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**THE WEATHER.**  
West Texas—Generally fair to sunny and Thursday except possibly local thundershowers in extreme southwest portion.

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# Ranger Times

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RANGER, TEXAS, WEDNESDAY EVENING, JULY 22, 1931

Some boys aspire to the presidency, but others who have seen Shriners on parade would as soon become imperial potentate.

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# GVERNOR TESTIFIES IN OIL INQUIRY

## ABOUT THIS AND THAT.....

H. B. Tanner, secretary of Eastland Chamber of Commerce and one of the regular contributors to this column has written a letter about the items we publish a few days ago suggesting plans for the habitual resters. Tanner is afraid of the Chamber of Commerce would take up the idea the hotels might get "up" over their loss of business.

Tanner says:  
Dear Mr. Mayes:  
I was glad to see "About This and That" appear in the left hand column of your paper yesterday. It has caused me considerable worry.

I am sure your readers enjoy comments on local affairs and the world events. I am always looking for new ideas in connection with the Chamber of Commerce work. However I am afraid that any agreement with you on the necessity for the installation of day rooms in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce for the convenience of your visitors. It would not work in Eastland. Here we have to be satisfied that none of our activities interfere with established customs and business relations. If we are visitors to bed we would be on the hotels on our neck at that time and probably reduce their income to such an extent that they would cease to contribute to the support of the Chamber of Commerce.

We have the ice water and the beer, but so far have escaped criticism from the drug stores. You can tell us how to make a dollar pay five you will be a benefactor. I guess that is most trying problem at present. Any way please keep that gun going and the first thing you know you will have Brisbane in the shade.

With best regards, I remain,  
"Yours very cordially,  
"DR. H. B. TANNER,  
Secretary,  
"Chamber of Commerce."

Dr. Tanner is apparently more interested over the prosperity and the health of the hotels. This is the printers of Eastland. His letter was written on what a foreman declares to be an out-of-town job." Dr. Tanner's words of praise for my personally very much appreciated. He suggested out-of-town printing will help the Eastland printers to spinach for their children, if you saw in a paper recently that my youths in Houston were sent to 32 days attendance at Sunday school for theft of 19 gallons of gasoline.

On first thought we believed it was a wonderful way to handle the youthful culprits but it may do no good as compulsory attendance would not be constructive as voluntary attendance. However, it will do the boys no harm and they may be taught the error of their ways 32 Sundays. We believe that the sentence should have been longer and that they be given at least two years in which to learn the teachings as propounded in the Sunday schools and for every day they missed they would have to serve one week in jail.

There have been numerous instances in the past two years where boys have broken into school houses, stolen gasoline, trespassed on automobiles from the streets, driven them for a while and left them parked on the streets of nearby towns. Just recently the Jones, district attorney, gave lecture to several boys who confessed to robbing a vacant theatre building in Ranger and turned them out with a warning. Maybe they had been sentenced to a year in Sunday school they would have been more impressed than they were with the threat of jail case of future infractions of the law.

It seems that the gas amendment at Fort Worth was carried by a large majority and the people believe in cutting off their noses to spite their faces, as the saying goes. They voted to disregard the pleas of the Oil Belt, one of their most prosperous territories, and go to the Panhandle for their gas.

It will probably take a year or two litigation, injunctions, court orders, and other technical proceedings to straighten out the tangle and by that time there may be another outlet for the gas of this section or the people may become sick of their bargain and come back to the Oil Belt.

At any rate they voted 58 per cent to 42 per cent in favor of the amendment cutting off the Oil Belt from their source of gas supply.

**TWO PETITIONS SEEK DRY REPEAL.**  
SALEM, Ore.—Two preliminary petitions for an initiative measure seeking repeal of the state prohibition laws have been filed with the secretary of state. Completed petitions require at least 13,088 signatures of voters before July 3, 1932, to insure the measure being placed on the ballot.

## Mexican Consul Free After Raid



It was all a mistake, said Oklahoma City, Okla., police after they raided the home of H. Valdez, above, Mexican consul, and allegedly found a quantity of beer. The liquid was dumped and Valdez was taken to the police station, but charges were dropped soon after.

