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This Bank's Desire in 1927

is to be one of greater service to Cross Plains and surrounding territory. To this end we shall strive, and we trust our efforts wil merit your continued con fidence and good will. When we can be of service to you as your banker, call on us-That's our desire.



Officers: - Chris C Parsons, President; S. F. Bond, Active Vice President; Taylor Bond, Cashier; R. B. McGowen, Assistant Cashier.

Read our messages appearing in Farm and Ranch



OF CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

'A Bank of Personal Service"

DRUGS

Best Wishes to You for the New Year!

When you need drugs or anything in the

drug line, we will be pleased to serve you.

Make this store your trading heaquarters in

City Drug Store

(YOUR STORE)

SANTA CLAUS AND

The various churches had Christmas trees here, with special programs, in which Santa Claus played the principal role. After visiting the Church programs old Santa visited the many Christmas trees in the homes of the City and made the children happyyes, and the grown-up children, too.

Christmas day was indeed a white Christmas as a light snow covered the ground during the night. But the sun and joins their many friends in wishing in the day and the snow was here only fullness, a few hours, yet it was timely and gave zest to the Christmas spirit. The day was enjoyed here by many out-of -town visitors, who came to spend the day with friends and home folks. Everypeople are looking forward to the New make their home at Borger. Year with its untold possibilities.

for vacation with home folks.

1927!

CLARK-BRANSFORD

Renerick Clark of this city and Miss Billie Bransford of Fort Worth, were married Dec. 22nd , at Fort Worth. They will make their home here after Jan. 6th.

The bride is the most charming and talented daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Bransford of Fort Worth. She

has a host of friends here. Mr. Clark is with the First State Eleven cent cotton and a carload of Bank here and is one of our leading

young business men. The Review extends congratulations was shining through a clear sky early them a long life of happiness and use-

Patterson—Harding

Clarence Patterson of Borger Texas and Miss Irene Harding of this city, thing passed off nicely, and now our were married December 22. They will

Mrs. J.J. McDonald of Rutland Iowa Elliot Bryant of the West Texas is here visiting her son, M. E. Howell. Military Academy, San Antonio is here This is their first meeting in twenty years. She will remain for some time

wells. Last week the Pondem Oil Co. completed their Westerman No. 8 for 150 barrels, and this week finished their No. 9 for 100 barrels. Cosden on east Westerman No. 6 was completed for 100 barrels. The Ray Oil Co finished their Stout well for 30 barrels. The Humble Oil Co. got a nice well on their McGinns missed pay on their Teague,

6 Woolridge. Operations in the local fields are expected to show increased activity after the first of the year. Th Prarie Pipe Line Co. is building a large warehouse and garage building on their property here in northwest part of town.

Indications point to extensive oper

No report from Wildcats this week.

ELEVEN CENT COTTON AND FORTY CENT MEAT

Mrs. S. C. Ford, Frisco, Texas

Eleven cent cotton and forty cent meat! How in the world can a poor man eat? do your best. Do the big thing and do Flour up high, cotton down low, How in the world can we raise the of those supporting the Chamber of

dough? Our clothes worn out, shoes run down, Old slouch hat with a hole in the We hope to publish this list next week.

Backs nearly broken, fingers all sore, Cotton going down to rise no more. Eleven cent cotton and ten dollar and sign up. Get your name in the

Who in the world has got a chance? We can't buy clothes, we can't buy meat.

eat. We've got no homes, we've got no

wealth. Losing our credit and ruining our

health. Can't help each other. What shall we going to do with it? This is no time

taught in the school here last term and I can't solve the problem-so it's up to you.

> The load's too heavy for our poor backs We're a good set of farmers we all

> know well. But there's something wrong as sure

as-well! We all worked hard, we groaned and

Now we are ruined—we are a blowed up set! No use talking, any man's beat,

With eleven cent cotton and forty cent

Some people refuse to make their New Year resolutions because they figure they can't live up to them, But that shoudn't keep them from trying. Christ set an example for the christian to live by, but should people give up Christianity because they cannot measure up to it? We can do our best.

Cross Pains is losing a few splendid families which we are going to miss. But our loss will be the other communities gain. J. A. Atwood and wife have moved to Lubbock where they here. have purchased a farm. W. T. Austin and famiy will elave in a few days for Anson to make their home. We regret to lose these fine families but wish, them heath happiness and prosperity where they go.

Riley Worthy who has been with the Higginbotham Lumber Yard here for some time has moved to De Leon where he is manager of Higginbothams Yard. He took active charge of the yard there before Christmas according to the DeLeon Free Press. His many friends here will be glad to learn of his promotion and will join in wishing him

The Review

wishes you much happiness and prosperity in the

> New Year 1927

The Cross Cut section gets more good C. OF C. WANT'S \$5,000 FOR 1927 BUDGET

A. C. Dodson, president of the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce, has the support of the board of directors and Wooldridge lease. Cunningham and 1927 badget for the Chamber of Commerce at \$5,000, and a campaign to get so did Williams and Beal on their No. the amount subscribed is now under way. This amount must be raised if we are to retian F. M. Gwin as Secretary and have funds for road work and other improvements. It is the will of the precinct and board of directors to retain Mr. Gwin if possible as he i worth several times his salary to the city in promoting the many and varied ntions in the Cross Plains fields in interests, obtaining extensive publicity and in a general way looking after the city's welfare. It is no secret that

> offers for his services, but he will stay in Cross Plains if the budget can be raised-and we must not fail. When the committee calls to see you it right. The Review will publish a list Commerce and the amount of mone subscribed by each firm or individual. The people are going to see who is

other thriving west Texas cities have

made Mr. Gwin some very attractive

backing the Chamber of Commerce. If this committee fails to see you see them pot for he 1927 program. The Chamber of Commerce has an

year that will make history worth read-Got too much cotton and nothing to ing by later generations and with a man like Mr. Gwin at the throttle, we will pull in at station Progress on time with plentyof steam up. You have a chance here-an opportunity, to help put this budget over. What are you for playing on the job. Make up your mind to do your bit-and do it now!

THE JUDGE MAY RECOVER WITH CAREFUL NURSING

Claude Hunnicut was arranged be fore Judge Huffle last Friday on a charge of burglary. Young Lawyer Sims made the following plea in defense of Hunnicut

"Your Honor, the evidence shows that my client did not enter the room at all. He merey inserted his arm through an open window and took a few trifles. His arms being only a small part of hiself why should you cause his whoe body to suffer because of one offending member?"

"Very well" said the Judge, with ; twinkle in his eye. Your logic is good I therefore sentence your clients arn to one year in jail. Your client may

accompany it or not as he pleases." Whereupon the defendant unscrewed his cork arm laid it on the Judges desk

and walked out !- Exchange.

Mrs. J. T. Lawrence and children of Wichita Falls are visiting relatives

1927 AT HAND

The year 1927 is at hand. The Review's policy will be to give the best newspaper possible with the support and co-operation of the citizenship and to give printing service that will meet the approval of each patron. We shall endeavor to contribute in a greater way to the development and progress, of our town and community. There are several things that we will contend for earnestly, but always in the spirit of fairness, with the best interest of our people at heart A newspaper that does not endeavor to promote and strive to accomplish things worth while for the welfare of the community in which it is published does not deserve the support of the people of that community. There are problems to solve, victories to win and failures to overcome in any community. and the Review will always be found fostering every worthy movement for Cross Plains. The Review is YOUR home paper. We wan't every reader to feel a personal interest in it. You are always welcome. Call and look over the plant. Feel at home here.

RESOLVE NOW to Build that Home!

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While making your New Years' Resolutions, resolve to build that long-contemplated home, and start the new year right. We have resolved to give you the very best service possible in 1927, as we have this year. So, let us figure on that new home, plumbing job or any building job you may be planning.

RIG TIMBERS

S, R. Jackson, Mgr

LOCAL BASKETEERS DE-

On Wednesday, Dec. 22nd, the Cross Plains girl basket ball team played the Rising Star team and won the game by a score of 24 to 16. However the Rising Star team took their defeat nobly and went down fighting.

A slumber party was given to the Cross Plains team by Miss Zelda Barr to celebrate their victory. The Cross Plains team has high hopes of becoming a championship team.

There has been much accomplished in Cross Plains the past year and our own and community has made a splen did growth. The spirit of Progress and aggressiveness is evident everywhere. The offensive is on. Those who say we can't go over the top had just as well surrender and stack arms.

After Christmas Sale on all Novelities gifts, metal hats, underwear, new spring coats and dresses.

Mrs. Corrie B. West

BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES

We have gotten moved, and are very happy in our new work. We greatly appreciated the wonderful reception given us by the Church on our arrival in the city.

Also appreciated the splendid pounding given which contained many good eats. We covet the full co-operation of each member of the church through the New Year, and in return we promise you our very best. And wish for each person in the city a prosperous New Year. And extend to you a cordial invitation to all of our services:

As the old year goes and the new comes, may we highly resolve that we will hence forth be courageously inhospitable towards that which harms mankind and aggressively co-operate with that which helps, and that we will ever seek to leaven all the circles of life with the spirit of th golden rule, and we shall ever live on the highest service to God and man.

James H. Hunt,

Phone No. 57.

G. C. Miller of the Gorman Progress was a pleasant viitor at the Review Office Monday. ..

Your 1927 Banking Business Solicited

meet it with confidence and assurance, feeling that our efforts to serve the people of this community, as bankers, will be rewarded. And it is our hope to serve you in a greater way in 1927 than in the past year. We solicit your banking business. Welcome to this bank.



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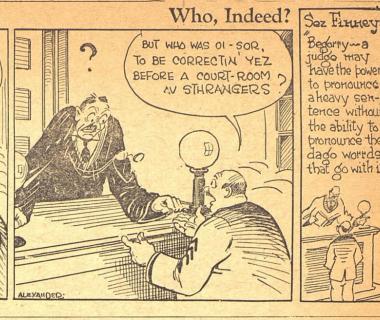
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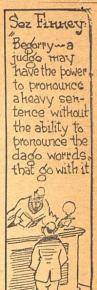
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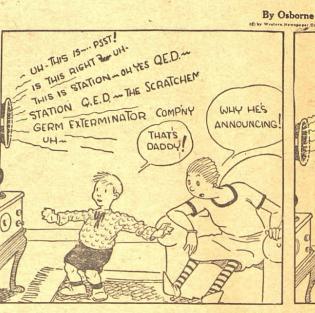
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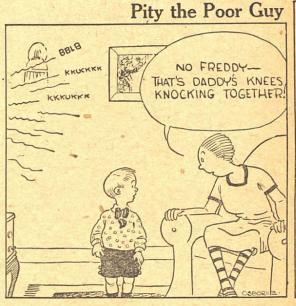












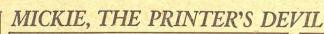


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Events in the Lives of Little Men

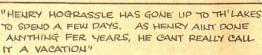




FROM THE LOOKS OF THE COPY HOOK, NEWS IS FEW AND FAR BETWEEN THIS MORNING = GOSH, I WISH THEYD LET ME CONTRIBUTE SOME NEWS = I KNOW PLENTY OF ITEMS TO MAKE A SPICY PAPER

DEACON GILCH MADE HIS REGULAR TRIP OVER TO DUBUQUE AFTER HIS COPY OF "RUFF STORIES" = WE'RE WISE TO YOU, DEACON."



