

# CISCO DAILY NEWS

CISCO—Pop. 13,500; 1,614 feet above the sea; 5 lakes water; 5 rail exits; 6th paved highway exits; 127 blocks of brick streets; good hotels; A-1 public schools and Randolph College; no mosquitoes; no malaria or typhoid.

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## TEXAS CHECKS UP ON WORST SNOW

### Noted French Fliers Leap to Safety as Plane Crashes

## FIVE HURT WHEN TRAINS COLLIDE

### NONE OF THE PASSENGERS BADLY HURT

#### Headon Crash Takes Place Early This Morning

KANSAS, Dec. 23.—A head on collision between eastbound Union Pacific train No. 128 and west bound train No. 21 at Gorham, near Ellis, Kans., at 5:30 this morning resulted in the turning over of two engines and a number of coaches on the trains and injured five members of the crews, road officials were advised here.

There were no fatalities and no passengers severely injured, according to reports received here.

The injured: Engineer Walton on No. 21, severe bruises on head.

Fireman Blevins, on 21, injured on head and arm.

Mail clerk A. W. Berger, on 21, bruised on head.

Tom Moran, baggage man, on 128, bruised and cut but extent of injuries not determined.

Express messenger Hibbs, cut on head.

The east-bound train had pulled on a siding to allow the west-bound to pass, the latter train being late.

Engineer O'Neil claimed that he lost his bearings and was unable to tell that the front of his engine cut over the main track.

The west-bound train was making about 40 miles when it hit the protruding front of the east-bound engine. Both engines were turned over, one car was turned over and several coaches derailed.

#### T. P. AND S. P. TRAINS COLLIDE

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 23.—Texas and Pacific train No. 22 and Southern Pacific train No. 2 collided at Avondale, 20 miles north of here today, where the two railroad lines cross.

Both engines were wrecked, according to first reports and the engineers injured. No other casualties were listed at the time.

#### Boy Who Made Good Is Back at Home

GREENVILLE, Dec. 23.—A home town boy is back home after "making good" in the big show.

John Boles is spending his first Christmas at home in five years, during which time he has established a reputation as a star in the talking pictures. He came here from Hollywood to attend a family reunion at the home of his parents. He is due to return to the cinema capital Saturday to resume production of two pictures, "Marsellaise" and "The King of Jazz."

From miles about, Texans gathered to greet Boles who has appeared in New York musical comedies.

#### WATER DEMOCRAT DEAD

WATERLOO, Iowa, Dec. 23.—William B. Marsh, democratic national committeeman from Iowa during the campaigns of Woodrow Wilson, died last night of paralysis. He was national committeeman and treasurer of the committee from 1916 to 1924. Marsh was found unconscious at the wheel of his automobile.

#### DIES IN AUTOMOBILE

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—Dr. Frank Lyman Griffith, 70, former member of the state board of medical examiners and physician here for a number of years, died suddenly in his automobile while en route from home to his office Monday morning. Death was due to heart disease physicians who examined the body said.

#### RADIO

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WABC CBS network—8:00 (CST) Gold; Whitman.

WNEP NBC network—8:00 (ST)—Everyready hour.

WNEP NBC network—9:30 (ST)—R. K. O. hour.

WABC CBS network—10:00 (CST) Dickens Christmas Carol.

### More Money Spent for Xmas Than Ever

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The spirit of Christmas is abroad in the land and the people of America are spending more money this year than ever before in Yuletide giving, it was shown today in a survey conducted by the United Press of Postal Express business in more than 30 big cities.

The volume and value of mail and gifts has increased; the value of money orders sent out during the season jumped more than a half million dollars in New York City alone;

### KELLOGG MADE DIRECTOR OF GRAIN CORP.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Appointment of William Kellogg, Minneapolis grain man, as executive director of the Farmers National Grain Corp., Chicago, was announced today by Chairman Alexander Legge of the Federal Farm Board.

Kellogg will assume his new duties January 1, Legge said. His selection ends a long search for a man to head the cooperative organization.

Legge said the Farmers National Grain corporation shortly would expand its policy of buying wheat at a price that would not be below the rate at which loans are being made by the farm board.

Cotton cooperatives in the south are handling 11 per cent of the United States cotton crop this year, he said, and are expected to obtain a much larger proportion next year when a national cooperative sales agency will be functioning if present plans mature.

### Extra Detectives Put on at Dallas

DALLAS, Dec. 23.—Pre-holiday criminal activity in Dallas over the week end necessitated the detouring of extra detectives and kept them busy trailing clues today.

Varied underworld methods were used in effecting no less than seven successful robberies. Arrests have been made in two of the cases.

Unable to knock the knob from a Texas fireworks company safe, intruders sawed a hole in the bottom of it and looted it of \$135. The loss was discovered today.

Two unmasked men held up a filling station proprietor and robbed him of \$75. A bold hi-lacker was followed in the heart of the city when his intended victim slipped into a doorway. Pedestrian was held up and robbed of \$20 in a residence section. Three commercial concerns were entered, the losses aggregating an excess of \$100.

### Fire Sweeps Dallas Machine Shops

DALLAS, Dec. 23.—Fire swept the machine shops of the Trinity Farms construction company early today, causing a loss estimated at \$100,000. The shops were at Norwood, six miles west of Dallas.

L. E. Baker, night watchman barely escaped when he was awakened by the flames, the building falling in immediately after his exit. The loss was partially covered by insurance.

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### WIZARD SURRENDERS

WAUTOMA, Wis., Dec. 23.—Elihu S. Huckins, wizard of finance whose mysterious board of finance whose 26 and \$2 per cent, surrendered to Waukesha county authorities here today. He was arraigned on a fugitive under justice warrant and released under bonds of \$5,000.

### TWO AVIATORS ESCAPE WITH PARACHUTES

#### Ship Gets Out of Control Near Allahabad, India

PARIS, Dec. 23.—Joseph Lebrich, famous French ocean flier and his companion on a flight to Indo-China escaped death by parachute leaps when their plane crashed in India, messages received today said. Lebrich was not hurt but his companion, Rossi, was slightly injured.

The air mail plane in which Lebrich and Rossi were en route from Lebourget, France, got out of control near Allahabad, India, the message said.

The two fliers abandoned the craft in mid-air, taking to their parachutes. The plane was torn to pieces in the fall and the mail was believed to have been destroyed.

Lebrich notified officials by wireless. The reports from the various cities included:

New York—Valuation of money orders sent throughout the world increased \$17,972 over 1928, the figures being interpreted to reflect an increased prosperity. Up to Dec. 20, 45,469,861 letters and cards had been handled. An increase of more than 150,000 over last year.

Chicago—Post office business slumped last week because of inclement weather but the post office was held open until midnight last night to accommodate the crowds. It was impossible to tell how much Christmas matter had been held up by snowbound trains.

San Francisco—Christmas mailing being done apparently one day earlier in 1929, and last Friday's postal receipts \$63,928, a new record.

Los Angeles—The December postal receipts will approximate \$1,900,000 an increase of 12 to 15 per cent over 1928. The use of odd-sized envelopes continues but the people are mailing a day earlier.

