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Through the Editor's Spectacles
By GEORGE

There is something a great deal more important behind the blunt American refusal of an apology for remarks of Sec'y Ickes which Nazi Germany regarded as insulting. There is inherent in Acting Sec'y of State Welles' plain-spoken answer to Hitler's demands a reaffirmation of the guardian genius of democracy. In the not so recent past we had been a little apprehensive of American regard for this principle, and we are glad now to find it playing so important a role in the international issue affecting dictatorships and democracy.

What is happening in Germany and Italy today has its usefulness to us. It serves as the example of what we do not wish to become, and the means by which the Nazis and the fascists have achieved and maintained their authority are distinct warnings against our own domestic surrender of those fundamental "little" things which make our own free government possible.

Under the ordinary circumstances of our living we may not cherish our right to climb upon a soap box and declaim our political sympathies and criticisms. And empty bellies rob the will. Esau, according to Holy Writ, sold his birthright for a bowl of soup and became an outcast. It takes courage to protect our valuables in the face of poverty and temptation. German and Italian people are paying a terrible, terrible price for the surrender of their liberties. They did not deliver these rights, lump sum, to their dictators. They simply sold them off piecemeal without even the assurance of economic security in exchange.

The American reply to the Nazi demand is not to be taken alone for its significance. We must view it with Lima, with Landon's speech at Lima, with the respectful and conciliatory attitude of Sec'y Hull and his American delegation to Lima. These developments indicate that America is both preaching and practicing its belief in democracy. That faith embraces both a belief in a democracy of people and a democracy of nations. At Lima America has brought to the council table a respect for the equality of sovereignty among nations, and the assurance that the American ideal and creed transcend political cleavages at home—assurance that America can be depended upon.

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These Made 100 Kids Happy



Toys Distributed at Community Tree (Photo by Osborn)

Lobo Band Will Play in Bowl Game at Dallas

The Cisco Lobo band has accepted an invitation to play at the Cotton Bowl game between the Red Raiders of Texas Tech and the Galloping Gaels of St. Mary's at Dallas Monday, January 2, Dir. R. L. Maddox announced today. Further details of plans for the trip will be announced later, Maddox said.

The band presented its annual Christmas concert to a large and appreciative audience at the high school auditorium last night. A varied program was given, instrumental and vocal special numbers, concert numbers and readings.

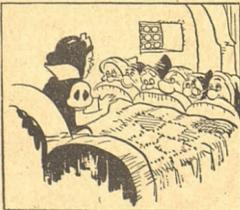
Christmas Eve Program Saturday

A Christmas eve program will be given by the pupils of Grace Lutheran school and Sunday school Saturday. As in former years, in addition to brief recitations by the pupils, familiar Christmas hymns will be featured by the entire group and also by different classes. The program will be held at the church beginning at 7 p. m.

A special Christmas service will be held on Sunday at 11 a. m. The topic of the sermon will be "Why Does a Christian Rejoice in the Birth of Jesus?" The public is cordially invited to these services.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lee Binyon, Jr., and son, Mickey, of Waco, were expected to arrive today to spend the holidays with Mrs. Binyon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Henderson.

1 Shopping Day Till Christmas



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No Issue of Press Monday

There will be no issue of the Cisco Daily Press Monday, December 26, that day to be taken as a holiday instead of Christmas day, Sunday, December 25. The Sunday morning issue of the Press will appear as usual, carrying in addition to regular advertising, the greetings of Cisco merchants and other business and professional men to their friends and patrons.

3RD ATTEMPT IS SUCCESS

Suicide-Bent Youth Hangs Self

HOUSTON, Dec. 23 (AP)—Thwarted twice yesterday when he sought to leap from downtown buildings, George Washington Gibson, 17, of Santa Monica, Calif., hanged himself with a borrowed belt in jail today. A justice of the peace returned a verdict of suicide.

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

Old Santa to Make Final Appearance

Coinciding with the end of the pre-Christmas season, Old Santa Claus will make his final appearance in Cisco tomorrow afternoon, in a program sponsored by the Cisco junior chamber of commerce.

BAND MEETS AT 1 P. M. Members of the Lobo band have been instructed to meet at the high school at 1 p. m. Saturday to dress for the Santa Claus parade at 2 o'clock.

James Harvey is chairman of the committee which has made arrangements for the parade in which the Christmas saint will appear to greet the children of the Cisco trade territory.

Decorated cars and floats and saddle horses will escort Old Santa through the business district shortly after noon. The Lobo band will lead the parade and the pep squad was expected to take part.

WOMEN GET MORE SAY LONDON, Dec. 23 (AP)—The ministry of Health has ordered that more women must serve on housing committees in England when the planning of houses is being considered.

Old Santa Visits Underprivileged Children Thursday

Above are shown some of the toys which were distributed at the Cisco Welfare Ass'n Community Christmas tree Thursday at 3:30 p. m. at the city hall sponsored by the Cisco Garden club.

More than 100 underprivileged youngsters received toys, fruit, nuts and candy from the tree which the Garden club erected and trimmed.

Mrs. W. C. Deaigh presided at the program preceding the distribution of gifts by Old Santa. The children sang Christmas carols led by Mrs. J. E. Crawford with Mrs. S. E. Hittson at the piano. The story of the Christ Child was told by the Rev. M. H. Applewhite.

The toys, contributed by Cisco individuals and stores, were collected at the Neil Lane Funeral home where Mr. and Mrs. Neil Lane and R. B. Lane repaired those in need of repair. The picture above was taken at the funeral home. Leach Stores, J. C. Penney company and others gave liberally. The Lions club supplied fruits and candy.

Distribution of the gifts was arranged by Mrs. P. Pettit, executive secretary of the Cisco Charity and Welfare association, which collected much of the toys. The intermediate department of the Methodist Sunday school also sponsored collection of toys.

Consumption of Power Declines

AUSTIN, Dec. 23 (Sp.).—Electric power production in Texas during November declined less than the usual seasonal amount from October to November, and recorded a moderate gain over November, 1937, the University of Texas bureau of business research has announced.

Reports to the bureau from 16 representative power companies indicate a decline of 5.4 per cent in production from October against a normal seasonal decline of nearly 7 per cent, and an increase over November last year of 3.9 per cent.

Commercial consumption was down 8.7 per cent from October but 8.9 per cent above November last year; industrial consumption declined 5.2 per cent from October but gained slightly—0.6 per cent—over November last year; while residential was 2.1 per cent under October but 11.3 per cent above November a year ago.

Weather

East Texas—Partly cloudy except rains in the east, and cooler in the east and south portions tonight; Saturday, fair.

West Texas—Fair and cooler in the southeast portion tonight and Saturday.

SPECIAL RAIL GROUP URGES NEW PROGRAM

Would Bring all Modes of Transportation Under Board

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23 (AP)—President Roosevelt's special committee on railroads recommended today the creation of a transportation board, to be charged with the responsibility of regulating all modes of transportation.

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

The committee urged revision of the rate-making rules of the Interstate Commerce commission, and the substitution of a new rule "applicable to all modes of transportation."

Five Deaths, 17 Births Reported Here in November

Vital statistics in Cisco for the month of November list four deaths and 17 births, as revealed in the reports to Dr. W. P. Lee, city health officer. Six of the births were children born to parents living outside the city limits, and two of the deaths reported occurred in December. Those reported are:

Births in Cisco
Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Moon, Nov. 1, a girl, Linda Sue Moon.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Reynolds, Nov. 8, a boy, Donald James Reynolds.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Haley, Nov. 9, a girl.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Seldon Tomlinson, Nov. 10, a girl, Tonie Lavan Tomlinson.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Peters, Nov. 11, a girl, Gayla Jerinne Peters.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Codrington, Nov. 21, a girl, Martha Joe Codrington.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Mitchell, Dec. 7, a boy, Joe Dell Mitchell.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Bonney, Dec. 12, a boy, Robert Lewis Bonney.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Tennison, Dec. 7, a boy, W. C. Tennison.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. O. Eddings, Nov. 26, a boy, Howard Lee Eddings.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Morales, Dec. 10, a girl, Eliza Morales.

