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Through the Editor's Spectacles

By GEORGE

Many of you readers, no doubt, have already noticed that the 1934 football season in the oil belt has been a singular one. Not a single protest, to my knowledge, was filed against a player from an opposing camp and not a game was forfeited because of ineligibility or violation of interscholastic league rules. That fact has been translated into a positive satisfaction with the outcome of the district play. The Ranger Bulldogs went to Amarillo yesterday for their bi-district contest with the Sandies, not grudgingly supported by the remainder of the district in the recollection of bitterness and bickerings and forfeitures, but with the sincere backing of the oil belt family. The Bulldogs demonstrated on the field without question, and without the stigma of a star chamber ruling upon the outcome, that they were the best team in the district, and decisive proof of the play has generated a respect and a satisfaction with the outcome. Therefore, the Bulldogs Saturday really represented the district.

When a referee or a court sets itself up as the ultimate determinant of your ability and says to you, "John Jones is a mightier man and can knock your daylight out," you, if there is a spark of manhood in you, resent the arbitrary interference with your right to prove yourself and deny the finding. You feel that John Jones, or whatever his name is, is resorting to a cowardly subterfuge, and no amount of argument could convince you that Jones is your champion.

But let said John Jones step up to you and forthrightly plaster the adjacent territory with your avoidpoups and you are convinced and, strange as human nature may seem, you respect and perhaps even like Jones. At any rate, you'll back him against the next fellow. He's your champion.

The Bulldogs socked things footballwise all over the oil belt this season. The more they socked the better they got. They were licked a time or two by outside teams, but as they came down the home stretch they rode over opposition in such a roughshod fashion as to thoroughly convince the critics that they were the "it, them and those" of this circuit. Even football fans whose teams were taking a healthy count at the hands of the canines generated a deal of pleasure in watching the manner of the champions as they rode high and wild over their favorites.

There just wasn't any argument about it. The Bulldogs were the best team and that was that.

I see in this healthful result some of the good influences that derived from the unhappy experience of a few years ago in which Cisco played the role of a pariah. That experience convinced the district that it is made up of teams each of whom is important, and that it is NOT an organization apart from the special, even selfish, interests of each of its members. I believe it convinced the district that the most satisfactory manner in which to run this business called football is to let the teams decide upon the field who should win, and to minimize the arbitrary authority of the district committee, whose function is not to determine winners but to preserve order.

In previous statements that I have made upon this issue, I have predicted that such would be the influence of the Cisco suspension. If this season's harmony is traceable to that affair, then the upheaval, for all its unpleasantness and injustice, has served a worthy cause.

Several Cisco fans joined the Ranger special to the Amarillo game as it left here early Friday morning. Among them were Sam Draganes, Carl Lowery, Whitey Moore, Carl Tom Moore, Leon McPherson, Jack Pippen and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mayhew, Jr.

Sometimes even a hotel man

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Toys To Be Given Poor Kids Asked

Toys are sought by the Cisco Charity and Welfare association as it makes its plans for another Christmas party for the poor kiddies of the town this season. Toys that are broken, but may be mended, are acceptable. Mrs. Charles Brown, one of the association secretaries, said. She and Mrs. Philip Pettit, the other secretary will be at the welfare headquarters in the Baker building just north of the Buckhorn cafe, from 3 to 5 Monday to receive the gifts. The Christmas party is planned for Saturday preceding Christmas day. The association expects to take care of 175 children, white, negro and Mexican. In addition to toys, the association is in need of canned goods, clothing and bedding. An appeal was made for at least two mattresses. These articles, likewise, may be brought to the welfare headquarters.

Victory Class Has Barbecue Thursday

Thirty-six members and guests were present at the barbecue given by the Victory class of the First Baptist church in the church basement Thursday evening. "Bill," "John" and "Henry" supplanted the formal "Mr." in the camaraderie of the evening while the class enjoyed barbecued beef and heard talks by Toastmaster W. F. Walker, H. Brandon, class president, Asa Skiles, superintendent of the adult department, C. C. Duff and others. Tom Stark, Rex Page and Jack Jones prepared the barbecue. Tom Page was in charge of the program.

Bishop Will Preach at Methodist Church

Bishop H. A. Boaz of Ft. Worth, presiding officer of the Central, North and West Texas conferences of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, will preach at the morning service of the First Methodist church today. Bishop Boaz, a native Texan, was once president of Polytechnic college, Fort Worth, and was one of the founders and first president of Southern Methodist university. He was assigned to the three conferences over which he now presides at the last general conference, which was held at Jackson, Miss.

Please, Mr. Santa Claus

Cisco, Texas, Dec. 8, 1934. Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy five years old. For Christmas I want a ball, a Sunday suit, a little baby goat, a rubber tired tricycle, and a little toy watch. I have been a very good boy this year. BILLY REX BERRY, 302 West 3rd Street, Cisco, Texas, Dec. 8, 1934.

Dear Santa Claus: We have been very good little boys this year. We both want a dump-truck with real lights, a picture and paint book with crayons, and a little play horse. We both have a birthday this month. We are 3 and 6 years old. With love, MANNING and MARGIL WADLEY.

THE Early Bird Catches THE Bargains 13 Days Left



Victim of Bullet is Buried Friday at 3

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 3 at Nimrod for S. W. Bachus, 42, slain during a sheriff's officers raid upon a still near Nimrod last Thursday morning. Services were conducted by the Rev. John Holder of Cisco with Green Funeral home of this city in charge of the arrangements. Bachus, father of six children, died from a bullet wound accidentally received as Sheriff Virge Foster fired a pistol shot to halt one of two men who ran from the site of a still which he, Deputy Loss Woods and Constable S. W. Hedrick of Nimrod, had located in thick brush.

Callahan Home Dem. Clubs Will Rally Dec. 15th

CROSS PLAINS—Home demonstration clubs of Callahan county will have a "Rally Day" December 15. The meeting will be held in the Methodist church at Baird and will begin at 10 o'clock in the morning. All visitors are asked to register before that time if possible. The purpose of the big county wide party is to acquaint members of the various home demonstration clubs in the county with each other and to unify the work in the county as a whole. Clubs in the county that will be represented are the following home demonstration clubs: the Progressive club of Clyde, the Helping Hand club of Clyde, Cross Plains, Oplin, Rowden, Atwell, Lone Oak, Cottonwood, Cedar Bluff Dressy, Admiral, Union, Putnam, Deep Creek, Belle Plain, Enterprise, Lanham and the 4-H club girls from Cottonwood, Clyde and Enterprise.

Morning Program The morning program will be opened with the club prayer led by Rev. P. E. Yarbrough, pastor of the Baird Methodist church. The singing of the "Eyes of Texas" led by Rev. Joe R. Mayes, pastor of the Baird Baptist church will follow the prayer and will be sung by the entire audience. The address of welcome will be delivered by Judge J. H. Carpenter and the response will be given by Mrs. Merlin Garrett, president of the Cross Plains Home Demonstration club. A clarinet solo will be given by Dr. T. J. Inman and the music for the day will be furnished by Mrs. Hill's orchestra. Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins of Eastland, president of the Sixth District of Federated Women's clubs, will deliver an address on "The Community and It's Young People." Other parts of the program will be definitely decided on at the earliest date possible.

Lunch Served At noon lunch will be served cafeteria style to all home demonstration members, their husbands and to guests of the rally. Club members will contribute the lunch. The afternoon's program will consist of informal singing and games. After the play time an impressive ceremony of installing the County Council officers will be had. This will include all officers for the coming year. Mrs. Al Young, president of the Lone Oak club and president of the County Council will preside over the program of the day.

"This rally day wishes to have as it's the general theme of Christmas 'Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men'" said Mrs. Vida Moore, county home demonstration agent.

Servicing the First National Bank Clock I. H. Brunskill, inspector for the O. B. McClintock Co. of Minneapolis, Minn., makers of the beautiful clock that adorns the First National Bank, the gift of the bank to Cisco, was here Thursday servicing this public time piece. In addition Mr. Brunskill is adding some extra features, which improves its appearance, by placing four bronze columns, one at each corner of the clock. This makes the town clock more attractive.

The company services this clock for a certain time, and this is the first visit a representative of the company has made since the clock was installed. And this time the visit was more in the nature of an inspection, rather than to service the time piece, as it has been keeping splendid time.

Carnival Is Planned by Lady Lions

Plans for the Lions Carnival sponsored by the wives of members of the club and to be held at the Cisco Country club December 13, beginning at 8 o'clock, have been worked out in detail by committees named to handle the various phases. Children under 12 years of age, when accompanied by their parents, will be admitted free. Mrs. Charles Sandler, general chairman, said. One of the features of the program is a floor show which was promised to "be entirely different from anything seen in Cisco before." Guests were asked "not to over-load your stomach" before they come. Committees are:

General chairman, Mrs. Charles Sandler; **General committee**—Mrs. Hubert Seale, Mrs. Frank L. Turner, Mrs. Charles Hale, Mrs. J. C. King, Mrs. W. H. LaRoque, Mrs. S. H. Nance, and Mrs. J. W. Thomas, Mrs. T. C. Williams, Mrs. W. A. Brown, Mrs. F. E. Clark. **Game concessions**—Mrs. W. J. Leach, Mrs. A. D. Anderson, Mrs. Charles Kleiner, Mrs. H. Brandon, Mrs. E. L. Smith, Mrs. C. C. Jones. **Sideshow concessions**—Mrs. A. Sandhofer, Mrs. J. B. Pratt, Mrs. Joe Burnam, Mrs. Mitt Williams. **Music** will be in charge of G. W. Collum, who will provide either an orchestra or band. **The floor show numbers** will include: 1—The Mysterious Annie Rooney, and 2—The Dramatization of an Old Favorite, "Frankie and Johnny."

Methodists Near New Year's Goal of \$6,100 Budget

Nearing their goal of raising \$6,000 under a plan by which the entire church budget would be met within a period of 90 days or six months, a large portion of the membership of the First Methodist church met at a Victory dinner in the church basement Wednesday evening. At the conclusion of the meeting it was announced that more than \$3,700 of the sum had been pledged. The idea is new to the church practice and was encouraged by the fact that the church was one of the few to pay out in full at the end of the conference year, entering the new year without a deficit. That achievement was accomplished in spite of the fact that a deficit had been held over from the previous year. The principal address of the evening was delivered by the Rev. J. B. Curry, presiding elder of the Cisco district of the church. He was introduced by S. H. Nance, chairman of the board of stewards.

The subdued light of candles revealed the tables blossoming with chrysanthemums as the 150 Methodists and guests entered the banquet room. After the invitation, the lights came on and the meal was served. The program consisted of an address by the pastor, the Rev. Frank L. Turner, a talk by Mr. Nance and the address of the presiding elder, Bishop H. A. Boaz had been scheduled to speak but was prevented at the last minute from attending.

A tin cup lifted from the pretentious mouth of a large silver loving cup was presented to Ex-Board Chairman Lory Boyd at the climax of a solemn speech by Toastmaster Leach, who declared that the good effort of Mr. Boyd during last year deserved credit for the success of the financial program. The banquet was served by the women of the church. Music for the evening was furnished by Harry Schaefer, Ernest Hittson, S. P. Parks and Dick Thomas.

Dr. E. L. Graham and Dr. Charles Hale attended the meeting of the Stephens, Shackelford and Throckmorton Counties Medical Society at Breckenridge Thursday evening.

Parmer Well Cleaning Out After Shot of 160 Quarts

Hickok Producing and Developing company's Parmer No. 1, five miles west of Cisco, was cleaning out after a shot at noon Saturday. The well made little response to a charge of 160 quarts placed from 3,660 to 3,715 after plugging back from the Ellenberger which was penetrated about 25 feet.

The Lone Star well drilling on the Kincade just north of Cisco had completed a fishing job and Saturday was drilling at 3,410 with the lake sand pay expected around 3,475 or 3,480.

Meanwhile the Lone Star's Kincade offset to the Consolidated on the Kleiner, completed for 10,000,000 feet of gas and now a source of supply for the new Cisco Gas Corp. Cisco system, was rigging up.

Nearly \$16,000 Paid Eastland Co. Farmers

EASTLAND — Figures released by the Agricultural Adjustment administration at Washington show that cotton producers of Eastland county have been paid \$15,911.53. The figures, up to Nov. 22, showed that the first payment totaled \$8,786.67 and the last \$7,124.86. Those in the nearby county of Stephens have been paid \$3,025.76.

The cotton rental payments were divided into two equal installments, with the second payment being made only after compliance with the acreage adjustment contract had been established.

In addition to the rental payments, cotton producers will be paid a substantial sum in "parity" payments. The payment will be calculated on the basis of one cent a pound on the estimated share of each farmer's average past production which enters domestic consumption.

Dr. Ghormley Attends Meeting at Abilene

Dr. W. I. Ghormley, Cisco optometrist, will go to Abilene today for the monthly meeting of this district of the Texas Optometrical association. The session will meet in the Hilton hotel at 10 a. m.

"These meetings grow more interesting each month," said Dr. Ghormley, "because we discuss subjects that are vital to the comfort and well being of teeming millions of the earth."

Subjects to be discussed today were "Visual Problems of the Machine Worker," "The Conjunctive and the Sclera," "The Greatest Handicap to Growth," and "The Orthoptics of Myopia."

MRS. LANE BETTER.

