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Several Are Injured In Peculiar Crash of Train At Sweetwater Today

SWEETWATER, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Four persons were seriously injured and more than a dozen suffered minor hurts when a Santa Fe passenger train was sidetracked by a car of crude oil in the railroad yard here today.
The seriously injured: H. W. Stanton of Lubbock, chest hurt and broken ribs; Mrs. M. D. Nichols of Bronte, cuts and bruises; Mrs. C. C. Rice of Lubbock, bruises and cuts; Mitchell Conley of Amarillo, bruises and cuts.
Among those suffering slight injury were Mrs. M. A. Wilson of Lubbock, W. A. Myrick of Lubbock and Mrs. Anna Zett of Willow, Okla. They received emergency treatment and continued their journey.
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Cars Collide on the Zephyr Road Tuesday Evening

Hosea Robinson of 1402 Avenue D, received injuries of the knee and arm and a broken rib when his car and the car of Henry McMillan, employee of the Davenport Chevrolet Company, collided at about 5:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, December 23 about five miles from Brownwood on the Zephyr road. Mr. McMillan's small son received a fracture of the right foot and Mr. and Mrs. McMillan and small daughter also received minor bruises.
The Studebaker car of Mr. McMillan was driving caught fire as he was going down a slight grade about ten miles from Brownwood on the Zephyr road. The road was slick and as he threw on the brakes to stop he skidded into the Chevrolet driven by Mr. Robinson, which went into the ditch, reports of the accident state. Those injured were brought to the Central Texas hospital by a passing motorist, where their injuries were dressed.
Mr. McMillan's car was damaged almost beyond repair and Mr. Robinson's car was also considerably damaged.

Son and Daughter of Dwight Davis Slightly Injured

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Dwight F. Davis, Jr., and Miss Cynthia Davis, son and daughter of the governor-general of the Philippine Islands, and Peter O. De Treadwell, counselor of the Danist legation, suffered minor injuries in an automobile accident here last night.
Their machine, driven by the diplomat, collided with another, at the intersection of Wisconsin avenue and Military Road. All received cuts from splintered glass and minor bruises. Three negroes in the second automobile were similarly injured.

Governor to Be Served Warrant in Dallas Case

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Governor Dan Moody was due here this afternoon to attend the opening performance of the spectacle, "The Miracle" and waiting for him was a Deputy Sheriff with a summons to appear in District Court here tomorrow.
The subpoena was issued in a suit styled Claude Westerfeld vs. Clarence E. Pratt, but details of the suit could not be learned, although at the District Clerk's office it was said to involve attorney's fees. Gov. Moody was wanted as witness for the defendant.
The subpoena was given J. E. Jameson, Chief Deputy Sheriff, by J. Bailey Finks District Clerk. A dollar bill was pinned to the subpoena to assure service.

Lewis Families Here Christmas

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lewis, 1014 Goggin Avenue, entertained Christmas families, five of their sons and their families, there being present, Dr. and Mrs. G. L. Lewis of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Arch Lewis and two boys of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lewis and son of Thrifty; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lewis and children of Brownwood; and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lewis.

CENSUS SUPERVISOR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Royal George Phillips of Tyler, Texas, today was appointed supervisor of the 1930 census in the district comprising Cherokee, Nacogdoches, Panola, Rush, Shelby and Smith counties. Headquarters will be at Tyler.

WHITE HOUSE FIRE DUE TO A BAD FLUE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Blame for the fire which wrecked the executive offices of the White House on Christmas Eve today was placed upon a defective and overheated flue in the office of Walter Newton, one of the President's secretaries, by the chief engineer of the District of Columbia fire department.

EXECUTION OF PROTOCOL HAS BEGUN

TOKYO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Execution of the protocol between China and Russia for control and operation of the Chinese Eastern Railway actually began, said a dispatch from Harbin to Rengo, Japanese news agency, with the return of soviet officials to the railroad zone today.
Inauguration of the agreement thus marks the end of the five and one half months of quasi-warfare along the Manchurian border.
The train carrying Julius Rudy, new Russian manager of the Chinese Eastern Railway, his assistant, Denisov, and other soviet officials, accompanied by Tsai Yunsheng, Chinese representative in the negotiations, crossed the frontier at Pogranichnaya this morning. It is en route to Harbin, where Chinese authorities are preparing a welcome.

REVIVE HOPE FOR EIELSON

SEWARD, Alaska, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Arrival here of three powerful cabin type planes, with Canadian flyers to man them, revived today the hope of the northland that the search for Pilot Carl Ben Eielson and Mechanic Earl Borland, missing in Siberia since November 9, might prove successful.
The planes and fliers, brought here from Seattle on the coast guard cutter Chelan, were transferred to a train on the Alaska railroad and were proceeding today to Fairbanks, where they are to be flown either to Nome of Teller, Alaska, to engage in the search.
Each of the planes has room for six passengers in addition to the pilot and can lift sufficient gasoline to enable them to undertake long flights. They are equipped with everything necessary for safety of those flying them.
Although Alaskan pilots have been making strenuous efforts to find Eielson and Borland, they have been handicapped by lack of proper equipment. Prior to arrival of the cabin planes, the only planes available in the north were open cockpit machines, incapable of carrying required amount of fuel and affording their operators little protection from the elements.

99 CASES OF ALCOHOLISM

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(AP)—A number of hospital cuts were occupied today by the more severe of the 99 cases of alcoholism listed in newspaper tabulations over Christmas. There were no deaths.
Three of the cases were women. Hospital authorities said no symptoms of wood alcohol or other poisons were manifested by any of those treated.
Four deaths from alcoholic poisoning occurred in Bellevue hospital on Christmas day last year. In 1927, seven deaths were ascribed to this cause during the Christmas holidays, and in December, 1928, there were 73 of which 40 were laid to wood alcohol.
Bellevue hospital admitted 53 cases of alcoholism yesterday and the day before Christmas 31. Other hospitals in the city treated only a few cases each.

FROST HITS MIAMI AREA

MIAMI, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Damaging frost extended southward to the Miami area last night in the wake of the coolest Christmas day on record at the United States weather bureau here.
The center of the trucking belt was touched by the frost, seen as far south as Homestead, 30 miles from Miami. Damage to vegetable crops is believed to have been severe. Growers said potato crops in the fertile lands apparently had suffered most.
Range in temperature in the outlying districts was 31 to 35. It was not nearly so cold in Miami, the minimum temperature being 44.
It is said that Alexander Dumas, the author of "The Count of Monte Cristo," is the author of more than 1200 volumes.

CONGRESS WILL GET PLANS FOR ENFORCEMENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Plans for prohibition enforcement, which include a unified border patrol and limitation of the number of ports of entry from Canada, will be submitted by the treasury to congress as soon as a joint congressional committee to consider prohibition questions is named.

Unified Border Patrol

He said that as soon as the committee is named the treasury will submit a plan for a unified border patrol which would require the consent of Canada because it will provide for limitation of the number of ports of entry to this country. In addition to limiting the ports of entry, the plan, he said, will provide for an intensive border patrol under direction of the coast guard to prevent smuggling.
At present, the under secretary added, a person coming from Canada may enter this country anywhere along the border, but must report his entrance at the nearest port. This requires, he said, a patrol to work ten or fifteen miles inside the border. Under the new plan if approved by congress and Canada the patrol would work along the exact border and prevent entry anywhere except at points designated.
The announcement by Mills came at a time when interest in the capital had been focused on the dry law by criticism of prohibition personnel by Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, and replies by Attorney General Mitchell and Prohibition Commissioner Doran.
Ask Early Report
Senator Harris, Democrat, Georgia, and Senator Glass, Democrat, Virginia, have also asked an early report to congress on the work of the Hoover law enforcement commission, which is investigating prohibition and crime conditions generally.
Senator Harris reiterated his belief today that the treasury needed more money, more men and a better class of men for prohibition enforcement, and that the statements of Mitchell, Doran and Borah "showed that to be true."
The Georgian said he intended no reflection on the present personnel. He added he could not estimate how much more money was required until a report was received from the law enforcement commission on the prohibition phase of its study. He is opposed to making additional appropriations for enforcement until such a report is at hand.
"To delay a report on prohibition until the study of the whole law enforcement situation is completed," he repeated, "is to do all that the enemies of prohibition want them to. This delay is causing the prohibition law to become increasingly unpopular and will lead to disrespect for other laws."

3 KILLED IN PLANE STUNT

DUNN, N. C., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Three men were killed when the airplane in which they were stunt flying failed to complete a loop and fell here yesterday.
The victims were: Alton Stewart of Coats, North Carolina, owner and pilot of the plane; Worth Stephenson, student pilot, and Hugh Blaylock, passenger, both of Angier, North Carolina.

Baylor Student Is Found Dead in Car in Louisiana

HOMER, La., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Glenn Grafton, 20, of Bernice, student of Baylor University, was found dead in an automobile four miles north of Homer today. A companion of Grafton, George Lindsey, also of Bernice, was found in the car violently ill. He was taken to a Homer sanitarium.
The car in which the youths were riding had gone into a ditch, but had not wrecked. It was found by Will Edwards of Springhill.
A coroner's investigation has been ordered to determine the cause of Grafton's death and Lindsey's illness. There were no marks of violence found on the body of the dead youth.
The body of Grafton was taken to Haynesville Undertaking establishment to be prepared for burial. Young Grafton was a member of a prominent Union Parish family. He was a brother of Hoy Grafton, ISureport attorney.

SANTA CLAUS HELD IN JAIL

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Santa Claus carries a net of much account December 26. Still there is the case of Santa Claus held in jail today under the name of James Buck.
Mr. Buck, or Santa Claus, as he chose to designate himself, was climbing through the window of a home on Martray Avenue last night with a pack on his back. A policeman observed him. He pulled Buck back out of the window.
"I am Santa Claus," said Buck; "My friends who live here are away, and I thought I would seize the opportunity to slip in the window and deposit gifts about the place."
"You may," said Officer Sachs, "be Santa Claus to little children, but you're just a suspicious character to me."
There was no denying Santa had presents in his bag. He later explained they had been collected from Evanston's best places.

HEADS' BIG SPRING

BIG SPRING, Tex., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Next year's president of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce will be Dr. E. O. Ellington. E. A. Kelley, retiring president, will be first vice-president; Ray Wilcox, second vice-president, and B. Reagan, treasurer.

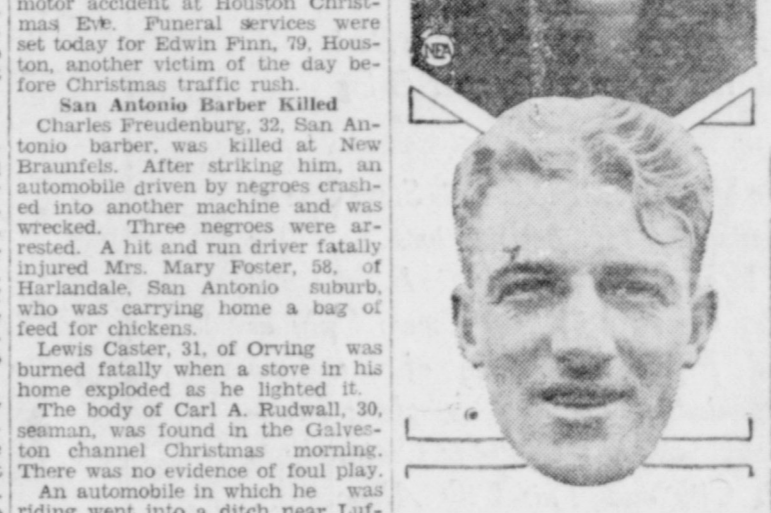
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Holiday Accidents And Fires in Texas Claim Seven Lives

By The Associated Press
The toll from accidents and fires on Christmas day in Texas today stood at seven dead, eleven injured, several perhaps fatally, and more than \$15,000 damage.
Traffic mishaps killed five and injured eight, one man was found drowned and another was burned fatally.
A street car in Houston severed the body of John Nash of Goose Creek. A negro, Eleanor Adams, 22, died in the same city after being struck by an automobile. The death of Nash was Houston's fourth traffic fatality in 24 hours. J. G. Chapman was in a hospital there critically hurt. His companion, Verna M. Williams, was killed in a motor accident at Houston Christmas Eve. Funeral services were set today for Edwin Finn, 79, Houston, another victim of the day before Christmas traffic rush.
San Antonio Barber Killed
Charles Freudenburg, 32, San Antonio barber, was killed at New Braunfels. After striking him, an automobile driven by negroes crashed into another machine and was wrecked. Three negroes were arrested and one driver fatally injured Mrs. Mary Foster, 58, of Harlandale, San Antonio suburb, who was carrying home a bag of feed for chickens.
Lewis Caster, 31, of Orving was burned fatally when a stove in his home exploded as he lighted it.
The body of Carl A. Rudwall, 30, general, was found in the Galveston channel Christmas morning. There was no evidence of foul play.
An automobile in which he was riding went into a ditch near Lufkin and killed a man named Richardson, who recently had moved to Huntington from Port Arthur.
Fireworks Injuries
Raymond Duncan, 10, was believed dead in a Texarkana hospital as a result of experimenting with home-made fire crackers which exploded, severely burning and mangling him. There were numerous minor injuries caused by fireworks. Jack Hightower, 12-year-old Dallas boy, got a torpedo mixed with his Christmas nuts and candies and sustained burns and bruises inside his mouth when he fired the explosive by biting it.
Dickie Williams, 3, son of Clyde Williams of Fort Worth was struck by an automobile while playing with his Yule toys in the street as his mother lay ill. His father was absent. The child's condition was critical.
A collision at Fredericksburg seriously injured Herbert Fielder, 17, of Cain City.
Six persons were hurt in and near Dallas as a result of traffic accidents. G. W. Campbell of Sherman sustained severe head injuries. Miss Nell Brewster of Sherman was bruised and J. B. Williams, who lives on the Kaufman road near Dallas, received a broken leg in a collision. Two other crashes injured John W. Price, 8, Mary Lou Price, 13, and Curtis Jimerson, 21, all of Dallas.
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Miss Claire Giannini, daughter of A. P. Giannini of San Francisco, guiding spirit of the Bank of Italy and numerous other large corporations, has announced her engagements to Clifford "Biff" Hoffman, former Stanford football star. They are shown above.