Births in Precinct 6
Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Meroney, Nov. 19, a boy, Billy Dale Meroney.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hathbrook, Nov. 24, a girl, Jackie Ann Hathbrook.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. Jessup, Nov. 28, a boy, Charles Lee Jessups.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Starr, Nov. 29, a boy, Allan Travis Starr.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Compton, Dec. 2, a boy, Weldon Compton.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Ramirez, Dec. 6, a boy, Ambrozio Ramirez.

Deaths in Cisco
A. G. Hall, died Nov. 1.
Alice Harris, died Nov. 26.
Linde Frances Steward, died Dec. 5.

Joe Wilson, died Dec. 6.
Mary Frances Chambers, died Dec. 16.

What Did He Do His First Day?



Meet St. Louis Estes VII, who took a sunbath at the age of 2 days. His mother, shown with him, was up and around two hours after the birth. The father of the children is 72.

PAPERS WAIT ORDERS AFTER BLUNT REBUFF

U. S. Refuses to Apologize for Remarks of Sec'y Ickes

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Nearly Half Inch of Rain Recorded Here

Further showers, which brought to a total of 4-10th of an inch the precipitation here, last night increased the prospect of a more cheerful Christmas season as farmers, ranchers and business men generally welcomed the end of the autumn drought which they feared would extend into spring.

Winter grain, farmers said, would be protected while pasture lands would be greatly benefited.

Insurgents Claim Gains in First of New Drive

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

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

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Henderson and daughter, Mary Ann, of Lubbock, are spending a few days with relatives here.

Hopkins Succeeds Secretary Roper

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 (AP)—President Roosevelt today named Harry L. Hopkins to succeed Daniel Roper as secretary of commerce. Stephen Early, presidential secretary, who announced the appointment, said Hopkins will be sworn in tomorrow. At the same time the president designated Colonel F. C. Harrington to succeed Hopkins as works progress administrator.

Aubrey Williams, deputy WPA administrator, will become national youth administrator. Williams is now executive director of the NYA, a part of the works progress administration.

Hungary Takes Steps Against Jews in Business

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Dec. 23 (AP)—Hungary confronted Europe with a fresh Jewish problem today when the government placed before parliament sweeping measures to restrict Jews' participation in the economic and political life of the nation.

Hungary is obliged to protect herself "against the possible inflation of Jews" from neighboring countries in which anti-Jewish measures are being taken, Premier Imredi explained.

In the lower house some members shouted "this is only the beginning."

Mexico to Pay on Lands Next Year

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23 (AP)—Mexico will appropriate about two million dollars next year to indemnify the owners of expropriated lands, according to the agreement with the United States, the chamber budget committee announced today. Indemnification payments, however, will be shared also by Mexicans, the committee said.

INJURIES FATAL

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

Succeeds Roper



Harry Hopkins, administrator of WPA and relief, has been named by President Roosevelt to succeed Daniel Roper, resigned, as secretary of commerce.

∴ Jaycees Invite You to Greet Old Santa in Cisco Next Saturday Afternoon ∴

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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.—Matt. ii. 10.

What star is this?
It shines to announce a new-born King,
Glad tidings of our God to bring.

Rejoice!
He has come!
The Christ of God,
From God's own Heaven,
Bringing with Him
From above, holy peace
And holy love.

Only seek and you will find Him,
Follow Him and He will lead you,
Trust Him in the darkest night.

Nazis Borrow U. S. Gangland Technique

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

During 1938, according to a recent United Press dispatch, new loans amounting to some \$3,200,000,000 were floated, bringing the nation's total indebtedness up to \$20,000,000,000. This is almost entirely an internal debt—money owed by the German government to the German people. The government continues to operate at an annual deficit estimated at \$2,800,000,000, the nation's prosperity depends on government orders, and it is an open question whether in the near future this will not push the nation up to the edge of disastrous inflation.

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

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

used cold-bloodedly by the German government. A brief review of the facts will make this perfectly clear.

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

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

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

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

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

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

It seems the whole European crisis is just a case of mistaken identity. Sir Alfred Zimmern told Princeton undergraduates that Englishmen thought Hitler was a gentleman.

Chamberlain's threat to withhold British credit from the German Reich would seem to indicate that the pound will carry considerable weight with Hitler.

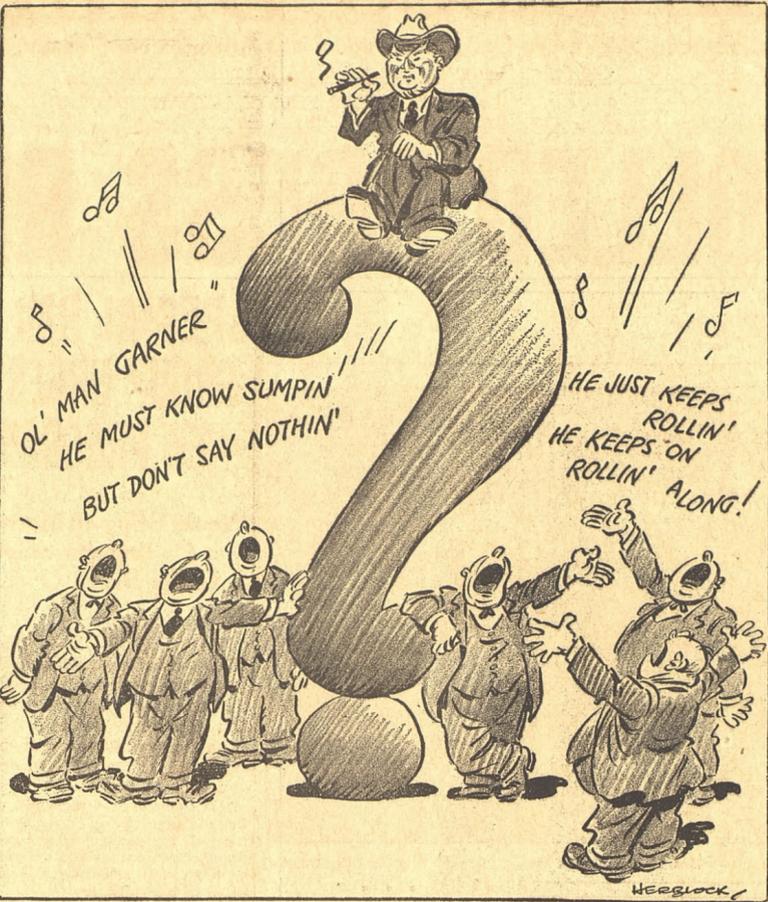
We wonder if the officials of the New York drug company that dreamed up all those phony assets were sampling some of the stuff on their own shelves.

New slant on a "white Christmas": Newark, N. J., Santas have been ordered to keep their beards clean.

There seems to be a new note in the diplomatic exchanges between Germany and the United States.

Suggested headline for the story of Policeman Dever of Indianapolis who aimed at an injured cat and shot his foot: "Shoots at cat, hits dog."

1939 Political Show



Keeping Up With The Boy Scouts

In sending them his Christmas greetings, President Roosevelt, honorary president of the Boy Scouts of America, in which he has been active for seventeen years, called upon the 1,221,338 Boy Scouts, Cubs and leaders of the nation "to do a good deed for some other person, especially for

someone who is less fortunate than ourselves."

