

Lubbock Morning Avalanche

FIRE DESTROYS HOUSTON HOTEL

Federal Troops Take San Marcos

TWELVE MISSING FOUR KILLED IN CHARRED RUINS

GUESTS FLEE IN PANIC FROM FIRE STARTED BY OIL STOVE

By United News.
HOUSTON, Tex. Dec. 18.—Twelve persons were still reported missing Tuesday night, following the fire which earlier in the day destroyed the Capitol Hotel. Four others are known to be dead.

Rescue parties were forced to abandon their search for bodies of the missing late in the day, when they were threatened momentarily with death by tottering walls which still reared in the midst of the ruins.

Forty eight guests were registered at the hotel when the fire broke out. Four bodies have been found, and only one identified—that of Lee Driver, address unknown. A dentist identified Driver through some dental work he had once done for the victim.

Many of those reported missing are still alive but have failed to inform the searchers, in the opinion of Mrs. L. A. Fisher, proprietress of the hotel. Those missing are:

- C. C. Hawkins,
- C. D. Caddy, Richmond, Va.,
- Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Harper, Dallas,
- N. P. Morrison,
- Willie Brown,
- Walker, Lufkin, Texas,
- J. D. Petties, Lufkin, Texas,
- G. Huidspeth and a man named Skinner.

Another of the charred corpses was believed to have been partly identified by a notebook found nearby upon which was written the name "C. H. Davis."

Firemen believe they have sighted the bodies of five additional victims in the ruins of the hotel. No attempt will be made to recover them until morning.

Fear Some Buried Under Debris.
Firemen fear that some may have been buried under tons of debris when the third floor of the building crashed down on to the second, not long after the fire got under way.

The blaze broke out and spread rapidly when an oil stove in the room of Jeff Davis, night clerk, exploded early Tuesday. An emergency call brought all the first apparatus.

The hotel was a mass of flames when the firemen arrived. Guests had fled in scanty attire, barely escaping with their lives, and in most cases leaving valuables and clothing in their rooms.

Traffic Held Up for Hours.
Downtown traffic was held up for hours. When firemen found they could not check the flames they protected adjoining buildings, which came through with but minor damage. The total estimated property damage of the fire was \$40,000.

Mail for Santa Claus Heavy.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Santa Claus hasn't called for his mail at the central postoffice here as yet, and the stack of letters addressed to him is growing rapidly.

BONUS CAUSES SENATE'S DELAY

LEADERS IN QUANDARY BUT MAJORITY FAVOR BONUS PASSAGE

By THOMAS I. STOKES
United News Staff Correspondent.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The ghost of the bonus is brazenly intruding itself into republican councils considering tax reductions. Leaders are anxious to meet the demand of President Coolidge, Secretary Mellon and the country for lower taxes, but are in a quandary because of their pledges to put through the

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SCHOOL BOND CARRY AT CANYON RECENTLY

CANYON, Dec. 18.—The bond election carried by a majority of seventy. There were 120 votes for issuing the \$15,000.00 bonds and 50 against the issuance of the bonds.

The majority would have been much larger had the day been clear. The snow was so deep that few women were able to reach the polls. The service cars were unable to reach all who phoned and asked for transportation to the polls. At least thirty-five women were ready to come and vote for the school bonds, but could not find transportation.

The bond issue was for the purpose of paying off the indebtedness outstanding against the furniture and fixtures of the new high school building. The outstanding warrants will be transferred to lower interest bearing bonds.

WANTED CHRISTMAS SHOPPER BUT GOT JAIL TERM INSTEAD

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Frank Stachurer wanted a pretty Christmas shopper for his Christmas present.

So he stood at Michigan Boulevard and Adams street, one of Chicago's busiest corners, and for an hour or more, told every woman or girl whose attention he could attract:

"I want to get married!"

They all passed by hurriedly until one girl suddenly grabbed Frank and shook for the cops.

A lynching was narrowly averted, and now Frank awaits the verdict of the doctors at the hospital.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CLOTHIERS AT NEW YORK

NEW YORK.—The National association of Retail Clothiers and Furnishers will hold its next Annual convention in New York City, Sept. 22-24, 1924.

The convention committee, composed of Sol Schloss of Indianapolis, president of the National association; Charles E. Wry, executive director; Dave Halle of Memphis and Joe Printz of New York, both regional directors, have decided to accept invitations tendered to them by New York. In conjunction with the convention there will be held a great exposition of clothing and haberdashery.

DEADLOCK SEEN IN RUSSIAN QUESTION

COOLIDGE BELIEVED TO HAVE CHANGED MIND ON RECOGNITION

By RAYMOND CLAPPER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The rebuff which Secretary of State Hughes had handed to soviet Russia provided surprise among many members of congress who had construed statements in President Coolidge's message as an invitation to the Moscow government to open negotiations.

Senator Ladd of North Dakota expects to offer a resolution in the senate calling upon the state department for all information regarding Russia. Other senators intend to discuss the Russian question from the senate floor.

Virtually all reserved judgment regarding Hughes' blunt rejection of Tchicherin's advances pending further information. They are especially interested in the statement which Hughes made regarding bolshevik propaganda in the United States designed to overthrow institutions of this country. The state department is likely to be asked to reveal the extent of this alleged propaganda.

There is a firm belief here that Hughes has persuaded Coolidge to change his mind regarding the desirability of early negotiations with Russia.

When Coolidge said in his message that he was willing to make "very large concessions" to Russia, Senators Borah and other progressives voiced their approval and predicted that the administration had opened a door which would lead to establishment of relations between the two governments.

It was this statement in the presidential message which prompted the soviet government to send its note to the White House, suggesting that negotiations be instituted.

But the quick retort which came from Secretary of State Hughes places an entirely light on the atti-

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MAN ARRESTED CONFESSES TO SWINDLING OPERATIONS IN ARMY POSTS

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18.—Escape from ten army posts and extensive swindling operations was confessed Tuesday by Harry E. Turner, according to police who arrested him here.

Turner admitted, officers said, that he was wanted on swindling charges at nearly every post from which he escaped. Turner was being sought by Private George Green of Fort McArthur on November 1, when Green accidentally discharged his rifle and killed Private Bert Dewbra, who was accompanying him.

The posts from which Turner confessed escaping include Fort Slocum, N. Y., Fort Sam Houston, Texas, Jefferson Barracks, Mo., Presidio, Calif., Fort Omaha, Neb., Columbus Barracks, Ohio, Fort Sill, Okla., General Hospital, St. Louis, Chickamauga Park, Tenn., and Kelly Field, Texas.

Turner is also said to have escaped from a Stockton, Calif., jail.

NINE BALLOTS FAIL TO NAME THE I. C. C. HEAD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The senate remained deadlocked through nine ballots today for a chairman of the interstate commerce committee, while the only step toward future legislation in the house, a scheduled meeting of the house ways and means committee to study tax reductions, was cancelled when it was learned that some of the members would try to push the bonus ahead of the tax program.

A meeting of the committee was announced for Wednesday.

When the balloting in the senate ended Tuesday, Smith of South Carolina, the democratic candidate, still lacked four votes of election, getting 42, while Cummins of Iowa, regular republican candidate, received 37. Couzens of Michigan, drawing progressive support, 111. The senate afterward went into executive session and extended for five years present arbitration treaties with France, Great Britain, Japan, Norway and Portugal.

Before the balloting began, Senator Owen of Oklahoma made a lengthy speech in which he declared that Germany tried to avoid the world war but was forced into it by France and Russia.

First steps in the Mayfield case will be taken before the senate adjourned Thursday, it was learned. Senator Spencer of Missouri, chairman of the privileges and elections committee, is expected to appoint a sub-committee in the next two days to sift charges of election fraud against the Texas senator.

It was reported to the senate

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FEDERAL WARRANTS ISSUED CHARGING KORETZ WITH FRAUDULENT USE OF MAIL IN STOCK SCHEME SWINDLE

By JAMES McCLAIN
CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Steadily mounting estimates of the millions that were invested in the glowing bubbles that were mothered by Leo Koretz, bean Brummel, financier, indicate that the confidence inspiring little broker may have "out-ponied" Charles Ponzi himself.

The original estimate of \$5,000,000 as the amount of the Koretz loot will be doubled, possibly tripled, if the full extent of Koretz's operations can be unearthed, investigators declared. The desire of many wealthy Chicagoans to conceal their losses behind a veil of secrecy is holding down the total involved in the glittered stock peddled by the broker, they believe. There are indications that the operations extended to the Atlantic seaboard, which eastern police are now investigating.

Detectives Tuesday night were investigating a report that Koretz was the victim of a blackmail plot and had paid an immense amount—possibly \$1,000,000—to persons who constantly threatened to bring his affairs of heart to public attention.

Federal warrants charging Koretz

with using the mails to defraud were issued Tuesday thus putting the United States secret service on the illusive trail of the broker. An indictment charging operation of a confidence game was also returned in criminal court.

Four sad-faced families met four disillusioned executives in Koretz's office when they returned from Panama Tuesday after completing the investigation which brought on the broker's flight. Mosquitos and alligator land was all they found where Koretz's gushers were supposed to be gushing wealth for all.

WEATHER FORECAST

WEST TEXAS: Cloudy and unsettled tonight and Wednesday; probably light rain north and east portions tonight; warmer tonight and southeast portions Wednesday.

