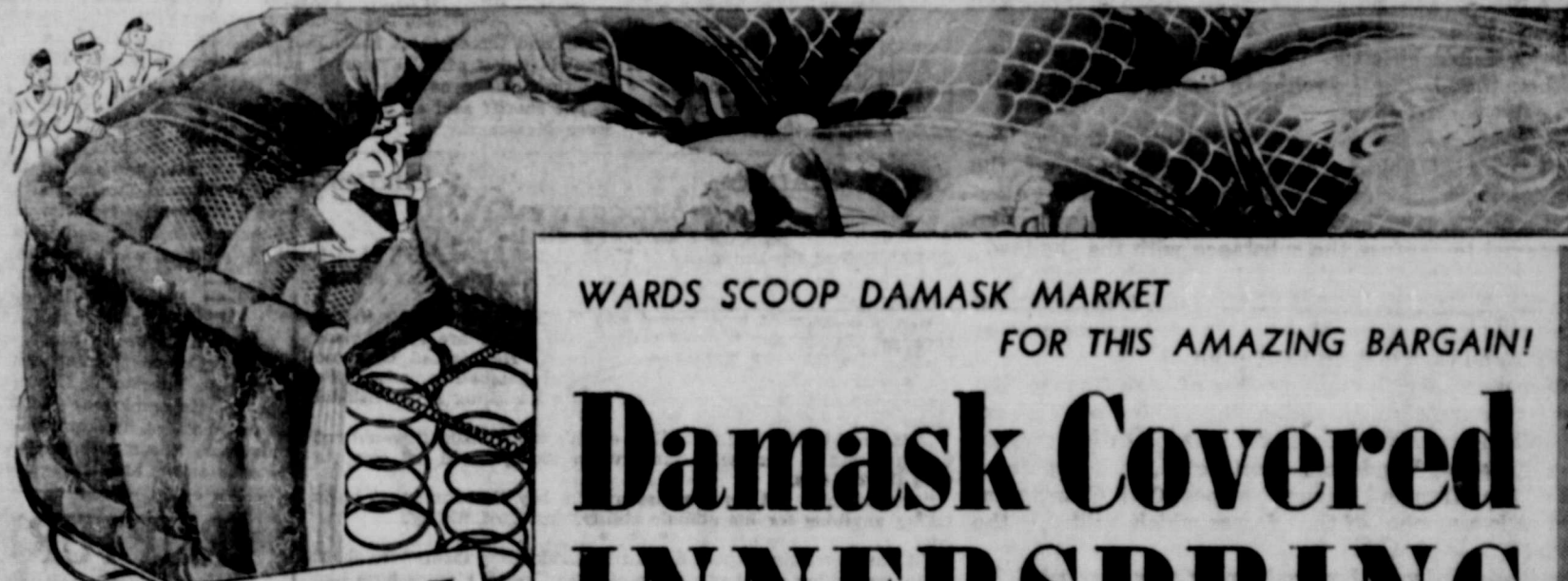
The service rendered by your newspaper is dependent largely upon the good will of the people who read its pages day by day. You have been generous . . . you have been thoughtful . . . you have been patient. Help us by reporting promptly all news items that you may know that we may be able to serve better by telling your friends and our friends of the interesting news events that go to chronicle the happenings of the community.

As the New Year unfolds let's each of us resolve to forget the things which are behind and look to the things which are ahead . . . opportunities . . . lots of work . . . 100 per cent cooperation.

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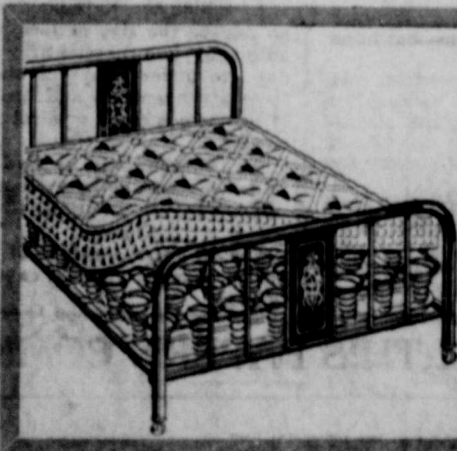
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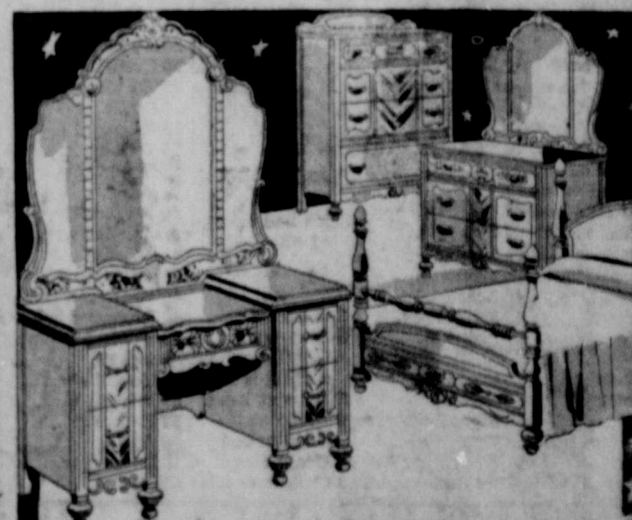
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Rail Empire 'Idols' Wrongly Identified

The patient people who got the job of picking up the pieces which littered the landscape after the crash of the late Van Swearingen brothers, railroad magnates, are still at it. Latest evidence of their work comes in a schedule of claims, debts and liabilities for the estate of Mantis J. Van Swearingen, filed recently in the probate court at Cleveland.

According to this schedule, Mantis J. Van Swearingen managed to get himself into debt to the tune of \$8,123,760 before he died. Among the claims listed are one of \$46,079,967 by J. P. Morgan & Co., and three running to more than \$20,000,000 filed by three Cleveland banks—two of which have gone bust.

The estate against which the claims are filed, according to the administrator, Trafton M. Dye, is "hopelessly insolvent."

Yet that is only part of the picture. Claims totaling slightly more than \$51,000,000 have been allowed against the estate of the late Orris P. Van Swearingen. Some six weeks ago, a schedule of claims running to \$21,000,000 was filed against the partnership estate of the brothers.

All of this must inspire a vague feeling of awe in the breast of ordinary John Citizen, who considers that he has done something notable when he runs up a debt of as much as \$100. Anyone who can put J. P. Morgan on the cuff for \$46,000,000, and then die and leave nothing to pay the debt with, has passed into the realms of fable.

But the Van Swearingen debt is worth considering, not as a natural marvel like the Grand Canyon, but as a symbol.

Until the debacle actually arrived, the brothers Van Swearingen were commonly accepted as miracle workers and distinguished citizens. Yet their contribution to the life of their time lay in the realm of frenzied finance rather than solid construction.

They belonged to the race of manipulators. The dizzy pyramid of holding companies they built up, the weirdly interlocking chain of debts, could have been accepted as noteworthy achievements only by people who had managed to confuse the substance with the shadow.

There is a distinction between the man who works with things and the man who works with money. It is illustrated—to go back in history a bit—by the contrasting careers of Jim Fisk and Commodore Vanderbilt.

Both were very rich men, masters of high finance. But Fisk was a financial manipulator and nothing more; Vanderbilt left his country a first-rate transportation system. Fisk manipulated, Vanderbilt constructed. Fisk remains a symbol of the "frenzied finance" of post-Civil War years; Vanderbilt is a symbol of the forces which built up the country.

America has always honored, and richly rewarded, its deers. It is right that it should. The trouble with the 1920's was that we got confused, and gave the homage that ought to go to the deers to the manipulators. We got our Vanderbilts and our Jim Fisks mixed up.

NEW SHEET OF PAPER BUT SAME GUY



Licenses Beg As New Year Opened

No marriage license for the new year had been issued up to a late hour Saturday at the office of County Clerk R. V. Galloway.

Two Men Are Near Death In Shooting

NEW BRAUNFELS, Texas, Jan. 1.—Two men were near death and three others had minor wounds today after a quarrel at the turn of the new year.

New Year More Than Holiday In Sherman

SHERMAN, Jan. 1.—New Year's Day is more than a legal holiday in this city; it is the beginning of a year's celebration marking the silver anniversary of Sherman's first "citizenship."

Sport Glances By Grayson

By HARRY GRAYSON Sports Editor, NEA Service

SPeAKING at the University of Missouri football banquet, Branch Rickey said that proselyting was quite different from subsidization.

What Rickey must have meant was in the dictionary, for in the keen competition for football players, the words are synonymous today. The baseball magnate knows this. He's talked with too many youngsters with both football and baseball promise who wished to complete their education before launching a professional career.

In view of the St. Louis Cardinal chain's coolie labor, it would not be surprising if there were times when Rickey could not compete with the colleges.

"Alumni must not superimpose upon a boy the cloud that he is taking anything for his athletic ability," asserted Rickey.

IT'S time these simon-pure die-hards quit kidding themselves about the recruiting of talent. Certainly, they aren't kidding boys like Bill De Corveant of Chicago's Austin High, who has a score or more offers and who with his mother is going to Hollywood as the guest of Warner Brothers to weigh them during the holidays.

The average boy requires financial help to go to college, and what is wrong with him obtaining it in return for his part in packing stadiums? If long since has been established that the great majority of the better players go to institutions giving them the most assistance.

The hypocrisy is all on the side of boards in control of athletics such as the one at Michigan, which shouts purity while abruptly firing a coach of established competency for failing to produce a consistent winner without the required material.

The Michigan Daily, student publication, doubted Harry Kipke's competency, however. "Kipke failed utterly to organize his coaching associates," it comments. "He lacked their confidence and respect."

"KIPKE lacked the faith of the men he coached. Men should emerge from four years of football with a few solid values and ideals of leadership. If when they quit they're somewhat bitter and crushed, something definitely is wrong."

"To some of his own men, Kipke was someone inaccessible, cold, distant. Some of them felt they didn't know him; that visiting him was tantamount to invading the inner sanctum of some strange executive in whose presence they were nervous."