Denver—The business for the first 20 days of December was \$317,946, a new postal record. The "mail early" requests have been ignored.

St. Louis—The Christmas mail was slightly lower last week than in the corresponding period of 1928. The American Express reported a decrease in Christmas business.

Kansas City—Express business 5 per cent greater than last year. Postoffice open Sunday to accommodate crowds, since people did not respond to "mail early" requests.

Omaha—At end of last week business \$4,000 ahead of last year.

Oklahoma City—Twenty per cent increase in both outgoing and incoming mail. Express volume slightly lighter. Few heading early in shipping campaign.

B. A. Hixson, superintendent of mails, said, "Most of the Christmas cards are so big we can't handle. I think it's a frame up because they used to be so small we couldn't find them."

Lincoln, Neb.—Postal receipts slightly better. Mail moved earlier. Packages better prepared.

Dallas, Tex.—Several thousand more express shipments than formerly. People more familiar with how to wrap packages, due to school campaigns. Parcel post business smaller than last year.

### Texas Will Have No State Champion

DALLAS, Dec. 23.—Texas will have no 1929 high school football championship team, it appeared certain today. No effort is being made by Breckenridge or Fort Arthur, who battled to a scoreless tie on a snow-covered gridiron Saturday at Waco, to arrange a play-off.

Unless the game could be played on its home field, Fort Arthur would not consider it, and the Buckaroos would not even hear of such a proposition, according to reports.

This it appears that the two finalists will go on the records as co-champions for the season.

### PERPETUAL MOTION

ATHENS, Ga., Dec. 23.—Madge Moore has trained her nine-year-old poodle dog, Niekie, to play a piano and thus accompany his owner bowling, which in turn, always accompanies his playing.

### REFUSED KISS



### CARTRIDGES LINK BURKE WITH SLAYING

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Major Calvin C. Goddard, ballistic expert testified today that cartridges fired from a machine gun owned by Fred Burke, hunted gangster, were "very similar" to those used in the St. Valentine's day massacre.

Goddard testified at resumption of the massacre inquest which was ordered by Coroner Herman Bundesen.

Burke's machine guns were captured in his home near St. Joseph, Mich., raided when a man alleged to be Burke, murdered a traffic policeman and fled just ahead of police.

The guns were brought to Chicago to determine whether riflings were the same as those found on the massacre bullets, many of which were found in the North Clark street garage where the seven were lined up and executed.

Goddard, head of the northwestern University criminology school, said the cartridges were marked "very similar" to the massacre shells and that a bullet taken from the body of James Clark, one of the victims, was etched like one Goddard fired from the confiscated guns.

### Federal Tax Refund Announced Today

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Announcement of federal tax refunds for the fiscal year of 1929 revealed that John G. Kennedy of Sarita, Texas, with \$87,469 received the largest refund of any one person in Texas. Next on the list came S. L. Fowler of Fort Worth with \$78,670, and third the Central and Southwest Utilities company of Dallas, with \$76,377.

Other Texas companies and individuals to receive refunds follow: American Sulphur Royalty Co., Houston, \$12,229; Cameron and Co., Waco \$35,331; Mrs. Mae Holly Carter, Houston \$26,112; Coleman-Pulton Pasture Co., Taft \$27,616; Gulf Export and Transportation Co., \$15,058; Houston Bank and Trust Co., \$10,455; John G. Kennedy, Sarita \$7,499; Estate of Mrs. Frances A. Lutzer \$18,820; Mrs. Stella Cook Maverick, San Antonio \$13,784; National Supply Co., Houston \$10,142; Vinton Petroleum Co., Orange \$32,354; American Exchange National Bank, Dallas \$10,913; Central and Southwest Utilities Co., Dallas \$76,377; Francis E. Drake, Dallas \$16,300; S. L. Fowler, Fort Worth \$78,670; Gosho Co., Fort Worth \$15,519; J. H. Kurth, Kellys \$34,127; Lawson Rubber Manufacturing Co., \$15,780; National Rubber Filler Co., Midlothian \$24,932; Plains Pipe Line Co., Wichita Falls \$11,417; Elisha Roper, Plainview \$17,244; J. A. Staley and wife, Wichita Falls \$25,429; Mrs. Ema E. Thomas, Dallas \$32,932; Trinity Cotton Oil Co., Dallas \$32,932. No others over \$10,000.

### County Judges Support Fee Bill

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—The county judges and commissioners' association of Texas is on record as supporting Senator Pink L. Parrish's county fee limit bill just as written. It was announced here by W. L. Hilliard, county commissioner of San Patricio county, legislative chairman of the state group.

This association opposed the action of the Texas County Officials' association in a meeting here which urged modification of the Parrish bill and unlimited fees in counties of 25,000 population and less. Mr. Hilliard announced. He asserted the county tax collectors were prime movers in the officials' association action.

The Parrish bill fixes a maximum of \$12,500 a year compensation for any county official. According to Sen. Parrish's report after a legislative investigation, many county officials receive \$15,000 to \$30,000 a year from fees.

### "IRON MAN" GRIDER

KINGSTON, R. I., Dec. 23.—Charles "Jigger" Lazarek, center and captain of Rhode Island State's 1929 football eleven, did not miss a single play during the four seasons that he fought his college on the gridiron. A check of the records shows that not once while he was a member of the freshman squad or during the three years that he played with the varsity was it necessary to seek in a substitute for this "iron man."

### JUMP THE GUN

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 23.—Will Moore, arrested for vagrancy, passed Capt. Joe Cole in the hall. "Getting out, Will?" asked Cole.

"Yes, I'm getting out," replied Will. A few minutes later Cole was ordered to restrain Will who had escaped from the court room.

### WEAVING AND WAILING AT THIS CHURCH

EVANSTON, Ill., Dec. 23.—There was weeping and wailing and considerable backsliding at the New Hope Methodist church because brother Michael Belcher got there before their Sunday morning service started.

He arrived just before policeman Jack Serbin and Herbert Hansen did and barricaded himself in.

"Come on out of there and explain what you mean by beating your wife on Sunday," the officers commanded.

"No sub," protested brother Belcher, "de Lord is mah shepherd and his house is mah heaven."

Meantime the negro parishioners and the pastor had gathered, hymn books in hand. They gradually grew impatient. So did the policemen. The latter resorted to tear bombs. Out came brother Belcher and in filled the congregation.

They came out pell mell, amid tears and lamentations. It took an hour to air out the church.

### APPEALS FILED TODAY IN TWO MURDER CASES

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—Appeals in the murder cases of D. W. Freeman from Taylor county, and Jack Colbert, from Henderson county, were filed in the Court of Criminal Appeals Monday. They are subject to reversal under the court's recent ruling in the John Swilley case from Liberty county that punishment in excess of five years imprisonment cannot be assessed in murder cases unless the indictment charges that the killing was done with malice aforethought.

In the Freeman and Colbert cases the indictment charged that the killings were voluntary. Freeman was sentenced to 20 years and Colbert to 25 years. The Court of Criminal Appeals has reversed and remanded several murder cases as result of its ruling in the Swilley case.