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GRAVE SITUATION OVER RESTORATION OF JAPAN DEVELOPS

By United News.
TOKIO, Dec. 18.—Faced by the proposal that 792,977,000 yen (\$251,488,000), would be necessary to reconstruct the earthquake devastated cities of Tokio and Yokohama, the majority party in the Japanese diet has unanimously resolved that the restoration budget must be reduced 20 percent.

A political crisis may develop over the situation. The majority party has also resolved to abolish the Tokio restoration board.

It was intended that the huge sum be spent within six years from the fiscal year of 1924. Heavy expenditures were to be made in the coming year, but the government did not intend to begin work on a grand scale until 1926.

Framers of the budget have expected to raise a loan to cover the reconstruction expenses.

TWO CONVICTS CONFESS AFTER HELP OFFERED

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Dec. 18.—Alton Covell, 16-year-old murderer of Mrs. Elba Covell, his stepmother, in the circuit court at Coquille Tuesday was sentenced to serve life imprisonment in the state penitentiary.

He was found guilty of first degree murder by a jury last Saturday and the jury recommended life imprisonment instead of hanging. He will be taken tomorrow to Salem.

Alton Covell's uncle, Arthur Covell, crippled astrologer, who was found guilty of instigating the murder was sentenced to hang December 21, but on an appeal the execution was stayed.

MEMBERS OF GANG WHO ESCAPED FROM TRAIN ENROUTE TO JAIL

By United News.
PERRY, Okla., Dec. 18.—The police of Perry Tuesday entertained two escaped federal convicts, William Turner and Arnold Ammons.

They gave them food and a place to sleep and then raised a purse large enough to buy tickets for the two to Kansas City.

In justice to the police of this town, however, it should be said that they did not know Turner and Ammons were escaped convicts.

In fact, they wouldn't know it now—here comes the even more surprising part of this story—if the pair hadn't been so overwhelmed with kindness that they broke down and confessed.

All the cops were down at the train to pat Turner and Ammons on the back, bid them God speed and good luck and all that sort of thing, when, Turner in a voice choking with emotion suddenly cried:

"You've been so kind to us that we cannot take advantage of you. We are fugitives!"

Sure enough, investigation disclosed that Turner and Ammons were two of five prisoners who escaped near Caldwell, Kansas, while en route to Leavenworth.

FORMER IOWA BANKER MISSING FROM HOME

By United News.
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18.—E. J. Breen, wealthy retired banker of Fort Dodge, Iowa, is missing and Tuesday police instituted a thorough search. Breen suffers from chronic aphasia, his family stated, and fears are felt for his safety.

UNIQUE GIFT OFFERED GOV

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 18.—If deferential attendants at the state capital offer Governor Smith a chair on December 31, the governor may register a forced smile and say:

"No thank you—I'll stand today."

For on the eve of that day Smith will "celebrate his fifty-fifth birthday.

He has promised to lie across a table while each of his five children—three sons and two daughters—administer 50 hefty whacks at the seat of the his gubernatorial trousers.

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WIFE OF EX-GOV. OF N. Y. DIES IN CALIFORNIA HOME

SANTA BARBARA, Calif., Dec. 18.—Mrs. Gertrude Thompson Dix, wife of former Governor Dix of New York, died at the fashionable Dix home in Montecito near here Tuesday night. Dix left for Albany New York, with the remains.

JURY SOON TO DECIDE FATE OF FOX

By United News.
ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 18.—The woman in teddies" of the Phil E. Fox murder trial was identified by the state late Tuesday as Mrs. Margaret Weaver, who is under indictment as the accomplice who gave Fox the revolver with which he killed W. S. Coburn, leader of a rival faction in the Ku Klux Klan.

Damaging testimony was given against Mrs. Weaver.

The "woman in teddies" had been freely mentioned by the prosecution throughout the week as the voluptuous siren who accompanied Fox on wild taxi rides and visits to road houses and other places shortly before Fox, publicity agent for the Klan, shot Coburn. Her identification was made in rebuttal evidence by Louis R. Fox, clerk in a fashionable Atlanta hotel, and E. C. Tugel, house detective, and was followed closely by testimony that accused her of furnishing defendant with the gun.

The state attorneys declare this was a major link in the chain of evidence by which it hopes to prove that there was a definite motive in the case, that the girl in teddy bears was the inspiration, and that she was acting for others "higher up."

Mary Hollis, negress, then made the flat statement that she had seen Mrs. Weaver emerge from a resort and hand a revolver to Fox, who was waiting in a taxi cab. She identified this gun as the one with which Fox killed Coburn. The transfer of the revolver occurred the night before the murder.

Shortly afterward, according to the evidence, Fox went to the home of Col. W. J. Simmons, founder of and emperor of the Klan, threatened the life of Dr. W. B. Johnson, a friend of Simmons, and told Johnson that "you, Simmons, E. Y. Clark

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CO. AGENT JENNINGS IS ENDORSED BY FARM BUREAU MEMBERS WHO MET IN REGULAR SESSION MONDAY

J. W. Jennings, county agent, was heartily endorsed for re-appointment to that office by the Lubbock County Farm Bureau members who held their regular meeting here Monday.

Primarily, the meeting was held for the election of officers, and final counting of the ballots showed that L. O. Buford had been elected president, with W. E. Bennett vice-president, and it was unanimously agreed by those in session that the office of the secretary would be filled at the next regular meeting.

F. R. Friend, of the Security State Bank & Trust Company, addressed the meeting in the afternoon, and his remarks were appreciated and well received by the farmers.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Farm Bureau, and copies were sent to the organizations referred to:

To the Lubbock Rotary and Kiwanis clubs, Lubbock Chamber of Commerce, Idalou chamber of Commerce, Slaton Chamber of Commerce:

By a resolution adopted by these organizations, on this the 17th day of December, 1923, we have unqualifiedly endorsed Mr. J. W. Jennings, as County Agricultural agent of Lubbock County, and request the Honorable Commissioners Court to appoint him for the next year, and we herewith request you to assist us in securing his appointment as we feel that he is best qualified by reason of his long service in this service in this work with our people, and that to make a change now would injure the work.

The Honorable Commissioners Court has made an appropriation for this work and will appoint a county agent soon, and that we feel that Mr. Jennings should be appointed.

This request is made by a vote of the members present at the above meeting and is the opinion of all the members.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation in this and the many other things you have done for our organization, and assuring you that we feel that the best interests of our people will be served by the appointment of Mr. Jennings, we are

Respectfully yours,
L. O. BURFORD,
PAT NIX,
J. H. BURROUGHS,
W. M. ROSS.

Committee, Lubbock County Farm Bureau, Lubbock County Pure Seed Association.

At a joint meeting of the Lubbock County Farm Bureau and the Pure Cotton Seed Association held in Lubbock on the 17th day of December, 1923, the following resolutions were presented by Pat Nix, and seconded by J. H. Burroughs:

Resolved, That we, the Lubbock County Farm Bureau and Pure Cotton Seed Association, in meeting assembled, unqualifiedly endorse Mr. J. W. Jennings as County Agent for Lubbock County, and respectfully request the County Commissioners Court to appoint him to this office in Lubbock County for the year 1924, and pledge our support to him and his work.

All members present unqualifiedly adopted this resolution and the chairman declared the resolution carried and ordered it spread upon the minutes of the meeting, a copy sent to the Honorable Commissioners Court, a copy sent to Mr. T. O. Walton, Director of Extension Service A. and M. College, and a copy to the newspapers of the county.

L. O. BURFORD, Chairman,
Lubbock County Farm Bureau.

BABY DAUGHTER OF MR. AND MRS. CARL KAHLICK DIED

SLATON, Texas, Dec. 18.—A sad death occurred last Wednesday at 12:30 a. m., that of little Margretta, two year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kahlick, living about four miles west of town.

It is stated that Tuesday afternoon the family was engaged in hog-killing and a pan of scalding water set nearby. Apparently the child stumbled and fell face forward into the water. Death resulted in a few hours.

Funeral services were held from the Catholic church Thursday afternoon. Rev. Father French officiating. Burial followed in Englewood cemetery.

Dr. Ferguson, Dentist, Conley Bldg. knows how to cure Pyorrhea 297809

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FARM HOME OF HERMAN VERKAMP BURNED THURS.

SLATON, Texas, Dec. 18.—The residence of Herman Verkamp, four miles northwest of town, burned one day last week. It is said that the destructive fire was a result of a gasoline iron explosion. It was a six room two-story building, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Verkamp and their twelve children.

In an effort to check the flames Mrs. Verkamp, who was alone at the house, was painfully burned on the right arm and hand. Other members of the family and neighbors heard the alarm and rushed to the scene, but not in time to save any of the contents, for before they could arrive the whole house was in flames.

The total loss is estimated at about \$3,000, with only \$1,500 insurance.

Local Man Heads A Debating Class At Mineral Wells, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. R. Martin, of Martin & Wolcott's Grocery, have received a number of copies of "The Tattler," publication of the Mineral Wells High School.

Their son, Edwin, is a teacher in the school, and has enjoyed success in the conduct of his work, as his many friends here knew he would. He is instructor of a debating class, and "The Tattler" has the following reports of this work:

Students Form Debating Club
Approximately twenty-five students were assembled in room eighteen Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock to attend the initiative meeting of the Debating Club.

This club was formed with the expressed purpose of preparing students for the debating teams that are to be selected in the near future. Mr. Edwin Martin, sponsor of debate, says that he intends to select his teams from this club.