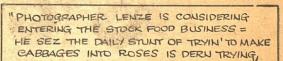


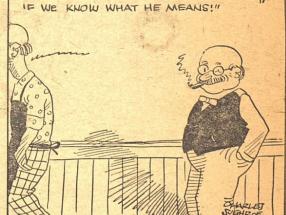
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"MRS. O. WATTA SAP, THE WELLKHOWN SOCIAL LEADER, IS RECUPERATING AT HOT SPRINGS FROM TH' STRENUOUS SEASON = OL' MAN GRUMP SEZ IT'S THE TOWN WHICH IS RE-CUPERATING FROM MRS. SAPP. "









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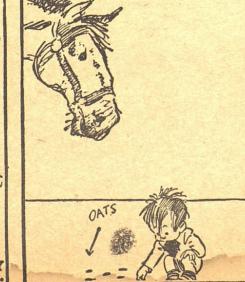
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KIDS, I AM GONNA DIVIDE ALL THIS BODDLE AMONG THEM WHAT WILL SEND IN THE THREE BEST NAMES IN MY BIG DOG HAME CONTEST! Mickie STOCKTON, ILL.

> Buddie Has a Little Horse Sense













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CHAPTER VI

-12-Into the Wilderness

"No, we will go to Murray's tavern," I said. "I will ask him if he thinks he can commit assassination here in the town as he does in the forest."

"Good," rejoined Ta-wan-ne-ars impassively. "I will accompany my brother there."

I remembered that De Veulle lodged at Cawston's, and hesitated.

"Let my brother Ormerod be at ease," added the Indian. "Ta-wan-nears has mastered his hatred." "I, too, hate your enemy," I said.

He was silent for as much as ten "My brother means De Veulle?" ne

"Yes; I once crossed swords with him."

"And he lives! Did he wound my brother?"

I recounted briefly the circumstances of the duel at the Toison d'Or. He made no comment until I had finished. "I am glad my brother spared him." he said then. "For Ta-wan-ne-ars has often prayed to Ha-wen-ne-yu, the Great Spirit, to give him the life of this man who lives as though he were one of the fiends of the Ga-go-sa (False Faces).

At Cawston's we looked in vain for Murray or any of his party in the taproom and ordinary, so without a word to the servants we ascended the stairs to the upper floor. In the hall I halted momentarily, considering which door to knock upon, when the puzzie was solved by the opening of the one by which we stood.

My Lady appeared, and she started back in amazement, tinged with fear, at sight of me and the stalwart, halfnaked figure of the Seneca.

I bowed to her.

"Good evening, Mistress Murray," I said. "I am come with my friend for a word with your father."

"He is engaged," she answered

"That may be, but I must speak with him on a matter of much importance. I am obliged to ask your father for the second time if he condones assassination in the dark."

Her eyes widened with horror, then darkened with stony anger.

"Sir, you are monstrous impertinent!" she exclaimed. "How dare you suggest such a thing?"

"Because it occurred a quarter-hour past."

"And because you are assailed by some footpad in a disreputable part of the town, is that a reason for you to charge Master Murray with assassination?" she demanded with high con-

"Oh, I have proof," I said. My anger grew with hers. It maddened me that this girl, who I knew was honest, should be arrayed against me, should hold for me the contempt

of a clean woman for a man she deemed a traitor. The door behind her opened, and

Murray himself came out. "I thought I heard voices- Ah Master Juggins-

"Ormerod," I interrupted suavely. His evebrows expressed polite aston-

ishment. "To be sure. Forgive my stupidity. It hath gone so far as that already,

hath it?" "It hath gone so far as attempted assassination-for the second time," I

retorted.

'Assassination? Tut, tut," he rebuked me. "Master Ormerod, you use strong language. And who in this little town of ours would seek to murder a gentleman new-landed like your-

Ta-wan-ne-ars stepped to the front. "Does Murray know this scalp?" He permitted an end of the lock of

Bolling's hair to show through his clinched fingers. Marjory shrank back in terror. Murray's face became convulsed with pas-

'Sdeath!" he swore. "If Bolling is dead by this savage's hand I shall know the wherefore of it! What? Do the Iroquois take scalps within the

Ta-wan-ne-ars laughed, and slowly epened his fist to reveal the single

lock of hair. "Ta-wan-ne-ars only takes the scalps of honorable warriors," he said in his smooth, low-pitched voice, "But the Red Death escaped tonight by the width of these hairs. Does Murray think Ga-en-gwa-ra-go would have been angry with Ta-wan-ne-ars if the tomahawk had struck true?"

Murray wiped beads of perspiration from his face.

"So 'twas Bolling!" he muttered. "Curse the knave! What hath he

"No more than attempted to murde me, sir-as I have attempted to tell vou," I answered ironically.

Marjory came forward, hands clasped in expostulation.

"It isn't so! It can't be so! Tell him he lies, sir!" she pleaded with Murray.

He put her gently to one side. "Peace, peace, my dear," he said.

"You do not understand." "But Bolling was one of your people, sir. You told me-"

"Tut, tut, my dear Marjory. You are new to this new world of ours. The frontier is not like Scotland. We must work with what tools we find. 1 say it to my sorrow"-and he said it furthermore without even the twitch of an eyelid-"I am compelled occasionally to consort with men I might prefer to do without."

He gave his attention once more to me.

"In a word, Master Ormerod, what hath happened that you approach me in so hostile a spirit?"

"In a word, Master Murray," I replied, "your man Bolling, or 'The Red Death, as he seems to be known in these parts, tried to kill me with knife and hatchet this evening."

"I am constrained to believe you." he said with an appearance of much sorrow, "but I cannot hold myself responsible, sir. As it happens, Bolling



quarreled with me this afternoon in the presence of half a dozen well known citizens of the town, and I dismissed him from my service."

"Pardon me," I said with a 'if I express some-"

"Do you step within," he responded with celerity. "I shall be glad if you will satisfy yourself by questioning witnesses of the dispute. Marjory, will you-"

"I will stay," she said positively. He shrugged his shoulders and stood aside. I motioned to Marjory, and she entered first. I walked next, and Seneca followed me, one hand rest-

ing on his knife hilt. Murray shut the door behind us, and found myself in a large room, sufficiently lighted by candles. Five or six men, who had been talking at a table, looked up with interest as we came in. One of them was De Veulle. and I felt rather than saw the massive frame of Ta-wan-ne-ars gather itself together exactly as does the wildcat

when he sights his quarry. The others I did not know. Later Ta-wan-ne-ars told me they were respectable merchants identified with the faction in the province who were hostile to Governor Burnet, and all were for the closest trade relations with

Murray turned to me, after recountng my errand, and said:

"Your companion is evidently a chief, Master Ormerod. Will you identify him?"

Before I could say anything Ta-wanne-ars responded for himself.

"I am Ta-wan-ne-ars, of the Clan of the Wolf, war chief of the Senegas, and nephew to Do-ne-ho-ga-weh, the Guardian of the Western Door of the Long House."

He spoke directly to De Veulle, and the Frenchman's eyes shifted from his level glance.

"Must we have an Indian present?" he muttered. "This is a white man's affair."

"As it happens, this Indian saved my life from a white man's knife," I replied quickly. "He is my brother. I would rather have him here than a woman-stealer."

But I had reckoned without Marjory. She took the situation out of my hands.

"Sir," she said, "you seem to delight in slandering gentlemen who are not disloyal to their friends. I beseech you, have done. 'Tis a sorry business, and gains naught for you. Get forward with what brought you here."

I marked the relief that shone in De Veulle's eyes. I marked, too, the penetrating glance which Ta-wan-ne-ars bent upon her face. For myself, although I felt sick at heart, I said nothing. There was nothing which I could say.

I turned to Murray again.

"This conversation must be painful to us," I said. "Let us make an end to it. Bolling attacked me, as you know. My friend and brother here saved me and drove him away. We have a lock of Bolling's hair in proof of the attempt. 'Tis in your interest to do what you can to clear yourself of responsibility for so dastardly a crime.

One of the merchants at the table. a very decent appearing man, soberiy dressed and with much good sense in his face, caught me up.

"'Tis not strange that you should have come to Master Murray after such an attempt as you mention, sir. he began in conciliatory fashion. "But fortunately we were present this afternoon when Master Murray dismissed the man from his employ, in consequence of his dishonesty and misdealing during Master Murray's absence.'

"Aye," spoke up a second merchant, 'and sure, the knave must have attacked you hoping 'twould be brought against Master Murray."

"Not to speak of the fact he was in great need of funds, Master Murray having refused to grant certain demands he made," suggested a third. I bowed.

"Gentlemen," I said, "I am satisfied -that Master Murray hath a stout case. There is no more need be said."

"Ah, but there is more to be said," flared Marjory. "Think shame of yourself, sir, to be forever believing against others motives which you know yourself to be laden with. You were once an honorable man. Why do you not mend your ways and regain the selfrespect of your kind?"

"God send there be an honorable man to hand when your need comes, mistress," I said. "Good evening, gentlemen."

Murray escorted us to the door. Ta-wan-ne-ars walked beside me without speaking until we had left the

tavern. "I understand your thoughts, my brother," he said suddenly. "We go

upon the same quest." 'Quest?" I repeated. "What quest?" "We each seek a soul which is lost, a sick soul."

I remembered his rage against De

Veulle, and caught his meaning. "Yes, that is true of you, Ta-wanne-ars. But there is no soul which I

have the right to seek." "Nevertheless, my brother would find the soul of the maiden and guard

it," he insisted. "I have seen." I saw the grave smile, with a hint of pleading, on his face; and I reached out and caught his hand.

