

## Prospects Good for Expansion Exploration

## Coming To Close Seen Much Activity With New Pools Opened New Year May See West of Pecos.

Eastern New Mexico as the most flatteringly prospective area for the expansion of an exploration campaign covering a wide area for 1938. Several factors will either help or hinder the expansion of oil and gas.

Of vital importance is the demand or market for oil and gas. The allowable is based on the factor which might hamper the removal of the depletion allowance by the government. If such is taken, oil men fear that they will receive a death blow to wildcatting.

The year 1937 has been probably the most active of any like period in the history of the southeastern New Mexico oil industry. More discoveries have been made than in any other year; likewise, more acreage has been proven in the region of known fields of oil and gas and the discovery of at least two new fields or pools, one in Lea county in the Ventura and one in south Eddy county in the Black River district.

Other prolific pools have been discovered in Eddy county and in Lea county with the discovery of at least two pools in each county.

The year 1937 has also seen the opening of the Trans-Pecos Pipe line, which has afforded a coastal outlet to a foreign market to much of Eddy county oil. This outlet has stimulated developments in Eddy county as nothing else has and has resulted in the opening of some of the biggest pools yet found in this section.

Setting has spread to other parts of eastern New Mexico, and most of the wells drilled there to test the formations, have not discouraged the oil men.

Some of the brightest pictures looking for the possibilities of exploration in the Pecos river. Two companies have spent considerable time in doing geophysical work of the river and this is expected to lead to one or more new testing formations with good spots near the foothills of the west of here.

## Albuquerque Mayor Is Charged With Embezzlement Funds

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.—Mayor Charles Lembke of Albuquerque yesterday was charged with embezzlement of approximately \$12,000 of city funds and a warrant issued through the district attorney's office.

## Stockmen Ask For Revaluation 1938 Valuations

SANTA FE—Benj. D. Luchini, chief state tax commissioner, Tuesday sought legal advice whether the state could grant pleas for a reconsideration of 1938 livestock valuations.

Termining "our members in serious financial condition," presidents of the Cattle and Wool Growers associations of New Mexico requested revaluations.

## New High Taxes Seen For 1938

WASHINGTON — A United States Chamber of Commerce committee Saturday predicted the total taxes to be paid in 1938 would touch a new high—\$13,500,000,000.

A special committee of the chamber said available data indicated federal taxes would constitute \$6,400,000,000 of the total, with state and local taxes accounting for the remaining \$7,100,000,000.

## BAKER FUNERAL RITES TUESDAY

CLEVELAND—Newton D. Baker, secretary of war in the critical World War years, was buried in Cleveland's Lakeview cemetery near the graves of John D. Rockefeller and Myron T. Herrick, former ambassador to France.

## Driver's License Law To Operate

The driver's license law, enacted by the last state legislature is expected to go in effect here soon. Definite information on the new setup was expected yesterday, but did not arrive.

Some of the high points of the new law are: All owners of motor vehicles must have a license to operate their vehicles as well as others who may drive the vehicle any time during the year.

## General News Briefs

Congressional leaders said Sunday the slow down in business has virtually destroyed hopes for an early balance of the national budget.

## First Aid For Ailing Oil Wells

One of the latest professions is "doctoring" ailing oil wells. Some oil wells have a habit of ceasing more or less suddenly, to produce as much as usual.

There's little mystery about it. The acid, used particularly in fields having limestone formation, eats out new channels for underground. These permit the oil to reach the well.

## SCIENCE CAN IMPROVE DIET OF MOST FAMILIES

To find out how the American family fares on its food expenditures, Dr. Hazel K. Stiebeling, senior food economist of the Bureau of Home Economics, analyzed diets of 25,000 representative city, village and rural families, classifying them into four grades on the basis of their nutritive value.

All diets among families spending less than \$85 per person per year for food were very poor. At least ten percent of the families were in this spending category.

## STATE'S OIL ALLOWANCE DROPS FOR JANUARY

SANTA FE—Output of the New Mexico oil fields for the month of January was restricted to 103,100 barrels daily for domestic use and 4,000 barrels for export by action of the state Oil Conservation Commission Monday.

## UNEMPLOYED LIST GROWS

WASHINGTON — Works Progress officials last week estimated 2,000,000 persons have become unemployed since September 1 and that 1,000,000 might be added by the end of February.

## WHITE STICKERS DUE

Attention is called to the fact that a white windshield sticker should be attached to the windshield of your car before January 1st. The sticker indicates that your brakes, lights and steering gear have been tested and found to be in working order.

Incidentally, the color scheme to be used in the windshield stickers is the same as 1936. A white sticker will be used the first four months of the year a red sticker the next four months and a yellow the last four months of the year.

## Farmers Making Plans For 1938

Local farmers have begun making plans for the 1938 crops. While cotton picking is still in order, the bulk of the crop has been gathered and quite a few farmers have started breaking ground and preparing lands for the various crops of next year.

