

SOCIETY, CHURCH AND LOCAL NEWS

BY MRS. PERCY SPENCER
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Friday Needle Club Is Entertained by Mrs. Foster

The beautiful new home of Mrs. R. W. Walker, 1318 Avenue M, was opened to the Friday Needle Club, December 19th, from three to six o'clock, with Mrs. M. K. Foster as hostess. This was a special meeting of the club to enjoy their annual Christmas tree. The hostess assisted by Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Walker, very graciously welcomed every member and the visitors into the spacious and elaborate decorated rooms of this lovely home. Everyone engaged themselves in preparing dainty gifts, and the clattering of voices with laughter was only a demonstration of the Christmas spirit existing. In the dining room was the Christmas tree, burdened with its gorgeous decorations and useful gifts, which each member had made for some dainty friend. The children rightly held a prominent place in receiving little gifts that made their hearts go pit-a-pat. The appearance of restlessness and anxious hearts aroused keen interest for the relief of this beautiful tree so Mrs. F. B. Barclay in her modest way, delivered the tree of its contents. Of all the happy moments we had it opening packages and seeing what each other had received. At the close of this happy afternoon a delicious salad course of chicken salad on lettuce, olives, wafers, fruit cake and coffee with whipped cream, using tiny Christmas trees for plate favors, was enjoyed by Mesdames J. B. Pryor, W. J. Spikes, L. H. Simpson, R. W. Walker, J. N. Bryan, J. M. Davis, H. P. McRhea, R. W. Heim, J. M. Denman, N. C. Bryan, F. K. Mitchell, F. B. Barclay, Ad. Clark, W. E. Twitty, J. A. Burrus, G. A. Gunn, A. A. Walker, Louis Murfee, J. E. Alexander and C. H. Smith. The club heartily enjoyed having the visitors with them: Mesdames Ed Vaughn, J. J. Newman, L. W. Squires and Stanley Watson, of Kansas City.

Reporter.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED SINCE LAST TUESDAY

- Mr. Lee Evans and Miss Byrle Mae Carter.
- Mr. Homer Harrison and Miss Susie Dean.
- Mr. Arthur Penkert and Miss Iris Ford.
- Mr. H. C. Dickson and Miss Cora Falls.
- Mr. S. B. Murray and Miss Mary Lee Ewing.
- Mr. B. C. Lawrence and Miss Ruby Hardy.
- Mr. Bunyan Gilliam and Miss Ruth Stanaland.
- Mr. Richard H. Maxwell and Miss Edna Hazel Ireland.
- Mr. Homer Bell and Miss Jimmie Lee Keith.
- Mr. Herbert Robbins and Miss Allie Scott.
- Mr. Aaron Virgil Henry and Miss Mary Leoti Sumrall.
- Mr. James H. Barnett and Miss Vivian Cross.
- Mr. W. M. Sledge and Miss Ruth Wadley.

PERSONALS

Mrs. O. B. Trinkle will spend Christmas visiting with relatives in Fort Worth.
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bowen will leave Wednesday for Sweetwater where they will visit during Christmas.
Mrs. L. A. Moody will visit her sister in Texarkana during the holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Stinson spent Monday visiting in Plainview.
Little Miss Martha Spencer went

Red Star Stage Line

LUBBOCK - TAHOKA - LAMESA MORNING CAR
Lv. Lubbock—Merrill Hotel at 8 a. m.
Lv. Tahoka—Thomas Drug Store, 9:35.
Ar. O'Donnell at 10:15
Ar. Lamesa—First State Bank, 11:10.
EVENING CAR
Lv. Lubbock—Merrill Hotel 2:00 p. m.
Ar. Tahoka—Thomas Drug Store, 3:25.
Ar. O'Donnell—Frits Drug Store, 4:15.
Ar. Lamesa—First State Bank, 5:00.
Leaves Lamesa for Big Springs, 1:00 p. m. and 5:00 p. m.
MORNING CAR
Lv. Lamesa—First State Bank, 8:00.
Lv. O'Donnell—Frits Drug Store, 8:45.
Lv. Tahoka—Thomas Drug Store, 9:35.
Ar. Lubbock—Merrill Hotel, 10:45
EVENING CAR
Lv. Lamesa—First State Bank, 2:00.
Lv. O'Donnell—Frits Drug Store, 2:50.
Lv. Tahoka—Thomas Drug Store, 3:35.
Ar. Lubbock—Merrill Hotel, 5:00.
We make connections at Lamesa for Big Springs, also make connection at Lubbock for all trains and line cars to Crosbyton and Amarillo.
RIDE THE RED STAR—Abbott & Austin & Hackelman WE USE BIG-SIX STUDEBAKER CARS ALTOGETHER

GERMAN CLAIMS BE PARAMOUNT IN ALLIED MEET

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British experts. Great Britain and the United States loaned vast sums to Allied Nations. Great Britain borrowed five billion dollars—half as much as she loaned on the Continent—from the United States. Great Britain is paying the United States. Nobody else among the world powers is paying the United States and nobody is paying Great Britain.

Both countries would like to get their money. Therefore, according to this argument, there are no reasons for bringing up the question now, unless France were to receive better terms from America than were obtained by Britain. It is not believed now that this danger will materialize.

FRANCE ASKS FOR TIME ON DEBT

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nations, a moratorium was indispensable to France," he said. "It appears as if the two governments are still far apart. Recently Secretary of the Treasury Mellon quietly sounded out the French government through Jusserand, but after a number of informal conferences, it was announced that no proposals had been made. That was a diplomatic way of saying that the two governments could not get together on any suggestions. They were so far apart that formal negotiations were regarded as useless at this time."

Oppose Proffered Plan. France, it is understood, sought a more favorable schedule of payments than was granted to Great Britain. But sentiment in Congress where any plan must finally be approved—appears to be against that.

Two members of the debt-funding commission who are also in Congress—Burton of Ohio, and Crisp of Georgia—announced on the floor that while they favored as much leniency as possible, they would object to giving one nation more favorable terms than another. The British plan has been in operation about 3 years.

In view of this situation, Jusserand's remarks may be taken as an

authorized statement of the French position following the recent conferences.

"What we need is a certain moratorium, a breathing time," he said. "That is why I have had some talks here with the Secretary of the Treasury. Various versions of those talks have been called conversations and some times negotiations. But the upshot of it all is that we mean to pay. We always have paid. We want to pay. We paid our enemies after 1871. The more determined are we to pay our friends."

Want Equitable Terms. "I am confident that our particular conditions will be taken into account. We are hoping for a different settlement, but rather for equitable terms. It is simply fair terms we seek. A moratorium is one of the things we need which the other nations do not need. We supplied more blood to the common cause than any one. We supplied the battlefields."

The upshot is while no formal step has been taken, actually, France is getting her moratorium. Great Britain has been paying on her loan for three years. Several smaller nations have begun payment. France's debt is still where it was on the day of the Armistice and from all indications there will be no settlement for some time. Last week Congress extended the life of the debt-funding commission to two years, in hopes that during that time, the French debt and other foreign obligations may be converted in amicable settlements.