"Maybe Kip's perspective was warped after years of success and caused him to forget the biggest part of his job."

That could be, and also it is barely possible that the material had something to do with the case. It frequently has in situations of the kind.

Certainly, there was nothing wrong with Harry Kipke's perspective while Michigan was winning four Big Ten championships.

New Year Puzzle

Horizontal and vertical crossword puzzle grid with clues and answers.

HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM THIS PAPER'S COMICS!

Comic strips including 'Happy New Year from MOO to YOU', 'ALL THE FOLKS OUT OUR WAY', 'SPECIAL NEW YEAR GREETINGS', and 'FRECKLES and his FRIENDS'.

1938 Looms as a Big Political Year With Candidates Already In Races

The state political pot has begun to boil, months ahead of the state Democratic primaries next July, and county politics, while not yet to the boiling point, have begun to simmer, with word here and there about those who are contemplating entering the political fields this election year.

Almost a complete turnover in the county courthouse personnel has been seen in the past few years, with new faces replacing those who have retired from public office since the turn of the decade.

Present office-holders have not, on the whole, begun to make their official announcements, though several who will seek to replace them have indicated that they would be candidates again this year.

Among the first term office-holders are Sheriff Less Woods, District Attorney Earl Conner, Jr., Tax Collector and Assessor Earl O'Brien, County Judge W. S. Adamson and County Clerk R. V. (Rip) Galloway. District Clerk P. L. Crossley, County Superintendent Claiborne Eldridge are holdovers and John White, county treasurer, is serving his second term.

The two district judges, Judge George L. Davenport of the 91st district court and Judge B. W. Patterson of the 88th district court will not be candidates this year, their terms running for four years. They were elected for four years each in the Democratic primaries of 1936.

In the Court of Civil Appeals, Chief Justice W. P. Leslie and Associate Justice Clyde Grissom were re-elected in 1936, with Associate Justice O. C. Funderburk being the third member of the three-judge court.

The two representatives from this section, Tip Ross and George Davison, like all state representatives, have been elected for two-year terms, while State Senator Wilbourne Collier was re-elected in 1936 for a four year term.

Precinct commissioners, too, are elected for two years each, with Henry V. Davenport being the commissioner from Precinct 1, which includes Eastland and Ranger; New Crawley representing Precinct 2, A. N. Searly from Precinct 3 and Arch Birt from Precinct 4.

Congressman Clyde L. Garrett, who was elected in 1936, is expected to be re-elected in 1938. He is also expected to be re-elected in 1938.

Will Lead Ford Fight on NLRB



He fought and defeated the NRA in the famous Schechter case, and now the Ford Motor Co. has engaged Frederick Wood, New York attorney, above, to lead Ford's court battle against the National Labor Relations Board. The NLRB is expected to ask the U. S. Circuit Court for an order sustaining the board's recent decision demanding Ford cease anti-union activity and reinstate 29 discharged employees.

ing to market in 1937, particularly in the summer and fall months, but average weights were considerably lighter than normal.

An actual scarcity of top grade beef developed during the summer which caused prime beef steers to command an unprecedented premium over the lower grades of cattle.

The shortage has been partially relieved by the abundant feed crops of 1937, although a number of months are required before corn can be converted into finished animals ready for market. Hog numbers, moreover, have been so depleted that they are not expected to attain normal levels again before 1940.

Try Our Want Ads!

Advertisement for Eastland Iron & Metal Co. featuring 'UPS AND DOWNS' and 'FRECKLES and his FRIENDS'.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAS BEEN VERY ACTIVE DURING THE YEAR 1937, JUST ENDED

By J. E. MERONEY, Secretary

Inasmuch as a detailed account of the Chamber of Commerce activities have been published by the local press as they occurred throughout the year, it does not seem advisable to do more than touch the high points at this time and with this idea in mind we submit the following report:

In view of the fact that Ranger's trade territory is so woefully lacking in good work stock it was decided early in the year that the Chamber of Commerce should do something toward encouraging the breeding of better stock. On the 23rd of March a fine black Mammoth Jack was bought by the Chamber of Commerce. Shortly after we made the purchase of the jack we sold him to one of our citizens, J. W. Donohoe; at the same time we paid for him with the understanding that he be kept in the community for at least three years. This bit of promotion in reality cost the Chamber of Commerce nothing but a little time, though, and the use of their money for a short time, while on the other hand it will in the near future result in raising the value of live stock in the community many thousands of dollars.

On March 13th a Boys 4-H Club livestock show was held in Ranger under the direction of the Chamber of Commerce. More than forty pure bred animals were

shown and \$65.00 in cash prizes were awarded. Four prize winning Jersey heifers in this show were taken to the Fort Worth Fat Stock where they won first and second places in their respective classes. The Ranger Boys 4H Club organized by the Chamber of Commerce last year in proving of great value to the community in encouraging the raising of better livestock.

Realizing that there are a great number of rodeo fans and performers in our trade territory that were having to go to other communities for this type of entertainment it was thought advisable to build a rodeo field in Ranger if possible. It was suggested that by proper arrangement the soft ball field and lighting equipment could be utilized for rodeo purposes. With this in mind we constructed a board fence around the ball ground and rodeo pens on the inside adjacent to the ball playing field which used as a rodeo arena.

This arrangement gives Ranger a modern rodeo field that can be used either day or night. During the year five rodeo performances were given on the field and the attendance at these shows fully justified our belief in the amount of interest in this section in this kind of entertainment.

Due to the effort of our industrial committee the 7Up Bottling



L. S. Rheim
Dean of the Ranger Junior College for the past few years, and who has been active in maintaining the high standing of the school.



D. M. Cooper
Local manager for J. C. Penney Company, who has become one of Ranger's most popular merchants since he came here two years ago.



E. E. Crawford
Proprietor of the Oil City Pharmacy, one of Ranger's leading drug stores and one of her leading citizens.

St. Paul's Church To Install a New Pastor Next Sunday

Installation services of the St. Paul Baptist church (colored) of Ranger, will begin Tuesday night Jan. 4, and will continue through Sunday night, Jan. 9, it has been announced in Ranger.

Tuesday night Sunday school will be conducted with Smith chapel, with H. J. Smith in charge. Wednesday night's service will be conducted under the auspices of the B. Y. P. U. of the Macedonia Baptist church, and on Thursday night the W. M. U. of the First Baptist church (colored) of Eastland, will be in charge. Friday night the deacons and deaconesses of St. Paul's church of Ranger will conduct the services, with W. M. McClennon in charge.

Saturday night will be devoted to special entertainment.

Sunday will be a big day in the church, with Sunday school being conducted at 9:45 and preaching by Pastor Wright at 11 o'clock.

The installation sermon will be preached by E. W. Wyatt, pastor of the First Baptist church (colored) of Cisco, when A. L. Dunn will be installed as pastor of the St. Paul Baptist church.

The newly-installed pastor will bring the evening message at 7:45 a service in which Wesley Johnson will be master of ceremonies. The St. Paul's Baptist church is one of the outstanding colored religious bodies of this part of the country, and one which enjoys an active and progressive membership which has helped the church to maintain the position it now commands throughout this section.

India still reports scores killed by tigers each year. What India needs is a LaGuardia.



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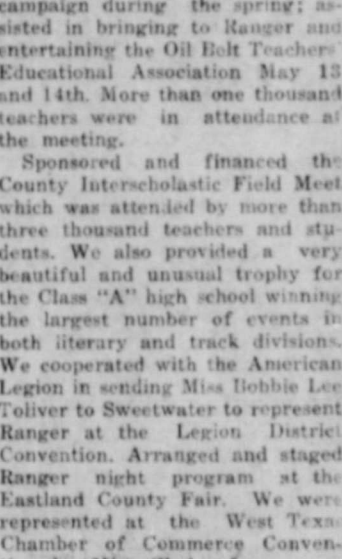
Who has been Dean of Women of the Ranger Junior College since the school was established in 1926 and who has been one of the factors in bringing the school the recognition it has received.

A. N. Larson



Local manager for the Texas Electric Service Company, a member of the Ranger School Board, and who has been one of the factors in bringing the school the recognition it has received.

Raymond Garza



Manager of Traders Grocery and Market and one of Ranger's foremost grocers, who has seen his business grow from a small store to one of the leading groceries in the city.

H. L. Baskin



Principal of the Cooper School in Ranger for a number of years, Baskin is one of the best educators in the entire school system.

Townsend Club Will Elect New Officers

An important meeting of the Ranger Townsend Club has been announced for Monday night, Jan. 3, by T. E. Giller, secretary.

Texaco Agent



H. P. Earnest, for several years Texaco Agent in Ranger, an active member of the Ranger Country Club and one of Ranger's boosters.

Ford Agent



Since early boom days Morris Leveille has operated a Ford Agency in Ranger and is still doing business at the same place.

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RANGER

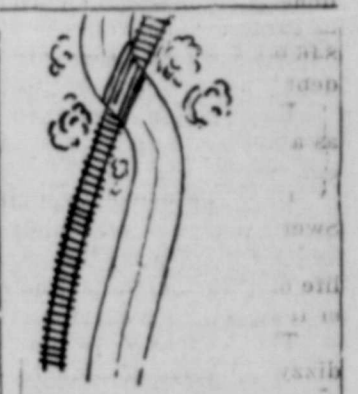
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(GREETINGS)

Just a tiny baby
In its mother's arms,
Secure in love and confidence,
Sheltered from all harm,
Just a priceless jewel,
That will be guarded well, we know,
Just a gift from Heaven,
That God sent here below.

With the arrival of the New Year we are deeply interested with feeling of sincere appreciation to those who have so loyally contributed to our success and happiness throughout the past year.

Appreciatively,
Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Schooley and Sally Ann
SCHOOLEY'S BAKERY
Phone 7

New Year Greetings

WE HAD LOTS OF FUN SERVING OUR FRIENDS DURING THE OLD YEAR! WE SHALL STRIVE TO PLEASE YOU AGAIN IN 1938!