The first meeting was entertained by a debate followed by the first of the series of debates to be given by Mr. Martin. The question was: "Resolved, Physical Training Should Be Made Compulsory in the Public Schools." The affirmative side was represented by Annie Lou Miller and Ritchey Tygett, the negative by Isabella Hartsou and William Chamberlain. Mr. Martin gave a short lecture on "The Fundamental Principles of Debating."

Progressive Class in Public Speaking
One of the most progressive and interesting classes in the high school is the class of public speaking under the supervision of Mr. Martin. This subject has been taught in the school for several years, but never before has such interest been taken in the different activities by the students of the class. All are planning to participate in the tryouts for debating and declamation.

PROVIDES \$1,200,000 TO CONDUCT RESEARCH WORKS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Scientific research work in many fields, including excavations in the holy city of the ancient Maya people in Mexico, is provided for by the Carnegie Institute, which approved \$1,200,000 for next year's budget.

The Mala explorations will be made at Chicon Itza in Mexico. Dr. Sylvanus G. Morely will be in charge of the work, which is expected to reveal new facts about middle American antiquity. He will be assisted by Dr. W. H. Holmes of the National Museum, Dr. Clark Wissler of the American Museum of Natural History, Earl H. Morris and Monroe Kemden, archaeologists, and J. C. K. Martin, surveyor and engineer.

SALVATION ARMY NOTES

All donations to be made to the Salvation Army toward a Christmas effort whether cash, fruits, eggs, butter, poultry, or anything that will do for the Christmas basket complete a real Christmas dinner, as well as the toys to make some little heart glad at our Christmas tree, Dec. 29. Please deliver parcels to 1010 Ave. J or phone 795-m and we will call for them. Keep the pots boiling which will be kept on the streets each day this week.

SAILOR IN JAIL FOLLOWING HOLDUP OF NEW YORK DETECTIVE

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Whatever the extent of New York crime activities, it is still considered improper to hold up detectives.

So when Clifford J. Hastings, a sailor from Boston, stuck a Winchester rifle in the face of Charles E. Morton and ordered Morton to throw up his hands, Morton being a detective, declined the request. Instead he rudely overpowered the seaman and led him to police headquarters. The sailor, unversed in the niceties of crime etiquette, is now being held for trial.

VETERAN ACTOR TALKS OF FIFTY YEARS ON STAGE

In the cast of "The Victor," the Universal photoplay starring Herbert Rawlinson, which comes to the R. & R. theatre today is a gray haired gentleman, whose step is as light as any youth's but who talks intimately of stage days back in '69.

For more than fifty years Frank Currier has been appearing before the theatrical public, most of that time on the legitimate stage, the last few years on the screen. He has played with many of the biggest stars and in some of the most outstanding stage successes. He appeared with Julia Marlowe in her first play, "The Lady of Lions," which was staged in a skating rink in New London, Connecticut, long years ago.

Currier was stage manager, business manager, property man and comedian for the production. The only method of advertising the show was a display of six pictures which Currier placed out on the sidewalk. It was a rainy day and every time it started to sprinkle he had to rush out and bring the pictures into the building.

FORMER ATTY GENERAL APPOINTED ASSOCIATE JUSTICE APPEAL COURT

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 18.—Governor Neff on Saturday appointed former Attorney General Ben F. Looney of Greenville as Associate Justice of the Fifth Court of Civil Appeals at Dallas, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Justice Dexter Hamilton of Corsicana.

General Looney late Saturday had not advised the Governor whether he would accept the Governor's appointment. He was Attorney General for three terms.

COMANCHE WILL HAVE A COMMUNITY TREE

COMANCHE, Texas, Dec. 18.—Comanche is to have a community Christmas tree. Committees from all the churches have been appointed to make the arrangements. More than \$500 has been subscribed.

ACTION TAKEN TO POSTPONE TRIAL OF RECTOR

By HARLAN S. MILLER (United News Staff Correspondent)
NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Apprehensive lest the imminent trial for heresy of the Rev. Lee W. Heaton, obscure young rector of a Fort Worth church, serve as the wedge to split American episcopals into two denominations, powerful forces are at work in this diocese first to postpone and eventually to prevail the actual trial of Heaton.

While Bishop William T. Manning pondered in silence the challenge of the venerable Dr. Leighton Parks, rector of St. Bartholomew's, try him for heresy as a test of modernist-fundamentalist strength, two of Manning's diocese officials were in communication Monday night with Bishop Harry T. Moore of Dallas, Texas, endeavoring to terminate the incident for the time.

One odd denouement overshadowed every other consequence of the Episcopal schism; the modernist movement, aiming in this denomination, as in the Methodist, Baptist, and Presbyterian churches, toward a general diminution of denominational barriers, appeared most likely to result, if it results in anything at all, in the formation of one more denomination.

Fundamentalist rectors everywhere are taking the stand that modernists like Parks and Heaton and Dr. Norman Guthrie and Bishop Lawrence, if they disagree with the reigning Bishops of the Episcopal church, can leave the church and preach their doctrines in a new denomination.

There is something ironical, because Guthrie and Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick and Dr. Percy Stickney Grant have repeatedly indicated their aspiration toward forming a more inclusive church to unite all denominations. They have more than hinted at an ideal church which would not only unite all protestant denominations under one flexible and fluid theology, but which would also appear attractive to non-protestant individuals. This church, foreshadowed by the mystical and artistic tendencies of Guthrie's experimental protestantism, was calculated to be attractive to reformed Jews and Catholics; although some of its adherents

MUCH LITTLEFIELD LANDS PLACED ON MARKET

LITTLEFIELD, Texas, Dec. 18.—The Littlefield Properties have just placed on the market another subdivision of their lands here.

The Yellow House Land Company has done the same thing.

These additional lands were necessary to supply the unprecedented demand for homes here.

TAHOKA CITIZEN FALLS ON ICE AND IS INJURED

Special to the Avalanche.
TAHOKA, Texas, Dec. 18.—J. W. Givens fell on the ice in front of the Guaranty State Bank during the ice storm, striking his head on the pavement, which rendered him unconscious for an hour or two. He also received some bruises about the body. Medical aid was summoned and his injuries treated, but it was found that no serious injury resulted.

CHRISTMAS TREE FOR PRESIDENT BEING SET AND DECORATED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—President Coolidge's Christmas tree has been set up in the rear of the White House. It is 35 feet high, and is being hung with festoons of bright colored electric lights. The tree was seen from Middlebury College, Vermont.

Have You Remembered Everyone?

Last checking of Christmas lists is now in order to see that no one has been forgotten. No matter how carefully we have made our lists, some one always bobs up at the last minute that we would not overlook at all. It is these last minute selections that we have planned for this season to give you a nice assortment to make it possible for you to choose an appropriate gift even though you have been late in remembering.

Any Lady Would Like To Recieve-----

Pretty Handkerchiefs, fixed up in attractive boxes, in white and colored borders, a price assortment at prices that range from 50c to \$1.75

Hosiery in fine silk weaves, in black, brown, or perhaps in some of the many good shades that are now being worn, your choice of good numbers, priced from \$1.00 to \$3.00

Perfumery—a small package that if chosen wisely is sure to make a favorable impression for Christmas. Narcissus, Cotys or Herriet Hubbard Ayres, from \$4.00 to \$12.50

Jewelry in ear bobs, bracelets, soutours or fancy feather fans have a decided place for many we wish to remember. A wide assortment at moderate prices is here.

For Men You Can Buy The Following----

Ties are always in order for the Christmas package. Give ties to brother, father, uncle or friend. They are useful and always appreciated, from 50c to \$3.00

Men's Fine Hosiery when fixed up in Christmas boxes are ideal gifts. They are sure to please for every man wears them. Priced from 50c to \$2.50

Especially attractive belts and belt buckles in the Hickok make; buckles that will not tarnish, belts that wear. Prices range from \$1.00 up as high as \$3.50

House Slippers for either men or ladies are sure to make an attractive Christmas package. We can help you with the size you need and supply them from \$1.00 to \$4.25

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Your selection of a Gift for Mother will be doubly effective if bought here because every suitable article is practical and useful.

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FLOOD OF CHRISTMAS MAIL HAS STRUCK LUBBOCK POSTOFFICE AND OFFICIALS ASK LENIENCY

The annual deluge of Christmas mail, packages, cards, etc., is already beginning to make its presence felt in the local postoffice and in the mail cars. In order to help move this mass of mail so that no one will be disappointed on Christmas we offer the following hints with regard to facilitation of the work and to aid people in getting their packages through time.

The postoffice will make every effort to handle Christmas mails without congestion and delay but owing to the enormous volume this can be done only with the co-operation of the public, and this should be given.

Wrapping and Packing
All parcels should be securely wrapped or packed in order to reach their destination in good condition. In wrapping ordinary parcels strong paper and heavy twine should be used.

Fragile Articles
Articles easily broken or crushed must be crated or securely wrapped. Use liberal quantities of excelsior or like material, in, around, and between the articles, and the outside container. Glassware, fragile toys, crockery, must be wrapped so as to prevent the escape of particles or pieces if broken in transit.

Perishable Matter
Articles likely to spoil within the time reasonably required for transportation and delivery will not be accepted for mailing, wrap or pack carefully, according to contents, and plainly mark all such parcels "Perishable." Use special delivery stamps to expedite delivery.