BICHLORIDE OF MERCURY FOUND IN XMAS CANDY

By United News.

OLEAN, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Bichloride of mercury found in some old-fashioned home-made Christmas candy sent here by parcel post to George Easminger, six years old, has resulted in the serious illness of Miss Hattie Mosier, the boy's aunt, and the only member of a family of five who tasted the sweets.

Miss Mosier ate a piece of the candy on its arrival Saturday night, and then put the box away. The package was taken Monday to a doctor who found that small green pieces ran through the confection. It is believed a bichloride of mercury tablet was chopped up.

The name of the sender of the package has been given the district attorney, who is withholding it.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS IN GERMANY GOING WILD

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—For the first time since the world war Christmas prices in Germany have not been inflated. As a result, so great a business boom is being experienced that many stores are forced to close their doors in the middle of the afternoon in order to ward off customers.

Police at several instances, have been summoned to quiet the masses of shoppers clamoring outside for admission. Traffic in the main shopping district practically is impossible.

DURING THE NEXT TWO WEEKS.

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- CHILDREN'S COATS

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- MADIERA SETS AND
- TOWELS AND BATH MATS
- PRETTY BLANKETS
- FINE WOOL QUIETS
- PRETTY SILK HOSIERY
- FANCY CUFF GLOVES
- CHRISTMAS HANKERCHIEFS
- FINE FEATHER FANS
- ATTRACTIVE BED SPREADS

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THERE ARE

- NICE SILK HOSE
- FINE MANISH TIES
- SHAVING STANDS AND SETS
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By SANTA CLAUS International Open Champion Philanthropist... ZERO, Dec. 22, understand that in writing this article for the press I am risking my amateur standing with the United States Amateur Philanthropist Association...

Rooster are red, Violets blue, Taffy is sticky, And so is glue. But I am, and I mention the matter not in a boastful spirit, but only to prove that as a writer I do not trade upon my philanthropic distinction...

However, we'll be in shape all right and I expect to deliver a large run of orders Wednesday night. For the Grand Duchess Victoria Feodorovna, the one who says she is Casarina of the Russians, inclusive...

Jack Dempsey wants a new rubber stamp reading: "I'll fight whenever the public wants me to." His old one wore out, well I guess he made good use of it, so I'll give him a new one.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

A. T. Lassiter, of Idalou, was in Lubbock Monday on business. C. Peoples, of Idalou, who is attending college at Abilene, came in Sunday to spend the holidays with home folks.

T. E. Fowler, of Caldwell community, was in Lubbock Monday on business. Mr. Tomlinson will, in a few days move to his newly acquired farm near Ropesville.

F. A. Gregory, of Idalou, was in Lubbock Monday on business. S. W. Page, of Estacado, was here Monday attending to business matters.

Rev. Safford, Baptist minister of Plainview, was among the business visitors to our city Monday. Rev. H. H. Summers, pastor of the Baptist church at Idalou, was here Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. King, have moved to Meadow, where they expect to make their future home. Glenn Burgess came in Monday from Austin, where he had been attending State University, to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Burgess.

Edgar Eden, of Ropesville, was a business visitor here Monday. Prof. and Mrs. Roger Burgess, of Merkel, arrived first of the week to spend the holidays with relatives in and about Lubbock.

E. U. Willbanks, of Plainview, passed through Lubbock Monday on his way to O'Donnell, where he will visit with his parents during the holidays. Mr. Webb, Pullman conductor, of Wichita, Kas., spent a few hours here Monday looking after business interests.

J. H. Lay, of Lorenzo, was in Lubbock Monday, on his way to Hot Springs, New Mexico, where he will remain for some time in an endeavor to improve his health. Mr. Shackelford, whose home is in Panoia county, was in Lubbock Monday on his return from Ralls, where he had been on business. Mr. Shackelford will return to this section in the near future to make his home.

Elder Metcalf, of this city, returned Monday from Kress, where he had spent Sunday with the Church of Christ congregation of that place. Miss Logan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Logan, of West 14th street, who has been teaching school in Donley county, is here to spend the holidays with home folks.

Miss Evelyn McDonald, who is attending the A. C. C. at Abilene, returned home first of the week for the holidays. M. E. Stovall, of Frederick, Oklahoma, after spending several weeks in this section of the country, left Monday to return to his home. Dr. W. K. Johnson, of this city, left Monday for his former home in Memphis, Tennessee, where he will visit during the Christmas holidays.

D. A. Wilson, of Idalou, was in Lubbock Monday on business. Jim Boswell, just recently locating in Lubbock from South Texas, left Monday for Brownwood, where he will visit during the holidays. Upon his return to Lubbock he will be connected in a business way with the W. M. Campbell Sash and Door Co., of this city.

S. LEE BARNETT DIED EARLY SUNDAY MORNING

S. Lee Barnett, who for the past twelve years has been a resident of Lubbock, died at his home at 1713 17th street, here Sunday morning at 7:15 o'clock, following an attack of pneumonia. The deceased was born in Kentucky on May 6, 1862.

He moved to Lubbock from Oklahoma, and has been identified with the growth of this section since arriving here. He is survived by his aged father, B. G. Barnett, his wife and two children, Mary and Arthur, of Lubbock.

Funeral services were conducted at the Church of the Nazarene Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock by Mrs. Lillian Wilson, pastor. Mr. Edmondson, of Tilman county, Oklahoma, was in Lubbock Monday on business.

M. E. Rind, business man of Quanah, spent Monday in Lubbock on business. J. W. Crowell, of Ralls, passed through Lubbock Monday on his way to Big Spring, where he will visit with relatives for a few days.

J. A. Pyram, of Wise county, passed through Lubbock Monday on his return home from Seagraves, where he had been on a visit with relatives. Harper Hutson, of Idalou, was in Lubbock Sunday on his way home from Abilene, where he is attending McMurry college.

Fate Hardy of the Shallowater section, was here Monday on business. B. F. Hutson, of Idalou, was in Lubbock Monday on business. J. E. Hamilton, of the Hamilton Cleaning Works, was in Lubbock Monday on his way to Roswell, N. M., for a holiday visit with his family.

CADET MELVIN DOW AT HOME FROM WENTWORTH Melvin, son of Editor and Mrs. James L. Dow, of the Avalanche, returned to his home here Monday morning from Lexington, Mo., where he has been attending Wentworth Military Academy.

Cadet Dow will report at Wentworth to resume his studies in the college on the morning of January 6th. Despite the fact that he was in the college hospital for a period of eleven days at one time, and four days in all on two other occasions, Cadet Dow kept up with his studies and made good in all pre-holiday examinations. He stated that the high atmosphere of the plains is not to be compared with that of Missouri insofar as invigorating qualities are concerned, but his favorable impression of the academy in which he is a student is great enough to overcome any dislikes of the climatic conditions there.

Young Dow is a graduate of the Lubbock high school, and is studying to become a physician.