## MURRAY CLAIMS JURISDICTION OVER RED RIVER

OKLAHOMA CITY, July 22.—An old Spanish treaty gives Oklahoma jurisdiction over the south or Texas bank of the Red river, Governor W. H. Murray said today in reiterating his determination to open idle free bridges across the stream.

Spanish treaties, the executive said, have been upheld in the United States supreme court and gives Oklahoma the power to move its corps of state highway department employees over on the Texas side of the river and force the guards of Governor Ross Sterling to remove their barricades from the free bridges.

## Ranger Masons Holding School Instruction Today

W. S. Tate of Hamilton, member of the committee on work of the Grand Lodge of Texas, A. F. & A. M., is conducting an examination for Blue Lodge certificates at the Masonic temple in Ranger today. The Ranger lodge holds this examination once each year and has a large number of certificate Masons, and is perhaps one of the most active and best informed Masonic lodges in the ancient ritual of masonry in West Texas.

## Relief Planned In Oklahoma

HENRYETTA, Okla., July 22.—Plans for immediate enactment of relief measures to supply employment and food for approximately 500 men and their destitute families were completed today.

A fund of \$1,000 raised by local subscription will be put to use immediately, supplying work for as many as possible at \$1 a day, said Mayor Barclay Morgan. He also had at his disposal \$300 from Governor Murray and the executive promise that more will be forthcoming.

## Hypnotized Girl Moved to Building

Because of protests received against burying a Ranger girl alive, Rajah Yogi, hypnotist, placed her in a building on South Austin street, Ranger, where she is now in her 72-hour sleep.

The public may see the young lady at any time without charge.

## HOOVER HAS RECORD OF BIG BANKS

WASHINGTON, July 22.—The United Press was informed today on the highest authority that leading American bankers have agreed—contingent on similar action by bankers of other important financial powers—not to withdraw advance deposits or credits from Germany for the present.

By so agreeing these bankers had accepted tentatively President Hoover's proposal to safeguard Germany's financial structure. Their action is considered important. It is estimated that of \$1,200,000,000 now extended Germany, fully half is held in the United States. A large proportion of this amount, it is said, is controlled by large international bankers in New York.

At the seven-power conference at London yesterday, Secretary of State Stimson and Secretary of the Treasury Mellon submitted the latest Hoover plan to Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy, Belgium and Japan.

His high point was the proposal that international bankers should agree to maintain existing credits while Germany took strict measures to prevent a "flight from the mark."

## Work on Road Is Started in Stephens Co.

BRECKENRIDGE, July 22.—Actual work on 16 miles of highway between Breckenridge and the Eastland county line got under way yesterday when a site 12 miles south of Breckenridge on the Charles Richardson farm, was selected as a place for the state highway road camp, and where soft rock will be obtained to under-surface the highway.

Approximately 200 men, all residents of Stephens county, were given work for at least one day clearing away a place for the road camp and locating the rock pit. Fewer men were needed for work today but crews will be put to work regularly this week, digging out and hauling the crushed rock to the sides of the highway. One steam shovel is already at the camp to dig up the rock.

## W. F. Basham Has Large Corn Yield At Pleasant Grove

W. F. Basham, who had a farm near Pleasant Grove, comes in for a bit of praise as a raiser of corn. Mr. Basham has 10 acres of yellow corn and five acres of white corn which he says will yield between 40 and 50 bushels an acre. He was displaying several large ears the other day, saying that they were the average size to be found in his fields. He said that the recent rain in his community would fill out the corn considerably in every respect.

Planting in the fall of the moon was given as the reason for the abundance of the yield and the large size of the ears. The white corn was planted on March 3 and this year on the last of March. Whether the moon was full or not, the corn is the best that has been displayed here this year.

## PREFERRED JAIL TO PLEDGE

DENVER.—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Clasey, of Golden, are going to get married all over again—after 10 years. Mrs. Clasey, formerly Mrs. Mae Messenger, discovered she had a husband at the time she married Clasey. Her divorce was not final. To make her second matrimonial venture legal, she and her husband decided to annul their marriage and go through the ceremony again.