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HOME OWNERSHIP.....
THE KEYNOTE FOR 1938!

The greatest form of security for the whole family is in home ownership!... Let us help you buy a home of your own!

C. E. MAY, Secretary

FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS and LOAN ASSOCIATION of RANGER

Best Wishes

FOR A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Hydraulic Casing Pulling Co.
RANGER TRUCKING CO.
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Phones: Office 42, Residence 15 and 512

Related Holiday

By Elinore Cowan Stone Copyright, 1937, NEA Service, Inc.

CAST OF CHARACTERS
LINDA BENTON - Heroine, daughter of a famous singer.
CAPT. BARRYMORE TRENT - Hero, singing "Swanee".
MISS MIRANDA TRENT - Barrymore's grandmother; a "strong woman."

Yesterday Linda learns that Barry's grandmother is lonely and that this is the only way she can get the next morning changes her entire outlook.

CHAPTER XV

REGGIE GRIMES' column flourished on innuendo.

People are beginning to ask questions," Linda read now, "about the mysterious and spirituelle little singer who suddenly began to pack 'em in at a well-known night club of our fair city."

Who, since the issue has been raised, is Silvia? Where did she come from into the here? ... Your commentator is old enough to remember the nights when Linda Audubon was standing the stage-door Johnnies on their ears before the scandal of her tragic end. The resemblance - in voice, appearance, and a uniquely effortless gift for 'putting it across' - is so remarkable as to suggest something more than mere coincidence. ... OK, well, we merely mention it for what it is worth."

"The one thing," Tony said, "that spoils Reggie Grimes' meals, is a mystery. But you don't have to tell him or any of 'em anything you don't want to - not me either," he added.

"She was my mother," Linda said steadily. "I have often been told that I am very much like her."

"Then this is O-kay by me," Tony tapped the paper. "But how about you?"

"Why should I mind?" Linda demanded proudly. "I never understood - what happened to her until I was grown up. Then I will never ashamed, only - sorry. This just doesn't matter."

But she knew now that she would never write to old Miranda for that key.

Almost over night the legend of Silvia Star had taken possession of the city. Everywhere people were humming or whistling the quaint, wistful air Tony used for the entrance cue. Orchestras jazzed it; radio entertainers crooned it.

BUT Linda went obediently about the routine Tony and his sister planned for her. She practiced her simple little songs with the orchestra; she tried on the simple frocks that Tony had designed for her; she showed herself occasionally at the most discreet of the fashionable amusement places, always aloof under Mrs. Campagna's proud chaperonage - for being seen seemed to be part of her job.

And if, when she was tired, she sometimes felt waves of homesickness for that great shadowy house where she seemed to have left so vital a part of herself - even for that indomitable, proud old woman who was alone there with her own unhappiness, Linda determinedly beat the feeling down.

Why return, even in imagination, to the fire that once had burned her so unendurably? Better to remain frozen and anaesthetized, except for those few minutes each night when she came to life in song.

One evening, however, her unemissive did so far get the better of her that she went to a pay station, got long distance, and called the Trent house. Jefferson answered the telephone.

"Yes," he said in answer to Linda's guarded questions, "Miss Miranda was doing nicely. ... Would she like to speak to Miss Miranda?"

"No," Linda said. "Oh, no! I - just called to inquire."

She was about to hang up when Jefferson demanded suddenly, "Ain't this Miss Linda speakin'?" Linda hesitated in panic. She had thought she was disguising her voice so well.

"I think you must be confusing me with someone else," she said at last.

"Yassum," said Jefferson, but his tone was unconvincing. "Who shall I tell Miss Miranda called?"

"I - oh, Mrs. Trent might not even remember me."

"Yassum," said Jefferson loudly, as if for the ears of someone listening in the room beyond. Then in a carefully lowered tone, "When you comin' home, Miss Linda?"

There came the sharp tap-tap of a cane on the polished floor, and then old Miranda's imperious voice, coming nearer:

"Is that Miss Benton, Jefferson? Why did you not tell me? I wish to speak with her."

Linda hung up and sat down weakly for a moment.

TONY was deeply immersed in his plans for his New Year's celebration, which was to be what he called "super-super-colossal."

But something had come up that made it hard for Linda to take much interest in the event.

There were rumors in some of the papers that an amateur radio operator somewhere in Texas claimed to be picking up faint signals from the radio of the lost Aurelius expedition. The later editions had it that he had succeeded in translating whole words, names and phrases, and that one of the names was that of Captain Barrymore Trent.

Late one afternoon, when Linda could endure the suspense no longer, she called up the flying field from which Barry had taken off. When a girl answered, she asked, clenching her hands to keep her voice steady, "I wonder if you can give me some information about Captain Trent?"

"Captain who? Oh, him! Well, what do you want to know?" The girl's voice was indifferent, as if she had dropped more entertaining matters to answer the telephone.

"Is it true -" Linda began breathlessly - "I mean, have you any new information about Captain Trent?"

"Oh, they gave him up several days ago. ... Who is this speaking, please?" The girl became brusquely efficient.

Something in her pert indifference stung Linda to incantation.

"This," she said, "is Captain Trent's wife, and could have bitten off her tongue when she heard the girl titter under her breath, and say to someone beside her: 'A dame is asking about Captain Trent.' Agair chat a suppressed titter, and then, 'She says she's his wife. Wouldn't that burn Magda Shirley up?'"

Linda hung up in a panic. That evening the papers all discounted the rumors of the morning. Experts were quoted as saying that the frequency on which the Texas amateur claimed to have picked up the signals did not coincide with that on which the Aurelius expedition - or Captain Trent, either - had been transmitting. Moreover, why should an amateur in Texas pick up messages that the powerful government stations in the Panama had failed to get?

So Linda put on her gray frock and went out to sing her simple songs, to a crowd even bigger than the night before.

(To Be Continued)

from prison he proceeded to create the council at Liberty, Bradburn was a conceited American, who had risen to the Mexican command, and delighted in his rank. Evidently he annulled the Liberty council to show Madero and the Texans his authority and placed one at Anahuac that it might be under his direct control.

TRAFFIC PERIL PROVED
PETALUMA, Cal. - Twenty-four hours after writing a list of recommendations for decreasing traffic accidents and wherein he urged the necessity of suppressing the third lane, Traffic Officer Richard H. Trembath rode to his death in a motorcycle-automobile collision in a third lane.

FRECKLES and HIS FRIENDS - By Blosser

THIS OLD OIL WELL IS SUPPOSED TO BE THE SOURCE OF BUTCH'S INCOME, ACCORDING TO THAT LETTER PINNED TO HIS CLOTHES!

IT'S PRETTY RUN-DOWN!

IT EVIDENTLY PRODUCED OIL AT ONE TIME, BUT IT HAS BEEN CAPPED!

I GOTTA LEARN HOW TO OPERATE IT AND SEE IF I CAN COAX SOME OIL OUT OF IT!

I'VE SEARCHED THE RECORDS TO SEE IF THIS WELL EVER DID ANYTHING TO WRITE HOME ABOUT, BUT I COULDN'T FIND ANYTHING!

SH-H-H! I HEAR SOMETHING!!

WHO IS HE, NUTTY?

DUNNO! JUST SOME GUY WHO PULLED UP TO THE CURB AND LEFT HIS MOTOR RUNNING!

MY GOSH, WE CAN'T HAVE THIS! WE'VE GOT TO STOP 'EM!

STOP 'EM?? HAW! A FAT CHANCE WE GOT!

A. When Madero was released

"OUT OUR WAY" - - - - - By Williams



MYRA NORTH. Special Nurse - - By Thompson and Col



Debtor Learns He Owns Valued Print

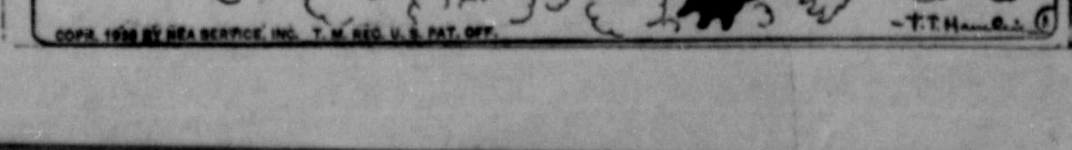
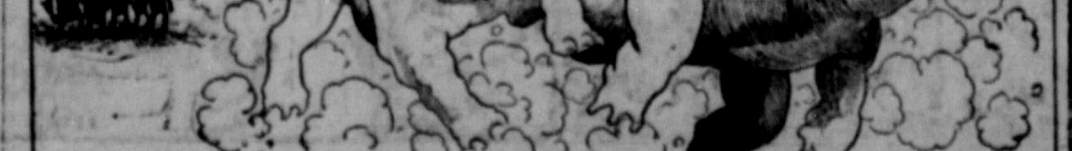
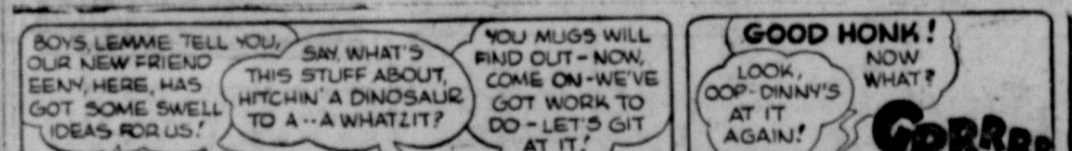
By United Press
MILWAUKEE - Raymond H. Wolf, tavernkeeper, had to file in bankruptcy here to learn he was the owner of an authentic print by Albrecht Duer, made 430 years ago and valued by New York art dealers at about \$12,500.

The print is of Duer's "Adam and Eve," one of the engravings that caused him to be classified the most influential artist of the German renaissance.