BILL STEVENS WILL ENTER BUSINESS IN LUBBOCK

W. O. (Bill) Stevens, Jr., arrived in Lubbock Monday morning from Dallas, where he has been attending S. M. U., having returned to Lubbock to spend the holidays with his parents. Upon arriving here and learning that the W. O. Stevens Company, a new dry goods establishment, will be ready for business on about January 15th, he has decided to remain in Lubbock and will have charge of the business.

Young Mr. Stevens has many friends among the business men of Lubbock, and he is assured of success in the management of the new dry goods establishment. W. O. Stevens, Sr. former president of the Citizens National Bank will be a co-partner in the business with his son.

Church Services Express Christmas Spirit Last Sunday The spirit of Christmas was given liberal expression at the First Methodist Church Sunday, forecasting a week of happiness for all.

Rev. E. E. White preached a forceful sermon at the morning service upholding Christmas as the most respected of all seasons and declaring that the church should be the center of attention at this season above all other seasons. The Sunday school service was well attended, and attendance was good considering the cold weather. In the evening all members of the choir participated in rendering a Christmas Cantata that was enjoyed by a large congregation.

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MRS. FERGUSON AND THE LEGISLATURE

How will the legislature receive Ma Ferguson and her proposed changes in administrative affairs of the state? That's one of the burning questions on the eve of the convening of the legislators. There are many varied answers to this question, almost as many answers as there are persons answering.

Among the old members of both branches of the legislature it is generally believed they will lend all their assistance in making the Ferguson administration one of economy, but at the same time it is generally conceded no drastic abolishment of offices will be fostered by the legislative bodies of the government in so far as it would retard the progressive measures.

Much has been said about the abolishment of the board of control and maintaining only one member instead of three. When everything is taken into consideration it is generally believed by many Ferguson supporters that shifting and consolidation will result instead of cutting appropriations which would mean the abolishment of departments and bureaus.

It is generally believed that the legislature will assist Mrs. Ferguson in general reorganization of some of the state departments and consolidating bureaus and departments and commissions where it is feasible and which will result in cutting the expense of running the state government.

While attending the Thanksgiving football game former Governor James E. Ferguson had a conference with members of the board of control and it has been learned that he expressed gratification over the results obtained by that body in cutting requested appropriations some \$11,000,000. This will leave only \$4,000,000 to be cut to bring the appropriations within the bounds of previous statements attributed to both the former governor and the governor-elect wherein they stated they would trim \$15,000,000 from the appropriation budget.

The friendliness of the former governor and the interest he has taken in the work of the board of control is taken as an omen of goodwill by some of the attaches of the board.

Another question being asked is how does the membership of the legislature stand in relation to favoring or opposing the Fergusons. To this question many and varied answers are given but all have the same tenor in the end and are about equally divided. While there is no definite way of knowing whether Ferguson has the majority of the support of both bodies it is generally conceded that the majority is against Ferguson but that majority is small. Taking it for granted that the majority is against, some of the known opponents of Ferguson have expressed themselves as being willing to forget any animosity in the interest of the state and good government and endeavor to harmonize views.

At the same time some declare they will abide by the will of the people and will not antagonize unless forced to do so.

With the legislature only a month away capitulates and visiting politicians are becoming anxious to see what will happen when Mrs. Ferguson delivers her address to the legislature.

ON MAKING RECORDS

The business of making records extends far beyond records for talking machines—it is a business that should engage the earnest attention of every young man and woman in the nation. The woods are full of men and women who have made records—some good, some bad—but the records we refer to are records that you and your parents and friends will be proud of. Make a record. It pays to make a record whether you are a mechanic, a clerk, a stenographer, a laborer, a manager, an executive, or a student. Make a record of some kind. You can make a record by sticking to your job, or by doing your work better than it has been done before. The young man or woman who makes a record either in school or on their job, no matter how slight it may be, is the one to be promoted. It pays to make a record. Do your work and go through life in such a way as to stand out from among the common crowd. Don't be mediocre. Remember the words of Andrew Carnegie: "Do not be content with doing only your duty. Do more than your duty. It is the horse that finishes a neck ahead that wins the race."

Let this be your New Years resolution.

Congressman Johnson, of Washington, recently returned from an European tour, declares that there are at least 1,000,000 people actually standing in line in Europe trying to get passports to the United States. All countries are trying to get rid of their undesirable, and England and France have passed restrictive laws boldly declaring that they will not have dumped on them those the United States does not care for.

TIME DOES NOT FLY, BUT WE DO

It might be said that a new year begins every day; the date selected is purely arbitrary. The ancient Egyptians and Phœnicians started their twelve month September 21 (the autumnal equinox); the early Greeks chose December 21 (the winter soliste), but in the fifth century B. C., switched off to the summer soliste June 21.

The ancient Romans began the year December 21. By enforcing the adoption of the Julian calendar Julius Caesar, made the date January 1. Thereafter the Romans celebrated the first day of January as a public holiday. While the Gregorian calendar, in 1582 made January 1 are proper date it was not adopted as such by England until 1741.

The business of keeping tab on the time has exercised human ingenuity ever since the days of ancient Babylon, when the priest-astronomers had charge of it. There is much about it that is puzzling. We say that time flies. In reality it is the one thing fixed, unchanging and eternal. It is the same time all the time. We do the flying. The earth flies around the sun and the sun flies, taking us with it, on its straightway journey through space. We are prone to believe that on the first day of this year we shall be in exactly the same place in the universe that we occupied last year at this time. That may be true in so far as our planet position in relation to the sun is concerned, but the fact that we are traveling with the sun on a straightway course 39,600 miles every hour, or 950,400 miles every day, and shall be distant 346,896,000 miles on January 1 from where we were on the first day of January a year ago.

If it were possible for a man from some other planet with the aid of an imaginary telescope of sufficient power, to "have a look" at the bipeds, quadrupeds, flying, creeping, crawling and swimming things that inhabit the crust of this insignificant speck in the Universe, called the Earth, he would, no doubt, notice the evident uniformity in systems of life, and the similarity in plan and purpose of creation—eat, sleep, enjoyment and oftentimes the law of the jungle. The New Year really means a span of life. Time has no existence. The only measurement is the decay of things. Things pass, not time.

YOUR DEBT TO THE WORLD.

This is an age of specialties, hence the necessity for specialists, those who have prepared themselves for special lines of work. The era of main strength and awkwardness has passed, so there is small chance for those who are merely able to work at things. They must be able to do them, and do them understandingly. There never was a time when there was a louder cry for men and women than just now. The type of those demanded is the practical type—men and women who can do things, and do them well, and some particular things especially well. Health is of first importance in the matter of efficiency, for without it one can never accomplish the maximum of work, and the maximum is what each and everyone owes to the world. Yes, owes to the world, and if it is not paid in this life it will be deducted from the next. Be sure of this, that no one shall ever escape his dues, or avoid the penalty for not paying them.