The president's message was received by Scout Executive G. N. Quirl of the Comanche Trail council, from Dr. James E. West, chief scout executive and editor of "Boys' Life."

The message follows:
The White House
Washington.

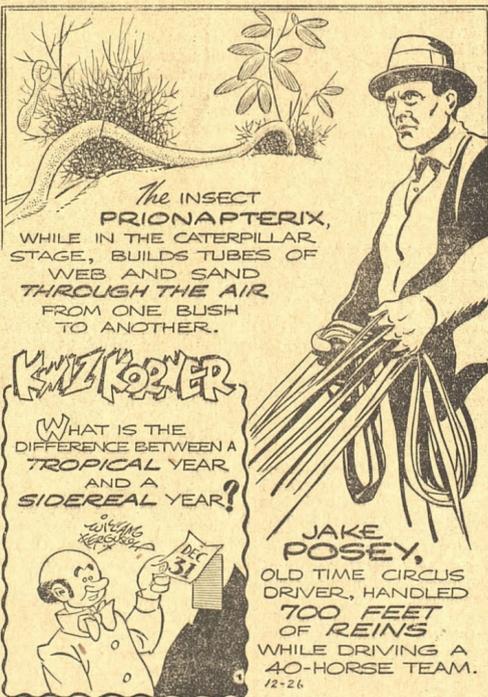
To the Boy Scouts of America: As a member of the Boy Scouts of America, I am happy to extend to fellow members, my sincere

best wishes for a Merry Christmas. This is a time in which it seems particularly appropriate for all of us to do a good deed for some other person, especially for someone who is less fortunate than ourselves. To Boy Scouts who are steadfast in the principles emphasized by their organization I look for future leadership in community and national life. May the year 1939 be a happy adventure for you in the service of others.

(Signed)
FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



ANSWER: A tropical year, the one used in reckoning time, is the interval between two returns of the sun to the equinox. Its length is 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes, 46 seconds. The sidereal is the interval between two passages of the sun past the same star. Length: 365 days, 6 hours, 9 minutes.

With Our WILD LIFE

(By JOHN R. WOOD)
State Game Warden

Pasture Fire and Its Affect on Game

In most central Texas and west Texas it has been very dry for the past few months and recently many thousands of acres of the grazing land has been burned off. Many of these fires have had their origin along highways and roads of the country, and many of these have been started by the careless smokers who either throw a lighted match out of the car or have carelessly thrown a cigarette out into the tall dead grass, and a puff of wind will soon fan it into a blaze, and from here the fire is sure to go a long way in a short time and before anyone will notice it.

One does not think of the great losses that the land owners will suffer from such fires. A few days ago the author spent about five hours helping a crew of men from one of the big ranches in the eastern part of Erath county fight out a grass and brush fire that burned about 1,000 acres before it could be brought under control. Consider what this meant to this ranch in the loss of grazing land. Of course, it had a low carrying capacity, but at this time meant that this ranchman had that 1,000 acres of land now totally useless to him. It will be probably spring before this land will come back and be of value as grazing land.

In nearly any direction one may go from any west Texas town there will be evidence of many

grass fires. Too, one may see this pasture land going up in smoke in many directions. Ask yourself the question: "Have I been responsible for any of these fires?" If there is a doubt in your mind, make a promise to yourself that no fires will start on account of you. This will do much in reducing the great loss that is existing and will exist during this dry weather. Be sure all your camp fires are dead before leaving them, and be sure the cigarette is out before throwing it away.

Fires Affect Wildlife
It will be easy for one to see how wildlife is affected by fires once a burned area is seen. After a fire has swept over an area, most of the ground vegetation is removed and many trees damaged. In the path of the fire all of the seeds of the weeds and grasses go up in smoke. Only those seeds that are deep in the ground revive from the intense heat. These seeds are the natural food of many game and non-game birds. Since the food of the birds is removed so must the birds move to another area to find their daily diet. Many of the dead trees in the area are destroyed. Here the homes of many tree nesting birds are removed. These dead trees also furnish insects for many birds, also this source of food is removed. The insects that survive must either go to another area or start work on good live trees and thereby destroy much valuable timber.

Fish Affected by Fires
Saying that fish will be affected by forest or prairie fires sounds like a foolish statement, but nevertheless it is true. The ash that is left from these fires is dangerous to fish life. After a rain all

ash will go into the streams causing many fish to die and probably give others diseases that will cause them to die later. After such fires much land is left without soil holding vegetation, thereby causing soil erosion and this will do much damage to the land plus putting millions of pounds of soil into the stream beds. Thus the stream beds are filled and the muddy water causes the death of thousands of fish, because game fish cannot live in a stream that is always muddy. Too, the mud from these burned areas will cause the loss of fish eggs by the settling of the spaw.

Think of these things when you see a fire and do your little part by helping extinguish it, if it is possible, and best of all do your part in preventing fires to start.

Kill all wild house cats.

SCHOOL'S HEALTH COSTLY

LONDON, Dec. 23 (AP).—Health services in London County council schools are estimated to cost \$729,810 during 1939.

MYRA NORTH, Special Nurse By Thompson & Coll



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Keep Both Feet on the Ground At a Musicale

By JOAN DURHAM
AP Feature Service Writer
How can you tell when to applaud during a musical program, if you don't know the score? The artist at the piano usually will remove his or her hands from the keyboard and relax. That's always a safe signal. Yes, you may clap at the end of the movement if you wish, says Manna Zucca, whose compositions have been played by all sorts of musicians from swing-enthusiast Ella Fitzgerald to violinist Jascha Heifitz. But be sure you recognize the end of the movement when it

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STAMP NEWS

HARD on the announcement of the windup of the 1938 stamp program, the U. S. Post Office Department has announced the authorization of four values for 1939. These are the Golden Gate International Exposition stamp to be issued Feb. 18; a stamp commemorating the Sesquicentennial of the Inauguration of George Washington as first President on April 20; a New York World's Fair stamp, also on April 30, and a stamp commemorating the 25th anniversary of the opening of the Panama Canal, Aug. 15.

Each of the new issues will be in the 3-cent denomination and the places of first-day sale of the Golden Gate and Washington inaugural stamps will be San Francisco and New York, respectively. The place of first-day sale of both the World's Fair and Panama Canal stamps will be announced later, together with the design, colors and sizes of all of the values.

Long delayed after a routing by mistake to Claremore, Okla., the Will Rogers-Wiley Post Memorial covers are now available. They are postmarked both Point Barrow, Alaska, and Claremore, thus making them of double significance to collectors. For further information address the Rogers-Post Memorial committee, Hillsboro, Texas. No personal profit is derived from the covers.

First-day sale of the \$5 Coolidge stamp in Washington brought \$98,000 for 19,600 stamps. There were 15,615 first-day covers canceled, including 766 bearing blocks of four.

A new set of 10 Italian stamps depicts the entire history of Italy from the founding of Rome through the conquest of Ethiopia. There are six airmail stamps in addition with similar chronology. (Copyright, 1938, NEA Service, Inc.)

About Our Friends

By STEP A. LONG

It was a great gathering at the annual Spencer open house party when the hundreds of friends of this outstanding family were met Thursday evening at the door of the lovely home on Eighth street and greeted with old-time hospitality that impressed guests of its sincerity.

A table with sandwiches, made from the famous hams that the Spencers know how to prepare as few know, cakes, pickles, coffee and other tid-bits, invited guests, who assembled in long lines to taste of the tempting spread that lured and smacked of the warm Christmas that shone out from the faces and eyes of the host and hostess, and emanated from the handclasp that spoke welcome to the many who came in response to the invitation.

Ministers and their wives met their deacons, elders, stewards and congregations. . . . Friend met friend and cemented friendships a little closer. . . . It was a distinctly social event that moved to the music of the Schaefer-Hittson orchestra that added to the rhythm of sociability. . . .