Freeman was convicted of murder by the jury May 17, 1929, the indictment charging that he "unlawfully and voluntarily killed" Hudson by striking him with a motor truck. In his appeal Freeman claims that the death of Hudson resulted from an accident and that evidence was insufficient for a verdict as returned by the jury. Hudson and his wife were riding on a motorcycle on the highway between Abilene and Sweetwater at the time they were hit by a truck.

Colbert is under sentence for murder of L. Claunch, July 27, 1929.

Another murder case, that of Daniel Jay from Taylor county, also filed Monday, does not come within the ruling in the Swilley case. The indictment charges that Jay on April 3, 1929, did "voluntarily and with malice aforethought kill" Vera Young.

### NEGRO AND WIFE SOUGHT IN SLAYING

WACO, Dec. 23.—Officers today were seeking a negro man and his wife, wanted in connection with the slaying of E. B. Rowe, 30, who was found dying yesterday in an alley behind the residence of his brother-in-law, A. L. Myers, with whom he lived.

A severed jugular vein and knife wounds about the body proved fatal shortly after Rowe was moved to the hospital. Officers have a pocket knife with which the victim is believed to have been slain.

ELECTED 38 TIMES

MARYSVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 23.—For the 38th consecutive time William Wintz, Sr., was elected treasurer of a Masonic lodge here.

### CONDITIONS RETURNING TO NORMAL

By United Press

Texas today was checking up on its results of the worst snow storm the state has experienced in a decade, one that sent all-time records in many territories.

Normal conditions prevailed in most areas today, indicating that the flurry which sent the mercury skidding and the snowdrifts piling up was at an end.

Truck farm losses in the Rio Grande valley were heavy. All products except cabbage were believed to have been killed by the sudden thaw after a temperature of 26 degrees Saturday night. In the east end of the valley, fruit was undamaged.

The temperature stood at 7 degrees in Waco this morning. It was the coldest December day in 69 years, according to the weather observer.

Gregg county this morning probably experienced the coldest weather in its history. Thermometers at Longview recorded the mercury at one and three-quarters degrees above zero. The 14 inch snow which fell last week was hailed by farmers as excellent for their crops.

Almost all of the eastern half of the United States, from the Gulf of Canada, got a new white suit of snow today for Christmas.

The holiday snow storm, contrary to all rules, was born in Texas, swept east and northward, its fringes powdering the gulf coast summer resorts in some cases and the main storm dropping its load of blizzard, again, was becoming entangled again. Trains carrying city folk back home for the holidays, and rural folk to the city, ran late in virtually all the territory affected.

Highways, hardly broken after the blizzard, again were becoming blocked, tying up motorists but making a glistening path for Santa Claus' sleigh.

Chicago, which had just breathed a sigh of relief after recovering from 14.8 inches of snow in 40 hours, prepared for another siege. Two and one-half inches of snow had fallen by 10 a. m. and it still fell, quietly but persistently. The weather bureau refused to estimate the depth it would attain. Forecasters said it would be a "heavy snow," which in meteorological language means four inches or more.

The snow this morning ranged from a foot or more in Arkansas to eight inches in Chattanooga. Eldorado, Ark., took the record with 16 1-2 inches.

### BRING ONLY TEARS

BETUMONIA, Dec. 23.—Christmas toys brought only tears today in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Julian here. Little Eugene, their year old son, died from scalding after pulling a pan of boiling water off a stove.

### WEATHER

WEST TEXAS—Fair, warmer tonight except in southwest, Tuesday fair and warmer.

EAST TEXAS—Fair, somewhat warmer tonight; frost to come in near east coast, Tuesday fair and warmer.

FLYING WEATHER TEXAS AND OKLAHOMA—Generally fair, variable surface winds south and westerly southerly north portion; moderate to fresh variable winds aloft, mostly northerly from 1,000 to 6,000 feet.



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TEXAS CENTER OF POPULATION

Texas center of population moved from Limestone county in 1880 to McLennan county in 1920 and the guess of William C. Edwards is that it will be in Correll county by 1930.

THERE IS MONEY IN TEXAS PEARS

El Paso county is away out on the fringe of New Mexico and dips into the Rio Grande river. El Paso county, according to a publicity distributor of Texas information, shipped 240 carloads of pears from its valley crop this season just closed and received for it \$125,000 or an average gross of \$500 per acre.

In the Fort Davis county orchardists from Minnesota say they have discovered an apple producing country second to none wherever the flag floats. One is the one cotton crop man. He is affiliated with the cotton belt of civilization.

His successor produces the stuff on his farm to feed his family. He has been taught that a well stocked cellar, a corn crib and a smokehouse keeps the wolf from the door regardless of the ticking of the market ticker in the street call wall.

A JUDGE WHO KNOWS HIS BUSINESS

A minor court judge in the District of Columbia ruled that a congressman is not liable for debts of his wife made without his knowledge or consent—if he grants her a monthly allowance to meet her personal expenses.

Huddleton, M. C. of Alabama has a wife. He takes down \$10,000 a year. He made an allowance of \$75 a month for wife to meet her personal expenses. She purchased a \$600 fur coat. She paid \$8 down. That's all. She couldn't make her \$75 allowance stretch out and the fur dealer brought suit to collect the balance.

Huddleton made his defense. He showed his check book. The high court dictionary saw the point. He ruled against the fur dealer.

Huddleton represents the wealthy Birmingham district. He will be a candidate for re-election. Now what will the wives who are voters do to the man on primary election day who declined to pay the dealer for the fur coat? Will they bean him with their ballot? This is said to be woman's age—so there you are.

ELITE JOINS THE PROCESSION.

Flint is a very important manufacturing city of Michigan. It has more than \$4,000 qualified voters. It has adopted a new city charter provided for the commission manager form of government.

There will be nine commissioners. These commissioners will name a mayor. They will appoint a city manager and fix his salary. City manager plan of municipal government is an experiment. It has been given the acid test.

It is the man as well as the form of government that counts. Some day the great cities of the American world will come to the city manager plan.

It is a business and not a political game. It gives the stockholders, who are the taxpayers, a run for their money so to speak.

HOOVER ON LAW ENFORCEMENT

Speaking of law enforcement, the president, in his message made this solemn declaration: "It is the most serious issue before our people." Yes, and the easiest route for a politician to take if he wishes to avoid the discussion of farm relief and all other issues of an economic nature.



HI-LIFE

By MARY BETH LANGSTON C. H. S. spent very enjoyable half hour Friday morning, Miss McCall's dramatic club and Miss Andrews and her choral club had charge of the program. Laura Johnson acted as mistress of ceremony and introduced the members. Jewel Ely accompanied her sister, Madeline, played a violin selection. Ova Brown gave a take-off on the faculty "Trying to Make People Happy. Laura Paine, Thelma Newton, Zilada Stanton, Tommie Carroll, Helen Crawford, and Jerry Ford gave "Jingle Bells" dance; the choral club sang "Little Town of Bethlehem" and "Silent Night." The Spanish department gave the Spanish version of "Silent Night." Then Santa Claus came and distributed gifts among members of the student body and faculty.