You are in debt to the world just to the extent to which you can better it, which is the extent of your talent for good. If you have a talent for making money you must apply that talent to the extent of your ability. No matter how small your talent, if well used you will be entitled to rank with those who succeed, and no matter how great your talent, if not well applied you must take your place with those who fail. It is not a question of quantity but of quality.

You may call it what you please but just the same you will have to give an account of your stewardship here, and if your account shows that you are short in the matter of reasonable results you will have to take your place among those who have failed.

And after all, who shall say that woman lacks the brains, talent, ability, individuality and in many instances the physical power of men? Is there any good reason why she should not be able to compete with man in every sphere? The disappearance of the good old-fashioned, docile, hard-working wife may be something to be deplored, but it may have the effect of pulling many of our young men out of a bog, and putting marriage on a more enduring basis than the records exhibit.

Little Avalanches

There is still a demand for business houses to rent in Lubbock.

Building by the block is the way Lubbock is growing. And still the demand cannot be supplied.

Lubbock will need five hundred rent houses between now and the time the Tech College opens in September. Will the needs be supplied?

"It beats anything I have seen in the way of town building," one fellow said who had not been here for a year, in speaking of his impression of Lubbock.

People are calling at our office in bunches wanting to rent farm land. It would be a good investment for several of our large land owners to fix up for putting in more farms in 1925.

"I'm going to the Tech next year" is a favorite expression heard in every town in Texas. There will be train loads of students come to Lubbock in 1925. Will Lubbock be ready for them?

One fellow said a few days ago that the Palace Theatre is ten years ahead of Lubbock. Ordinarily, we wager, he would be right. In Lubbock, however, this may be possibly cut in half. Lubbock is growing, some!

CHILD COMES INTO "HIS OWN KINGDOM" IN THE KINDERGARTEN

(By Julia Wade Abbott, Specialist in Kindergarten Education, Bureau of Education, Department of the Interior.)

It is a beautiful sight to see a perfectly normal child enter into the life of the kindergarten. From the first moment he seems to realize that he has come into his kingdom.

The true child attitude is that of "a little friend to all the world" and the majority of children are so happy in the kindergarten group from the first day that the problem is how to persuade them to go home when the morning is over.

They say to themselves "This is a fine place, why didn't someone tell me about it before? Everything is just the right size for us, and we aren't told not to touch things. And all the things we like to play with are here—blocks and balls and dolls and things to work with; paper and paste and scissors and clay hammers and nails everything."

But better than all this equipment, to some children is the group of playmates. There are children who are born leaders and organizers. This power is recognized immediately by the group as being quite different from the attempt of the egotistic or dominating kind of child and joyous plays are the result of such a child's leadership.

The social life of the kindergarten is the very best way for a child to begin his school experience. Most children have been just little individuals before coming to school, and yet we have expected them in the primary to adjust themselves almost immediately to a highly organized situation.

A teacher asked a little boy to read the next paragraph, and when he read a selection two pages in advance she rebuked him for not having kept the place. He replied gravely, with no intention of being impudent, "I can't keep my own place, but I can't keep the place of everybody in the class."

To control your own thinking always in relation to the thoughts

of the group is quite a step in education and when, in addition, you are dealing with symbols and not things, as you have always done before, the situation is more complicated.

The free oral conversation in the kindergarten, the story telling the shaying of common experiences is the very best preparation for the more organized work of the school.

The kindergarten, however, is not merely a preparation for the first grade. The best way to prepare for the different periods of growth is to live out fully and freely each stage of development in its turn.

We do not want to hurry children through the business of being children. That does not mean that we should encourage carelessness and childishness, but it means that we would foster the beautiful pupils, is going to stick it out quality of childlikeness with its capacity for joy, reverence and affection.

Dry Up National Capital, Is Slogan Temperance Club

By United News
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The annual crusade "to dry up the Nation's capital" has been started.

"Let us face the facts. Stop bootlegging and rum running, at least under the very eye of the White House, and Capitol, is the slogan printed and distributed in a circular by the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Citing cases in court where violators of the national prohibition laws have been allowed to go free after many delays in hearings and

execution of sentences, the board points out in bold letters that "the biggest share of the blame for the wet condition of Washington is not with the police and certainly not with the prohibition unit."

In one case, the board says that delays in bringing violators to justice is responsible for a condition, which has made possible a recent statement that there are more than 5,000 bootleggers in Washington.

"In this case," the board said, "the man was arraigned and sentenced. The case is continued 12 times and other delays are encountered."

Twelve months later, it is declared, the man is let off with a suspended sentence, although it is alleged in the meantime he continued to sell liquor.

"If there is a real desire to enforce the prohibition law in the Nation's Capitol," the board concludes after citing other cases, "the courts must do their share toward the enforcement."

Statement that baldness is caused by deficiencies of the thyroid gland suggests that as much responsibility is being put on the thyroid gland as on the guinea pig.

Salvation Army May Not Have A Christmas Tree

Captain Watson of the Salvation Army told an Avalanche reporter Monday afternoon that as yet no plans for a Christmas tree to be presided over by the army officers have been made, and that he is not sure that arrangements can be made for a tree this Christmas.

Christmas baskets containing dressed hen, turkey, potatoes, cranberries and other good eats will be delivered to twenty or more homes Christmas eve by the Salvation Army, which is a long practiced custom was instituted by that organization.

More liberal contributions to the Christmas tree funds would make it possible for the regular Christmas program to be carried out, Captain Watson said.

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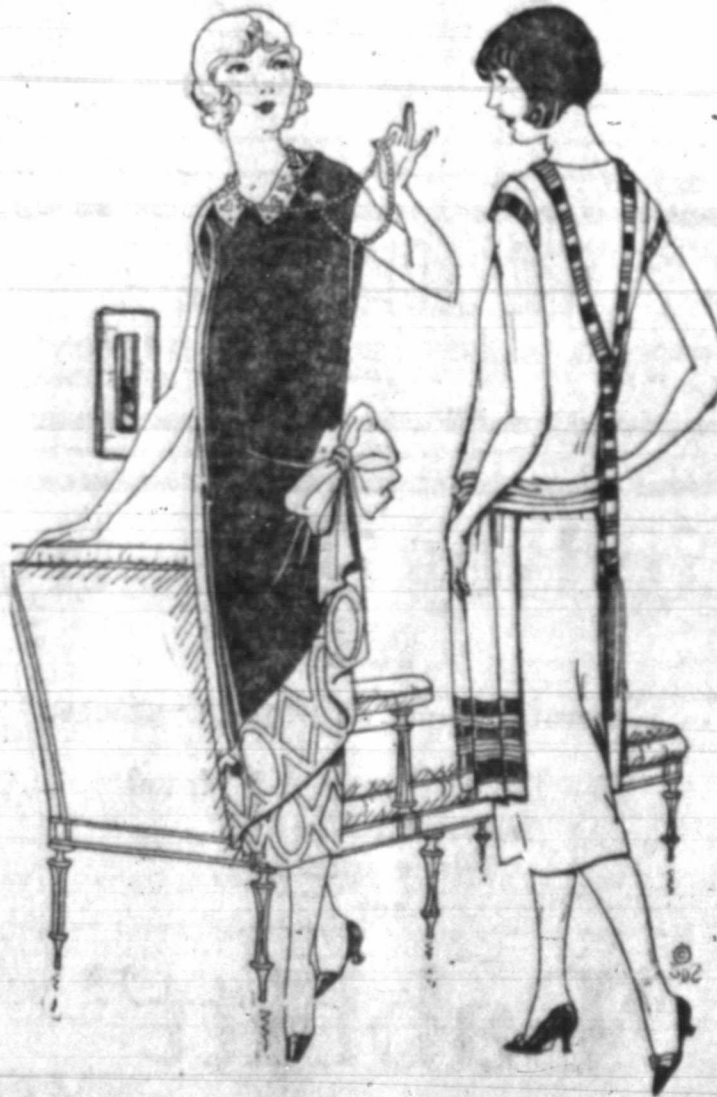
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SPORT NEWS