## Texas Rangers Barricade Bridge



With the controversy between Texas and Oklahoma over the question of free and toll bridges at a high pitch, Texas rangers are shown here barricading the southern end of the new free bridge across the Red River at Denison, Texas, and Durant, Okla., after Governor W. H. Murray of Oklahoma attempted to route traffic over the span. The sign calls attention to an injunction obtained by toll bridge advocates. The four men shown in the foreground are Captain Tom R. Hickman, Adjutant General W. W. Sterling of Texas; W. H. Kirby and J. P. Huddleston of the Texas rangers.

## FINGERPRINT AND PENCIL SLAYING CLUES

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., July 22.—With a single fingerprint from the windshield of a racing car and a green pencil stamped with the name "Herbert P. Streple" as clues, one of the most intensive manhunt in the history of Colorado was on today for the fiend who killed Buddy Palmer, 19, and attacked his girl companion, Glenda King, 18.

For the first time in the mountain resort town police were making a house to house checkup of the city to find the killer.

In Denver detectives in Pueblo most of the police force was assigned to the case.

## DAVIS CASE NEAR JURY AT ALBANY

ALBANY, Tex., July 22.—Testimony neared an end today in the trial of Thomas Davis on Charges of murder in connection with the slaying of Leon Shook in Eastland county three years ago. The case was expected to reach the jury today.

Defense witnesses, many of them relatives, contended that Davis was mentally sub-normal and "had fits." An uncle testified to the latter and said the defendant's father had been in an asylum.

## Condition of Jo Ann Lewis Remains Critical

The condition of Jo Ann Lewis, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lewis, remains critical, according to reports given by attendants at the City-County hospital. The little girl underwent an operation for appendicitis Sunday night.

## Mid-Ocean Airport Is Key to Safety On Atlantic Flight

SALT LAKE CITY.—Only when mid-ocean airports are established will trans-oceanic flying be practical and safe, said Lieutenant Walter Hinton, the first man to fly the Atlantic.

"Ocean-flying at present is doing the same for aviation as automobile racing did for the automobile industry years ago," he remarked.

## AFTER TEN YEARS

DENVER.—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Clasey, of Golden, are going to get married all over again—after 10 years. Mrs. Clasey, formerly Mrs. Mae Messenger, discovered she had a husband at the time she married Clasey. Her divorce was not final. To make her second matrimonial venture legal, she and her husband decided to annul their marriage and go through the ceremony again.

## Fights to Keep Buried Gold



Possession is nine points of the law," argues Alex H. Booth, above, upon whose property in the Buffalo, Ill., business section was found \$6000 in buried gold. Heirs to the estate of a wealthy physician who once lived on the land plan a suit to acquire the treasure and, also, officials have dug up an old statute which states that such money must be turned into the county treasury.

## Willows Closed To Be Drained And Cleaned

The Lions club swimming pool committee announced today that the willows would be closed to-night and drained and would be reopened to the public again on Sunday night.

The pool is to be drained, thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned and as soon as this is accomplished will start refilling it.

It was estimated this morning that it would take until Sunday night to get all this work completed and the announcement was made that it would be ready for the public at that time.

## Four Injured In Car Crash Near Millsap

Mr. and Mrs. Y. J. McCrea of Cisco and their two children, aged 2 and 3 years, were injured when their car was struck by a truck driven by W. E. Fussell of Eastland near Millsap Mountain today.

Fussell said that the accident was his fault as his brakes were not working and as he started down the hill he tried to pass another truck and struck the McCrea car.

Fussell was enroute to Grand Prairie when the accident happened and the McCrea family were on their way to Cisco, reports of the accident said. The car was knocked against an embankment along the side of the road and was badly damaged. None of the occupants were seriously injured.

## Firemen Save a Kitten From Flames

UTICA, N. Y.—Firemen wearing gas masks rushed into a basement here to secure a child whom neighbors said they could hear "crying." The basement was filled with ammonia fumes from a broken refrigerator system. Ten minutes later they emerged carrying a black kitten.

"Well, we did our duty," confessed one of the firemen. "Our first duty is to save life and the second property."

## T. P. AGENTS ADDRESS C. OF C. MEET

T. E. Little, general agent of the Texas & Pacific railroad, and J. A. Lynch, general freight agent, appeared before the Ranger Chamber of Commerce directors Tuesday afternoon and presented reasons for the increased freight rate of 15 per cent for which the railroads of the nation are making a plea to the interstate commerce commission.