Addresses
Addresses should be complete, with house number and name of street or postoffice box number, or rural route number, and typed or plainly written in ink. Do not use pencil on brown paper for your Christmas parcels. Your return card should be placed in the upper left-hand corner of every piece of mail you send out. If a tag is used, the address and return card should also be written on the wrapper for use if the tag is lost, and a copy of the address should be inclosed inside the parcel.

When to Mail Christmas Parcels
Christmas gifts addressed to points within one day's travel should be mailed not later than December 21. Within two or three days travel, not later than December 19. Parcels for local delivery should be mailed not later than December 22.

Christmas Cards and Envelopes
It is always best to use standard size cards or envelopes. During Christmas, great quantities of very small cards and envelopes are put into the mails, with the result that all postal work is very much retarded and considerable mail is damaged and torn. These small and irregular shaped envelopes and cards do not run freely through our post-marking machine and many of them have to be held out of the regular mail and post marked by hand which is a slow and tedious process. Delay is also caused by the fact that small sizes do not fit into letter packages readily and cannot be tied securely.

The abbreviation of State names should be avoided. Pa., Ia., La., frequently look very much alike when written. It is hard to distinguish between Me., Mo., and Ind. It is almost impossible to tell the difference between Cal. and Col., as abbreviation for California and Colorado; Calif. and Colo. are much safer. We want to see every parcel mailed at this postoffice reach its destination in good condition and in due time.

We have a good variety of name cards for your Christmas packages, and a good selection of Christmas seals on display at the Avalanche office. They put the finishing touch to your Christmas packages.

BUILD A HOME!

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On main line of Santa Fe and on R. Q. M. Highway, 37 miles N. W. of Tech near Littlefield and Amherst. In consolidated High School District of Littlefield. School has college recognition and eleven teachers. A chance to educate your children and pay for a home. No better news or opportunity on South Plains. Cat Case Loan, Good Water! \$30 to \$25 per acre. After first consideration, three years before first note is due. All notes payable on or before at 6 per cent interest.

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WEATHER PERMITS MORE BUILDING AT LITTLEFIELD

LITTLEFIELD, Texas, Dec. 18.—The snow from last week's storm is melting so that carpenters can resume work on the many residences for the new comers just moving into the country.

Home seekers have been coming daily despite the storm and several sales of land have been made even though the ground was entirely covered with snow.

Cattle on the ranges have suffered severely. Truck loads of cotton seed cake have been rushed out to ranches where needed.

Farmers are predicting bumper crops for next year as the ground is wet all the way to the bottom.

AT THE CHURCHES

First Methodist
Organization of a Senior Choir, composed of the members of Prof. M. M. Dupre's and Mrs. W. H. Stanton's classes in the Methodist Sunday School was perfected Sunday morning, and the choir had charge of the song service for the Sunday School.

They received much commendation from the superintendent and members of the school, and this bids fair to be one of the best assets the school has.

Sunday School was well attended, and a great deal of interest was shown in all classes.

Rev. Ferguson preached at the regular morning and evening services. His messages were to the point and will doubtless have far reaching effect on the congregation.

Epworth League services were conducted by Otis Peltz, the president, and impressive lesson talks were made by the members.

U S JOINS SEARCH FOR REPUTED SWINDLER

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—The United States Government Monday joined in the search for Leo Korte, Chicago's missing "Ponzi" after chief postal inspectors had completed preliminary investigations of the broker's dealings in mythical Panama oil.

Acting on a tip that Korte is fleeing to a haven of refuge in South America, chief postal inspector Germer requested Federal authorities in Washington to broadcast instructions by radio to all ships in Southern waters asking for the arrest of the promoter on sight. Germer announced he would ask a federal grand jury to indict Korte on charges of misuse of the mails in connection with promotion of his \$5,000,000 oil bubble.

Korte was issued a passport to Cuba, Jamaica and Panama, January 11, 1921, but possessed no other legal passport at the time of his flight, investigation at Washington has revealed.

Investigators made but scant headway in their attempt to get Korte's affairs of the heart straightened out Monday. Mrs. Sala Auerbach, subpoenaed to appear for questioning, failed to do so, and a police order for her arrest on sight was issued when it was found she had fled from her apartment in a fashionable hotel. It is believed that she is in a local sanitarium.

The connection of Mrs. Auerbach, whose husband lost \$35,000 in the Panama oil venture, with Korte remains a matter of conjecture. A furniture salesman, when questioned Monday, however, said he remembered her as the woman who purchased apartment furnishings in 1921 and had them delivered to the building in which Korte, masquerading as "Al Bronson," maintained a love nest.

Mrs. Joseph Schwartz, whose chauffeur has told investigators of "wild" parties in which the broker figured, is also sought by the police.

Indications that the fantastic get-rich-quick schemes of the little man who inspired confidence in so many may involve twice the present conservative estimate of \$5,000,000 and that his operations may have extended to eastern cities were found during the day.

Wife Takes Stand
While detectives searched for the numerous women alleged to have played a part in Korte's life of luxury, his wife, pale and nervous, took the stand in the bankruptcy hearing to tell the little she knew of her husband's operations. Police were perturbed about her statement that she had destroyed letters received from Korte after he left Chicago for New York. The sad-faced woman also accounted for her husband's whereabouts a day later than previous authentic information had revealed; she talked to him over the telephone from New York on December 6, Mrs. Korte said. That was the day after the broker had vanished from his New York apartment.

Home of Korte to Be Closed
CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—The elegant furnished Korte home in Evanston will be closed January 1, when the lease expires, for the wife and

children of Leo Korte, broker and dealer in mythical enterprises, left his family practically destitute when he fled.

Mrs. Korte will start to work January 2, if friends can find a position for her. Last month her gifts to charity totaled over \$1,000. Her sixteen year old son has been taken from a preparatory school and is searching for work in an Evanston store.

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Want Ads Get Results.

CONTRACT IS LET FOR BRICK BUILDINGS

J. B. Maxey, contractor, who is building the K. Carter School, has been awarded contracts to build three twenty-five foot brick buildings facing Broadway just west of the K. Carter Dry Goods building.

These buildings, according to announcements, will be rushed to completion, and all arrangements have been made for the contractor to start work in the near future.

Last Minute Gift Buying Made Safe

The Nislar Hardware Company guarantees every article bought at this store to be EXACTLY AS REPRESENTED. If you buy here and find that you were misled in any manner you will be doing us a favor by calling our attention to it so that we can make everything right.

LAST MINUTE SUGGESTIONS

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Any thing you might need will be found at this store—Men's, Women or Children's Furnishings, Piece Goods, Furniture, Shelf Hardware, beautiful dishes, and Grocery Department. We especially urge that you buy your Christmas Groceries now.

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THE BEST CLIMATE

You guys of East Texas—you fellows who are always poking funny stuff this way and letting your blunders of wind go off in our direction, listen: Today we had fresh radishes, curly mustard, new turnips and fine greens, young onions and lettuce from our fall garden. The new Irish potatoes we had came from the Rio Grande Valley, but the rest came from the family garden. The first of December is Saturday. Can you beat it? If not, and you can't, come to West Texas and live, not languish!—Stamford Leader.

West Texas is a great place, no doubt about that. This section can raise anything from turnip greens to howling sand storms, and still remain a great place. But money doesn't grow on trees out here, just as it doesn't anywhere else. You've got to work if you come out here to make a crop. Crops won't grow on their own accord, and they won't gather themselves. If anybody thinks they can come to this part of the state and just sit down and money will fall as though rain upon them, then let them be set right now. People out here "hit the ball" just as they do anywhere else.—Abilene Reporter.

How different are the opinions in different sections of the country! A paper down at Honey Grove, The Citizen, our good friend, John Moyer's paper, went almost into hysteria over that paragraph. He talked about the snow we had had, he moaned and he groaned about "most everything he could think of, but he could never explain away the fact that we have the goods out here "just as advertised!" Editor Grimes, these fellows down there in the persimmon district are strong on the josh they give West Texas; they never know when to stop, but when you try to defend West Texas you are in it. You are right when you say people have to work out here, dear Grimes, but you will observe also that a fellow feels more like work than when pestered with chills, ticks, mosquitoes and attending malaria. The woods are full of chillure signs down that way, and still they have chills. Maybe some of 'em are like an Arkansawyer we knew once. He said he would feel lonesome if he missed his third day chill and they are the kind that reduce the population, you know, if let alone.—Stamford Leader.

No use to argue the matter further: The climate of West Texas is far superior to that of East Texas. Out here in this part of the State, such things as fever, and chills are unknown. However, of course, people don't live for ever, but they live longer than they do anywhere else in the state.—Abilene Reporter.

It just doesn't matter what a fellow says about West Texas. It can be down, and look like a hopeless knockout, when all at once the thing comes alive again, and in a few years' time she is bigger and better than ever before. West Texas has just simly got the spunk, the ginger and the pep about it to come back and she is showing her stuff this year. She has got her prosperity duds on this fall, and people are looking at her from the east, and the north, and the south and west with a longing desire to fall into her embrace and be claimed.

WOMAN'S PART IN DEVELOPING A TOWN AND DEVELOPING A COUNTRY

Little is said about the amount of work that the women of the community do in the development of the country, and the building of the towns, yet there is much that can be attributed to their good work in the growth of every town in the State of Texas, and especially in West Texas, and in the development of education throughout the state. The Fort Worth Record, in a stirring editorial, gives the women much credit for the growth of that city, and makes the broad statement that the help of the women is absolutely essential to the growth of that town and the development of West Texas.