NAME WINNERS SANTA'S SLEIGH

With many excellent entries in the Banner Bulletin's "Santa's Sleigh" contest which closed Tuesday evening, the selection of winners was indeed a difficult task, one that severely tried those selected to judge the contest. But their work has been done and the judges have announced the winners. They are:
First, Mrs. James McCartney, of Brownwood; Second, Mrs. L. V. Kimmons, Route No. 2, Zephyr; Third, Miss Martha Scott, Brownwood; Fourth, Lou Ann Sears, general delivery, Amarillo; Fifth, Lola Paul, of Brownwood and sixth, Edna Caroline Douglass, Route No. 1 of Zephyr.
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TAX COLLECTOR URGES EARLY PAYMENT OF AUTO LICENSE FEES FOR 1930

Three things a person must have when applying for an automobile license and W. A. Butler, county and state tax collector, asks that everyone applying have these three to expedite matters.
The first is last year's receipt for license, this for the purpose of showing the ownership of the car. The second is a light test receipt not more than thirty days old. The third is the money and this must be in cash. Mr. Butler's department will not receive checks for payment of licenses.
He also asks that the car owners apply for their licenses as quickly as possible so that he can issue them without resorting to last minute tactics as heretofore. To date there are less than 300 issued for 1930, he said. If the owners all wait until January there will have to be issued about 350 a day.
Of course, Mr. Butler will have added help on this work, but he says this is no reason to put off buying licenses until the last ten days of January. February 1st is the time limit. On February 1st and afterwards there will be a penalty of twenty per cent for those who delay.
Better service can be rendered, if the people will only come in early to register their cars, Mr. Butler said.
The cost of license plates this year is considerably different from former years. On light cars the registration fee is about half that of last year, while on heavier cars there is not so much of a cut. In the case of trucks the license fee is slightly higher than last year.
Mr. Butler said also he would like to have the citizens pay their poll taxes earlier this year. And he called attention principally to the young people who because of age since January. These should pay their poll taxes this year, he said.

SHEFFIELDS PAY VISIT HERE

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Sheffield of Lubbock were in the city over Christmas, visiting friends. Mr. Sheffield, formerly manager of the Southern Hotel, is now manager of the Greater Lubbock Hotel.

COOK PLEA FOR PAROLE SOON TO BE HEARD

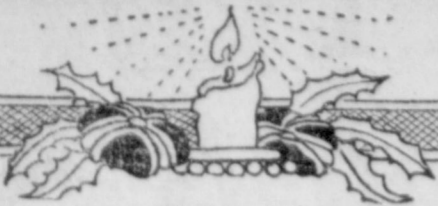
LEAVENWORTH, Kas., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Application of Dr. Frederick A. Cook, arctic explorer, for parole from his sentence of 14 years and 9 months for conspiracy to use the mails to defraud will be heard at the January meeting of the Federal Parole Board.
Dr. Cook, admitted to the federal penitentiary here April 6, 1925, has served one-third of his term and automatically is eligible for parole on his record of good behavior.
All of his associates in the oil promotion scheme which led to his conviction were paroled three years ago. His sentence is the longest ever given a prisoner committed to the penitentiary here on a similar charge.
Eighteen months ago Federal Judge J. C. Wilson of Ft. Worth issued an order granting Dr. Cook freedom on probation. Courts determined the judge held no jurisdiction after service of sentence had begun.
Dr. Cook's health has been failing under confinement and friends say he cannot live through his full sentence. He is editor of the prison newspaper, the New Era.

TWO TEXANS ON COTTON COMMITTEE FOR NEW NATIONAL CORPORATION

Two Texans are on a sub-committee of the organization committee of the national cotton corporation, being recently appointed at a conference held by the Federal Farm with the representatives of cotton cooperatives at Memphis, Tennessee December 10 and 11. These men are Harry Williams, of Dallas, Texas, as Farm Bureau Cotton Association; and Gowen Jones of El Paso, Southwestern Irrigated Cotton Growers Association.
These men with others on the committee will meet with the Farm Board at Washington December 27 (Friday) to consider details of a charter and by-laws for the proposed national cooperative sales agency for cotton. The sub-committee has been authorized to prepare the charter and by-laws subject to the approval of the general organization committee and the Farm Board.
The members of the sub-committee are: S. L. Morley, Oklahoma Cotton Growers Association, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Harry Williams, Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association, Dallas, Texas; N. C. Williamson, Louisiana Farm Bureau Cotton Growers Cooperative Assn., New Orleans, La.; Allen Northington, Alabama Farm Bureau Cotton Assn., Montgomery, Ala.; U. B. Blacklock, North Carolina Cotton Growers Assn., Raleigh, N. C.; H. Stone, Staple Cotton Cooperative Association, Greenwood, Miss.
In addition to the sub-committee, the members of the organization committee are: Chas. G. Henry, Chairman, Arkansas Cotton Growers Coop. Assn., Little Rock, Ark.; Fred J. Elliot, Arizona Cotton Growers, Phoenix, Ariz.; J. E. Coker, well, Georgia Cotton Growers Cooperative Assn., Atlanta, Ga.; R. E. Kennington, Mississippi Cooperative Cotton Assn., Jackson, Miss.; X. Caverno, Missouri Cotton Growers Cooperative Assn., New Madrid, Mo.; R. O. McCutcheon, South Carolina Cotton Growers Coop. Assn., Columbia, S. C.; Gowen Jones, Southwestern Irrigated Cotton Growers Assn., El Paso, Texas; Tait Butler, Tennessee Cotton Grower Association, Memphis, Tenn.; Fay Sperry, Mesilla Valley Cotton Growers Association, Las Cruces, N. M.; W. L. Elson, Director of Extension of New Mexico, Pecos Valley Coop. Assn.
The capital stock of the cotton cooperative corporation will be \$30,000,000. This new central marketing agency will include in its membership all of the existing cotton cooperatives which now are members of the American Cotton Growers Exchange and such other associations as are now in existence and hereafter formed and as may affiliate with it.
The activities of the corporation will cover the entire cotton belt from North Carolina to California. Associations represented at the Memphis meeting where preliminary plans for the new agency were agreed upon handled more than one million bales of cotton this year and the volume is likely to be greatly increased next year.

MISSISSIPPI DIVISION

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THERE IS A SANTA CLAUS!



It was 32 years ago that little Virginia O'Hanlon, pictured upper left, wrote a letter to The New York Sun asking if there really was a Santa Claus. The reply that she received, an editorial written by the late Frank Church, ever since has been an inspiration to Virginia, who now is Mrs. Edward M. Douglas, shown upper right. A teacher in a New York public school on the squalid East Side, she shows the poor and almost joyless children there something of the beauty and faith of the Christmas message. Artist George Clark, of the NEA Service and THE BULLETIN staff, here has sketched the scene at Monroe and Market Streets.

BY GILBERT SWAN
NEA Service Writer

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Where Monroe and Market Streets come together on New York's complex East Side, there is formed a cross such as the poor of all the world must bear.

It is a burden of squalor and struggle, lightened only by the undying desire for survival.

And at this corner stands School No. 177, which draws from the drab and depressing tenements all about an army of children so gay and eager that they seem to belie the evidences of their bleak backgrounds. The cocoon is not a lovely thing—but the butterfly is!

And in this school you will discover a Christmas story which does not end on December 25, but goes on through the year.

The Little Girl Who Doubted Santa Has Grown Up

For here, as though playing the echo to a childhood cry, you'll find the woman who once was Virginia O'Hanlon, and who, when 8 years old, was taught by her playmates into sitting down and writing a skeptical letter concerning the reality of Santa Claus.

Happily this letter fell into the hands of the late Frank Church then an editorial writer on The New York Sun. Church penned a reply which has become a Christmas classic. This was 32 years ago. But Mrs. Edward M. Douglas, who once was little Virginia O'Hanlon and who has lived to read the message many times to her own little girl, has applied the Santa Claus definition to her life, and in so doing has herself become something of a symbol of the spirit described.

As Church expressed it, "Santa

Claus exists so long as generosity and love and devotion exists, and they abound to give your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas, how dreary the world would be if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance to make more tolerable this existence. We should then have no enjoyment, save in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished."

A Scene Of Poverty

So the woman, who once was the puzzled little Virginia, has gone into one of the most threadbare sections of the New York slums—a little slice of the world gone into one of the most threadbare sections of the New York slums—a little slice of the world wherein "only the eternal light of childhood" brightens mean streets.

The window of her school-room looks out upon a triangle, cluttered with rickety push-carts. At the peak of this triangle, a candy-and-toy shop reveals its bright Christmas ornaments below a wind-twisted cigar sign. Just beyond this a brick wall, sploshed with fragments of ancient theatrical posters, leads the way to a line of dreary tenements. And these seem all the drearier because of the lines of washing whipping in a dirty wind.

The long-gray lines of Manhattan bridge sweep over the nearby river, and in the vaulting archways men, women and children huddle pathetically about little fires made of kindling which youngsters have filched from the wharves. Patriarchal old men and shivering women desert their push-cart stands to crowd about ash cans which have been turned into stoves.

Into this neighborhood, Mrs. Douglas is bringing the message which came to her in childhood and which has been sent forth to millions of others—it is an effort to bring some romance, beauty and happiness into the lives of the children of "poverty row." written it something like this: "Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is so sign there is none. The most real things in the world are those that neither men nor children ever see. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance can push aside the veils covering the

unseen world and picture the supernatural beauty and glory beyond."

Here, in School 177, surrounded by the hundreds of tenement urchins as they scamper through the gay surroundings of holiday color, Mrs. Douglas most modestly asks to be kept in the background. Yes—the Christmas message has been passed through her to as many children as could understand.

Where Life Is Real

Down near the river-front, where squalor meets struggle at every turn, the children need dreams even more than other children. Reality descends upon them suddenly and terribly. It sweeps them into the roughest current of a great city; it hardens them young and makes hundreds of them predatory. Santa Claus isn't allowed to live long in their young imaginations, if the hard-boiled little realists of the street can help it.

So the task of the woman who once was little Virginia becomes something of a test, as well. And Mrs. Douglas enjoys it—

For, if as Frank Church once wrote, "Santa Claus exists as long as generosity, love and devotion exist," then, in a fashion, Mrs. Douglas has become something of a Santa herself to the children who live in the section where Monroe and Market Streets form a cross.

BABIES WANTED

SYRACUSE, N. Y. — Mrs. Florence Grannis, County Commissioner, wants 20 blue-eyed blonde baby girls. She says that the number of applicants for adopted babies has increased to a point where the supply is insufficient. She has orders on her books for 20 babies at present, but isn't able to fill an order.

CLOTHES SAVINGS

If you mend up your clothes before they go to the laundry they will last twice as long. It takes no longer.

A PERFECT 32



Miss Evelyn Odegard, dental hygienist of the Chicago health department, is the proud possessor—not of a perfect 36, but of a perfect 32, which is even better. In other words, her 32 teeth are perfect, and she's showing a few of them in this smile. At the annual convention of the Chicago Dental Society in January she'll tell 10,000 dentists how she teaches dental health to school children.



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Of all the days we celebrate, Christmas is the one that inspires the most universal joy. Bells ring when princes are born, and toll their mournful dirge when great men pass away. Nations have their festive days, their carnivals and holidays; but once in the year, and just once, comes that happy day of world-wide observance. You cannot cut Christmas out of the calendar—nor out of the hearts of men.



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Several Are Injured In Peculiar Crash of Train At Sweetwater Today

SWEETWATER, Texas, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Four persons were seriously injured and more than a dozen suffered minor hurts when a Santa Fe passenger train was sideswiped by a car of crude oil in the railroad yard here today.

The seriously injured: H. W. Stanton of Lubbock, chest hurt and broken ribs. Mrs. M. D. Nichols of Bronte, cuts and bruises. Mrs. C. C. Rice of Lubbock, bruises and cuts. Mitchell Conley of Amarillo, bruises and cuts.

Among those suffering slight injury were Mrs. M. A. Wilson of Lubbock, W. A. Myrick of Lubbock and Mrs. Anna Zett of Willow, Okla. They received emergency treatment and continued their journey.

Cars Collide on the Zephyr Road Tuesday Evening

Hosea Robinson of 1402 Avenue D, received injuries of the knee and arm and a broken rib when his car and the car of Henry McMillan, employe of the Davenport Chevrolet Company, collided at about 5:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, December 24 about ten miles from Brownwood on the Zephyr road. Mr. McMillan's small son received a fracture of the right foot and Mr. and Mrs. McMillan and small daughter also received minor bruises.

Son and Daughter of Dwight Davis Slightly Injured

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Dwight F. Davis, Jr., and Miss Cynthia Davis, son and daughter of the governor-general of the Philippine Islands, and Peter O. De Treachow, counselor of the Danist legation, suffered minor injuries in an automobile accident here last night.

Governor to Be Served Warrant in Dallas Case

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Governor Dan Moody was due here this afternoon to attend the opening performance of the spectacle, "The Miracle" and waiting for a summons to appear in District Court here tomorrow.

Lewis Families Here Christmas

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lewis, 1014 Coggin Avenue, entertained Christmas, five of their sons and their families, there being present, Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Lewis of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Arch Lewis and two boys of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lewis and son of Thrifty, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lewis and children of Brownwood; and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lewis.