"Whatever be the end of my search, brother," I said, "I will go to the setting sun, and beyond if need be, to aid you to find the soul which you seek." "The same words are in my heart, brother," he replied simply.

. "Bolling hath disappeared," said Governor Burney. "I have given orders to all officers and troops and town officials that he is to be detained if he ventures to appear, but the knave-or, I should say his master—is too wise. By the way, an express arrived from Fort Orange (Albany) last night and reported having spoken Murray's party in the Tappan zee. He will be a good three days ahead of you, 'twould

seem." "I am not sorry," I answered, "Have you any further instructions for me,

The governor unfolded the map of the wilderness country which he had exhibited to me during my first visit. (TO BE CONTINUED.)

Library's Great Value Not Fully Realized

Our libraries can be made one of the most potent instruments of a creative citizenship, which aims at humanizing that grim industrialism, the grip of which tightens every day. Our policy must be to teach the community to find in the library a central laboratory of sweetness and light-a radiating power house of the spiritual and intellectual antidotes to the mechanistic materialism with which life today is saturated and by which it is degraded. We must insist that the library represents the literature of power, as distinct from the literature of knowledge and of information. Just as most men and women cannot understand maps without careful instruction, so most readers do not inclosed know really how to read. We have structure taught our people to decipher print; dredging

we have not yet taught them how to The universities tried to do read. that-but even if our ideals are realized the percentage of our congested democracy that will pass through a university must always be comparatively small. The library can do what the university cannot. Let us convince the public that it pays to read the literature of power, and it will pay to have that literature in abundance. -Principal Grant Robertson in a recent address.

Mani'a Harbor

Before the American occupation large ship w ed to lie two or three mile



versal suffrage. Tasmania has an

are selected under a system of pro-

Big as the United States.

miles. Nearly half the commonwealth,

diana and the southern half of Mich-

while Sydney, Australia's New York,

Australia is almost exactly the same

portional representation.

(Prepared by the National Geographic

Society, Washington, D. C.)
USTRALIA, most remote of the large overseas units of the British "empire" that recently have been given a status that almost amounts to independent nationhood, is 12,000 miles from the British Isles. Its isolation has made it in some ways the most self-reliant and democratic of Britain's offspring.

Although more than 7.000 miles from the United States, Australia has been very strongly influenced governmentally by the latter country. The institutions of this Southern commonwealth are more nearly like our own than those of any other important country.

The commonwealth of Australia (which has been in existence as such only since 1901) consists of six states: New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania. As in our own Union, the states delegated only certain specific powers to the federal government and retained all the rest themselves.

The law-making machinery consists of a senate and a house of representatives. The members of both are elected. There is provision for nonvoting delegates from the unorganized Northern territory, paralleling the arrangement in the United States whereby Alaska, Porto Rico and the Philippines send non-voting delegates to congress. The federal parliament of Australia has an advantage over the American congress in its smallness. There are now 36 senators and 76 rep-

resentatives. There is in Australia a federal district like our own District of Columbia, outside the boundaries and jurisdictions of the states. In this district a permanent federal capital city is now being built, and it is planned that the next parliament (that meeting in 1927) will be held there. Pending the building of this capital the city of Melhourne has been the temporary seat of government.

As in Canada, the executive power has in the past been exercised by a governor general, in theory representing the British king, but in some respects acting as representative of the existing British government. Under the most recent London agreement as to the status of the dominions, the governor general will in the future be merely the personal representative of the king, a sort of official figure-head standing by while the all-Australian premier, cabinet and congress run the country.

Government of the States.

Until the formation of the commonwealth in 1901 the present states of Australia were separate colonies. New South Wales is both the oldest and the most populous of the units, but it is exceeded in size by both Queensland and Western Australia. Its population is more than two million.

In form of government and methods of election there are much greater differences between the states of Australia than between those of the United States. New South Wales, as becomes the oldest of the units, is most conservative, having an upper house whose members are appointed for life by the British king. None other of the six states has such a feature. In the make-up of its lower house, New South Wales swings to a democratic extreme and employs proportional representation. Like all the other states, New South Wales has an appointed governor and a cabinet.

In Victoria the members of both houses are elected, those of the upper for six years, those of the lower for three. Those who vote for menibers of the upper house, however, must own a certain amount of property. Members of the lower house are elected by universal suffrage.

Queensland is the most democratic of the states. It has gone so far as to throw overboard the idea inherited in our own country from England that the legislatures of states should consist of two houses. In 1922 Queensland abolished its upper house and its laws are now made by a single house of representatives whose members are elected for three years by universal suffrage.

South Australia and Western Australia both have governments like 1,000 miles is Java,

Improved Uniform International

(By REV. P. B. FITZWATER, D.D., Dean of Day and Evening Schools, Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.) (©. 1926, Western Newspaper Union.)

Lesson for January 2

THE CHRISTIAN A FOLLOWER OF JESUS

LESSON TEXT-Mark 1:16-20, 2:13-17; I John 2:6. GOLDEN TEXT—And said unto him

"Follow me," and he arose and fol-lowed Him. PRIMARY TOPIC—Learning from JUNIOR TOPIC-Enlisting with

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOP-IC-What it Means to Follow Jesus.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOP-IC-Receiving Jesus as Saviour and Lord.

1. Jesus Calls Four Men to Follow Him.

1. Who they were (vv. 16, 19). Simon and Andrew, John and James, two pairs of brothers. It is usually wise to engage in the Lord's service in fellowship-in pairs. This is not only necessary for effective testimony, but for needed fellowship on the part of workers and protection of the wit-

2. From what they were called (vv.

16, 20). They were called from positions of definite service. God always chooses His servants from the ranks of the upper house made up in the same way but the members of its lower house

3. To what they were called (v. 17). est work in the world to do.

4. The cost of obedience to Christ's call (vv. 18, 20).

is in a position like that of Raleigh, Obedience to Christ's call meant Going northward along Australia's sacrifice, painful separation, to give eastern shore, one advances into warmer and warmer territory. By the time the city of Brisbane, capital of Queensland, is reached, one has attained a latitude comparable to that of Palm Beach, Fla. From there the was able to supply all their needs. state of Queensland sweeps on until 5. Their reward (v. 17).

its northernmost point is nearer the equator than southern Mexico. This "hot country" is Australia's sugar bowl, much of the tilled ground being devoted to the growth of cane fishermen. as in America's South. As in the latter region, too, cotton grows well and

its production is becoming a greater and greater industry. The north central portion of Australia, making up the northern territory, is little developed and all but unknown. There, and in the northern parts of Queensland and Western Australia dwell most of the few thousand remaining Australian natives, the ness of tax collection was to be ex-"blackfellows." A large proportion

of these are still savages. The northern and western portion of South Australia, and most of the interior of Western Australia are desert lands. They are more pronounced deserts than the great arid belt of the United States east of the Rocky mountains. The Australiau desert regions are practically uninhabited and unused. Around the fringe of this super-dry region, however, is a semi-arid area in which millions of sheep and cattle graze. In the better watered, agricultural regions wheat is

the principal product. Minerals, especially gold, have been found in various parts of Australia. Western Australia, across the continent from the older settled communities of southeastern Australia, owes its development largely to the discov-

ery of gold. For a "White Australia."

The traditional policy of the commonwealth is for a "White Australia," a policy as firmly grounded there as is the Monroe Doctrine in the United States. It is not that Australia despises immigration. It is rather that she has clung to her ideal of "a homogeneous people of British origin."

Australia is disappointed that of the four large areas which offer congenial homes for people of European blood -namely, Australia, Canada, United States and Argentina-Australia alone has been passed by, while the other three favored regions have received Europeans by hundreds of thousands. She saw the United States receiving in year (1913) 1.197,892 people from abroad, more than the entire net immigration to Australia for the preceding 53 years, and in another year (1910) enrolling four times as many people born in the United Kingdom as were living in Australia.

Much of this discrimination is doubtless due to Australia's isolation. Northward the sailing distance to Japan is approximately 3,000 nautical miles; to India, 2,500 miles. South America is 7,000 miles to the east, and Africa an equal distance west. From London to the capital of Australia ships by the Suez route traverse approximately 13,362 miles of water and by the Panama canal 14.582 miles. From California ports the routes via Samoa, or Fiji, or Tahiti cover a quarter of the circumference of the earth. Australia's only large civilized neighbor within a radius of

that of Victoria, legislatures of two houses, the upper elected under property qualifications, the lower by uni-

employed.

"To become fishers of men." These men no doubt had been successful as fishers. The qualities which made them good fishermen, namely, pasize as the continental United States, tience, bravery to face the storm at having an area of 2,974,581 square night and perseverance which led them to toil all night, though no fish however, is in the tropics. Tasmania were caught, would make them good has the coolest climate; it lies in latifishers of men. Winning souls for tude corresponding to northern, In-Christ requires great patience, bravery and perseverance. Becoming igan. Melbourne, the southernmost fishers of men is the most important big city of the mainland, is in latitude business in the world. It is the hardcorresponding to that of Washington;

> up all business interests and leave their father behind. Regardless of the cost they yielded prompt obedience. They put their trust in Him who called them, believing that He

These four men have wielded wondrous influence in the world. Their names have become immortalized. Had they remained at their business they would only have been humble

II. Matthew Becomes a Follower of

Jesus (Mk. 2:13-17). Matthew was a despised tax gatherer under the Roman government. For a Jew to fill such a position was to become unpopular. Since they regarded taxes paid to the Roman government as unlawful extortion, a member of their race engaging in the busiposed to shame and contempt.

1. Observe the abruptness of this call (v. 14). While sitting at his place of busi-

ness he heard the call of Jesus. 2. The definiteness of the call

It was to follow Jesus. To follow Jesus means to learn of Him and to engage in service for Him. 3. His instant decision (v. 14). Matthew did not stop to reason on

the question, but rendered definite and instant obedience. He openly gave up his business and identified himself with the Lord. Happy is the man who has the good judgment to instantly respond to the call of the Lord even though it may be costly. Matthew made a feast and invited many of his publican friends to meet his newly found Saviour. This had a twofold objective:

(1) An expression of grateful appreclation to the Lord for His saving

grace. (2) To bring his former friends and associates into touch with his newly found Saviour. It is natural for those who have found the Lord to desire to bring their friends into touch with

Him. III. Walking as Jesus Walked. The Supreme Test of Abiding in Him. (I John 2:6).