Mrs. J. M. Lane, who suffered a broken leg several months ago, was said to be showing satisfactory improvement at Graham sanitarium.

Mrs. N. A. Brown, accompanied by Mrs. R. G. Milling, Jr., of Brownwood, are spending the week-end in Wichita Falls.

The Lone Star well on the Fee was completed about a month ago for 25 barrels of oil and about one and a half million feet of gas.

A completion in which W. J. Armstrong, Cisco operator, has a large interest, was reported from Ward county where the Eastland Oil company was waiting until the 15th of December to test potential of a new well on the Kate Green, believed from initial flow to be good for between 200 and 300 barrels daily. The well flowed strong for the two tanks that were run before it was closed in. Regulations prohibit making potential tests of wells completed after the first until the 15th of the month.

West of Cisco, near Putnam, the Lorenzen on the Clark was reported plugging back for a shot.

Typhoid Epidemic at Cottonwood Battled

CROSS PLAINS — An epidemic of typhoid fever which has been raging in the Cottonwood community more than a week was believed by health officials and attending physicians to be "practically checked" Thursday at noon. There are at present about 10 cases in the community, one of which is regarded as extremely serious.

Elmer Thomas is believed to be suffering the most ill effects of the malady. He was reported in a critical condition late Wednesday.

Immunizations were given school children and scores of citizens this week by health officials. Efforts this week by health officials. Efforts are also being extended to clarify the sources of the infection.

E. H. Goodwin, with the Texas Public Health Service, was sent to this county the first of this week and has been working at Cottonwood several days. He told newspapermen Wednesday that sanitary privies would be installed at Cottonwood within the next few days to destroy the possibility of typhus flies breeding there. "The government will erect these privies without cost, save that of materials, if home owners will but make such request of County Commissioner George R. Clifton, who will use relief funds to place laborers at the task of construction," Mr. Goodwin said. Sample of water supplies at Cottonwood are being tested and those that may be found to contain typhoid germs will be discontinued. Other precautionary measures are being instituted.

"We urge the complete cooperation of every individual in assisting to stamp out this epidemic by extreme precaution" Mr. Goodwin stated. Condition of Mrs. R. E. Grantham, who has been seriously ill from influenza, was reported much improved at Graham sanitarium Saturday. Postmaster F. A. Jones and Editor Hatcher of the Record, both of Eastland, were visitors at the Citizen-Free Press Saturday.

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Anti-Ingenuie Actress Proves Right to Lead in Elks Feature, "You Belong to Me"

Helen Mack, petite, brunette actress, and one of the most promising of the Paramount proteges, considers her winning of the leading feminine role in Paramount's "You Belong to Me," coming Thursday to the Palace for Elks annual Christmas Charity Show, the clinching victory of her recently inaugurated campaign against playing of ingenuie roles in motion pictures.

Ever since her advent in Hollywood, "War on ingenues," has been the watchword of this singularly attractive little actress, who has persistently refused to play the pretty-girl roles that other actresses beg for. Anxious to exhibit her real acting talents, Miss Mack refuses to play ingenuie roles because she says that they represent "simpering, wishy-washy people, too good to be true, too pretty to believe in."

"Anyone Can Play Ingenuie" "For the past months they had been sending me scripts to read, and every one of them called for a feminine leading role which I suppose would be considered a

"break" in any league," explained Miss Mack.

"But when you come right down to it, any attractive girl with an ounce of expression in her face and with a clear voice is an ingenuie, just as a fairly handsome chap can become a leading man. "That is my idea of acting, merely portraying something which takes nothing but walking through a scene looking pretty. Those are the parts I do not want. "I went through script after script, which visualized only girls like that. I didn't get a peek at the one for 'You Belong to Me.' But I heard about it. Also that they wanted someone older to play the role.

Finally—the Role. "It took me, once on the trail of the script, less than an hour to 'promote' a copy, and less time than that to convince the powers that be that I could do it." Convinced, Paramount executives cleared the way for their non-ingenuie ingenuie, and let her have one of the most difficult roles on the studio's production schedule.

Bulldogs Lose 19-14 to Sandies

AMARILLO, Dec. 8.—The Amarillo Golden Sandstorm established its right to enter the quarter-finals of the 1934 Interscholastic league football championship play-off by defeating the Ranger Bulldogs 19 to 14 here this afternoon.

The Sandies scored all their points in the second period of the game against a Ranger eleven that seemed so badly disorganized and befuddled that it was unable to do anything either offensively or defensively. The Amarillo team, featuring long sweeping end runs behind perfect interference, threatened repeatedly in the first period, but came to grief each time against the Ranger goal.

The Bulldogs recovered some of the form they had shown in defeating Oil Belt teams and in the third period had things going their way, scoring 14 points.

Sandies Threaten The Sandies recovered prestige in the fourth quarter and threatened again at the end of the game which ended with the ball in their possession on the Ranger 8-yard line.

Amarillo scored on the second play of the second quarter. On the first play Harlow, full back, circled a Ranger end and raced from his 37-yard line to the Ranger 2-yard stripe where he was hauled down by Walsh. Steiger, quarter for the Sandies, cracked a tackle for the necessary distance but failed to kick goal. Two other Amarillo scores were manufactured in rapid-fire order.

The Sandies repelled a Ranger drive that ended with an incomplete pass over the goal and took the ball on their own 20. They were forced to kick after a 15-yard penalty had set them back, and Ranger fumbled, Wagner recovering for the Sandies on the Ranger 41 yard line. The Amarillo team opened up a passing and running attack that carried the ball to the Ranger 15 yard line from which Fyfe went around right end for the second touchdown. Stidger again missing goal.

Another Touchdown Four plays later the Sandies had another touchdown, Peterson kicking the goal for the final point. The counter was the result of a fumbled ball after a brilliant return. Jacobs, Ranger end, had received the kick on his 15-yard line and ran it 30 yards back to the 45 where he fumbled, Fyfe recovering for the Amarillo team. Stidger and Harlow picked up seven yards in a couple of plays and then Stidger circled right end for the touchdown.

Ranger ground out a touchdown about midway of the third quarter after a pass intercepted by Anderson had stemmed another Amarillo drive. The Bulldogs, by dent of good punting, and successful passes first advanced to the three-yard line where Peterson, of Amarillo, intercepted a Ranger pass on his 10 yard line.

Ranger Scores Peterson punted out to Amarillo's 45 where Anderson was stopped in his tracks. Britt circled left end to the 18-yard line where he was run out of bounds. It was Ranger's first long gain of the game. Britt powered his way to the Amarillo three yard line and Anderson went over right guard for a touchdown, kicking goal.

Ranger scored their second touchdown as the direct result of Stidger's fumble on his own 35-yard line where Britt recovered. Two passes failed but a third, Anderson to Peyton, was completed to Amarillo's five-yard line. The same aerial combination worked for a touchdown on the next play and Anderson converted. First downs were 12 for Amarillo and eight for Ranger.

Cisco Lions to Meet International Head

President H. L. Dyer and other officers of the Cisco Lions club plan to go to Fort Worth Tuesday where they will meet Vincent C. Hascall, international Lions president, at the meeting of the Fort Worth club on noon.

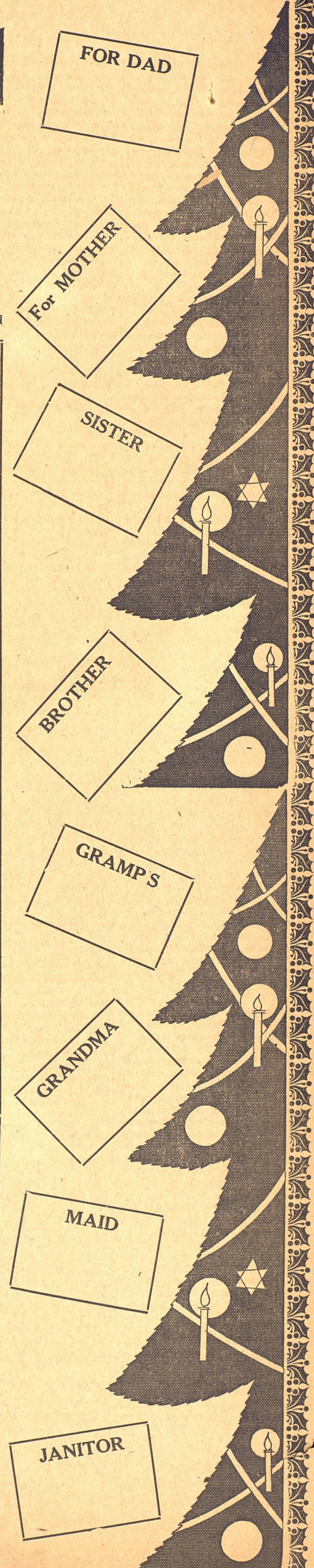
Others of the club plan to attend a meeting at Ranger Tuesday night when the international president will be the honor guest and principal speaker for the Ranger Lions club.

Help Santa Load the Tree Win a fine Christmas Gift

Santa has quite a job loading the tree this year. There are so many interesting things to give everybody that he hardly knows where to start. That's why he is willing to give you an extra special gift just for helping him decide who is to get what this Christmas.

Here you see Santa, ready to pour his load of intriguing gifts onto the tree. Your job is to select from the advertisements on this page the items you think should go to the various members of the family shown. Read the messages of these Cisco Merchants, note your suggestions for Gifts for Mother, Dad and the rest in the spaces provided and send them to the Christmas Contest Editor of the Citizen-Free Press. The best, most logical and neatest answer will get a very welcome gift of \$5 in cash. Second best, \$3.00 and the next four \$1.00 each. The contest closes December 15.

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The Little God Kublic

By STAN CARLISLE

"Mr. Rosell, I presume?"
The western representative of Walker-Eines Jewelry Company, Importers and Artisans, turned from watching the dusky afternoon scenery flow by the windows of the speeding limited and looked up into the face of the stranger who bent above him in a manner of pleasant greeting.

Mr. Roswell was feeling at ease with the world. He was young, he was a trusted representative at a large figure, and, as might be expected of a youthful constitution, the excellent dinner of which he had just disposed was thoroughly in sympathy with the digestive process.

"Yes," he said. "That is my name."

"I am Norman Halliday," the stranger introduced himself. "You needn't," he exclaimed as Roswell produced a card case. "I have heard of you enough to know you quite well. We should have much in common, Mr. Roswell."

"Indeed?"

"Much in common at least for the tedium of a long train ride," smiled Halliday. "You see, I collect diamonds. Rather an amateur, of course, but I enjoy talking about them."

"You probably know more about them than I do," Roswell laughed. "I'm a salesman, not an expert."

"I have just acquired a gem I should like you to see," continued Halliday. "It is an unusual specimen and, I am told, has an interesting history. Suppose we go into my compartment? It's in the next coach."

Roswell agreed readily. He was in the mood for conversation, particularly upon a subject so closely associated with his profession. So he arose and followed the trim figure of his new acquaintance through the vestibule of the car into the pullman ahead, remarking upon the grace with which Halliday carried himself over the swaying floor of the car.

In the drawing room Halliday closed the door and took from his pocket a leather box which he opened with care and extended to the salesman. Roswell bent a gaze of awed wonder upon the gem that was disclosed. It was, indeed, a magnificent thing; a blue diamond of unusual weight and flawless proportions, a jewel that flashed with prismatic lights now sharp and sinister, now subdued and mysterious like the winking of an evil eye.

"Say," Roswell burst out in sudden excitement. "Do you know what this is? Its the stolen Kublic diamond. Why, man—!"

"So it is."

Roswell, startled by the strange tone, stared at Halliday and the excitement in which he had recognized the jewel faded into a pasty alarm.

"It is unnecessary to explain what conduct is proper under the circumstances," continued Halliday coolly. The muzzle of the flat little automatic in his hand emphasized the remark with the merest gesture. "You change clothing with me."

The salesman was bewildered, but his dumb appeal fell hopelessly against the serene malignity of his captor. The roar of the train rushing through the gating darkness smothered every sound except those within the narrow precincts of the panelled drawing room.

"Please begin," Halliday accented the command with a curt impatience. "I haven't all evening to wait on you."

Seeing the futility of resistance, Roswell reluctantly obeyed. He removed his coat, his vest, his shirt, his trousers and as he did so Halliday regarded the process with the tranquil eye of a premeditated purpose. "All of them," he directed as Roswell hesitated in his underwear.

"You know," he went on in the discursive mood of a normal conversation as his victim complied with his last command, "Kublic is a perfect compliment of my profession. It is regarded as an evil genie, bringing bad luck to its owner, but strange as it may appear, it lends itself perfectly to me. It is remarkable how it seems to attract those necessary to my plans. His smooth lips tinged with a leer of unspoken contempt. "I could not be without it."

Roswell did not reply. He stood naked and silent, awaiting anxiously the next command. "You will sit down with your back to me while I follow your example," directed Halliday. "I shall keep the gun within easy reach, of course, in the event—" He left the sentence in the implication.

Five minutes later he exclaimed with satisfaction upon the fit of his victim's garments. "A tailor couldn't have measured better," he exulted. "That's, no doubt, another evidence of the influence of my talisman. You may put on my clothing, now."

automatic clad from head to foot in the garments of his captor, who regarded him with a critical eye. "Very good," Halliday commented with a faint quirk of the lips. "I regret," he went on in an apologetic tone that conveyed, however, so much of a purpose that Roswell heard it as pale as a ghost, "that I am compelled to do this to a promising acquaintance. We should probably enjoy a long conversation about Kublic."