CENSUS SUPERVISOR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Royal George Phillips of Tyler, Texas, today was appointed supervisor of the 1930 census in the district comprising Cherokee, Nacogdoches, Panola, Rush, Shelby and Smith counties. Headquarters will be at Tyler.

Much of Lapland is above the Arctic Circle and the climate is correspondingly severe. At Kiruna the average annual temperature is about 34 degrees.

FIGHTS BAND THAT STAGES \$1000 HOLDUP

SMITH'S GROVE, Ky., Dec. 26.—(AP)—J. Robert Kirby, president of a local bank, was killed today in a fight with a band of robbers who had held up and robbed the bank of Oakland, Ky.

The robbers abandoned their automobile and fled to the hills north of town where 200 or 300 citizens led by officers went in search for them. The Oakland bank was held up shortly after it was opened this morning, and the robbers took about \$1,000 in cash. There was no firing in the bank but as the three robbers leaped into their machine where it was believed two others were waiting they were fired upon.

Struggle for Plane's Control Causes 2 Deaths

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Struggle of a student flier and his instructor for the controls of an airplane was blamed today for the deaths of both. Samuel Bartel, 35, army pilot during the world war, and W. B. Allen, Mountain Grove, Mo., were fatally injured when their dual control biplane fell near Cabool, Mo.

Italian Postal Seaplane Wrecked

ATHENS, Greece, Dec. 26.—(AP)—An Italian postal seaplane with a crew of five was wrecked today near the small island of St. Eustratus off the Turkish coast in the Aegean. The Greek cruiser Helle failed to find a trace of the machine or its crew. The sea was rough, and the wind high at the time of the accident. The Italian mail company has dispatched several planes to aid in the search.

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FROST HITS MIAMA AREA

MIAMI, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Damaging frost extended southward to the Miami area last night in the wake of the coldest Christmas day on record at the United States weather bureau here. The center of the trucking belt was touched by the frost, seen as far south as Homestead, 30 miles from Miami. Damage to vegetable crops is believed to have been severe. Growers said potato crops in the fertile lands apparently had suffered most.

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WHITE HOUSE FIRE DUE TO A BAD FLUE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Blame for the fire which wrecked the executive offices of the White House on Christmas Eve today was placed upon a defective and overheated flue in the office of Walter Newton, one of the President's secretaries, by the chief engineer of the District of Columbia fire department.

EXECUTION OF PROTOCOL HAS BEGUN

TOKYO, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Execution of the protocol between China and Russia for control and operation of the Chinese Eastern Railway actually began, said a dispatch from Harbin to Rengo, Japanese news agency, with the return of soviet officials to the railroad zone today. Inauguration of the agreement thus marks the end of the five and one half months of quarrel-waifare along the Manchurian border. The train carrying Julius Rudy, new Russian manager of the Chinese Eastern Railway, his assistant, Denissov, and other soviet officials, accompanied by Tsai Yunsheng, Chinese representative in the negotiations, crossed the frontier at Pogranichnaya this morning. It is en route to Harbin, where Chinese authorities are preparing a welcome.

REVIVE HOPE FOR EIELSON

SEWARD, Alaska, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Arrival here of three powerful cabin type planes, with Canadian flyers to man them, revived today the hope of the northland that the search for Pilot Carl Ben Eielson and Mecham, Earl Borland, missing in Siberia since November 9, might prove successful. The planes and fliers, brought here from Seattle on the coast guard cutter Chelan, were transferred to a train on the Alaska railroad and were proceeding today to Fairbanks, where they are to be flown either to Nome or Teller, Alaska, to engage in the search. Each of the planes has room for six passengers in addition to the pilot and can lift sufficient gasoline to enable them to undertake long flights. They are equipped with everything necessary for safety of those flying them.

Ask Early Report

Senator Harris, Democrat, Georgia, and Senator Glass, Democrat, Virginia, have also asked an early report to congress on the work of the Hoover law enforcement commission, which is investigating prohibition and crime conditions generally. Senator Harris reiterated his belief today that the treasury needs more money, more men and a better class of men for prohibition enforcement, and that the statements of Mitchell, Doran and Borah "showed that to be true."

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Baylor Student Is Found Dead in Car in Louisiana

HOMER, La., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Glenn Grafton, 20, of Bernice, student of Baylor University, was found dead in an automobile four miles north of Homer today. A companion of Grafton, George Lindsey, also of Bernice, was found in the car violently ill. He was taken to a Homer sanitarium. The car in which the youths were riding had gone into a ditch, but had not wrecked. It was found by Will Edwards of Springfield. A coroner's investigation has been ordered to determine the cause of Grafton's death and Lindsey's illness. No marks of violence were found on the body of the dead youth.

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CONGRESS WILL GET PLANS FOR ENFORCEMENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Plans for prohibition enforcement, which include a unified border patrol and limitation of the number of ports of entry from Canada, will be submitted by the treasury to congress as soon as a joint congressional committee to consider prohibition questions is named.

Unified Border Patrol

He said that as soon as the committee is named the treasury will submit a plan for a unified border patrol which would require the consent of Canada because it will provide for limitation of the number of ports of entry to this country. In addition to limiting the ports of entry, the plan, he said, will provide for an intensive border patrol under direction of the coast guard to prevent smuggling. At present, the under secretary added, a person coming from Canada may enter this country anywhere along the border, but must report his entrance at the nearest port. This requires, he said, a patrol to work ten or fifteen miles inside the border. Under the new plan if approved by congress and Canada the patrol would work along the exact border to prevent entry anywhere except at points designated.

Fireworks Injuries

Raymond Duncan, 10, was believed near death in a Texarkana hospital as a result of experimenting with home-made fire crackers which exploded, severely burning and mangleing him. There were numerous minor injuries caused by fireworks. Jack Hinton, 12-year-old Dallas boy, got a torse mixed with his Christmas nuts and candies and sustained burns and bruises inside his mouth when he fired the explosive by biting it. Dickie Williams, 3, son of Clyde Williams of Port Worth, was struck by an automobile while playing with his Yale toys in the street as his mother lay ill. His father was absent. The child's condition was critical.

Fire Damages

Fire caused several thousand dollars damage. Loss in a fire at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Firmin of Port Worth was set at \$7,000 after the explosion of a toy moving picture machine given their children for Christmas. A blaze which gutted four Denison stores caused \$7,000 damage. A prairie fire destroyed a bridge on the Clinton and Oklahoma Western Railway near Pampa.

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Holiday Accidents And Fires in Texas Claim Seven Lives

By The Associated Press The toll from accidents and fires on Christmas day in Texas today stood at seven dead, eleven injured, several perhaps fatally, and more than \$15,000 damage.

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A street car in Houston severed the body of John Nash of Goose Creek. A negro, Eleanor Adams, 22, died in the same city after being struck by an automobile. The death of Nash was Houston's fourth traffic fatality in 24 hours. J. G. Chapman was in a hospital there critically hurt. His companion, Verma M. Williams, was killed in a motor accident at Houston Christmas Eve. Funeral services were set today for Edwin Finn, 79, Houston, another victim of the day before Christmas traffic rush. San Antonio Barber Killed Charles Freudenburg, 32, San Antonio barber, was killed at New Braunfels. After striking him, an automobile driven by negroes crashed into another machine and was wrecked. Three negroes were arrested. A hit and run driver fatally injured Mrs. Mary Foster, 58, of Harlandale, San Antonio suburb, who was carrying home a bag of feed for chickens. Lewis Caster, 31, of Orving was burned fatally when a stove in his home exploded as he lighted it.

NAME WINNERS SANTA'S SLEIGH

With many excellent entries in the Banner Bulletin's "Santa's Sleigh" contest which closed Tuesday evening, the selection of winners was indeed a difficult task, one that severely tried those selected to judge the contest. But their work has been done and the judges have announced the winners. They are: First, Mrs. James McCartney, of Brownwood; Second, Mrs. L. V. Kimmons, Route No. 2, Zephyr; Third, Miss Martha Scott, Brownwood; Fourth, Lou Ann Sears, general delivery, Amarillo; Fifth, Lola Paul, of Brownwood and sixth, Edna Caroline Douglass, Route No. 1 of Zephyr.

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COOK PLEA FOR PAROLE SOON TO BE HEARD

LEAVENWORTH, Kas., Dec. 26.—(AP)—Application of Dr. Frederick A. Cook, Arctic explorer, for parole from his sentence of 14 years and 9 months for conspiracy to use the mails to defraud will be heard at the January meeting of the Federal Parole Board.



Dr. Cook admitted to the federal penitentiary here April 6, 1925, has served one-third of his term and automatically is eligible for parole on his record of good behavior. All of his associates in the oil promotion scheme which led to his conviction were paroled three years ago. His sentence is the longest ever given a prisoner committed to the penitentiary here on a similar charge. Eighteen months ago Federal Judge J. C. Wilson of Ft. Worth issued an order granting Dr. Cook freedom on probation. Courts determined the judge held no jurisdiction after service of sentence had begun. Dr. Cook's health has been falling under confinement and friends say he cannot live through his full sentence. He is editor of the prison newspaper, the New Era.

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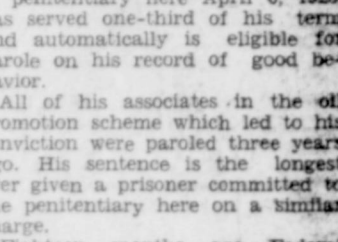
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MEXICANS INNOCENT OF CRIME NOTHING TO FEAR, SAYS VALLS

LAREDO, Tex., Dec. 24.—(P)—Restoration that Mexicans innocent of crime have nothing to fear from him and a firm declaration to resign today by John A. Valls, district attorney of Webb and three adjoining counties, in reply to a statement by Genaro Estrada, Mexican minister of Foreign Affairs.

"To the Minister of Foreign Affairs, I state that there are men high in the official circles of Mexico, in the cabinet and out of it, who are wanted for offenses committed in Webb county and the trail of the serpent is over them all," said Valls.

Closing of the Laredo consulate by Mexico followed immediately upon District Attorney Valls' efforts to have Gen. P. Elias Calles, former president of Mexico, arrested here recently when he passed through upon his return from Europe, traveling under the protection of diplomatic immunity.

"My friends have insisted that I reply to the telegram of the Mexican Minister of Foreign Affairs," said Mr. Valls' statement. "The position of this man gives a certain importance to his words apart from their worth.

"The Mexican Government insists

as a basis for the removal of the reprisals imposed on Laredo that I resign or that I dismiss the charges against Calles and that I make solemn promise not to molest Mexican citizens in the future.

"My answer is this: Millions for defense but not one cent for tribute! The Mexican Government is an insipient intruder and it will not be permitted to exercise any rights of sovereignty in my district. Mexican citizens will not be allowed greater privileges than are given to citizens of the United States and I will continue to prosecute all violators of the law regardless of their nationality.

"I turn neither to the past with regret nor to the future with apprehension. The present campaign against me was begotten by greed, inspired by malice and waged with venom. My conscience is a monitor

that has never decided: That monitor is the Saint Peter of my faith and on that rock I shall defend my position, and neither the power of the Mexican government nor the malice of its allies shall prevail against me.

"The inexorable truth"

"Let the Mexican government ponder long and well over this inexorable truth, that behind every fugitive from justice in the universe silent but relentless stands with uplifted blade the shadow of vengeance and the retribution of the law. The Bible has said it, the wages of sin is death.

"The only regrettable incident in this whole affair, and pardon the old American spirit that comes flaming in my soul, is the sad spectacle of American soldiers, wearing the proudest uniform in the sight of heaven, acting as a military escort to fugitives from justice.

"The charges made by the minister of foreign affairs that Mexican citizens are unduly molested in Webb county is utterly and detestably false. I have tried in vain to induce General Leopoldo Dorantes, a gallant officer of the Mexican army, to testify against Captain Allen Walker. This is a case where I am seeking to punish an American official for a cruel crime committed against the person of a splendid Mexican citizen, and paradoxical as it may appear, the Mexican government has forbidden Gen. Dorantes to testify against Allen Walker in the courts of Texas. That government, so jealous of the rights and safety of its nationals, must have grave reasons of state to justify its peculiar procedure in this case.

"In the Mexican war department, a paradox was born, the corn was full of kernels and the colonels full of corn.

"Some of my nearest and dearest friends of Mexican extraction; whatever political preference I enjoy today I owe in large measure to the voters in my district of Mexican blood, and may God forget me if I for one moment forget the welfare of the Mexican people."

Diaz His Godfather

District Attorney Valls' godfather was Porfirio Diaz, and throughout the middle age he and the former Mexican dictator remained close.

Mr. Valls sought the arrests of the recently assassinated Alvaro Obregon, former president of Mexico, and Calles on a charge in connection with the slaying of two Mexican army officers, for which Walker and one other American, Duke Carver, recently were indicted. After his effort to arrest Calles failed, Valls quashed the indictment against Carver.

"Therefore, to the hospitable and chivalrous citizens of Mexico, I not only bid a cordial welcome to Webb county, but I assure them that their honor, their lives and their property will receive greater protection here than in their own country," continued the statement.

"To official Mexicans I say whenever you come to the Rio Grande just speak your name and remember that law enforcement is the password and we will meet you at the gates.

Trial of the Serpent

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"In this unwarranted attack against me, the Minister of Foreign Affairs is suffering from that gloomy companionship of a disturbed imagination—the melancholy madness of patriotism without its proper inspiration. To my critics I will say that most of them are gentlemen possessing splendid talents which they have often abused and sound judgments the admonitions of which they have often neglected. Conscience swings from its moorings and the appalled and affrighted critic consults his own pocket book in the surrender of his patriotism and pays the usury of self respect.

"To those who are seeking political honors out of this issue, I will remind them that the people are suspicious of vaunted heroes; but when the true leader has come how the hearts of men leap forth to greet him; how worshipfully we welcome God's noblest work, the strong, honest, fearless, upright man."