The directors present voted to defer action on a petition to the commission backing the plea until the next regular meeting of the directors.

"The return earned on railway property value amounted to only 3 1/2 per cent in 1930. In the first four months of 1931 the railroads were earning a return running at the annual rate of only 2 1/2 per cent.

Even these earnings were made possible only by the most drastic economy, including the postponement of maintenance work which must be made up in the future.

"These drastic economies, which the roads have been forced to make, have resulted in the furlough of many thousands of railway employees, with the consequent loss to agriculture and industry in general of the purchasing power of these men. These forced economies have also materially reduced railway purchases of materials and supplies, with a consequent decrease in employment in those industries which normally sell much of their output to the railways.

"Present low earnings threaten to destroy the ability of the railways to secure new capital for investment in their properties to increase efficiency and economy of operation.

"If the railways were permitted to participate in periods of prosperity equally with other business they should make equal sacrifices in times of depression, but they are denied such participation by law.

"According to the transportation act of 1920 the railways are entitled to a fair return upon the value of their transportation property. For the past nine years this fair return rate has been set at 5 1/2 per cent. In no year since the law was passed, however, have the railways been allowed to earn this return, and their total shortage below this amount, in the period 1921-1930, was \$2,575,000,000."

## ROBBINS IS READY FOR TOKIO HOP

SEATTLE, Wash., July 22.—His new motor pronounced in perfect condition, Reg. L. Robbins and Harold S. Jones made plans today for the start of the second attempt of a flight to Tokio and tentatively planned to get away early tomorrow.

Robbins indicated that the start would not be made at dawn but probably about 6:30 a. m. tomorrow, provided the ship is ready and weather conditions are favorable along the route.

## ROTARY CLUB MEMBERS HEAR BEN PARKER

Ben Parker, pastor of the First Christian Church of Breckenridge, addressed the Rotary club at the regular weekly meeting today and delivered one of the best addresses that has been heard by the Rotarians for some time.

He was introduced by Ben Looney, who was in charge of the program for the day. From the beginning of his talk, which was called a classification talk, but which covered much more than the subject implied, he held the attention of his listeners.

## Sheriff Fined for Fight With Editor

OVERTON, Texas, July 22.—Sheriff W. L. Murray today pleaded guilty to a charge of fighting and paid a fine in justice court as the result of an altercation with W. S. Foster, editor of the Overton Tribune.

Foster said Murray attacked him after refusing to divulge news of a recent case. Foster then requested State Senator W. R. Foage to request rangers from the governor to prevent "violence by officers."

## West Texas Lawyers to Meet in Del Rio

DEL RIO, Texas.—This city will entertain members of the West Texas County and District Attorneys in October when the lawyers convene here for a two-day session.

County Attorney Hill of Runnels county has served as president of the organization since its formation. Weaver H. Baker, Junction, district attorney for the 112th district is vice president and H. Swain, Eden, secretary and treasurer.

## AUTOS END CENTURY-OLD TRADE

WRENTHAM, Mass.—Wrentham's village smithy has gone the way of most horsehoers in these modern days of motor transportation. When J. Edward Crandier recently closed his blacksmith shop he closed out a business which had been carried on by various smithies for more than a century.

## CROP CONTROL NOT INCLUDED IN HIS PLANS

AUSTIN, July 22.—Governor Ross Sterling, former Humble Oil company president, came before the Texas senate today as its state's affairs committee opened an investigation of the oil industry and told the senators what he thinks is wrong with the industry and why he wants a new conservation commission.

He told the senators he does not own directly or indirectly any stock in any major oil company. He said he had been out of the oil business for six years and had lost touch with its methods but knew enough to see that producers can make no profit at present prices for their products, particularly gasoline.

He told the senate that if it would set up a conservation commission he had no intention of delegating to it any such matter as the control of crop plantings. He told the senate he wanted no price fixing legislation, believing that if laws are passed to force orderly production prices will come back to something like the \$1 a barrel regarded as a minimum all-time value.

Governor Sterling told Senator Grady Woodruff that he did not know of a major oil company having sold gasoline at as little as 14 cents a gallon while oil was selling at \$1.50 a barrel as Woodruff estimated. Senator W. A. Williamson of San Antonio objected to Woodruff's questioning about what he called local price wars.