Abiding in Christ means to have experienced the life of God in Christ, to have come into contact with Christ's personality and to be consciously living in fellowship with Him. Christ's oneness with the Father and His devotion to His will is the supreme and grand example. Anyone who pretends to abide in Christ, who is not walking as He walked, is not entitled to the claim of Christian. The walk of the Christian implies the whole of his life. The reality of our profession is determined by the consistency of our walk.

"Ye Must Be Born Again"

Wes'ey, who, it is said, preached three hundred times from the words, 'Ye must be born again," was asked, Wesley, why do you preach so often on 'Ye must be born again'?" Because," said Wesley, "ye must be born again!"-King's Business.

Forgiving

And be ye kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.-Paul



Wishing You and Yours A Very Happy and Prosperous NEW YEAR

West Texas Utilities Company

May it be filled to overflowing with the good things of life for you and yours

THE OLD YEAR IS GONE

But it brought us many new friends and strengthened old ones. We are truly thankful for the favors of 1926.

And we wish to say that we will try and serve you with a better and more complete line of gents clothing for 1927. And don't forget that beginning about Jan. 15th we will have a line of Ladies Ready-to Wear in connection with the men's line. Also ladies' hats. We will have a new and complete line of Gordon knit underwear and hosiery. Ladies' Walkover Shoes and Spring Coats. Everything will be of the latest in design and patterns, with new stock of Dresses, Hats and coats each week to pick from.

Thanking you again for your 1926 patronage and wishing one and all a happy and plentiful New Year, we remain yours for Quality and Service.

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Always on the job. We try to please all by giving each one the same personal service. Courtesy and moderate prices, always.

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Arel A. Bertrand, Prop.

SUBSCRIBER WANTS MORE IMPROVEMENTS DURING 1927

Christmas has come and gone like

1926 is gone like muddy water over the

rystal water to start off the New Year clean and with a good spirit. It is going to take lots of this good

spirit and clear water to make things

rut and make it a real city with a poptime old man 1927 is ready to give up

Paved streets are one thing that Cross Plains needs and needs bad. It is going to take a little energy and pep

ar in the center of the street and rean get to your car without wading mud

Come on now Brother citizens let us

1927 than ever before. Come on now, other points in West Texas think these things over deep down in

We can have a town of 5,000 by next chool term if everyone will join in and

Our new school is going to bring nore people here to live, that their children can go to school and enjoy a good education. We are at least 100 LONGBOTHAM & LONGBOTHAM homes short in Cross Plains, and have been for some time. We can never expet to make this a larger place than it is if we don't jar loose and put the things in the town that are needed to induce others to move in and enjoy the town with us.

You might say let the Chamber of Commerce see to these things, and do them. Remember the present Chamber of Cammerce has done more for Cross Plains in the past two years than has ever been done before.

We have a good, live, wide awake secretary, that is on the job every minnte of the day trying to help the town along, are we going to sleep on, the job McCartney, Foster & McGee and let him do it all, or are we going to

knows that if we don't give him the support that it takes for him to get results from his undertakings, we are going to awaken some of these fine mornings and find ourselves without a man that is trying to do his best, Without support, and find him moving to where people are progressive and ready to help him put over any and everything that it takes to make a real town

Among the other things that we need is a modern brick hotel, a first class eating house, a real coffee shop, a good opera house where we can go and after hard days work and enjoy a real show with real actors, a show that we can hear as well as see, one that has a rea

Office rooms is another thing that re need as much as anything else.

With a modern brick hotel here, i would mean that Oil men would stay here overnight, instead of going to Cis-

o or some place else for their night lodging. If they can get hotel accomadations here they are sure to look for office rooms as well and there is any amount of Oil companies that would bring their branch offices here, which would also mean more people for the

Cross Plains has many opportunities for other business houses as well,a good laundry, an improved telephone system. one that we can get the best of service from; a good candy kitchen and fruit store combined: an exclusive shoe store an exclusive electrical shop for rea battery and ignition service, on our car wheel and push our little city out of its a home building and Loan Co. should do good here to help those who wan't to build a home to do it.

> Our little city is far from being : lead one, when we have business house worth of business a month, not to say

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Buckingham o Gainesville are visiting relatives here

Porter Henderson and Ralph Buck be a demand for more new houses, in ingham left Tuesday for Lubbock and

A Scientific Massage

soothing for pain and restful to the patient. We are at your service. -Chiropractors and Masseurs-DOCTORS:

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Those who occupy positions of importance possess alert minds and strong bodies. Therefore, decide today to discard the handicap of ill health and supplant it with new vigor, increased energy and greater strength by taking FORCE TONIC.

For Sale by Cross Plains Drug Store, R. Robertson. Prop.

New Year Thoughts



At the dawn of the New Year it is with pleasure that we reflect back over the past years work. We've enjoyed a liberal patronage and we appreciate it. We hope to merit a continuation of your patronage and your friendship in 1927. We also take this opportuunity to extend best wishes for the new year to you and yours.

Cross Plains Furniture Co



We wish to call your attention to the fact that we have a few choice Gifts left which we are going to sell at actual cost. Come in and see them. .

Caskey Drug Store

Wilson & Kendrick Fire Insurance Real Estae and Leases

JACKSON ABSTRACT COMPANY Rupert Jackson, Mgr.

ABSTRACTORS

Baird, Texas K. of P. Bldg. Phone 59

Pre-Inventory BARGAINS

We are offering many Pre-Inventory Bargains this week, and we can save you money on many articles you may need.

We are sure you enjoyed a Merry Christmas and we wish you much happiness and prosperity during the year 1927.

And we take this opportunity to again express our appreciation for your liberal patronage in the past and we hope that we may continue to serve you.

We are going to try to make 1927 the best year in the history of our business--- and expect to accomplish that by rendering courteous, prompt and satisfactory service, with Quality merchandise and Reasonable prices.

W.A.McGowen & Sons

"A Good Place to Trade"

At The Close of The Old Year-- 1926

we wish to express to you our appreciation for the pleasant business associations with you which it has been our privilege to enjoy the past year, and may we express a hope that those pleasant relations may continue throughout the new year.



And May 1927 bring you happiness and material prosperity, is our wish.



C.P. Hardware Co.

"A GOOD PLACE TO TRADE"

IRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PROGRAM A WEDDING SERVICE Hymn-Work for the night is Coming

Response by officers in unison. John :9:4 Hymn-Work for the night is Coming Response by Chairmen in unison,1; Cor Installation Address By Pastor

Responses: President, 1 Cor.,14:20 Vice President, Exodus, 17:24 Secretaries, Exodus, 17:14 Treasurer, Mal., 3: 8-10 Pianist, Ps. 150:3-6 Lookout Com., 1: 45-46 Prayer Meeting, Acts, 1:14 Music, Ps. 98: 4-6 Missionary, Matt,, 28: 19-20 Social, Luke 5-29 Publicity, Ps. 68:11 Flower, Isa.,40:8 Quiet Hour Ps., 102:1 Junior Supt., John 21:15-19

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Underwood and little son visited relatives at Gorman Christmas day. Mrs. Underwood remained on account of a severe attack of appendicitis. She was improving Tues-

FOR SALE

Buckeye Incubators

- 600 Egg Size Used One season. 250 Egg Size Used One Season.
- 175 Egg Size, Shop Worn Only
- 175 Egg Size Never Uncrated 110 Egg Size Shop Worn.
- All at Prices Priced To sell Quickly Safety Hatch Incubators
- 110 Egg Size Used Two seasons. 160 Egg Size Used Two Seasons
- 250 Egg Size Used Three Seasons
- 2 500 Chick Size brooder never Used 500 Chick size brooder Used one These were not bought to keep they are for sale and yu can save some money
- J. E. Henkel, Cross Plains, Texas.

FOR SALE

- Wicker Dining Room Suite Dresser.
- 2 Iron Bods.
- good Cabinet.
- China Closet
- Table
- 3 burner gas Cook stove 4 chairs
- Window Shades

See Mrs. Sherman Geherett two bocks west of Baptist Church.

ittle son Jack spent the holidays with relatives at Mineral Wells.

Ollie Dennis and family of Abilene

he Yuletide with relatives at Dublin.

Charley Adams of Lubbock is isiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W

T. A. McDonald visited Mrs. C. E. cott at Cisco Christmas day.

Christine Cunningham who attends McMurray College, is home for the

Ethel and Lucille Hicks of Cisco re-spending the holidays with Aletha

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Anderson spent the holidays with Mrs. Anderson's Mother at Walnut Springs.

Buell Benham is spending the holidays at his home in Waco.

Miss Lua Jones spent the holidays at her home in Abilene.

Mrs. Ethel Carson and little daughter Sammy, have moved to Dallas where she will have a position with Southwestern Life Insurance Co.

Foster Bond visited his wife and daughter at Gatesville Sunday where his wife has been ill for some time.

P. P. Bond and family of Santa Anna vere visiting relatives here Suday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Geherott and Mrs. Penny and daughter Katherine Rose, went to Brownwood Sunday after noon to visit Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Snearley and baby, who were visiting

Miss Alma Warren and N. C. Mitchell spent the holidays with Miss Warren's parents at Dublin.

Mr. and Mrs. George Forbes of Cisco visited relatives here during the holi

Go to Church Sunday.

LYRIC Theatre, B'wood

Matinee and Night TUESDAY, JANUARY 4th.

LEATS NOW SELLING



J.-C. Sindorf of Swensondale Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Pierce, visited son and brother, John Sindorf

IN ADVANCE FOR

Dan G. Wilson spent the holidays with his mother at Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Powell spent the holidays in Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Crabb returned chine. and Comanche. At Comanche they visited Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gray and Son Donald of Ferris Texas spent the

and son Herman, of Seminole, Okla., C. Forbes and little son, Truman Lee, Thelbert Harris of Cisco, Grandma Pierce and Ethel Pierce, Deer Plains: Carl Childs and family of Cross Plains all enjoyed a big turkey dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Pierce on Christmas day.

ORCHESTRA NIGHT, 50c, 1.10, 1.65

FOR SALE

ONE good "One Minute" Washing Ma-

Tuesday from a trip to Fort Worth ONE good "Rotarex" Washing Machine All these were taken in on sales of the "Easy" Washers we are selling. Sold on terms. J. E. Henkel.

Olon Mitchell who is attending holidays with Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Har- business College in Fort Worth came home for Christmas



Orrell-Dodson Chevrolet Co. Cross Plains, Texas

QUALITY AT - LOW

ANCIENT CULTURE FOUND IN ALASKA

Attributed to Indians and Eskimos.