With the exception of the United States, which has one practitioner to every 750 people, Great Britain has a higher number of doctors proportionately than any other country in the world.

TEXAS BOLTER QUESTION YET IS UNDECIDED

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 21.—(P)—Action of the State Democratic Executive Committee of Alabama in barring from its 1930 primary candidates who voted for President Hoover in preference to former Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York, the party nominee, is a reminder that the Texas party managers have yet to make a similar hurdle.

D. W. Wilcox of Georgetown, chairman of the executive committee, was petitioned several weeks ago by Alvin Moody of Houston, one of the leaders in the successful movement within the Democratic party to carry Texas for Hoover as a rebuke to the wet Smith partisans—as the Democrats who campaigned for Hoover put it—to determine as early as possible the status of the Democrats, who strayed from the beaten path.

Awaits Committee

Wilcox replied that the matter would be taken up when the committee met, but evidently no plans have been made to hasten the day when the Hoover Democrats will know whether they will be permitted to participate as candidates and voters in next year's primary or be turned away from the party ticket and polls.

State Senator Tom Love of Dallas, anti-Tammany candidate for governor, was one of those who refused to vote the ticket straight, although he claimed that he voted for all the nominees except Governor Smith. There were thousands of others who would not take the Democratic pill straight, as the returns of November, 1928, revealed; but many of these are not so outspoken with their confessions, so, on this problem, it is likely, in event the rule is laid down that only those who were loyal in 1928 can participate in 1930, how to ascertain who were the "sinners."

Moody, in his communication to Chairman Wilcox, intimated that in the event the rule barring Hoover Democrats was invoked, the matter would be taken to the courts and, losing there, an independent ticket would be organized and placed in the field in November to mix it with the regular Democratic nominees. There is a probability in event things take this turn, of the Republicans joining with the Independents for a coalition swat at the "true and untainted" Democrats.

Of Much Significance

Action of the state committee with reference to this dilemma is of the utmost political significance.

There is a division within the ranks of those who "stayed put" and voted the Democratic ticket straight—some being uncompromisingly for taking punitive measures against the revolters and others arguing that the unpleasantness should be forgotten and the primaries opened to all comers who will assume the pledge—"I am a Democrat and will support the nominees of this primary"—at the top of the ballot.

It is quite a problem for the state executive committee and any action it takes will bring down on it criticism and praise. Only time can tell which was the most popular thing to do.

AGREEMENT TO END CONFLICT OVER RAILROAD

MOSCOW, Dec. 23.—(P)—Mosecow and Muklen have made peace and signed a protocol fixing future relations between the Soviet Russian government and the Manchurian Chinese provincial government.

Formal resumption of relations will not be arranged until a further conference January 25th, but meanwhile troops will be withdrawn from Russian and Manchurian borders, all persons arrested in connection with the dispute will be released and White Guard Russians will be disarmed and deported by the Chinese.

The protocol, it appeared, ends a chapter of conflict between China and Russia, growing out of the Manchurian seizure of the Chinese Eastern Railway, which traverses that province.

WOODWARD TO ASK REHEARING SWILLEY CASE

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—(P)—Senator Walter C. Woodward of Coleman, said today he would file a brief on behalf of the State asking for a rehearing in the John Swilley case from Liberty county, in which a life sentence was reversed and remanded because the indictment did not charge "malice aforethought."

Since the Swilley reversal several other cases, including death penalty convictions, have been reversed on the same point.

Senator Woodward said the indictment under which Otilio Herrera was given the death penalty for the murder of Sheriff Allen Freeman, Tex years for murder.

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This Season of the Year Finds This Store One of the Few Remaining Home Institutions. . . . One of the Few Whose Sole Interest is in Brownwood . . . One of the Few Who Prospers Only as Brownwood Prospers. . . . One of the Few Whose Organization from Salespeople to President is of Brownwood, Working Untiringly to Serve This City and This City Alone. . . .

We Wish for You Our Friends,



Gilliam Dry Goods Company



The Joy of This Day

Of all the days we celebrate, Christmas is the one that inspires the most universal joy. Bells ring when princes are born, and toll their mournful dirge when great men pass away. Nations have their festive days, their carnivals and holidays; but once in the year, and just once, comes that happy day of world-wide observance. You cannot cut Christmas out of the calendar—nor out of the hearts of men.

AUSTIN-MORRIS Co.
Complete Home Furnishers
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FATAL MISHAP NEAR ABILENE

ABILENE, Texas, Dec. 23.—(P)—En route to a Christmas-time family reunion, Mrs. A. M. Jones, 68, Wellington, was fatally injured in an automobile accident near here yesterday in which six other members of her family were badly hurt.

Mrs. Jones, mother and grandmother of the family traveling from Petersburg to Sidney, Texas, in Comanche county, died last night at a local hospital. Mrs. King Jones, her daughter-in-law, was in a very serious condition today. King Jones and four children were badly hurt. Two of them were believed suffering internal injuries.

The accident occurred, according to King Jones, who was driving, when he attempted to pass a car at the same time it started around another car. The front wheels of his truck locked with the rear wheels of the car in front, the truck going into the ditch. Jones succeeded in getting the car from the ditch, but lost control and again went into the ditch.

ROAD AID FOR NINE COUNTIES

AUSTIN, Dec. 17.—(P)—Having awarded \$894,552 worth of construction contracts for projects in nine counties yesterday, the highway commission today resumed its December lettings, opening bids in nine additional counties.

Contracts were to be awarded today for projects as follows:

Scurry and Mitchell counties—9.2 miles grading and drainage, Highway 7.

Matagorda county—13.3 miles concrete pavement, Highway 53.

Medina county—Reinforced concrete bridge and earth approaches.

Live oak county—12 1-2 miles grading and drainage structures, Highway 9.

Walker county—13.7 miles grading and drainage structures, Highway 45.

Waller county—Ten miles grading and drainage structures, Highway 6.

Goliad county—Reinforced concrete steel bridge, Highway 30 across Clear Fork of the Brazos River.

Bondsmen Offer Reward for Llano Father and Son

LLANO, Texas, Dec. 17.—(P)—With bondsmen offering \$200 reward for their capture, officers today searched for D. E. and B. F. Ellison, father and son, charged with slaying L. C. Callaway, Llano plumber, September 17.

The search started yesterday after the elder Ellison failed to appear for trial. His \$10,000 bond was ordered forfeited.

The son, sentenced to five years imprisonment in connection with the shooting, was out on appeal bond.

Although more licorice root is extracted in the United States than in any other country, none has been grown here except on an experimental scale.



We are thankful to our friends and business accorded us during the past year and entertain the hope that we have been to you.

We look forward to the NEW YEAR and solicit a continuance of your patronage during 1930, and wish you a

Merry Christmas AND Happy New Year

When you are in need of anything WARE—we will be glad to serve you best.

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The Winchester Store

"Serving the Heart of Texas Since 1882"

A Merry Christmas

We take this occasion to wish our friends and patrons a most happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year. By reducing the prices of merchandise we sincerely believe that we have enabled hundreds and hundreds of families to more thoroughly enjoy the spirit of this occasion.

We extend to one and all a cordial invitation to call and get acquainted with our way of doing business.

And in all sincerity we wish you again

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR Acorn Stores Inc.

108 Center Ave.

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Memorial Bridge Nears Completion



A new beauty spot at the nation's capital, the Arlington Memorial Bridge, which spans the Potomac River from Washington to the Arlington National Cemetery, is shown in this impressive aerial view as it nears completion. The Lincoln Memorial can be seen in the background.

HISTORIC ROOM WILL BE USED BY PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(P)—In a famous old room that has witnessed much of the drama of American history, President Hoover will receive his business callers during the next few days and administer the affairs of the nation. Until suitable headquarters are provided for occupancy during restoration of the west wing of the White House, destroyed in the fire of Christmas Eve, Mr. Hoover has elected to use the historic presidential study on the second floor of the executive mansion.

No time is to be lost, either in rebuilding the executive offices or in providing accommodations for the period that process will take. Contractors have been notified of a request for bids, expected today, and arrangements made for housing the executive staff in the adjoining State, War and Navy building.

By the first of the week, it is expected headquarters will have been established there for the president, his secretaries, the White House clerical force and newspapermen assigned to the president.

Likes to Work There... Meanwhile, all business will be transacted from the presidential study. This is a room to which Mr. Hoover is much attached because of its historical associations, where he likes to work and where many a president has worked before him. It was used by all the heads of the nation from President Adams to President Roosevelt. Mr. Hoover recently restored it after two decades and a half of disuse.

An old mahogany table around which gathered the cabinets of a score of presidents was placed outside the door for the use of Mr. Hoover's secretary, George Akerson. Working accommodations were provided for his assistants, Walter Newton and Lawrence Richey, in adjoining bedrooms.

Experts have reported to the president that in their opinion the fire of Christmas Eve was caused by defective wiring.

Jesse James' Men Set Gangster Funeral Style

ST. JOSEPH, Mo.—The pomp in which slain gang chiefs have been borne to their graves has a precedent in the burial accorded Jesse James.

An expensive, elaborate funeral was ordered by James' followers after he was killed in 1882. The casket, made of steel, cost \$265 and the shroud \$10 in days when the average funeral cost about \$50.

Medical Examiner Rocco C. De Dominicis Salvati was at a loss just how to proceed due to the attitude of Richard H. Templeton, federal attorney for this district, who gave orders that the medical examiner should not be permitted to question coast guardsmen connected with the shooting.

SOVIET HELPS U. S. SEARCH FOR AVIATORS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26. (A. P.)—The Soviet government today formally notified Chairman Borah of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that it was organizing an airplane expedition to search for Carl Eielson and Earl Borland, American aviators, who have been missing for six weeks off the Siberian Coast.

MOSCOW, Dec. 26.—(P)—Personal appeal of Senator Borah of Idaho, chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, and of the United States department of the interior to the Moscow government for aid in search for Carl Ben Eielson and Earl Borland in the icy waters of Siberia was answered today.

The Soviet foreign office announced an airplane was dispatched Wednesday to search for the two missing American aviators, who never returned to Alaska six weeks ago from a flight to aid an ice-bound fur ship. They were believed to have been forced down near North Cape.

The foreign office announcement said also two other airplanes would be dispatched immediately to aid in search of the missing aviators, one of whom, Eielson, was companion of Captain Sir George Hubert Wilkins on his flight across the North Polar area last year. Semyon Shestakov, national air hero of Soviet Russia since his flight from Moscow to New York, was selected to head the rescue expedition. He will pilot an airplane of the same type as the "Land of the Soviets," in which he and three companions flew across Siberia to Alaska, and thence to New York. Their route then was believed here to traverse the area in which Eielson and Borland were lost.

Two of the Soviet planes are now at Providence Bay in the extreme northeast of Siberia on Bering Strait. Shestakov is at Cape Northern. (Probably near North Cape; Cape Northern is not listed on available maps).

Senator Borah received a cablegram from M. Litvinoff, Foreign Commissar of the Russian government, to whom he had appealed for aid in the quest for the fliers. Secretary Wilbur had also asked informally for help.

Organizing Expedition... The cablegram to Borah said the Soviet government was organizing an expedition under command of Semyon Shestakov, who recently made a successful flight from Moscow to New York. Two airplanes at present located at Bay Providence also will participate in the search. "The Soviet government will be happy if the purpose of the expedition will be successfully achieved," Litvinoff's cablegram said.

In response to Borah's suggestion that the Russian steamer Stavropol might be utilized in the search the cablegram explained it was an ordinary ship and not an icebreaker and it was icebound and in need of help. It was stated that the Stavropol had been instructed to send out a dog team expedition to search for Eielson and Borland, but due to its damaged radio set it could receive but not send information.

Text of Cablegram... "Stavropol is ordinary steamer, not icebreaker. Icebound itself and in need of help. December 18th Stavropol been instructed send out dog team expedition purpose locating Eielson and Borland, but due to damaged radio it can receive, but not send information.

"Soviet government organizing in a few days expedition by plane AMT-4 Tyneland of Soviets with Shestakov recently returned from America as pilot. Two airplanes located at present at Bay Providence will also participate in search. Soviet government will be happy if purpose of expedition will be successfully achieved."

Republic of Texas Notes Are Sold

NEW ORLEANS La. Dec. 26.—(P)—Fifteen notes of the Republic of Texas, worth \$2,600 if redeemed by the State of Texas and the interest paid, sold for \$76 at an auction held by the New Orleans Real Estate Exchange. The notes issued, at Houston, president, and Henry Smith, treasurer.

The notes were part of a great collection of rarities and antiques taken from old bank boxes by the real estate exchange.

SON OF POLICE LIEUTENANT IS KILLED BY COAST GUARDSMEN

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 26.—(P)—A suspected rum-runner, Eugene F. Downey, Jr., son of Lieutenant Eugene F. Downey of this city, bled to death last night after being shot by coast guardsmen in the CG-2245, patrolling the Niagara river for rum runners and narcotic smugglers.

Downey and another man were in a motor boat known as the Dodge and were suspected of having aboard a load of liquor from Canada. After the shooting, the Dodge was found to be empty. Downey's companion escaped after the Dodge had been run against a pier.

WANT EQUAL RIGHTS

CONSTANTINOPLE—In a short time the Turkish women have pushed themselves out of the obscurity of the home and harem and are now clamoring for equal rights with the

RECONSTRUCTION

MOSCOW—One of the largest reconstruction plans ever announced has been made public by the Soviet government of Russia. A Chicago firm has been awarded a \$110,000,000 contract for the construction of a chain of cement plants, flour mills and other industrial plants throughout the country. Labor material and capital will be supplied by the government.