The event was pronounced perfect in every detail. . . . May Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Spencer grow in the hearts of their friends stronger each year and may these events emphasize the symbol of friendship more and more as they and their friends grow old gracefully in the long years to come. . . .

For many weeks and months people of the Cisco trade territory have prayed in their hearts for rain that would allow dust in the air and cause grain to sprout and grow. . . . But the warm spring-like weather persisted and grain over the country struggled for existence. . . . But as a fine Christmas gift, the rain has come. . . . a slow drizzle that allows every drop to settle into seed beds that have been made on most farms. . . . The beautiful California weather has given plenty of time for thrifty shoppers to select their gifts. . . . And fine for local merchants. . . . The inclement weather is discouraging those who would do some of the last-minute buying in more remote cities. . . . More money will be spent with home merchants than would have been done had these last few days of fine weather continued.

The best salesman, a Daily Press Classified Ad.

Thousands of Crippled Children Are Cared for

By B. E. McGLAMERY

A recent survey of the work of the Crippled Children's division in the state department of education for the five-year period ending August 31, 1938, reveals many interesting facts concerning the activities of the division. While the survey covers the five-year period, most of the work of the division has been done in the past three years since the enlarged federal and state appropriations have been available through the social security program of the federal government and the state funds which have matched the federal appropriations. The children's bureau in Washington and the state department of education have made the funds available to our crippled children's division and the work in Texas as in some other states is sponsored by the department of education, with L. A. Woods as state superintendent and J. J. Brown of Austin as the director of the crippled children's division.

Treatment is provided for children of normal mentality who are under 21 years of age and whose parents are unable to provide the care that is needed for crippled children whose condition can be improved by surgery, hospitalization or artificial appliances. Hospitals and surgeons are chosen by the state board of health for the use of the crippled children's division, and are so located as to make their services available to children in all sections of the state. During the five-year period ending on August 31, 1938, the crippled children's division has hospitalized 4,011 children. There is scarcely a county in all the state that has not had at least one child cared for. In spite of the large number who have been hospitalized there are now waiting, December 20, 1938, more than 800 children who are asking for treatment, with little chance that many of them can be cared for in five or six months. One of the things responsible for this condition is

Give a Hoot About Owl Quintet



Jim Usilton, Temple University's coach, offers a few words of advice to his son, Jim, Jr., who will do all he can to help his father's Owls retain the eastern intercollegiate championship.

the fact that very rarely do we find a child who can be properly cared for by a single trip to the hospital or the surgeon's office. Instead, the survey reveals that often many trips are needed, stretching over periods of two, three or even four and five years. In fact if 1,000 new cases are cared for during the year 1938, 600 of these cases will be returned for hospitalization during 1939; 300 of the same cases will be hospitalized in 1940 and 100 of them will require care in 1941. To give you a single instance we have a child in one county that has received treatment over three years that to date has cost the division \$719.85 and the treatment must continue for some time to come. If the question is raised as to the value of such treatment let me say that this child, to begin with, was a helpless case following infantile paralysis and that today she is walking with the aid of

braces and crutches and there is every reason to believe that she will be able to go to school and ultimately be able to live a fairly normal life in the local community.

A brief study of the types of diseases and other causes of the crippling will be of interest. Of the 4,011 children cared for during the five-year period there were 959 cases of infantile paralysis, 459 cases of osteomyelitis, 192 cases of tuberculosis of the bone, 120 cases of spinal curvature, 62 cases of rickets, 46 cases of bone tumor, 299 cases of club feet, 239 cases of hare lip and cleft palate, 259 cases of old fractures which needed reconstruction under the direction of an orthopedic surgeon, 25 cases of wry neck, 15 cases of bow legs, 55 dislocations, 35 cases of extreme flat feet, 60 amputations and many others in different classifications.

As supervisor in north central

Texas with an office in Eastland, I have charge of the work in 44 counties. In these counties there are more than 700 children who have been hospitalized during the five-year period. Of these 700 children 359 were crippled from disease, 227 were born crippled and the other 114 were cripples because of accidents. In quite a number of the accident cases amputations were necessary. Most of these cases have been hospitalized at the hospitals in Fort Worth, Dallas, Waco or Marlin, but a few have gone to other hospitals, even to the state hospital for crippled children at Galveston.

The actual securing of hospitalization for crippled children is but a small part of the work of the supervisors and other field workers. Most of their time is spent on the after-care program of the children, who having been hospitalized for such time as absolutely necessary, must be sent home to convalesce. The supervisors are constantly making visits to the homes to see that the children are receiving the best possible care in order that the benefits of hospitalization may not be lost. Where homes are not able to provide the proper care the supervisors get in touch with the various local welfare agencies and solicit their assistance in the care of the children. It is occasionally necessary to find a foster home for a child who cannot have the proper care in its own home. In some states convalescent homes are maintained for such care of children. Our funds will not as yet allow us to provide the actual hospital and surgical needs and at the same time maintain this much needed after-care program.

Dollar Breakdown

A breakdown of the crippled children's dollar as spent by the crippled children's division over the five-year period shows the expenditures to be as follows: 2.1 cents for anaesthetics, 1.3 cents for occupational therapy, 3.4 cents for physical therapy, 3.5 cents for X-rays, 8.2 cents for artificial appliances, 10 cents for case supervision, 46.2 cents for hospital costs, 1.1 cents for laboratory fees, 13.9 cents for surgeons' fees, 1-20 cent for transportation, 2 cents for plaster casts and medication, 2.4 cents for operating rooms and 5.8 cents for administration.

Work done in Eastland county over the five-year period includes 38 children for whom \$4,922.80 has been spent as follows: For hospital costs, \$3,176.80; for artificial appliances, \$531.60; for surgeons' fees, \$1,120; for physiotherapy, \$94, and for occupational therapy, \$55. The largest amount spent on any one child was \$719.85 while the smallest amount spent was \$5 for an examination in which no hospitalization was recommended.

OFFERS FREE BIRD FOOD

FORT MORGAN, Colo., Dec. 23 (AP)—The Jacks Bean company of Fort Morgan has a standing offer to provide bird seed free to any Fort Morgan resident who will feed it to birds in winter when natural food is not available.

STORIES IN STAMPS



Land David Livingstone Discovered

MOVING up the Shire river on his Zambesi expedition of 1859, the famous explorer David Livingstone dropped anchor one morning on Lake Nyasa. But it was not then named. Livingstone had discovered it for the white man.

Subsequently, Livingstone journeyed to the southern end of Lake Tanganyika, to Lake Mweru and to Lake Bangweulu, thus opening up to British interests this whole area of South Central Africa. Livingstone died in 1873 on the shores of Lake Bangweulu. His exploration was followed by the coming of the first missionaries. And out of the missionary societies grew the African Lakes Trading Corporation. Next the town of Blantyre was founded and by 1883 Great Britain had sent the first consul to the new land.

Today Nyasaland protectorate covers more than 40,000 square miles. It is bounded on the west by northern Rhodesia and Portuguese East Africa, on the north-east by Tanganyika territory, and on the east and south by Portuguese East Africa. The northern half of its eastern boundary is formed by Lake Nyasa.

In the low-lying regions about the Shire river the temperature may reach 120 degrees in the shade. Frost may occur at night on the plateaus. Europeans living in Nyasaland need to spend a few months in a temperate climate every few years to recuperate their vitality.

Tobacco, cotton, tea and fibers are chief exports of the colony. The land is not yet economically developed. A 1935 Nyasaland stamp is shown above. (Copyright, 1938, NEA Service, Inc.)

Hitler's Choice?



Augustine Waldemar, once leader of the Fascist "Iron-Wolf" organization, may be included in Lithuanian government because of Nazi demands.