The Stamps quartet entertained the student body at assembly on Tuesday morning. This was a sample of the program which they gave that night and everyone enjoyed more. They gave sacred songs and a popular one "Dream Train." The quartet played "Scrambled Eggs" an original composition.

Did You Ever Stop to Think?

By EDSON R. WAITE Shawnee, Oklahoma. George S. Parker, president of the Parker Pen Company, says: "That people nowadays have got away to an extent from the old-fashioned idea that you must give a dollar's worth of work for a dollar's worth of pay."

In my judgment there are too many people wasting too much time thinking they can find a "short-cut" way in that somebody else has overlooked.

It is also my judgment that real material success in this world comes from a well thought out program, hard work, willingness to take punishment, quick recovery from defeat, and pushing by such degree so that an extra of the same kind will not be made the second time.

In the city in which I live and in the business of which I am the head, frequently the remark is made, "How does it come that you made a success of your business and built up a large business by the roadside?" One reason is because I have been in business for more than thirty-five years.

I did not expect to cash in on big dividends or get rich in a year, or two years or even ten years. It was a case of constantly keeping at it, taking a lot of pleasure and enjoyment out of my work, and in the early days of my business vacation was not in my vocabulary. Each day brought something new and it was a perpetual pleasure.

Naturally, under these circumstances, my business has grown until it has become one of the largest of its kind in the world. In the formula to bring this about, however, there has been no magic, but plenty of luck. The luck, however, consists in hard work and fairly well directed efforts.

Any young man with average intelligence and plenty of "stick-to-itiveness" can do likewise.

Henry Well Is Drilling at 2,600

MORAN, Dec. 23—Lone Star's No. 2 Henry missed the Moran sand at 2,500 feet and is drilling at a depth of 2,600 feet this week. The drillers didn't expect to pick up the Moran sand in this well, according to information as the well is an offset to the 3,600 wells in that field. The well has been held up during the past month because of a fishing job, but will be completed in a few more days if good luck prevails.

The Lone Star Brooks No. 3 is down to 400 feet. The No. 3 is an offset to the Brooks No. 2 and the Henry No. 3. These wells are producing around 15,000,000 feet of gas from the 2,200 foot sand sand.

Jesse L. Douglas brought in his third shallow well on the Palm tract between Moran and Albany last week. The well is good for 10 barrels settled production.

These wells are brought in from the 400 foot sand.

OUT OUR WAY



LEGAL NOTICE

No. 10358-M SHERIFF'S SALE (Tax Suits) THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Eastland: By virtue of an Order of Sale for delinquent taxes issued out of the Honorable 88th District Court of Eastland county on the 3rd day of December, A. D. 1929, by W. H. McDonald, clerk thereof, in the case of City of Cisco a municipal corporation, vs. Mrs. R. C. Pass, C. O. Pass, Will Pass and Ellis Pass, No. 10358-M, and to me, as constable directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales, on the first Tuesday in January, A. D. 1930, it being the 7th day of said month, at the Court House door of said Eastland county in the City of Eastland, the following described land situated in Eastland county, Texas, within the corporate limits of the City of Cisco, to-wit:

Part of Lot No. 1, sub-division No. 4, Block B, City of Cisco, described as follows: BEGINNING in E. B. L. of said lot (part of Lot 1, Block B) eight feet in SE direction from NE corner; THENCE southeast 57 feet; THENCE at right angles SW 150 feet; THENCE at right angles NW 37 feet; THENCE at right angles NE 150 feet to beginning; said property being levied on as the property of Mrs. R. C. Pass, C. O. Pass, Will Pass and Ellis Pass, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$559.00, in favor of the City of Cisco, a municipal corporation, with penalty, interest and costs of suit.

This sale is subject to the defendants' right to redeem the said property, under the terms of the existing laws governing delinquent tax sales.

Given under my hand this 4th day of December, A. D. 1929. C. S. LOONEY, Constable, Precinct 6, Eastland County, Texas, Cisco, Texas.

No. 11017-M NOTICE BY PUBLICATION. THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Eastland: To Mrs. E. C. Carmon, and to all persons owning or having or claiming interest in the following described land delinquent to the City of Cisco in the County of Eastland, State of Texas, for taxes, to-wit:

Lot No. 6, Block No. 9, Elfret-horn Heights addition to Cisco, Texas, which said land, or lots, is delinquent for taxes for the amount of \$56.63, for City taxes for the years 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927 and 1928, and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the City of Cisco for the collection of taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit on the first Monday in the February term of the 88th District Court of Eastland County, and State of Texas, same being the 3rd day of February, A. D. 1930, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land, or lots, and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

Witness: W. H. McDONALD, Clerk of the District Courts, Eastland County, Texas. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in the City of Eastland, Texas, this 18th day of December, A. D. 1929. W. H. McDONALD, Clerk of the District Courts, Eastland County, Texas. By THOS. HALEY, Deputy.

WALKS INTO STATION AND GIVES SELF UP

DALLAS, Dec. 23—Because he was hungry, tired of dodging the law and his woman friend had deserted him and threatened to report him, a man who said he was from Tulsa, Okla., walked into the police station and gave himself up. They found an automobile ten years ago was the charge on which he said he was wanted.

"I'm just beating the woman to it," he declared. "I can't make a living anyway by stealing, and I'm hungry. Besides, what's the use?" City officers declared the surrender to be unique in Dallas crime annals.

Raising of possums as a commercial proposition to go with Atascosa county sweet potatoes has been suggested in a letter to the Pleasanton chamber of commerce.

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Given under my hand this 4th day of December, A. D. 1929. C. S. LOONEY, Constable, Precinct 6, Eastland County, Texas, Cisco, Texas.

No. 11017-M NOTICE BY PUBLICATION. THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Eastland: To Mrs. E. C. Carmon, and to all persons owning or having or claiming interest in the following described land delinquent to the City of Cisco in the County of Eastland, State of Texas, for taxes, to-wit:

Lot No. 6, Block No. 9, Elfret-horn Heights addition to Cisco, Texas, which said land, or lots, is delinquent for taxes for the amount of \$56.63, for City taxes for the years 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927 and 1928, and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the City of Cisco for the collection of taxes and you are commanded to appear and defend such suit on the first Monday in the February term of the 88th District Court of Eastland County, and State of Texas, same being the 3rd day of February, A. D. 1930, and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said land, or lots, and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit.

Witness: W. H. McDONALD, Clerk of the District Courts, Eastland County, Texas. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in the City of Eastland, Texas, this 18th day of December, A. D. 1929. W. H. McDONALD, Clerk of the District Courts, Eastland County, Texas. By THOS. HALEY, Deputy.

COURT HOUSE CUSTODIAN IS NOW CONVINCED

"I'm Sure Orgatone is a Good Medicine Because of My Relief," Breckenridge Man Firmly Asserts. J. J. Andrews residing at 109 W. Williams St., custodian of the Breckenridge court house, one of the prettiest in the state of Texas, has given Orgatone the new medicine a thorough trial and he is convinced that it is a preparation of unusual merit.