The Record says: In the movement to press forward the life of West Texas, and that of all Texas and the Great Southwest, the women are sure to be found as leaders.

Through all the history of this great state and this great city, brave and devoted women have been outstanding figures. And they are leading movements for advancement now, as they always have led them: Just the other day a woman, Mrs. Mary Counts Burnett, made the greatest single gift to education that has been given in this part of Texas, the second largest in the whole history of the state. That wise gift pointed the way for the men of Fort Worth and Texas. The history books do not record, in detail, so much of the deeds of the women pioneers as they do of the men's achievements, but that does not mean that the women had small part in the founding of this commonwealth. In fact we know that just the reverse was true. In the days when Texas was in its cradle, woman had not achieved the political rights that now are hers. So her

part was less spectacular than that of the men. But it was none the less noble and important. There was a woman in the Alamo. There were women in the frontier homes that pushed the line of civilization even farther west and southwest. The mothers and the wives and the sweethearts and the daughters of the pioneers of this state did their share in its founding. While the men were at war the women carried on the activities of farm and home and so kept the state alive. In lonely cabins, amid the dangers of savage warfare, far from the human associations and the comforts that mean so much, brave women kept the torch of civilization burning and helped lay the foundation stones of a great commonwealth.

Texas women are taking part in political affairs and they are making their influence felt everywhere. Individually and in organizations they are contributing to public life and influencing to a large degree the trend of the times.

LUBBOCK'S PUBLIC LIBRARY SOMETHING TO BE PROUD OF

The Lubbock public library is really something to be proud of. In fact, it has made greater progress in one year than the most optimistic person boosting it along had hoped that it might make in two years. More people have taken advantage of it than it was thought would during a year's time, and the demands are growing daily as the town grows and the country settles up. It is one of the truly worthy things of the community, and should receive the hearty support of the people of Lubbock, and not only of the city of Lubbock, but the entire county.

It is now planned by the directors of the library to make the first week in January Library Week, and during that time there will be a drive made for funds to pay the librarian and to subscribe the amount of the budget for the coming year. A drive for membership will also be made, and everyone should become a member who possibly can. There should be at least one membership in every home in Lubbock County. The membership fee is used entirely for the purchasing of new books, and the book committee is instructed to buy a certain number of books each month with this money and thereby keep the library in good shape.

Aside from the contributions of money, if anyone has a set of books or a good book that they would care to donate to the library it will be appreciated and thankfully received.

During the first week in January when the committee comes to see you be as liberal with them as you can, and let us keep the library growing. The larger the town and the more people in the country the greater the need for books, and we hope the Lubbock library will receive even a more liberal patronage this year than they did during the year just closing.

PATRONIZING HOME

This has for many years, in fact as long as we can remember, been a question that has agitated business men. They insist that people buy at home, and we believe that they should as long as the prices and conditions are anything like equal, and we have always advocated it, and still do so far as that is concerned, but when the big business man and the big organizations of the town, and the otherwise loyal citizens of the community, beg and implore the people—the working men—the contractors and such classes as that to stand loyal to the town, support it by paying taxes, and voting bonds by standing flat footed for progress, and those same men send off and employ architects, contractors and buy their material away off somewhere else when all of it can be had in the home town, we do not consider that those fellows are as loyal as they expect and demand that the other fellows be. We know of a few men in Lubbock who are in the habit of doing this and we rather think it is not showing the proper spirit toward the home men who are here helping in every way possible to build a bigger, better town here, and they certainly should have a chance at all the work that they can do. Lubbock has some of the biggest material and supply houses in the west. She has some of the best architects in the state, and some of the most reliable and competent contractors on all lines in the state, and who are amply able to carry any kind of a deal, and they certainly should have an opportunity to do the work that is being done. This is also true of public work. Give the home man a chance.

LUBBOCK IS LOSING OUT

More rent houses is the daily cry in Lubbock. There are people in our office every day wanting to rent house or light housekeeping rooms, and it is almost an unknown thing in Lubbock—a rent house. We need a hundred or more, and will have to have that many before he demand can any ways near be supplied. It is a good opportunity for some one who has a good pile of money saved up to put it to work. It will make him good interest, and at the same time will be one of the greatest things for the town that could happen. People are wanting to come to Lubbock, and if they can get a house. Men are working in Lubbock—numbers of them—whose wife and family is in some other town just because they cannot get a place to move them to here. That means that there is a lot of Lubbock money going to other towns for support and upkeep of the family that might just as well be spent in Lubbock. That is the situation here, however, and the building of rent houses will be the only solution of the problem. Who will come over and help us take care of the people who want to come to Lubbock. Lubbock needs more rent houses, and a bigger hotel.

Cleveland gas is so low it needs a political convention now more than it will next spring.

Congress shows 68 bald heads in the House of Representatives and there may be many more soon.

"RED VIRGIN" ON STAND IN OWN DEFENSE

By JOHN O'BRIEN

United News Staff Correspondent
PARIS, Dec. 18.—Calmly powdering her nose and combing her hair while the prosecutor pictured her as a dangerous anarchist, chic and demure Mlle. Berton, "The Red Virgin," has taken a leaf out of the book of American sister murderesses as she stands trial for the slaying of Marius Platen, royalist leader.

Twenty years old, pretty, she employed the arts of Mother Eve while waiting her turn to testify. Then, tense, dramatic, she poured forth a passionate declaration of confession and pride.

"My conscience forced me to kill," she told the court Tuesday. "I killed—I have no regret. I am proud to submit to punishment, whatever it may be."

Previously the prosecutor had declared that "The Red Virgin" had spread terror among the bourgeoisie, "by dynamite or poison, by the revolver, or the grenade" and by vitriol.

The charges left her cold, unmoved. But when the time came to talk of the day she walked into the offices of a royalist newspaper, asking for Leon Daudet and, missing him, murdered Platen, dainty Mlle. Germaine launched it to sheer drama.

She told proudly of her efforts to kill Daudet, who, she declared, had been "trying to impose royalism on the ruins of the motherland."

She admitted that she had once waited before a church with the intention of killing the picturesque royalist leader, but that she abandoned the plan. There was strange flash of the maternal instinct when "The Red Virgin" told the court that, on this occasion, she had held the fire of her revolver, fearing to hit children standing before the church.

She stated that she had gone to the newspaper offices to find Daudet, and that she had met Platen there. He was indignant to hear as to the head of the "Camelot du Roi," "peddlers of the king," a royalist organization.

Platen, the girl said, offered her money to betray the anarchist. Then she killed him, declaring Tuesday her conscience had forced her to do the act.

Despite the declaration that she had no regret, "The Red Virgin" admitted she had shot herself in an attempt to commit suicide after killing Platen.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEX AS,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Lubbock county, greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon H. M. Carr, guardian of the estate of Ruth Overton, and Ruth Overton, by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Lubbock county, to be holden at the courthouse thereof, in Lubbock, Texas, on the 3rd Monday in January, A. D. 1924, the same being the 21st day of January, A. D. 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 14th day of December A. D. 1923 in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 1817, wherein O. V. Bagwell, is plaintiff, and H. M. Carr, guardian of the estate of Ruth Overton, and Ruth Overton, are defendants, and said petition alleging that on the 13th day of July, A. D. 1923, plaintiff was owner in fee simple of an undivided one-fourth interest in and to lot No. one, in block 136, in the original town of Lubbock, Lubbock County, Texas, and an undivided one-half interest in and to lots No. 22, 23 and 24, in block 69, Overton Addition to the

town of Lubbock, Lubbock County, Texas. That on the said date, the defendants unlawfully entered on said property and ejected plaintiff therefrom, and continues to unlawfully hold said property.

Plaintiff prays that upon final hearing hereof, he have judgment for the title and possession of said above described property; that writ of restitution issue and for all other and further relief, to which he may be entitled.

Herein fail not but have before said Court, at its aforesaid regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Lubbock, Texas, on this 18th day of December, A. D. 1923.

(SEAL)
LOUIE F. MOORE,
Clerk, District Court,
Lubbock County, Texas.

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A. B. Conley III who has been attending the southern Methodist university for the fall term returned yesterday from Dallas to spend the Christmas holidays with his people. He will return to school about the first of the year.

FLOYDADA TO VOTE ON SEWERAGE BONDS

FLOYDADA, Texas, Dec. 18.—The city council of Floydada has order-

ed a bond election for Jan. 22 for the purpose of issuing bonds for the construction and installation of a sewer system in Floydada. The amount of the bonds is \$60,000.

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SPORT NEWS

BRITISH GOLFER TO MAKE TOUR OF AMERICA

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Arthur Havers, the golfing son of a golfing daddy will bring his British open championship to America, will sweep the country from Florida to San Francisco playing many exhibition matches and contests along the way.

Havers' tour apparently will be an attempt to make all the money in the country in a few short months. He is bringing a manager to watch the turnstiles and attend the baggage, and a golfing partner to furnish the contrast between a champion and a near-champion.

James Ockendon, holder of the French open championship, will play Bill Grennen to the firm of Havers.

Havers is the professional who learned golf with discarded sticks at a golf club which employed his father. Early last summer he came out of obscurity with a rush and won the British open championship from the largest and most distinguished field of the year.