Cotton will still be king in the valley, but the acreage will not be as large in 1938 as in 1937, due to the fact that the majority of farmers will cooperate with the 1938 farm program and to the prevailing low price of cotton.

## Pioneer Rancher Dies Tuesday Eve

Bruce Conner, aged 67, well known eastern New Mexico stockman, died at his home in the Berrendo community, north of Roswell, Tuesday night after a two months illness.

Conner, one of the few remaining old time stockmen located in the southwest in 1891, first establishing a ranch near the present town of Lovington.

Surviving are a widow and three sons, Glenn, Paul and Howard Conner. Also three brothers, Abe Conner, Ed Conner of Artesia and Jim Conner of Joinersville, Texas and a sister, Mrs. John Atkins of Dallas, Texas.

## TWO MILLION DOLLAR HIGHWAY CONSIDERED

SANTA FE—Grover Conroy, state highway engineer, disclosed Monday that he is studying a proposal for a new highway route between Santa Fe and Las Vegas which would cost in excess of \$2,000,000.

## CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

### Methodist Sunday School Christmas Party

On last Thursday afternoon the basement of the Methodist church was beautifully decorated when Misses Esther James, Almetta Growden and Mmes. B. F. Gehman and Elwood Watford entertained the beginners, the primary department and the junior department of the Sunday school with a Christmas party.

### Christmas Dinner at the Jim McKinstry's

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McKinstry and Peggy were hosts to a delicious Christmas dinner on Christmas day.

### The Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Strickland and son Austin were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bramblet and Mrs. Georgia Kerwin and sons on Christmas day.

### Marvin Tollett of Santa Fe spent the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Burck as the guest of Miss Mary Burck.

### Mr. and Mrs. Garland Stuart enjoyed a Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Austin Stuart of Artesia on Christmas night.

### At the J. L. Kings' on Christmas day for dinner were: Mr. and Mrs. Rufus King and Neal, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Streety and family, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Atwood, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Stuart, Clarence King, Norma Jo and Willis Gene King and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Scherholdt.

### Family Dinner At L. R. Burcks

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Burck were hosts to a delicious dinner on Christmas day. The long table was beautiful with the tall candles and place cards. Seated with the hosts were Mr. and Mrs. Billy Jo Burck of Roswell, Mr. and Mrs. James Burck and children and Misses Esther James and Hannah Burck.

### Christmas Dinner At the Menouds

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Menoud were hosts to a delightful dinner on Christmas day. Present were Mrs. A. M. Hedges, Ned Hedges and family, Will Walden and Betty of Lake Arthur, Victor Walden, Miss Wilma Walden, W. B. Newton of High Rolls, Gene and Florence Menoud.

## Plan To Issue Federal License All Businesses

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## PRODUCTION CREDIT ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO  
MESSENGER READERS

Effective January 1, 1938  
The Messenger has found it  
necessary to increase the  
price of its subscription be-  
cause of the sharp advance  
in the price of news print.  
In order to increase the  
circulation rate was made  
with reluctance.

Subscribers will recall  
that the subscription price  
has voluntarily reduced  
several years ago during  
the depression. At the time  
we were printing a four  
column page.  
At that time the size of  
the Messenger was increased  
to eight pages without an  
increase in the subscription  
price.

Now we find we are  
unable to make other and in-  
crease the new price after  
January 1st will be \$1.50





News Review of Current Events

CONGRESS DOES LITTLE President's "Must" Program Virtually Wrecked . . . Panay Bombing Still a Live Issue

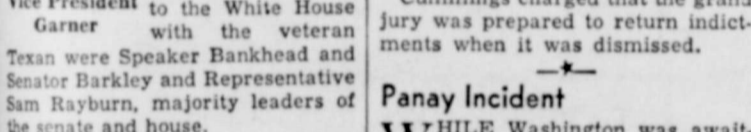


Ambassador Hiroshi Saito of Japan and Mme. Saito photographed as they were leaving the Japanese embassy in Washington for the White House to attend the state reception for the diplomatic corps.

Edward W. Pickard SUMMARIZES THE WORLD'S WEEK

F.D.R.'s Program Battered

CONGRESS, in virtual revolt against the administration, was on the eve of adjournment for the holidays, and the special session in its month of existence had done almost nothing in the way of carrying out the legislative program which the President had laid before it.



Vice President Garner

It was hoped the new housing bill could be pushed through the senate before adjournment, having been approved by committee after passage by the house, 325 to 23. There was not much opposition to this measure, which administration leaders said would lead to the construction and sale of millions of new homes, most of them to cost about \$4,000.

Crop control bills were passed by both senate and house, but they differed widely and early final enactment was impossible because the joint conference between committees of the two houses to reconcile the measures could not get into action before January.

Wage-Hour Bill Killed

WHEN the bill for regulation of wages and hours, approved by the senate in August, came up for action in the house the President suffered one of his greatest legislative defeats. Southern Democrats and the Republican minority combined to send the measure back to the labor committee, which meant its definite defeat.