"Yes sir, I'm sure Orgatone is a good medicine because of the relief I derived from it." Mr. Andrews said. "For several years have suffered from stomach and gall bladder trouble and I've been greatly annoyed with dizzy spells and pains in the pit of my stomach. I was continually bothered with gas as that would blow me up. I was subjected to frequent constipation also. My appetite was poor and the little food I ate didn't digest properly."

"I decided to take Orgatone after reading in the papers of its good work. It's the truth when I say that I haven't had a stomach pain or been bothered with the annoying gas and dizziness since I began to use Orgatone. My gall bladder is in much better shape and my stomach is greatly improved. I have a hearty appetite and the food I eat digests properly too. In fact, I feel improved generally since taking Orgatone."

Genuine Orgatone may be bought in Cisco at the Dean Drug Store—Adv.

No. 10150-M SHERIFF'S SALE (Tax Suits) THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Eastland: By virtue of an Order of Sale for delinquent taxes issued out of the Honorable 91st District Court of Eastland County, on the 3rd

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These inexpensive advertisements are a "Clearing House" for most everything, such as Buying, Selling, Renting, Restoring Lost articles, Finding Help or Employment and Securing New Patronage for your business.

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day of December, A. D. 1929, by W. H. McDonald, clerk thereof, in the case of City of Cisco, a municipal corporation, vs. Carey Maclin and the unknown heirs of Carey Maclin, No. 10150-M, and to me, as Constable, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's sales, on the first Tuesday in January, A. D. 1930, it being the 7th day of said month, at the Court House door of said Eastland county in the City of Eastland, the following described land situated and lying within the corporate limits of the City of Cisco, County of Eastland, State of Texas, to-wit:

Lot No. 8, Block F, Sub-Division No. 1, City of Cisco; said property being levied on as the property of Carey Maclin and the unknown heirs of Carey Maclin, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$74.14, in favor of the City of Cisco, a municipal corporation, with penalty, interest and costs of suit.

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Dawson County Bond Issue Fails LAMESA, Dec. 23—Dawson county's \$1,250,000 road bond issue was defeated here Saturday by a count of 253 for and 596 against. Only four more rural boxes remained to be heard from but they will not have any significance on the present count for the bonds could not pass except by two thirds majority. A new election will be called in 1930 it was said.

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Business Directory

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Announcements The Rotary club meets every Thursday at Laguna Hotel Private Dining Room at 12:15. Visiting Rotarians always welcome. President BRUCE C. BONEY; secretary DUDLEY LEE.

Lions Club meets every Wednesday at Laguna Hotel roof garden at 12:15. CLAYTON E. CRN, President; G. E. YATES, Secretary.

Cisco Chapter No. 195, A. M., meets on Thursday evening of each month at 7 p. m. Visiting Companions are cordially invited. I. N. NICHOLSON, R. JOHN F. PATTERSON, Secretary.

Cisco Lodge No. 556, A. M., meets first and third Thursday, 8 p. m. J. WITTEN, W. M.; JOHN PATTERSON, Secretary.

Cisco Commandery, K. T., meets every third Thursday of each month at Masonic Hall. N. OLSON, E. C.; JOHN F. PATTERSON, Recorder.

Cisco Chapter No. 195, O. E. S., meets first and second Tuesday night of each month. Visiting members cordially invited. MAYE WESTERFIELD, M.; BEULAH WITTEN, Secretary.

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# A Christmas Carol

By Charles Dickens

**MARLEY'S GHOST.**  
Marley was dead, to begin with. There is no doubt whatever about that. The register of his burial was signed by the clergyman, the clerk, the undertaker, and the chief mourner. Scrooge signed it. And Scrooge's name was good upon Change for anything he chose to put his hand to. Old Marley was as dead as a door-nail.

"Mind! I don't mean to say that I know of my own knowledge, what there is particularly dead about a door-nail. I might have been inclined, myself, to regard a coffin-nail as the deadest piece of ironmongery in the trade. But the wisdom of our ancestors is in the simile; and my unallowed hands shall not disturb it, or the country's done for. You will, therefore, permit me to repeat, emphatically, that Marley was as dead as a door-nail."

Scrooge knew he was dead? Of course he did. How could it be otherwise? Scrooge and he were partners for I don't know how many years. Scrooge was his sole executor, his sole administrator, his sole assign, his sole residuary legatee, his sole friend, and sole mourner. And even Scrooge was not so dreadfully up by the side of the dead as he was an excellent man of business, and colonized it with an undoubted bargain.

The mention of Marley's funeral brings me back to the point I started from. There is no doubt that Marley was dead, to begin with. He is distinctly understood, or nothing wonderful can come of the story I am going to relate. If we were not perfectly convinced that Hamlet's father died before the play began, there would be nothing more remarkable in his taking a stroll at night, in an easterly wind, upon his own ramparts, than there would be in any other middle-aged gentleman rashly turning out after dark in a breezy spot—say St. Paul's churchyard, for instance—literally to astonish his son's weak mind.

Scrooge never painted out Old Marley's name. There it stood, years afterwards, above the warehouse door. Scrooge and Marley, the firm was known as Scrooge and Marley. Sometimes people new to the business called Scrooge Scrooge, and sometimes Marley, but he answered to both names. It was all the same to him.

Oh! but he was a tight-fisted hand at the grindstone, Scrooge; a squeezing, wringing, coaxing, scraping, clutching, covetous old sinner! Hard and sharp as flint, from which no steel had ever struck out generous fire; secret, and self-contained, and solitary as an oyster. The cold within him froze his old features, nipped his fine nose, shivered his cheek, stiffened his gait; made his eyes red, his thin lips blue; and spoke out shrewdly in his grating voice. A frosty rime was on his head, and on his eye-brows, and his wiry chin. He carried his own low temperature always about with him; he carried his office in the dog-days, and carried it thence to the dog-days of Christmas.

External heat and cold had little influence on Scrooge. No warmth could warm, no wintry weather chill him. No wind that blew was bitterer than he, no falling snow was more intent upon its course, no pelting rain less open to entreaty. Foul weather did not know where to have him. The heaviest rain, and snow, and hail, and sleet could boast of the advantage over him in only one respect: they often "came down" on him, but Scrooge never did.

Nobody ever stopped him in the street to say, with gladness, "My dear Scrooge, how are you?" When will you come to see me?" No beggars implored him to bestow a trifle, no children asked him what it was o'clock, no man or woman ever once in all his life inquired of him as he passed, "Poor old Scrooge! how are you to-day?" But what did Scrooge care? It was the very thing he liked. To judge his way along the crowded paths of life, warning all human sympathy to keep its distance, was that the knowing ones call "nuts" to Scrooge.