GO TO NIGHT SCHOOL

By United Press
SAYRE, Okla. - Night school for adult farmers has started here and the sponsors have invited as students "any adult from the age of 20 to 50 who wishes to learn anything, from a new language or a new trade to a new philosophy. The organization of the evening classes came as a response to the requests of farmers of the community.

ALLEY OOP - - - - - By HAMLIN



THE GOSPEL OF SERVICE

The Gospel of Mark: A Preview. Text: Mark 10:35-45

BY WM. E. GILROY, D. D. Editor of Advance

LESSONS for the first six months of 1938 are all taken from the Gospel of Mark. The first lesson, which is somewhat in the nature of an introduction, is taken from about the middle of the book; then we return to the first chapter to go through the book from lesson to lesson.

The general title of these lessons is "The Gospel of Service," and this introductory lesson has to do with the spirit of the Christian disciple, and with the nature and privilege of service following the example of Jesus Himself.

Primary in all moral life and especially in Christian living is the matter of motive. There are many ruling motives in life. There is the motive of gain, or of self-interest, which may be very low and sordid, or which may be more refined and enlightened.

There is the motive of the love of place or of fame; there is the motive of the love of power; and there are many other motives which consciously, or subconsciously, may influence men in their thoughts and actions.

In our lesson, by way of contrast with the Christian motive and to bring out strongly the reality of Christian service, we have two sons of an ambitious mother, who request that the positions of honor and preference, when Jesus comes in His kingdom, may be given to them.

They have not realized the spiritual mission of Jesus; and thinking chiefly of a kingdom which they assume Jesus is going to establish as the Messiah, their request is that one should sit on His right hand and the other on His left hand when He assumes the throne.

Jesus reminds them that they do not know what they ask. He inquires whether they are willing to drink of the cup that He drinks, and is baptized with the baptism that He is baptized with, apparently having in mind the persecution and ultimately the crucifixion that await Him.

But James and John, the so-called Sons of Thunder, are insistent. They declare that they are able and willing to assume all the rigors of the kingdom. Jesus accepts their declaration of ability and loyalty; but He assures them that the places that they ask are not His to give.

NATURALLY, the 10 other disciples, when they heard of this effort of James and John to secure the foremost places, were very indignant. And it is to this indignant company of disciples that Jesus declares the law of His kingdom.

It is a kingdom of love and righteousness very different from the kingdoms of the world, those who lord it over others are called great ones; but there is a different standard in the kingdom of Christ. There, greatness is measured by the extent to which one has given his life to the rule of love, and become a ministering servant to his fellowmen.

"Whoever will be first among you," says Jesus, "shall be the servant of all."

This plain and simple teaching Jesus enforces concerning His own life. He is not asking other men to assume a way of life and duty that He Himself has not undertaken. Rather, He sets His own life and purpose as the example.

"For the Son of man also came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many."

the following are suggested for their utmost simplicity and plain Jane goodness.

Salad Bowl
(4 to 6 servings)
One-half head lettuce, 3 large carrots, 6 stalks celery, 1 package cream cheese.

Arrange clean lettuce leaves in a deep bowl. Wash carrots and grate on a flat coarse grater. Wash celery and cut in very thin strips, about two inches long. Pile carrots and celery lightly on lettuce, so it gives an attractive appearance. Garnish with small cheese balls. Make cheese balls by adding a little cream to cheese so it is soft enough to mold. Serve salad with a French dressing made of 1 cup of olive oil and 1-4 cup of lemon juice, 3/4 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon paprika. Shake well in a bottle before serving.

Cream of Spinach Soup
One quart milk, 2 level tablespoons flour, 4 tablespoons butter, 1 teaspoon salt, 2 cups freshly cooked spinach.

Melt butter, add flour and milk. Stir until thick, then add spinach which has been put through a ricer or mashed through a sieve, add salt.

AN EARTHQUAKE
CAUSES TREMORS TO TRAVEL OVER THE EARTH IN THE SAME MANNER THAT A STONE, DROPPED INTO A POOL, CAUSES WAVES TO TRAVEL OVER THE SURFACE.

"JASPER,"
A BLACK BEAR AT COPELAND LAKE LODGE, ROCKY MT. NATIONAL PARK, DRINKS AS MANY AS THREE DOZEN BOTTLES OF POP IN A SINGLE DAY.

STARCH, SUGAR, AND CREAM,
USED IN MAKING ICE CREAM, ARE HEAT PRODUCING FUEL FOODS.

EARTH-WAVES, set up by an earthquake, are of three types, two of which travel through the earth, while the third travels along the surface. Scientists know the speed with which these waves travel, and are able to determine the location of the quake.

LET'S KNOW TEXAS - TEXANS

WILL R. MATE, AUSTIN, TEXAS

In this column answers will be given to inquiries as to Texas history and other matters pertaining to the State and its people. Address inquiries to Will R. Mate, Austin, Texas.

Q. When was the Federal Republic of Mexico created and with what other province was Texas placed in a State?

A. The Constitutional Act of Federation was made effect January 31, 1824, with the provinces of Texas, Coahuila and Nuevo Leon, at first constituting one of the federated states. Nuevo Leon objected to being in this tripartite of states, and Texas and Coahuila were placed together in a temporary state with Saltillo as capital, and with the provision that Texas might become a separate state as soon as it "possessed the necessary elements."

Q. What provision did the Mexican Congress of 1824 make as to colonization and what restrictions were placed in the law?

A. The law, passed in August, 1824, authorized each state to make its own colonization laws under certain restrictions, which mainly were: prohibiting establishment of colonies within 20 leagues of a neighboring country, or 10 leagues of the seacoast without permission of the federal government, prohibiting non-residents of the Republic from acquiring lands, and providing that immigration should not be prohibited prior to 1840, but permitting the Republic at its will to exclude foreigners from any particular country.

Q. How was the Fredonian Rebellion considered in Mexico?

A. Despite its farcical weakness, most Mexicans regarded the Fredonian Rebellion as a real threat to the safety of the Mexican government and a forecast of a United States invasion. A large sum was appropriated by the Mexican Congress to repel the "threatened danger."

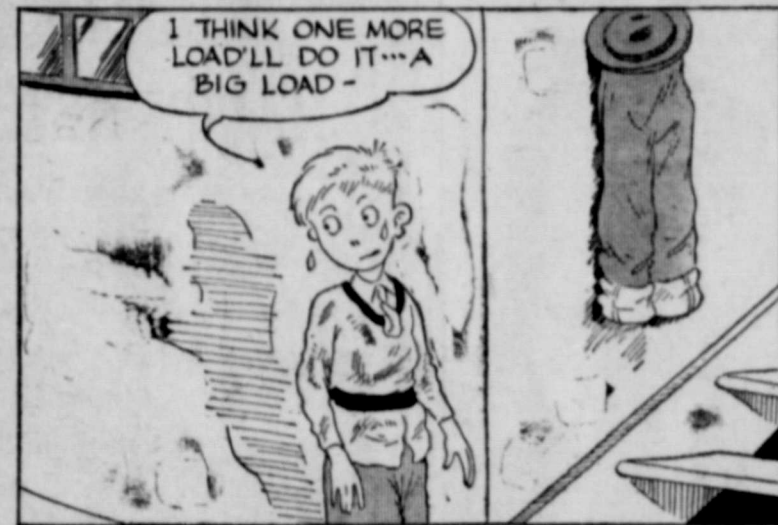
Q. What were the real reasons that actuated John D. Bradburn in dissolving the ayuntamiento at Liberty and placing one at Anahuac?

A. When Madero was released

OUT OUR WAY

WITH *The Willsets*

REG. U. S. PAT. OFF. BY J.R. WILLIAMS



THE COMIC ZOO

By Scarbo

WHY, HELLO, BILLY BOY! TAKE A LOOK AT THE SIGN OVER MY DOOR!! ALL I NEED IS SOME BUSINESS, HOW ABOUT YOU BRINGING IN MY FIRST PATIENT!!

BILLY BOY NEVER! DISAPPOINTS HIS FRIENDS!

HI, DOC!

ALL RIGHT, LET'S SEE YOU GIVE DENNIS SHORES SOME ADJUSTMENTS!!



Society

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New Year Given Welcome

Ranger saw the old year into oblivion Friday night and welcomed the new year with gladsome greetings. The programs of entertainment were diversified, some attending private parties, others sojourning to nearby cities, while some welcomed 1938 in their homes in a more quiet manner.

The holiday drawn to a close has been a pleasant one for Rangerites, especially have those home from school enjoyed the social whirl.

Friday was a day of celebration at the home of Mrs. W. A. Huffman, who acted as hostess to thirty dinner and supper guests, and others who called during open house to visit with the hostess and family, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Huffman, of Albuquerque, N. M., who until this visit have been absent from Ranger for the past four years.

The house, gay in its Yuletide dress, blended harmoniously with table appointments. Covers were laid for honor guests: Mr. and Mrs. Huffman and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Huffman and children, Mr. and Mrs. John W. McKinney, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Huffman of Caddo, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Huffman of Cisco, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hicklin and Mrs. Spraight of Graham.

Holiday Bride to Make Home in Kernit

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Eaves announce the marriage of their daughter, Geneva, to Mr. O. C. Guess, the wedding taking place during the holidays. The couple are to make their home at Kernit where Mr. Guess is superintendent of the Vavero Oil company.

The bride is widely known in Ranger, having attended Ranger high school.

Miss Helen Gholson Honors Weatherford Guest with Luncheon

Miss Helen Gholson contributed to New Year's eve day social notes with a smartly arranged one o'clock luncheon given at her home, Gholson hotel. The gay courtesies feted a popular visitor,

Miss Mickey Queen of Weatherford, who made her return home yesterday afternoon.

The board, laid with a beautiful lace cloth, had for its center a cluster of mid-winter blossoms. Place cards in matching tints designated places for guests: Misses Queen, Rita Mooney, Jane Lauderdale, Maurese Chastain, Doris May, Doris Dudley, Frances Gholson, Alice Henry, Bettye Gorman and Margaret Watt.