"What are you going to do?" screamed Roswell.
For a profession so hazardous Norman Halliday had the equipment of a supreme sang-froid. He went about his work with the demeanor of a cosmopolite bent upon nothing more remarkable than the morning shave and the probable state of affairs at his office when he should arrive. The roar of the train, of course, was very loud.

"As usual," Halliday lifted an eyebrow as if to rebuke even the suggestion of a question, "it went off perfectly. With Kublic along I can't fail."

He regarded with a loving eye the gem which, lying on the black velvet of the jeweler's cushion, seemed to gleam in response, magnifying itself like a wicked little god fattening on worship.

The orange-rind lips of Samilar, the dealer, showed his small white teeth.

"You think much of that jewel, do you not?" he grinned.

"Why shouldn't I? And why shouldn't Samilar the Jeweler?" He cast an eloquent glance about the room in which they sat, a shabby precinct, but redolent of a wealth that would have borne company with the finest of Solomon. "It is my soul—the half of me that was missing. Of all the people in the world it was meant for me. Even you, Samilar couldn't own it. It would kill you. But myself, it is my affinity."

"Aw, hell," exclaimed Samilar impatiently. "You got too damn sentimental. It's a streak of luck, that's all. Tell me of Roswell."

Halliday subsided from his crest of enthusiasm over the alleged affinit of Kublic into an aggrieved dignity.

"All right. Your talents are marvelous, Samilar, but you're too confounded practical to see the beauty in life."

The dealer, his fingers busy from a spreading of gems on the black cloth in front of him, gems that he was engaged in scrutinizing through a jeweler's glass, and of which he now and then selected one to string into a necklace pattern, paused in his work to grin good-humoredly.

"A good robber, my boy, may be a good poet-soul, but it takes a practical son to make on the investment. We make a good team together."

"You and Kublic and I," laughed Halliday. "I forbid you to forget Kublic."

"Oh, well enough. But tell me how you worked. I like to hear that. It sounds so smoothly, and this was such a damn fine loot it must have been smoother than ever."

Halliday complied, not forgetting the part his wicked little god had played in the transaction.

"I disposed of the poor devil through the window. No doubt they haven't yet discovered that a man with a bullet hole in him was tossed from one of their trains, and it will take them some time to learn that it was Mr. Roswell, of Walker-Eines. When they do it will hardly be practical to trace the mystery."

"His baggage checks were in his clothing, of course. When I arrived I simply registered under his name at the hotel and sent the checks to the station by the porter who brought the trunks to my room. There I removed the gems, stuffed them in a handbag and walked out. Mr. Roswell, of Walker-Eines, actually and vicariously, ceased to be."

Samilar nodded, his black eyes aglitter. Lean and seared as a piece of barbecued pork, he bent over the jewels on the cloth, fondling them with a dried forefinger. They were the units of two necklaces which he had dismembered and was, with the skill of the born artist, refashioning into new designs. A portion of unfinished pattern was spread out there.

"After a while," he said, indicating the design, "I sell this. I know just where. Oil man money." He grinned contempt. "Nobody would ever recognize it. If I thought so I would grind it."

"You are a smart man, Samilar," smiled Halliday.
"It is a born thing," admitted the dealer, pleased with the compliment. "But wait," he exclaimed, his face becoming serious with a sudden recollection. "There is something we must consider. You spoke of Kublic a moment ago.

Maybe you had not better spoke so soon."

Halliday felt curious, staring at him.

"The police," explained Samilar. "There is one boy, a detective. Maybe he has yet to win his spurs. I reckon so from his asking questions. He's getting too damn friendly."

The poet in Halliday had promptly retired into the mysterious limbo of his inner self to be replaced by those features of competence which had made him so successful at his nefarious trade. In the presence of Samilar, however, he gave his emotions freer rein.

"You are humoring the fool?" he snapped with an accent of such venom that even Samilar started.

"By hell, no! What do you think I am—some damn stool bird? I could kick him out, but that would make it worse. He is so nicely friendly, and tries to accommodate with keeping a watch on the store so there won't be any hi-jackings. But I think he's got an idea in his damn brain. He talks too much like he thinks he might have—what you call it? Funch?"

"Hunch," snapped Halliday. "And damn the luck. These meddlesome youngsters can muddle around and spoil a lot of layouts. What's his name?"

"Charlie it's called. I don't know what it is last. If he wouldn't keep coming in so much."

Halliday, ignoring the dealer's plaint, fell into a ferocious muse. "Maybe," suggested Samilar when he did not respond, "you could—maybe, eh?"

Halliday glowed at him. "Certainly not. Do you know why so many bank cashiers get caught? Because they keep trying to cover up five dollars. It grows. It's the same in this business. When I do away with a man it's not to cover up something else. I don't intend to start that here—and have to keep killing."

Samilar shrugged. "You know your business," he submitted. "But I've been getting creepy pains in my neck."

"I'm going to have him taken care of, though," continued Halliday with a grim smile. The dealer looked up hopefully. The old confident suavity had returned to his confederate's countenance, returned as suddenly as it had gone. The man was bland, urban, poised on the pinnacle of a vast assurance.

"You're going to do that, Samilar."

The jeweler's face was pale.

"You are interested in gems, yes?" Samilar bent a hopeful eye upon the young man leaning over his counter in interested contemplation of a tray of cut diamonds that the dealer had set between them.

"It's a fascination that grows on a fellow," admitted Charlie Erent with a laugh. "A pretty dangerous fascination for a bird like me with nothing but a pig detective's salary to live on. About the only pleasure I get out of them is seeing them here, Samilar."

"You're welcome to that. I got many of them. Diamonds, rubies, pearls, emeralds, sapphires—oh, anything you want. They are all very beautiful to see."

"That sounds too much like the United States mint or something," protested the young officer. "I'll have to take mine in small doses, or I won't know how to conduct myself."

"You like diamonds best?" pursued Samilar.

"Not necessarily. I like them all."

"I got white, blue, green, even black diamonds."

"Black diamonds?"

"Oh," Samilar shrugged, "they're a kind." He pursed his lips in some disrespect of black diamonds. "Not much to be thought of as diamonds go."

"I never saw any," said Charlie curiously. "Have you any here?"

"Back in the work room, yes."

"Might I see one?"

"Some other time, yes. Maybe some night when the store is closed you can see all of my collection. But," he added, eying his visitor sharply, "I do not wish to invite persons to my work rooms. You have been very nice and you can come, but I must not have other people asking to come in. Too much lies around."

"Oh, I understand that, Samilar," exclaimed Brent. "I'll respect the privilege, all right."

"Good." The dealer studied the detective's face keenly. Satisfied, he returned to the subject of gems.

"It is a curious thing. They have souls, these diamonds."

Brent regarded the jeweler in quizzical unbelief.

"You do not believe me? Oh, not these." He spread a gesture over the case which glittered with the polished stones. "But I will show you in my collection many diamonds that have souls. Every one of them different. I will show you some which must not be

worn or they bring death, and I will show you some that have so tender a soul as a mother's breast. Each of them has histories."

"Good Lord," breathed the detective, eyeing the dealer doubtfully. But Samilar kept a grave countenance.

"You think I am crazy? Well, I am not. You shall see for yourself. Tomorrow night, maybe, you can come. I will let you know."

"Fine. I'll drop in."

A contemptuous smile played about the corners of Samilar's orange-rind lips as his visitor departed.

"A case of attempted burglary. Let the police try to make anything else out of it."

Halliday met the fears of his compatriot in crime with unconcern. A jeweler's glass stuck in one eye, he was engaged in polishing Kublic with a silken handkerchief, scrutinizing the results with infinite, loving care.

"It's important not to waste any time on him, Samilar," he added. "The sooner done the better."

He spoke over his shoulder as one who gave directions for which he expected no reply, his thoughts only mechanically concerned with the dealer's problem of nerve for the task to which he had been assigned. Primarily, Halliday's interest was before him.

"It sounds very well to say it—smooth like you always do," debated Samilar, pausing with his hands full of objects he was removing from the room. "But I have a great scare of blood." His big dark eyes appealed to his companion as a source of inspiration. "Always that damn think," he complained. "Why can't you think about me, sometimes?"

Halliday set his Moloch precisely in the center of a black velvet cushion for another critical regard before he answered. Under his adoration the heathen gem seemed almost to chuckle and preen.

"There is no need to think. That has already been done. It won't help your nerve to keep worrying, Samilar. Shut your eyes."

The jeweler was silent. Then he turned with an air of resignation and left the room by way of a passage that led to an upper story. The walled recess of the stairway commanded a section of the bizarre chamber terminating in a steel case where the jeweler stored his valuables. He was gone but a few minutes, returning with troubled eyes for the broad back of his confederate who sat worshipping his crazy god within the line of vision thus defined.

"I told the fool that diamonds had souls," he remarked with a curl of his lips.

"And why not?" Halliday looked up from his occupation. Then he demanded with a quick thought. "By the rear?"

"By the alley, yes," responded the jeweler. "At nine."

"At nine—by god, I must be dreaming," cried Halliday, jumping to his feet. "Its almost that, now. I can't be caught here."

He slipped into his coat and seized his hat, turning upon the dealer with the positiveness of a school master instructing a backward child.

"I shouldn't have been here at all tonight but for your crazy nerves. The police must believe you were alone all evening. You understand?"

Samilar nodded, dumb.

"And don't waste any time with him. The quicker it's done the less to explain. I've got to get out of here."

Again the jeweler nodded, and Halliday ignored the mute appeal in his dark eyes. Motionless, as if dazed by the fact of his lonely responsibility, Samilar heard the door at the end of the hallway close, heard the mutter of the alarm bell that always signalled even the pressure of a hand upon the outer lock. Then he stirred himself with a vigorous gesture of shaking off the dread, and moved on cushioned feet about the room, trying, perhaps, to occupy his thoughts with the preparations that he had made for the scene about to be enacted there. He was so employed when the bell again voiced its alarm.

Samilar heard it with a deep breath. The breath seemed to fortify him with the frozen courage of his role demanded, for he started into action with the abruptness of a diver, who debating a plunge, suddenly locks his thoughts in a vise of determination and leaps. He went quickly through the hall to the rear door, unlocked it and admitted Charlie Brent.

"Come in, Charlie. I have been waiting you," he said.

"Punctuality, that's me," exclaimed the young detective. "I'll bet you could have set your clock by that bell."

Samilar's yellow lips slit in an evil smile. "You keep good promises," he admitted. He led the way through the hall and into the work room. "I was not busy."

Brent stared about the dingy room, so unpromising of the value it closeted, with the curiosity of a boy.

"You've got your place all

chill pierced straight to Samilar's sallow heart.

Steps rushed across the floor beneath. There was a scream. Then the flash and roar of a gun condensed the whirling picture into something deathly still.

Samilar, standing at the top of the stairway with the butt of the smoking weapon in his yellow claw, looked down and saw the ironic glitter of Kublic. A scant two inches from the straining fingertips of Norman Halliday, it seemed to chuckle like some heathen little god.

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FERGUSON statesmanship seems about to be vindicated in the growth of legislative opinion fostering the principle of the sales tax as the solution to the multiplying problem of taxation. A legislative committee is now at Austin studying the issue and reports from that source indicate rather clearly that the sales tax is gaining momentum. Reports from states more politically daring than Texas in respect to this innovation are being canvassed with what appear a favorable influence upon the minds of the committee. Most of the expressions may perhaps be classed as inviting reactions from the public, but if what is indicated is true there is now a hospitable reception for the idea where formerly the legislative hands were raised in horror at the mere suggestion.

The Sales Tax, Or Else.

THE sales tax may yet be a long way from reality in Texas, but it is in the cards eventually if not now. From some source and by some means the credit of the state requires a fresh and larger stream of revenue to be pumped into its empty debt-ridden treasury. Past exigencies have exhausted most of the opportunities for special levies. Sulphur and oil have been taxed to what a preponderance of opinion holds the point of vanishing returns. Sulphur, as an industry, was and is in a position to protect itself. The state's resources of this character are principally held by so compact a group that the industry can in effect bargain between states for its activities to supply its markets. Although Texas is by far the greatest sulphur-producing state, the deposits found in other areas are sufficient to take care of the present market demands.

Oil, on the other hand, is less capable of resisting such levies by any organized effort, but the economic effects of the burden of tax that has been laid upon this great natural resource are demonstrating themselves not only in diminishing returns but in the encouragement of an illicit industry with which the state, to the extreme discredit of the proud old democratic doctrine, seems utterly impotent to cope.

THE result is that, like it or not, the state is going to be forced into a new and somewhat radical form of taxation unless another method of meeting the accruing deficit is found. And since the only alternative to new taxes is less expenditure, that object is a practical impossibility. For resistance to tax reduction is even greater than resistance to tax increase. Whereas the hoi polloi, among which are you and I, grow extremely vocal in a disorganized way and in the end submit to the inevitable, the organized few who get the benefit from tax expenditures exercise such an influence even upon our own reactions that we are tricked into a progressive acceptance of a great tax bill simply by adding this and then that to the figure. Community pride has played a serious part in this result. The scramble for tax-supported projects first here and then there has created such an insistence upon revenues that the legislator is bound to find means of increasing the tax funds. The present tax problem is another child of the economic foolishness that prevailed during the recent era of discredited prosperity. But where business retired into a consultation with the facts and took drastic steps in the matters of expenditure and management, the managers of the government tried to keep up the pace.

