

THE WEATHER  
West Texas—Fair tonight and  
Tuesday; slightly warmer Tuesday  
in Interior and in Panhandle to-  
night.

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# Ranger Times

UNITED PRESS SERVICE BRINGS LATE NEWS OF THE WORLD TO TIMES READERS

A Chicago man has been re-  
strained from hypnotizing his wife.  
Another one of those men who  
don't know when the honeymoon  
is over.

## STATE JOB SELLING INVESTIGATION CONTINUED

that reminds me...

(From Eastland Telegram)  
Today is exact kind of weather  
that we've been looking for...  
dry, driving, and indications for  
real winter weather. It is  
hoped that there will be plen-  
ty of rain mixed in with it, par-  
ticularly for the next three days.  
Let's have some real nice  
shiny weather for the last  
few days before Christmas shop-

Politics as far as the state is  
concerned is beginning to take on  
an interest each day. The gov-  
ernor's race naturally is the im-  
portant angle. Mixed in with  
this is the United States senator-  
race. Bailey and Connally are  
striving to say things about each  
other already, however they have  
mentioned any names as yet. Con-  
nally says "a certain congressman"  
and Bailey says "a cer-  
tain Junior Senator." Both say  
they did and both say they didn't.  
Like Mr. Ferguson is re-  
signing on the side-lines for a  
while to see just what kind of  
water Bailey and Connally have  
their muskets. Both are be-  
coming early to furnish any other  
indicates that may be in the off-  
ing for the same office plenty of  
material for their scrap books.

During the recent criticism of  
Alfred Smith and Father  
Smith and several others we  
le that those that are taking is-  
are all on the sidelines.  
rough it all President Roosevelt  
aid nothing. He didn't make  
statement regarding Mr.  
Smith's article in the Outlook.  
me of us may wonder why and  
ve really expected the president  
come back with some kind of  
statement but fortunately we have  
ident that is conservative, a  
of action, and one that has  
the business in hand—that of  
governance in the foreground, and  
not lower the dignity of his  
office to get out and answer every-

thing that he is doing that is being  
discussed. This is not a time for  
a president to lose sight of the  
important issues of the day, and  
ack goodness he knows it. That's  
ing the case, most of his critics  
will keep a closed mouth.

Of course there are some people  
who are a gnat—they annoy you so  
much until it becomes necessary to  
push it out of existence after a  
while. We still do not believe that  
Smith meant any real vicious  
campaign to bring the president's  
program into disrepute. He was  
trying to be funny. Well, we  
did have a good laugh over it  
and no harm has been done as far  
as we can see. So that's that.

In this column we give a repro-  
duction of an editorial that was  
printed on the front page of the  
Latin American Statesman of  
Monday, December 17th. From  
the beginning of Mr. Fergus-

on's entry into politics the Amer-  
ican Statesman has been opposed  
to the editorials. The editorial  
is not written because  
of a softening attitude, but in  
order to bring the president's  
program into disrepute. The day  
is at least commendable and  
is true as void of selfishness.

Neither praises nor condemns,  
only details the events of now,  
and suggests the true democratic  
spirit of the newspaper sponsoring  
it. Here it is:

MRS. FERGUSON BOWS OUT  
Six million people in Texas,  
and those the writer, have to  
live an individual such as the  
present governor through a confus-

ing of events and acts. The per-  
sonal control has been lacking but  
there has been growth there  
at least.

Opportunity, a broader outlook,  
increase of responsibilities cast  
upon the actor on life's stage an  
osphere of the grotesque or  
the sublime.

Three administrations in neigh-  
ing states are passing the mem-  
orandum of the dictatorship of Lon-  
Louisiana, the bombast of Mur-  
in Oklahoma and the govern-  
of Miriam Ferguson.

Let the enemies of the Fergu-  
son, as well as their friends, join  
in saying "Of the three radi-  
cal depression-born governments  
Southwest United States that  
Mrs. Ferguson has been the one  
who has come through the best."  
In all decency let us admit  
that there have been no errors  
committed which have seriously  
impeded our recovery.

Let us give himself, he is reach-  
ing the middle sixties. A fire  
is generally preferred to drop to  
death on the way to the fire. It  
is possible a three-cornered sena-

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### CUBAN MOB SACKS HOME OF A BANKER

HAVANA, Cuba, Dec. 18.—A mob assaulted and sacked the summer home of Porfirio Franca, former banker, killing Franca's daughter.  
Six other persons were dead and 21 wounded today after hours of wild disorder climaxed by the burning of the plant of the newspaper El Pais. The persons killed were victims of the looting and burning of the plant.

The new outbreaks of violence marked a new stage in the political situation—announcement by President San Martin that he intended to remain in office as provisional ruler until May 20, 1934, when he proposed to hand his resignation to a constituent assembly which would provide for election of a president.

### Uniform System of County Records Is Still Needed

AUSTIN, Dec. 18.—One of the state's most vigorous strokers for economical county government has been awarded off by self-appointed guardians of the Texas treasury.  
The so-called "economy bloc" of the legislature struck out an enabling appropriation in Senate Bill 48, enacted to authorize the state comptroller to prescribe and prepare forms to be used by all county officials in collection of county revenues, funds, fees and other moneys.

Perhaps more important, the special session act directed that a modern and uniform system of accounts shall be installed in the counties of Texas.  
Fate of the act, made toothless by removal of the appropriating clause, is uncertain unless some "better business" bureau or a Carnegie foundation makes a financial rescue.