No action was taken on the President's other "must" measures, which were for revision of anti-trust laws, regional planning and federal government reorganization.

Advocates of the ever-normal granary bill, which passed the senate, contend it will stabilize both prices and supplies of five major crops and so benefit farmers and consumers.

China Won't Give Up

IN HANKOW, now the Chinese capital, high officials declared China would make no peace overtures to Japan but would fight to the end. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek was perfecting a new plan for military operations.

Cummings Accuses Judge

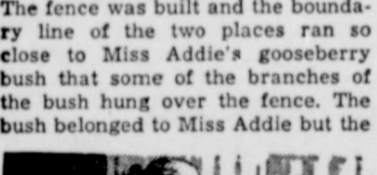
CONGRESS was asked by Attorney General Cummings to investigate the conduct of United States District Judge Ferdinand Geiger of Milwaukee in connection with the latter's discharge of a grand jury which was investigating



The NEW YEAR'S RECONCILIATION



ADDDIE ROOT and Mattie Campbell had always been friends until Miss Mattie claimed Miss Addie's dog chased her cat and tore up her flowers.



Hirohito



The Jar Had Held Candied Ginger in Miss Addie's Childhood.

fruit on Miss Mattie's side of the fence Miss Mattie claimed. So Miss Addie picked the fruit on her side of the fence and Miss Mattie that on hers.

Watch Night

On New Year's eve midnight masses and watchnight services are held everywhere, while those less inclined to religious observances make the closing minutes of the year an occasion for jollity.

January Was for Janus, God of New Adventures

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New Year's at White House

Since the White House was not completed during our first President's lifetime, the John Adamsons were the first presidential family to occupy it. The first drawing room or New Year's reception was held in the "President's palace," as it was then referred to, on New Year's day, 1801.

Ready for 1938



Welcome, New Year

WELCOME to you, New Year, enter newborn king— Can you tell us something of the tidings that you bring? Do you carry happiness, enough to last the year? Do you sing a song of joy To cast out doubt and fear?

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Lesson for January 2 THE GOSPEL OF MARK: A PREVIEW

LESSON TEXT—Mark 10:35-45. GOLDEN TEXT—And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be the servant of all.—Mark 10:44. PRIMARY TOPIC—What Two Brothers Asked Jesus.

Beginning a New Year is always a thrilling experience. The thought of an unwritten record is a pleasant one and at the same time most solemnizing.

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Blue Wings By LYDIA LION ROBERTS

SHORT STORY

THE little girl looked like a miniature carved figure in the middle of the big white bed. The slender little hands on the smooth sheet lay soft and still in limp perfection.

"No," the white lids lifted quickly, showing dark eyes that were luminous in a milk white face, then the lids dropped definitely and blankness reigned.

Mrs. Gordon sighed and looked at the cup. She fought a losing battle every three hours.

"Time for the temperature, dear. Slip this into your mouth." She hated the bright thermometer. It seemed to twinkle with fendish delight as she held it up to the light and read its message in dreadful, silent code—one hundred five—one hundred three—one hundred six—one hundred four. It was the same, over and over, day after day.

"She is no worse. We've got to win." Every morning and evening the doctor said it.

"Open your mouth and take a weeny bit," she begged again. "No," said the little girl from the depths of the big white bed.

"She must take it or she will not live." The doctor's warning tolled again solemnly in the quiet room. "Pretty." A gleam of light passed over the pearly face as the little girl spoke.

Startled, the mother bent over her. "Pretty." One hand came up quickly and fluttered down as if a white flower had fallen.

The hand had pointed straight at the pendant swinging free from the mother's neck as she hovered and brooded over the child. The butterfly pendant, blue wings edged with gold.

Blue wings! That was what she wanted for the little girl. Not white wings, like the other baby angels playing in the meadows of heaven. Blue of meadow flowers, of a summer sky, twinkling through green-leaved branches, the blue of the ocean against white sand, of a lake dropped into a green valley among fragrant pines, like a star fallen in quiet beauty to its resting place. Blue wings!

"Look at the blue wings," gently called the mother. The dark eyes opened and fastened on the pendant.

"Blue flowers, like a field of stars for you to play with," said Ruth's mother. "The blue of the ocean where you and I will go bathing. Blue butterflies that go whirling and dancing in the sunlight. Watch the blue wings, dear, and drink this."

Slowly the little mouth opened while the dark eyes dreamed on the blue wings.

"I want—one—like—that." The voice died away, the tired lids drooped, the lip petals folded away from the cup. The mother stared down at the cup in her hands—it became sacred—it was empty.

The day and the night became one year; the next year and the next came formidably, stayed interminably and went with slow finality. The thermometer glittered evilly. Every three hours the pendant swung over the little girl as the cup touched her lips.

"Blue wings," whispered the little girl. She tried to stay awake to think about it, but she drifted away. Had she started for those meadows where the baby angels waved their white wings?