November Is Banner Texas Safety Month

AUSTIN, Dec. 23—Texas scored its banner safety month in November when the lives of 83 pedestrians and motorists were saved, compared with the records of the corresponding month of 1937.

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

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

Thanksgiving holiday death record was halved, he said.

With 36 pedestrian deaths listed on the November crash reports—19 less than that month last year—the safety director declared that the education of those who walk on streets and highways is the most likely way to make headway in pedestrian safety work.

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

Selective enforcement, the safety department's remedy for decreasing serious and fatal vehicle collisions, will be continued "more intensely than ever before," Director Garrison continued. He said necessity for a strict and impartial program of that type had been proved in the general 22 per cent drop maintained in Texas this year.

15 SHADES OF STOCKINGS

LONDON, Dec. 23 (AP)—Shades of women's stockings which next spring and summer are to be restricted to 15 will range from "Carefree" (almost nude) to dark gunmetal.

"Dead" Alligators May Not Be Dead

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Dec. 23 (Spc.) (AP)—Tip to owner of alligators: don't throw the 'gator away just because he appears dead at the first spell of cold weather.

Leo Blondin, Oklahoma zoo keeper, runs an orphanage for pet alligators that are tossed into the city dump along about the time cold weather comes to Oklahoma. "Alligators aren't built for cold weather," says Blondin. "Under that rough hide they have a very tender heart and nervous system. Thirty-five degree weather makes alligators stiffen up like they are dead. So his owner tosses him out."

Actually the 'gators aren't dead but merely in a state of suspended animation. When they warm up they come back to life.

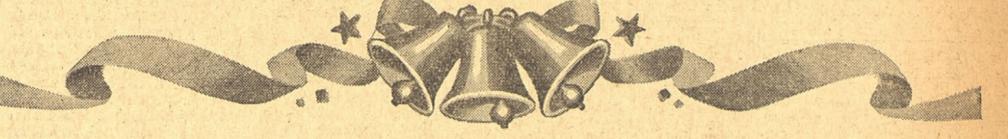
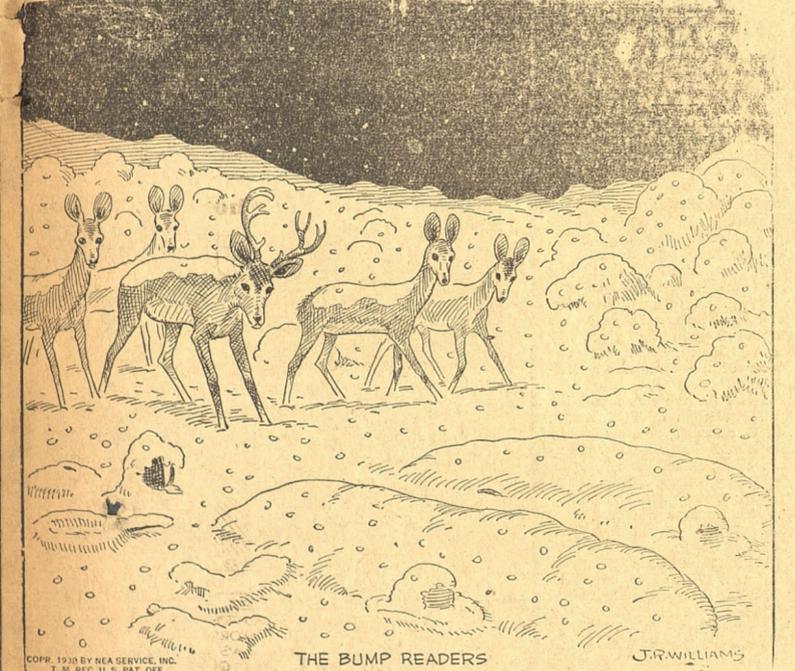
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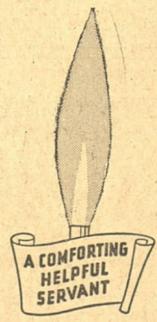
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comes or you're likely to destroy a carefully built-up mood.

The Good Listener
Madame Zucca has a number of suggestions for those who attend or plan musical programs. She says the perfect listener:

Will be on time so as not to distract the audience's attention. Will restrain all whistling, foot-tapping, and humming, even if the tune is familiar and catchy.

Will refrain from whispering or moving about during each number. Once the music has begun, the good listener at least pretends he's enjoying the program. A lady listener won't fan herself with her program, or adjust and readjust the coat thrown back on her chair. Will stop those coughs. Coughing in a concert hall is as contagious as yawning, Madame Zucca warns.

Hostess Helps

The perfect hostess at a musical entertainment will:

Be sure the piano is placed so the right hand of the keyboard is nearer the audience. (That goes in placing a piano in your own living-room, too) If the left-hand section is nearer, the bass notes will predominate.

She will introduce her artists with a minimum of exaggeration. "Introductions don't have to be high-class or cramped," Madame Zucca explains. "Get a laugh—if possible. But don't say so-and-so is the most wonderful violinist or the most accomplished pianist you ever heard. If the artist is good the audience will find it out. If he's bad they'll have doubts about your judgment."

Georgia produces 36 per cent of the nation's peanuts.

SERIAL STORY

SKI'S THE LIMIT BY ADELAIDE HUMPHRIES

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CAST OF CHARACTERS
SALLY BLAIR—heroine. She had everything that popularity could win, her, except
DAN REYNOLDS—hero. He might have had Sally but while he was king on skis
COREY PORTER was king of the social whirl. So . . . But go on with the story.

Yesterday: Dan comes to Sally's party and Sally sees hope of winning him back. As they talk, Corey steps up behind them, reminds Sally that the next dance is his on a dare.

CHAPTER XII

Sally was furious with Corey for coming out to interrupt her talk with Dan just then. She knew he had done it purposely. She was furious with him for referring to the dare before Dan.

But it did not seem to bother Dan. When Sally said quickly, "Oh, but I just asked Dan to be my partner!" Dan smiled and said, "That's all right, Corey. Sally can be your partner—especially if she owes it, to you in payment for some dare. I was just telling her that I feel I must leave. I only came for a little while tonight. I'm going to call a cab."

Sally was so disappointed she could have cried. "You're not going to do anything of the sort!" she said. "Please don't go, Dan." Her birthday party would indeed have proved a failure if Dan did that.

"I really must," Dan returned quietly. His gray eyes smiled into hers. Perhaps he meant that he knew he did not belong in her world yet. But perhaps that smile meant that in time he might. For he added in his same grave manner that somehow said more than the words themselves, "You are forgetting a lot of things, Sally. As Corey told you. 'You're forgetting now that we are friends I'm going to come soon again.'"

"In that case," Sally returned, as gravely as he, "I'll let you go, if you really feel you must." Long after he had gone she remembered what he had said—"now that we are friends." She knew that Dan did not give friendship lightly.

She knew he would not have said that unless he really had meant it. He had said, too, that he would come to see her soon again.

Oh! hugging these thoughts to her heart, Sally could afford to be Corey's partner for the grand march, during the birthday dinner. She could well be gay and light-hearted, bubbling over with fun and laughter.

It was Corey now who wore his stubborn look. Sally was paying up her debt—he had her for his partner—but somehow Corey knew that he had not come off victor, after all.

Could it possibly be that Sally really imagined herself interested in Reynolds just because she felt sorry for him? Hadn't she realized that Dan did not fit in? Hadn't she seen how different he was from all her friends?

Had Corey only realized that very difference was what drew Sally to Dan. It was far more than just pity or remorse. It was something that lay within this odd boy himself, his fine courage, his high principles, his simple honesty.

Sally was to hear her father praise Dan for much those same qualities a few days after her birthday party.