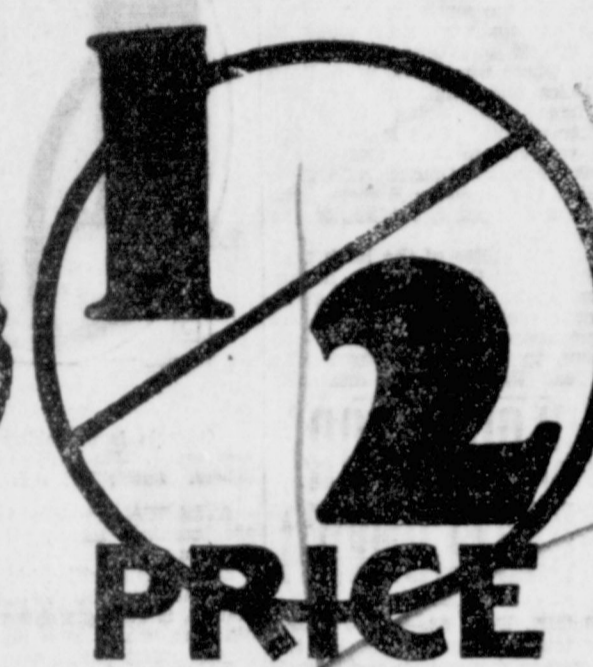
LEANING POSTS, TOO

"The lampposts in our road have been repainted." "Yes, I noticed it when my husband came home."—Faun, Vienna.

SAVE TODAY ON SMART WINTER APPAREL

WARD'S YEAR-END CLEARANCE

Winter's First and Most Important Fashion-Thrift Event



WINTER COATS

A Special Lot of Coats Coats formerly selling at \$9.75 to \$24.75 NOW \$4.88 to \$12.38

Every coat included in this group was an outstanding value at its original price. Now at HALF that price they are values that no thrifty matron or miss can afford to pass by. Every new style trend is represented. Every coat is fashion right. And you still have MONTHS to enjoy a new coat this winter. Come early and get your pick of the lot.

Four Other Value Groups to Choose From

Values to \$14.75 COATS Now \$7.85

Values to \$19.75 COATS Now \$11.85

Values to \$24.75 COATS Now \$16.85

Values to \$39.75 COATS Now \$24.85

Coats of a smartness and quality of fabric that will amaze you at this low price. Sturdy chinillas, warm toned tweeds, and novelty mixtures.

Fur trimmed dress coats, swagger roadster coats, smart sports coats. Coats of the moment for the modern person who appreciates real value.

Advanced! Here are Fashion's popular trends in beautiful fabrics... silky piled fabrics, sleek broadcloth and beaver-like fur cloth.

Winter's smartest creations. Of particular interest to women whose taste demands the smartest, yet who must carefully consider price. Beautiful fabrics, collars of flattering furs.

COME EARLY QUANTITIES LIMITED

CHILDRENS COATS REDUCED 25%



HATS 1/3 off For the Children Hats formerly sold at 98c to \$1.98 Now 65c to \$1.29

Unusually clever little hats for smart little misses in school. A variety of models, all very serviceable.



MILLINERY 1/2 Price

Hats formerly selling at \$1.98 to \$3.98 Now 98c to \$1.98

Soleils, Velvets, Satins, drooping brims and off-the-face brims, just the hat you have in mind is here. Every hat in this group is as new and smart as you will find in other reliable shops at more than twice their price! When you see them you'll want two.

DRESSES 1/2 Price

Dresses formerly selling at \$5.95 to \$14.75 Now \$2.98 to \$7.38

Thrifty, style-wise women will flock to this event. And what values they will find! Every dress in this group was actually made to sell at twice the present price. Silk crepes and wool jerseys for the young miss in school, the more sophisticated frocks that are favored for afternoon and evening wear. Alluring feminine lines, many styles trimmed with boleros, jabots and touches of frilly lace. Smart sports dresses. Choice of such popular materials as satins, crepes, georgettes, novelty prints.



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An Old Fashioned Christmas Square Dance Dec. 27th

An old fashioned Christmas square dance is to be sponsored by the Business and Professional Women's club on Friday night, December 27, at the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall. This dance is being held by the club for the benefit of the College Girls' Loan Fund.

Between the dances there will also be given special numbers for the entertainment of the people who are not dancing. One number will be given by members of the Schubert Music club, who will be dressed in the picturesque dress of the old timers who danced the square dance. A group of dancers will also put on an exhibition square dance, and numbers will also be featured on the program.

A first class square dance orchestra from Cross Plains, Texas, will furnish the music for the dance. It is announced. Several people of Brownwood have heard this orchestra and they say that it is a good one.

Ether Sent to Texas Hospitals Is Confiscated

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Below standard and mis-labeled ether shipments to several Texas hospitals and clinics from an Ohio manufacturing company have been ordered confiscated by district court here.

Shipments confiscated included a 72-can consignment to the Ledford Baby Clinic at Wichita Falls and a 43-can shipment to a Brownwood Hospital. Consignments to the Dallas Medical and Surgical Clinics were taken up by the manufacturer when informed the ether failed to meet U. S. standards.

The confiscatory order was in a libel, which was drawn up at the local district attorney's office on information from Washington and which alleged the ether was misbranded and below standard. The information indicated failure to properly seal the cans.

Dulin Club Has Demonstration in Candy Making

The Dulin Home Demonstration Club held an all-day meeting at the club rooms in the Dulin community last Thursday, December 19 with 32 members and visitors present. Mrs. Otie Wilson, president, had charge of the meeting.

This was the first time the club had had a chance to use their new kitchen equipment which was recently purchased.

Miss Mayse Malone county home demonstration agent, gave a demonstration of Christmas candy making.

Dinner was served to the members and visitors and a pleasant time and interesting meeting was reported by all who were present.

Reporter.

PREPARATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS IN BETHLEHEM

BETHLEHEM, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Church fathers today solemnly make preparations for the celebration of Christmas day, thankful that disorders which a few weeks ago left a bloody stain over the Holy Land had ceased.

The Latin Patriarch, accompanied by his clergy and escorted by mounted police came to Bethlehem. The trip was made by motor, a great change from the olden days when the Patriarch preceded his priorities on a caravan. In medieval days the Patriarch's retinue was an imposing affair with knights, pilgrims and religious and lay dignitaries.

Tonight the Patriarch with his suite and congregation will proceed to the old Franciscan Convent, north of the church of the nativity, for the midnight pontifical mass. The Anglicans will intone Christmas hymns just opposite in the Greek convent adjoining the church on the southern side.

No services were held today in the age-old sanctuary above the grotto where Christ was born. Both Catholics and Anglicans are barred from worshipping there on Christmas Eve. This is the privilege reserved to members of the Greek-Orthodox Church who have granted the Anglican Bishop the use of the convent, but not of the church itself.

Only the grotto of the birth may be visited by the Catholics during the midnight mass, and at the given moment the Patriarch, with the congregation following him, will descend to the grotto where he will read the Christmas message.

FARMERS OF GEORGIA GLORIFY THE BLOND YAM



Georgia is preaching the gospel of the yam. Above is a yam harvest scene. Jill Cameron (lower right) is admiring one of the Dixie tubers. Lower left shows the product being shipped.

ATLANTA (AP)—Broadway's tricks are now making money for Georgia farmers.

Broadway glorified blonds. Georgia, catching the tip on the first bounce, is busy glorifying the Georgia yam, which is a leading blond among sweet potatoes.

The sweet potato missionaries are now conducting yam revivals. Both of them—Mrs. Lawrence T. Mitchell and Mrs. S. R. Dull—are culinary experts. Their business is to ballyhoo Dixie's blondies into preference by housewives everywhere.

The yam, they point out, can be made into about 100 dishes.

Food value of sweet potatoes and Irish potatoes is practically identical, except that yams have sugar added, according to A. D. Jones, director of the state marketing bureau, which is "angel" for the glorifying tour.

"Just as much energy can be obtained from one as the other," says Jones. "The only difference is in the taste. Sweet potatoes offer a chance to vary diet without sacrificing food values. They need to be known."

Georgia expects to harvest 11,434,000 bushels of sweet potatoes this year—more than 3,000,000 bushels above its nearest rival, North Carolina.

Most of the crop is "the Porto Rican variety, a light colored juicy yam which Georgians say is sweeter than the Nancy Hall or Big Stemmed Jersey, the brunets.

Climate and soil make the sugary tuber and ideal crop in the state and it is one of the important farm industries. South Georgia gets to the market first because of early growing conditions.

How well yams grow in Georgia is shown by the record crop produced by F. G. Champion of Chipley, who produced 34,430 pounds on two acres, an average of about 313 bushels.

The average yield is around 100 bushels.

Business Increase for First Quarter of 1930 Estimated

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 23.—(AP)—The Southwest Shippers Advisory Board commodity committees' reports of business conditions and estimates of prospective traffic for the first quarter of the new year indicate these increases for the first quarter of 1930 as compared with the same quarter of 1929: Cement,

15 per cent; clay and products, 5 per cent; cotton mills and products, 5 per cent; farm implements and cotton gin machinery, 5 per cent; glass and products, 5 per cent; grain and hay, 5 per cent; grain products, 5; hardware, 5; iron and steel, 5; perishable products, 30; rice and products, 5; salt and products, 10; sand, gravel and stone, 15; sugar molasses and cane 10.

Decreases: Cotton 5 per cent; cottonseed and products 5 per cent; livestock, 5 per cent; lumber and forest products, 10; retail lumber, 10.

Crossed products, wholesale drugs, fertilizer, wholesale groceries, paper and paper products, petroleum and products, sulphur and miscellaneous, to be the same as year ago.

Total load for the first quarter for the first year expected greater than year ago.

Railroad, natural development continues to gross and spots in the general outpouring encouraging American the size of

IN TOKEN OF FRIENDSHIP DURING 1929

A Merry Christmas To Everyone

The good will of our customers is our biggest In token of the business friendship existing between us during the past year, we send the greetings of the season and hope that your YEAR will be highly prosperous and HAPPY

May we serve you better throughout 1930, is our aim and to this end we shall devote every effort.

WILL YOU GIVE US THIS OPPORTUNITY?

Happy New Year For 1930

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Modern Science Teaches us The Eyes Need Special Care

You are depending more on your eyes than any other part of your body, for success in BUSINESS—INSTRUCTION—PLEASURE

Our many years of experience as an optometrist teaches us that your eyes should be examined regularly by an optometrist.

See Dr. Armstrong, at

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Christmas Greetings To One And All

We take this opportunity of wishing our many friends and customers A Very Enjoyable Christmas and a Happy New Year

We hope that you, who have been the cause of our success, will continue to favor us during the coming year, with your—

FRIENDSHIP AND PATRONAGE

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FURLOUGH FOR BRADY CONVICT

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Because he is totally incapacitated by inflammatory rheumatism and in such condition is a "burden to the county," A. C. Valdez, in jail at Brady awaiting transfer to the penitentiary to serve 1-2 years for violating the prohibition law, was granted a 30-day furlough by Governor Moody today.

The proclamation recited that Valdez was physically unable to stand the trip to prison. The Governor issued seven furloughs, two general paroles and revoked a furlough.

Ted Gutierrez and Henry Hargraves, serving sentences from Harris county, were paroled. Gutierrez, convicted of violation of the prohibition law and given one to four years, was released on application of Langston G. King, trial judge. Judge King said he believed one year's imprisonment was sufficient punishment, the prisoner having served that period. Hargraves was serving five years for robbery by assault. He had been in prison three years and his parole was petitioned by Judge King. "I of the jurors who convicted him and the district attorney. He had been out on furlough during which time he worked continuously and applied his earnings to the support of his mother.

The furlough given Bly Dugan, convicted in Hunt county for burglary, was revoked because the Governor said he had been informed Dugan had been charged with burglary with firearms since his release.

Furloughs were issued to the following: C. J. Stanzel, San Patricio county, serving one year for violation of the prohibition law, 30 days to visit wife who is ill; Roy Nannery, Taylor county, two years for forgery, 30 days to assist father and mother who need his help on the farm; Lawrence Guinn, Jefferson county, two years theft and burglary four days to attend bedside of sister who was reported critically ill; Jesse Goode, Collin county, one year for violating prohibition law, 30 days to assist wife and three small children who are now objects of charity; Julius Dave, Dallas county, fifteen years for murder, sixty days to visit wife who is ill; A. R. Bloomer, Floyd county, one year for violation of the prohibition law, sixty days to help father cultivate farm.

THREE FROZEN BODIES FOUND

VICTORIA, Texas, Dec. 24.—(AP)—Bodies of three seamen, found on Saluria Islands near here late yesterday, were identified today.

The victims, members of the crew of a tub boat belonging to the Jacobson Towing Company of Galveston, were Captain W. F. Newport, 22, of Texas City; Roy Clark, deck hand, Galveston; Roy McCaulin, deck hand, Galveston, the company said.

They had been frozen.

Earlier fears that they were not alone on the tug, which presumably was grounded and knocked to bits by heavy seas, were dispelled in the company's statement that they went out alone in the tug, which was empty. The tug, the company added, cleared Galveston last Thursday for Corpus Christi. The bodies were clad in thin overalls, and each was encircled by a life preserver.

C. W. Echols, fisherman who lives on the island, discovered the bodies.

The men probably died Friday night, company officials said. The tug was being taken to Corpus Christi to be put in dock service.

TWENTY-FOUR LIVES THOUGHT LOST AT SEA

LONDON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—A storm area extending from the Orkney Islands to Spain made shipping dangerous over the holiday. At least 24 lives were believed lost; vessels put into port at every hand to escape lashing by wind and sea.

A Norwegian ship, believed to be the Aalung of 588 tons register, sank with all hands off Farallones, Spain, early Wednesday, the ship Panjon later wireless Vigo, Spain, it had recovered eleven bodies of the crew of 24, but could not identify them.

Lloyd's reported numerous steamships in difficulties with propeller or rudder trouble, but the Norwegian craft was the only instance where loss of life was reported. The wind measured 70 miles an hour off the Orkneys. Mails were held up at Kirkwall, and the North Orkneys were without Christmas letters. Sea service were suspended.