The governor was not placed under oath as other witnesses will be. He made a statement in which he said he thought the oil business was in worse condition than farming or any other business and in which he urged the enactment of some legislation to alleviate the situation.

## City Council Bars Odors From Busses

SANTA MONICA, Calif.—Offensive odors can't ride on Santa Monica municipal busses.

With this flat declaration, the city council took emergency measures and passed an ordinance, which, in effect, calls upon all bus drivers to sniff, peer and poke every boarding orider.

If the smell of limburger cheese is too odoriferous, if slightly old fish, garlic, or other contaminating odors are present, each driver shall refuse to have anything to do with them.

Regarding the presence of inebriated beer drinkers or claret wine imbibers, the city council refused to act.

## Riots Occur As Chilean Cabinet Is Sworn In

SANTIAGO, Chile, July 22.—Serious riots occurred in the streets today as Chile's third cabinet in less than two weeks was sworn in at 1 a. m.

The demonstrators sought to displace members of the new cabinet from accepting posts in the government.

## Magnolia Meets Crude Oil Price

DALLAS, July 22.—The Magnolia Petroleum company met prices in the oil price schedule announced by the Continental by raising the price of crude to 40 cents a barrel at the well.

The price became effective in North and Central Texas and in Oklahoma.

## Excess Storms Take Heavy Toll of Birds

BOSTON.—Bird mortality in Massachusetts this summer has been "exceedingly high," due to abnormally heavy rains, according to Dr. John B. May, state ornithologist.

"Dr. May reported that damage has not been limited to ground-nesting or low-building birds. Nests of other birds, built high in trees, also have been destroyed by rain or wind, he said.

## Guest Tickets to Ranger Show

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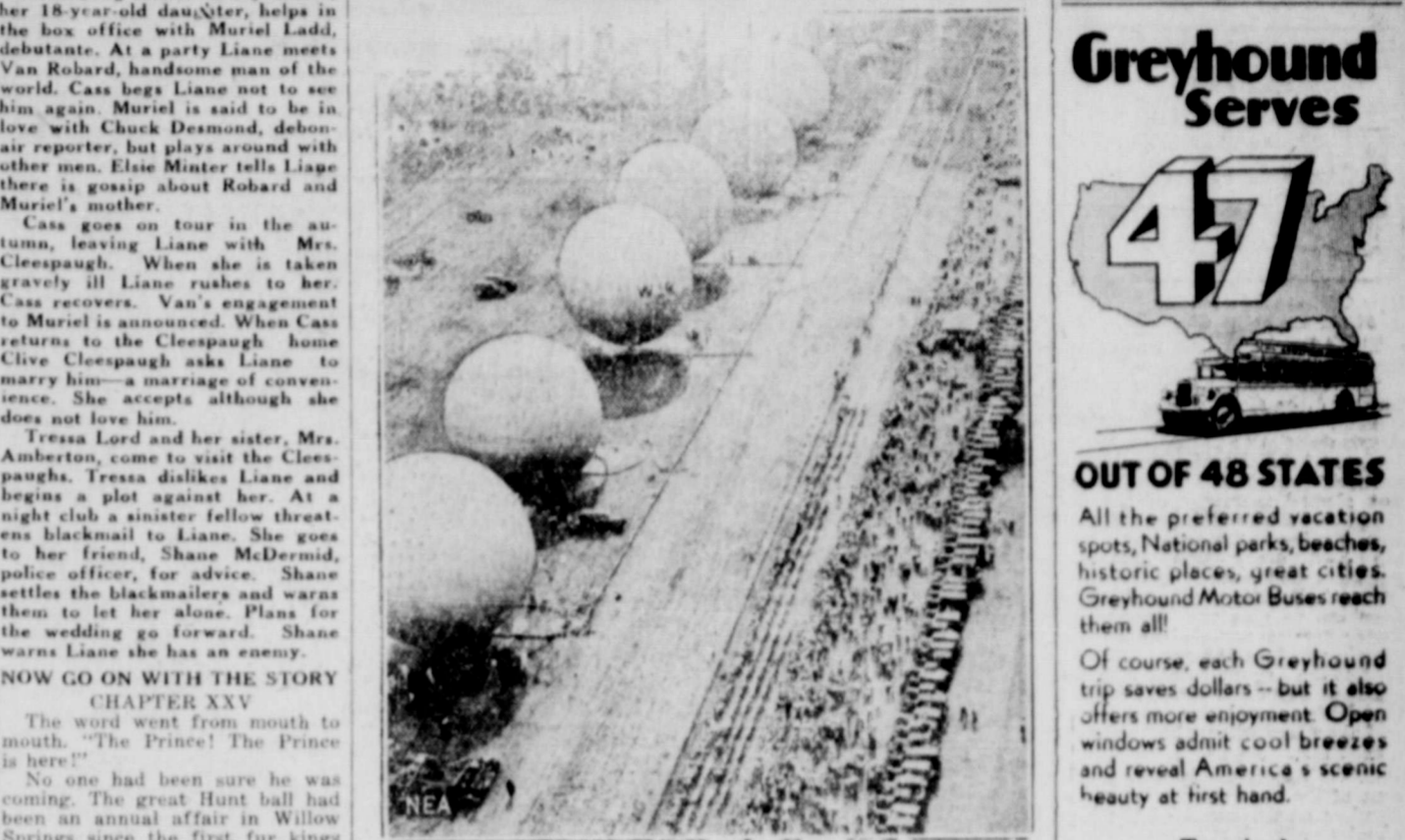
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This striking aerial picture shows the six great gas bags poised at Akron, O., at the start of the national balloon race for the Litchfield trophy and the right to represent America in the international competition in September...