ROPER RETAINED AS PRINCETON COACH NEXT SEASON

By United News.
PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 22.—Bill Roper will coach the Princeton football team next season, just as he has been doing ever since the war. Dr. W. C. Kennedy, chairman of the Board of Athletic Control, made this announcement Monday, along with the assurance that Roper had reached the decision after the board had persuaded him to reconsider his previous intention to withdraw.

The announcement was well-received throughout the campus, as Roper has become immensely popular since he assumed the job of head football coach.

Roper's acceptance of the Princeton assignment for another term denies the hope of Washington University, St. Louis, which had an ambition to land a successful Big Three coach for its own team. Roper recently was reported to have received an offer of \$20,000 a year to coach the Washington University team and teach law, however, he said he was not much attracted by a job so far from Philadelphia, his home for many years, and the scene of his school business and political activities. Another offer is said to have come from a Philadelphia school, but Roper apparently did not pay this one much heed.

Roper's football activities at Princeton probably cost him something in direct returns for he is compelled to give much of his time to the team. The indirect returns, however, are inestimable, for Roper has become famous throughout the country as one of the mentors of young athletes, who would rather lose a football game, if necessary, than to resort to questionable tactics.

Brooklyn Prize "Rookie" Turned Back to Portland

By United News.
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Johnny Jones, a minor league ball player who cost the Brooklyn Robins \$50,000 when he performed a successful filibuster for part of the purchase price, has been abandoned at last as a regrettable business error and returned to the Portland team of the Pacific Coast League.

Jones was not only one of the most expensive players that the very economical administrators of the Brooklyn team ever bought, but also one of the most conspicuous failures. However, as a bluffer, he hit a 1000 in the major leagues, for he held up the training plans of the Dodgers for several weeks last spring, refusing to go near their camp at Clearwater, Florida, until he was given the money he demanded.

Wilbert Robinson, manager of the Dodgers, impressed by Jones' confidence, in himself, became more and more eager to please him and Jones finally got the money.

Two weeks after the playing season began, Jones was benched and a month later he was in Indianapolis. He failed to develop, however, and he was turned back to Portland. The Robins probably will get back a fragment of the purchase money.

Another ball player whose business ability is unquestioned, but whose playing worth is still problematical, is Frank Walker, an outfielder, who sold himself to the New York Giants for \$10,000, and who only needs to miff a few flies and strike out in a few pinches to take a profit of 100 percent.

Walker owns the Rocky Mount Club of the Virginia League and when the Giants wanted to buy him they bought Walker from himself. If Walker wants to go back to Rocky Mount with a clear profit of \$10,000 in his pocket, there is nothing to prevent him from playing so badly that the Giants will be glad to give him his unconditional release.

FIRPO PASSE ENLARGED BY FOR FRENCH TOUR

By United News.
PLYMOUTH, England, Dec. 22.—Luna Anger Firpo took one chilly, discouraging glimpse of England Monday, when the steamship France touched here on the way from New York to Harve, France, but did not get off the boat.

He said he was going to tour France in his big automobile, which was in the hold of the vessel, and added that he had to be back in New York in April to fight Tommy Gibbons. He intends to honor England with a visit after his tour of France.

O'BRIEN TAKES DECISION OVER JOHNNY LOMBARDO

By United News.
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Tommy O'Brien won a well deserved decision Monday night over Johnny Lombardo, better known as Ray Mitchell, of Philadelphia. O'Brien carried the fight to Lombardo throughout the ten rounds. In the fifth round Lombardo went down on one knee. He managed to stay up for the next few rounds, but was staggered in the ninth with a right hook to the jaw. In the tenth he was knocked half-way through the ropes but held out until the final gong. Both fighters weighed in at 147 pounds.

Texas Girl Enters Sports; Succeeds In Spite of Crutch

DENTON, Texas, Dec. 22.—"The trouble with most people who have a handicap of some kind is that they are too easily discouraged," says pretty, 19-year-old Hazel Beckham, student at the College of Industrial Arts here and she plays tennis and swims, and, had the athletic board not ruled against it, would play basketball, despite the loss of her right leg, which was amputated when she was six years old.

Nor is her ambition to play on the basketball sextet unfrustrated, for when she attended high school at Swan, Texas, Miss Beckham played a consistent game as jumping center, and rite indeed was the position, for Miss Beckham declared her crutch aided rather than hindered her in jumping for the ball at the toss-up. After the ball was in play she showed unusual skill at either throwing or receiving passes with one hand.

"They said I couldn't do it," she explained, "so I did it."

Some one inferred that Miss Beckham would never be able to swim, whereupon she set about learning. She is now a member of the sophomore swimming class and stands well to the fore at the art.

For good measure, she developed a credible skill at tennis.

Miss Beckham carries a regular course of six subjects and her average is well above the 90 per cent mark.

REFEREES FOR STANFORD IRISH GAME NAMED

By United News.
PALO ALTO, Cal., Dec. 22.—Officials for the Stanford University-Notre Dame football game at Pasadena on New Year's Day were announced here Monday as follows:

Referee, Ed. Thorp, Columbia University; Umpire, E. C. Quigley, Kansas University; Head Linesman, Walter Eckersall, Chicago University; Field Judge, R. Morris, Washington University.

"HIS HOUR" SETS WEDDING MODE

Aileen Pringle is to be seen in a new style wedding dress in the Metro-Goldwyn picture "His Hour," which comes to the Palace Theatre on Wednesday. She wears a gorgeous creation as the bride of Prince Grizko, played by John Gilbert.

Sophie Wachner, designer in charge of the wardrobe, at the studio created something uniquely different.

The dress is made with full court train, and instead of the customary dead white, is of a soft cloth of gold, short waisted and with a low square neck line. The gown is made very simply, but the richness of the material and the elaborateness of the jeweled head-gear, make up for the usual ornamentation on a bridal gown.

Her bouquet is of orchids. In that, too, she differs from the conventional bride, for the flowers are of lavender hue.