Washington .- "The ancient inhabitants of the Bering sea coasts and Islands, who developed the 'fossil ivory culture,' reached a degree of industrial differentiation and art so high that we have nothing to compare with them in America except among the more highly developed tribes of the northwest coast and those of Mexico, Yucatan and Peru." That is one of the conclusions reached by Dr. Ales Hrdlicka, anthropologist of the Smithsonian institution, as a result of his exploration of Alaska last summer for the bureau of American ethnology.

"We cannot be sure yet who these people were," said Doctor Hrdlicka, "though it is probable that they were the ancestors of the present Eskimo or Indian or both. However, there seems to be a distinction between their art and that of the Eskimo of today. The outstanding characteristic of the former is their mastery of form and line in curves; of the present-day Eskimo it is the geometric design, with the drawings and carving of animals in their natural form.

No Change in Inhabitants.

"This might indicate that some other people were responsible for the older culture. But when we examine the skeletal remains there is no indication that any other people except Eskimo and Indian lived in these regions at any period thus far represented in the collections.

"The area over which evidences of the old culture are found is very extensive. Traces of it are found far down the American coasts. But it is not certain that it was actually practiced everywhere along these coasts. In these parts of the world one of the most striking phenomenons is the evidence of extensive trade carried on in Implements and other cultural objects. There is, for example, on the Kobuk river a mountain called Jade mountain. It was early known to the Indians and the Eskimo of the river and its green stone was made into adzes, drills, knives, lamps and other objects. Though this is the sole source of the green stone, objects made of it occur all the way from Barrow and Point Hope to Seward peninsula, the Asiatic coast, the Diomedes, the St. Lawrence, and down to Nunivak Island.

Find Objects of Ivory.

"Similarly one finds the highly decorated objects of now fossil ivory on the Diomedes, the St. Lawrence, the Asiatic coast, Seward peninsula, and from Barrow again down to Nunivak Island and possibly much farther. The designs seem to connect with the characteristic art of the northwest coast. The indications would seem to point to the old ivory cult having been central in northwestern Asia whence it spread by trading along the American coasts."

The Alaskan Eskimo, according to Doctor Hrdlicka's conclusions from a study of the skeletal material collected, is by no means the highly differentiated Eskimo of Labrador and Greenland. He often approaches, occasionally to the point of identity, on the one hand the Asiatic and Mongoloid types of people and on the other the American Indian, more particularly those of Alaska and the northwest

coast. "With the evidence now in our hands there can be no longer any hes-Itation," concludes Doctor Hrdlicka, "in believing that the Eskimo and Indian originally were not any two distinct races nor even widely distinct and far away types, but that if we could go a little back in time they would be found to be like two neighboring fingers of one hand, both proceeding from the same palm, or source.'

Further exploration in the Far North, Doctor Hrdlicka is convinced. will be relatively simple and in a few years is bound to bring far-reaching

"Up Salt Creek" Born in Clay's Campaign

Shepherdsville, Ky. - "Up Salt ereek" has long been a popular expression with a mooted origin, but Dr. G. C. Crist, grandson of Gen. Henry Crist, Kentucky congressman, traces the phrase to a campaign of Henry Clay for the presidency.

The Sunday before the election, the local legend goes, Clay was far down the Ohio river and hired a boatman to row him to Louisville. Clay's opponents bribed the boatman, and when the skiff bearing Clay reached the mouth of Salt river the boatman quietly slipped into the smaller stream, his passenger being unaware of the move. After the votes were in some one

asked as to Clay's whereabouts. "He's gone up Salt creek," was the reply. The phrase is a popular figure of speech to denote dismay or defeat.

Make Cattle Immune

London.-Cattle have been made immune from tuberculosis by a Swiss biologist, Dr. Henry Spahlinger. The principle is described in a dispatch to the Daily Mail as the same as vac cination against smallpox.

Wove Her Own Shroud

Evening Shade, Ark .- In cloth woven by hand from threads she herself had spun fifty years ago, relatives wrapped the body of Mrs. Paralee M. Stovall who died here at the age of ninety-

APPLIED SCIENCE **USED BY INDUSTRY**

Bureau of Standards Report Indicates Advantages.

Washington.-American industry is more and more turning to applied science to aid in solving its many and intricate technical problems. This is indicated in the annual report of George K. Burgess, director of the bureau of standards of the Department of Commerce. The bureau, it shows, has contact with industry through approximately 80 advisory committees and through a large-number of "research associates" sent by industrial groups to work on problems of interest to their respective industries.

Results are applied quickly by the industries concerned, so that the public soon benefits from improved processes. In the fiscal year 1925-26 there were 62 of those associates at the bureau, representing 36 separate indus-

About 180,000 tests, having a fee value of \$675,046, were completed by the bureau in the year. The character and scope of these tests spanned the province of applied science from sugar to cement, from thermometers and pyrometers to paints and varnishes, and from aerial photography to studies in city planning. In addition to a vast amount of consultation and specification work from various governmental departments, specific research covering 40 projects was performed from 15 government establish-

Forty-five simplified practice recommendations have been accepted by industries, resulting in great savings in the production of articles in common use. This is one of the most important ways, it is pointed out, in which an industry can effect immediate economies. The demand for publication on this work is evidence of interest manufacturers are showing in

Attention to building and housing produced important results. A standard building code, submitted for general adoption, was drawn up by a special committee. A report was issued on the important subject of city planning and zoning, containing a list of 436 municipalities which have adopted zoning ordinances.

Among outstanding research undertakings of the bureau was that in connection with increasing the wearing quality of paper currency. By introducing certain changes in the manufacturing process, a paper was developed which it is believed will increase the life of bills by 50 per cent.

7 Out of 1,513 Women

Want to Be Housewives Lawrence, Kans.-Gentlemen who prefer homemakers will have to look

some place other than the University of Kansas in their search for such, if statistics made public here as a result of a questionnaire bear up.

Of 1,513 young women students at the university who turned in their preferences as to what line of work they wish to follow after graduation, only seven expressed a desire to become homemakers.

There were 97 different occupations isted by the men and w university in the report. Of these, 24 appeal alike to the men and women. Forty-eight were listed by the men which did not show in the women's list, while 25 were chosen by the wom-

en which the men passed up. The teaching profession came first with 816 women and 144 men desiring to enter this field. The medical field was next with 412 men and 20 women; business came third with 361 and 27; law next with 301 and 7, with the various branches of engineering listed in the next place. Journalism appeals to 89 men and 70 women.

Nature Freak Taken

Fresno, Calif.-A ring-tailed cat that has the ears of a fox and the eyes and nose of a coon was captured by B. P. Lester, while on a hunting trip on the Kings river and has been brought back to this city.

Taught Poisoning

Belgrade, Yugo-Slavia.-Five ringleaders of the Lucretia club, which taught its members, unhappy, how to mix mediaeval poisons, are in jail. Murders of husbands are attributed by the police to the club.

Deport 10,904 Aliens in Year; Bar 20,550

Washington .- A total of 10,-904 aliens found to be unlawfully within the United States during the last fiscal year were deported to their home countries, Secretary of Labor Davis announced in his annual report. This is greater than the number so deported in any previous year, and was 1,400 more than were deported in 1925.

Aliens debarred from entering the country numbered 20,-550. Nearly 86 per cent were turned back at the international land boundaries, 15,808 from Canada, and 1,755 from Mexico, the others being principally stowaways and seamen trying to enter without passports. Of the deported aliens, Europe received 5.088; Mexico, 2,588; Canada, 2,102 and Central and South America, 430. The emigrant aliens during 1926 totaled 76,992.

NATION'S CHILDREN BEHAVING BETTER

Marked Decrease in Delinquency Is Observed.

Washington.—"In response to many requests," Secretary of Labor Davis in his annual report for the fiscal year of 1926 states that "the children's bureau has just assembled such information as can be secured from the annual reports of Juvenile courts, and reports of the bureau of census with reference to the trend in juvenile delinquency. A study of this material indicates (1) that the present condition of the Juvenile court statistics is unsatisfactory and (2) that according to the evidence available juvenile delinquency has decreased.

"Lack of uniformity in methods of compiling statistics used in the courts and marked variations in inclusions and methods of presentation make the statistics practically valueless for purposes of comparing delinquency rates in one city with those of other cities. The fact that for only 14 cities of 100,-000 population and over in the United States can information be obtained on which delinquency rates can be computed over a period of years indicates the woeful inadequacy of statistical material regarding the work of an institution as important as the Juvenile

Figures for Fourteen Cities.

"The figures for these 14 widely separated cities-Boston, Buffalo, Chicago, Detroit, Minneapolis, New Orleans, New York, Philadelphia, Providence, Richmond, Rochester, St. Louis, Seattle, Washington-covering in most instances the 10-year period from 1915 to 1924, doubtless indicate the trend in juvenile delinquency. That 9 of the 14 show a decrease in the delinquency rate (i. e., the number of cases of delinquency per 1,000 children of the delinquency age fixed by the Juvenile court law) furnishes a strong presumption that sensational statements regarding increase of juvenile crime do not have a basis in fact.

"Moreover, much more reliable figures as to commitments to institutions, based on census reports covering the entire country, indicate a decline in the number of delinquent children committed to institutions, if growth in population be taken into consideration, and reveal no significant increase in the numbers committed for the more serious offenseshomicide, robbery and burglary. According to the census reports, the age of commitment to penal institutions has not decreased, as has frequently been asserted.

Plan for Reporting Published.

"The plan for reporting of Juvenile court statistics of delinquency and neglect on which the children's bureau has been at work for some years was published during the year as a bulletin entitled 'Juvenile Court Statistics. This bulletin contains an introductory statement of the purpose of Juvenile court statistics and the methods by which they may be obtained and a description of the plan proposed by the children's bureau, with outlines of the statist'cal cards to be used and the tables to be compiled.

"In the preparation of the plan the oureau had the co-operation committee on records and statistics of the National Probation association and of others who are familiar with statistical problems of the courts,

"A representative of the bureau is now visiting courts and state departments having supervisory authority or power to require reports from Juvenile courts, and is working out with these courts and departments the methods by which the plan may be made to fit in with present systems of recording, filing and summarizing the data called for. The co-operation of a number of courts and state departments has already been assured *

Steals His Own House: Makes Police History

Los Angeles.—Detective Lieutenants Curry and Bradley of the Lincoln Heights station went gunning for plumbing fixture thieves and assert they discovered "a new one for the book" in the person of a man who purloined his own house.