THE Citizen-Free Press does not propose to know what solution should be found or what course the legislative search for a solution should take. It sees in the sales tax a discrimination, however, that violates the constitutional principle of the uniformity of taxation. Unless that tax is joined to another form that insures the proportionate distribution of government costs over the whole economic and social structure, it would represent an injustice by forcing the family low in the income bracket to bear the greater pro rata part of these costs. The family whose income is large and who, by every sound principle of government, should pay in proportion to the benefits thus obtained, would escape a reasonable share.

RECOGNIZING the obvious necessity of meeting the state's deficit, it still occurs to the Citizen-Free Press that the organization of the state's tax

is analogous to putting the cart in front of the horse. It is the poorest sort of business. What first should be done, if the spirit of the constitution in prohibiting greater levies than are required to operate the government is carried out, is the thorough reorganization of the political structure itself to eliminate the archaisms and the incongruities that compose in large part the system under which we now exist. When this is done and the offices that served another day either abolished or conformed to modern conditions and needs, consolidations perfected and economies insured, it is time to study tax needs and provide the revenues. But to attempt to raise taxes first and secure economies later is simply encouraging tax extravagance. We ought to start from the beginning with this tax problem.

APPEARANCE of the Citizen-Free Press has evoked comment of a complimentary nature from that section of newspaperdom still devoted to the ideal we have endeavored to express in the title of our publication. We feel ourselves well welcomed in to that fraternity which holds above mere pecuniary gain the responsibility of the press to the community from which it draws its support and which it is expected to serve. We are thankful for that generous welcome, feeling in it a justification of attitude in the cause we attempt to serve, and finding it a source of inspiration.

We Are Well Welcomed

We are grateful for such comments as these:

THE first edition of the Cisco Citizen-Free Press, semi-weekly descendant of the Weekly Citizen, bears out the promise of its able and enthusiastic staff of a newspaper thoroughly responsive to the needs of the community. The salutatory edition comprised 12 pages, introducing permanent features, articles and departments of a high type not ordinarily encountered outside the large daily field, and presenting a news make-up that would do credit to a much larger city. The advertising patronage suggests that the field of the new semi-weekly is a genuine one.

The staff of the Citizen-Free Press is composed of experienced West Texas newspaper men whose ability and knowledge of the field assures continuation of the high standard set in the first issue. Publication days will be Thursday and Sunday of each week.—Ft. Worth Star-Telegram.

TO begin this column today we wish to offer our congratulations to Benny Butler, W. D. Brecheen, T. A. Leeman and other members of the firm on the first edition of the new Cisco Citizen-Free Press which arrived at our office Thursday of the past week. The new paper is to be published semi-weekly—Thursday and Sunday, and judging from the first issue it is going to be a humdinger. Benny Butler, who has been editor of the Cisco Daily News, for the past several years, is one of the best writers in west Texas and one of the most industrious news gatherers we know, while Mr. Brecheen is one of the best master printers and machinists in this section—a combination that will be hard to beat. In forming the new company the Cisco Citizen, published by Judge Kennon, was merged with the new paper and the Judge taken into the company. He continues with a column called "The Judge's Corner" written in the typical Kennon style. Business men of Cisco have given the new paper a rousing send off with a nice bunch of business and it looks like the boys are "Off to the Races."—Rising Star Record.

THE first issue of the Citizen-Free Press, published at Cisco has reached our exchange desk, and it is certainly a healthy youngster.

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The first edition contains 12 pages, a goodly amount of advertising patronage from the Cisco merchants, which appears to justify the newspaper's need, and a variety and quantity of local news that is a credit to any newspaper. It is well printed, well made up, and knowing the boys personally that are responsible for the paper coming into existence, we predict and wish for them every success.

A paragraph from the editorial announcement of the new enterprise is herewith reproduced:

"Any institution which exercises as much influence upon community development as the press ought, of all things, to be in the final control of home forces. Unless such an institution is free of alliances that dictate a compromise of attitude in times of community need for plain speaking and forthright action, it is not in a position for the ultimate service to that community. The Citizen-Free Press has been established as a medium through which home opinion may be crystallized and home forces may work for the greatest development of this community and of this county and section."—Eastland County News.

CONGRATULATIONS are in order this week to the Citizen-Free Press, Cisco's

The Judge's Corner

By R. W. H. KENNON

WILL CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING

I am in receipt of a most unique invitation to attend the 50th anniversary of the wedding of my old Milam county friend, the Hon. T. S. Henderson and Mrs. Henderson, of Cameron, Milam county. In fact I have never seen a more appropriate invitation for any such function, and especially is this in keeping with the appointments of a golden wedding. The stationery is pure gold, with an insert on the first page containing a photograph of the beautiful colonial home of Col. and Mrs. Henderson, which was easily recognized as this prominent structure before I opened the enclosure as the residence of this estimable couple.

Thomas Stalworth Henderson and Minnie Agnes Burns were united in marriage at Marshall, Texas, December 10, 1884, and this beautiful gold invitation announces that they will be at home to their friends December 10, 1934, from 7 to 10 o'clock.

Colonel Tom, as his friends affectionately call him, is one of Texas' most prominent citizens and attorneys, having represented his county in the Texas legislature for several terms, and was known as one of the very few members of the legislature that never accepted or used a railroad pass during those days in the past when practically every member carried a complimentary railroad ticket in going to and from Austin while attending the sessions of the legislature. One occasion it is told, when the train carried a large number of legislators to Austin, Henderson was the only man in his coach who paid his fare. He remarks when this was ascertained: "I suppose this is my special train."

Besides other political honors that have been conferred upon Col. Henderson he was regent of the state university for several years.

On this occasion, as is true whenever this hospitable couple entertains, this home will dispense true southern hospitality when this couple celebrates this golden wedding next Monday evening. It is with genuine regret that I cannot enjoy their hospitality on this occasion, and reluctantly I am sending my regrets. But the invitation is sincerely appreciated, and will be preserved, both for the esteem in which we hold this estimable couple, and its unique design.

MOTHER OF PILLORY VICTIM WANTS DAMAGE

The town of Paintsville, Ky., where a young man was pilloried on the public streets of that town for failure to work out a fine and cost assessed against him for drunkenness, is threatened with a suit for damages.

The victim, James Price, was chained with two others to telephone poles on three corners of the street intersections, for two hours, where they suffered from cold and exposure. Twenty-five pound iron balls were attached to chains that held them.

Mrs. M. L. Price, mother of James, has retained two prominent attorneys and has threatened to bring suit against the town and its officials.

The pillory, whipping post and other ancient devices for punishing misdemeanors may be very effective, but as these ancient statutes have fallen into disuse, if not absolutely repealed, and to resort to these customs of an ancient and more barbarous age may get officials and communities into a peck of trouble. So it is best to go a bit slow in resurrecting these ancient corrective measures.

Probably the suit will never come to trial, but it is just as probable that the officials will settle with the mother without trial. But it is not only probable, but a surety, that this will be the last pillory victim for Paintsville, the stately of Kentucky.

The Egyptians are the earliest people known to us as a nation.

newest newspaper, which made it's first appearance Tuesday of last week. The publication is semi-weekly and succeeds the Cisco Citizen, formerly edited by R. W. H. Kennon, who is also connected with the new paper in an editorial capacity.

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Perfection of the first issue—both mechanical and editorial—mutely assured its constituency to expect nothing but the best from the Citizen-Free Press.

Here's wish for tranquil sailing and many years of useful service. Congratulations,

A Vision of Taxation

Each day you may see me out working on the farm.

I have a little forty, a chicken coop and barn.

I love to work upon the farm and keep it neat and clean, but when I'm in my bed at night, I have such awful dreams.

I see taxes on the ceiling, I see taxes on the wall, I see taxes in the kitchen, I see taxes in the hall, I see taxes in the dining room, I see taxes on the plate.

I believe I can see taxes in everything I eat.

I believe in paying taxes, I believe in being sane,

I believe these unjust taxes are taxation of the brain.

I see taxes on my children, I see taxes on my wife,

I see taxes on my income, I see taxes on my life.

The next bum rap that we predict with no other can compare; It's a meter on our windpipe, then tax us for the air.

—G. A. HAYWOOD.

A Leader

Honors heaped high have helped his head

His hoar head and feet fixed firm,

Nor has he felt the greed for gold

That makes man grovel like a worm.

His soul is pure and knows no lust,

Nor pride of place nor pomp of power,

His prayer is ever to be just.

Always bravest when storm clouds lower.

Tho his spare form is grim and gaunt,

His eagle eyes pierce men's deceit.

Tho he has felt the pinch of want,

It never forced him to retreat

From battle front for human rights.

He seldom has faced real defeat,

Tho never one to shun the fights

It takes to make reforms complete.

His mind's a storehouse of knowledge,

His wisdom ripe, his judgment sound.

While he spent short time in college,

His learning is the most profound.

With quick understanding he scans

The lessons plain of Holy Writ,

Nor e'er forgets when making plans,

Its wisdom is better than wit.

He reads with care the well-worn page

Of history to guide our feet,

And gleans the lesson of each age

To make his leadership complete.

His thought is clear, his voice full strong,

People rejoice to hear him speak,

Nor does the time seem over long

When he gives aid, no cause is weak.

—FRANCIS J. MEEK.

Personals

Miss Lois Kirby of Lampasas is the week-end guest of Mrs. J. T. Elliott.

Miss Roselle Phippen has returned from Dallas where she spent a few days with friends.

Mesdames L. E. Vaughn, N. W. Noell, K. W. Dawkins, and Edgar Noell, Jr., spent Thursday in Abilene.

Mrs. Arthur Greenhill and little son, A. G., of Midland are visiting Mrs. Greenhill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Lancaster and son, Charles, of Brownwood, were the luncheon guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wallace.

Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Graham and

Citizen-Free Press. Cisco may be proud of you.—Cross Plains Review.

GREETINGS have been received from other papers, among which is the Clarks-ville Times, one of the oldest semi-weekly papers in the state. The Times was established as a weekly in 1873 and was changed to a semi-weekly in 1902.

We acknowledge these kind attentions and wishes and assure their sponsors that it will be the endeavor of the Citizen-Free Press to merit their continued effect.

We also express appreciation of the support that has been given our venture locally. Needless to say, it is that support which will insure the continued service of this paper. We court it. If it is not forthcoming we shall blame no cause except our own shortcomings.

Nature and Human Nature

By W. F. BRUCE

Teachers

A teacher is a link in an unending chain. He connects the past with the future in the chain of human experience and knowledge. He receives a great deal in the way of instruction and guidance from his fellows and his environment; it is his privilege to be a part of the guiding and instructing heritage of those who are coming after him.

A teacher is a trustee. He must be careful, or even anxious, to hew to the line in his teaching. He must be thorough and conscientious in his search for truth, and as conscientious in passing it on to others untarnished and unmix-ed. But he must not be too careful, and thus hedge it about with his private interpretations. The value of truth is in itself, and not in his understanding of it, for it had all its power before he knew anything about it. Hence he need not be afraid to let the truth have its own way. God has entrusted the truth, has risked it in a way, to "earthen vessels," and the power is "not of ourselves." This anxiety of men about the truth has led to the formulation of creeds; but creed-makers have always been fallible and have mixed error with truth as is evidenced by their revision. Creeds have marked step of progress in human thinking; but as straight jackets to keep men from hurting themselves by a too free handling of the truth creeds have hindered.

A teacher is a channel. A channel gives shape and perhaps color to the stream that is flowing through it. But the more open and firm the streambed the purer remains the stream. We must be firm in our convictions but open in our minds. A teacher must not be afraid to let the truth have its way. Handling aright the word of truth calls for care and skill but at the same time for reverence and humility. A good proof that the Bible is more than human and contains truth that man did not originate is seen in the beauty and power that it has after such handling as it has received through the centuries at the hands of men.—W. F. BRUCE.

EASY SLEDDING

"The Democratic party is to be congratulated. Any party whose leadership and conduct of public affairs can make both republicans and socialists so mad ought to have easy sledding with the average man."—Huntington, W. Va., Advertiser. (Dem.)

People in parts of New Hampshire and Pennsylvania who had grown to maturity without ever having seen a Democrat are getting an eye-ful this fall.—Boston Transcript.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Leach went to Fort Worth Friday to see Earl Carroll's Vanities.

Miss Wilma Burnham visited in Ranger Saturday.

Mrs. W. J. Armstrong and daughter, Miss Jourdain, are spending the week-end in Fort Worth.

Charles Brown returned Friday from a quail hunting trip in west Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul McBride are spending the week-end in Fort Worth and Dallas.

Misses Titia Bell Simmons, Cathrine Cunningham, and Catharine Pettit spent Saturday in Ft. Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Goss and Mrs. Graham Connolly were visitors in Ft. Worth Saturday.

R. N. Cluck is transacting business in and about Waco this week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. O'Flaherty, of San Angelo, are Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McAfee.

H. Brandon was a business visitor in Ranger Friday.

At the full moon the moon is between the earth and the sun.