at the most. When he returned the staircase was empty. The little gilt chair had been overturned. One of the gardenias which the girl had worn on her shoulder lay crumpled, a shred of flesh colored chiffon clinging to it. 'At the very foot of the stairs lay the most tell-tale clue of all—a tiny silver slipper. The Prince hurried to the Cleespaugh box. 'Mademoiselle—' he gasped, his eyes searching the group. 'She has gone! Of a surety violence has been done!'

CALF LOOKS LIKE DEER. By United Press. PENN. YAN, N. Y.—A calf, which possesses unmistakable qualities of a deer, is a curious freak in this vicinity and draws many persons to a farm near Bath, to view it. Although the calf's mother is a graded Jersey cow, the offspring has sharp, furtive eyes and can jump a fence as easily and as gracefully as any deer. The tail, also, is unmistakably not that of the cow, but deer, family.

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**New Officers Elected By R. M. A. Group at Cisco.**  
 The following article was taken from the Cisco News:  
 "At the meeting of the secretaries of the Central West Texas division of the Texas Retail Merchants association yesterday, W. S. Fickett of San Angelo was elected president and Mrs. Odalia Young was elected secretary of the division for the coming year. Meetings, similar to the one yesterday, are held every three months. Speeches and round-table discussions of plans that will enable the members to give the merchants better service occupied both the morning and afternoon sessions held at the Laguna hotel. After a delicious lunch was served at noon, the visiting secretaries were taken to Lake Cisco where they enjoyed a boat ride.

G. O. Wendt of Temple, president of the state secretaries and a member of the board of the National Credit Men's association, does not belong to this division, but was invited to attend. Also, Mr. Lacey, a specialty man from Dallas, who will remain in Cisco for a few days, was a guest. Others attending were: C. R. Pennington of Abilene, Mrs. Idalia Young of Brackenridge, E. A. Beckham of Brownwood, J. C. Day of Eastland, Miss Elizabeth, assistant secretary from Eastland, Mrs. Alice True of Ranger, W. S. Fickett of San Angelo, R. C. Thomas of Stamford, Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Polard of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Genaro of Mineral Wells, A. A. Dyer of Olney, and Miss Lucille Self of Cisco.

**Bridge Affair Compliments**  
**Given at Hamilton Home.**  
 Mid-summer blossoms in full bloom, entwined with pretty runners of greenery, filling baskets and vases were used in a most colorful and effective way for the room decorations, when Mrs. J. A. Hamilton entertained at her home, 327 South Austin street, yesterday afternoon with a lovely appointed bridge affair.

Tables were covered with tones of white and pink and finished with beaming accessories. Herb score was made at the close of five games by Mrs. Bonds Martin; second high, Mrs. H. Stein; and the cut, Mrs. George H. Murphy.