A theatre party at the Arcadia added a fitting climax to the compliment.

Ranger Woman Critically Ill

Mrs. W. M. Jones, who is suffering a hip fracture, has been returned from the Baylor hospital at Dallas and has entered the City-County hospital for medical attention. Reports from attendants state her condition as very critical.

Mrs. Julia Brown Entertains With New Years Eve Party

One of the pleasant New Year eve parties paid honor to members of the Royal Neighbor lodge when hostess Mrs. Julia Brown, entertained with bridge and other card games at tables colorfully appointed.

Shortly after the New Year had been given welcome, guests were served a delicious refreshment plate.

NOTE BOOK

Mrs. J. T. Harness left Ranger Thursday for Little Rock, Ark., to be at the bedside of her sister, who recently underwent surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Ferguson of Talco, are the parents of a 6 1/2 pound baby girl who made her arrival Dec. 30. Mrs. Ferguson was formerly Margaret Reuwer, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Reuwer. The little daughter has been christened Janice.

J. F. Gabriel of Mineral Wells is visiting in Ranger as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Cy Brown. Mrs. Ida Brown, mother of Mr. Brown, has been quite ill at her home Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Edmonds and son, Babb, entertained at Christmas guests at their home, 713 Cypress street, her sister, Mrs. D. W. Holt, and husband, of Little Rock, Ark. The visitors and their hosts made a delightful two-day visit to San Antonio, hence to Abilene, where friends and relatives were visited at both cities.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hull were Fort Worth visitors Friday. Accompanying them was Mr. Hull's mother, who made her return to San Antonio after a holiday visit here.

After spending ten days in Tucumcari, N. M., Mrs. Edgar Ward and daughter, Mary Frances, are at home, Caddo highway.

Miss Geraldine Pulley of Dallas is visiting in the home of her father, D. E. Pulley, and wife, South Austin street.

W. D. Jones of Santa Anna, Calif., has returned home after a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Jones, 361 Hunt street. Other holiday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sullivan of Wink, Mr. and Mrs. John Sumrall and daughter, Donna Rae of McCamey, Mrs. Tietz Underhill of San Calif., Mrs. Mary Bradford and son, John, of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wheelodon were hosts at their home, Summit street, to the group arranging as their complement a delightful dinner party. Other courtesies were paid by Mr. and Mrs. J. Higdon. Mrs. Wheelodon and Mrs. Higdon are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jones. The Harry Wheelodons are in Big Spring as New Year guests of his mother and sister, Mrs. Carnike and Mrs. Middleton. New Year day guest at the Jones home was Miss Katie Thurman of Gorman who was enroute home after a sojourn at Dallas.

Mrs. Carrie E. Henry, who has been ill for several weeks at her home, is reported improved.

Popular visitors in Ranger for New Year's day and the week-end are James Smith of Midland and Saunders Gregg of Houston, who will pay a visit to Nacogdoches before resuming duties. He has been the guest of his mother, Mrs. Saunders Gregg, who is in Waco, to attend the last rites of a nephew.

TO OPEN HATCHERY
Mr. and Mrs. Bart J. Frasier who operated the Frasier Chick Hatchery last year and moved to their farm home in the early summer have returned to Ranger to open their Hatchery on South Marston in the next day or so. The Frasers handle only the best breed of chicks and will have their catalogue and publicity out to the

With Comedians



Miss Fay Adams, a popular member of Brunk's Comedians, who will open an engagement in Ranger Monday night, in their big heated tent theatre. The tent show is sponsored by the Ranger Fire department.

Mistaken Identity Gains Museum Place

By United Press
COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.—Mistaken identity gained a place of honor in the New Pioneer museum here for Miss Del Heim, now Mrs. Marsh, and a member of the Royal Academy.

A picture believed to be that of Mrs. Queen Palmer, wife of the late Gen. William J. Palmer, founder, from England advised the builder of the Denver & Rio Grande Western railroad, was accorded a place of honor in the museum. A letter from Miss Dorothy Palmer, daughter of the city's founder, from England advised the museum officials of their error.

The painting hung in the halls of Glen Eyrie, the million-dollar castle built by General Palmer in Queen's Canon near here, for many years. The portrait was given to a friend of recent owner of the castle. The friend lent it to the museum in the belief that it was Mrs. Palmer.

Stan Laurel Starts Year With New Wife

By United Press
YUMA, Ariz., Jan. 1 — Stan Laurel of the Laurel and Hardy comedy team, celebrated the new year today by changing wives. He was married here to Illiana, a Russian singing star. Final divorce papers of his previous wife were granted Friday.

H. T. Schooley



Owner and manager of Schooley's Bakery for the past few years, and who has built up a good bakery business in Ranger since coming here several years ago.

Saule Perlstein



Manager of The Globe, Inc., and one of the prominent business men of Ranger, who enjoyed a good business during the year 1937.

2 Highway Officers Are Given Transfer

T. O. Dillard of Eastland and Milton McDonald of Abilene Saturday exchanged positions as highway patrolmen for the State Department of Public Safety. Dillard came to Eastland from Abilene in November.

DOG SHOPS FOR CANDY

EDGARTOWN, Mass.—Spot, a cocker spaniel, goes shopping every morning for chocolate bars. The dog, owned by Dick Giluly, gets the candy at a drugstore, and though fond of chocolate refuses to eat any until he reaches home.

HAPPY NEW YEAR
AND BEST WISHES TO ALL

Start the New Year right . . . Come in and eat one of our famous home-cooked meals. . . You will feel good all the year.

MRS. HIGDON'S EAT SHOP

HAPPY NEW YEAR
AND BEST WISHES

A NEW YEAR dawns for the whole world . . . new opportunities . . . new events . . . practically a new life for everyone. Let's forget the old year with all its disappointments and heartaches and press on to the new year with all its possibilities and opportunities.

WEST TEXAS HOSPITAL

STARTS MONDAY 8 A.M.
DOWN go prices on Penney's White Goods . . . make this January the best chance you've had in years. **SAVE!** Penney's took full advantage of new low prices to see to it that YOU get full benefit. We paid less. **YOU PAY LESS!** But even with lower prices Penney's quality is higher than ever. Our famous testing laboratory took care of that. Science okays the quality. **YOU'LL O. K. THE BARGAINS!**

NEW LOW PRICES!

NATION-WIDE SHEETS

SHEET CASE

SHEETS that will do 81"x99". Were 93c. Now 72c.

CASES of smooth muslin 42"x36". Were 23c. Now 19c.

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NATION WIDE SHEETING

BLEACHED UNBLEACHED

72 in. width, was 33c yd. Now 28c yd. 63 in. width, was 27c. Now 25c.

81 in. width was 36c yd. Now 29c yd. 72 in. width, was 29c. Now 27c.

81 in. width, was 33c. Now 28c.

R-E-D-U-C-E-D!

Rondo Deluxe PERCALES!

NEW LOW PRICES WERE 22c yd. NOW—

A nationally famous percale! The superb quality, excellent washability, smartness of design and richness of color make Rondo de luxe the value-of-the-moment. Newest spring patterns by the country's foremost ton stylists! Preshrunk—36" wide.

Unbleached Muslin 10¢ YD. (Was 13 1/2¢ YD.) Honor brand—made for long, hard wear! 39".

MUSLIN 5¢ YD. (Was 7¢ YD.) Parkway LL quality—unbleached, shrunk! 34x33.

Bleached MUSLIN 8 1/2¢ yd. (Was 10¢ YD.)

1 to 10 Yd. Lengths PERCALES 8¢ YD. (Were 12 1/2¢ YD.) Smart, tub-fast patterns and colors for you—your children—and a dozen and one home uses! Get your share today.

Extra Absorbency and Extra Wear in Every Inch

Terry Towels 25¢

One of the best values in towels obtainable today! In the large sizes that men like so well! Solid colors, checks or brightly colored striped borders.

Wizard Sheets Priced for Savings! 69c (Were 79c) 81"x99"—full double bed size! Sturdily, yet smoothly woven—they're strong selvages! The more you buy, the more you save!

Avenue PRINTS They're Tubfast! 12 1/2¢ YD. (Were 15¢ YD.) Ideal for house frocks—children's dresses, and aprons! Bright, colorful prints—both large and small. 35/36" width.

PENNEY'S I. C. PENNEY COMPANY, Incorporated

Political Announcements

The Ranger Times is authorized to publish the following announcements of candidates for public office, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries:

For County Treasurer: Garland Branton, W. O. (Dick) Weekes.

CLASSIFIED

1—LOST, STRAYED, STOLEN

Special work for married women. Earn to \$21 weekly and your own dresses FREE. No canvassing. Give age and dress size. Fashion Frocks, Inc., Dept. G-542, Cincinnati, Ohio.

3—HELP WANTED, FEMALE

LOST: Saddle, about two miles out of Ranger on Dadeema Road. Return to Ranger Times.

7—SPECIAL NOTICES

BROWN'S TRANSFER & STORAGE CO., BONDED, 111 S. Marston St., Ranger.

MONEY TO LEND on autos. C. E. Maddocks & Co.

11—APARTMENTS FOR RENT

FOR RENT: Nicely furnished apartment with garage, 301 Hunt Street.

13—FOR SALE, Miscellaneous

FOR SALE: 2-ton Mack truck, registered for 7,000 pounds; in good condition.—Houghton Repair Shop.

FOR SALE—Young Jersey cows, heavy milkers. Dr. Bob Hodges, Phone 420.

APARTMENTS FOR RENT 2 or 4 Rooms Furnished or Unfurnished. JOSEPH'S

MRS. WELDON WEBB
Classes in **MUSIC**
GHOLSON HOTEL
Phones 261 and 618-W Room 526

Happy NEW YEAR

And best wishes to all is the greeting from the officers, directors and employees of the Commercial State Bank for 1938 . . . We hope it will be a peaceful, prosperous and profitable year to the entire citizenry in every way.