So effective, so becoming and so different is this wedding gown of Tamara Loraine (the character Pringle is playing) that undoubtedly quite a number will be started among brides to be and it will not be surprising to see a vogue in cloth of gold wedding gowns.

King Vidor directed "His Hour" which is a picturization of one of Elinor Glyn's world-famed love stories. It is a Metro-Goldwyn picture, presented by Louis B. Mayer.

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"My judgment is that we must have the hotel and that our folks will put the present campaign over in grand style."

R. H. Martin.

CURIOSITY SAVES LIVES OF ENTIRE FAMILY

By United News.
BAKER, Oregon, Dec. 22.—Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jacobs and their three children ran out the front door when they heard the fire department truck run by.

Their curiosity saved their lives. Water pipes in the range in the kitchen, where they had been eating breakfast a moment before burst with a terrific explosion scattering pieces of the stove, all over the room and demolishing furniture.

8:30 a. m.—Mrs. Mary Bandy appears at Police headquarters and completes the identification of John Glynn, the ash cart driver with \$1200. "He had a habit of carrying money around with him," Mrs. Bandy explained.

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FAST AND FURIOUS CARD IN CHICAGO FOR MONDAY

By HAROLD ANDREWS
CHICAGO, Ill., December 22.—Boring their way through a battery of burglar alarms a delegation of Christmas shoppers from the Underworld, removed furs valued at \$100,000 from Nate Titelbaum's store.

3:45 a. m.—Sam Rarowitz, one of the chief cattle stabbers in the packing town killing pens, comes home drunk, stabs his wife with a can opener, and then shoots himself, leaving a note to an "Uncle Peter," saying it was all for the best.

4:00 a. m.—Patrolman O'Topon of the 59th Precinct, reports to headquarters that he has discovered a man nearly frozen in an alley on his beat. The man is identified as John Glynn, ash cart driver, and \$1200 is found in his pockets.

4:30 a. m.—The Eric Cabaret is bombed. The detectives report the owner as saying that it was probably done by an enemy.

5:00 a. m.—Alfred Zoplin, 17, is killed by a taxicab.

6:10 a. m.—C. W. Powers tells the police to discontinue further search for his son Harry, who had been missing for several days. According to Mr. Powers a desire to skate had caused his son to draw \$15 from his savings account and go to Gary, Ind.

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a racoon coat whose etie and sox matched. The taxi driver was accused of careless driving by the racoon coat and the tie and the sox.

11:50 a. m.—The coroner decided that no inquest would be held over the death of Mrs. Theresa Riley, 60 years old, who was burned to death when her cigarette set fire to her flat. "The woman was burned to death," the coroner said, "from a fire caused by a cigarette, which she was smoking."

1:15 p. m.—Edward Bernal, manager of a Newark shoe store, and two clerks are bound by four robbers who obtained \$125 from the cash register.

3 p. m.—The mother of 16-year-old Nancy Millan, who went cabaretting Sunday and has not yet returned, telephones to the mother of her daughter's sweetie, Mrs. L. C. Myers.

"Don't worry," says Mrs. Myers, she'll be back in a few days. My son often takes a girl out and stays with her a week."

5 p. m.—Chief Collins issues a bulletin saying he's "thoroughly aroused over the number of robberies in broad daylight, and asks that a round-up of all suspicious characters be made.

6:35 p. m.—Jan Physchewitsch shoots himself and Mrs. Physchewitsch, leaving a note saying it is all for the best.

A London magistrate has stated that the secret of long life is hard work. Some men are too conscientious to take advantage of another man's secret.—Punch.

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SUGGESTION OF BETTER TERMS TO FRANCE THAN ENGLAND ON PAYMENT WAR DEBTS PROVOKES BAD FEELING

BY SIR CHARLES ROSSBART
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LONDON, Dec. 22.—We British are a phlegmatic people, and an over-sensitiveness to the behavior of our friends is certainly not one of our characteristic failings. But there comes a point at which even the most phlegmatic rebel, and the suggestion that the French may obtain a more favorable settlement of their debt to America than we did, has proved a feeling of universal indignation, not loud perhaps, but very deep indeed.

It will be very unfortunate, however, if, in the midst of this resentment, the true significance of the negotiations at Washington is allowed to pass unheeded.

It is extremely unlikely that the French will get what they are asking for—the American is not quite so soft hearted in business negotiations as he is on one of those specially conducted tours of the devastated regions that the French manage so well.

But even if they did secure more favorable terms than ourselves, it would be of minor importance. Our terms are settled, and though we do not pretend that we do not find them hard, it would ill become us to grumble. At least we lost no dignity in obtaining them. The true significance of this development is the indication it affords of the attitude to us of our ally.

For four years the French have declared that any re-payment of their debts was impossible. Any reference to it on our part was regarded as a breach of good manners—a crude, display of bad taste, only pardonable because we are shopkeepers.

The blunt fact is, that it suits French convenience to settle their American indebtedness, and accordingly, though the French budgetary situation is just as unsatisfactory as it ever was, an attempt is being made to settle it.

It does not suit French convenience to settle their indebtedness to us and accordingly no attempt is being made to settle it. We count

just as much and just as little to French policy as any other power that can serve her interest.

I hope that Mr. Chamberlain will lose no time in making it quite clear to Mr. Herriot that the English taxpayers need the interest on their money just as much as the Americans, and they have just as little intention of foregoing it.

British credit may not be quite so urgent a necessity to France as American credit, but is still sufficiently urgent for us to be able to make our voice heard if we want to. There is no sufficient reason why we should not use this power.

For the moment, however, the next move is without America. It is on the American sense of fairness.

Immediate developments depend. I indicated above that I think it unlikely that France will be accorded preferential treatment. I think it equally unlikely that she will be able to arrange an independent settlement. I do not believe that responsible opinion in America would tolerate it. I refuse to believe that the average American wishes to be relieved of taxation by this means. There is something in the suggestion which is contrary to all business fairness.

If France cannot pay us both, then she is bankrupt, and must be treated accordingly. But in winding up a bankrupt's estate, you do not pay the wealthier creditors first—you make a proportionate division. And it is on these business lines that I hope and believe that the question will be settled.

But all this demands consultation and discussion. You cannot reach delicate financial agreements at a moment's notice. Moreover the question is wider than this. Sooner or later not only France, but Italy, will have to fund her indebtedness. And, once the payment of interest begins, there will have to be an international clearing machinery. It is here that America could be of real assistance.

The practice of conferences for particular purposes is well established

ed in the tradition of American diplomacy. With the putting into force of the London agreement, the whole question of the Inter-Allied debt is ripe for consideration.

The Dawes report and the Washington conference are two unique contributions which the United States had already made to the world's settlement. Will she not please us still further in her debt by summoning an international financial meeting, on which the world can start toward settlement and reconstruction could soberly and frankly be debated? It is President Coolidge's great opportunity.

Will he justify our great expectations?

NEW STORE OPENS FOR BUSINESS WEDNESDAY

Nobby's table supplies store will be opened on December 24th, Manager Norhon Harris, owner of the new enterprise stated Monday.