Once upon a time—of all the good days in the year, on Christmas Eve—old Scrooge sat busy in his counting-house. It was cold, bleak, biting weather; foggy withal; and he could hear the people in the street outside go wheezing up and down, beating their hands upon their breasts, and stamping their feet upon the pavement stones to warm them. The city clocks had only just gone three, and it was quite dark already—it had not been light all day—and the winds were fluting in the windows of the neighbouring offices, a ruddy glow upon the pale, brown air. The fog came pouring in at every chink and keyhole, and was so dense without, although the court was of the rowest, the houses opposite were mere phantoms. To see the good ones drooping down, and turning everything, one might have thought that nature loved to bury itself under a blanket of snow. The door of Scrooge's counting-house was open, that he might see his eye upon his clerk, who in a small little cell beyond, a sort of tank, was copying letters. There was a very small fire, but the clerk's face was very red.

smaller that it looked like one coal. But by couldn't replenish it, for Scrooge kept the coal box in his own room; and so surely as the clerk came in with the shovel, the master predicted that it would be necessary for them to part. While the clerk put on his white comforter, and tried to warm himself at the candle in which effort, not being a man of strong imagination, he failed.

"A merry Christmas, uncle! God save you!" cried a cheerful voice. It was the voice of Scrooge's nephew, who came upon him so quickly that this was his first intimation he had of his approach.

"Bah!" said Scrooge. "Humbug!"

He was so heated himself with rapid walking in the fog and frost, that his nephew's greeting, that he was all in a glow; his face sparkled, and his breath smoked again.

"Christmas a humbug, uncle!" said Scrooge's nephew. "You don't mean that, I am sure?"

"I do," said Scrooge. "Merry Christmas! What right have you to be merry? What reason have you to be merry? You're poor enough."

"Come, then," returned the nephew gaily. "What right have you to be dismal? What reason have you to be dismal? What reason have you to be morose? You're rich enough."

Scrooge, having no better answer ready on the spur of the moment, said, "Bah! again!" and followed it up with "Humbug!"

"Don't be cross, uncle!" said the nephew.

"What else can I be?" returned the uncle, "when I lived in such a world of fools as this? Merry Christmas! Out upon merry Christmas! What's Christmas-time to you but a time for paying bills without money; a time for finding yourself a year older, and not an hour richer; a time for balancing your books, and having every item in 'em brought round to you months presented dead against you? If I could work my will, I'd chop your acquaintance off. Every body who goes about with Merry Christmas on his lips should be boiled with his own pudding, and buried with a stake of holly through his heart. He should!"

"You clerk, with 15 shillings a week, and a wife and family, talking about a merry Christmas. I'll retire to Bedlam."

This lunatic, in letting Scrooge's nephew out, had let two other people in. They were portly gentlemen, pleasant to behold, and now stood, with their hats off, in Scrooge's office. They had books and papers in their hands and bowed to him.

"Scrooge and Marley's, I believe," said one of the gentlemen, referring to his list. "Have I the pleasure of addressing Mr. Scrooge, or Mr. Marley?"

"Mr. Marley has been dead these seven years," Scrooge replied. "He died seven years ago, this very night."

"We have no doubt his liberality is well represented by his surviving partner," said the gentleman, presenting his credentials. It certainly was; for they had been two kindred spirits. At the ominous word "liberality" Scrooge frowned, and shook his head, and handed the credentials back.

"At this festive season of the year, Mr. Scrooge," said the gentleman, taking up a pen, "it is more than usually desirable that we should make some slight provision for the poor and destitute, who suffer greatly at the present time. Many thousands are in want of common necessities; hundreds of thousands are in want of common comforts, sir."

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gentlemen withdrew. Scrooge resumed his labours, with an improved opinion of himself, and in a more facetious temper than was usual with him.

Meanwhile the fog and darkness thickened so, that people ran about with flaring links, proffering their services to go before horses in carriages, and conduct them on their way. The ancient tower of a church, whose gruff old bell was always peeping slyly down Scrooge out of a Gothic window in the wall, became invisible, as if struck the hours and quarters of the clock, with tremulous vibrations afterwards, as if its text were chattering in its frozen heart up there. The cold became intense. In the main street, at the corner of the court, some laborers were repairing the gas pipes and had lighted a great fire in a brazier, round which a party of ragged men and boys were gathered, warming their hands and winking their eyes before the blaze of light. The water plug below them, in the main street, at the corner of the court, some laborers were repairing the gas pipes and had lighted a great fire in a brazier, round which a party of ragged men and boys were gathered, warming their hands and winking their eyes before the blaze of light.

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"And the Union workhouses?" demanded Scrooge. "Are they still in operation?"

"They are. Still," returned the gentleman, "I wish I could say they were not."

## The Avenging Parrot

by Anne Austin

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"No, go on," his uncle directed. "What made you think of the typewriter being worked mechanically?"

"These," and Dundee showed him the two grease-stained wads of paper and the yellow sheets with the letter a struck over and over until the paper was cut. "Of course I thought of a girl accomplice, and typed by a professional stenographer. And these are corresponding pages of the 'revision' on which Bert—which we'll call him still—was working on the night of the Hogarth murder."

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"I see," O'Brien nodded. "Are four people swore he was in a room when Mrs. Hogarth was murdered, because they heard him typing. But how did you get onto his not being Bert Magnus?"

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## MERGER PLAN IS ISSUED

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"Because he knew that Cora's jealousy would lead her to probe an accusation she made Tuesday night, and which he denied," Dundee answered. "I heard a little of it, knew Jewel was mixed up in it before, said she heard Bert say to some girl—and who could it be but Jewel?—'Go to it, sweetheart! The perfect stenographer!' Of course he was not talking to a girl at all. He was gloating over the perfection of his mechanical device, the concealing of what would be a perfect alibi. Naturally he was frightened stiff, felt he had to kill Cora before she could charge Jewel with the 'scandal,' and thus let the cat out of the bag."

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"I guess he figured that if Jewel blabbed about a 'perfect stenographer' in his room at midnight on Thursday, the police might wonder if that same 'perfect stenographer' wasn't providing him with an alibi on Saturday night."

"You're ahead of me," Strawn growled. "Do you mean Griffin

## DRILL REPORT

Records for date of Dec. 20, 1929.

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# 'ROUND ABOUT THE TOWN

LOUISE TRAMMELL, Society Editor.

PHONE 535 OR 80.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bearman have returned from a trip to Tulsa.

Joe Earnest of New York passed through Cisco today en route to Colorado City to spend the holidays.

W. H. LaRoque, Business Manager.

B. A. BUTLER, Editor.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gamble of Austin were guests of friends here yesterday en route to Midland.

Mrs. Don Sivalis is leaving today to spend Christmas with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Earnest in Colorado City.

Frank Homesly has arrived from Norman, Okla., where he is attending the university, to spend Christmas with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Holmesly.

L. B. Benton is spending the holidays in Fort Worth with his parents.

Earnest Jobe of San Angelo spent Saturday with friends in Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cate spent yesterday with Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Cate in Breckenridge.

C. F. Simpson, Walter Stockard,

and Willard Miller attended the football game at Waco Saturday.

R. S. Brennan Jr., and M. B. Wood of Colorado City were business visitors in Cisco Saturday.

John Shaw will leave tomorrow for Dallas to spend Christmas with his father.

Andy Anderson of Moran transacted business in Cisco yesterday.