"This young Reynolds is getting along very well," Sam Blair informed his daughter, during their twilight stroll. "I talked with Frank Devons today and he said the lad certainly is a worker. Steady, conscientious, ambitious. He is bound to make good. Just to show you the sort of stuff the lad has, Devons says that Dan walks back and forth to work every day—and it's a hike of several good miles, too—but that's only the beginning. It seems that instead of taking the elevator Reynolds climbs those seven flights of steps, day after day."

"Whatever makes him do that?" Sally asked. If only her father knew how his words of praise warmed her heart, how proud they made her of Dan.

"It seems," Mr. Blair explained, "that Doctor Hartford told the boy it was entirely up to him whether his leg ever got as good as it was again. Hartford told the lad he would lose that limp in time if he made up his mind to it. And it also seems," Sam Blair chuckled, "that the boy is bound to prove the great surgeon's words. He's out to get the best of that—and, unless I miss my guess, the lad will do it!"

That was the best thing Sally had heard in all her life. That one day Dan's leg might be the same as he had been, that he might walk as he had before. That would mean that one day Dan might ski again, too! This thought was so tremendous, so wonderful that Sally was almost afraid to allow herself to think about it. Though maybe if she believed it hard enough, maybe if she borrowed some of Dan's high courage and faith, this prayer would be answered.

"By the way," her father added, as they went indoors, "I asked Devons to send young Reynolds out tomorrow night with some papers for me. I thought when the lad came you might want to be here." There was a twinkle in her father's fond look at this. A twinkle that deepened as he saw the lovely color flooding Sally's face, the tell-tale delight that brightened her dark eyes.

"Sometimes," Sally said, "I think you're the best Dad that ever lived." She stood on tiptoe to give him a fierce squeeze, a warm caress. "I shouldn't tell you that, though," she added, dimpling. "You know I've been spoiling you dreadfully lately."

She fluffed up the pillow in his big chair, pulled up a stool, sat down to unlace his heavy shoes, to hand him his slippers, now that their walk was finished. This was a little loving service she performed each evening.

"Turn about is fair enough," her father declared. How he enjoyed being spoiled! And he used to think this daughter of his was wrapped up only in her own young

frivolous thoughts and plans. They had got very close these past few months, from the time Sally had insisted she was not going back to school, that she wanted to remain at home with him. From the time of her skiing accident, as a matter of record. Had that made the change in Sally? That—and this new boy, Dan Reynolds?

Tomorrow night Dan was coming out again. Already Sally's pretty head began to spin with ideas. She would ask Dan to stay for dinner. She would insist upon it. He could not refuse now that they were friends. Since he had promised, on her birthday night, that he would come again.

This time there would be no Corey to interrupt. Spring vacation was over. Corey, and most of the rest of their friends, had gone back to college. She would not see Corey again until graduation. Before he left he had insisted Sally promise that she would come up to Dartmouth for that.

This time, tomorrow evening, Sally would have Dan all to herself again. He would not feel out of place, as he had with her friends. He would fit in very well at a quiet dinner with her father and herself. He would see that with them—people who understood him and admired and liked him just for what he was—that he did belong.

Oh, the world was a wonderful place! It was wonderful to be alive, to care for someone as she did for Dan. Even when Dan did not know it, or if he did, would not accept it. It was wonderful to be in love!

(To Be Continued)

24 Stations to Carry State Title Game

A special network of 24 Texas radio stations has been created to broadcast the game between Lubbock and Corpus Christi for the 1938 Texas Interscholastic league football championship.

The game will be played at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas on Monday, December 26. Official starting time has been set for 2 p. m., and the network will go into operation at 1:50 p. m. to give pre-game color and activities. Play-by-play descriptions will be given by Byrum Saam, ace sports announcer of the Columbia Broadcasting system.

Officials for the game will be: Ray McCullough of Fort Worth, T. C. U. alumnus, referee; Jimmy Higgins of Dallas, S. M. U. alumnus, umpire; R. M. Medley, coach at McMurry college, Abilene, head linesman; Charlie Swartz of Houston, Rice institute alumnus, field judge.

The following stations will carry the broadcast of the championship game: KRIS, 11330 kc., Corpus Christi; KFYO, 1310 kc., Lubbock; KRLD, 104 ks., Dallas; WRR, 1280 kc., Dallas; KTAT, 1240 kc., Fort Worth; KGKO, 570 kc., Fort Worth; KTSB, 550 kc., San Antonio; KTRH, 1290 kc., Houston; KFDM, 560 kc., Beaumont; KRGV, 1260 kc., Weslaco; KNOW, 1500 kc., Austin; KTEM, 1370 kc., Temple; WACO, 1420 kc., Waco; KAND, 1310 kc., Corsicana; KNET, 1420 kc., Palestine; KFRO, 1370 kc., Longview; KOCA, 1210 kc., Kilgore; KGKB, 1500 kc., Tyler; KRRV, 1310 kc., Sherman; KPND, 1310 kc., Pampa; KGNC, 1410 kc., Amarillo; KBST, 1500 kc., Big Spring; KGKL, 1370 kc., San Angelo; KRBC, 1420 kc., Abilene.

INDIAN 106 YEARS OLD
PLAINVIEW, Neb., Dec. 23 (AP). Andrew White Coat, commonly known here as "White Shirt," claims to be 106 years old and the last full-blooded member of the once proud Ponca Indian tribe.

About 1,500,000 refugees are estimated to have left Russia during the war and the political turmoil in the years 1917-1920.

LACK RADIO LICENSES

TATAMAGOCHE, N. S., Dec. 23 (AP).—Owners of 18 radio receiving sets in this little Colchester county village were fined, 15 of them \$5 and costs, and three

\$1 and costs, for failure to produce licenses.

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Oil Industry Ends "Trying" Year and Looks Forward to Better One

TULSA, Dec. 22 (AP).—The oil man sits more meditatively than usual this year before his Yule log. He has put 1938 down in the petroleum record book as a very trying time.

There won't be all those nice fat Christmas bonuses that made such fine reading from the oil towns just a year ago.

Most petrocrats sigh this season and say, "Ah, a very trying period," when you ask them for an essay of the year.

Mostly they don't want to look back too closely at the past 12 months. It would dampen the Christmas cheer. They mention brightly, on the other hand, that prospects are much better in the direction of 1939.

At the same time, looking at the business broadly and at the year as a unit, the most pessimistic acknowledged that, well, petroleum didn't fare so badly (maybe. Time after time leading oil men have emphasized that oil business held up perhaps better than any other major business, excepting, of course, the spurring automotive line that finished in the rush of 1939 models.

Fine Position

The oil business is ending the year in a fine position statistically because of concerted co-operative action by producers and refiners to hold down operators when demand fell off.

Crude stocks are at the lowest point in 17 years, around 270,000,000 barrels, compared to more than 3,000,000,000 barrels at the end of 1937. Reserves have been kept in the ground.

The interstate oil compact, through which six big producing states exchange views on conservation of oil, ended the year with its prestige enhanced. Within the past fortnight it was voted the compact should be continued. The door was opened wider for the entrance of other producing states into the fraternity of compacting states.

A few weeks ago President Roosevelt suggested the provisions of the compact well might be extended to cover refining as well as production of oil.

Throughout the year the general trend of prices was downward. Smaller, independent operators were plagued particularly by low gasoline prices which made their operations unprofitable. Many plants were shut down.

Crude oil prices dropped until they were ruling about 20 cents lower a barrel on the average for the country at the end of the year.

Allowable Reductions

Big reductions in allowable were made in heavy producing states. Texas shut down its wells two days a week.

Texas added a vast new productive area in the development of the K. M. A. field.