"You shall wear blue wings," promised the mother one morning, as the little girl held the thermometer in her mouth. "You shall wear a pendant just like mine, and play in the meadow with blue flowers and splash in the blue water and lie on the white sand and look up at the blue sky."

She took the thermometer from the tiny lips, and the lids fluttered shut again as the pendant swung away. The door opened softly and the doctor came in. The mother read the thermometer with tired, painstaking care; she stared at it, then handed it silently to the doctor.

"We're going to win!" The mother's voice was hushed, yet vibrant. "She's coming back to health and songs and love and butterflies." "I'm going—to—have—blue wings," piped a wavery voice from the middle of the big white bed. The doctor stared; the small voice trumpeted in the hush of the room. It was the first time the little girl had ever spoken to him.

"Blue wings—like mother." The dark eyes flashed a triumphant look at the doctor. The mother turned, smiling, then stood carved in joy at a sound. A sound came from the lips soft as the petals of a flower, a blessed, low, golden sound that rang good news as if all the bells of the city had pealed in the mother's ears. "Blue wings," said the little girl, decidedly, and laughed.

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### DEHYDRATING DAY

Due to the efforts of the local  
men's club through Frank Mc-  
Carthy, inquiries have been made

relative to the reopening of an  
active alfalfa mill in Hagerman.

Mr. McCarthy, in his investi-  
gations wrote to Roy Lochhead,  
president of the Pecos Valley Alf-  
alfa Mill Co., and who has made a  
study of hay-curing for the last  
quarter of a century, and is an  
authority on the question. The  
information offered by Mr. Loch-  
head is certainly worth careful  
consideration. Hagerman and vi-  
cinity is one of the richest alfalfa  
belts of the world. The idea of  
the dehydrator may be just what  
the hay growers desire.

Mr. Lochhead states there is an  
increasing demand for artificially  
cured alfalfa meal, it being super-  
ior in vitamin A or carotene con-  
tent.

To meet this growing demand de-  
hydrators are being installed in  
productive mills.

Dehydration leaves about eight  
percent of the moisture content in  
the hay. Dockage foreign mater-  
ials, such as grasses or weeds, will  
be about the same as in baled hay.

The Pecos Valley Mill Co. of-  
fers to contract hay from farmers  
in this section, if a certain amount  
can be guaranteed. This would take  
in the vicinity of Hagerman. They  
offer to contract the whole year's  
crop with allowance for a seed  
crop if the grower prefers. Their

plan would eliminate all labor in  
cutting and hauling of the hay.

A committee was appointed to  
investigate the dehydrator and con-  
tact the farmers. On this commit-  
tee is: Jack Sweatt, Jim Michelet,  
Philip Stoes, Frank McCarthy, B.  
F. Knoll and W. A. Losey.

Some immediate action will be  
necessary if benefit is derived in  
1938, since it takes several months  
to complete the installation.

## Hagerman MESSENGER 31 Years Ago

The ladies aid met at the home  
of Mrs. James McKinstry on Fri-  
day evening. A good meeting was  
held and nearly all members were  
present. Matters of importance  
were discussed. We were invited  
to meet with Mrs. E. J. Mason for  
our next meeting. Adeline E. Mc-  
Kinstry, secretary.

Hagerman has two more young  
Masons in the persons of Cassius  
Mason and Eugene Foster, who  
were given the third degree last  
Saturday night.

Pupils present every day at the  
Dexter schools during the month  
of October, 1906, were Roxie, Elan,  
Lester and Floyd Walters; Julia  
and Bryan Crozier; Inez and Lou-  
ise Holland; Raymond Durant; Vi-  
olet and Mary Smith and Blanche  
Pollock.

The apple crop of the United  
States was over 36,120,000 bushels,  
which is 12,500,000 bushels more  
than in 1905. However, in spite  
of the record breaking crop, the  
Pecos valley orchardists have re-  
ceived a fair price. We advise di-  
versification of orchards.

Mother Wimberly leaves to  
spend several weeks at Midland,  
Texas. She assured the little Mes-  
sengers that Santa Claus would  
not forget them.

Turkey shoot at Hagerman, De-  
cember 24th. 150 turkeys. Come  
and get your Christmas turkey. J.  
M. Pulliam.

E. J. Mason advises tree  
paint as a sure preventative  
against rabbits.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis are  
spending the holidays with the  
family of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mc-  
Neal.

## LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Pittman were  
shopping in Roswell on Friday  
afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Scherholdt  
have returned to Hagerman to  
make their home.

Misses Katherine Jo Farkas and  
Irene Newsom shopped in Roswell  
Friday afternoon.

Hugh Pittman spent the week  
end in Alamogordo visiting rela-  
tives and friends.

Mrs. J. W. Slade and Misses  
Anna and Margaret Slade visited  
friends in Hagerman Sunday.