Mr. Harris has been interested in stores at Amarillo, all of which he has sold, however, and will concentrate his entire time and attention to the development of the store here and in other South Plains towns.

Nobby's is indeed one of the neatest equipped retail establishments in the city and when the doors are thrown open to the public, hearty patronage will doubtless be given.

KANSAS A STATE OF LONG LIFE, STATISTICS SHOW

By United News.
TOPEKA, Kas., Dec. 22.—Kansas is a state of prolonged health, if statistics mean anything.

Announcement was made, Monday night by Bert E. Brown, State Registrar of Vital Statistics that his records showed during the last four months two white women, one negro woman and a man had died in the state after all had passed their one hundredth birthday.

Mrs. Mollie Graham of Garden City was 110 years old when she died; Mrs. Mary Crump of Atchison, colored, 108; Mrs. Barbara Stangle of Labett county, was 101 years old and Harry H. White of Leavenworth, 116 years old.

WILL START PAVING COURTHOUSE DRIVEWAYS

Contractor J. B. Pryor stated Monday that he will start work on paving the driveways across the courthouse square here this morning and will make every effort to rush the job to completion in order that the driveways will not be blocked any longer than is absolutely necessary.

The present curbs will be torn out and the driveways will be widened making it possible for cars to be parked on each side of the driveway and leave sufficient space between them for cars to pass.

This is one of the most needed improvements started here in some time, and will be enjoyed by a larger percent of the population of the county as everyone having business to transact at the courthouse will notice the improvement soon after the work has been completed.

Concrete paving is being used as the commissioners are of the opinion that material contrasting with that used in paving the city streets will make a neat appearance.

J. M. McDONALD MOVES FAMILY TO COLEMAN

J. M. McDonald, who for the past year has been associated with the Lubbock insurance agency, will leave this morning in company with his family for Coleman, where they will make their future home.

Mr. McDonald and family have many friends in Lubbock who regret that they have decided to make their home elsewhere.

OKLAHOMA CHIROPRACTOR ESTABLISHES OFFICE IN LUBBOCK

Dr. W. C. Bernard, chiropractor, formerly of Ardmore, Oklahoma, has formed partnership with Dr. K. Castleman, of Lubbock, and located his family in Lubbock.

Dr. Bernard is one of the leading members of his profession, and as Dr. Castleman already has a large following here the new firm is sure of a large patronage from throughout the South Plains.

FORMER LUBBOCK MAN IS HERE FOR A VISIT WITH FRIENDS

S. L. Lyle, former Lubbock man, who has been away from this country for the past five years, has returned to Lubbock for a week's visit with old friends.

Leaving Lubbock five years ago after several years residence here, Mr. Lyle went to Wisconsin, from where he went to Colorado, then to Kansas and back to New Mexico. He told the Avalanche that during his absence from Lubbock he has found no section of country that so completely meets all his requirements as the South Plains, and he will doubtless make his home here again after a time.

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We wish to take this method of expressing our heartiest appreciation for the kindnesses and many expressions of sympathy shown us upon the death of H. J. Graham.

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PROSECUTOR RAPS M'COY AS MORS MURDERER

By United News. LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 22.—Again the story of Theresa Mors' death has been told, but this time it was in direct accusation of Kid McCoy as her murderer.

Deputy District Attorney Charles Fricke closed his opening argument before the jury Monday afternoon with a graphic description of the "state's version" of Mrs. Mors' last moments.

"This woman was 32 years old, but she was just as foolish as a girl of 16," Fricke said. "She liked the glamour of this man. I imagine she was eating when McCoy entered her apartment on the night of August 12. He started immediately to abuse her, with shouts of 'why do you keep treating me like a damned chauffeur?'"

"They argued back and forth until finally this man did what a brute always does in such cases, he struck her! That black and blue mark on her chin showed that he had landed on her jaw with either a 'shift' or an upper-cut."

"That started a wild scramble about the room and they struggled out into the kitchen. Once Mrs. Mors grabbed the gun, but McCoy wrested it away from her. Then finally, she broke from him and ran away screaming. This unmitigated brute, then shot her down."

"One thing which damns the defendant more than any other is that terrific scream, that unearthly scream."

Fricke previously had ridiculed McCoy's suicide story.

"A man cannot construct a story and make it ring true throughout," he told the jurors. "Either McCoy is yellow or he never intended to kill himself."

"He claims he was 'hazy' after the shooting, but he still recalls minor details which show that if he would, he could remember all that happened that night."

"He can't play ball with this jury that way. It was Mrs. Mors' money he loved, not the woman herself."

Defense attorney Geisler took up his argument for the defendant and as he started to address the jurors he was interrupted by Albert B. Mors, husband of the dead woman.

Geisler was telling of the violent quarrels between Mr. and Mrs. Mors and accused the state of being afraid to call Mors as a witness.

The corpulent antique dealer leaned forward in his chair. "Why didn't you call me?" he broke in.

Geisler turned and said: "It's not my duty to call a hostile witness."

Mors refused to be quiet and again interrupted the attorney.

"You can call me now, I am ready," he said.

A bailiff walked briskly to where Mors was sitting.

"Quiet, here, quiet," he said and Mors subsided.

Geisler's argument, which continued until adjournment, was based on McCoy's suicide testimony. He advanced the martial troubles of Mrs. Mors as a cause for the alleged self-destruction.

DECISION IN HIGHT CASE IS EXPECTED BY THURSDAY

MOUNT VERNON, Ill., Dec. 22.—Lawrence M. Hight, unfrocked Methodist minister of Ina, Illinois, who is on trial here charged with poisoning his wife, and Mrs. Elsie Sweetin charged with similarly murdering her husband, may know their fate by Christmas Day.

This became probable Monday when the defense rested its case, and the court decided to hold night sessions.

The defense rested following the testimony of Dr. C. H. Anderson, of the State Hospital for the Insane.

"Hight has the mentality of a ten year old boy," testified the Superintendent. "He is, however, able to distinguish right from wrong as far as his own acts are concerned, and I do not believe that he is legally insane. Hight is of the high moron type."

Dr. Anderson was the first medical authority to appear for the defense, which hopes to save the former clergyman from the gallows by proving that he is suffering from mental disorders.

Dr. Oscar Sagebush, another defense alienist, testified that he had been treating Hight for several years for mental troubles. He gave his opinion, however, that Hight was able to control his own acts.

Dr. J. W. Hamilton took the stand to testify that Hight was "mentally incompetent."

Mrs. Sweetin was on the stand several days ago, and denied that she had poisoned her husband in order that she would be free to marry Hight.

Merriman Bank Held Up. MERRIMAN, Kas., Dec. 22.—After holding up the Merriman State Bank and locking the cashier and bookkeeper in the vault, two youthful bandits escaped with \$2,500 Monday.

W. A. Saunders, cashier, had just returned to the institution with the \$2,500 in currency which he obtained at the Liberty National Bank. The money was on the counter in the cashier's cage when the two bandits entered.