A. P. Dooley, assistant state comptroller, favors a uniform and adequate bookkeeping system for county governments. As one argument for it, he points to a mass of county reports that vary in size, shape, contents, and perhaps accuracy.  
University of Texas' bureau of research in the social sciences underscored the need of the modern accounting system in county governments, in a bulletin entitled "County Government and Administration in Texas."

Taxpayers set up a huge cry for economic county government about two years ago, reminds Author W. C. Murphy. The cry brought reductions in the salaries of county officials and plans for collection of delinquent taxes.  
That, in Murphy's opinion, only scratched the surface of the problem.

The crux of the matter lies much deeper than that, declared Murphy who listed six conditions as largely responsible for hit-or-miss, antiquated methods of county administration:

1. Lack of a directing head for the system. Under the present set-up, each county official is largely his own boss.
2. The state's supervision over important financial functions performed by the county is so slight as to be of little assistance. Bonds are issued and the state makes no inquiry into the financial conditions of the county or the economic capacity to retire the obligations when they are due.
3. No attempt to define county functions as opposed to state functions.
4. The legislature attempts to direct the whole system of county government through the enactment of laws rather than by setting up certain regulatory agents, trained for that particular work.
5. In some sections of the state the county is too small in area and too poor in resources to provide the services that a county should provide.
6. There are a few instances in the state where the burden of maintaining local governmental units is out of all proportion to the services rendered. Murphy found this to be particularly true of counties like Bexar, Dallas, Houston, Potter and Tarrant.

### Where Ten Pupils Died in Florida Crossing Crash



Death struck with barely an instant's warning when a freight train crashed into this school bus at a railway crossing near Crescent City, Fla. Ten children were killed and 30 injured, several of whom may die. Terrific force of the impact is shown by the wreckage of the overturned bus.

### BEER ELECTION WILL NOT BE COUNTY WIDE

Some confusion has arisen since the announcement last week that the commissioners court at Eastland had ordered beer elections to be held within the city limits of Ranger, Eastland and Cisco, as to what effect the elections would have on the wet status of Eastland county as a whole and on the three cities in which the elections are to be held.

Contrary to the belief of a few, the elections are not to be held over the entire county, but will be held only within the city limits of the three towns.  
Each election will be considered as entirely independent and separate from the elections in the other two towns, so that if, for example, Ranger voted wet and Cisco or Eastland voted dry, beer would be legalized within the city limits of Ranger. Should Ranger vote dry and either of the towns voting wet, while Ranger would remain dry, in other words in the towns voting wet beer could be sold legally regardless of the outcome of the elections in the other towns.

No elections will be held in Carbon, Gorman, Rising Star, Desdemona or any of the other towns in the county unless they petition the commissioners court, as did Eastland, Ranger and Cisco, and voters living in those towns will have no voice in the election to be held locally.

Since the recent meeting of the grand jury, at which time the operators of beer parlors were informed that it was still illegal to sell beer, no beer has been sold in any of the establishments according to information from officers at the court house, and all are awaiting the outcome of the three elections to be held simultaneously in the three towns.

Grady Owen, criminal district attorney, who has made a close study of the law pertaining to legalization of beer and calling of elections on the question, has informed the commissioners court that the law does not prevent calling of elections such as the one recently called by the court, and that the court was compelled to call such an election because of such a study of the law.

### Two Reprives Are Granted to Doomed Men By Governor

AUSTIN, Dec. 18.—Two of three men sentenced to die by electrocution tonight at Huntsville, were granted 30-day reprieves today by Governor Ferguson.

The third, Tom Cook, convicted of criminal attack upon a white girl in Harris county, had received no stay early today. The men reprieved were Ira Kelly, 38, convicted of a criminal attack on a 13-year-old girl, and Leonard Aubrey, negro, convicted of killing another negro. Both were convicted at Houston.

### Friends of Good Highways to Meet At Austin Dec. 20

HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 18.—Friends of good highways in Texas from all 31 of the senatorial districts will gather in Austin Wednesday, December 20, for the first annual meeting of the Texas Good Roads Association according to a call issued today by Judge W. O. Huggins, president of the organization and editor of the Houston Chronicle.

Work of the Association, the first to unite highway boosters from every section of the state into a single force to push completion of the Texas highway system, will be reported by Judge Huggins, Executive Manager Ike Ashburn, Financial Secretary Marshall Diggins and others before a gathering of several hundred city, county and state officials, civic leaders, engineers, contractors and just plain motorists.

The Association was launched last December by highway enthusiasts who feared the road program was threatened through plans to divert more gasoline tax income away from highways. It has waged an active campaign to reawaken the people to Texas' motoring needs, opposing the use of road revenues for anything but roads, backing the drive against motor fuel bootleggers and campaigning for large federal highway appropriations Manager Ashburn explained.

State Senator Clint C. Small recently styled it "the greatest single independent factor in the state to secure legislation for improved highways. Comptroller George H. Sheppard has said that its publicity campaign against gas tax evasion "did as much as my staff toward getting the job done" while Highway commissioners Ely and Martin gave it "more credit than any other source" for the state's large federal appropriations.

### ALLOTMENT IS MADE TO FREE BANK ASSETS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The FRC has authorized \$540,000,000 for freeing of frozen deposits in closed banks under its \$1,000,000,000 bank asset liquidation plan, Jesse Jones said today.

At the same time he revealed the RFC had authorized purchase of capital stock and notes in \$1,600,000,000 at a total cost of \$608,000,000. That figure compared with total unrestricted banking institutions numbering 14,500.