Tables were cleared and centered with small clusters of mixed bouquets, where an ice course was served with the harmonizing color note repeated. Guests for the most pleasant affair were Misses D. S. Eubanks, H. Stein, George E. Murphy, Rupert Murphy, Bonds Martin, Dalton Reese and A. J. Baum.

**Mrs. Watter to Entertain Club Thursday Afternoon.**  
 In compliment to members of the Doretta club, Mrs. Van Watter will entertain at her home on Thursday afternoon, from 2:30 to 5 o'clock. Members are asked to note the change in the meeting date.

**Class Picnic Is Postponed.**  
 Members of the Althean class of the Central Baptist church are asked to note the postponement of the class picnic formerly announced to be given Thursday evening. The outing will be held on the evening of July 30.

**Cement Output In Texas Under Production in 1930**

**Special Correspondent**  
**AUSTIN.**—Production of cement at Texas plants during the first half of 1931 amounted to 2,916,000 barrels compared to 3,442,000 barrels during the first half of the preceding year, according to the Bureau of Business Research at the University of Texas.  
 Shipments totaled 3,018,000 barrels in 1931 and 3,556,000 barrels in 1930, the Bureau's report said. "Decline in both production and shipments as compared to 1930 was 15 per cent. Stocks at the end of the first six months of the year were 1.9 per cent smaller in 1931 than in 1930."  
 "Production in the entire United States up to July 1 represented 55 per cent of total mill capacity of the country compared to a production of 66 per cent capacity during the similar period last year."  
 Output during June increased by 5.8 per cent to 634,000 barrels from 600,000 barrels in May. The annual seasonal increase for this period is 5 per cent. Shipments amounted 12 per cent from 620,000 barrels in May to 695,000 barrels in June. The usual seasonal increase in shipments for this period is 5.4 per cent. In spite of this more than seasonal increase, however, the total for June was 1.8 per cent less than during the corresponding month of last year while production was 14 per cent greater than in June, 1930. The production of cement was the highest on record for June.



**RANGER Personal**

Mrs. Mozelle Cherry of Amarillo, who has been visiting in Fort Worth and Dallas for the past six weeks, the guest of her son, Alton Cherry, and family of the latter city, is visiting in Ranger this week.

Mrs. Hiram Brimberry of Longview is the guest of friends and will remain here the remainder of July.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Arnold have as their guests Mrs. Arnold's nephews, Bobby and Billy Morrison, of Dallas.

Jimmie Hoag and Bailey Thomas were business visitors in Dallas yesterday, making the trip by plane, piloted by T. G. Boggs of Dallas, formerly of Ranger.

Mrs. William Mayes and Miss Marjorie Clark left this morning for a visit to Dallas, where they will be the guests of Mrs. Mayes' parents. They were accompanied to Weatherford by Miss Helen Conson, who will be there over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Wier have returned to Ranger after several days visit in Fort Worth and other points.

Terrell Williams has returned from a business trip to Austin and Fort Worth.

**Depression Hits Aerial Hoboing**

**By United Press.**  
**BUFFALO, N. Y.**—The depression has hit hitch-hiking by airplane, according to a South Bend, Ind., youth who "dropped in" at the local airport.

Tipton Worthington, a "grease monkey," was en route to New York city.

"There used to be a time," he told airport officials, "when I could make a thousand miles a day. Now I'm lucky to make 500. But it's a great way to see the country, and beats auto hitch-hiking all hollow."

**TYLER.**—Building permits for first six months of 1931 showed a gain of almost 51,000 over first six months of 1930.

**Place Harness On Rio Grande With Hydro Plant**

**By United Press.**  
**EAGLE PASS.**—The sound of dredges and ditching machines today marked progress on Maverick county's \$2,000,000 irrigation and hydro plant project, a system which will irrigate 70,000 acres of land by gravity flow and turn the turbines of a 12,000-horsepower hydro-electric plant situated on the banks of the Rio Grande river.

Construction of canals for irrigating 17,000 acres of land and erection of the power plant probably will be completed before the end of the year.

Plans for converting the waters of the Rio Grande into power and moisture for crops were made back in the '90s, but the Boer war intervened. The first definite step toward the present step was made several years ago with the passage of a \$6,000,000 bond issue and creation of the Maverick County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1.