Not a vessel has entered or left Aberdeen Harbor since last Monday, and for the first time in 40 years no trawlers were in with fish. The harbor bar was not passable. In Ireland gales had hurricaned force. Trees were uprooted, and there was minor damage in towns.

The wind was out of the southwest. Rain fell in torrents in England, ending a period of summery weather. There was hail in London, and coast towns watched giant combers batter at beaches and sea walls. The temperature was moderately warm. Christmas morning 34 stalwarts, ranging in age from 72 to 17 years, swam across Serpentine Lake in Hyde Park in competition for the silver cup presented annually by Sir James Barrie.

WICHITA WOMAN HAS SUFFERED SEVERAL YEARS

"Since Taking Orgatone I Feel Like a New Woman," Says Mrs. Clack.

"I've looked a long time for a medicine that would do for me what Orgatone did," said Mrs. Lizzie Clack, residing at 212 Scott, Wichita Falls, who is talking with the Orgatone representative.

"For several years I have been in a terrible condition and I suffered from stomach and digestive troubles. I had a very severe, chronic case of stomach trouble. Everything I ate soured on my stomach, which caused gas to form, and wouldn't eat because it hurt me so. I lost strength and energy all the time and gradually grew worse. I was operated on several years ago and had a severe pain in my back. I heard so much about Orgatone and read about it in the local papers, I decided to try it.

"I feel like a new woman now, and will be able to go back to work within a few days, if I continue taking Orgatone, which I will. My stomach trouble doesn't bother me as it did the pain in my back has disappeared and I get glowing health now. I was sort of skeptical about Orgatone, for I had taken so many different medicines and treatments but it was a lucky day for me that I bought it. I am certainly pleased with the results I have derived. Before taking Orgatone I had just given up ever doing work of any kind, for I wasn't able, but Orgatone has helped me so much I am going back to work within a few days, and yes, I am glad to recommend it, after what it has done for me."

Genuine Orgatone may be bought in Brownwood at the Camp-Bell and Peerless Drug Stores. (adv.)

Illinois Fliers Held at Denton Facing Charges

SHERMAN, Tex., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Vernon Ramsey and Evelyn Miller of Waukegan, Ill., arrested in Denton, Tex., upon request of Illinois officers, faced a hearing before Federal Commissioner Paul Kern here today on charges of violating the Mann act.

Ramsey, an aviator, and Miss Miller, his student, were brought here yesterday after the charges were filed by J. L. Satterfield, deputy United States marshal here. Satterfield took this action after Illinois officials had failed to file charges.

Ramsey was said to have a wife in Illinois.

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And Maintain Our Unexcelled Service

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To our friends and patrons and invite you to continue your appreciated business during the new year.

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M'NEIL GIVEN SENTENCE OF FORTY YEARS

A verdict of guilty and an assessed punishment of forty years in the penitentiary was returned Saturday morning by the jury for Clyde A. McNeil, world war veteran and former captain in the National Guard, who was charged with robbery of the First National Bank here March 13.

The jury reported in at 9:30 a. m. after being out from 11 p. m. Friday. Four votes were taken, the men stated afterwards. The first one on the guilt, and three others to decide on the number of years.

The defense counsel called for a poll of the jury, all voting "yes" to the verdict as read.

Only about fifty people were assembled in the court room when the verdict was returned.

McNeil took the announcement calmly as he has taken every phase of the trial, and while the jury filed out he shook hands with many of them.

One feature of the jury announcement, which is said by court officials to be unusual, was a statement of L. L. Lanford, foreman, which he made to the defendant. This statement in full follows:

Jury Statement
"On behalf of the jury, I speak to Your Honor, and to all those who are present, and especially to the Defendant, Captain McNeil, that we as a jury feel the heavy load and deep responsibility that rested upon our shoulders, and we would have had this cup pass, but under our solemn oath to perform and discharge our duty, we rendered this verdict; and to Captain McNeil our hearts go out and almost bleed that we were under the oath to perform our duty along the line we did when we rendered this verdict."

"I want to tell all my many friends that I appreciate their loyalty," McNeil said immediately after the verdict was read by Judge E. J. Miller. "And I certainly appreciate the work of my attorneys, Mr. Nabors and Mr. Kirkpatrick, for their untiring work in my behalf. I owe much also to the love and devotion and hard work in connection with this case of my wife who has so loyally stood by me in this time of trouble."

Ending an hour and a half speech District Attorney Walter U. Early closed the arguments in the case of the State of Texas against McNeil at 11 p. m. Friday and the case went to the jury with no hope of a verdict before Saturday morning.

His talk to the jury ended five days of trial in district court, the defendant being charged as a principal in the robbery with firearms of the bank, when over \$8,100 was taken, none of which has been returned.

McNeil sat through the long denunciation in the prosecution's arguments calmly, no expression on his face showing his feelings, while his wife sat beside him. Following

the arguments McNeil greeted and talked to a number of his friends, with that smile, which had been characterized previously by a witness as "affable."

Wilkinson Opens Arguments
The defense closed its case about 1:40 that afternoon, the state putting on only one witness in rebuttal and then closing its side ten minutes later. It took about an hour and a half for the attorneys on both sides to study the charge of the court, before the arguments began, Tom Wilkinson, for the state, taking a little over half an hour.

He was followed by A. E. Nabors, attorney for the defense, speaking for slightly over an hour.

J. Edward Johnson assistant district attorney, then took the floor for half an hour, presenting the state's side.

A recess for supper was called and at seven-thirty the arguments again started, this time Arnold L. Kirkpatrick speaking for the defendant.

While the crowds have filled the court room at various phases of the trial during the week, the room was packed tightly and overflowed into the ante-rooms and the corridors during the concluding speeches Friday night. A deep snow and increasing bad weather did not keep the crowd away from the close of the trial.

Mr. Kirkpatrick of the defense counsel was the next to address the jury. One of the jurors, W. O. Hollingsworth, had become ill during the night session and just after the opening of Kirkpatrick's argument court was recessed for nearly an hour to allow Mr. Hollingsworth to receive medical attention. He came back to the jury box still ill and white of face but able to proceed with the case.

Houston Detective
The man referred to in the Bulletin a day or two as a mysterious figure of the trial, a young appearing man wearing shell rimmed spectacles, sitting always with the state's attorneys and conferring with them, a man about whom many conjectures were made by most of those who attended the trial, appeared for the last time Friday night, shook hands with the attorneys and officials of the court and left for his home.

He proved to be George J. Lacy, now secretary of Mayor Walter E. Montielth of Houston and formerly a special agent with the American Bankers' Association and the Bureau of Criminology at Houston. It was understood that his part in the case consisted of obtaining evidence of the state's end of the case in and around Houston.

It was said of him, that he has a member of notable achievements in the detection of crime to his credit, beginning with the capture of the Dodd boys in the Marble Falls bank robbery case of eighteen or twenty years ago.

The finding of Charles Ponzi in New Orleans several years ago and bringing him back to Houston is said to be to his credit. He is also given credit for the lead which finally discovered A. B. Crouch of Temple in New Zealand. Possibly his most famous case is said to be the detection from among 250 suspects of the man who killed a cashier of a bank at Blue Ridge, Bend county, a number of years ago. In this case the robber beat the cashier to death with the crank handle of the vault door and his detection by Mr. Lacy was made possible by finger prints.

New Trial Denied
Clyde A. McNeil was sentenced by Judge E. J. Miller Saturday afternoon to forty years in the penitentiary, following his being found guilty by a jury in District Court as a principal in the robbery of the First National Bank here March 13.

The sentence followed a motion for a new trial being over-ruled by Judge Miller. The motion was presented about six hours after the jury had brought in its verdict.

McNeil and his attorneys, A. E. Nabors and Arnold Kirkpatrick, were given eight days in which to make an appeal if they find they desire to do so.

Dead Boy Found by Merrymakers
RAYMONDVILLE, Tex., Dec. 26.—(P)—Buddie Palmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Palmer, pioneer settler of this community, was found dead in his bed about midnight with a bullet hole through his head. He was found by a party of merrymakers who had just returned from a Christmas celebration. No inquest has been held.

Dr. D. Walter Green of Mullis, S. C., killed two deer with one shot.

The University of Texas has been chosen the twenty-ninth member of the Association of American Universities.

LAND BEING CLEARED FOR DISPOSAL PLANT, FREE WOOD AVAILABLE

The work of clearing the five acres of land on the bayou where the new disposal plant is to be located is now being started, according to H. V. Hennen, city manager.

He is cutting trees on this plot, burning all the brush and will give the wood to needy families if they will haul it away, he announced Saturday. The clearing may be reached by going out Austin and then turning left and going on the road past Hot Wells.

Plans for this disposal plant are now being drawn by a Dallas firm, and they will soon be submitted to the state sanitary engineer at Austin for approval.

The Brown-Crummer Company of Wichita, Kansas, through its Dallas office, has communicated with Mr. Hennen regarding the \$160,000 revenue bonded issue for the sanitary sewer system, recently passed by the council, stating that the deeds of trust are being executed and the bonds printed.

FEDERAL FARM FACTS

PRACTICALLY all agricultural commodities were in larger quantities in cold-storage houses on Sept. 1 of this year than on the same date of last year, the U. S. Department of Agriculture says.

Practically the only exception was case eggs, the holdings of which were 8,540,000 cases this year as against 9,944,000 last year.

Since 1928, the area of the 150 national forests in the United States has increased more than 270,000 acres, according to the U. S. Forest Service. On June 30 of this year the total acreage was 159,750,520 acres and in 1928 it was 159,480,856 acres.

Five states, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Georgia, Mississippi and Louisiana, have started a pasture-improvement movement in an effort to reclaim this land. Results already obtained show that application of fertilizer, reseeding and getting rid of the weeds are the first steps in reclaiming run-down pastures.

A loss of \$40,000,000 a year is that taken by the dairy industry because of low grade milk and cream, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture. People refuse to use sour and off-flavored products, and because of this dealers refuse to purchase it from the farmers.

J. A. Tibbets Hurt in Accident Saturday Night

J. A. Tibbets of 1010 Booker, suffered severe bruises and a deep gash in the head when his car ran into a ditch at the side of the Blanket road about five miles from Brownwood Saturday night about 12 o'clock.

Mr. Tibbets was returning from Wichita Falls by way of Fort Worth. He had not known when starting on the trip that a heavy snow had fallen in Brownwood. He said that at times there would be no snow on the road and then for several yards there would be a sheet of ice across the road, which were very slick and deceiving in appearance when driving at night. The car ran onto one of these places and slipped into the ditch.

Mr. Tibbets received a cut in the head as he was thrown through the windshield and also bruised his side on the steering wheel and was rendered unconscious by his injuries. When he regained consciousness he saw the late Fort Worth bus and hailed it. He was taken at once to the Central Texas hospital where six stitches were taken to close the cut in his head.

Although Mr. Tibbets thinks his condition is not serious, he will be confined to his room for a day or two.

The two-room cabin in which Mark Twain was born was moved from Florida, Mo., to the Mark Twain State park in Monroe county, Mo.

Chops Off Finger to Avoid Chopping Wood, But Unlucky

TYLER, Texas, Dec. 23.—(P)—By the simple experiment of laying his index finger on a block and chopping it off James McCracken, alias John Lawrence Hellmers, 26, got out of cutting wood on the

Smith county farm to which he had been sentenced for a short term.

But this Spartan hasn't had any luck—that is, good luck—since.

His time up, McCracken told Farm Superintendent E. W. Gimble he would pay his court costs with a shotgun. McCracken was freed but an hour later the officers came and got him again. The gun and its case, valued at around \$70, were stolen from P. T. Cole.

McCracken went to jail again and while he was there the remnant of

a finger became infected and a surgeon had to amputate it. Then a jury decided that in the matter of the shotgun McCracken should serve two years in the state prison.

FIRE AT PAMPA

PAMPA, Tex., Dec. 26.—(P)—Fire starting in the rear of a barber shop early today spread to a cafe and dry goods store. Loss was small as the blaze was soon brought under control.



With Hearty Good Cheer

We are thinking of you at this HOLIDAY SEASON—not merely as one with whom we have had the good fortune to come into business relations, BUT AS A FRIEND—WE ARE HAPPY BECAUSE WE HAVE THAT PRICELESS ASSET—YOUR GOOD WILL.

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REV. W. H. WHITE, VETERAN PREACHER AND TEACHER, DIES

The death of Rev. William Henry White, 85, veteran preacher and teacher, occurred at his home, 1210 Irma Street, Friday afternoon at 3:15 o'clock.

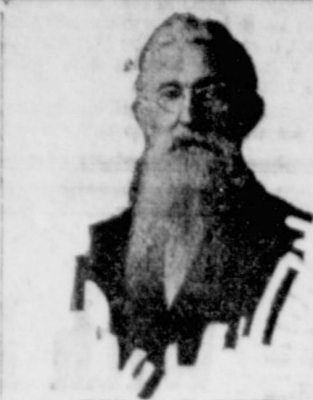
Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the First Presbyterian Church, followed by interment in Greenleaf cemetery. The funeral service was directed by Rev. W. B. Gray, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, assisted by Rev. W. R. Hornburg, D. D., pastor of the Coggin Avenue Baptist Church. Services at the cemetery were under the direction of the Masonic Lodge.

Active pall bearers were Frank Morris, James L. White, Robert H. Bingham, Jr., M. F. Mayes, Henry Mount and Ed B. Gilliam. Sr. Honorary pall bearers were members of Stonewall Jackson Camp No. 118, United Confederate Veterans.

Mr. White passed away peacefully, after a period of about two weeks of increasing weakness resulting from his advanced age. His last days were free from pain, there being no organic disorder of any kind to cause suffering. Calmly awaiting the end of his life, he was undisturbed in mind and spirit as well as in body, and fell asleep so quietly that his family were hardly aware that the end had come.