Miss Dolores Bartlett of Portales  
arrived Friday afternoon to spend  
the holidays with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hanson and  
Earl Love, Jr., made a trip through  
the Carlsbad caverns on Thursday.

Miss Dorothea Berry, who is  
teaching in Carlsbad, is spending  
the holiday vacation with home  
folk.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Depke of  
Albuquerque spent Saturday night  
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L.  
Heitman.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Dozier had  
as their dinner guests Sunday, Mr.  
and Mrs. Carl Hanson and Carolyn  
Hanson.

Marion Woody returned home the  
middle of last week from El Paso,  
where he has been for medical  
treatment.

Ensign Robert Ware left Sunday  
morning for San Pedro, California,  
after spending the holidays with  
home folk.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hanson and  
Mrs. Johnny Allen at-  
tended the show at the Pecos Sun-  
day afternoon.

Miss Myrtle Hunter of Alamo-  
gordo, little granddaughter of Mr.  
and Mrs. T. J. Pittman, is spend-  
ing the week with them.

Miss Mary Burck and Marvin  
Tollett were dinner guests of Mr.  
Tollett's cousins, Mr. and Mrs.  
Pitts, of Malaga Sunday.

Mrs. Grady Fletcher and Ruth  
Ann, who have been visiting rela-  
tives in Sulphur Springs, Texas

for the past three weeks, re-  
turned home Sunday.

If Mrs. E. A. White will call  
The Messenger office she may be  
a courtesy ticket to see "The  
School Boy" at the Crystal Theatre  
on January 2, 3 or 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Slap-  
rived last Thursday to spend  
holidays with Mr. and Mrs. E.  
Paddock. They will return to  
visit today (Thursday).

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Mc-  
mick, who have been visiting  
I. B. McCormicks and the E.  
Paddocks, will return to Hager-  
man on Monday of next week.

Miss Wilma Lee Newsom  
several days the first of the  
in Roswell visiting her grand-  
parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. De-  
Sr., and J. W. Dodson.

T. D. Devenport may have a  
plimentary ticket to see "The  
School Boy" at the Crystal Theatre  
on January 2, 3 or 4 if he will  
at The Messenger office.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivor and  
Artesia were dinner guests of  
and Mrs. H. D. Menoud and  
A. M. Hedges on Sunday.  
returned to Clovis in the eve-

# GREETINGS

## From Hagerman, N. M.



### JUST ABOVE THE HORIZON

Is the departure of a waning year,  
and in it's wake the dawning of  
bright new days. May you, with  
your hopes for achievement, share  
in the blessings of those days . . .  
in your search for the "Golden  
Fleece."

At this time we want to express our  
sincere gratitude for your past pat-  
ronage, and trust that we may be  
included in your continued good will.

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BOWEN BARBER SHOP

HAGERMAN DRUG

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ERAL MERCHANDISE

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FENDER WORK

THE FIRST NATIONAL  
BANK

HAGERMAN  
SERVICE STATION

COTTON GROWERS'  
GIN

LAWINGS GROCERY  
& MARKET

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COMPANY

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CLUB

SINCLAIR  
SERVICE STATION

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YOUR SELF LAUNDRY

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Hagerman, New Mexico



# "SLUMS MUST GO!" says Straus

## Housing Authority Chief Opens Washington Office, Ready to Fight Squalor

By JOSEPH W. LaBINE

Maybe, in the snugness of your living room, you thought American living standards were pretty high. But that was before a fellow named Nathan Straus became director of the United States Housing Authority. After less than two months on the job, during which he's talked freely, Nathan Straus has made Americans hang their heads in shame. Our housing conditions, he explains, are deplorable.

Mr. Straus is not connected with the Federal Housing Administration, which has been insuring loans on private dwellings and is now attempting to stimulate business through a housing boom. Although he's interested in FHA, the monumental task facing Straus is to clean out the slums. He is administrator for the new Wagner-Steagall act.

For the present, all United States housing activities are aimed at the spectre of Recession, a severe dip in business which threatens to wipe out many of the past three years' gains. President Roosevelt seeks to stimulate America's financial pulse with a housing boom through liberalization of existing laws, as outlined in his special message to congress on November 29. Through this program he forecasts construction of 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 new houses in the next five years.

**The Key to Recovery.** Though slum clearance and private housing are two separate enterprises, both can help avoid Reces-



NATHAN STRAUS

successful that the conservative administration continued it.

**Economic Factor Paramount.** Although the social aspect of slum clearance has long been stressed in the United States, it was an economic development that led to establishment of the Housing Authority. Juvenile delinquency and physical deterioration of slum dwellers have been mourned for years but the government is tackling its present job as a business proposition.

It goes deeper than the current Recession. Blighted areas affect both the tenement occupant and the more fortunate (in some respects) taxpayer. Run-down cities require large police, fire and hospitalization appropriations. Moreover, dilapidated residential areas spread like a plague, destroying neighboring property. When these things happen the city is apt to get in serious financial difficulty.