The preferred stock and note purchases of the RFC, Jones said, "will not run much over \$1,000,000,000, although there is no limit to the amount we can purchase."  
Jones said that he expected to get this money into the hands of the small depositors between now and Christmas.

In connection with the program, Jones said that repayments to the RFC from past loans had now crossed the \$1,000,000,000 mark and were coming in at the rate of \$2,500,000 daily.

### WESTBROOK IS DENOUNCED BY W.T.C.C. HEAD

FORT WORTH, Dec. 18.—Walter Cline, president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, today denounced state relief director Lawrence Westbrook for his "arbitrarily formed policies" and the "holding up of distribution of funds for public works."

Cline's attack was made in an address to the executive committee of the WTCC in which he said West Texas had obtained the "short end" of public works projects.  
"It is a shame the way Westbrook is holding up distribution of funds for public works," Cline said.

"Westbrook has kept the public in the dark about the way funds were distributed and has arbitrarily formed his own policies."  
FORT WORTH, Dec. 18.—The executive committee of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce met here today to discuss, among other things, means of speeding the public works program in the western part of the state.

A resolution calling on congress to appropriate additional funds for public works probably will be introduced, President Walter Cline said. The committee was expected to urge carrying out of the highway program in West Texas counties.  
The committee will select dates for the annual West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention in 1934, to be held in San Angelo.

### Grayson County Farmer Is Slain

SHERMAN, Texas, Dec. 18.—John Stribling, 55, prominent Grayson county farmer and landowner whose body was found under a shed at his farm, was murdered, Peace Justice J. W. Crain held in an inquest verdict today.

Stribling had been shot through the heart with a shotgun when the body was discovered Saturday night. Officers announced they found a shotgun under a bed in Stribling's home. The weapon had been fired once, they said.

### Ivan Cahoon May Coach Univ. of Texas

GREEN BAY, Wis., Dec. 18.—Ivan Cahoon, former Green Bay Packer and Gonzaga university tackle, now coaching at West High school here, having been offered the head football coaching position at the University of Texas, it was learned today.

Cahoon declined to discuss the report, but it was known that he had been approached by wire and at present is in communication with Texas university officials.  
RARE PINOCHLE HAND HELD  
DENVER, Colo.—Eight kings—scoring 800—were melded in a pinochle tournament here by Lee Taylor Casey, a newspaper columnist. The kings were held in an original hand without the aid of the "widow."

### GOLD PRICE IS ADVANCED BY GOVERNMENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The federal government today resumed the advance in its domestic gold price by increasing the rate five cents to \$34.06 per ounce. The price of \$34.01 had been effective since Dec. 1.

The new advance came on the heels of disclosure that domestic and foreign gold purchases of the government had risen to unexpected proportions.  
There were no official indications as to the immediate reason for today's advance, but it was interpreted as evidence the administration still has faith in the theory of its monetary advisors that the general domestic price level can be improved by forcing the price of gold upward.

### Family of Abilene Couple Is Paired

ABILENE, Tex.—A majority of the family of 11 children of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Adams of Abilene are "paired off," figuratively speaking.  
A third set of twins in 13 years was born to the Adamases recently. They were named Roy and Troy, six pounds and four and one-half pounds respectively.

The precedent was established 13 years ago when Earl Logan and Pearl Louise were born. Seven years later Benjamin Franklin and Lillie Low, now Roy and Troy, were born. The other children are J. W., 20, Ellie Lee, 19, Joseph Francis, 16 and Jolly George, 3. One child, Relief Ed died 10 years ago. Mr. Adams is 58 and his wife 38.  
"That's a fine family," the father, an independent trucker, said. "Paid for on delivery, too."

### Winter Comes to Texas Today

Winter came back to Texas today with snow in West Texas and probable freezing weather for Fort Worth and vicinity predicted.  
Reports recorded a moderate snow at Abilene, with the temperature at 31 degrees. A slight snow also fell at Big Spring.

Sleet fell yesterday at Haskell and snow fell this morning. Snow flurries were recorded in other scattered West Texas areas. Partly cloudy and slightly warmer was predicted for tomorrow.

### PLANS 42,000 FOOT CLIMB

PARIS.—Confident he can climb to 42,000 feet, Gustave Lemoine plans making an attempt soon to better his own record of 13,661 meters. Lemoine, who took the altitude mark away from the United States recently, is supervising modifications of his plane.

### Times Will Get Out Big Issue Next Thursday

In order that the merchants of Ranger may get their week-end specials before the public a day earlier, this week to facilitate Christmas shopping, the Times will publish its big issue on Thursday instead of Friday.  
By doing this the paper will reach the people in time for them to take advantage of the specials on both Friday and Saturday, eliminating some of the last-minute shopping rush.

The paper of Thursday will be distributed to every boxholder on all the Ranger rural routes and will have wide distribution over the entire trade territory. The merchants are urged by the publishers to cooperate by getting their copy in for this Thursday issue by noon Wednesday.  
The regular Christmas issue of the paper, carrying the greetings of the merchants, will be issued Sunday, Dec. 24, and no paper will be issued on Christmas Day.  
There is no substitute for "paid" circulation.

### Jim Reed Wins 'Reward,' Weds



"Reward" for his vigorous battle against kidnapers of Mrs. Nell Donnelly, above, came to ex-Senator James A. Reed of Missouri below, when Mrs. Donnelly became his bride in Kansas City, where she is a millionaire garment manufacturer. Reed played a prominent part in conviction of the abductors in 1931. He is 72 and Mrs. Reed 48. Reed's first wife died in 1932 and his bride was divorced the same year.