25 Cents Recovered Almost \$100 Value

Over a month and a half ago Homer McDonald lost a steel box containing a valuable quantity of fishing tackle. Last Thursday he inserted a classified ad in the Citizen-Free-Press. Saturday the Rev. C. S. Moad, pastor of the Church of God, came to the Citizen-Free Press and announced he had found such a box several weeks ago. Mr. McDonald was called, identified the property and received it again. It cost him only 25 cents to recover what was worth almost \$100. But he used the right medium.

CLASSIFIED advertisements under this heading will be inserted at one cent per word, each insertion, minimum 25 cents. Cash must accompany the order. Just count the words and send one cent for each word, less than 25 word, then send or bring 25 cents. A 10-word ad will cost 25c for one insertion, 35c for two insertions.

WANTED

WANTED—Ten pounds of goose feathers, fresh from the goose. No hen feathers. D. B. Perdue, 512 E. 7th St. 15-1tp.

WANTED—Clean cotton rags, free of buttons. Citizen-Free Press.

FOUND

FOUND—Moleskin lumber jacket. A classified ad brought the jacket to C. N. Marchman by one insertion.

FOR SALE OR TRADE — One bachelor wood stove, with pipe oven; one five-burner oil range and three oil heaters. Dr. W. I. Ghorlmy, 1503 D avenue.

Train Schedules

Texas and Pacific

Westbound:
No. 7 Lv. Cisco 1:55 a.m., El Paso.
No. 3 Lv. Cisco 12:20 p.m., Big S.
No. 1 Lv. Cisco 4:55 p.m., El Paso.

Eastbound:
No. 6 Lv. Cisco 4:13 a.m., Dallas.
No. 2 Lv. Cisco 10:55 a.m., Dallas.
No. 4 Lv. Cisco 4:25 p.m., Dallas.

Missouri, Kansas & Texas.
Northbound:
No. 35 Lv. Cisco 11:15 a.m., Stamford.

Southbound:
No. 36 Lv. Cisco 4:25 p.m., Waco.

Bus Schedules

Greyhound Lines

Westbound:
Lv. Cisco 12:01 a.m.
Lv. Cisco 5:20 a.m.
Lv. Cisco 1:00 p.m.
Lv. Cisco 2:30 p.m.
Lv. Cisco 6:00 p.m.

Eastbound:
Lv. Cisco 12:25 a.m.
Lv. Cisco 4:30 a.m.
Lv. Cisco 9:00 a.m.
Lv. Cisco 12:01 p.m.
Lv. Cisco 2:25 p.m.

Waco-Dublin-Cisco Lines:
Lv. Cisco 10:20 a.m.
Lv. Cisco 2:40 p.m.

Robinson Bus Lines:
Lv. Cisco 11:00 a.m. for Coleman.
Lv. Cisco 6:00 p.m., Cross Plains.

Heart 'o Texas Bus Line:
Lv. Cisco 2:40 p.m., Brownwood.

Bluebonnet Bus Line:
Lv. Cisco 9:30 a.m., Brownwood.

Rainbow Coaches:
Lv. Cisco 7:00 a.m., Wichita Falls.
Lv. Cisco 5:15 p.m., Wichita Falls.

Mail Schedules

Closing schedules for all mail dispatched from Cisco, Texas, Post Office.

Rising Star, Pioneer, Cross Plains, and Nimrod 5:30 a.m.
East bound T. & P. Sunshine, Train No. 2 10:35 a.m.
North bound M. K. & T. Ry., Train No. 35 10:35 a.m.
West bound T. & P., Train No. 3 11:55 a.m.
East bound T. & P., Train No. 4 3:45 p.m.
M. K. & T. Southbound, Train No. 36 3:45 p.m.
Westbound T. & P. Train No. 1, (Abilene Only) 4:30 p.m.

Breckenridge, first class mail only 5:00 p.m.
Texas & Pacific, East and West Bound, Train Nos. 6 and 7 8:45 p.m.
Throckmorton, Woodson, Crystal Falls, Parks, Breckenridge, Moran and Albany 8:45 p.m.
Gunsight and Scranton supplied by rural routes 7:00 a.m.

All mail deposited in letter box in front of post office building during night is collected at 5 a.m. each day except Sunday, when collection is made at 6 a.m. Collections are also made from this box four times daily except Sunday.

WILLIAM H. CRADDOCK, Postmaster.

City Commission Honored at Public Library Reception

Climaxing a week observed as National Book Week during which the library remained open each afternoon from 3 until 5, and each evening from 7 until 9, a reception was held Thursday evening by the XXth Century club, to honor Mayor J. T. Berry, and members of the city commission, W. J. Foxworth, H. A. Bible, J. R. Burnett, W. R. Winston, and H. C. Henderson, who donated eight handsome volumes to the Cisco Public library, to be the foundation for a Texas book shelf.

The clubrooms were lovely with profusions of gold and white chrysanthemums. Autumn leaves and branches loaded with red berries were banked over the mantles of the two fire places.

The afternoon musical program included numbers by Marion Bruce, Mrs. Ben Krauskopf, and Mrs. Troy Powell.

In the evening, Miss Jewel Ely played Concerto in E minor by Mendelssohn, Op. 64, accompanied by Mrs. B. A. Butler; Marion Bruce sang, "Sing Me to Sleep," Mrs. H. V. House, "Winter Wonderland" and "Toyland," Mrs. C. R. West at the piano; and Mrs. Lee Clark gave two piano solos.

Refreshments of cakes, sandwiches, tea and coffee were served to the guests.

Books which were bought with the \$50 donated by the city commission are: "Ten Years on a Mexican Mustang," by Sweet and Knox, "Texas," by Garrison; "Texas Journey," by Olmsted; "Sixty Years in Texas," an autographed copy by Jackson; "The Texican," by Coolidge, and Kendall's "Santa Fe Expedition," Volumes 1 and 11, first editions printed in 1844.

Abilene Couple Are Vets Party Speakers

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Daniels of Abilene, Man and Woman Commander of the Seventh district, spoke before a gathering of American Legion members and their wives Monday evening when the Auxiliary entertained Legion members at a Christmas party.

The American Legion hut was festive with Christmas colors and decorations, a tinsel be-decked Christmas tree loaded with gifts filling one corner.

With Leon McPherson, commander of the Cisco post presiding, Mr. Daniels spoke on "American Legion and American Auxiliary." Mrs. Daniels gave an interesting talk on "Pay your dues. It is not your or my organization, but it is our auxiliary." Other speakers for the evening were Roy Johnson of Abilene, Adjutant John D. McRae of Ranger, and Mr. Robertson, post commander of the Ranger Legion, who extended an invitation to the Cisco post to attend the next convention to be held in Ranger in April.

Following the program, gifts were exchanged, and sandwiches, cake, and coffee served to Messrs. and Mesdames L. S. Daniels of Abilene, Roy Johnson of Ranger, Charles Robart, C. E. Yates, E. L. Smith, George Ruppert, Crigler Paschall, M. H. French, W. C. Clough, W. C. McDaniels, H. A. Bible, Leon McPherson, W. L. Pippin, Guyle Greynolds, Robertson and John D. McRae, of Ranger, and about twenty-five children.

Visited Relative At An Eastland Hospital

Mrs. Jack Duncan and daughter, Mrs. B. Montgomery, were in Eastland Friday at the bedside of their brother-in-law and uncle, Mr. C. L. Horn, who is a patient at the Payne-Lovett hospital. Mr. Horn, living in the Yellow Mound community, was picked up unconscious Thursday night under the trestle over Leon Creek, near the crossing of the Ringling railway. Just how he was injured has not been determined, as he told a brother, L. A. Horn, after regaining consciousness, that the last he remembered was walking under the bridge. He had several ribs broken, hospital authorities stated. He was a brother of the late Odd Horn, former Cisco resident, whose widow is now Mrs. Jack Duncan, and another brother was the late Esquire Horn, long time justice of the peace of Eastland. He is also said to be related to G. W. and T. T. Horn, of near Cisco.

Mrs. Fee Entertains "Merry Wives" Club

Autumn leaves and chrysanthemums created an attractive decorative theme Friday afternoon when Mrs. C. H. Fee was hostess to the Merry Wives "42" club.

Refreshments reflecting the holiday colors in mints of red and green were passed at the tea hour, by the hostess and Mrs. J. J. Butts.

Guests and members present were: Mesdames Geo. D. Fee, J. B. Cate, J. E. Spencer, J. Stuart Pearce, Lee Owen, Joe Wilson, A. J. Olson, J. W. Mancill, Wm. Reagan, T. J. Dean, Chas. Hale, P. P. Shepard, J. T. Berry, S. E. Hittson, G. B. Kelly, W. P. Lee, and J. J. Butts.

The Notebook

XXth Century club will meet at 3 o'clock Friday in the clubrooms of the library.

The Circles of the First Presbyterian church will meet Tuesday at the following homes at 3 o'clock: Circle 2, Mrs. Homer McDonald; Circle 3, Mrs. Ed Bradshaw, 4th St., and Circle 1, at church to quilt.

The Community Choral club will meet at its regular time, Friday at 7:15 in the rehearsal room of the First Baptist church.

A special rehearsal by the Community Choral club is called for Monday at 8 o'clock at the First Baptist church.

The choir of the First Methodist church will meet Wednesday at 7:30 in the auditorium of the church for practice.

The circles of the First Methodist church will meet as follows: Circle 1, Mrs. Tom Field; Circle 2, Mrs. J. T. Dean; and Circle 3, Mrs. Ocie Leveridge.

Mrs. Butler Gives Music Class Party

Mrs. B. A. Butler entertained members of her music class with a party Saturday morning during which prizes were awarded to students playing best scales, exercises, and pieces as follows:

Martha Jo Pass for scales, A minor, contrary motion, accented with arpeggios, inversions, and broken chords; Alice Slicker for exercises, "Allegro" from Czerny, Op. 299; Marjorie Ann Dyer for solo, "May Day Waltz," Bugbee; and Martha Jo Pass for novelty number, "Kitten on Keys."

Prizes were also awarded Katherine Draganes for perfect attendance, Betty Slicker for best lessons, Marian Jacobs, Edleen Armstrong, Nanella Bible and Betty Jane Cooles for records of being on time. Marjorie Ann Dyer, Marian Jacobs and Alice Slicker won honorable mention for good lessons.

The house was attractive with decorations of Christmas bells, red candles, and cedars strung with colored lights. Following a brief period during which Mrs. Butler played different Christmas carols for the pupils to recognize and name the date of the composition, a study in ear training was given.

Refreshments of fruit pudding with whipped cream were served.

City Federation to Meet Monday at 3

The City Federation will meet in the clubhouse, 400 West Seventh street, on Monday, December 10th, at 3 o'clock, when an excellent program will be presented.

Mrs. J. R. Burnett has been requested to repeat her paper on "Legal Liabilities of Married Women as to Their Children and Property Rights." A special musical program of Christmas carols and music has been arranged with Mrs. Ben Krauskopf, Mrs. Troy Powell and Mr. Marion Bruce as guest artists.

Mr. L. L. Hooker will speak on Social Service.

This is an open meeting, it was announced, and everyone is cordially invited to attend. Club members are requested to bring books promised for the colored. The program is as follows:

- Roll call.
- Business session.
- Paper, Mrs. J. R. Burnett; round table discussion.
- Music, Mesdames Krauskopf and Powell, and Marion Bruce.
- "Social Service," L. L. Hooker.
- Christmas Carols.

Mrs. Green Hostess to Pivot Bridge Club

Mrs. A. C. Green entertained members of the Pivot Bridge club Thursday afternoon, using chrysanthemums and autumn leaves for an attractive decorative theme.

High score was won by Mrs. Chas. Brown.

Present were Mesdames Gug Dabney, Jno. H. Brice, Chas. Trammell, Yancey McCre, R. L. Ponsler, Oscar Cliett, Homer McDonald, James Moore, Paul Woods, Alex Spears, Will St. John, S. E. Hittson, and Chas. Brown.

Mr. Z. L. Blackburn, Olney, H. Smithwick, Lampasas, and M. Burk, Baird, managers of Leach stores, are in Cisco today.

Miss Linder Appears In Baird Dance Revue

Miss Marjorie Linder of Cisco was presented with other entertainers in a dance revue in Baird Friday, given by Miss Irene Jay, dancer and instructor of dancing, of Abilene.

Miss Linder was presented in interpretations featuring two toe dances, a tap dance, Spanish dance and song, and an oriental dance.

Mrs. Cate Speaks at Arts Club Meeting

Mrs. J. B. Cate, delegate from the XXth Century club to the State Federation of Women's clubs, in session in Austin recently, spoke before the meeting Thursday afternoon of the First Industrial Arts club.

The afternoon's program, arranged by Mrs. B. E. Morehart,

included an interesting review of the book, "Lamb in His Bosom," by Mrs. R. G. Milling, Jr., of Brownwood.

Refreshments were passed during the social hour by Mrs. N. A. Brown, hostess for the occasion.

Present were: Mesdames H. A. Bible, H. L. Dyer, Hubert Seale, W. W. Wallace, Joe Wilson, L. J. Leach, Rex Moore, E. L. Smith, J. Stuart Pearce, H. V. House, B. E. Morehart, H. H. Davis, A. J. Olson, T. D. Schaefer, N. A. Brown, H. S. Nance, Ocie Leveridge, J. B. Pratt, McIntosh and R. G. Milling of Brownwood, Pentecost, and Miss Mary Jane Morehart.