Look at statistics a moment, from both social and economic viewpoints. Twenty-one per cent of Cleveland's murders are committed in a slum district covering less than 1 per cent of the city's area and housing 2 1/2 per cent of the population. In Harlem, tuberculosis is three times as prevalent as in the rest of New York city. A third city finds its city-wide police protection costs \$4.37 per capita, but in the slums it is \$11.50.

Similar convincing figures can be produced in any city of the nation. Unlike PWA, Mr. Straus does not plan to build apartments in the midst of yesterday's ruins. New sites will be chosen in unblighted areas and tenants will be lifted away from the slums completely. In due time, if the Housing Authority is successful, all present slum sites will be evacuated. The property will then be open for commercial development.

### New Homes, New People.

Mr. Straus does not believe that slum dwellers will create slum conditions wherever they go. PWA's experience has been good in this respect, proving that underprivileged classes are largely victims of circumstance, ready to reform if given an opportunity.

The present half-billion dollar appropriation is hardly more than a drop in the bucket, Mr. Straus admits. To rehouse the needy one-third of our population would require 10,000,000 new dwelling units, compared with 120,000 units possible under the present fund. But half a billion dollars will help get the ball rolling and should demonstrate for all time the possibilities in slum clearance work. Aided by the experience of PWA, which did not establish such a bad housing record as many people would believe, the new Housing Authority can start its work without pioneering.

The newest of the New Deal's administrators, Mr. Straus is probably one of the most capable. His experience with Hillside and other pri-

from their squalor someone must help them. It is the government's move.

This recognition is one sign of a more common-sense attitude toward the housing problem. PWA's slum-clearance projects in New York, Chicago and other metropolitan parts were successful in wiping out parts of the blighted area, but they failed because the intended tenants couldn't afford rents of \$12 a month per room.

### Frills Are Nice, But—

Another good sign is Nathan Straus' determination to give sensible housing without the frills that went with PWA projects. PWA sought ideal living conditions, incorporating cross ventilation, no walk-ups more than three or four



Greatest of PWA's slum-clearance projects was Williamsburg Houses in New York, costing \$13,450,000, covering 12 city blocks and providing homes for 1,622. The government expects to get half its investment back.

sion. Economists now regard a large volume of new construction as the keystone to further recovery. The small improvement in building evidenced last spring was hit on the head by rising costs, strikes, an armament boom and growing uncertainty about the future. Drastic action must be taken immediately, for America faces the worst housing shortage in its history. Speaking conservatively, we need 900,000 new dwelling units every year. Actually we built only 57,000 in 1935, 250,000 in 1936 and about 400,000 this year.

Although Mr. Straus' building activity will be confined to helping those who cannot help themselves, it does not mean that business will not profit. The history of slum clearance projects, in which Europe leads America to a shameful degree, is that government building always stimulates private construction.

The Wagner-Steagall bill was passed by congress last spring after a stormy three-year legislative trip. Briefly, it creates the United States Housing Authority which Mr. Straus heads. It provides half a billion dollars to be loaned state and municipal housing authorities during the next three years, for use solely in creating new dwelling units for the tenement population. Between 100,000 and 120,000 units is its three-year goal. In addition to the loans, annual "subsidy" appropriations will be made to state and local authorities for making up the difference between the "economic rent" on houses built and what the low-income renter can afford to pay. For 1938 this subsidy appropriation totals \$26,000,000.

**How It Works.** The government will build no houses or apartment buildings. Thirty states have already adopted enabling acts permitting them to set up local housing authorities needed for the new program. These authorities can borrow 90 per cent of the cost of any project, to be repaid within 60 years. In addition to the 10 per cent building expense, authorities must pay at least one-fifth the difference between the low rent charged and the "economic rent." The government's rent subsidy will never be more than four-fifths of the difference.

If a tenant cannot afford to pay the "economic rent" on his slum-clearance apartment, why should the government and local housing authority pay the difference? The answer is that the government has at last officially recognized that many Americans can never afford to rent sanitary living quarters. If these people are to be removed



Another slum vanished in Indianapolis to make way for Lockefield Gardens, which cost PWA \$3,207,000. Rents average \$23.80 per month for a three-room apartment including utilities.

where outside the Orient can more squalor be found than in our own metropolitan centers. Take indoor plumbing for example. Though considered a non-essential on the farm, it certainly ranks as a vital health factor in crowded city life. Yet 25 per cent of American urban homes have no bathing facilities and one-fifth are without private, indoor water closets. Approximately 4,000,000 American city families are without the barest "modern improvements."