### YOUTH KILLS MOTHER WHO WAS SUFFERING

PASSAIC, N. J., Dec. 18.—Investigation today revealed a youth's struggle against poverty which finally led him to kill his ailing mother and himself because he believed it "the best thing to do."  
George Dolak, 23, was one of seven children. He was the chief support of his family, but had been unable to find work for several months. There was no food or money in the house yesterday and his mother was suffering from asthma.

The youth arranged for his brothers and sisters to leave the house, then as his mother, 64, sat at the kitchen table reading a Bible he fired a shot into her head. Dolak turned the gun on himself, but the shot was not immediately fatal. At a hospital he told police "mother was in misery and we had nothing to eat so I thought this was the best thing to do."

### Bicknell Young To Lecture On Christian Science

The First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Eastland, extends an invitation to the public to attend the free public lecture on Christian Science to be given in the Connelley theatre, Eastland, Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, by a noted lecturer, member of the board of lecturership of the Mother Church, First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Mass., Mr. Bicknell Young, C. S. B., Chicago, Ill.

### Meanest Thief Takes Christmas Presents

MARSHALL.—Undoubtedly the meanest thief on record here recently stole Christmas gifts from the grocery store of R. B. Brown which were intended for members of his family.  
It was the seventh time in six months that his store had been entered. Other times food and groceries were taken. This time the Christmas gifts were taken and some small change from the cash register.

### WITNESS AT LAREDO TAKE STAND TODAY

Oliver Denies Life Insurance Was Sold Through Influence.

LAREDO, Texas, Dec. 18.—Members of a legislative committee investigating alleged sales of state jobs today resumed their probe here by turning a spotlight toward activities among employees of the state livestock department.  
Roe Oliver, Laredo, tick inspection chief for the department, and J. H. Breeding of Encinal, Texas, discharged tick inspector, were the first witnesses.

Oliver was asked whether he knew of any cases in which tick inspectors were approached to buy life insurance from John Callan, San Antonio, brother of Leo Callan, livestock chief.  
He replied he knew of only one man, a man from Laredo, who had been "approached" and that he had refused.

Dr. E. F. Jarrel, who resigned his post as chairman of the livestock sanitary commission shortly after the committee began its inquiry at Austin, was named in three indictments returned by a Smith county grand jury. He surrendered to the sheriff at Tyler yesterday. Today he was in liberty under \$1,000 bond in each indictment.

### Two Suspects Are Held in Slaying of Ft. Worth Man

FORT WORTH, Dec. 18.—Two suspects were held today for questioning in the believed slaying of a man whose skeleton was found in a slough here.  
The first suspect was arrested Saturday and the second yesterday. Police said they saw a third man and expected him to surrender today to prevent release of the men by habeas corpus proceedings, officers said.

Results of the questioning was not revealed.  
The three men allegedly were the youth's struggle against poverty which finally led him to kill his ailing mother and himself because he believed it "the best thing to do."

### Lindberghs Speed Toward Home

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 18.—Speeding home to spend Christmas with their young son, John, Col. and Mrs.

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**A BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY**

**A CURE FOR WORRY:** Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

**FIVE TEXAS PROJECTS APPROVED BY SECRETARY ICKES**

Texas is not being overlooked by the New Deal administration. Five non-federal public works projects were given approval by Harold L. Ickes, secretary of the department of the interior and CWA administrator. Corpus Christi was given a loan and grant aggregating \$200,000 to navigation district number one for construction of a ship canal and a new turning basin with a protective earth levee at the south side of Nueces bay. Matagorda county received land and a grant totaling \$104,500 for construction of an 18-foot concrete pavement on completed sub-grade from Markham to Buckeye. A grant of \$10,000 was made to Galveston county to aid in the asphaltic mat surfacing of approximately 14½ miles of existing shell surface roads.

A loan and grant of \$400,000 was made to the city of Austin for a project backed by the municipal authorities which will provide 125 jobs for seven months. Rosenberg was given a loan and grant for \$35,000 for extensions to existing water distribution system as well as extensions to sewage collection system. All in all it was a day of recognition for Texas projects.

**MORE THAN THREE BILLION IN CREDIT CHANNELS**

More than \$3,500,000,000 has been poured into the nation's credit arteries in one way or another by the Reconstruction Finance corporation to bring about stabilization of all industries' return of solid confidence based on stability of all concerns, a restoration of the purchasing power of the masses and to guard against human suffering in the winter that it now on. Nothing staggering about the sum. This government spent \$30,000,000,000 to engage in a foreign war. It loaned upwards of 12,000,000,000 to foreign nations for the purpose of winning that war. After peace came, another \$11,000,000,000 were loaned in European and South American countries by the investment bankers of the United States. Those loans have not been paid. Billions in securities were floated in the United States and purchased by the vast army of small investors. Then the crisis came.

Then stagnation came. Then a vast army of idle workers walked along the streets of the cities and towns and the highways and byways of the nation. Something had to be done. Wise or unwise, the New Deal administration inaugurated its plans and marched onward. Truth should be told. It may not be palatable, but it is truth just the same. America is out of the ditch. America is battling on the march to the top of the hill. It required heroic—nay drastic—effort. It required many sacrifices on the part of all. An old year is passing out. A new year is coming in, and the America of the fathers is just as certain to return in its new civilization as the America of bygone years kicked aside all the barriers and surmounted all obstacles and ever marched forward in the broad highway of traffic and travel and happiness and prosperity for those who had been willing to make the sacrifices and do the thinking and planning for the uplift of mankind and the perpetuity of the republic of the western world.