Mrs. Shelley --8 Club Score Winner

Mrs. Dexter Shelley won high score Thursday evening when Miss Ester Hale entertained members and guests of the --8 club.

Low score went to Miss Catherine Cunningham. Prize wrap-

pings and bridge appointments reflected the Christmas theme. At the close of the games, a salad and dessert refreshment course was passed by the hostess.

Present were: Misses Katherine Pettit, Catherine Cunningham, Marian Mayer, Laura Lu Waring, Wilma Thomas, Louise Trammell, Ida Mae Collins, Ora Bess Moore, Lucy Lewis, Titia Belle Simmons, Viola La Munyon, and Mesdames Dexter Shelley, Arthur Cunningham, Arlington McGinnis, R. N. Cluck, and H. Brandon.

Mrs. Godfrey Will Present 22 Pupils

Mrs. Ray Godfrey will present her pupils in expression and dance in a recital at the high school auditorium Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Twenty-two students will appear in the varied program. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Miss Walker Hostess To Friends at Party

Miss Dorothy Jean Walker was hostess Friday evening to a number of friends at her home. Candy making and games were enjoyed.

Present were Naomi King, Louise Statham, Ruth Duff, Paulette Ruppert, Billie June Hittson, and Mac McCowan, Joe Slicker, Kessler Thomas, Frank Yeager, Jack Lauderdale, Horace Cameron, and Bobbie Anderson.

Cresset Club Meets With Mrs. J. B. Pratt

Mrs. J. B. Pratt was hostess to the Cresset bridge club Friday afternoon at her home on West Sixth street.

High score during the afternoon was won by Mrs. Rex Moore; and high cut by Mrs. Vance Littleton.

Salad refreshments were served to Mesdames D. Ball, K. N. Greer, O. S. Leveridge, Vance Littleton, L. C. Moore, Oran Shackelford, L. M. Tabor, W. H. Hayes, H. L. Dyer, Rex Moore, and Hubert Seale.

Personals

Durward McClelland has as his guest this week-end Horace Bliss of Abilene.

Mrs. Royce Stoker of Breckenridge was the guest of Mrs. E. C. McClelland, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Yeager of Brownwood are spending this week-end here with friends.

Mesdames J. R. Henderson, Bobby Henson, H. E. McGowan, R. B. Carswell, and W. W. Wallace will spend tomorrow shopping in Fort Worth.

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Citizen-Free Press

Vocational Instructor Tells Best Methods of Curing Pork

(EDITOR'S NOTE — The first spell of cold weather is hog-killing time and the following article by J. M. Bird, Cisco vocational instructor and meats expert, should be of interest. Mr. Bird discusses approved methods of curing pork.)

Methods of Curing.

1—(a) The brine cure.
(b) The dry cure.
2—Oak barrels or large stone jars are the most satisfactory vessels for curing. The stone jars are somewhat expensive and apt to be broken but are quite easily kept clean. If meat spoils in them, they can easily be cleaned and used again. A clean container is absolutely essential for successful meat curing. Do not take any chances with the curing vessel. This should always be scalded out thoroughly before being used. A great deal of meat is spoiled each year through neglect of this.

Curing Agents.

3—Common salt is the basis of all meat curing. It has a preserving effect and has a tendency to make the tissues hard and dry by driving out the moisture and meat juices. Sugar is sometimes used to give a sweet flavor and it aids in counteracting the action of the salt by keeping the muscles soft. Brown or white sugar may be used. The old fashioned brown sugar usually gives a better flavor. Syrup may be used in place of sugar. Saltpeter (kno3) may be added to give a red color and it also has some preserving effect. Sodium nitrate (chili saltpeter) may be used in place of the potassium nitrate. Use about one-fifth more sodium nitrate than potassium nitrate. Without the use of saltpeter the meat will be gray in color when it comes out of the cure. The red color is made by the formation of nitrous acid, which acts on the hemoglobin, producing a bright red derivative (hemorrhoidin). Baking soda is quite often added to the brine to prevent it from souring. Other ingredients, such as red and black pepper, are sometimes used, if desired. They are used principally as repellants.

In all of the cures, be absolutely sure that the meat has all of the animal heat out of it; and that it has not been frozen. A great deal of meat is lost every year by allowing it to freeze before curing or during the curing process.

Place for Curing.

4—A cool, well ventilated cellar is a desirable place for both brine and dry curing. The smokehouse is often used for curing as well as smoking. Cold storage rooms make the best place for curing meat; here a uniform temperature may be maintained, and there will be no doubt about the meat's spoiling in the center before the salt works in, and no danger of the meat's freezing.

Either the brine cure or the dry cure will produce a first class product. The beginner usually obtains a more uniform cure with the brine or sweet pickle method. This method is not so satisfactory in warm weather or when the temperature ranges above forty degrees Fahrenheit. The brine will sour, and the meat will spoil. Splendid results may be obtained with the dry cure if you are careful to get the cure evenly rubbed on.

The Brine Cure

5—If sugar is added, this is known as the "sugar cure" or "sweet pickle."
For each 100 lbs. of meat, use
12 lbs. salt.
3 lbs. sugar (brown preferred).
2 oz. saltpeter.
6 gal. water.

Thoroughly mix the salt, pulverize saltpeter, and sugar and rub some of the mixture into the hams, shoulders, and bacon. Pack all meat, ham, shoulders, bacon and jowls in the same vessel. Put the skin side down on all but the top layer; there put skin side up. Weight this down with hardburned tile, or brick, or some hard wood. Never use pine wood or limestone. Be sure to weight this down before pouring the brine, because some of the meat will float.

Boil the six gallons of water to make sure that it is absolutely pure. While water is still warm, dissolve the ingredients left after rubbing the meat. After the brine has cooled, pour it over the meat. Be sure that all the meat is completely covered with brine. Set aside in a cool, well ventilated place to cure about three days per pound for each piece of ham and shoulder. Two days per pound is sufficient for the bacon. Hams and shoulders weighing twenty pounds or more should be cured three days per pound per piece. Pieces weighing over twenty pounds should be shaped or trimmed down to at least twenty pounds in order to obtain a satisfactory cure. Bacon weighing around ten pounds will cure in about two to three weeks; jowls will cure in one week.

order to insure a uniform cure, the meat should be re-packed in seven days, leaving out the small pieces, such as the jowls. After the meat has been weighted down, pour the brine over the meat, unless the brine is sour and ropy. Sour brine should be thoroughly boiled and some soda added before using it again. It is safer to make new brine, scald the barrel thoroughly, and thoroughly wash the meat. In case a new brine is made, do not make it quite as strong as the first and do not leave the meat in quite as long as would have been done with the first brine. The brine should be carefully watched for souring and ropiness. The meat should be re-packed again on the twenty-first day of the cure, and the bacon removed. When the meat comes out of the cure, wash thoroughly in hot water to get the grease off of the rind; then wash in cold water and hang in some-hour to drip about twenty-four hours before smoking.

The Dry Cure

6—Here again salt is the basis, but any of the other ingredients may be used if a sweet flavor and a red color are desired:

For every 100 lbs. meat, use:
3 lbs. salt.
8 lbs. sugar (brown preferred).
3 oz. saltpeter.

Mix the ingredients thoroughly and rub half of the mixture on the meat. If the weather is above forty-five degrees Fahrenheit, it is advisable to push some of the salt up along the shank bone and some into the hip joint where the ham has been cut from the side. This will get some salt to the inside of the ham before it has a chance to spoil. Many people think that as soon as the outside of the ham is salted it is safe; but the inside must keep until the salt has had a chance to work in. After seven days, rub the other half of the mixture on the meat. The small pieces may be left out this time. Repack again on the twenty-first day of the cure and remove bacon. There will be some liquid in the bottom of the vessel. The meat from the top of the pack should be placed on the bottom and vice versa, this time to get a uniform cure. Three days per pound per piece will be sufficient for the hams and shoulders. Wash the meat with cold water and hang in the smokehouse to drip for twenty-four hours before smoking. Be sure to hang the pieces so that they do not touch each other.

If you expect to use the meat from either of the above cures before the weather gets warm, or within thirty or forty days after curing, it may be taken out of the cure in a little less than three days per pound per piece. If you expect the meat to keep during the hot summer months, three days per pound per piece will not be too much.

Some Precautions to Prevent Ham's Souring.

7—(a) Be sure to bleed the animal thoroughly.
(b) Do not overheat the animal before killing.
(c) Have all animal heat out of meat before curing.
(d) Use pure salt, sugar, and saltpeter.
(e) Boil the water for the brine or pickle.
(f) Scald out all curing vessels.
(g) Do not punch steels or other sharp instruments into ham.
(h) Rub each piece with salt before packing for cure.
(i) Cure in a cool, dry place. Examine brine every few days for souring.

Smoking

8—Smoking helps to preserve the meat by forming a coat of creosote over the outside of the meat; this aids in keeping the insects away and keeps the meat from drying out so much. It also adds to the flavor. Any small, tight building will be satisfactory for smoking meat. Hang the meat six or eight feet from the fire if possible. If a building with a wooden floor is used for a smokehouse, the fire should be built in an iron kettle, which is placed on a couple of flat rocks. During the winter months, the fire should be kept going continually until the meat is smoked, maintaining a uniform temperature. This will require about thirty hours to finish one lot of meat. During the spring months, a small fire should be kindled every morning until you get the desired color. Build small fires but always have a blaze if possible. It will give a brighter color to the meat and will not give a smudgy color or flavor. Smoke until you obtain a medium brown color. The temperature of the smokehouse should not go above 120 degrees Fahrenheit, or the meat will drip some of the grease out and catch fire.

If possible, use green hickory for smoking. The fire may be started with corn cobs, maple, apple, or any hard wood will give a satisfactory flavor. Never use soft wood. It will make a sooty smoke and give a rosinous

Improvements Shown In Business Circles

AUSTIN, Dec. 4.—Substantial improvements have been noted in business sentiment during recent weeks as a result of conferences of bankers and industrial leaders with government officials, according to Dr. F. A. Buechel, assistant director of the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research.

"The outlook with respect to public utilities and railroads is still clouded, however, and the attitude of organized labor toward these newer developments remains uncertain," Dr. Buechel said. "As a result, business statistics have recently shown a reversal from the downward trend which began in June, and the trend at present appears to be definitely upward although until now the improvement has been at a very moderate rate. Moreover, no sharp rise is expected until early spring at best since several months must elapse before the new relationship between government and business can be more fully clarified and confidence developed."

"Recent reports of proposed changes in the National Recovery Administration by Donald Rieberg, executive secretary of the National Emergency Council, indicate a genuine effort to separate the chaff from the wheat as a result of the experiments of the past eighteen months and to reconstruct the National Recovery Administration upon few principles which reason and experience have found to be sound."

"Encouraging reports also continue to come from the National Housing Administration.

"It is becoming apparent to an increasing number of people that our economic plight is not the result of superabundance but rather of scarcity; and the solution lies not in higher hourly or daily wages for labor, but in higher annual incomes expressed in goods. Business management on its part will have to seek its profit not on a wide unit margin of profit on a restricted output but on a narrow margin per unit on a large output. Only in this way

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Jep Lowe Indicted In Eastland Slaying

EASTLAND — Jep Lowe, charged with murder in connection with the fatal shooting of W. S. Garrison, 26, on the square in Eastland Nov. 17, was indicted by the 91st grand jury which recessed Thursday. Lowe, after filing of charges by the state made bond of \$5,000 on Nov. 18.

Garrison was allegedly slain from pistol shot wounds while on the northeast corner of the public square in Eastland, Saturday, November 17. Officers were nearby when the shooting occurred. Lowe was taken by officers to Stephens county jail after the affair. The following morning charges of murder in connection with the shooting were filed by the state. On the same morning bond setting of \$5,000 was fixed by Justice of Peace Milton Newman. It was made promptly by Lowe.

The grand jury has been called to reconvene Monday by Judge George L. Davenport, judge of the 91st district court.

Reich Community

Reverend Wallace, of Scranton, filled his regular appointment here Sunday afternoon. His sermon on "Home Building" was enjoyed by the entire congregation. A. C. Brown, who is attending Randolph college, was the guest of his sister, Mrs. E. L. Callerman, Sunday.

Little Clara Fay McElreath, who is attending school in Fort Worth, has returned to her studies after spending Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert McElreath.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Rains and children were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Morris Sunday.

Mr. William Harrell, of Lamesa, is visiting relatives and friends in this community. Miss Fredicia Pollard left Sunday to resume her studies in a business college at Abilene after spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. G. Pollard.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Swinson and children were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gib Swinson, of Dothan, Wednesday.

Mrs. R. N. Hazelwood, Mrs. G. W. Horn and Miss Addie Mae Horn, were guests of Mrs. Willie Harrell Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Vanderford were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hamm, in Cisco, Monday.