Since 1919 about 3,300,000 dwelling units have been erected in Great Britain through a combination of public and private effort. Of these, 1,300,000 have been built with some public assistance, the remainder by private interests. Although England's housing program was started under a labor government, it was so

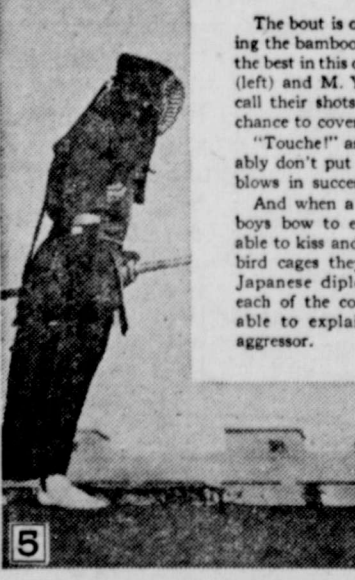
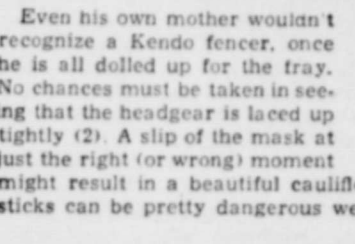
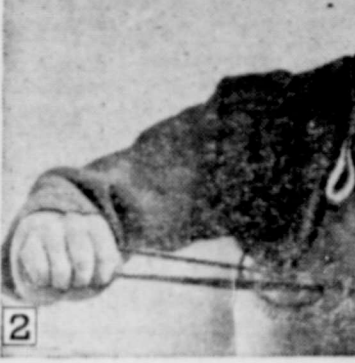
private housing projects equip him from the practical point of view, while his social-mindedness gives him enough of the idealist's viewpoint to forge ahead despite obstacles.

His career has been varied, starting with two years at Princeton, two more at Heidelberg and a few more as a department store official. He once published the humorous magazine Puck, rose from job to ensign during the World War and was an active and liberal New York state senator from 1921 to 1928.

His chief interest, growing with the years, has been low-cost, low-rental housing. That, it seems, is the kind of a man who should head the United States Housing Authority.

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## Tired of Croquet? Try Kendo Fencing!



ALL you need is a broomstick, a catcher's mask, a sadistic impulse and a bathrobe. Then you're all set for the gentle pastime of Kendo fencing, as taught by Prof. T. Mori (1), champion of Japan.

Kendo fencing teaches Japanese youth the arts of self-control, poise and self-defense. Ceremonial robes must be worn throughout a match, and traditions such as bowing, manner of holding the "sword," spoken greetings, etc., must be strictly adhered to. Participants fence in bare feet, wear rugged headgear, breastplate and gloves, but there are many exposed parts of the body that come in for some pretty hard blows during the encounter. Plenty of bruised shoulders here!

Try it on surly neighbors or over-persistent bill collectors. Invite your rival for your girl's hand to try a round or two of Kendo fencing. At least it'll be good for a laugh. In fact, it'll practically slay you!

Picture Parade

Even his own mother wouldn't recognize a Kendo fencer, once he is all dolled up for the fray. No chances must be taken in seeing that the headgear is laced up tightly (2). A slip of the mask at just the right (or wrong) moment might result in a beautiful cauliflower ear or a bashed-in nose. Broomsticks can be pretty dangerous weapons in the wrong hands!

Pull out the threads to make the fringe at the edge as I have shown here at B. From a half to three-quarters of an inch is a good depth for the fringe. Save the threads you pull out and use them for whipping the edge as I have shown here at C.

Every Homemaker should have a copy of Mrs. Spears' new book, SEWING. Forty-eight pages of step-by-step directions for making

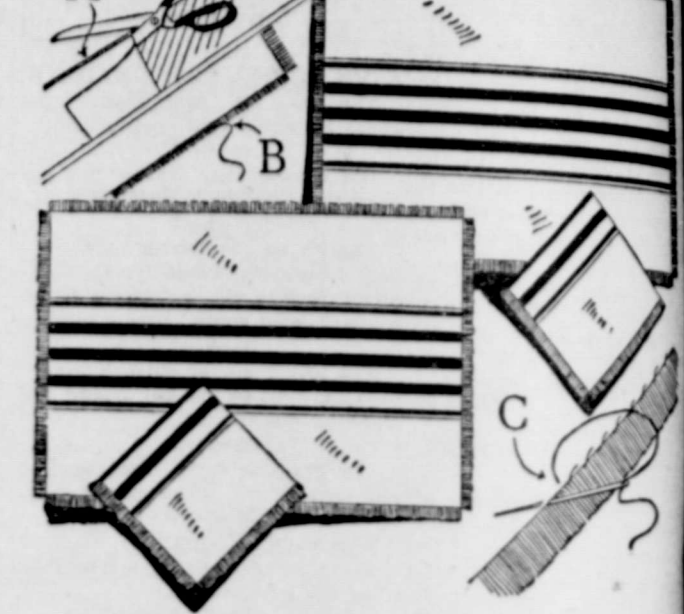
The bout is on! (3) The guys waving the bamboo shilleighs are two of the best in this country. Y. Nakamura (left) and M. Yokoi. They have to call their shots, giving each other a chance to cover up.