He begins his American show with an exhibition at Pinehurst, N. C., and meets Sarazen, holder of the American professional title, in a 72 hole match beginning January 18 at San Francisco, and ending two days later at Los Angeles. He will also play in the California open championship tournament at Los Angeles.

SENIORS TAKE FIRST OF INTERCLASS GAMES FROM JUNIORS

Yesterday afternoon after school was dismissed the Senior class football team defeated the Junior class in a game to a score of 19 to 0. The game was a hard fought one from the start to the finish.

The stars of the game were Dow, Adams, Moore, McCarty, and Pryor, for the seniors while the juniors' stellar players were Mitchell, Halcomb, and Terrell. Dow for the seniors recovered a fumble in the early part of the game and ran for seventy yards making the first touchdown. McCarty made the other two touchdowns on end runs. There were but few passes in the game. Several were completed by the seniors. Pryor for the seniors was a consistent gainer throughout the game. Moore for the seniors made several good tackles.

The next class game will be played soon between the Freshmen and the Sophomores. The winner of this game will play the seniors for the championship of the school.

The coaches for the respective teams are: Moore and Dunlay coaches for the seniors. Wilson coach for the juniors. A. Hensley coach for the Sophomores and Hawes coach for the Freshmen.

LOCAL HIGH BASKETEERS ENTER CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

Harry Hunter's Westerners Basketeers will meet the Monroe team tonight at the High school gymnasium. This game will be counted toward the county championship. This will be the second county game that the Lubbock team has played. They were defeated by the Slaton team in their first game.

Then on Friday night the Lubbock boys will go to Idalou for a game. Then there will be no basketball for the rest of the month. They will resume their practice about the first of the year. This will be a good time to see how the team that has been developed into shape in about one week can do.

The game will be played at the high school gymnasium at 7 o'clock. Be there and help the boys to get into the county contest and win out so that we can have a shot at the district championship.

HASKELL INDIANS READY FOR CLASH WITH OLYMPIC CLUB

RIVERSIDE, Calif., Dec. 18.—Twenty-three Haskell Indian football players are to arrive here Wednesday to begin training for their Christmas day game with the Olympic club team of San Francisco.

Workouts and scrimmages will be the daily program of the Redskins, who are planning on mixing with the Indian lads from Sherman Institute here.

SLATON CAGERS TO MEET IDALOU IN BASKETBALL WEDNESDAY

Special to the Avalanche: SLATON, Dec. 18.—The Slaton high school basketeers will meet the Idalou quintet on the local court Wednesday afternoon. This will be the second game toward the decision of a champion for the county in basketball.

HOPPE PRACTICALLY CINCHES BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Willie Hoppe practically cinched the world's 18.2 ball-line billiards championship Tuesday night when he again defeated Welker Cochran on the second block of their 1500 point match, 500 to 233.

This brings the total score to: Hoppe—1,000. Cochran—436.

Hoppe was not the sensational champion of Monday night, when he ran off 500 points in five innings, but he was still far ahead of the erratic Cochran.

SILVERTON BOY ELECTED CAPTAIN CANYON BUFFALOES

CANYON, Dec. 18.—Grady Burson of Silvertown was elected captain of the 1924 West Texas State Teachers College Buffaloes at the annual banquet in honor of the team which was held recently. Burson was captain of the Buffaloes in 1922. He was an All-T. I. A. A. selection for the position of fullback during the season just closed and was an outstanding ground gainer for the college. Captain Johnson and Roy Golden, tackles, Joe Lancaster and Deb Bivens, ends, are the retiring four-year men of the squad.

ARGUMENT OVER NAVY GAME SETTLED

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 18.—Peace again rules the University of Washington-Navy New Year's football game arrangements after an announcement at a luncheon held here Tuesday that the contest would be without the slightest tinge of commercialism.

A bitter struggle over the price of tickets, who was to have charge of the game, nearly wrecked the whole affair, but now it is definitely understood that the two schools will stage the melee with no intention of financial gain. Tickets are being sold for \$3, and the game is a thoroughly intercollegiate affair.

Commander Byron McCandless of the naval academy and Darwin Weinstein, Washington graduate manager, are here making final arrangements. No one except newspaper men and photographers will be admitted free, they announced. Not even policemen, for there will be about 400 sailors and marines to act as guards.

Both the Navy and Washington teams will arrive here a couple of days before the contest so that the teams will not be enervated by the warm California climate.

It was made clear at the meeting Tuesday that very probably in the future no college games would be staged at the Tournament of Roses under the auspices of that body. Hereafter the college managers said, contests will be played under arrangements made by the participating schools. This action was taken with the approval of the coast conference to insure the amateur standing of the teams.

FREE-FOR-ALL CARD TO GREAT SPORT FANS FRIDAY NIGHT

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—All records for the distance plunge are expected to be splintered Friday night when 12 heavyweight novices, aggregating a poundage of 2,147, will be turned loose in pairs in the Garden ring.

This will be the annual elimination tournament in which the roughest of the neighborhood rough boys leave their favorite speck casies for an hour and get their pugacity knocked out of them. As a rule none of the novices ever are heard from again but a few do manage to hang around as sparring partners and curtain raisers.

A. D. Stone, the former marine, who recently beat Mike Burke in a star bout at one of the small clubs here, fights Billy Shade, California, in the wind-up bout. Two former amateur heavyweight champions, Charlie McKenna and Joe Stoessel, also are on the card.

NEW UNIFORMS RECEIVED BY LUBBOCK HIGH CAGER SQUAD

The basketball suits for the high school boys are here and they are pretty too. If you don't believe it come out tonight at the high school and see how pretty they are.

The sweaters are a solid white with the collar in gold and the number on the back is in gold. The trousers of the uniforms are in solid gold. The socks are in gold with a white stripe.

They will play in these uniforms tonight. Be there and root for the white and the gold.

MASCART AWARDED FIFTEEN ROUND DECISION OVER HEBRANS

PARIS, Dec. 18.—Billy Mascart, the boy who was awarded Eugene Crigui's European featherweight championship by default, within the last week, won a 15-round fight from Eugene Hebrans of Belgium, Tuesday night, on points. Mascart forced the pace all the way and was swinging hard for a lucky knockout punch. Hebrans was fighting on the defensive from the first round to the last. Because the Belgian was overweight the title was not in question.

We have a good variety of name cards for your Christmas packages, and a good selection of Christmas seals, on display at the Avalanche office. They put the finishing touch to your Christmas packages.

IDEALOU FARMER PURCHASED LAND

H. H. Murray was here Tuesday from his home near Idalou. Mr. Murray stated that he had just purchased an eighty acre tract of land from H. M. Sage, which brings the total acreage of his place up to a little more than one hundred and fifty three acres.

Mr. Murray is one of the many South Plains farmers whose good business judgment and close application to diversification in the operation of his farm have resulted in his place being a dividend payer.

Give the farmers who are on the Plains a few years more in which to add to their accumulations, and they will rightfully be placed among the most prosperous people in the country.

REMAINS OF LOCAL WOMAN BE SENT TO OKLA. FOR BURIAL

Tishie Baker the wife of Mr. R. W. Baker of this city died Tuesday morning at their home. The deceased was 35 years five months and 18 days of age.

She was born in Oklahoma the daughter of Mr. Hamilton. The body will be shipped through the Rix Furniture and Undertaking company to Quinton, Oklahoma.

Believed Strychnine Poured in Liquor

HAVANA, Dec. 18.—Cuba is legally wet, but two deaths resulted from drinking poison beer here Tuesday. It is reported there are other cases of poisoning from beer, and police believe strychnine has been poured into vats at a local brewery where workers are on strike.

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Local Happenings

Bill Yager, son of C. E. Yager of the Yager Shoe Store, returned from the Wentworth Military College. He will be here for the Christmas holidays.

Gilbert Jackson returned Sunday from the University of Indiana at Valparaiso, Ind. Gib was a member of the football squad of that school. He will be here for the Christmas holidays. He says that he is not certain that he will return to that school or not.

John Dalrymple of the Panhandle Construction Co., returned Sunday from points in East Texas. He will be with his family for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Ed Mann is here visiting her husband and friends. She will likely return to their home in Dallas in a very few days.

General manager Shelton, of the Whaley Lumber Company, made a

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COTTON FARMERS WILL CULTIVATE ONE THOUSAND ACRES OF THE BOYD RANCH FIFTY MILES WEST LUBBOCK

J. R. and F. B. McCain, practical farmers, who have made a success of growing cotton in the Paducah section, have made a five year lease on a body of land on the Boyd ranch, fifty miles west of Lubbock, and with all modern farm implements to work with, including a battery of Fordson tractors, contemplate putting one thousand acres of the land in cotton this year.

"We will complete the job of farming this crop entirely with traction power, and it is doubtful whether a mule or horse will set foot on the land until the crop is laid by," one of the men stated while discussing their plans.

There is no little amount of work attached to cultivating a thousand acres of cotton, even on the Plains, and these gentlemen are to be congratulated upon this display of confidence in West Texas proper. "Cotton will grow on that Boyd land as well as any other land in the state, and we won't be at all surprised to make from one half bale and more per acre," one of the farmers said.

The McCain brothers will do a great deal toward developing that section of West Texas, and from a standpoint of cotton farming they are pioneering that immediate community. However, they are some fourteen miles from Ligon, and there is a gin there to take care of the cotton of that community.

Their farm is southwest of Ligon, and in a community where farming of any kind has been carried on on a very small scale.