One thing is certain . . . it must be a progressive year in every phase of both national and local achievement. It must wing its way through time with 365 days recorded for NOTEWORTHY ACHIEVEMENT. It can be done . . . it will be done . . . with the efforts of every business man and every interested citizen, in every city like our own, throughout the nation.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF
Commercial State Bank
of Ranger, Texas
AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS DEC. 31, 1937

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and Discounts	\$172,365.03	Capital Stock	\$ 35,000.00
Overdrafts	384.71	Surplus	5,000.00
Banking House	17,500.00	Undivided Profits	9,273.16
Furniture and Fixtures	2,500.00	Deposits	534,661.39
Other Real Estate	2,387.70	Cashier's Checks	5,050.71
Bonds	\$204,177.77		
Warrants	47,438.95		
Cash & Exchange	142,231.10		
	393,847.82		
	\$588,985.26		\$588,985.26

The above statement is true and correct.
W. F. CREAGER, Cashier.

Commercial State Bank
RANGER, TEXAS

Three Fourths of Farms Of The County Are Reached By Agents

A total of 1800 of the 2425 farms and ranches of Eastland County have been influenced by Agricultural Extension work, according to an annual report just compiled by County Agent Cook and Asst. County Agent Barnhart. 378 farmers, ranchers and 4-H Club boys cooperated in actually demonstrating better methods of farming and ranching. Their demonstrations were as follows: terrace 64, pastures 4, trench silos 25, garden tile 8, beef cattle 7, sheep and goats 5, dairy cattle 18, swine 40, poultry 24, cotton 18, peanuts 36, grain sorghums 9, corn 10, gardens 4, Irish potatoes

Sam Brimberry



Sam Brimberry organized and now operates the Oil Field Transportation Company, with headquarters in Ranger. The company has a large number of trucks constantly on the road furnishing transportation of all kinds to all parts of the state.

13, orchards 12, fertilizers 40, grasshopper control 15, rodent control 25, and farm records 1. At the beginning of 1937 the County Agricultural Council cooperated with the County Agents in making a plan-of-work consisting of soil improvement, seed improvement, home orchards, trench silos, livestock improvement, poultry improvement, boys 4-H Club work, and miscellaneous agricultural problems. The following accomplishments can be recorded in relation to the plan of work adopted:

113 farmers terraced 5109 acres of cropland, effecting an annual saving of \$10,218. 300 farmers, 40 of whom were demonstrators, applied more than 15 carloads of commercial fertilizers to 6,000 acres of cropland at an estimated cost of \$12,000 and realized an increased income of \$30,000. In the Agricultural Conservation Program 500 farmers planted 6,000 acres of soil conserving crops, 100 of whom turned under 1,000 of the 6,000 acres were legumes which were inoculated to increase their nitrogen gathering properties.

80 farmers purchased cooperatively and planted a total of two carloads of certified seed Irish potatoes and assistance was given in obtaining better seed to 5 cotton growers, 1 corn grower, 10 grain sorghum growers, and 25 peanut growers. Foundation seed for State Certification requirements were obtained for 8 farmers who planted 27 bushels Macspan peanuts, 30 bushels New Nortex oats, and 2 pounds Registered Gram

Sorghum seed, 7 farmers planted 1200 pounds of hairy vetch. 12 fruit growers were assisted in spraying their trees and 309 were given general instructions in care of their orchards.

25 trench silos were filled with 625 tons of feed. Assistance was rendered in obtaining 4 dairy bulls, 2 beef bulls and 2 boars, 5 goat demonstrators dipped for lice in vegetable sulphur.

One poultry demonstrator made a profit of \$657 with 564 hens. He and one other demonstrator reduced loss from disease by vaccinating for fowl pox.

Sixty-three 4-H Club demonstrations were completed, with a net profit of \$1869.31 by the 159 4-H Club boys enrolled in the 12 Boys' 4-H Clubs in Eastland county in 1937.

Major 4-H Club demonstrations worked on in 1937 were (1) Dairy calves; (2) cotton; (3) peanuts; (4) swine, and (5) grain sorghums. One regular meeting was conducted each month in each Boys' 4-H Club, in addition to the meetings held by the local club leaders.

The following livestock is owned by the Eastland County 4-H Club Boys:

Dairy Calves: 27 head of registered Jerseys are now owned by 15 4-H Club Boys.

Beef Calves: 10 head of beef calves being and to be fed out this year.

Swine: 11 head of registered Poland Chinas.

Poultry: 150 birds.

The following crop demonstrations were carried out by the 4-H Club Boys in 1937:

Cotton: Nine boys completing demonstrations on 27 acres with a total yield of 12,150 pounds of seed cotton. The highest yield reported was 221 pounds per acre of lint cotton, the lowest 93 pounds.

Peanuts: Eighteen boys completed with a total of 37 acres producing 34,410 pounds of nuts and 28 1-2 tons of hay. The highest yield reported was fifty bushels per acre.

Corn: Four boys completed demonstrations on five acres, with a

total yield of 141 bushels, with an average yield of 28 bushels per acre.

Grain sorghums: Four boys completed with a total yield of 139 bushels on five acres of land.

Watermelons: 1 2-3 tons were produced on one and one-half acres by two 4-H Club Boys.

Garden: One care of garden was grown by one club boy.

Five 4-H Club judging teams were entered in National and State contests.

The Kokomo Boys' 4-H Club in Texas for 1937. This club also submitted the state winning radio play.

The following trips were made by the 4-H Club Boys in 1937: (1) Fort Worth Stock Show; (2) Pan-American Exposition; (3) Two trips to College Station; (4) San Jacinto Battle Grounds; (5) Galveston; (6) Columbus, Ohio; (7) Tour through Central and North Texas; (8) Lake Brownwood, and (9) Sixteen 4-H Club tours within the County.

Five radio appearances were made in 1937 by the 4-H Club Boys.

In addition to the regular monthly club meetings, the following county wide club meetings were held: (1) Rally Day; (2) 4-H Club Sunday; (3) County 4-H Club Encampment, and (4) 4-H Club Achievement Day.

200 farmers realized estimated savings of \$24,000 by using 20 tons of poison bran mash on grasshoppers.

20 demonstrators laid more than 10,000 feet of garden irrigation tile built by the county agent with N. Y. A. assistance.

Four pasture demonstrations were completed with N. Y. A. assistance. Five farmers demonstrated use of sulphur to control cotton flea hoppers and peanut diseases.

25 demonstrators applied 20 tons of T. V. A. Superphosphate to 400 acres of soil building crops. One demonstrator kept complete farm records.

200 farmers used 400 pounds of poison grain to control rodents and realized savings of \$1250. One tanning demonstration was attended by 50 farmers. 5 hides were tanned.

In 1937 Asst. County Agent

S. P. Boon



Operator of the Ranger Dry Cleaners, a member of the Rotary Club, a director of the Chamber of Commerce and of the board of stewards of the First Methodist Church of Ranger.

Hugh F. Barnhart, devoted 216 days to Boys' 4-H Club work, made 328 farm and demonstration visits, 276 4-H Club meetings held and 13,688 miles traveled in conducting 4-H Club work.

County Agent Cook traveled 12,621 miles to visit 335 farms and ranches in 1937. He conducted 43 meetings at result demonstrations, 150 meetings at method demonstrations, and 43 other meetings with a total attendance of 14,770 at all meetings conducted. 4022 farm bulletins were distributed from the County Agent's office.

Francis Sees a Food Need In 1938 Equal To That of Past Year

By Clarence Francis, President General Food Corp. NEW YORK—Food consumption in 1938 should approximate that of 1937.

Therefore the food industry, as far as general conditions permit, will continue to pursue policies

which should aid business recovery, such as liberal purchases by farmers, lower prices to consumers and normal employment.

A new plant building program, costing more than \$35,000,000, was carried on during 1937 by food manufacturers. The industry bought more than \$250,000,000 in machinery and equipment, about 10 per cent more than in 1936.

Much expansion has been delayed or suspended because of uncertainties and because of the unfortunate adverse results of new taxes which have depleted cash and otherwise penalized capital expansion. Correction of this situation, as indicated by the present pulse of Congress, cannot but help all industry in 1938.

Food prices in 1938 depend on crops, here and abroad, and on many other factors. As for food prices near the end of 1937, they averaged very slightly higher than a year earlier.



HAPPY NEW YEAR
AND BEST WISHES FOR THE **NEW 1938**

Colonel Brashier

The old year is gone . . . with it our mistakes and our sorrows. We can make the New Year the best we have had in years! Let's hit the line a bit harder and make Ranger the best town in the Oil Belt!

RANGER FURNITURE EXCH.



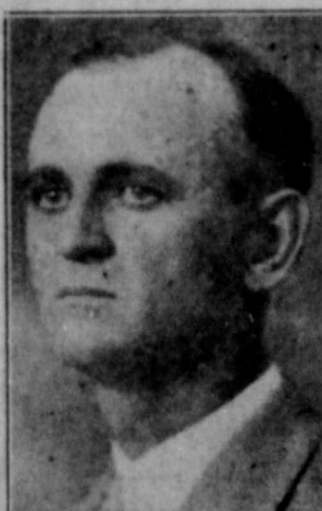
IS OUR GREETING FOR YOU TODAY

As we look into the New Year with all its possibilities, we cannot but pause briefly and recount the happiness that was ours in serving our friends during 1937. It was truly a happy privilege. As the New Year dawns upon us it shall be our desire to continue these same happy relations as were had during the old year.

You are invited to visit the store often during 1938.

Hassen Co., Inc.

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|-------------------|------------------------|
| P. E. Moore | Mrs. Agnes R. Hamilton |
| Mrs. Sadie Rawls | Mr. Charlie Ford |
| Mrs. Myrtle Smith | Miss Jane Martin |
| Mrs. Jack Urban | Miss Eula Presslar |



E. H. Mills



Senior member of the E. H. and E. P. Mills Grocery, who has been in business in Ranger for more than 20 years. Mills is a former member of the Ranger City Commission.