Mrs. J. L. McMurray and Lloyd Hughes are leaving today to spend Christmas with relatives in Hillsboro.

Mrs. O. C. Peavy left this week to spend the holidays in Houston.

Kid West is spending a few days in Cisco on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bullock and son, Ramsey, of Fort Worth are expected tomorrow for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Lauderdale.

L. A. Warren is a business visitor in Fort Worth today.

Miss Doris Bates has arrived here from Waco to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Bates.

Wilbur Westerfeldt of State University is spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Westerfeldt.

## RESPONSE TO ELKS APPEAL IS GENEROUS



## FIGHT SEEN IN CONGRESS OVER I. C. C. PROGRAM

By PAUL R. MALLON  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 — A fight in congress was foreseen today over the massive railroad construction program of the interstate commerce commission.

While the farm bloc members are priming with material to oppose the project because they do not believe it will reduce freight rates to the farmers, republican leaders are planning a way to put teeth into the commission proposal.

The issue probably will be taken up in the house and senate interstate commerce committees immediately after the holidays.

The commissioners who signed the majority of the bill are expected to be called as witnesses.

The farm bloc is not yet decided as to how it can oppose the plan or if opposition will be necessary under the law the proposal is largely up to the railroads involved. Most railroads have been inclined to favor a voluntary consolidation.

The Republican leaders are wholeheartedly in favor of the commission proposal to link the rail system of the nation into 19 extensive units, five in the east, two in New England, three in the south and nine in the west. They believe the consolidation will enable the gradual reduction of railroad rates.

Senator Fess, Repn., Ohio, favors enactment of legislation to bring strong pressure on the railroads so they will be induced to follow the commission scheme.

He has introduced a bill proposing that if the roads failed to consolidate in accordance with the commission's ideas, steps to force consolidation could be taken in ten years by the commission.

The bill probably will be revised along similar lines and reintroduced so it can be brought up to date.

The commission is proposing the unification, it is said, granted railroads about 60 percent of what they desire and in guarding the interests of the general public, itself suggested the remaining 40 percent.

Its allocation was designed to give each important area two or more competing systems which it considers will build up all rail centers.

While the question of terminals has not been decided, the commission is proposing that consolidation of terminals should be accompanied with unification of lines.

Terminal cities, however, have nothing to lose and everything to gain by the consolidation, one expert pointed out. Baltimore, for example, would be served by the three systems. Newark, as part of the New York terminal, probably would profit by increased business.

In the south New Orleans would appear certain to benefit from the increased flow of commerce directed its way.

The Baltimore and Ohio, despite years of effort to obtain a direct contact with Manhattan, would not achieve this goal under tentative plan but would continue to serve New York through Jersey City.

## "Personal" Questions to Be Asked When Census Takers Begin Work Next Year

By RAYMOND BROOKS  
AUSTIN, Dec. 23 — "Who's the head of the family?" and "are you a lady?" and "are you loafing or working?" are personal questions, but couched in diplomatic language ought not to be embarrassing, the census bureau has revealed in saying that substantially these inquiries will be made.

There is a penalty for refusing to answer.

For some obscure reason, the radio industry will get a bounteous boost, since every person will be required, under penalty of prison or fines to say whether he owns a radio.

The government however omitted the "if not, why not?"

There will be 24 points to the individual census report, and some of them are whopping points. It will ask longer to answer them than to ask them.

"Can you speak English?" is a question to be asked foreignborn people. "No sabb" probably will be equivalent to "no."

Here are the questions:

1. What is your relationship to the head of the family, and who is the homemaker (housewife)?
2. Do you own or rent your home?
3. Value of home, if owned: monthly rental, if rented.
4. Do you own a radio set?
5. Does this family live on a farm?
6. Are you a man or a woman?
7. Are you white, black or otherwise?
8. Age at last birthday.
9. Married or single?
10. Age at first marriage?
11. Place of birth, state or country.
12. Where was your father born?
13. Where was your mother born?
14. Mother tongue of each foreign-born parent.
15. Can you read or write?
16. Did you attend school college at any time prior to Sept. 1, 1929?
17. Year of immigration to U. S. if foreign-born.
18. Whether naturalized, if foreign-born.
19. Whether able to speak English, if foreign-born.
20. Occupation of each gainful worker.
21. Industry in which he is employed.
22. Whether employer, employee, or working on own account.
23. Whether actually at work.
24. Whether a veteran of the U. S. military or naval forces; and if a veteran, of what war or expedition.

## DOZEN "DONT'S" FOR CHRISTMAS MERRYMAKERS

AUSTIN, Dec. 23 — A dozen "don'ts" issued by State Fire Insurance Commissioner J. W. DeWeese need not take the joy out of a Christmas tree celebration and they may keep out sorrow, he points out.

Don't use inflammable tree decorations.

Don't set up the tree without fastening it so it cannot fall.

Don't play lively games in the room with the tree.

Don't use electric light sets that are not standard equipment.

Don't hang electric bulbs so their heat may ignite other substances.

Don't attempt any special Yule wiring without a competent electrician.

Don't use lighted candles.

Don't let Santa Claus himself be a fire hazard.

Don't give children toys requiring volatile fuel.

Don't give them inflammable toys.

Don't smoke or use matches near Christmas decorations.

Don't lose your head and get excited if there is an accident.

Warnings have also been issued regarding sale and use of fireworks.

Stores are being asked to use care that decorations are not such as to constitute fire hazard, that packing materials be guarded against fire and that there be frequent "No Smoking" signs.

## Christmas at Lutheran Church

In the account of the Christmas services given in yesterday's issue the Lutheran church was mentioned. However, the pastor informs they, too, are planning a program. On Tuesday night will be the children of the school and the Sunday school will be the center of the story in the words of the poem and in song. On three ministers will occupy the pulpit. The Rev. F. Steyer will give a German sermon at 10 o'clock local pastor will preach at 11. The Christmas message will be "Sorrow," and at 7:30 p. m. the E. Styer will be in the pulpit, bearing the message on Is. 9, 6. Both the 10 o'clock and the 7:30 services will be in the English language.

## BORN, DIES IN SAME PLACE

LOUDON, Tenn., Dec. 23 — Under a bridge over the Tennessee river here, it's rates are cheaper than the bridge toll.

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By modern vaporizing treatment—Just rub on  
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Paramount's Al Talking Singing Dancing Triumph  
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**OUR XMAS DAY SPECIAL**  
**JOAN CRAWFORD**  
**Untamed**  
A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer ALL TALKING MOTION PICTURE  
with Robert Montgomery Torrence Ernest  
From the tropic jungles, where love is unfettered, she stalked a man to the wilderness of New York. Joan Crawford's finest role—a talking-picture sensation!

**MIDNIGHT SHOW**  
Only one show will be given Saturday at 10 p. m. Don't Miss It.  
**PREVIEW FROLIC**  
Attend our grand review of the world's greatest picture Saturday night, at 10:00 p. m.

**WARNER BROS. SHOW OF SHOWS**  
ONE HUNDRED SHOWS IN ONE  
Richly conceived, lavishly produced, this Singing, Talking, Dancing, Technicolor picture combines in one glorious, amazing unit, the world's greatest entertainers in the greatest show on earth.