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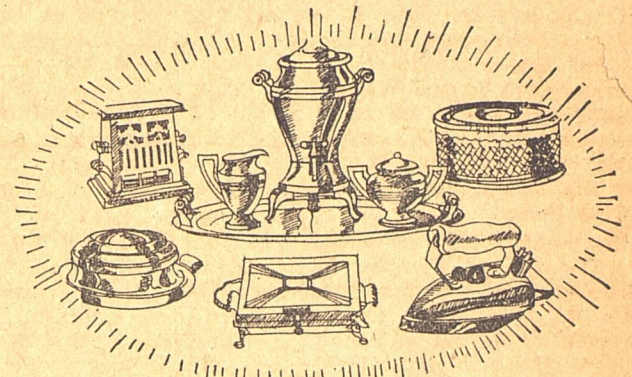


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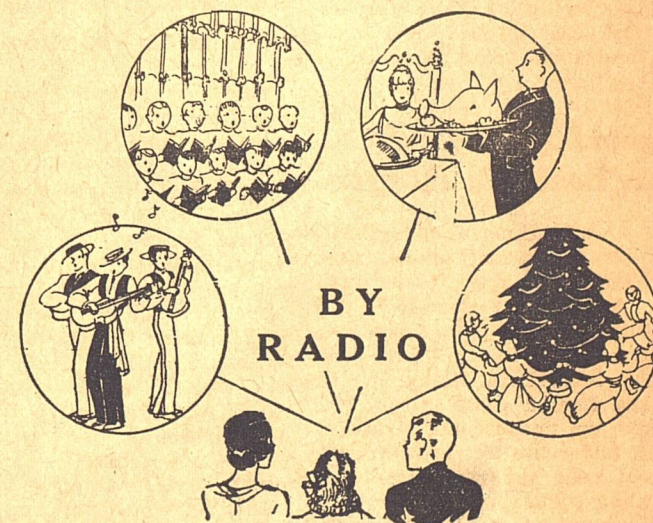
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Funds Mailed for December Teacher Project Expenses

AUSTIN—Checks totaling \$120,914.92 were mailed last week from the Texas Relief commission to counties to cover the special emergency teacher project expenses for the month of December.

This project is sponsored by the Federal Emergency Relief administration through the Texas Relief commission in the state, and supervised by the State Department of Education at Austin. The December allocation will bring benefit to approximately 2,000 formerly unemployed teachers in Texas. About 500 more will take an active part as soon as classes can be organized. They already have been approved for participation. Approximately 50,000 students also are receiving benefits from the program.

Qualifications
To participate in a teaching capacity in the emergency education program in Texas, a person must show that he has no other source of income or support, and must have a regular license to teach in his chosen field from the State Department of Education or show that he is competent to teach. Many of the teachers are taken from the relief rolls. All the students are taken from the relief rolls, the only other requirement being a minimum age limit of 16 years. Many of the students are more than 50 years old.

The program is divided into five plans, the first of which is the literacy plan, devised to teach illiterate adults to read and write. It is considered especially important in that it has reduced illiteracy among adults in the state probably as much as any other efforts to that end.

A second plan involves vocational education for unemployed destitute who probably would continue to be unemployable without special vocational training. Such training is given in the fields of trade and industry; home economics; agriculture; commerce, such as stenography, typing, book-keeping and accounting; and vocational adjustment. It is supplementary to the established program of vocational education in the state.

Plan number three gives training for vocational rehabilitation of unemployed adults who are physically handicapped and need additional training in work opportunities.

Special Plan
A special plan has been introduced to give advanced general education to unemployed adults who are already equipped with elementary education, in an effort to enhance their chances of obtaining employment. Classes are conducted in economic history, economics, government, legislation, community problems, the history of the labor movement, current social situations, international affairs, social psychology, and allied subjects.

The most recently instituted plan, which is still in the experimental stage, is called the nursery school plan, and is for the benefit of children of pre-school age. Its purpose is to develop the physical and mental well-being of such children in needy, underprivileged families, to assist parents in meeting the nutritional, physical, and social needs of their children, and to set up an environment and daily program appropriate for pre-school children as a demon-

Eastland County Jail Being Remodeled Into What Is Believed Will Be Breakproof Bastille

Eastland county will soon have a break-proof jail, it is believed by County Judge Clyde L. Garrett, who told the Citizen-Free Press representative last Tuesday that the work on overhauling the county bastille was proceeding in a satisfactory manner. And the beauty of the matter is the cost will be not over \$3,000.

"While we are building economically, yet we are building thoroughly," Judge Garrett told the Citizen-Free Press. "First, we employed a competent man, T. P. Ross of Gorman, to supervise the job. No, we didn't let the job out by contract, but we are paying as we go out of the court house and jail funds, and employing Eastland county labor exclusively. In this we are trying to give people work from every section of the county, and will employ men from all communities, if possible. This is distributing the work among our own people.

"In overhauling the jail we are making it as near break-proof as possible, and believe when Tip Ross finishes the job we will have a jail that would take more than a wooden pistol for even Dillinger to escape.

"In some respects we are remodeling some parts of the structure. In the old jail the windows extend to cover both stories. We have taken out the old large windows and placed windows on each story for light and ventilation.

"Besides the overhauling of the interior the exterior is being veneered with wall of gray brick, of the same that faces the court house walls in color and quality. This gives extra strength to the walls, making it more difficult to puncture, as the original walls are thick and also of brick. While the work is in progress by special arrangements with Stephens county officials the prisoners of Eastland county will be lodged in jail at Breckenridge. Fortunately we have had very few prisoners to send them since these repairs have been under way.

"For several years the grand juries have recommended these repairs be made but we hardly felt able to have the work done. Bond issues or county warrants have been suggested, but we are having the work done without issuing a bond or county warrants. The court house and jail funds are taking care of all the expense.

"The fact that Mr. Ross owned all machinery necessary to make the repairs partially accounts for having the work done at such a reasonable figure. If we would have to buy the machinery it would necessarily have cost just that much additional.

"We will probably place a new roof on the jail before we complete the job, but in that case the cost will not exceed the \$3,000. However, the court has not yet decided that the new roof will be put on. When complete we believe, we will have as safe a jail as any county in this section, besides its architectural appearance will be greatly improved."

stration for schools, homes, and welfare agencies.
All space and equipment for the teacher is provided by the city or county education systems. Classes must have a minimum of eight pupils. The program started in September as a continuation of the summer emergency education program, and is scheduled to continue through January.

Strict Nepotism Law Enforcement In Relief Work

AUSTIN—Strict enforcement of the state nepotism laws has been ordered by the state board of control in the administrative ranks of the Texas Relief commission, whose county administrators, department heads and other employees were informed of the position of the board in a letter from State Administrator Adam R. Johnson.

The board adopted a five-point resolution, declaring that:

"1.—It shall be the policy of the board of control from this date not to employ in the state relief organization married men whose wives have regular employment.

"2.—On and after January 1, 1935, men employed in the state relief organization whose wives have regular employment will be relieved of their positions and women whose husbands have regular employment will be relieved of their positions in the state relief organization, and if it is found necessary to reduce the force before January 1, 1935, this policy shall apply.

"3.—Hereafter, only one mem-

ber in each family who live in the same home and eat at a common table will be employed in the state relief organization.

"4.—On and after January 1, 1935, not more than one member of any family who live in the same home and eat at a common table who perform administrative duties shall be retained in the state relief organization.

"5.—All provisions in the relief acts and all general nepotism statutes pertaining to employment shall be strictly observed immediately in all state and county organizations of the Texas Relief commission."

The resolution was signed by Claude D. Teer, chairman, and Jno. F. Wallace and Henry C. Meyer, members of the board of control.

Mormon pioneers, in 1848, facing starvation in the Salt Lake Valley, utilized the bulbs of the sago lily for food. For that reason it was made Utah's state flower.

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Leading Lady



Miss Betty Froman, leading lady of the Brunk's Comedians, who portrays the part of Tildy Anne in the opening performance of a week's run scheduled to begin here Monday night.

Flatwood Man Hurt In Fall From Trestle

EASTLAND — An estimated 30 foot fall from a trestle Monday night resulted in internal injuries and confinement in Payne Lovett hospital for C. L. Horn of Flatwood.

Horn evidently fell from the trestle that is located approximately 200 yards in a northerly direction from the Ringling railroad loading rack north of the Ranger-Eastland highway.

Robert Ball and Chief of Police Bill Mead, after notification of residents of that vicinity that a man was in distress, went to the spot and took him to the hospital late Monday night.

Broken ribs are included in Horn's injury.

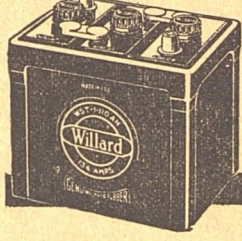
Veteran Justice at Cross Plains Dies

CROSS PLAINS—W. C. Adams, 71, long time resident and justice of the peace here, succumbed after an extended illness shortly after 11 o'clock Thursday morning.

Surviving are: his widow; two sons, Gene, of Cross Plains, and Charlie, of Lubbock; six daughters, Mrs. Frank Williams, Hamlin; Mrs. Bill Davidson, Cross Plains; Mrs. O. L. Dennis, Tucumcari, New Mexico; Mrs. Leo Tyler, Clyde; Mrs. Jeff Clark, Cross Plains; Mrs. H. T. Reiger, Gladewater.

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GRAND JURY TAKES ACTION ON KILLING

No complaint has been filed against Sheriff Virge Foster, in connection with the shooting of Steve Bachus, stated Grady Owen, criminal district attorney, but the matter is being considered by the grand jury of the 91st district court, which was in session at the time of the unfortunate occurrence.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Dan Cupid is still loafing on his job, in so far as revealed by the marriage license record in the office of the county clerk. Only one license was issued Saturday, when Hart Bradford and Mrs. Callie Harris, both of Strawn, were permitted wed.

COUNTY COURT

In connection with the widening of the Scranton-Dothan road the commissioners court appropriated \$120 as salaries of B. J. Camp for supervising this road project, the amount to be appropriated from the road and bridge fund of Precinct No. 4.

Deputy Tax Collectors

Upon the application of Tom J. Haley, tax collector and assessor, he was authorized to appoint and deputize the following assistants: Winitred Young, R. L. Williams, Dorothy Watson, W. J. (Bill) Harrington, J. Elizabeth Blankenship, J. C. Allison, E. A. Boatman, J. B. Blythe, C. R. Bond, Bruce Campbell, Mrs. O. M. Grant, L. B. Horn, H. J. Lane, W. C. Marlow, W. E. McCall, D. E. McClesky, C. L. McCollum, Mrs. C. Owens, E. A. Reich, H. C. Scott, W. R. Busy and Ben F. Wood.

PROBATE MATTERS

Application of N. W. Gibson, administrator of the estate of Elizabeth R. Cowan, to sell real estate to satisfy the claim of Ethel R. Cowan for \$1,212 against said

estate, of an undivided 1-16 interest in and into a gas lease in blk. 9, Jones addition to Strawn, Palo Pinto county, approved.

Final account of Mrs. Fay Frost Oldham, administrator of the estate of Mrs. M. A. E. Frost, approved, and final publication notice ordered, administration closed and bondsmen discharged from further liability.

Upon application of W. T. Webb warrants of arrest for larceny were issued for Ella E. Webb and J. C. Webb, persons of unsound mind. W. T. Webb and H. A. Collins were appointed guardians upon their filing proper bond.

S. E. Hittson, guardian of Jessie Lee Hittson, minor, was authorized to execute gas leases to the Hickok Production and Developing company.

91ST DISTRICT COURT

Cases Set for Trial

Cases set for trial in the 91st district court for next Monday include the following:

Stephen S. Brawner vs. American National Insurance Co., to collect insurance policy.

Southern States Finance corporation vs. Farm and Home Saving and Loan association, trespass to try title.

City of Ranger vs. W. T. Smith, trespass to try title.

Viola Huff vs. S. W. Life Ins. Co., to collect insurance policy.

The week of December 17 will be devoted to criminal cases.

Wednesday, December 19, the court will hear a civil case, which will be a jury trial of the case of Gordon vs. Jareka Manufacturing Co., for personal injuries. No other cases are set for this term of court until after the Christmas holidays.

Saturday the court heard the case of D. K. Scott vs. L. P. Kuykendall, and Cliett vs. Lowery, both non-jury cases.

Judgments and Orders Entered

The following judgments were rendered and orders entered by Judge Davenport up to the present time of the December term of the 91st district court:

City of Ranger vs. T. D. Martin, foreclosure of paving lien. Judgment for plaintiff.

City of Ranger vs. T. W. Dodd, et al, foreclosure of paving lien. Judgment for plaintiff.

City of Ranger vs. Wm. Healer, foreclosure of paving lien. Judgment for plaintiff.

City of Ranger vs. W. T. Smith, et ux., foreclosure of paving lien. Judgment for plaintiff.

Helen Salisbury vs. T. W. Salisbury, divorce. Earl Connor, Jr., appointed by the court to represent defendant. Judgment for plaintiff who was awarded custody of minor child.

Grace Burks vs. Fred Burks, divorce. Judgment for plaintiff who was awarded custody of two minor children.

Billy Martyl Jones, by Ora Jones, next friend, vs. Berto Mae Jones, annulment of marriage account of non-age. Judgment declaring marriage null and void rendered for plaintiff.

Mollie Emde vs. J. L. Chapman, banking commissioner, et al., injunction. Judgment for plaintiff and temporary injunction perpetuated restraining defendants and T. R. Todd, constable of precinct No. 5, from levying upon and selling certain real estate.

W. J. Jeffs, et al. vs. L. J. Jeffs, et al., receivership. Judgment for plaintiffs in accordance with agreement of parties concerned.

City of Ranger vs. A. J. Bartug, et ux., foreclosure of paving lien. Judgment for plaintiff.