One cannot help but wonder if some of the people who lived in the days of miracles were to appear in these modern times how many of the present events would be placed by them in the category of the mystical.

**DID YOU EVER STOP TO THINK**

By EDSON R. WAITE, Shawnee, Oklahoma

Met an old friend today that I had not seen for many years. In fact, he was an old man when I was a young man. He told me he had been on this earth sufficient years to have a decided leaning toward old customs and that new fangled ideas had little appeal to him. He seems to think that the world has not improved, but has degenerated.

My old time friend seems to be a thorough fatalist. He is firmly convinced that everything is fore-ordained. He is content because he sees no reason to cross bridges before he comes to them. He thinks he knows exactly where they are and that it is time enough to cross them when he reaches them.

I realize that the old man's outlook is not entirely wrong. He is right to wait for the bridges until he comes to them. What is wrong is that there has been a rushing ahead and erection of crossings, in many instances, before the road to them had been built.

My friend also said this country is suffering from an affliction of giddiness brought on by too many new and strange customs.

**OUT OUR WAY**



**Markets**  
 By United Press

Closing selected New York stocks:

American Can	94 1/2
Am P & L	6 1/2
Am & F Pwr	8 3/4
Am Rad & S S	13 3/4
Am Smelt	41 1/2
Am T & T	110 1/2
Anaconda	13 3/4
A T & S F Ry	57 3/4
Auburn Auto	55
Avn Corp Del	7
Barnsdall	8 3/4
Beth Steel	34 1/2
Byers A M	26
Canada Dry	26
Case J I	68 1/2
Chrysler	50 1/2
Comw & Sou	1 1/2
Cons Oil	10 1/2
Contl Oil	17
Curtiss Wright	2 1/2
Elec Au L	18 1/2
Elec St Bat	44
Foster Wheel	13 1/2
Freeport Tex	43 1/2
Gen Elec	18 1/2
Gen Foods	34 1/2
Gen Mot	32 1/2
Gillette S R	8 1/2
Goodyear	33 1/2
Gt Nor Ore	10 1/2
Houston Oil	22 1/2
Int Cement	29 1/2
Int Harvester	38 1/2
Johns Manville	58 1/2
Kroger G & B	23
Liq Carb	27 1/2
Marshall Field	13
M K T Ry	8
Montg Ward	21 1/2
Nat Dairy	12 1/2
N Y Cent Ry	33 1/2
Ohio Oil	13 1/2
Packard Mot	3 1/2
Penney J C	51 1/2
Penn Ry	29 1/2
Phelps Dodge	14 1/2
Phillips Pet	15 1/2
Pure Oil	11 1/2
Putty Bak	12 1/2
Radio	6 1/2
Sears Roebuck	41
Shell Union Oil	7 1/2
Socony Vac	15 1/2
Southern Pac	19 1/2
Stan Oil N J	44 1/2
Studebaker	4 1/2
Texas Corp	25 1/2
Tex Gulf Sul	39 1/2
Und Elliott	34 1/2
Union Carb	44 1/2
United Corp	4 1/2
U S Gypsum	45
U S Ind Alc	58 1/2
U S Steel	46 1/2
Vanadium	21 1/2
Western Union	54 1/2
Westing Elec	37 1/2

**Carb Stocks**

Cities Service	1 1/2
Elec Bond & Sh	12 1/2
Ford M Ltd	2 1/2
Gulf Oil Pa	54 1/2
Humble Oil	100 1/2
Lone Star Gas	5 1/2
Nig Hud Pwr	5 1/2
Stan Oil Ind	32 1/2

Total sales, 1,340,000 shares.  
 Steepling, \$5.14.  
 Gold, \$33.06.

These quotations are furnished through the courtesy of D. E. Pulley, 209 Main street, Ranger:

**New York Cotton**

Range of the market, New York cotton—	High	Low	Close	Prev.
Dec.	996	986	986	990
Jan.	999	986	986	990
Mar.	1017	1005	1005	1009
May	1031	1018	1018	1022

**Chicago Grain**

Range of the market, Chicago grain—	High	Low	Close	Prev.
Dec.	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2
May	50 1/2	49 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2

**Oats**

Dec.	34 1/2	34	33 1/2	34 1/2
May	37 1/2	36 1/2	36 1/2	36 1/2
July	35 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	35

**Wheat**

May	85 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	85 1/2
Dec.	83 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2	83 1/2
July	88 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2

**Rye**

Dec.	53			
May	57 1/2			57 1/2
July	59 1/2			59 1/2

**LETTERS FOR SANTA CLAUS**

This paper will print any letters addressed to Santa Claus received from the youngsters of this part of the country. Just send or bring them to this office addressed to Santa Claus and they will be printed as soon as possible.