Biographical Sketch
Rev. William Henry White was a native of Rutherford county, Tennessee, where he was born November 16, 1844. His early years were spent in Tennessee, but before he reached manhood his family moved to Kentucky, and his parents, Parker Alexander and Martha Ann White, remained there until their deaths. His mother was a cousin of Jefferson Davis, president of the ill-fated Confederacy.

Before he was fully grown the Civil War began, and at the age of 19, he enlisted in the Confederate army, serving until the close of the war. It was his proud boast that he had never taken the oath of allegiance to the conquering North, and he refused to accept shortly after the war a certificate of citizenship obtained for him without his permission by a friend. He was a soldier in Company E, 12th Kentucky Cavalry, of the famous General Nathan Bedford Forrest's army, in which the late Firman R. Smith of Brownwood also served. The two were in several important battles and had many narrow escapes from death. For the past quarter of a century Mr. White has been a prominent member of the United Confed-



REV. W. H. WHITE

erate Veterans, and found great pleasure in attending the annual district and state reunions. He was a high officer in the Mountain Remnant Brigade at the time of his death.

Following the war, on January 1, 1870, he was married to Sarah C. Burns in Rutherford County, Tennessee. Three children were born to this union, of whom two survive: Walter White of San Angelo and Mrs. Annie G. Tankersley of Merzonia. Following the death of his wife, he married for a second time, his bride being Martha Adelaide Christopher, of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, the daughter of an old and aristocratic family whose fortunes were ruined by the ravages of the Civil War. Mrs. White died in Brownwood, January 16, 1921. Of this union there are two surviving children, Mrs. Jack Osburn and James C. White, both of Brownwood. On Thanksgiving Day, 1924, he was married to Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Curtis in Brownwood, and she was his faithful companion until the last hour of his life. One brother, John L. White, lives at Malakoff, Texas.

Scholar and Theologian
Mr. White had a notable career as a teacher and preacher, and until the last day of his life was a student who found his greatest joy in searching for undiscovered truths. He joined the Masonic lodge in 1868, and the Odd Fellows in 1880. In early life he was converted and became a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and for six years was a minister for that denomination. Last June he attended the one hundredth meeting of the General Assembly of his church, which was held in Tennessee near his old home. He was a member of

Brownwood Presbytery of his church. There were few men in this part of Texas who possessed such outstanding scholarship as Mr. White, although he habitually refrained from self-assertiveness and rarely mentioned the educational training which he had secured at great cost of hardship during his early life. He was a graduate of Kentucky Teachers Normal, Concord College, Southwestern University in Tennessee and Cumberland University, and held the degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Master of Pedagogy, two degrees of Bachelor of Divinity and the Master of Arts degree from those institutions. In addition, he had done considerable work a few years ago before his strength began to fail toward the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Chicago.

To secure this educational training he was required to work his way through school, teaching part of the time, preaching for small congregations on Sundays, and doing a great deal of night work. After a few years of teaching experience, he founded and served as president of Turrentine Academy in Bedford County, Tennessee. Among the former students of whom he was particularly proud was Dr. Philander Claxton, who served as United States Commissioner of Education during the Woodrow Wilson administrations. After coming to Texas, about 1880, he was the first president of Buffalo Gap College, at Buffalo Gap, and some years later served again as the last president of that institution. He taught in the public schools in this county in 1893 and 1894, after moving here from West Texas, where he preached, taught school, drilled water wells and dealt in livestock until his fortunes were ruined by the drought that reached its climax in 1893. He moved to Brownwood in June, 1903, and lived here from that time, doing carpentering and cabinet work whenever he was physically able. He held a number of important pastorates for his church at various places in Texas and in Tennessee, but devoted much of his time to outpost work for his church in home mission territory.

Searched for Truth
The greatest disappointment of Mr. White's life, perhaps, was his inability, due to falling strength and eyesight, to compile in book form the results of his lifetime study of psychology, theology and that phase of science which has to do with man's origin and his relation to God. That the work was delayed until it was too late for him to begin had not there was a truth having a bearing upon his theories which he had not yet discovered; and in pursuit of such a truth he studied constantly, reading whole libraries of books discussing the subjects in which he was interested, and seeking by personal devotions to secure divine guidance and help.

In his declining years, after active labor was no longer possible and his failing strength gave warning that the end was not far distant, he found a great deal of joy in sitting quietly by his fireside and discussing with his friends the things that were uppermost in his mind and heart. He had a remarkable insight of Jesus Christ as the savior of the world as any man could have, and seemed to have laid aside all thought as to whether he might have another day or another year on earth as he calmly waited for the call of his Lord and Master. Until a week before his death, his remarkable mind was clear, and his brain was active. He was schooled in his early life to avoid worry and to lay aside anxiety as unbecoming one whose faith was pledged to God, and it was with that spirit that he lived during his last days.

Dignified in demeanor, carefully accurate in diction, undemonstrative but devoted to his family and friends, never excited and not easily angered, Mr. White was a remarkable type of old-time Southern manhood that was the product of good breeding, good training and a clear-cut vision of the mission he had to perform in life. He lived long and usefully, and looked upon death simply as the occasion for finding the solution of all the mysteries about which he had thought so much and sometimes had found to be so baffling to a finite mind, even such a mind as that with which God had endowed him.

HALL FIRE LOSS ESTIMATED AT OVER \$10,000

Fire and water made a complete wreck of the L. E. Hall Music Company stock at 112 East Lee Street about midnight Saturday, the fire department working with difficulty in nearly zero weather.

The origin was undetermined, but it was thought to have started from possible defective wiring. The fire seemed to have started from a work bench and then worked its way to a point between the ceiling and the roof, going from front to back, and making it difficult for the firemen to reach it.

Pianos, records, talking machines and other musical instruments were injured from the intense heat. Mr. Hall estimates his loss at from \$10,000 to \$12,000, much of it covered by insurance. The building, owned by the Mayes Printing Company, was damaged to an extent of not less than \$2,000, covered by insurance.

The fire was discovered about 11:30 Saturday night by employees of the Central Drug store who heard the roar of the flames across the alley.

There was a record cold spell on at the time of the fire, and the chemical and hand pumps on the small fire truck were found to be frozen after the fire.

SIX INCHES SNOW HERE

Snow started falling in Brownwood about 5:00 o'clock Thursday afternoon and continued falling almost constantly up until 9 o'clock Friday morning. The official weather report at that time said that six inches of snow had fallen. This is the largest snow that has fallen in Brownwood since January 23rd, 1926, when 6 1/2 inches fell here. However, year before last on February 10th there fell in this vicinity 3 1/2 inches of snow and sleet.

The latest snow that was ever known to fall in this country, it is said, was on April 16th, 1928. At that time there was only a slight snow, but was enough for an official report to be made of it to the United States Weather Bureau.

Other towns in this district also received more or less heavy snows and the following reports, without estimate of the depth of the snow, but where it is understood the snows were quite heavy are given to The Bulletin: Bangs, Ballinger, Birds Store, Comanche, Coleman, Dublin, Indian Creek, Lampasas, May, Rising Star, Rochelle, Richland Springs, San Saba, San Angelo, Santa Anna, Talpa, Valera, Waco and Zephyr.

Blanket reports 5 inches of snow. Eden reports 5 inches. Both Lometa and Menard report 10 inches of snow.

Aid to Grain Crops
County Agent O. P. Griffin states that the snow will be very beneficial to wheat, barley and oat crops. He also says that the snow will put a good season in the ground for crops that are to be planted, saying that when snow melted it went directly into the ground and was better than rain for putting moisture in the ground. A good snow always insures a good small grain crop, it is said.

Although the snow probably injured the livestock right at present, it will help them considerably in the long run, thinks Mr. Griffin, as it will make the pastures so much better next spring.

CHARGE OF RECKLESS DRIVING FOLLOWS CAR AND TRUCK COLLISION

A collision Monday night of a truck in which were George Graves and James Timmins of Zephyr, with a car in which were Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Nichols and children of Grosvenor, wrecked the car and bruised and cut the Nichols family. The accident occurred on the lower end of West Broadway near the laundry about 7 p. m. Mrs. Nichols was hurt on one knee, and one of her daughters was hurt on her knee and received a cut above one eye.

Graves and Timmins were fined in police court Tuesday morning on a charge of reckless driving and paid fines and costs totaling \$19.75 each.

Marriage Licenses

- Travis S. Lappe and Miss Grace Trigg.
- George Matlock and Miss Doris Grooms.
- Normie S. Christy and Miss Lucille Curry.
- Intend to Marry: Frank Scales and Miss Lucille Smith.
- Elmo R. Reasoner and Miss Jewell Hester.
- Ira Alldredge and Mrs. Abby Johnson.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE FOR SUNDAY, DEC. 22

The Sunday school attendance on December 22 was 1,703, which was 1345 less than on the previous Sunday.

First Baptist	357
Central Methodist	304
First Methodist	303
Coggin Ave. Baptist	291
First Christian	118
Austin Ave. Presbyterian	102
Church of Christ	100
First Presbyterian	82
Melwood Ave. Baptist	55
Edwards St. Presbyterian	34
Ave. C. Cooperative Methodist	33
Johnson Memorial Methodist	24
Belle Plain Baptist	14
Milton Avenue Baptist	7

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Henry Sapp Is Held Here on a Hijacking Charge

Henry Sapp was placed under arrest Monday by Deputy Sheriff Luther Guthrie and charged with robbery by firearms after having been allegedly recognized by the two men held up Wednesday night.

Sheriff Denman Given New Car

Sheriff M. H. Denman was given a new car for his duties, the Commissioners Court deciding in a meeting Monday to purchase for him a new model Ford four door sedan.

Driver Escapes Injury as Car Goes Into Ditch

H. Y. Price, who was traveling from Evans to his home at Lubbock, received no injuries when the Chevrolet coach he was driving slipped into a ten-foot ditch about three miles from Brownwood on the Zephyr road last night.

W. M. Baugh Bags Two Fine Deer

Shot within half a minute of each other W. M. Baugh, former city councilman, brought back to Brownwood last week-end two fine bucks, one a ten and the other an eleven pointer.

Brownwood Man Named on State Highway Patrol

G. A. Freese of Brownwood was one of the forty-six men chosen by the Highway Commission to make up the new state highway patrol. Mr. Freese was for some time on the police force in Brownwood.

NEWSBOYS GUESTS OF SOUTHERN

Brownwood's newsboys, an institution in its own rights, enjoyed the treat of their young lives Saturday noon when they assembled around the festive board at the Southern Hotel as honor guests of the hotel management.

'Creeps' Discussed by Farm Expert

"Creeps," seemingly a bone disease of cattle, has been brought to the attention of J. T. Stovall, vocational agricultural instructor of the Chamber of Commerce, who comments on it, and offers a cure and a preventative as follows:

VALERA BANK ROBBED BY TWO BANDITS

Police and sheriff's office of Brownwood were notified at about 9:35 this morning that the bank at Valera, Coleman county, had been robbed, and stationed men to be on the lookout for a 1929 Model Buick coupe, in which the robbers were said to have escaped.

Vote of Thanks

But the newsies paused long enough in their merry making to give a rising vote of thanks to the hotel management and their hosts on this annual and delightful occasion.

LEGION AND C. C. TO WORK FOR BROWNWOOD AS HOSPITAL LOCATION

Brownwood as the location for one of the Veterans' Bureau hospitals which were recently authorized to be built by Congress, will be pushed by the joint efforts of the local American Legion post and the Chamber of Commerce.

Jewels in Watches

The use of the jewel bearings for watch pivots was introduced by Nicholas Fair about the middle of the eighteenth century.



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CHRISTMAS

Brings Back Big Number of Ducks

W. H. Dean, traveling man for the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, of Brownwood and his wife have returned from a two week's stay on the coast near Rockport, Texas.

Pilferers Take Christmas Lights

Pilferers have been busy the past few nights along Austin Avenue taking Christmas lights from trees in front of a number of homes.

Investigation of Oil Refineries at San Antonio

AUSTIN, Dec. 17.—(P)—Attorney General R. L. Robbitt, Assistant Attorney General R. M. Tilley and Comptroller S. H. Terrell will go to San Antonio tomorrow to begin an investigation of reported activities of some refineries and other distributors to evade the gasoline tax.

Information for Sailors

An integral part of the United States navy is the hydrographic office. There are 19 branch hydrographic offices in the principal seaports of the country and its possessions, where mariners may obtain latest accurate information in regard to their charts and publications.

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to our friends everywhere our BEST WISHES for a MERRY CHRISTMAS, and also hope that this store has contributed to your happiness and comfort in the fullest extent.

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News of Brown County Communities

Blanket

Blanket snow that has fallen in the last few years, fell on Monday night, it being the first of the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lambert of Fort Worth was visiting here a short time Thursday.

Misses Nina Dossey and Audie Lee Austin of John Tarleton College of Stephenville, came in Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. Goss Cobb of Duster spent Thursday night with Dr. and Mrs. D. P. Cobb.

Miss Thelma Switzer's expression class gave an entertaining program in the high school auditorium Thursday night.

Miss Ruth Milner of O'Donnell is at home for the holidays.

Little Bettie Sue Knol who was reported very ill with diphtheria in a local hospital of Brownwood last week, was able to be moved home the first of the week.

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Wishes for the bride were read as telegrams. Mrs. Inez Wilson acting as announcer kept her audience in laughter, while the program was pronounced the most clever anyone has ever seen in Bangs.

Miss Inez expressed her appreciation to her friends for this court-meeting of the "Ladies Aid" had ever attended; as this was the pretense under which Mrs. Holder

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Roy Simpson purchased a new Whippet car from our local dealer, J. B. Brin last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Moore and daughter Miss Stella and sons, Rev. C. A. and Ruben of Blanket, visited friends here Monday. They were on their way to visit relatives in Click.