It Took You a Long Time to Get Here!

HOWEVER, YOU ARE WELCOME!

START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT!

LET US HELP MAKE YOU MORE BEAUTIFUL!

EXPERTS IN HAIR DRESSING!

IZETTA'S BEAUTY SHOP

Across from Young School

WE ARE EXPECTING BETTER TIMES STARTING WITH THE NEW YEAR THE BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR

Ranger—The Shopping Center of the Oil Belt. **WOOD'S GROCERY**

Phone 72 — We Deliver



ORVILLE WOODS

MAY THE NEW YEAR BE GOOD TO YOU!

Just like you have been so kind and generous to me and mine. Thanks and best wishes for every day during 1938

WILLIAMS Hardware & Fixit Shop



ADDIE WILLIAMS

Best Wishes for the NEW YEAR

We shout these glad tidings from the housetops of this territory. Let us continue to fill your gas tank with Sinclair Gasoline.

DUPREE SERVICE STATION
Sinclair Oils and Greases



T. L. DUPREE

HAPPY NEW YEAR



And Best Wishes for 1938

Our business relations with you over the old year have been most pleasant . . . We have enjoyed it all.

We are striving to make our service even better during the New Year. THANKS AND BEST WISHES!

O. K. GROCERY & MARKET FENGLER QUALITY MARKET

1937



1938

JOE HARNESS Best Wishes for the NEW YEAR

TEXAS DRUG STORE
ALWAYS BOOSTING RANGER



Our business during 1937 was exceptionally good. This was made possible because of the wonderful patronage given us. For all these things we are grateful and say thanks.

During 1938 it shall be our desire and aim to give the best service possible and sell only the best in our line.

KEN UMBERSON Jewelry - Music

WISHING ONE AND ALL A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS

1938

FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND CONSIDERATION

The kindness you have shown us during 1937 will linger as a bright spot in our past and will remain with us in the future as a happy memory!

E. H. & E. P. MILLS GROCERY & MARKET

HEADQUARTERS FOR HOME-KILLED MEATS!

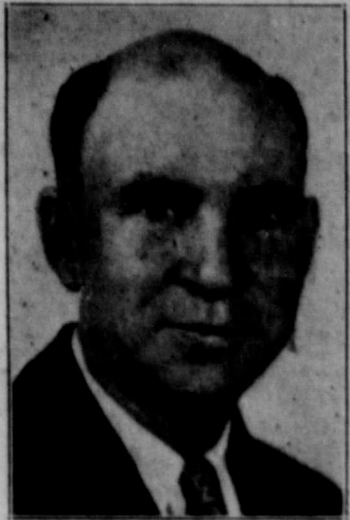
IT'S OUR TIME TO SAY BEST WISHES For The NEW YEAR!

That Good Gulf Gas—Washing and Greasing — Willard Batteries Goodrich Silvertown Tires

ROY McCLESKEY SERVICE STATION

YOUR BUSINESS ALWAYS APPRECIATED!





BEST WISHES FOR ALL OF THE NEW YEAR

To you who have been dealing with us regularly, you know that it is our desire to please our customers in every way possible and to promote the general welfare of the community.

ALL TOGETHER FOR OUR HOME TOWN!

A. L. STILES SERVICE STATION
Dealer in Magnolia Products

Henry Davenport



Commissioner of Precinct 1, whose home is in Ranger. Davenport has one of the largest road mileage in the county and has made many improvements in building new roads and maintaining old ones.

Business Sets Recovery High For First Part of 1937; Outlook For 1938 Rests On Government Attitude

By United Press
NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—American industry in 1937 made the best showing since 1930 despite the worst recession since collapse of the boom in 1929.

But going into the new year the outlook was uncertain for the depths of the recession were reached just at the year-end and frantic efforts were being made to find a way out. Business, labor and government have been urged to cooperate. A more conciliatory attitude has developed from Washington towards "Big Business" and there were hopes this would turn the tide.

For the first half of the year things were booming. Thousands of workers were on the payrolls—in some instances more employes than even in the peak years of 1928 and 1929—and company profits were mounting despite the

continued inroads made by higher operating costs. Labor became more active, particularly as the Committee for Industrial Organization swung into vigorous strength especially in the automobile and steel industries. Strikes were numerous and costly to some motor and steel companies and these cut into profit margins as did the higher wages the strikes brought.

As a result of the early activity bank clearings for the year will reach the highest level since 1930; carloadings the highest since 1930; construction contracts the highest since 1929; steel ingot output the greatest since 1929; automobile production the highest since 1929; electric power production at a record; crude oil output at a record; bituminous coal output the best since 1929; paint sales the best since 1929; lumber output the best since 1930.

But a recession got underway along with the stock market break. President Roosevelt's spring warning against high prices for heavy industries unsettled the summer outlook and when the market started breaking in August, national industrial production followed suit.

Dunn & Bradstreet's business index reached a year's high of 102.6 per cent of capacity. Carloadings January 6 and by December 8 had dropped to 74 per cent; steel production was at a recovery high of 92.3 per cent of capacity in the week beginning April 26 and by December 13 had dropped to 27.4 per cent of capacity. Carloadings reached a weekly high of 847,245 in the week of October 2—best since 1930—and dropped to 558,627 late in the year; electric power production reached a record weekly high on September 4 at 2,320,982,000 kilowatt hours and late in the year dropped to around the 2,000,000,000 level. Automobile production was hampered early in the year by strikes but came

back surprisingly strong and found an excellent market. But motor shows were disappointing and November new car sales ran under 1936. Retail trade figures on a weekly basis early in the year were as much as 20 per cent above the 1936 period but late in the year some districts reported sales totals slightly under the 1936 level.

Industrial districts—faced with labor difficulties and higher operating costs—had the greatest difficulties and faced the most severe recession. But the national farm income, with bumper crops and high grain and livestock prices early in the season, rose to the best level since 1929 and the agricultural centers felt the recession less than did industrial portions of the nation.

Don't Skin a Deer Before It's Killed Is Advice of Hunter

By United Press
BRECKENRIDGE, Tex.—Harold Guinn, local hunter, had a word to add to "Rules for Hunters."
"Don't skin your deer, until you've killed it."
While hunting in Bandera county, Guinn shot a four-point buck and knocked it down. He took out his watch to see how long it took a deer to die before he slashed its throat. The buck jumped up and ran away.

Try Our Want-Ads!



SIG FAIRCLOTH AND RODEO PONY

THE NEW YEAR!

Your patronage, courtesies and many past favors during the closing year have pleased us greatly!

We hope to please you by our prompt, dependable and courteous service during the new year of 1938!

SIG'S NU-WAY GROCERY AND MARKET

PHONE 21 WE DELIVER RANGER



Happy NEW YEAR AND BEST WISHES FOR 1938

Another year is here and with a deep feeling of appreciation for our friends and patrons and of their friendliness towards us and our business, we wish them the greetings of the NEW YEAR!

PROMPT SERVICE

RANGER STEAM LAUNDRY

T. H. Pace, Prop.

continued inroads made by higher operating costs. Labor became more active, particularly as the Committee for Industrial Organization swung into vigorous strength especially in the automobile and steel industries. Strikes were numerous and costly to some motor and steel companies and these cut into profit margins as did the higher wages the strikes brought.



BOB BALCH

SAYING—

HAPPY NEW YEAR —AND— BEST WISHES

New line wall paper . . . beautiful patterns . . . special designs to choose from! . . . All kinds building supplies!

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R. S. BALCH, Mgr.

with the 1938 AUTOMATIC TUNING PHILCO

There Can Be No Dull Moments During the NEW YEAR



J. F. KILLINGSWORTH

OUR business relations with our many patrons and friends have given them a high place in our esteem. We appreciate the opportunity of serving you and feel that you are satisfied customers because of value received. We thank you for your patronage and trust that we may serve you during a New Year of Prosperity.

J. F. KILLINGSWORTH, Manager.

NEW YEARS TIDINGS FROM EMPLOYEES OF KILLINGSWORTH, COX & CO.

Will be one filled with happiness for you that all your wishes may be granted because we feel that our friends deserve the best. We are grateful for your friendship and patronage. We are striving to perfect our service to you and trust that we may be worthy of your loyalty as we continue to serve you throughout the NEW YEAR.

KILLINGSWORTH, COX & COMPANY

FUNERAL DIRECTORS

Radios Furniture Hardware Farm Implements



WE SAY . . .

HAPPY NEW YEAR

. . . and may every day bring to you the things that will make you happy.

Mrs. Harrell's Book Store
G. & H. Dairy

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Harrell



H. H. VAUGHN Believes in FIRESTONE AND SAYS:

HAPPY NEW YEAR

AND BEST WISHES FOR 1938, AND THAT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO GO WRONG RIDING ON FIRESTONE TIRES AS THEY HAVE 50% MORE NON-SKID MILEAGE! EASY PAYMENTS AND LIBERAL TRADE-IN ALLOWANCES MAKE IT EASY TO OWN FIRESTONE!

Washing, Greasing and Battery Recharging



GASOLINE AND OILS!

Texaco, Quaker State and Pennzoil Motor Oils . . . Firestone Batteries and Radios and Accessories!

COMPLETE SERVICE UNDER ONE ROOF!

H. H. VAUGHN Service Station

FIREPROOF STORAGE

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CORNER PINE & AUSTIN

Happy New Year

FROM YOUR PUBLIC SERVANTS --- The Boys in the Courthouse

NEW COURTHOUSE—EASTLAND COUNTY

To Our Friends and Neighbors in Eastland County:

Another year has rolled around . . . and with it comes thoughts of bigger and finer things. New opportunities will be found . . . new ideas will prevail . . . new friends will be made. In fact we are living in a new world. But, with all the new things, and all the new ideas, we in the courthouse want to wish our friends and their friends an OLD FASHION HAPPY NEW YEAR.