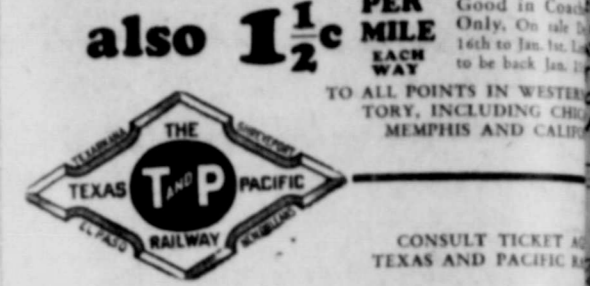
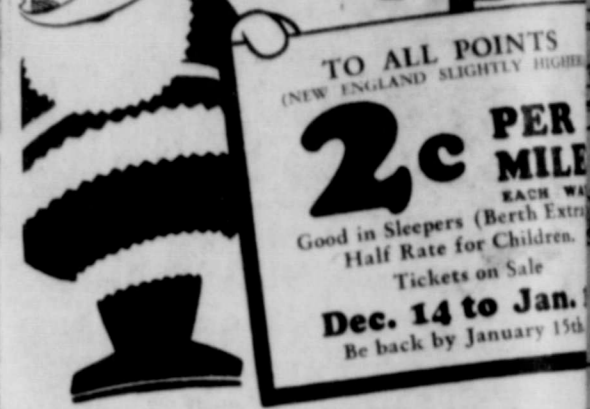
Dear Santa: I am a little boy six years old. I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a gun that shoots caps, a set of tinker toys, a train and plenty of nuts and candy. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls. Oh, yes, I want a cowboy suit, boots and spurs. Love and best wishes to you. Billie Mack Meroney.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl seven years old. I want a doll with curls and has sleepy eyes and cries. I want a set of dishes and knives and forks and spoons, and a bracelet and necklaces, and apples and oranges. I want one 15-cent stocking filled with toys, one box of marshmallows. Yours truly, Doris Colleen Williams.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy six years old. I want a truck with lights, gun and scabbard, a box of dominos, candy and fruit. Please bring my little sisters some toys too. James Williams.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl seven years old. Please bring

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**Ranger Social News**  
 V. MARIE STEPHENS, Editor

**RANGER CHURCH DAY**  
 Yesterday's Sunday School Attendance Records

Methodist Church	218
Church of Christ	151
First Christian Church	107
Presbyterian Church	52
First Baptist Church	220
Central Baptist Church	204
Total	952
Last Sunday's total	956

**Mrs. Hart Speaks on Young People's Work**  
 Mrs. Hart, secretary of young people's work in Texas, spoke yesterday morning at the First Christian church at the 11 o'clock hour. Having had experience in the directing and leading of the young people of the various Texas churches, she spoke at length on that phase of work within the church.

**Central Baptist Church Has One Addition**  
 There was one addition to the Central Baptist church at the close of yesterday's morning hour. The pastor took as his subject "The Holy Jesus," taken from the text, "And thou shalt call his name Jesus, for he shall save his people from their sins." He placed special emphasis upon salvation from sin.

**First Baptist Church Has Good Day**  
 The First Baptist church reports a good day yesterday at both services. The pastor spoke at both morning and evening services. There were 65 registered in the B. T. S. hour, with the intermediates in charge of the program at the general assembly.

**Church of Christ In Regular Services**  
 The Church of Christ met in regular services yesterday, with splendid crowds reported both morning and evening.

**Methodist Church Hears "Son of the Highest"**  
 According to reports, one of the most colorful cantatas ever presented in Ranger was given Sunday evening at the Methodist

church, Miss Maxine Henderson directing, Miss Marguerite Adanson at the piano with violin accompaniments by Miss Dorothy Outlaw. The choir was robed in white, and the production presented against a background of Christmas decorations.

**Presbyterian Church Looks Forward to Christmas**  
 Looking forward to Christmas, the pastor of the Presbyterian church spoke Sunday morning on "Christmas is Coming." He emphasized the approaching day with reference to Christ-thoughts and Christly living, as well as the joy of giving in comparison with the gift of God to the world.

**Colony Senior Class Entertained With Tacky Party**  
 The senior class of the Colony school was entertained Friday evening with a party at the home of the class president, Paul Hodges.

**Return Home**  
 Mrs. Herbert Stafford and daughter have returned from Fort Worth where they have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Palmer for the past week.

**Business Visitor**  
 J. S. McDowell of Fort Worth is a business visitor in Ranger today.

**Kindergarten To Present Playlet**  
 The kindergarten directed by Mrs. H. H. Durham, will present a Christmas playlet, "Christmas in Dreamland," Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock in the colonial room of the Gholson hotel.

**Here From Valley**  
 Miss Willie Matthews, daughter of Mrs. E. T. Matthews, who is connected with an automobile agency in San Benito, arrived Sunday night to spend the Christmas holidays in Ranger. She is at her home, 414 South Marston.

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Betty Brown, Billie Bob and Carroll Boon, Dorothy Byas, Helen Jacobs, Frederick Larson, Jane Lauderdale, Sammy Ruth Matthews, C. E. and Doris May, Betty May, Betty Jean and Beverly June Smith, and Bobbie Lee Tolliver. The program will be under the direction of Mrs. J. E. Matthews.

**Junior New Era Club To Be Entertained**  
 The Junior New Era club will be entertained with a Christmas party at the home of Misses Gillian and Lucille Buchanan Tuesday evening at 7:45 o'clock. Trudge will furnish the diversion for the evening.

**Rev. Johnson Reads Fox-Matthews Service**  
 Rev. H. B. Johnson officiated at the marriage of Miss Eujay Fox and Ollie Marshall Saturday afternoon at the home of T. J. Addams, Caddo road.

**Blankenship-Hill Ceremony Read Saturday**  
 Miss Roberta Blankenship, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Blankenship, became the bride of O. L. Hill Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Hill, parents of the bridegroom. The simple ceremony was performed by Rev. H. B. Johnson.