Rev. Edgar Richardson who was assigned to the pastorate of the Nazarene church here, resigned and Rev. Brazilton of Red Rock has accepted the work. Rev. Richardson has an invalid brother who was unable to move here and he also has a mother to care for. This being the case he thought best to resign the work at this place. Rev. Richardson and family are located in the parsonage near the church.

Goldthwaite people are again hopeful of a gas line through here. It is reported that a line will go from Brownwood to Lampasas and is to be built by the Metropolitan Bond and Share Corporation of Dallas.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

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Byrds

Hello everybody

Christmas is here, lots of news, but no time to write it.

The Christmas tree at Byrds school house Monday night, was a big success, a beautiful tree, well decorated and loaded with presents for both young and old. Everybody had a good time. Everybody agreed on the ability of Mr. Top Windward to select a perfect Christmas tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Newton is spending Christmas with his sister, Mrs. Cox on the plains.

Mr. Jim Phillips went to Austin Friday, after his daughter, Amelie who is in school there. Miss Amelie will spend the holidays with her parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Pierce is spending the holidays with her parents at Temple, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Karnegay are the proud parents of a girl, born December 17th, they call her Ala Marie. We welcome little Ala Marie to our community.

Mrs. Jack Young and son, William Penn, went to Little Rock, Arkansas Sunday to visit her children, who are in school there.

Mrs. Lon Narron gave a party Saturday night. Everybody reported a good time.

Mr. Bob Newton and Mr. Dick Cagle went to Lubbock Friday and returned Saturday.

Mr. Baskins and two daughters, Winnie Pearl and Ella May are spending the holidays with relatives at Byrds.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Narron is spending the holidays with her mother at Rauli, Texas.

Miss Ruth Stewart is visiting in Brownwood this week.

Miss Viola Moore of Brownwood is spending Christmas with her sister, Mrs. E. W. Lawrence.

Our Sunday school attendance was off some last Sunday, which I'm sure was on account of the cold weather. But lets be careful, and not let it go down this winter. Everybody be there next Sunday.

Mr. Oscar Keller went to Cross Plains Monday.

Most everybody from Byrds went on a shopping tour in Brownwood Saturday and Monday.

Mrs. Thompson's little grand son, Grady Thompson of Brownwood, is visiting her this week.

Wishing you one and all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

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Old Santa was in town Monday and presented all the good children the candy and fruit the Lions Club had requested him to bring. Notwithstanding the cold and sloppy condition of the roads, quite a crowd of children were here to see him and receive their gifts.

County Clerk L. B. C

Santa Anna Grid Outfit Given Feast

SANTA ANNA, Texas, Dec. 23.—(AP)—The Santa Anna football team held its annual banquet in the Home Economics rooms of the High School last night with about thirty present, including teachers, members of the squad and pep squad girls. A very enjoyable program was rendered between courses of the delicious repast. Coach J. R. Lock told of the success of the team the past season and thanked the boys for their cooperation and the splendid fighting spirit shown throughout the season. A. Ben Oliver, principal of Santa Anna High, made an impromptu speech on "The Value of Football in High School." This instructive address was followed by a speech by J. M. Bustin, instructor in Vocational Agriculture, on the subject, "My Reaction to Football the Past Season." These addresses by members of the faculty showed that the school is behind athletics. The speeches were followed by the election of the captain for the 1930 team. There were several eligible but "Rookie" Turner, center, and outstanding defensive star of the 1929 team, was elected. He succeeds his brother, Buster Turner, who was quarterback and incidentally, the greatest offensive man the past season.

Following speeches by the captain—

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Houston Attorney Plans Prosecution Four Defendants

HOUSTON, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Deceived in two attempts to convict accused members of a band which lynched Robert Powell, negro, here in June, 1928, District Attorney O'Brien Stevens planned today to prosecute the four remaining defendants some time after the new year.

Howard Minton, former taxicab checker, was acquitted late Saturday. Charlie Oldham previously had been freed, and the indictment against T. J. Reese was dismissed.

A. M. Kent, Clyde Shuck and A. B. Wheeler, under murder charges, and John Kent, charged as an accomplice, are those still to be tried.

Powell, alleged slayer of a detective, was taken from a hospital bed by the hangmen. He had been wounded.

Borden County Has Sent No One to Penitentiary

BIG SPRING, Texas, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Prohibition and crime waves notwithstanding, there is, at least, one county in these United States from which not a person has been sentenced to the penitentiary. It is Borden county, Texas, of which Gail is the seat.

But the huge total of eight indictments resulted from the grand jury's last session and when Judge Fritz R. Smith convenes a term of district court Monday, December 23, the stage may be set for fracturing the record.

Court attaches explain that inadequate jury room facilities at Gail have led to transference of important criminal cases to other counties.

FREEZE FISH FRESH

KILL, Germany—A new method of freezing fish will keep them fresh for more than nine months. By dipping them into a salt solution about four degrees Fahrenheit, a trawler here freezes them in a few seconds. The fiber of the fish does not change by the newly patented method.

The site for the White House at Washington, D. C. was selected by President Washington and Major Pierre L'Enfant when they laid out the city of Washington in 1791.

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By the ingenuity of C. C. Wilson a radio set was installed over which the following program was heard from another room: "This is station KUPID, operated on 540 meters, 1200 kilocycles, by authority of the Federal Radio Commission. The program is being sponsored by the Fallen Ones of Dan Cupid. First on program, song, Romeo and Juliet. Reading, "A Man Without a Woman." Song "I'm Tired of Living Alone." An original love story, Song, "There's No Place Like Home." Talk on married life. Song, "We're Sorry You're Going Away." KUPID signed off with a song. There's nothing more to say until a later period.

Wishes for the bride were read as telegrams. Mrs. Ina Wilson acting as announcer kept her audience in laughter, while the clever program was pronounced the most clever anyone has ever seen in Bangs.

Miss Inez expressed her appreciation to her friends for this courtesy, saying this was the best "call" meeting of the "Ladies Aid" she had ever attended; as this was the pretense under which Mrs. Holder

induced her to be present, the real purpose of the meeting being to surprise the honoree.

Zephyr

This community was visited by about a fourteen inch snow Friday which was a great benefit to the farmers.

Miss Nona Cobb is spending the holiday with homefolks.

Mrs. Myrtle McKinney was shopping in Brownwood Monday.

Mr. Ernest Locks of Abilene, spent few days in Zephyr.

Miss Lulu Cunningham was shopping in Brownwood Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Driskill of Sabinal spent a few days visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Petty of this place.

Ben Waldrow is visiting friends and relatives of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Melton, were shopping in Brownwood Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Piller are the proud parents of a fine boy.

Miss Shirley Baker, who is teaching school at Prairie spent the week with homefolks.

Mrs. Ernest Locks and daughters left Monday for Trent where they will spend Christmas.

Mr. George Graves of Littlefield is visiting in Zephyr.

Misses Marzelle Boland and Myrtle McKinney, who are attending school in Brownwood are visiting friends and relatives of this place.

Miss Lillie Beth Morris left Friday to spend the holidays with homefolks in East Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wiley and daughter, Christine of Austin spent a few days visiting in Zephyr.

Mrs. G. L. Piller was shopping in Brownwood Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Piller of Abilene spent Wednesday in the home of J. A. Cunningham.

Miss Morzell Boland entertained a number of her friends with a candy making Saturday night. Several different kinds of candy were made and served to the following: Misses Anna Petty, Lelias Van Zandt, Jewel Baker, Alla Rae Coffey, Sherley Baker, Ethelmore Piller, Messers Harold Gist, Lyn Coffey, Morris Reasoner, Marvin Coffey, Andy Baker and others. Everyone had a real nice time.

Mr. Lewis Horner made a business trip to Brownwood Saturday.

Mrs. J. A. Braddock left last week for Wickett, where she will visit at that place.

Mr. John Baker left last week for Trent.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Boland and family spent Wednesday in Mullin.

Mr. J. E. Beyer of California is visiting friends and relatives at this place.

Byrds

Hello everybody
Christmas is here, lots of news, but no time to write it.

The Christmas tree at Byrds school house Monday night, was a big success, a beautiful tree, well decorated and loaded with presents for both young and old. Everybody had a good time. Everybody agreed on the ability of Mr. Top Windam to select a perfect Christmas tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Newton is spending Christmas with his sister, Mrs. Cox, on the plains.

Mr. Jim Phillips went to Austin Friday, after his daughter, Ameline who is in school there. Miss Ameline will spend the holidays with her parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Pierce is spending the holidays with her parents at Temple, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Karmegay are the proud parents of a girl, born December 17th, they call her Ala Marie. We welcome little Ala Marie to our community.

Mrs. Jack Young and son, William Penn, went to Little Rock, Arkansas Sunday to visit her children, who are in school there.

Mrs. Lon Narron gave a party Saturday night. Everybody reported a good time.

Mr. Bob Newton and Mr. Dick Cagle went to Lubbock Friday and returned Saturday.

Mr. Baskins and two daughters, Winnie Pearl and Ella May are spending the holidays with relatives at Byrds.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Narron is spending the holidays with her mother at Raul, Texas.

Miss Ruth Stewart is visiting in Brownwood this week.

Miss Viola Moore of Brownwood is spending Christmas with her sister, Mrs. R. W. Lawrence.

Our Sunday school attendance was off some last Sunday, which I'm sure was on account of the cold weather. But lets be careful, and not let it go down this winter. Everybody be there next Sunday.

Mr. Oscar Keller went to Cross Plains Monday.

Most everybody from Byrds went on a shopping tour in Brownwood Saturday and Monday.

Mrs. Thompson's little grand son, Grady, Thompson of Brownwood, is visiting her this week.

Wishing you one and all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

The Community Gossiper.

Godthwaite

The biggest snow that has fallen in several years fell here last Friday afternoon and night, also Saturday until late in the afternoon. It was estimated at 18 inches. Grain was needing rain very badly and the snow was the thing for it.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wims of Houston visited their cousin, Miss Lois Puller, for a short time Monday. They were on their way to Blanket to spend Christmas with Mrs. Wims' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Deen.

Old Santa was in town Monday and presented all the good children the candy and fruit the Lions Club had requested him to bring. Notwithstanding the cold and sloppy condition the roads, quite a crowd of children were here to see him and receive their gifts.

County Clerk L. B. C

Santa Anna Grid Outfit Given Feast

SANTA ANNA, Texas, Dec. 23.—(AP)—The Santa Anna football team held its annual banquet in the Home Economics rooms of the High School last night with about thirty present, including teachers, members of the squad and pep squad girls. A very enjoyable program was rendered between courses of the delicious repast. Coach J. R. Lock told of the success of the team the past season and thanked the boys for their cooperation and the splendid fighting spirit shown throughout the season.

A Ben Oliver, principal of Santa Anna High, made an impromptu speech on "The Value of Football in High School." This instructive address was followed by a speech by J. M. Binson, instructor in Vocational Agriculture, on the subject "My Reaction to Football the Past Season." These addresses by members of the faculty showed that the school is behind athletics. The speeches were followed by the election of the captain for the 1930 team. There were several eligible but "Rookie" Turner, center, and outstanding defensive star of the 1929 team, was elected. He succeeds his brother, Buster Turner, who was quarterback and incidentally, the greatest offensive man this past season.

Following speeches by the captain,

elect and the chance to along the bl Sweaters did not arrive at the banquet following the the toastmaster The following came sweater Jewel Hill, win Rollins, Gipson, Garr Pieratt, Curran, Arthur H. Smith. Five this year.

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Houston Attorney Plans Prosecution Four Defendants

HOUSTON, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Defeated in two attempts to convict accused members of a band which lynched Robert Powell, negro, here in June, 1928, District Attorney O'Brien Stevens planned today to prosecute the four remaining defendants some time after the new year.

Howard Minton, former taxicab checker, was acquitted late Saturday. Charlie Oldham previously had been freed, and the indictment against T. J. Reese was dismissed.

A. M. Kent, Clyde Shuck and A. B. Wheeler, under murder charges, and John Kent, charged as an accomplice, are those still to be tried. Powell, alleged slayer of a detective, was taken from a hospital bed by the hangmen. He had been wounded.

Borden County Has Sent No One to Penitentiary

BIG SPRING, Texas, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Prohibition and crime waves notwithstanding, there is, at least, one county in these United States from which not a person has been sentenced to the penitentiary.

It is Borden county, Texas, of which Gail is the seat.

But the huge total of eight indictments resulted from the grand jury's last session and when Judge Fritz R. Smith convenes a term of district court Monday, December 23, the stage may be set for fracturing the record.

Court attaches explain that inadequate jury room facilities at Gail have led to transference of important criminal cases to other counties.

FREEZE FISH FRESH

KIEL, Germany—A new method of freezing fish will keep them fresh for more than nine months. By dipping them into a salt solution about four degrees Fahrenheit, a trawler here freezes them in a few seconds. The fiber of the fish does not change by the newly patented method.

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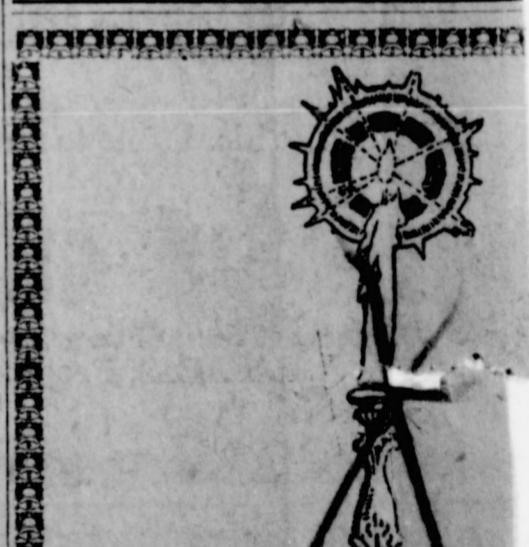
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