**HOME STRETCH.**  
Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Bailey are leaving today for San Angelo.

Mrs. L. H. Qualls and children and Mrs. Mary Thomson spent Saturday in Ranger.

## FITTS DRAWS CRITICISM OF PREDECESSOR

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 23 — The announcement by District Attorney Byron Fitts that he is near solution of the mysterious murder of William Desmond Taylor, firm director, as the subject of new criticism today by Fitts' predecessor, Asa Keyes.

From his county jail cot, where he is recovering from a jawbone operation, Keyes charged the announcements by Fitts and former Governor friend W. Richardson were political in their purpose.

Richardson said in Berkeley that he had been told by a convict that a movie actress killed Taylor but that the Los Angeles county grand jury had confided that Keyes, since convicted of bribery in the Julian Petroleum cases, would not prosecute.

"I am just a political prisoner being used by politicians and their supporters as a chess board of politics," Keyes said.

"The Taylor murder occurred in 1922 while Thomas Lee Wolwine was district attorney. Fitts and I were both deputies in the district attorney's office. Wolwine investigated thoroughly. When I became district attorney and Fitts was my chief deputy we continued to do everything possible."

Keyes asked why Richardson remained silent so long, why he didn't instruct the state attorney general to proceed in the matter; why he obtained the parole of the prisoner who gave him the alleged information and allowed him to flee to Mexico, and why Richardson waited until the eve of Fitts' expected announcement of his gubernatorial candidacy to make his revelation.

Fitts seemed to be conducting the only investigation of the crime. He said that his office's investigators had built up a perfect reconstruction of the shooting with the exception of one point which he did not reveal.

## Brother of Cisco Man Badly Injured

Captain James E. Cameron, of Galveston, brother of J. A. Cameron of this city, was badly injured in an automobile accident Saturday between Houston and Beaumont. Mr. Cameron telephoned the hospital where he is confined today and was told that there was no change in his condition.

The following account of the accident appeared in the Sunday papers:

HOUSTON, Dec. 22—His automobile skidding in icy slush on the Houston Beaumont highway and overturning, Capt. James E. Cameron of Galveston, head of a nautical school there, was injured perhaps fatally, Saturday. His skull was fractured.

Jovee Cameron, the captain's daughter, and L. L. Seale of LaPorte were hurt seriously. Dan Cameron, a son, was bruised slightly.

Captain Cameron and the party were on the way to Mobile, Ala., to spend the holidays. Seale, an employe of the Gulf Cities Natural Gas Company at La Porte, had been added as a passenger going to Beaumont.

The Cameron car crashed into a culvert before it turned over in a ditch.

## One Killed When Plane Is Wrecked

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 23 — A blinding snowstorm wrecked an east-bound transcontinental air transport passenger plane here last night, causing the death of one man and injury to two other passengers.

D. C. law of Philadelphia, associated with the technical staff of Warner Brothers motion picture corporation, was killed almost instantly when a broken strut crushed his skull. Miss Mary Fearnow Washington, D. C., secretary to the assistant manager of the T. A. T. and C. M. airline, Philadelphia, were badly cut and bruised. Eight other passengers and the two pilots were uninjured.

According to the pilot, D. W. Burford, who was at the controls, a gust of wind tipped the plane as it made an almost blind landing on the snow-covered field. The craft skidded off the runway, slid across a road and crashed into a stump. The landing gear was wrecked and one motor fell out.

HEAVY FARM YIELD  
HERNANDO, Miss., Dec. 23 — C. M. Barker, harvested 105 bales of cotton from an 79-acre field near here, 85 bushels of corn per acre in a 20-acre field.

## 1929 BUSINESS AUGMENTED BY HOLIDAY TRADE

DALLAS, Dec. 23 — Holiday trade augmented business activity in Texas to an even greater extent last week than for the corresponding period in 1928, one of the best seasons in the history of the south-west.

In Dallas an increase of \$2,000,000 over a similar 1928 period was experienced, and many other cities also reported material business growth.

Unusually high total debits to individual accounts were reported in the eleventh federal reserve bank district, amounting to \$219,000,000. Banks take an excess of \$200,000,000 as an indication of excellent financial standing of the territory.

Industrial demands of the south-west will be served with additional facility by the operation of a new Dallas institution, the Texas Bank and Trust company, which opens for business on Dec. 30. The capital will be \$12,000,000 with a surplus of \$2,500,000 and new capital will be added as required.

Statistics released by the F. W. Dodge corporation indicates that Dallas will have a \$30,000,000 construction year. Contracts let in metropolitan Dallas through November total \$34,700,390, and prospects point to an unusually large figure for December.

Growth in Texas foreign trade was commented on by Sherwood H. Avery, district manager of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, during the week. Exports from the state in 1928 to Latin American amounted to \$72,500,000 compared to \$12,000,000 in 1914, he pointed out. Texas' annual foreign trade totals \$800,000,000. Avery declared.

The Houston Chamber of Commerce estimated that more than \$6,000,000 will be spent by that city in 1930 for civic improvements. Municipal expenditures and a ship channel budget of possibly \$20,000,000 are included in the bulk sum.

Grade separation work in connection with a \$10,000,000 freight and passenger terminal at Fort Worth of the Texas & Pacific and the Frisco railroads will cost \$2,031,450, according to estimates this week. The terminal project had already been announced.

## Maniac Is Sought In New York City

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 — A maniac whose cunning nearly killed all the residents of an apartment house was sought today for one of the city's strangest and most unusual crimes.

He plugged the chimney of the apartment house with a pile of newspapers, causing deadly coal gas to seep into the apartments through kitchen vents. One woman, Mrs. Anna Blinder, 54, died of the fumes, seven other persons were carried out unconscious. The gas was discovered in time to save 50 others.

Police believed a maniac with a grudge against someone in the building is responsible.

## Methodists Ask Gifts for Orphans

About \$85 has been subscribed to the fund which the First Methodist church of Cisco is donating toward the support of orphans in the charge of the church, it was announced today. A Christmas tree is in place at the church now upon which donors are asked to place their gifts of money.

"Much of the Christmas giving is pagan in character," said Rev. F. E. Singleton, pastor of the church, in his appeal to Cisco Methodists to contribute to the cause. "We do not give with a motive of downright love. One way to truly give is to make an offering in the spirit of love to those who cannot give back to us in return."

Contributors may send or hand their gifts to the pastor of the church or to any officer of the church.

As a Brackettsville man was driving near that town, a buck darted across the road in front of him, became entangled in a wire fence, and the man picked up a rock and killed him.

## Zonite For Cuts and Wounds

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\$4.00 Cyclamen at	\$2.75
\$3.00 Cyclamen at	\$2.00
\$2.00 Cyclamen at	\$1.25
\$5.00 Poinsettias at	\$2.75
\$3.00 Poinsettias at	\$2.00
\$2.00 Red Geraniums at	\$1.00
\$1.50 Red Geraniums at	75c
\$1.00 Red Geraniums at	50c

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