**Visits Mother**  
 Mrs. Lattie Davernport spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. H. B. Stewart of Mingus.

**Holiday Guest**  
 Miss Aletha Lemley of Fort Worth is the holiday guest of friends and relatives in Ranger.

**Business Visitor**  
 J. S. McDowell of Fort Worth is a business visitor in Ranger today.

day. Henry A. Schultz and John Spillman were here on business Saturday.

**Cooper Students Will Entertain P. T. A. With Christmas Program**  
 The students of Cooper School will entertain the Parent-Teachers Association with a Christmas program tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. This is an annual affair.

**Mrs. Barney Carter Undergoes Operation**  
 Mrs. Barney Carter, who left Ranger last week for Tyler where Mr. and Mrs. Carter and daughter, Talmadge and Eloise will make their home, underwent a serious operation at St. Paul's hospital, Dallas, Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

**Miss Talmadge Carter Returned to Ranger Today to Complete Term's Study in High School**

**Wedding Guests Included Messrs. and Mrs. E. Hill, Ernest Harper, Waldon Connally, and Misses Lily Hill and Vesta Blankenship.**

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**Houston Fat Stock Show Entries Are Being Received**

By United Press  
 HOUSTON.—Early entries for the Houston Fat Stock Show and Livestock Exposition to be held here Feb. 24 to March 4 have more than doubled the number of animals shown here last year.

Officials are assured by the advance registration that the show will eclipse any of previous years.

Business Manager E. C. Stone announced plans for the exhibition were almost complete, including the new poultry show feature. The poultry exhibit will be under direction of Vice President Julian Westlow of the livestock exposition.

H. W. Dew of Missouri City is manager of the show and Walter Hudgins of Hungerford is his assistant.

Judges and superintendents announced for the exposition are: D. W. Williams of Texas A. & M. college, superintendent of the Hereford, Shorthorn and Angus division of cattle; F. W. Neuhaus of Richmond, superintendent of Brahms cattle; John Burns of Fort Worth, judge of all beef cattle; D. C. Buchanan of Sugarland, superintendent of the dairy department; C. A. Staples of Louisiana State university, judge of the dairy department; E. M. Rechenbrecht of Texas A. & M. college, superintendent of the swine department; W. L. Stangel of Texas Technological college of Lubbock, judge of the swine department; H. W. Dew of Hungerford, superintendent of the sheep and goat department; O. R. Ernest of Waverly, Iowa, will be judge of the poultry show.

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**Long Candidate Target at Polls**



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**"Women In His Life" Based On Headlines**

Out of the yellowing pages of metropolitan newspapers a dramatic story has been rescued for the screen that promises to be one of the fastest, exciting and thrill-crowded chronicles of modern metropolitan life to be transcribed into a motion picture.

The picture is "The Women in His Life," which comes today to the Arcadia theatre.

It is the story of sensational trials; of life behind the scenes of the courtrooms and attorneys' offices; of a spectacular trial lawyer who always wins the cases for his clients, be they guilty or innocent, but who lets a woman of his past wreck his future.

Yosemite national park rangers ate meat that was 200 years old. We had some of it last night.

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**What do they mean? Well, they mean thinking about the climate. Here in Texas shine is no novelty—but have you ever sunshine here? We don't have any compressed fresh air—but have you ever stretched over our mountain air at sunrise on a morn morning? And there are plenty of ways in this climate. We're still playing golf in sleeves. And the bass have been taking the first few days of the duck season, at every morning it sounded like a war.**

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**The UNKNOWN BLOND** By Laura Lou BROOKMAN

**BEGIN HERE TODAY**  
 DAVID HANNISTER undertakes to find out who killed TRACY KING, orchestra leader. Hannister is an author and former newspaper man. He works on the murder case with GAINES, star reporter on the Post.

**Among those suggested are JULIET FRANCE, blond, pretty and known to have visited KING shortly before his death; HERMAN SCHULZACK, who wrote KING a threatening letter; and JOE PARROTT, down-and-out vandale actor. It is also known that MELVINA HOLLISTER, middle-aged spinster, had quarreled with KING recently.**

**AL HIRSHMAN, friend of KING's, is found dead in a wrecked automobile.**

**Hannister persuades the police chief to let Juliet come to his aunt's home, ostensibly as a guest, on the theory that if the girl believes herself free they can learn more about her.**

**Parrott is located in St. Louis and detective is sent to bring him back.**

**Juliet begs Hannister to "stop trying to find out who killed Tracy King."**

**THE girl went on without waiting for a reply. "Maybe that's a queer thing to ask but—oh, I mean it, Mr. Hannister! There's no reason why you should take such risks!"**

**"What risks?" Hannister asked. Juliet France unclasped her hands and immediately clasped them together again. She was leaning forward and her eyes, watching his intently, seemed to darken.**

**"There are risks," she said. "Don't you see that I could never forgive myself if anything happened? You and your aunt have been so kind to me. You've brought me here to your home—treated me like a guest. I couldn't bear to cause any trouble for you! That's why I want you to promise to give it up, to stop trying to find out who killed Tracy King."**

**Hannister broke the corner of a piece of toast and buttered it. "It seems to me," he said, "that you're greatly exaggerating the situation. There isn't the slightest danger—"**

**"Oh, but there is!" the exclamation was so swift it was startling. Hannister put down the toast. "What sort of danger?" he asked.**

**"What do you expect to happen?" The girl lowered her eyes. When she raised them a moment later she said, "I don't know. But I'm afraid it will be something terrible! I—I wish you'd do as I ask!"**

**He was to remember those words more than once in the days to come. He was to remember and wonder how he could have treated them so carelessly at the time.**

for danger—that's ridiculous! And now suppose you give me a little more of that hot coffee."