Their search led them to Wilmar, where the detectives arrested A. C. Carlander and his cousin, Rudolph Carlander, after, they assert, the men admitted having stolen various sinks, heaters, bath tubs and other plumbing fixtures with which their Wilmar homes were fitted.

"And on the way in," Curry said, 'A. C. admitted he had moved the house we found him in ten miles from the 800 block on Bullard avenue, where he had erected it, to 2939 Gladys avenue, Wilmar, after he had decided he couldn't make scheduled payments on it when they fell due. We understand he has made several payments on the land."

The prisoners were locked up in the Lincoln Heights station on burglary charges in connection with the assert ed stolen plumbing fixtures.

Finds Diabetes Cure

Philadelphia.-A discovery for the reatment of diabetes as important as that of insulin, is announced by Dr. David Riesman, head of the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania. Details are withheld

Upside Down

London.-Lieut. H. C. Calvey, in a single British air force plane, fley upside down for 4 minutes and 45 seconds for a record

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Life is a challenge and its laws Are rigid cases and stern; The splendid joy of real applause Each man must nobly earn. It makes us win its jewels rare, But gives us paste, if we're unfair. —Edgar Guest.

EVERYDAY GOOD THINGS

When one has a small family and a recipe makes too much to consume before spoiling, this dozen doughnut recipe will be welcome:

Doughnuts. — Cream two tablespoonfuls of shortening with one-half cupful of sugar, add one beaten egg, three cupfuls of flour sifted with three teaspoonfuls of baking powder and one-half cupful of milk. Set out to chill, then roll one-half inch thick and

cut with a large cutter. Banana and Cheese.—Cut peeled bananas into two-inch lengths, roll in beaten egg, then in grated cheese and fry in deep hot fat. These are delicious served with broiled bacon or

baked ham.

Mock Mince Pie.-Take one cupful of bread crumbs, one cupful of raisins, one cupful of sugar, one cupful of cranberries cut into halves, one salt spoonful each of cinnamon, cloves, allspice and nutmeg, one cupful of hot water, one-half cupful of vinegar, and one tablespoonful of butter. Turn into a tin lined with flaky crust and bake with a top crust.

Pumpkin Pie.-Beat two eggs, add one-half cupful of sugar, a cupful of thick, well browned pumpkin, a pint of rich milk, one-half teaspoonful each of salt and ginger, a few drops of lemon extract and a dash of nutmeg, cinnamon and cloves. Bake in a moderate oven an hour.

Indian Pudding. - Measure two quarts of milk, two-thirds of a cupful of corn meal, one cupful of sugar, one teaspoonful of salt, one cupful of raisins, one cupful of finely chopped suet, nutmeg, cinnamon and two tablespoonfuls of flour. Scald one quart of the milk, add the corn meal mixed with a little cold milk and cook until smooth. Add the rest of the ingredients, beating the egg and pour into a deep earthenware bowl. Sprinkle the top with the flour; the suet will come to the top and form a beautiful brown crust when it is baked. Stir several times during the first hour of cooking.

Something Different.

Those who enjoy sweet potatoes will like this combination: Fry rounds of sweet potato and



Baked Ham .-Cut off the surplus fat from the outer part of a thick cen-

ter cut of ham and chop it fine-sprinkle it over the top of the ham. Cover with quartered apples-any good baking applesprinkle with a half cupful or more of brown sugar and bake as usual.

Raspberry Lacto.-Take one quart of buttermilk, one and one-half cupfuls of sugar, one-fourth of a cupful of raspherry sirup and one egg. Separate the yolk and white of the egg and beat separately, mix and freeze; when half frozen add the juice of one lemon.

Ice Box Pudding .- Take one pound of vanilla wafers, one can of pineapple (a large can), one cupful of nutmeats, one-half pound of butter and four eggs. Cream the butter, add the sugar and one egg at a time until all are well blended. Put the nutmeats and wafers through the meat grinder. Prepare in layers and set in the ice chest for twelve hours.

Koumiss .- Take one quart of milk, one and one-half tablespoonfuls of sugar, one-fourth of a yeast cake, and one tablespoonful of warm water to dissolve the yeast. Heat the milk to lukewarm, add the sugar and dissolved yeast cake. Fill sterilized bottles to within two inches of the top, cork and shake. Invert bottles and keep them in a warm room for ten hours, then put in a cool place. Let stand in a cool place two days, shaking occasionally, then it is ready to use. Do not make more than is used at once as it does not keep longer than three days. This fermented milk is used in cases of extreme nausea, where food has not been retained in several weeks; it is also given where nourishment is needed in such form and plain milk is not agreeable.

Spiced Drop Cookies .- Take one half cupful each of white and brown sugar, three-fourths of a cupful of lard and butter mixed, two and onehalf cupfuls of flour, two eggs, one teaspoonful of soda, one teaspoonful of baking powder, one cupful of raisins and one-half cupful of boiling water. Makes two dozen large cookies. Drop from a teaspoon on buttered

Apple, Raisin Roly Poly.-Roll out a rich pastry very thin. Add two good-sized apples chopped, one-half cupful of raisins and roll up. Place in a deep baking dish, add one cupful of brown sugar, two tablespoonfuls of butter and one cupful of boiling water. Bake in a moderate oven one

Nellie Maxwell our present nation.

THE WORLD'S **GREAT EVENTS**

ALBERT PAYSON TERHUNE

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The Huguenots

N INSANE man, foaming at the A N INSANE man, round incoherent mouth and muttering incoherent prayers to the saints, crouched in the embrasure of one of the upper windows of the palace of the Louvre, at Paris, on the night of August 24, 1572. He was gripping a gold-chased musket which he fired at intervals into the throng of panic-stricken men and women who rushed screaming along the dark street below. The madman was King Charles IX of France, son of that Henry II who had told William the Silent of a plan to massacre all the Huguenots in France. A series of strange events had led up to this midnight scene of wholesale murder.

The Protestant creed (started many years before in Germany by Martin Luther) had spread into France. But there it had, to a great extent, lost its religious significance. The French Protestants (or "Huguenots," as they were called) became largely a political party. The so-called religious wars, massacres, etc., in France during the Sixteenth and Seventeenth centuries had far more political than pious significance.

Henry II had married, for political reasons, an Italian woman, Catherine de Medici, daughter of the magnifico, or lord, of Florence. Henry neglected her, and in his lifetime she was of little consequence. But on his death she came to the front as the most powerful, most dangerous power of her time. Among other Italian customs she introduced into France were assassination by poison. She had four sons-Francis II (who married Mary Queen of Scots), Charles, Henry and Francois. All died childless, and three of them (Francis II, Charles IX and Henry III) were successively kings of France.

The Lorraine family, whose head was the duke of Guise, were all-powerful at court. When Francis II died and Catherine became regent for her young son, Charles IX, she sought to curb the growing influence of Guise by favoring the Huguenots. The leaders of the Huguenot party were Louis, prince of Conde, young Henry, prince of Bearn (afterwards king of Navarre and still later King Henry IV of France), and Admiral Coligny. Henry was head of the Bourbon family, as Charles IX was of the Valois family. In 1562 civil war broke out between Guise's followers and the Huguenots. Conde was captured and killed. Guise was murdered. His son, who succeeded to the dukedom, declared that Admiral Coligny was his father's assassin and swore blood vengeance on

At last the Huguenots grew so powerful that Catherine feared them as much as she had once feared the Guises, and she threw her influence with the latter. Charles IX had meantime come to manhood and was strongly in favor of the Huguenots. He loved Coligny and regarded Henry of Navarre as his own brother. Catherine viewed with alarm this attitude of her son. Then she and Guise cona plot that has made both their

names odious. They arranged a marriage between Charles' sister, Margaret, and Henry of Navarre, and invited all the Huguenots in France to come to Paris for the ceremony. The wedding occurred August 18, 1572. While the festivities were in progress Catherine hastened to Charles with the false news that Coligny and other Huguenots were conspiring against his life. Charles was weak, credulous, and, moreover, was subject to fits of temporary insanity. By working on his fears Catherine and Guise persuaded him that the Huguenots, under Coligny's orders, were planning a massacre of Catholics and were especially pledged to murder himself and those dear to him. Insane with fear, he cried:

"Kill Coligny! Kill every Huguenot! Let none be left alive to reproach me!"

Guise had beforehand laid his plans. He was the idol of the populace. Through his agents he instructed the townsfolk and rabble to assemble at midnight on August 24 (St. Bartholomew's day), and at a signal begin a wholesale slaughter of Huguenots. The Huguenots, taken wholly by surprise, died like sheep under their butchers' weapons.

Guise, full of his old-time vengeance against Coligny, hurried to the hotel where the admiral lay ill in bed. The defenseless old man was stabbed a dozen times and his body hurled into the courtvard below.

The wave of massacre spread through all France.

Henry of Navarre, the young bridegroom whose marriage celebration had been the trap to lure so many thousands of his followers to their doom, was captured in the Louvre before he could escape or defend himself. Being less scrupulous-or fonder of lifethan his unfortunate co-religionists, Henry promptly renounced Protestantism, declared himself an ardent Catholic, and thus appeased the royal wrath and saved his own skin.

Atrocious and utterly unpardonable as was the massacre of St. Bartholomew, yet it was not without lasting benefit of a sort. For, owing to it and to subsequent religious persecution, fully 50,000 Huguenots left France and a large number of these eventually settled in America, helping to form the social and religious backbone of

Buying and Planting

to Improve Highways Roadside planting seems to be undergoing the discussion stage and that is well in a way because it demony strates interest in the subject. Some states have regulated roadside planting by law and others have shown how trees or shrubbery might be set out and have warned that tall trees might cast enough shade on adjoining fields to hamper crop growth. As the matter stands now whatever might be done would be unofficial. The highway commission exercises authority over the right of way on all state roads and local authorities have jurisdiction on county and township highways. Officials of that body offer cooperation, but are not in a position to offer anything else. They have no funds that can be used for the purpose of buying trees or planting them. Roadside planting extends beyond the influence of any single community because it contemplates lining highways with trees from one city or town to another. This requires singleness of purpose on the part of various clubs, societies and interests. If the trees are to be set out those interested in the work may well get together shortly and discuss their plans so that some well-defined program can be outlined and followed. The expense should not be a bar. Many a club would be will-

Small Towns Lacking

ing to be responsible for a specified

strip of highway.-Indianapolis News

in Public Utilities While 93 per cent of the small towns

of America have public libraries, and while radios, automobiles, movies and other elements of enjoyment and education are almost universal, more than 40 per cent of the smaller towns are without public water, sewer systems and running water in the homes, said Mrs. John D. Sherman, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

This situation was revealed as the result of a survey recently completed under the direction of the federation, covering the urban population of the entire country and accounting for more than one-fourth of the urban

The total number of towns, some of which have population as great as 10,000, which lacked all or some of the elements regarded as modern sanitary essentials, was more than 8,500. More than 4,000 towns with populations less than 5,000, said Mrs. Sherman, have no public water supply.