Of course it may be several years before all of the Plains country is converted into a strictly farming area, but with such men as the McCain brothers taking to the job and converting the ranchlands into farmlands at one thousand acres a season, it won't take many years to get things done.

"This thousand acre crop is a starter and if present plans materialize we will add another thousand acres to the cultivated land next year," the elder Mr. McCain said, and as these men are the type of farmers who have learned that it takes hard work to make a crop, and they don't mind applying it, their success is assured.

longer presented each member of the class with a dainty gift.

Master Felix and Murray Ballenger served delicious pie and coffee to the following members and guests: Mesdames Harrell, Holt, Hunter, Lynch, Moore, Reeves, Williamson, Ruby, Dickinson, Rogers, Goodman, Wilson, Montgomery, Swindell, Adkins, Knapp Allen, Hodges, Wright, Bacon, Hurvet, Adcock, Klett and little Miss Eunice Klett.

Willing Workers Class Will Be Entertained
The Willing Workers Class of the First Baptist Church will hold their Christmas party at the home of Mrs. G. M. Cosby, 902 Ave. L, this afternoon at four o'clock, immediately after school hours and each member is urged to be present for a good time is assured.

MRS. HALL, Teacher.

A CHRISTMAS WISH.

I wish that I were Santa Claus. I'd come around to you, And with my pack upon my back, I'd find your chimney flue, And with a smile upon my face I'd stand behind your bed And maybe laugh to hear you snore, unmindful of my tread; Then when I'd found the sock you wear I'd work my magic there, Supplanting with some joyous thing your every bit of care.

I'd make you glad to walk the street and glad to greet the day; If grief lies heavy on your heart I'd lift it all away. I'd touch your eyes with golden faith so you would wake to see The beauty of your bitter loss and why it had to be. And running over all the joys which I have had from you, You'd wake on Christmas morn to find your fondest dream come true.

—Edgar A. Guest.

Campbell-Morgan.
The wedding of Miss Gladys Campbell and T. H. Morgan was solemnized Monday afternoon at four o'clock at the home of the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Showalter in the Monroe community. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Mae M. Campbell of Dallas, having come to Lubbock several months ago and was an efficient clerk in the local Western Union office for several weeks.

The couple left Tuesday for Dallas, to make their future home, where Mr. Morgan will be employed in the general office of the Texas and Pacific rail road company.

Marriage License.
Marriage license have been issued from County Clerk Herbert F. Stubbs' office to the following: Fate Brosher, and Miss Jessie Nichols, Dec. 17th; T. H. Morgan and Miss Gladys Campbell, Dec. 17th; Floyd Tann and Miss Velma Wosson, Dec. 17th; Luther Geigler and Miss Grace Anderson Dec. 18th.

Personal.
Mrs. A. G. Ross of Idalou was here Tuesday shopping.
Mrs. Olin Franklin and sons, Melvin and Marshall and Miss Vermil

STRAWBERRIES ON THE PLANTS IN DECEMBER

CANYON, Dec. 18.—Strawberries in December.
Right from a patch here in Canyon, and blooms on the vines!

That is a fact at the B. T. Johnson home. Mr. Johnson picked a handful of good ripe strawberries from the vines last Wednesday, and states that there were blooms on the vines when the last snow came and covered them up again.

The strawberry patch was covered with snow two weeks ago when the big ten inch snow fell. The cold did not damage the plants, and the berries matured.

It is hard to say yet whether this last snow will kill the blooms or not, but since it is colder this time, Mr. Johnson may be deprived of his luscious berries from now until spring.

M'ADOO LAUNCH CAMPAIGN FOR PRESIDENT

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 18.—Formal acceptance of the platform adopted by the democratic proposal convention in South Dakota was filed Monday by William G. McAdoo, aspirant for the democratic presidential nomination, according to an announcement made today.

This is regarded by McAdoo's friends here as the first official indication of his candidacy. The South Dakota law requires that a candidate endorsed by the party proposal convention must file his acceptance of the convention's platform by January first. Since the South Dakota democrats selected the former secretary of the treasury as the state party's choice for president, McAdoo, it is believed here, will now begin his actual campaign work.

The message, addressed to W. W. Howe, democratic state chairman at Pierre, S. D., reads:

Having filed my formal acceptance of the platform adopted by the democratic proposal convention, as required by South Dakota law, I desire again to express my appreciation of the honor conferred upon me by the convention and to say that I am willing to fight with and for the people of South Dakota in support of the progressive principles espoused by the convention.

"We shall get no relief from the burdens now oppressing us nor shall we progress in any direction through the Republican policies of standstillism and wistful wishing for these problems to solve themselves.

"The Democratic party stands for progress and popular rights. It welcomes the opportunity to do battle for them."

There had been some difference of opinion between persons familiar with the South Dakota election laws whether the filing had to be made by Monday or not until January first, so it was decided to present the acceptance for the earlier date to be on the safe side.

McAdoo's supporters say they have heard of no opposition to his candi-

dacy in South Dakota, where his name will go on the ballot as a majority democratic candidate in a state wide primary next March.

Campaigns will be launched for him at once in other states where there are direct primaries, except in those which "favorite son" are candidates. McAdoo, it is understood, is inclined not to permit his name to be used in such cases.

The platform adopted by the proposal convention, it is understood, was framed by the friends of McAdoo in that state, and is in accordance with his views on national issues. It calls for tax reduction beginning with the small taxpayers, economy in government railroad rate reduction and a veterans' bonus. One recommendation which has attracted much attention is that the president be empowered to veto on specific items in the general congressional appropriation bill instead of being obliged to veto or accept the measure in its entirety. Another is that the federal reserve system be administered along lines originally intended, which McAdoo believes are not now being followed.

Coolidge Delays Filing Petition.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Because of the confusion as to just what the South Dakota primary law provides, President Coolidge will delay filing his petition for a place on the presidential primary ballot until the tangle is cleared. As the law is understood here, petitions must be filed before January 1, and the president probably will wait until about that time before acting.

There is no doubt about his intention of going into the South Dakota primary which is to be held in March. But he has been unable to

learn just how the involved law is officially construed by state officials.

Meanwhile Hiram Johnson is having difficulty in getting on the ballot as the minority candidate. He sent papers with his power of attorney to Pierre, S. D., to be filed, but word has been received that the courts have enjoined the secretary of state from accepting Johnson's petition.

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WOMEN ARE HELPING TO RESTORE GERMAN LIBRARY

NEW YORK.—The Women's Clubs of New York state are sending in contributions for the fund for the restoration of the library at the University of Louvain, Belgium. This action was requested at the recent Albany convention. At its Atlanta convention the General Federation of Women's Clubs recorded its "deep interest and cordial approval of the project."

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Wells-Caraway
The wedding of Miss Elsie Gertrude Wells and Con Caraway took place at the home of Bishop and Mrs. Ross Sunday evening at seven-thirty o'clock, with Bishop Ross officiating.

These young people are a popular couple of the South ward community and the Avalanche joins their many friends in extending best wishes.

Mrs. C. M. Ballenger Entertains
Mrs. C. M. Ballenger was a delightful hostess to the members of the Gleaners' Class of the First Baptist Church, of which she is teacher, with a party at her home, 1719 Thirteenth street Wednesday afternoon.

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Chicago Grain. Dec. 18, 1923. Wheat. Month Close Y-Close

Liverpool Cotton. Dec. 18, 1923. Month Yesterday Today

Cotton Seed Oil. Dec. 18, 1923. Month Yesterday Today

Spots. Dec. 18, 1923. Dallas T-day Sales Y-day

ILLINOIS MAIN BATTLEFIELD OF G.O.P. PRIMARY

By Sydney Daecher. CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Illinois is about to become the main battlefield of the republican primary struggle...

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THRONGS RIOT IN PARIS; DEMAND WAGE INCREASES

PARIS, Dec. 18.—Charging a crowd of 1,000 civil service workers demonstrating along the Boulevard Marned for increase in pay, 4,000 armed police and Republican guards dispersed the throng...

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WANTED—Location in Lubbock, house and lot or a vacant lot between depot and business part of town preferred.

HEREFORD POULTRY SHOW

HEREFORD, Dec. 18.—Officers and members of the Hereford poultry association have been working steadily this week talking show and preparing details for the exhibition...

WANTED

WANTED—Table boarders; 1704 Avenue J; Phone 412, call for Mrs. Fain, also bed room for two ladies.

WANTED

WANTED—Old mattresses to renovate, also sell new mattresses.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—24 lots south of high school \$250.00 each \$25 cash balance at \$10 per month at 8 per cent.

FORDS FOR SALE

1 1919 Touring, a bargain. 1 1920 coupe. 1 1921 coupe. 1 1922 Touring.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—One, \$75.00 Quick Meal range oil stove in first class condition, price \$35.00.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Two garments for the price of one at McAfee's 2 for 1 sale.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Five Acre Blocks of land near the Tech site; larger blocks if desired.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Cheap store and filling station. Owens & Hufstedler. 428

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Jersey milch cow, fresh, cheap for cash. Phone 9003

FOR SALE OR TRADE

FOR SALE OR TRADE—350 acres of good agricultural land all fenced and cross fenced.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—My home on 8th Street. Small cash payment. W. B. Thorpe, phone 626.

FOR SALE OR TRADE

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Forty-acre improved farm, three miles southwest of Lubbock.