She filled the cup with steaming coffee. "More toast?" she asked.

"No more, thanks."

THERE was a little more casual conversation between them than while Hannister finished his breakfast. Ten minutes later he left the house and walked the block to the street car line.

His gloomy mood of an hour earlier had disappeared. The sky was still gray and looked as though snow might fall before evening, but the crisp, cold air was invigorating.

Hannister, as he swung about the street car and found a seat was still thinking about the girl who had sat across the breakfast table from him. In the blue and white gingham dress she looked rather like an old-fashioned picture. And she had warned him about dangers he might encounter. That was amusing. Dangers in the sleepy little home town of Tremont!

He opened his newspaper, turned to his favorite comic strip and then to the sport pages. By the time he had finished with them they were down town. He left the car and walked to the Evening Post building.

As usual he climbed the stairs to the editorial rooms instead of waiting for the elevator. Jim Paxton was in his office and called to him as he passed the door.

Hannister entered the office. "Hello, Jim," he said. "What's on your mind?"

Paxton leaned back in his chair. "The Tremont Club's having a dinner next week," he said. "They want you to make a talk for them—"

"Good Lord! You know I can't make speeches."

"Oh, it isn't as bad as that. You don't have to prepare a speech. Just say a few words, something impromptu—"

Hannister held up his hands in protest. "Not me, Jim! You don't think I'd be roped in on a thing like that, do you? Say, I'd rather face a rifle squad. Look here, I thought you were a friend of mine!"

PAXTON'S expression was rather sheepish. "I knew you wouldn't want to do it," he admitted, "but I had to promise to ask you. It was Ben Cameron's idea."

"Then tell Cameron he'll have to find another victim. All my evenings next week are definitely engaged."

few minutes before the interview was ended anyhow. Hannister decided to wait.

He turned carelessly through the newspaper on top of the pile, turned through the second and then something caught his eye. He was deep in the marvels of an ancient temple recently discovered in Mexico when he heard his name.

"Oh, Hannister!"

It was Gaines who had called and now was motioning for him to come over to the desk in the corner.

Hannister crossed the room. He said, "Hello. What's up?"

"The woman beside Gaines looked up. Hannister saw that she was wearing a brown coat and brown hat with an orange ribbon on it. Her face was rather pretty, though it was too broad and her nose inclined to turn up. Her age, he guessed, would be somewhere between 18 and 28. Stiffly curled hair showed beneath her hat and the rouge on her cheeks had been applied in large pink circles.

GAINES said, "Miss Connor, this is Mr. Hannister. I'd like him to hear what you've been telling me."

The woman looked at Hannister and seemed to hesitate. Her eyes returned to Gaines's. "Is he on the paper, too?" she asked.

Gaines nodded. "Yes," he said. "He knows as much about the case as I do." He turned to Hannister. "Miss Connor," he explained, "is a maid at the Coleman's—Parker Coleman's home. She's read about the King murder in the Post and saw my name over the stories. That's why she asked for me. She thinks she knows something of importance—"

The maid interrupted. She said, "I don't know whether it's important or not. And I don't know if I should have come here. If anyone finds out about it they'll fire me. I know they will!"

"But nobody's going to find out about it," Gaines reassured her. "I've already told you that. All I want you to do is to tell Mr. Hannister what you've just told me."

The maid's large blue eyes continued to regard Hannister doubtfully. At last she said, "All right—but I don't think I should have come. I've thought about it all week, trying to make up my mind what was the right thing to do. I came down town this morning to see the dentist and when I passed this building and saw it was where the newspaper was printed I decided to come in."

Both men were silent, waiting for her to go on.

"I wouldn't have said anything to anybody," the maid continued, her words coming more rapidly. "Only Mr. King was such a wonderful young man. I've got one of his pictures—autographed. I wrote and asked for it and right away he sent the picture. Wasn't that nice of him? When I heard what had happened to him I couldn't hardly work or eat or sleep or anything. I kept thinking how handsome he looked and the sweet way he sang! I saw him once on the street, too—with that Denise Lane."

She paused and her eyes turned from one of her listeners to the other. "I was thinking about that," she said, "when it came to me. I mean about what happened that night."

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The Byrd expedition, inauguration of President Roosevelt, Lindbergh's flight, the Senate investigation of high finance, the defeat of Tammany in the New York City mayoralty election, the Civil Works Administration, the World Economic Conference, the Disarmament Conference, and the Chicago World's Fair.

**RESTORE NAPOLEON'S HOME**  
 HAVRE, France.—Fifty tons of material are here waiting to be shipped to St. Helena. It will be sent to London and taken to the lonely island by a British boat. The material will be used for the restoration of Longwood, Napoleon's residence there.

President Roosevelt is the most charming person in the world, says a New York "charm expert." His critics would say that's merely an inflated opinion, based on depreciated values in world celebrities.

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The Byrd expedition, inauguration of President Roosevelt, Lindbergh's flight, the Senate investigation of high finance, the defeat of Tammany in the New York City mayoralty election, the Civil Works Administration, the World Economic Conference, the Disarmament Conference, and the Chicago World's Fair.

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