These towns, she said, contain more than a million homes, and the housewives in them must carry annually more than 20,000,000 tons of water from wells to the house.

Economy in Old Brick

In the construction of a house recently, a saving of \$564 was effected by the use of old brick that had been acquired when an old building was razed. It was found that 18,000 bricks had gone into the house at a cost of \$12 a thousand, whereas face brick would have cost about \$33 a thousand. An additional saving was made in laving the eld bricks, which did not have to be laid with the precision required in the laying of face brick.

Besides the monetary saving, the owners feel they have carried out better the characteristics of the type of house they were building, which was modeled on the old English cottage

Planning Small House

The small house is typically Amer-Ican. Thousands are being built every year, many of them on the supposition that the art of small house architecture is independent of its material. Sense of proportion and the laws of structure are based in great part on the material employed.

The material, in turn, has an important bearing upon the design. Since lumber will continue to be the favorite material for small house construction those who build small houses should be familiar with the best practices in planning and designing.

Know Your Child's School

Parents should visit schools for two reasons. First, to understand something of modern school methods. Second, to make the acquaintance of the teacher who is so very important in the child's life.

Much criticism of modern education is due to lack of information. Teaching methods change constantly and they usually change for the better, but some of us find it easier to criticize than to find out what is really going on .- Robert E. Simon in Children.

Slate Roofing in Colors

Slate roofings come in many colors, forms and sizes and are adapted to all architectural or structural requirements. They may be used on any type of roof-sloping or flat. They may be obtained in dull, bright, mottled or variegated colors, permanent or weathering, and in any thickness desired.

Never Important Citizer. The man who is actuated by-selfish impulses only isn't of much value to

a community.

\$ QUEER QUIRKS IN HUMAN DESTINY

By HARRY R. CALKINS

<u>Esperante de la companyación de</u>

The Blast That Humbled Spain

HE destruction of the battleship I Maine in Havana harbor, February 15, 1898, one of the great mysteries of history, supplied the spark needed to start war between the United States and Spain.

The affairs of the island of Cuba had caused concern in the United States for nearly a century. Feeling against Spain and her colonial policies ran high in the United States during the native rebellion of 1868 to 1878 because of the cruelties practiced by Spanish officials. When trouble again broke out in the nineties and millions of American wealth was jeopardized, a great propaganda against Spanish rule in Cuba arose.

Captain General Weyler followed remorseless tactics against the rebels and President McKinley remonstrated against his inhumanities. The Maine was sent to Havana following riots in that port. Her mission was a friendly one, but on the night of February 15, the battleship was blown up with a frightful loss of life. American public feeling was greatly inflamed. Talk of war was on every tongue.

The American court of inquiry found that the Maine had been destroyed But he had not said this aloud. from the outside; the Spanish inquiry attributed the blast to an interior cause. Senator Proctor of Vermont published an account of the suffering he had witnessed among women and children refugees-reconcentrados-in Cuba, and ministers preached the moral obligation of the United States to intervene. The dec-

laration of war was issued on April 25. It was feared that Spain would attack the Pacific coast of the United States, using her Asiatic possessions as a base. Commodore Dewey, in command of the Asiatic squadron, sailed from Hong-Kong for Manila and, despite the danger of mines, sailed inside and attacked the Spanish fleet, which outnumbered his own ships and men. The resulting buttle surprised the world. Eleven Spanish ships were destroyed, the land batteries silenced and a great victory won without the loss of a single life on the American side. This was the decisive stroke of the war.

Calmer consideration of the Maine disaster later exonerated Spain in the opinion of most observers, but the consequences of the fatal blast were none the less far-reaching.

How Ireland Lost Freedom

WHEN Dermot MacMorrogh, king of Leinster, kidnaped the daughter of the king of Meath about the middle of the Twelfth century, there began a quarrel among the Irish kings which brought all Ireland under the per. voke of England, where it was to remain throughout the centuries.

King Dermot's high-handed lovemaking incurred for him swift punishment. At that time Roderic O'Connor, king of Connaught, was recognized as chief of the Irish monarchs and he was an ally of King Meath. | night. The two kings drove Dermot Mac-Morrogh out of Ireland.

It so happened that Pope Adrian IV, the only Englishman who ever became pope, had in 1154 A. D. granted King Henry II of England the right to conquer Ireland. To the court of Henry II now went King Dermot to urge that he act upon his right. The English monarch gave Richard de ing on the snow, the air warm and yet Clare, earl of Pembroke, permission to send soldiers to aid Dermot.

The first army the earl sent over and 300 archers. This insignificant force besieged and took Wexford in 1169 A. D. The king of Connaught attacked the invaders but their supein his kingdom and began to dream sunshine and bitter winds. of dominating all Ireland. He again called upon the earl of Pembroke, said, thankfully. surnamed Strongbow, slandering the Irish as cowards and expatiating upon the ease with which the country might be subjugated. Strongbow agreed to aid the conquest, stipulating that he should receive Eva, daughter of Dermot in marriage, with the right of succession to the throne. Eleven hundred English soldiers then overran Ireland.

The Irish lost their freedom because of dissensions among their rul- pal: "Mary Rose, you go home now ers and the lack of discipline in their and start crying, so when I get ready armies. Brian Boru, a century be- you'll be through." fore, had driven the Danes from Ireland after two centuries of their rule but his successors had failed to profit by his achievements. After the last King Dermot had died, leaving his kingdom to Strongbow, King Henry II ventured to visit the land and named the earl of Pembroke his seneschal or lord lieutenant of Ireland.

Great Success

A cinema actor visited a tailor. There was a gaudy suit he admired. The proprietor took it from the window and had him try It on.

"It is such a fine fit," he exclaimed, "your friends won't know you. Go head, I ask you; just step outside a w minutes."

The actor walked out, and after a hort time came in again. The prorietor came up to him, rubbing his ands and said, "Stranger, what can do for you today?"



SUNLIGHT AND SNOW

John and Trotty, age eleven and ten, had started forth in a sleigh for a supper party that was being given some distance from where they lived, down

through the woods.

John had been allowed to drive Daniel, the borse, and they had gone off later than the others in their sleighs had left because Trotty had had chores to do for her family.

But after they had gone along for awhile there had started a dreadful blizzard.

They had made a wrong turn when the landmarks had become blurred by the blinding snow, and had found themselves right in the heart of the woods.

Instead of having come on a regular road they had cut off and had gone on a road that had led to a lumber camp. There the sleigh had upset as Dan-

iel, the horse, had become excited.

But both John and Trotty had behaved splendidly, each not making a fuss, each being unselfish, calm and level-headed. Then, after they had turned the

sleigh, the blizzard had seemed to start once more with fresh fury. John had said to himself that he was really not able to see anything.

"Suppose we get off on another lum-



They Talked, Ate and Laughed.

ber camp path," thought Trotty. But she did not express her thought aloud. "I won't get excited, I won't," thought Daniel, the horse, as he trotted on valiantly.

And the wind had howled, and the snow had taken possession of the acteristic of the millinery trend toward world and the blizzard had seemed to

"We have those two and that horse in our power now! Yes, we have!" But the blizzard did not know the boy and the girl and the horse, who ar- a gorgeous metal brocade. The twin rived, safely, two hours late at the ornaments are of blue galalith encirparty.

Those at the party had worried. They had not even begun their sup-

But now the excitement of the evening and the storm and the upset seemed all quite marvelous. They talked and ate and laughed and answered questions. But Beatrice's mother, who was giving the party, decided they would not go back that

It was morning and bright sunlight when all the sleighs started for home once again. There was no wind, the storm was over, and the world looked as though it were always just as quiet and peaceful and simple as this.

The going was slow, as the snow was deep and soft and nowhere had it been trodden down. But the sun, shincrisp and clear, danced a dance of

jewels and shadows. John and Trotty were looked upon consisted of 130 knights, 60 esquires as heroes to all save themselves. They only felt closer to that part of the world that belonged to them, where even a blizzard could not conquer them but only made them feel a truer rior equipment gave them the victory, kinship with their own corner of the The king of Leinster was reinstated world-with the sea and forests, warm

"It didn't get the better of us," John

"It did not!" agreed Trotty.

Have It Over With

Mildred, aged seven, never had any difficulty in obtaining money for a show from her parents, but her little pal always had to cry about half an hour before she got it.

One afternoon Mildred was getting dressed for the show and said to her

Changed His Tune

Billy and Janet were brother and sister, six and three. When Janet re-Irish armies had been subdued and fused to climb out of his coaster wagon Billy turned on her in a rage, saying, "Crawl out of my coaster, you bad, nasty, stubborn," at which moment their mother appeared on the scene. Billy finished his attack by adding, "little sweetheart, you!"

Priority

Little Girl (to brother)-If you really want to go out and play, you should get down on your knees and ask God

to make it stop raining. Boy-No, you ask him, I don't know him very well.

On the Ebb

"You used to say your love for me was like the ocean." "Well, Tommy, the tide's going out."

FORMAL HATS OF EXOTIC DRAPE; TOPCOATS OF BLACK AND WHITE

L ture hat" wide drooping brims, nodding plumes, flowers en masse with ribbon all aflutter. Modern hatology is disproving the theory. According to what we are seeing with our very own eyes, it is the toque of exotic drape and the cunningly contrived hat without a brim which bespeak a "portrait effect" as captivating as ever the pic-

ture hat of our early fancy.

To glorify the brimless hat, is apparently the ambition of our milliners through the medium of rich fabric, ex- coat on the figure to the left is pri-

RADITION ascribes to the "pic- | knitted apparel. The startling knitted coats so often worn by madame and mademoiselle at the races and other society sports events, set a merry pace for all the world to follow. This season in particular bizarre as to color and design is the keynote to many of the knitted fashions.