A New Era is Upon Us

As the New Year rings out the old, your public servants in the Court house wish individually and collectively to thank all the citizens for their many courtesies extended to each of us in our several and varied associations together. Our work has been made lighter because of the splendid cooperation you have given us.

We invite you to visit us at all times and are most happy under all conditions to render any service in keeping with our duties. Again we say HAPPY NEW YEAR.



I am highly appreciative of the confidence you have placed in me, and I strive to strengthen it daily. To each of you I send New Year greetings and best wishes.

George L. Davenport
Judge, 91st District Court



We deem it a privilege of greeting OUR FRIENDS! We are happy to turn away from our business awhile and think of our friends, and get into the true spirit of the New Year. We wish for each of you the richest blessings and happiness of 1938.

B. W. PATTERSON
Judge, 88th District Court

FRIENDS!

We take this means of publicly expressing our appreciation to our many friends for favors and courtesies in the year just past, and in our gratitude we wish the richest blessing of 1938 bestowed on you and yours.



EARL CONNER, Jr.
Criminal District Attorney

May every good and profitable undertaking be crowned with success through the New Year!

C. S. ELDRIDGE
County Superintendent

P. L. (Lewis) CROSSLEY
District Clerk



May the New Year afford me many opportunities of serving you and yours and I sincerely trust you will find much happiness in the coming year.

GREETINGS

We hope that the New Year will renew your confidence in our ability to serve you. May this season bring happiness to you and prosperity during the New Year.

I will make my official announcement for Sheriff (for the second term) within the next few days.

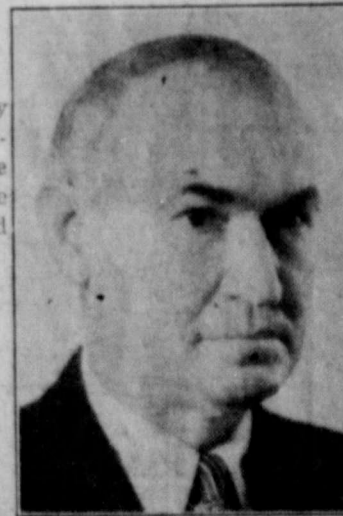
LOSS WOODS
Sheriff, Eastland County

Please accept my genuine gratitude for the year just closed, which has been one in that you have honored me with your confidence and friendship and I want you to know that I am genuinely grateful.

HENRY V. DAVENPORT
Commissioner, Precinct 1

May I take this occasion to thank my many friends for their numerous favors during the past year, and pledge myself to a new and better service during 1938? To each of you I send heartfelt greetings and best wishes.

W. S. ADAMSON
County Judge



May 1938 be the most prosperous year you have ever had is the wish of

R. V. (Rip) GALLOWAY
County Clerk



At this holiday season my thoughts turn to the many friends whose good will means so much to me, and I wish for the best of everything for each of you.

NEWT CRAWLEY
Commissioner, Precinct 2

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C. H. (Harl) O'BRIEN
Assessor and Collector

Steel Output of 1937 Near Record Before Repression

By United Press
NEW YORK.—A sharp decline in general industrial activity in the closing months of 1937 depressed operations in the steel industry to the lowest levels in more than three years, after production in the first nine months had come within two per cent of equaling

the corresponding 1929 record tonnage. The rate of operations for the first 9 months was 83 per cent of capacity, the high month being April with a rate of 90 per cent. With a swiftness unprecedented, the rate dropped from 80.4 per cent about the middle of September to a level estimated for the month of December at about 27 per cent.

The average rate for the full year will fall close to 72 per cent as compared with 68 per cent last year. Production of steel ingots in

1937 is estimated at approximately 50,250,000 gross tons, a larger total than for any previous year except 1928 and 1929, and an increase of about 5 1-2 per cent over 1936. That estimate is so close to the 1928 figure as to leave a chance that 1937 will be the second best year for steel output. The total in 1936 was 47,512,800 tons.

Payrolls of the industry established a new record during 1937, approximating \$975,000,000 about \$200,000,000, or 25 per cent over 1936.

Employment in the steel industry rose from 537,000 in December, 1936, to the record level of 603,000 in August, 1937, and even after that date continued generally to hold above the corresponding levels of 1936, despite the decline in production.

Operates Dairy



R. E. Harrell, who for a number of years has operated the G. & H. Dairy in Ranger. The dairy is one of the most modern in this part of the country.

Motorist Tax Bill Sets Record In '37

By United Press
NEW YORK.—Automotive taxes in 1937 set a new high record at \$1,550,000,000 including \$970,000,000 gasoline taxes, according to Baird H. Markham, director of the American Petroleum Industries Committee.

Markham pointed out that the total was greater than all federal, state, and city taxes collected throughout the country in 1900. The latter figure amounted to \$1,350,000,000 and included \$500,000,000 federal tax; \$150,000,000 state taxes; and \$700,000,000 city and local government taxes.

The 1937 tax bill for the motorist included in addition to nearly a billion for gasoline, \$150,000,000 in federal excise taxes, \$575,000,000 in state motor vehicle registration fees, and \$75,000,000 in automotive personal property, city and county taxes.

Motor vehicles traveling the highways of the United States in 1937 increased approximately by 2,000,000 Markham estimated.

streamlined outlines of modern automobiles, Erickson can tell how much automobiles have advanced since a bit of flying steel took away his sight.

He knows by listening, he says, that automobiles have come a long way from the days when he used to drive one and often spent more time under the car than in it. Erickson is a "knock" specialist.

Car owners come from miles around just to have him listen to their motors and tell them where the trouble lies and then have him fix it for them.

He has a sideline, too. He makes over old automobiles into tractors by shortening the wheelbase and replacing the rear axles with truck axles and worm gears.

HAPPY NEW YEAR



TEXAS ELECTRIC SERVICE CO.

A. N. LARSON, Manager



GREETINGS

For The
NEW YEAR
And Best Wishes!
R. H. SNYDER
Manager Woolworth in
Ranger for More Than
Ten Years!

WE EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE FOR YOUR MANY PAST FAVORS!

We appreciate very much the fact that we have been able to serve you in the months past. We are continually striving to improve our service that our patrons may profit. . . . And may this NEW YEAR hold happiness and prosperity for you!

SEE THE NORGE CONCENTRATOR GAS RANGE!

Concentrator or *Simmer*-Concentrator Burners . . . Fully Automatic or Norge Timer Clock . . . Elevating, Smokeless Broilator . . . Automatic Electric Oven Light . . . Electric Lamp and Condiment Set . . . Full Rock Wool Insulation—these are just a few of the many desirable features

Norge offers you today. Come in and see these *big value* ranges NOW!

New Gas-Saving Oven Heat Regulator with Controlled "Low-Heat" Oven Burner—provides a new method of roasting meats to retain full flavor, healthful juices, minimize loss due to shrinkage.



SEE US FOR TERMS

C. I. HYATT

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RANGER

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OLDEN

Auto Mechanic Is Blind 19 Years But Is Rated As Expert

By United Press
BLOOMER, Wis.—The last automobile Harry Erickson saw was a 1916 model, but he has been repairing cars since 1918.

Only by listening and running his sensitive hands over the smooth

C. J. Moore



C. J. Moore, Hudson-Terraplane dealer in Ranger, who is one of the most active civic workers in the city, in addition to operating his car agency.

It Pays to Always Look Your Best!



Mens SUITS CLEANED AND PRESSED only 75c

Either socially or in a business way it does pay to look your best. Let us keep your clothes in good condition.

Phone 452 S. P. BOON



Happy NEW YEAR To You

—And thanks for the many kindnesses shown us in 1937!

LLOYD L. BRUCE
Insurance

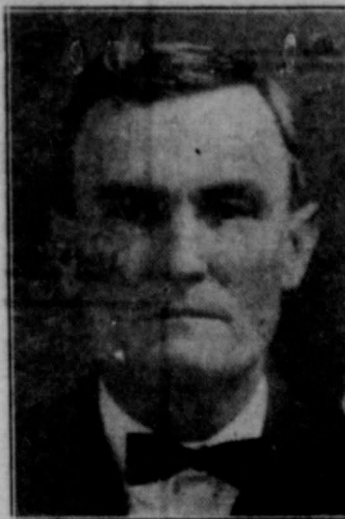


WE MIX THE VERY CHOICEST INGREDIENTS TO WISH YOU A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!

See the new 1938 PONTIAC Now on Display!

C. P. SIMMONS MOTOR CO.
SINCLAIR SERVICE

BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR



Hope 1937 has been a good one for you! WISH 1938 WILL BE A BETTER ONE!

C. E. MAY
INSURANCE

TO ALL—

WE SAY:

HAPPY New Year

A. J. Ratliff

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FEED -- FLOUR -- SEEDS

Not only for today but for every day of the New Year. We are extremely grateful for the splendid cooperation you have given us . . . and for the friendship shown in so many ways . . . these are truly prized and it is our one resolution for the new year that we may merit this same consideration in the days to come.

TEXAS CONSOLIDATED THEATRES, Inc. Your Arcadia and Columbia B. E. GARNER, Manager

ARCADIA

SUNDAY ONLY!



HAVE A HOWL ON HOLLYWOOD

Leslie HOWARD

Joan BLONDEL

STAND-IN

A UNITED ARTISTS RELEASE

PLUS—Leon Errol Comedy PETE SMITH SPORT PARAMOUNT NEWS



It is with great pleasure that we greet you today and tell you how much we appreciate the business given us during the past year. We have had the best year since 1929. This we owe to the loyalty of our customers, for which we are most grateful. We shall strive to render you better service during the New Year. We thank you and wish for you and yours a most happy and prosperous New Year!

D. JOSEPH and EMPLOYEES

As the years pass, I become more conscious of the magnitude of the debt of gratitude that I owe to the innumerable host who have contributed so generously in helping to make my life what it is.

And may I take this opportunity of expressing to you my profound gratitude and appreciation for the privilege of living and serving with you through a long period of years, and, please believe me when I say, I sincerely wish for you and yours

A HAPPY and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

A. K. WIER, M. D.