FOR SALE—To some one running home laundry, one mangie, 2 electric washers, worth \$300 to satisfy debt for \$180.00; small payment down. Monthly payments on balance. Lub-Tex Motor company.

FOR SALE—Two sections of land situated nine miles northwest of Lubbock. For particulars write the San Antonio Loan and Trust Co., P. O. Box 886, San Antonio, Texas. 40-1f

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—One front bedroom close in; call 536M. 432

FOR RENT—Business building on Main Street; call 44. Texas Land Exchange. 26-1f

MISCELLANEOUS

FOR TRADE—House and two lots in Lubbock for teams and tools and want to rent a farm. See W. H. Wilkinson at 809 Ave M. 44-47p.

INVESTMENT—How would you like to buy 12 dandy lots, joining the Tech site, Overton Addition, at \$208.35 each; or 3 beautiful lots, 1 block south of Broadway, ideal neighborhood, surrounded by beautiful homes at \$2100. for the three. Buy these at the bargains offered, where there is a quick profit assured. Or better still, if you wish to buy two dandy, wide lots, east front, near new K. Carter school, on your own terms. See me immediately T. W. Sawyer, Phone 205. 44-3e

FOR SALE—Christmas trees, two to five dollars; Experiment station. 42-8 14-1

FOR SALE—Buick roadster, my home, 17 1-2 acres and 4-room house with bath, hot water, 2 miles east of Lubbock. Write H. E. Brannon. Genl. Del. 3tp.

FOR SALE—145 acre farm adjoining town of Meadow to trade for home in Lubbock. Owens and Hufstedler. 22-1f

Thomas Grain Co. for feed and fuel. Phone 324. 6-1f

FOR TRADE—1-2 section of land in Gaines county for business lots in Lubbock. See owner at Avalanche office.

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Gold wrist watch; owner call at Avalanche and pay for ad.

SID TAYLOR BRICK CONTRACTOR. Residence 1306 Ave. Q Lubbock, Texas. 11-30

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Public Accountant and Auditor T. B. ZELLNER Room 108—Phone 208 Security State Bank & Trust Co. Bldg.

THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

Faith is the greatest possession in the world—without it no man can achieve happiness. Anton Lang, the Christus of the passion play, declares in his second Christmas message to the American people. The following is one of a series of interviews which Herr Lang has given to Harlan S. Miller, United News Staff Correspondent.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Herr Anton Lang told me today that faith was the greatest possession possible for anyone in this world. He said faith was to the soul what toll was to the body and showed me plainly that he believed that without faith and work no man could achieve happiness.

"Without faith there can be nothing," he said. "Without faith nothing can be accomplished and happiness can never come. Show me a man or woman without faith and I will show you a person who is unhappy. Faith is even more necessary today than it was when life was more simple, as in the days spoken of in the sacred writings. What faith could accomplish then is shown by the blind man near Jericho, who believed that Christ could give him back his sight. You remember, he was healed, and Jesus said, 'thy faith has made thee whole.' Today many of us would be healed of our hurts, and peace would be ours if we had faith.

"One of the first insights given me into the character of the American people came from a coin, a dollar, I think it was, that was shown me in Oberammergau years ago. It had the inscription 'In God We Trust,' on it. This struck me as a glorious thing to tell the world. And it must be true, for America of all the nations in the world is the happiest, and least troubled today. Here you have peace and prosperity, and you using your prosperity well, for are you not giving to all the stricken world?"

"America has had faith and it is such faith as this will heal the world. She has had the courage to follow her faith and what she has accomplished should renew the faith of the other nations.

"Faith should not be put off and on like a coat. It should be with us always and should support us through out the whole day. We of Oberammergau came to America because we believed and had faith in the American people. We know that they had faith in us or we would not have been asked to come. We knew that they believed in us and knew that we asked only for the opportunity to save our homes by the work of our hands. It was really faith that brought us to this wonderful country. Although it is said that man does not live by faith alone, it is equally true that man cannot live and cannot be happy or peaceful without faith."

TWO MEET DEATH IN PLANE CRASH

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try flight, and, according to eye witnesses, were evidently planning to land when the accident occurred. They were flying low, waving to the people and apparently signalling them to get out of the plane's path. They struck a tree and before assistance could arrive the plane was a mass of flames.

Both bodies were burned beyond recognition.

Captain Sturcken, according to reports, was flying to Dallas to get a doll which had been ordered for his 3-year-old daughter, but which he feared would not arrive by mail in time for Christmas.

BONUS CAUSES SENATES DELAY

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bonus bill. The seriousness of their dilemma was indicated Tuesday, when Representative Green of Iowa, chairman of the house ways and means committee, suddenly called off a meeting of the committee when he learned that some of the members were going to demand that the bonus be placed ahead of tax reductions. A majority of the members are for the bonus. The committee was scheduled to begin its tax study Tuesday.

Green, who is himself for the bonus, called another meeting of the committee Wednesday. At that time, he will ask the committee to consent to give first consideration to the administrative features of Mellon's tax plan, which, he says, will take about ten days, and then face the bonus issue, after which consideration could be given to the schedule of tax cuts which the secretary of the treasury has recommended.

"The republican members of the committee don't know what they want to do and they are postponing facing the bonus issue until they find out," Representative Garner of Texas, ranking democratic member

of the committee, declared. "They won't do much in the next ten days but talk and mark time."

Representative Rainey of Illinois, a democrat, and Representative Frear of Wisconsin, of the Nelson progressive group, threw a scare into the regular republican members Tuesday which caused the meeting to be postponed, by indicating before hand that they were going to press for priority for the bonus. The progressive group is particularly insistent upon an immediate passage of a bonus bill.

FEDERAL TROOPS TAKE SAN MARCOS

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coast of Mexico with Mexico City. Between 2,000 and 10,000 federal soldiers are usually stationed there, it was stated. The seizure of Matanzaro is expected to seriously hamper Obregon's advance upon the rebels.

The messages sent by the radio operator aboard the Coahuila, said guns were being mounted and the vessel would sail immediately for Acapulco to join the Progresso.

JURY SOON TO DECIDE FATE OF FOX

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and Bill Coburn are slated to go." Fox, the hotel clerk, testified that the defendant and "a woman who had only her teddies on" were arrested in a hotel room a week before the crime. He then identified Mrs. Weaver as the woman, Tuggel giving

corroborative evidence and claiming Fox had threatened his life. The trial is nearing the jury. The defense rested its case early Tuesday afternoon and the state began its rebuttal evidence immediately.

NINE BALLOTS FAIL TO NAME THE I. C. C. HEAD

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Thursday that the salaries of seven executive officers of the Federal Farm Loan Board are \$37,000 more this year than last year. The report was in answer to a resolution of Senator Borah of Idaho. Six members of the board received increases of \$1,000 and Charles E. Lobdell, former commissioner, gets \$25,000 in the new position which was created, fiscal agent of the board. There were other smaller advances in pay.

Among several bills introduced in the senate Tuesday was one by Senator Edge, republican of New Jersey, providing for abolishing the shipping board and placing the merchant fleet under one commissioner, and a bill by Senator Dill, democrat, of Washington, preventing congress from declaring war—except a defensive war—unless the people had approved it in a referendum.

DEADLOCK SEEN IN RUSSIAN QUESTION

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tude of this government, whereas the tone of Coolidge's message had been conciliatory, the Hughes message was one of the most caustic diplomatic documents of the administration.

It left no doubt that the president and Hughes, while in agreement on the fundamentals regarding Russian recognition, approach the matter from different angles, Coolidge leaning toward a friendly exchange of views, and Hughes insisting that the

bolshévists come hat in hand and put up bond in advance.

"Does the state department note leave the door open?" one high official was asked Tuesday.

"The door is there, if anybody wants to go through it," this official replied. He declined to add to this cryptic statement.

There is little likelihood that the soviet government will risk another rebuff, and all indications are that the present situation will continue for a long time.

Senator King of Utah, who has studied the Russian problem for some time and who spent the summer in Russia, said that he favors trade relations and an attitude of encouragement here which would induce the Russian people to accelerate the reformatory movement now going on. He opposed recognition for the present.

Another democratic senator who visited Russia last summer, Wheeler, of Montana, predicted that the American people, after reading the Tchitcherin and Hughes notes, will come to the conclusion that "the former is much more in accord with the

principles of peace for which this administration claims to stand than that of the latter."

He said Coolidge had changed his mind on the Russian question since he delivered his message to congress. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and bitterly anti-soviet, issued a statement declaring himself thoroughly in accord with the Hughes note.

BAZAAR TO BE WEDNESDAY

The ladies of the Episcopal church of this city will hold a bazaar Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 in the front end of the Rix Furniture store. Many Tolson gifts will be on display, and other things that will be suitable for this season of the year.

RED CROSS OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED TODAY

Officers for the local chapter, American Red Cross will be elected this afternoon at the Red Cross room in the courthouse. Three o'clock is the hour.

OUTLAW LEADER TURNS AGAINST BOTH FACTIONS

(United News)

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 18.—War has been declared upon both de La Huerta and federal forces by General Maycotte, who, according to advices received Tuesday by local Consul Garza Leal, has started a revolution all his own.

Maycotte is reported to be strongly entrenched at Oaxaca. The federals who have abandoned Puebla on the east front, the message stated, have decided to take the city from the rebels as a step in their advance on Vera Cruz. Federal forces are trying to organize volunteers throughout the entire country to aid in putting down the rebellion. Leal was informed.



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