Clarence Pifumm, the bookkeeper and Saunders made their escape from

the vault by shouting the combination to a customer who had entered. The bandits fled toward Kansas City.

POPE PIUS SLIGHTLY ILL WITH INFLUENZA

By United News. ROME, (Tuesday) Dec. 23.—Pope Pius has become slightly ill from influenza, it was announced early Tuesday morning.

His Holiness contracted a cold on Monday, at the opening of the missionaries exhibition at the Vatican. His illness is officially described as a "slight attack of influenza."

The Pontiff must remain in bed for the present, although his physicians give the assurance that the indisposition is not dangerous.

COOLIDGE CUTS DOWN HIS ENGAGEMENT LIST

By United News. WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—President Coolidge is taking a partial Christmas vacation by cutting down his engagement list and spending his spare time with his son, John, who is down from Amherst for the holidays.

Only two engagements were on the pad Monday but several other visitors jimmied their way into the inner office on plaintive pleas regarding patronage. Attorney General Stone came to bring the Christmas pardon

NEW DIRIGIBLE TO BROADCAST XMAS PROGRAM

By United News. LAKEHURST, N. J., Dec. 22.—The dirigible Los Angeles and a picked band will broadcast a Christmas Carol from the skies on Christmas Eve, when the huge silver ship will hover above New York City long enough for the rendition of "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing."

The ship will be as brightly illuminated as possible, and pistol salvos will serve to draw the attention of the merry-makers in the city below. Broadcasting facilities have been installed in the dirigible so that the Carol will be plainly audible.

Commander J. H. Klein, Jr., will picket broadcast a message from the Secretary of the Navy Wilbur.

COLLEGE PAPER EDITOR IS HERE FOR A VISIT WITH PARENTS

Miss Blanche Bean, daughter of Attorney and Mrs. Geo. R. Bean, of Lubbock, returned to her home here

Monday for the Christmas holidays. Miss Bean is a student in the College of Industrial Arts at Denton, and is editor-in-chief of the Lass-O, the college paper.

Miss Bean and other members of the Lass-O staff are working hard to make that the outstanding college paper of the southwest and their efforts will doubtless be crowned with success when a decision has been made on the general appearance and value of the publication.

Mayor Hylan won't dig subways, but he certainly can make the dirt fly.—New York Herald-Tribune.

ACTION OF OFFICIALS DRAWS JAP THANKS

By United News. WASHINGTON, D. C. Dec. 22.—Laying aside the usual formalities, the Japanese Charge d'Affaires here, Isaburo Yoshida, went to the White House Monday to express appreciation for recent statements of President Coolidge and Secretary of State Hughes commending appointment of the new Japanese ambassador to this country, Tsuneo Matsudaira.

His visit was not arranged through the State Department, as is cus-

tomary, and it was compared to the recent unprecedented action of Mr. Hughes and the President in making known officially their pleasure at the appointment of the ambassador. The Charge did not see the President, but left his card and expressed his appreciation to Coolidge through White House officials.

Mere cash seems to mean nothing to the lords of Cashmere.—New York Herald Tribune.

Another place where Government should protect American citizens is in America.—Medford Mail-Tribune.



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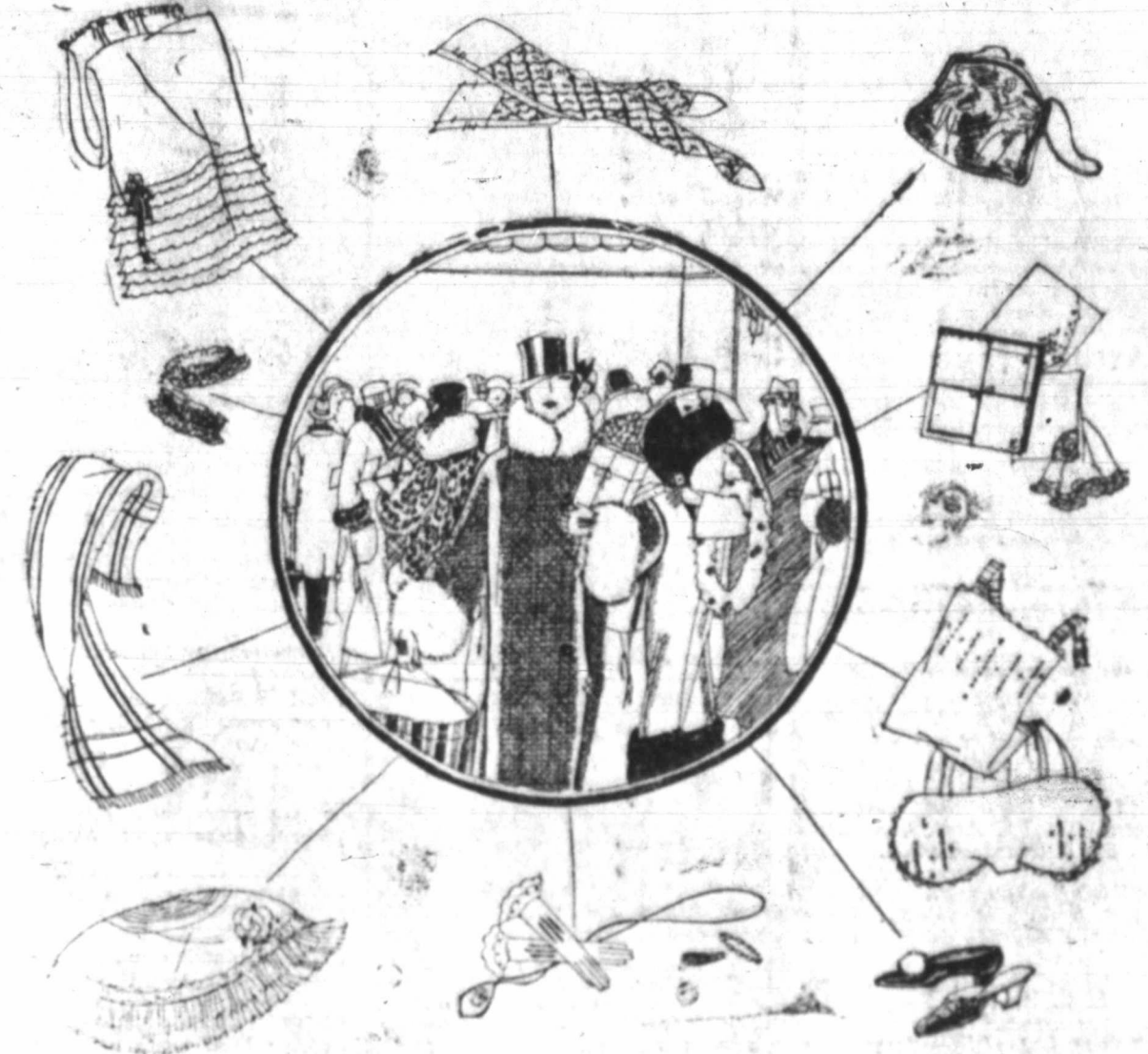
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