Photographed in Paris, the coats pictured show the latest style trend of black and white for knitted topcoats. The model to the right is boldly patterned, black on white, with color and these days. They accomplish this border of plain knit solid black. The



GROUP OF PICTURESQUE HATS

quisite embellishment and a subtle art | marily black and white with a dash of in styling. Smart women of fashion find appeal in draped petite chapeaux as here portrayed. Distinctively chara more elaborate and feminized styling than we have been enjoying for many seasons past, is the collection of millinery confections in this picture.

The first model shown is created of cled with pearls.

Embroideries of metal threads with jewels of ruby and gold distinguish the black velvet hat for formal wear shown to the left center. Behold its imposing drape, and the cunning eyebrow brim of lace.

orange yellow here and there.

It becomes apparent that stripes, especially horizontal, are important throughout knitted designs. Of arresting color appeal is a knitted coat which is patterned with alternating jacquard bands, salmon contrasting mauve. The collars and cuffs are done in the favorite ridged construction in self colors.

Newest knitted items include cardigan jackets. Both sleeveless or withong-sleeves types are in fashion, and they accompany most sports outfits. One-piece frocks usually are complemented with cardigan jackets.

Alpine skating suits sometimes include as many as seven pieces in an Marvelous metal embroidery, two outfit. What a delightsome dash of



TWO KNITTED MODES FROM PARIS

elegant pins, a stunningly draped color on the wintry landscape must an crown and a wee curtain of maline ensemble be which consists of a knitshading the brow, distinguish the ornate dinner or dance hat, as you please, pictured to the right of the center.

Below to the left, a chapeau of amber satin claims special attention, for the satin hat, smartly designed, conveys an important style message.

Gold novelty cloth and the snug forehead bandanna drape give the cachet of extreme vogue to the last model in this group.

According to the opinion of la Parisienne one cannot paint the picture too vividly when it comes to

ted crystal-plaited skirt in vivid blue wool patterned in orange, complemented with matching scarf, cap, hose, gloves and anklets.

Viennese knitted costumes for travel and motoring are exploiting definitely tailored lines. Both suits and coats interpret the tailleur. A patrician taste finds satisfaction in anything as faultlessly knit as a topcoat of jacquard checks in the slim silhouette model, collared with fur the same as if it were a coat of cloth.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY. (6, 1927, Western Newspaper Union.)

Koch's Brilliant Use of Gift "Plaything"

The birthday gift of a microscope to Robert Koch by his wife, was the first step in the transformation of a struggling country doctor into a brilliant scientist, one of the world's great microbe hunters.

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Drawing the Line

The Bachelor-How we change as we grow older! The Divorcee-Yes, d'you know, I used to marry men I wouldn't invite

to dinner now.-The Sketch. The housewife smiles with satisfaction as she looks at the basket o clear, white clothes and thanks Red

Cross Ball Blue. At all grocers,-Adv. Whale Becoming Extinct

Complete extermination of the whale within five or ten years is predicted, unless the wholesale butchery of this valuable mammal can be stopped by international law. It is said that not more than 12,000 whales are left in the world, and that the whaling industry is literally slaughtering in excess of 2,000 each year .-Thrift Magazine.

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Mere Male's Criticism

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Dr. Raymond Cook who is a professor in the Education Department of Texas University, is spending the holidays with his cousins Pat and Slim

is spending the holidays with parents needn't look so innocent. Dad knows.

Oran Williams, George Bennett, points on poultry and dairy industries. Raymond Cross and Eder Marshall who are attendig John Tarleton College came home to spend the holidays with their respective families.

> Jack Scott who is attending Simmons University, is home for the holidays.

EXPLAINING DAD

When a son of a family gets old WANTED- To buy some baled pea enough to marry, dad may drop a few nuts. Phone 228, Cross Plains. hints about the advisability of selecting a nice, sensible girl; but he does not intrude offensively, for down n his heart he feels that the affair is none of his business. All males have inalienable urged to see me at once. Mrs. Murphy rights in these matters, even sons.

Daughters case is another matter and remembers that he was with the ladies. Dad remembers that he tried to kiss each girl he went with and he is suspicious of all the young males who hang about He eyes them coldly. The young rascals! They

And when it appears that daughter really is in love with one of them and on the verge of marrying, Dad begins to storm. He is helpless and he knows it But helplessnss only serves to stir his wrath. He pouts. He makes pathetic remarks how the little girl he has slaved for loves him in return. He is coldly polite when the young man is

Now whats the matter with the old hap? Dad's trouble is jealousy, nohing more. There is bred into his cosos of conviction that the male is and of right ought to be head of his clan, ribe and family. The advent of feminism may have turned the world opsy-turvy, and made the woman boss, out it hasn't taken away the male in-

Think of the daughter looking up to ome other man-petting some other nan-asking some other man's advice. Why it means abdicaton! It means that old dad is a has been, a toothless old wolf is no longer reverenced as the eader of the pack.

And mother makes matters worse. he smiles on the young man. She raises him. The King is dead; long ive the King!

Poor dad! Poor forlorn, side-tracked l ex-chief.—Corsicana Sun.

B. A. Pierce and J. C. Garrett had

Ollie Donnis and family of Abilene spent Christmas here and Ollie filled he pulpit at the Baptist Church sunday in absence of the pastor Rev. Hunt who vith his wife enjoyed the day attending a family reunion of Mrs. Hunt's

Go to Church Sunday.

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Mrs. Ollie Williams and sons, of De Leon spent Christmas here with parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McGower

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Smith of Ferris. were Christmastide visitors here with J. H. Moragne and family. Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Moragne are sisters. Mr. Smith operates a brick yard at Ferris.

Misses Ethel and Effie Starnater spent the holidays at their home in Ab-

Mrs. Bennett of Wichita Falls visited her son B. G. Garner and Wife during

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clegg of Breck enridge, visited Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Garner Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson and hildren visited Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baker of Coleman Christmas day.

Mrs. Harry Baker of Coleman was Plains visitor Tuesday.

J. E. Gaines and family of San An onio are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Lutgens and children spent the holidays with husband and father at

Tom Bryant and family spent Christmas in Cisco with friends.

Mrs. Taylor and son, Bud, of Brown wood, were Xmas visitors here with daughter and sister Mrs. J. H. Moseley

K. J. Preston and family visited re ntives at Gatesville during Christmas.

Gene Dice and family visited Mrs. Dice's parents at Temple during the holidays. Mrs. Dice and children remained on account of roads being in bad condition.

Robert Howard and Lindsey Tyson vho attend Howard Payne College are ome for the holidays.

Mitchell were De Lon visitors Saturday and Sunday

The Misses Kathleen Neeb and Opal

ATTENTION

I will begin my kindergarten work after Jan. 1st. Parents interested at Mrs. J. H. Cansey, residence.

we want a modern brick hotel; we want an up-to-date office building; we more enterprises may be opened; we want these things because we need them-and we must have them if we stay in sight of the greater Cross Plains up our sleeves and go after the Il ings things we need, but we have mentioned a few of the outstanding needs-and these neccessary improvements are within our reach. We can have them will we? Where do you stand? What will you do?

Born to Mr. and Mrs. M. Kohlman Dec. 22, a fine girl.

Mrs. G. W. Adair of Sipe Springs visited her daughter, Mrs. C. M. Wyatt and Miss Norvella Adair, last week

NOTICE

Construction work on the Cross Plains Sewer System has been completed and the entire system is now ready for use. All property owners desiring to connect will please pay for permits to City Plumbing inspector. No tapping fee will be charged prior to Feb., 1st

Copies of City Plumbing Ordinance. defining sanitary district and stating all requirements can be obtained at City Water Office.

FRESH FLORIDA ORANGES

Fresh Sweet Florida oranges \$3per box of three hundred large size Sound fruit and satisfaction guarnteed or monev back. We pay express charges. A box of these makes an appreciated Christmas Gift. Remit with order. ACME FARMS, Gainesville, Florida

FOR RENT-A five room bungalow to party who will buy the furniture in three rooms. Two rooms are rented for indefinite time. See W. A. Huckaby,

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Midnite Matinee Friday Night-New Year's Eve Only

Fred Thomson

In The

"Mask of Lopez"



she had thought that the postman was about the most interesting person in the world. He it was who brought all the letters and packages and papers and magazines, who always might be bringing any number of surprises.

To be sure, he often passed the house without leaving anything, but then there was always the chance that he might bring anything.

At Christmas time he was the most wonderful sort of a person, with his bag filled with presents and cards and calendars and letters from friends she

was sure would not forget her, and from friends she was so pleased had not forgotten her. Sometimes he

brought just the most delicious mail of all-sometimes he brought a fruit cake, or a box of candy that a friend of hers had made.

So it was that she, Minnie, had always loved postmen in genseemed as though

particularly fond of one postman in particular. He was on their route and he often came in and chatted after the day's work was over.

She had gone to school with him and she had always liked him. The old postman was a dear-no matter how many bundles he was carrying at Christmas time he always seemed to be happy that his load was heavy, because it meant just that much more joy along the route.

But he had refired and now every Christmas they took his present to him and sat and chatted with him and ber Christmas cake to he shared he all

one nad not been displeased when the schoolday friend had been given this route.

Not displeased at all

Ray was tall and very good-looking. She thought he looked so well in his postman's uniform. And certainly he seemed a little interested in her. She was not displeased in this. Not displeased at all.

Christmas Day, he had said, there would be no mail delivery. So she was a little surprised to see him coming down the street and up the steps of

their house.
"I wonder if we're going to have mail after all," she said to herself, It hadn't occurred to her that he was

man's uniform, and that he was coming just to see her. To be sure, he stopped in when he was off duty, but she had never quite felt he was so much interested in her as that he enjoyed the whole family. She did belong to

such a nice famfly, so jolly and cordial and friendly as they all were, and such fun. And then it was

all so clear, as they sat before the fire that Christmas afternoon, that he was interested in her-very, very much interested in her. More so than she had even thought or hoped or dreamed.

In fact, he told her all about 14. And she was not displeased. Not displeased at all.

Nor was he displeased. Not displeased at all.

For she agreed that to be a postman's wife was not such a bad idea, and that, apart from everything else, it would be so particularly nice to know that the postman was going to come to one's house every single day

in the whole year-to their own house. And, as she said, it was such fun being engaged to a postman in the Christmas season.

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He had not been too busy to think

Ye editor and family will attend a with his wife, who always brought out famly reunion at Breckenridge, Satur-



Tuesday - Wednesday The Flaming Frontier Electric Theatre

Friday, "Buck Jones"

Saturday, "Lucky Spurs"

Monday, Big Pathe Production

Tues. & Wed., The Flaming Frontier With Hoot Gibson

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people at Zephyr.