Cisco Banking Co. vs. Moss Gin Co. Dismissed on motion of plaintiff.

Mrs. Rosette Gage vs. Mrs. Fannie Morgan, et al, settlement of property right in certain lands. Judgment in accordance with agreement of litigants.

Indictments Returned

The 91st grand jury made its first report Saturday, returning ten bills of indictments, all for felonies. Those who have been arrested are as follows:

Jep Lowe, murder, released on bond of \$5,000.

George Jeter, auto theft, in jail at Palestine.

Ellis Tomlinson, illicit distilling, in jail at Breckenridge.

Sent to Penitentiary Penitentiary Agent Bud Russell came through Friday and took up three prisoners, convicted in the

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. At the morning hour, 11 o'clock, the pastor will preach a special sermon for the American Legion and Auxiliary. This service was postponed from Armistice because of the death of a sister of the pastor. The theme will be "Why I Believe in My Country." Music will be selected to fit the theme. In the evening the pastor will preach on "Slaying the Lion." B. T. S. at 8:17. The evening worship will begin at 7:15 — E. S. JAMES, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. E. P. Crawford, Supt. The morning worship will begin at 11 o'clock. Theme: "Why I Do Not Want My Boy to Be a Minister." Presbyterian Young People's league will meet at 6 p. m. At the evening

Eastland county court, who were being held in the Stephens county jail, whom he conveyed to the state penitentiary. These were: Joe Ferguson, burglary, two years. Clyde Moon, auto theft, three years. Norman Duke, forgery, three years.

COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS

The following proceedings were had in the court of civil appeals for the eleventh supreme judicial district:

Affirmed—R. L. McMullan et al. vs. San Antonio Joint Stock Land Bank, Scurry; Rural Murry et ux. vs. Citizens State Bank of Ranger, Eastland.

Reversed and remanded — S. Caprito et al. vs. Mrs. Mary Weaver et al., Howard.

Reversed and rendered — H. R. Lacy vs. John Bartlett, Comanche; Blanket State Bank of Blanket, Texas, vs. H. T. Redwine, Comanche; Eastland Building & Loan Association vs. W. G. Williamson, Eastland; American Insurance Co. vs. R. D. Davis et al., Comanche.

Motions submitted — Federal Life Insurance Company vs. Jack Helm, joint motion to postpone submission; Mutual Life & Loan Association of America vs. Mollie Wylie et vir., plaintiff in error's motion to file supplemental transcript; J. M. Easley vs. C. W. Gill, appellant's motion for rehearing.

Motions granted — Dallas Scarborough et al. vs. W. E. Connell, receiver, motion to file transcript and for writ of certiorari; Federal Life Insurance Co. vs. Jack Helm, joint motion to postpone submission; Mutual Life & Loan Association of America vs. Mollie Wylie et vir., plaintiff in error's motion to file supplemental transcript.

Motions overruled — The Pullman Co. et al. vs. Mrs. Verna Dudley, appellee's motion for rehearing; W. J. Lewis et al. vs. Belle Lewis, Ind. Exe., appellant's motion for rehearing; Sylvan Sanders Co. vs. Scurry County, appellant's motion for rehearing; St. Paul Fire & Marine Ins. Co. vs. W. G. Westmoreland, appellant's motion for rehearing.

Cases submitted — Washington Fidelity National Ins. Co. et al. vs. Joe E. Cook, Eastland; M. H. Hagaman vs. Farm & Home Savings & Loan Co., Eastland; J. G. Reynolds vs. Volunteer State Life Ins. Co. et al., Taylor; Southland Greyhound Line, Inc. vs. Mrs. Cora Ashby, Shackelford; West Texas Construction Co. vs. C. E. Yaker et ux., Taylor; L. M. Lindsey vs. Silas W. Ferguson et al., Young.

Cases to be submitted Friday, Dec. 14—Lloyds America vs. J. B. Brooks, Eastland; Sun Insurance Office, Ltd., vs. Mrs. C. Dunn, Jones; Farmers National Bank of Seymour vs. W. W. Coffman, Knox; W. P. Westmoreland vs. T. B. Masterson, Knox; H. E. Culwell vs. Saint Paul Fire & Marine Ins. Co., Jones; American Surety Co. of New York vs. Robert Cross, district clerk, Jones; D. A. Rhoton et al. vs. The Texas Land & Mortgage Co., Ltd., et al., Howard.

COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

The county school board held its regular meeting last Monday at which there was a full attendance. County superintendent E. E. McGlamery, who had attended the state meeting at Galveston, had returned home in time to be in attendance at the county board meet. Others who attended the state meet from Eastland were P. B. Bittle, superintendent of the Eastland schools, Miss Maureen Davenport, Miss Lavelle Hendrick and Miss Jo. Kinard, teachers.

The superintendent was at home and attended the meeting of the county board. Chairman W. P. Roach, of Rising Star, presided, with all other members in attendance, to-wit: Tom J. Poe, L. A. White, J. A. Beard and H. L. Campers. Only routine matters were disposed of.

hour, 7 o'clock, the pastor will preach the third of a series of sermons on "The Ten Commandments."— J. STUART PEARCE, Pastor.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:30. Bishop H. A. Boaz will preach at the morning worship service, beginning at 10:50. Epworth leagues meet at 6:15 p. m. and evening services will begin at 7 o'clock, the pastor preaching.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Eastland, authorized branch of The Mother church, The First Church of Christ, Scientists, of Boston, Mass., holds services every Sabbath morning at 11 and each Wednesday night at 8. Testimonies on Christian Science healing may be given at the Wednesday evening meetings. Sunday school convenes at 9:45 a. m. All of these services are held in the church edifice at the corner of Lamar and Plumer street.

"God the Only Cause and Creator" is the subject of the lesson-sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientists, on Sunday, December 9.

The Golden Text is: "The Lord is the True God, He is the Living God, and an Everlasting King: — — — He hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom, and hath stretched out the heavens by his discretion." (Jeremiah 10:10, 12.)

Among the citations which comprise the lesson-sermon is the following from the Bible: "God that made the world and all things therein, — — — dwelleth not in temples made with hands; Neither is worshipped with men's hands, — — — seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; — — — For in him we live, and move, and have our being; — — — For we are also his offspring. (Acts 17:24, 25, 28.)

The lesson-sermon includes also the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Spiritually to understand that there is but one creator, God, unfolds all creation, confirms the Scriptures, brings the sweet assurance of no parting, no pain, and eternal." (page 69.)

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CHURCH OF GOD

1008 F avenue. Sunday school at 9:45. W. E. Ellison, Supt. Preaching at 11 a. m. Subject: "Serving One Another." Young people's meeting at 6:30 p. m. Preaching at 7:30 p. m.—C. S. MOAD, Pastor.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:45. Preaching service at 11. Subject: "The Power of Christ." Christian Endeavor at 7. The cradle roll department will be in charge of the evening service. After the program the pastor will preach on "Bible Children," with the sermon especially directed to mothers. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7 p. m.—DAVID F. TYNDALL, Pastor.

Misses Russell and Wilson Take Honors

Miss Mary Wilson and Miss Ruby Russell tied for first place on the Randolph college honor roll for the second six weeks period. Miss Wilson, Cisco, and Miss Russell, Ft. Worth, tied with an average of 7.3. They are both members of the senior class and are candidates for graduation this spring. Thad Doty, Cisco, was second with an average of 7.2. He is also a member of the senior class and a candidate for graduation. Third place was held by Ivan Little of Throckmorton. He was the highest ranking freshman. Other names appearing on the honor roll were: Pat Cochran, Throckmorton; Ila Smith, Eastland; Nell Alexander, Corpus Christi; Tenella Nance, Cisco; Frances Bacon, Cisco; Crystal Jackson, Cisco; Vivian Kilpatrick, Cisco; Mary Jane Morehart, Cisco; Powell Sharpe, Corinth, Mississippi; Joe Bob Winston, Cisco, and Lucille Bacon, Cisco.

A. G. Gary of Eastland was a visitor in Cisco Saturday.

Mrs. A. W. Hubbard has returned from Midland.

Monday Is "Ladies Night" at Brunks

Monday evening will be "Ladies Night" at the opening performance of the Brunk's Comedians, who are coming to Cisco for a week's run under the auspices of the Cisco fire department. One lady will be admitted free when accompanied by a 20-cent, paid admission.

"Tildy Anne" will be the feature attraction of the opening bill. Five acts of vaudeville, featuring King Felton, "The Man of Mystery," will be presented during the intermissions. The big tent theater will be located across D avenue from the Daniels hotel. It will be well heated and comfortable.

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"Happiness Ahead" Thrilling Story At Palace Today

"Happiness Ahead," First National's new comedy romance, comes to the Palace theater today, with Dick Powell in the stellar role.

The story of Harry Sauber is a glamorous romance that combines hilarious situations with melodramatic thrills, to which several catchy musical numbers are added.

Dick Powell sings "Pop Goes My Heart" and "Beauty Must Be Love," and joins with Frank McHugh in a humorous duet entitled "Massaging Window Panes." A fourth song is rendered by Dorothy Dare, the famous Broadway musical comedy star, who comes to the screen for the first time in this picture. Her song is "All on Account of a Strawberry Sundae."

Josephine Hutchinson, famous on the New York and London stage, and especially noted for her role in Eva Le Gallienne's Civic Repertory Company's production of "Alice in Wonderland," makes her bow on the screen in this picture, playing the leading feminine role opposite Dick Powell.

Rev. James to Preach For Legion Today

The regular Armistice day religious service of the American Legion and Auxiliary, postponed because of the death of a sister of the Rev. E. S. James, Baptist pastor, whose turn it fell this year to preach the sermon, will take place this morning at the First Baptist church. Members of the Legion and the Auxiliary will be honor guests for these services.

Special music, suited to the patriotic theme, will form a part of the worship program. Subject of the Rev. James' sermon will be "Why I Believe in My Country."

The service is open to the public. Among the Cisco people who attended the performance of Earl Carroll's Vanities in Fort Worth Friday night were Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Ponsler, Dr. Waddell, Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Leach, and Harry Joyner.

Elvin Morton of Breckenridge is spending the week-end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Morton.

Mr. and Mrs. Henson Williamson of Austin, are guests of Mrs. J. M. Williamson and Miss Helen Williamson.

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has inspirations. Bob Taylor, one of the front men for the Laguna hotel, composed the following nonsense that winds itself into a final point, during moments when he himself was being an "unsung hero" whose clan he defends:

"The melancholy days are come, the saddest of the year," so said some by-gone poet, of the hog-killing, nose-blowing season, when leaves take their colorful departure, and wood chopping becomes more than just good exercise. Speaking of hogs, the aforesaid poet lamented in a day when there was not only bountiful supply of

the porcine, but also plenty of the fattening element, corn. In those days, hog and hominy was the national dish. Such being not the case this fall. The latest dope on the hog situation is kill them or let them starve, the former being much more practical, to say nothing of humane. The luckless layman is fortunate indeed to possess an animal of the rooting variety suitable for eating purposes. Though the grunter may have spare ribs to spare, they are entirely too prominent while the brute is on the hoof. The only corn in this part of the country is the kind that Ma soaks off with the last pan of water on the place.

"But who would ever have imagined that a passage of such meaning poetry could lead to such disconsolate thought. The average reader probably already has enough of the meanderings to supply the already too prevalent anvil chorus—the Ditty of Drouth and Depression.

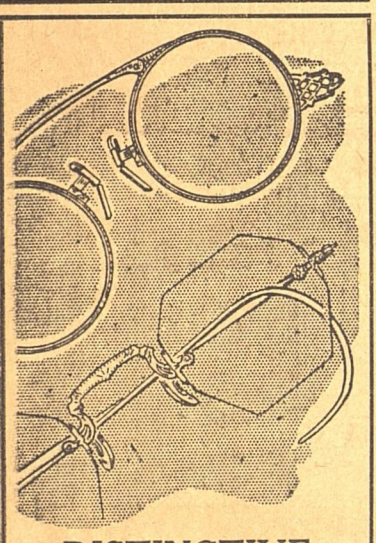
"And so why not a ream or two of Huey's hoey. Long may he rave. A leading newspaper muses that Huey makes us almost regret the Louisiana purchase. The Louisiana Landslide says that everything is 'jake,' but Jake or no Jake, our favorite name is Theodore. More than likely the tranquil citizens of our neighboring province are pretty well steeped with Long's antics, as are we, but are enjoying the limelight too much to admit it. It's a major tragedy of modern history that such brilliance and ingenuity as

that of Long the Leader can not be constructively utilized. Oh, well, we've had the type for ages. Look at Napoleon; Long and Napoleon.

"Which brings about a change of subject, and none too soon. A stumble through the pages of a popular magazine reveals this bit: "To his dog, every man is Napoleon; hence the popularity of dogs." Turn that one over a few times. A very sly dig at the vanity of us mortals. Maybe that last "us" should be a "we," but what matters it, as long as the reading public is satisfied.

"Incidentally, if any public ever becomes satisfied it will be the first time on the books. The hardest job in the world is handing out large chunks of satisfaction to us, the pampered populace. The unsung hero of the modern world is the individual who bears the brunt of an unsympathetic and unappreciative workaday world without an outward expression of injury or displeasure. May we bear that in mind the next time we would tread ruthlessly on the toes of a well meaning public servant, who is, after all, only as you and I, human."

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