Thirty-five miles from Eagle Pass a wing-wall built into the Rio Grande will split the river current and send half of it into the canal, through which it will flow by gravity. The canal water, however, will be gradually raised higher than the river current, which has a steeper gradient or "fall." About 28 miles below the wing-wall, the canal water is led back to the river at the crest of a hill 80 feet above the normal river water level. At this site the power plant is being built.

Not all of the canal water, however, will be tumbled over the hill crest to turn the turbines. Part of the flow will be diverted into a smaller canal and sent to the broad alluvial valley below Eagle Pass to irrigate many farms. Total length of the canal will be about 90 miles.

The wing-wall will divert water into the canal at the rate of about 11,000 gallons of water per second. About 1250 second-feet of water will be delivered to the power plant, and the remainder used for irrigating two valleys, one above and one below the hydroelectric station.

**EVER TRY THIS?**

**EL PASO.**—It isn't the heat; it's just your imagination. Heat and cold is a matter of psychology, J. T. Reynolds, vocational school principal, believes. So he has hung a thermometer in his office that always records 70, no matter how hot or how cold the day may be.

**Flag of Greek Republic Given To Gov. Sterling**

Hal Brennan, State Commander of the American Legion, has presented Governor Ross Sterling with a flag of the Greek Republic and a large committee of citizens of Greek descent.

One hundred years ago the Greeks declared their independence from Turkey and a war which lasted years ensued resulting in the independence of Greece in 1830.

Only the United States raised its voice in behalf of the freedom of the Greeks. President Monroe, Henry Clay, Daniel Webster, Edward Everett and Dr. Samuel Gridley Howe impressed the Greek revolutionists with speeches in congress favoring the freedom of the descendants of those Greeks who had given to human civilization.

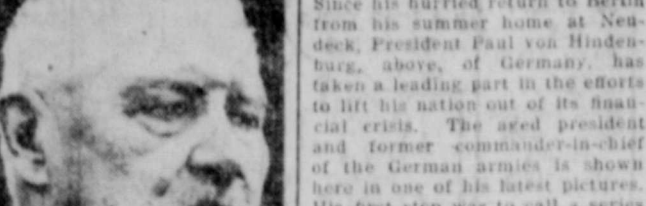
The year 1930 was a year of festivities in Greece. The One Hundred anniversary of Greek independence was celebrated by Greeks all over the world.

In gratitude for the signal contribution of America to Greek independence, the Greek school children erected at Athens a splendid memorial monument to the American Patriots who struggled for Greece morally and with arms.

More than three hundred American Legionnaires sailed last August for Athens Greece, to honor the unveiling of the memorial to the American patriots who helped Greece between 1821 and 1830 and carried with them the 48 States Flags, gifts of the governors of the States to the Republic of Greece as a reminder that the peoples of the United States love Greece and appreciate the vast contributions of the Greek race to human civilization.

The entire Greek government and over 150,000 Athenians turned out to receive the Legionnaires as messengers of good will from America and the 48 States Flags

**Hindenburg Aids in Big Crisis**



**NEA Berlin Bureau.**  
 Since his hurried return to Berlin from his summer home at Neudeck, President Paul von Hindenburg, above, of Germany, has taken a leading part in the efforts to lift his nation out of its financial crisis. The aged president and former commander-in-chief of the German armies is shown here in one of his latest pictures. His first step was to call a series of important conferences on Germany's desperate financial situation.

When the Legionnaires returned to America, they brought with them 48 Greek Flags for the 48 governors of the States. A large committee consisting of the State Legion Commander as Honorary Chairman and Mr. J. G. Yonajis of Houston as chairman and members from the Greek-American Societies in this State will present the Greek Flag to the governor at the capital on Saturday morning at 10 a. m., July 25, 1931.

A resolution has been introduced in the legislature to voice the thank to the president of the Republic of Greece, and to renew the assurance that the people of the State of Texas continue their Friendship for the peoples of Greece.

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 Mrs. J. C. Stephen is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. H. in Abilene.  
 Mrs. S. D. Beene of Cisco spending this week in Eastland Cecil Langston has returned from a visit to El Paso, where he was the guest of relatives.

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