Illinois had an important revival of field work which saw the sinking of hundreds of fine, productive shallow wells in its central basin. It increased the state's production to above 100,000 barrels a day from about 10,000 barrels daily.

That Illinois production, close to manufacturing centers, cut deeply into the demand for crude in Kansas, Oklahoma and north Texas.

By the end of 1938, it was apparent, the nation's new wells for the year would be numbered around 26,500, compared to about 30,000 in 1937.

A thumbnail chronology of oil in 1938 sums up about like this, taken month by month:

JANUARY — Business volume low. Increasing calls made for

holding down of both producing and refining as small operators found themselves with large stocks of gasoline on their hands. The business was gloomy and depressed, psychologically, by convictions in the Madison oil anti-trust trials.

FEBRUARY—Crude cut-backs reduced the flow 200,000 barrels daily. There was speculation on a good spring upturn with better prices and broader demand.

MARCH—Anticipation of spring demand for gasoline quickened the movement and developed into an eighth of a cent increase in tank car prices. Fuels and lubricating oils softened.

APRIL—The expected spring business boost failed to develop. Buying was on hand-to-mouth basis. The K. M. A. field in Texas boomed.

MAY—Depressed markets and falling prices set the business back. In Kansas the Kanotex Refining company cut crude 25 cents, sending a wave of apprehension that a general cut might be in the offing. Drastic reductions in crude allowables were made.

JUNE—Expanded demand for gasoline made it a good month for refiners.

JULY — Midsummer business, generally producing a crush in July. Movement of refined products was far below the usual standard of the month.

AUGUST—Gasoline market developed uneasiness. Soft spots in the motor fuel market in a month ordinarily regarded the best for gasoline was called a very unfavorable trend. Crude stocks mounted despite cut-backs and the downward movement climaxed into a blanket reduction of 10 cents a barrel in east Texas crude.

SEPTEMBER—Gasoline markets got weaker and weaker. The downward trend persisted after two cuts of an eighth of a cent a gallon for tank car motor fuel was made in the mid-continent. Unsteadiness spread to all divisions.

OCTOBER—At the end of the first week of the month crude prices fell an average of 20 cents a barrel all through the mid-continent and nervous repercussions to the drop were felt everywhere in the business. By the end of the month the business seemed to be getting its courage back again.

NOVEMBER—The business steadied at lower price levels.

DECEMBER—Quiet trading at

Royal Hat Looks Like a Rudder



Women's hats are zany—even in Albania. Queen Geraldine, wearing something that looks like it fell off the back end of a gondola, is pictured dedicating a radio station in Tirana.

steady prices was maintained in all divisions. Forecasts were made that better business was in sight for 1939.

ROBBER ON MULE

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky., Dec. 23 (AP)—A mule-riding burglary was blamed by authorities for a restaurant robbery here. Officers said tracks indicated the burglar rode to the restaurant, hitched the animal to a gasoline pump while he looted the place and then rode away on the mule again.

Cotton bales wrapped in cotton instead of jute is gaining favor throughout the cotton belt.

Confidence In Oil Industry Is Increasing

HOUSTON, Dec. 23 (Sp.).—Increasing confidence in the oil industry is indicated in the number of wells completed in November and in the number of rigs in operation at the beginning of December, according to The Oil Weekly.

Well completions normally drop off slightly in November as the weather becomes less favorable for field work, but they did not follow the usual seasonal pattern this year. On the contrary, November, 1938, brought a slight contra-seasonal increase in drilling over that in October.

For the first time since last March, the field work was in November larger than in the comparable month of 1936, the trend having been during spring, summer, and early autumn closely

comparable with that in 1936 but not quite as high. During November the drilling recovered definitely above the 1936 curve.

It now appears, consequently, that well completions for the whole year 1938 will slightly outnumber those for 1936, which was among the more active years in the history of the industry.

Wells completed in the United States in November, 1938, averaged 77.9 daily, having increased from 76.2 in October and 75.4 in September. The November, 1938, average of 77.9 completions a day compared with 94.2 in November, 1937, and with 76.1 daily in November, 1936.

In the first 11 months of this year, 25,385 wells were completed in the United States. That was 17.4 per cent less than the 30,732 completions in the corresponding period last year.

Nevertheless, several states and districts have been more active in 1938 than in 1937. Illinois has had the outstanding increase in drilling, and other areas that have had gains include Kentucky, Indiana,

Cheaney Game Ass'n Is Formed

EASTLAND, Dec. 23 (Sp.).—The Cheaney Game association was formed at a meeting Monday at which 33 men were present. The organization was formed to protect quail, dove, deer, turkey and fur bearing animals.

Officers elected were J. R. Hale, Ranger, route 1, president; E. E. Blackwell, Ranger, route 1, vice president; R. R. Browning, Ranger, route 1, secretary-treasurer. Standard by-laws and constitution were adopted.

An executive committee composed of J. E. Ferrell, Sig Fair-

Michigan, Arkansas, North Carolina, south Louisiana, north Texas and Mississippi.

Drilling rigs in operation in the United States totaled 3,676 on December 1, or 5.1 per cent less than the number in use November 1, but the decrease was seasonal in nature.

cloth and Joe Tucker was appointed to set up rules, with the following being adopted:

1. To close the season in this area from December 19, 1938, to December 19, 1939, on dove and quail.

2. Fur bearing animals can be taken only by members of the game association, and anyone taking fur bearing animals must have a written permit to hunt or trap on a neighbor's land.

3. No hunting with dogs will be permitted without a permit from the landowner and agreed to by the association.

It was agreed to enforce the trespass law, which provides for penalties from \$10 to \$200. Other farmers have been urged to join the association, which was organized by Elmo V. Cook, county agent, and O. F. Etheridge, fish and game warden of Brownwood.

The Texas planning board reports that recent tests indicated ebony wood grown in the Rio Grande valley compares favorably with that produced in India.

NO CRACK-UP IN 23 YEARS
OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 23 (AP). Twenty-three years of truck driving without an accident has won a "hero's medal" for M. H. Ebert of Blackwell, Okla. The medal was presented by the Associated Motor Carriers of Oklahoma.

ROYAL CLASSMATES
LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 23 (AP). In Prof. J. Holmes Martin's genetics class at the University of Kentucky, three students sitting in one row are named England, Duke and Earl.

North Carolinians received approximately \$835,000,000 for their flue-cured tobacco crops during the five years from 1933 to 1938.

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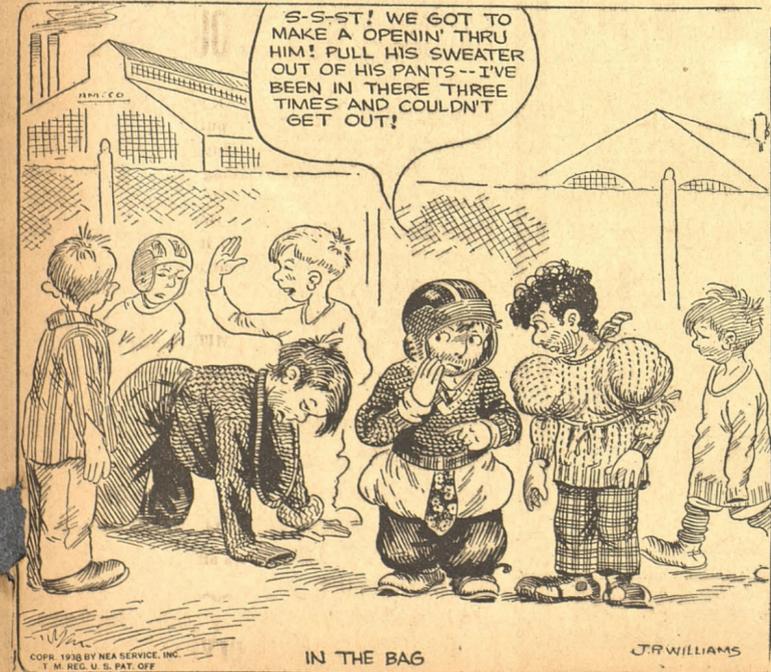
At this year's end, the Humble Company, its employees, service stations and dealers extend to their fellow Texans the greetings of the Christmas season and every good wish for a happy, prosperous 1939 . . . The Company appreciates the patronage you have given it during the past year, and it hopes that the quality of Humble products and the service you get at Humble Stations will even more firmly cement its customer friendships in the years to come.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Shaw and sons, Robert and Jack, of Fort Worth, spent Thursday evening with Mrs. Shaw's sister, Mrs. J. E. Spencer, and Mr. Spencer.

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Christmas Dance At Laguna Tonight

A Christmas dance, with returned college students as special guests, will be given at the Laguna hotel tonight beginning at 8:30. The dance will be given by the N. O. N. girls' club and is to be formal. All students and others are cordially invited to attend. A small admission will be charged at the hotel.

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- 'Garden of the Moon' 'Up the River' 'Young at Heart' 'Five of a Kind' 'Hard to Get' 'Out West With the Hardy's' 'Great Waltz' 'Sweethearts' and 'Say It in French'

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Spencer Hosts at Xmas Party

Following a custom of several years, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Spencer entertained Thursday night with an old-fashioned Christmas party in their home. The guests were greeted at the door by Miss Mary Jane Butts, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer and their daughter, Miss Alice Estel, while Miss Vernelle Stinson presided at the guest book where 175 names were registered.

Throughout the spacious rooms, silver bells, icicles, mistletoe and holly were hung, white tapers burned softly in silver holders and vases of lovely Christmas flowers, gifts to Mrs. Spencer from friends, completed the decorations. A large Christmas tree, beautifully decorated and lighted, stood in the music room. Music for the evening was furnished by the Schaefer-Hittson orchestra, playing old-fashioned songs.

In the dining room a delicious buffet supper was served with Mmes. J. J. Butts and Elizabeth Hughes pouring coffee. The long table had for its centerpiece a group of pine burs and nandinas, flanked by two large silver birds. White tapers were also used on the table.

Others in the house party were Mmes. Howell Foy, R. W. Mancill, S. E. Hittson, Paul Woods, Silas Poe, Paul Poe and E. P. Crawford and Miss Ella Andres. Out-of-town guests included: Judge and Mrs. Earl Conner, Sr., Judge and Mrs. Cyrus B. Frost, Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Poe and Mr. and Mrs. Gayland Poe, all of Eastland; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Shaw and sons, Jack and Robert, of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Miller of Wink and Odwin Cate of Houston.

Miss Jane Moore Is 4G Club Hostess

Members of the 4G club met in the home of Miss Jane Moore Thursday afternoon for the regular club meeting and Christmas party. The house was decorated in traditional red and green and a beautifully decorated Christmas tree predominated. Small gifts were exchanged and refreshments served.

Those present were Misses Betty Lou Miller, Katherine Loftin, Catherine Mae McDaniel, Alice Slicker, Myra Jean Tompkins, Zona Maude Sures, Dorothy Slaughter, Marian Jacobs, Jeanne Jamison, Betty Jane Cooles of Odessa and the hostess, Miss Moore.

Miss Martha Jo Pass Entertains N. O. N.

Miss Martha Jo Pass was hostess to the N. O. N. club in its weekly meeting in her home Wednesday. Before a business meeting, the members exchanged gifts from a lighted Christmas tree, emphasizing a Yuletide theme carried out in decorations and refreshments. During the business, final plans were made for the annual N. O. N. formal Christmas dance, to be held tonight at the Laguna hotel at 8:30. At this time a basket to be given to welfare was packed with gifts, food and clothing, and tied with the N. O. N. colors, blue and white.

Those present were Misses Topsy Russell, Betty Rose McBride, Edleen Armstrong, Betty Lou Powell, Helen Louise Lawson, Inka Sherman, Mary Louise Poe, Catherine Draganis, Bettyrue Logan and the hostess, Miss Pass.

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Honoring the mothers of the class members, the Future Homemakers held a tea in the home-making department of the high school Thursday afternoon. The receiving line was composed of a hostess from each class of the department. The guests registered in a guest book upon arrival.

Blue and silver was the color scheme carried out in room decorations, flowers, and appointments. Blue flowers in silver bowls and blue candles in silver holders were arranged artistically on the tables. Blue and silver streamers and icicles completed the theme.

Mrs. Lucretia Irby poured tea, and each class of the department presented a short program. Children of the nursery school were given Christmas gifts by Santa Claus from a decorated tree. The remainder of the afternoon was spent in showing the mothers through the homemaking department.

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for some evidence of the moral integrity of democracy. It will gain this country new respect, it will strengthen the cause of the People versus the Dictator abroad and serve as a danger signal to the Hitlers, the Mussolini, and others insane with power, that there is a point beyond which it is not safe to tempt.

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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Armstrong and daughter, Edleen, left today to spend the holidays in Franklin with relatives.

Mrs. R. F. Gilman and daughter, Jane, left today for Tulsa, Okla., to spend the holidays with relatives there.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. LeClaire of Homer, La., are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Collins.

Miss Ella Andres left Thursday night for Dallas to spend the holidays with friends there.

Miss Alice Spencer has arrived from Fort Worth to spend the Christmas season in Cisco.

Guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. T. McKissick to arrive Saturday are their daughter, Mrs. Anton K. Moe, and Mr. Moe of Fort Stockton, and their sons, Charles McKissick of McCamey and R. W. McKissick of Longview.

Miss Bessie Ryals of Austin is expected to arrive Saturday for a brief visit with Miss Jane Moore.

Injuries Fatar to Second Man

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

First Christian Church

At the Bible school and church hours Sunday morning the First Christian church will have special Christmas services. There will be Christmas music, and the sermon will be on the subject, 'The Gift of Christ.' There will be no evening service. Some of our members wish to attend the special services at the First Presbyterian church, and others plan an evening at home.—Clark W. Lambert, Pastor.

Decorations for Service Beautiful

Some of the most beautiful decorations will be viewed by those attending the White Christmas service at the First Baptist church Sunday morning at 10:15, at which time gifts will be brought to the 'King' to be distributed to the unfortunate and needy of Cisco.

Many hours have been spent by Miss Cora Harris and her helpers in preparing the decorations and program for this White Christmas service.

Appropriate music, Scripture and readings will be given. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Fire Causes Big Damage in Docks

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 23 (AP)—Fire today blazed through portions of the ship plant of the Todd-Johnson dry docks on the west bank of the Mississippi river, causing an estimated damage of \$250,000. Origin of the fire was undetermined.

Students Night at First Baptist Church

A representative group of students attending schools of higher learning will appear on the students' night program to be presented at the regular hour of worship at the First Baptist church Sunday evening.

The theme though is 'My Maximum for Christ.' There will be special music by the students.

The public is cordially invited.

INCOMPATIBILITY? POOH! LONDON, Dec. 23 (AP)—'Incompatibility of temperament' is a lovely phrase, invented by a Victorian novelist, but it does not mean anything at all. So said Judge Langton in the divorce court.

HARD EGGS TO CRACK COVINGTON, Ky., Dec. 23 (AP). A truck carrying 195 cases of them lunged out of control while going down a hill, overturned and came to a stop at the edge of the Ohio river. Only one case of eggs was damaged and the driver escaped injury.



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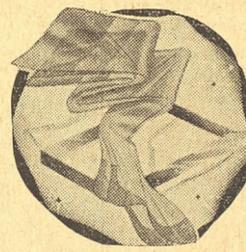
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