"Touche!" as the Japanese probably don't put it. (4) It takes three blows in succession to win a bout. And when a bout is over (5) the boys bow to each other, not being able to kiss and make up with those bird cages they're wearing. This is Japanese diplomacy de luxe, and each of the contestants is probably able to explain which one is the aggressor.

But one battle seldom ends a war, and the boys square off again.

# HOW TO SEW

by Ruth Wyeth Spears



Make Luncheon Sets of Striped Material.

THE napkins and mats are fringed and then whipped to keep them from raveling and to strengthen the edge. This is a very quick and easy finish to use for linens of the coarser weaves and is in harmony with peasant dishes and provincial furniture.

In cutting the material for the mats and napkins it is best to pull a thread to guide you so that the edges will be perfectly straight and fringe easily. Cut right along the little opening made in the material by drawing the thread as shown at A. Plan the size of the mats and napkins so that the material will cut to good advantage and the stripes will arrange themselves in a pleasing way through the center of each piece. Napkins for this purpose may be as small as nine inches square though many people like them a little larger than this. The mats are usually about eleven by eighteen inches.

Save Chicken Fat.—Chicken may be used as a butter substitute in cooking. Consequently is a good plan to save the fat from boiled, stewed or broiled chicken.

Washing Window Shades.—Soiled window shades may be washed by spreading each shade on a flat surface and then rubbing it with a clean cloth or soap and suds.

Polishing Furniture.—That glossy appearance on highly polished furniture can be removed, sponging with a cloth dipped in solution of one quart clear water and two tablespoons of vinegar, wiping dry with another cloth or rubbing.

## Ask Me Another

A General Quiz

1. The United States census bureau automatically moves a town into the city class when its population reaches what number?
2. Which is correct, the "widow's mite" or the "widow's mites"?
3. What does the name "Copenhagen" mean?
4. How much money is in circulation in the United States?
5. What birds constitute the only wild life in the Antarctica?

- Answers
1. Two thousand five hundred.
  2. Mites. According to Luke 21:2, she cast "two mites" into the treasury.
  3. It means merchants' haven.
  4. As of August 31, 1937, the total amount of money in circulation was \$7,523,901,587.
  5. Penguins.

## CHEW LONG BILL NAVY TOBACCO

## LIFE'S LIKE THAT

By Fred Neher



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"I'd like to take out a patent on it, but I'll be darned if I know what it is."

# Floyd Gibbons' ADVENTURERS' CLUB

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## "When Two Spies Meet"

By FLOYD GIBBONS  
Famous Headline Hunter

HELLO EVERYBODY:  
You know, boys and girls, when you stop to think of every one of us has had some outstanding adventure, sometime in our lives, that is of interest to other people. Maccone of Jersey City, N. J., writes that he had been reading the adventure column for months before he thought of sending in his own adventure.

Leo is twenty-eight and the father of two children, but aside from the adventure of marriage and fatherhood, Leo says, the greatest in his life came when he was only nine years old.

Let's go back over the years with Leo. The World War was on and he was playing soldier with little John Ferrara and other Italian-American youngsters of the neighborhood. These boys' forefathers were men that once conquered the world, and playing soldier came natural to them. When it was suggested that Leo play the part of a German spy and hide, he agreed.

The shades of night had just fallen and it would soon be time for Leo to go home, but there was time for one last game. Leo, as the spy, had to go away to hide. He knew a swell hiding place behind the blackboard shop, which backs on the right of way of the Pennsylvania railroad. There were lots of wagons standing in the yard, between the railroad embankment and the building, and Leo slipped in between them like a German spy and lay, quiet as a mouse, on the ground.

### Play Spy Met Up With a Real One.

Leo could picture the other boys looking for him—everywhere but here. The spot was the sort of place that people would avoid—unless, of course, they were determined German spies like Leo. But in the street traffic went by now and then and once a train rumbled by on the tracks over his head, but otherwise the spot was as quiet as the grave.

Suddenly, however, Leo became aware that he was not the only person hiding out that night. The tall figure of a man rose quietly—only ten feet away from him—and furtively arranged some sort of



He Handled the Box Very Carefully.

be carried in his hands. The actions of the man frightened Leo. Perhaps he is really a German spy," Leo thought. Frightened but determined, the boy lay still and watched. He could not see the features of the man, but he could see his outline and hear him tinkering with the box. Once—frightened apparently by someone passing in the street—the man dropped to the ground and lay still. He hid himself so well that Leo could not see him. Leo was glad of that because it meant the man in turn could not see him.

### There Was a Ticking in the Box.

Minutes went by during which Leo shivered with excitement. Here he was out playing that he was a spy and suddenly the tables were turned and a real spy was before him. He hoped the other boys wouldn't come hunting for him here and spoil it all. Leo wasn't very old to be a detective, but he knew from the man's actions that he was doing something he shouldn't be doing and Leo wanted a chance to get the police. What a feather in his cap if the man did turn out to be a spy!

As he was thinking these thoughts and listening to his own heart, the man's tall figure rose suddenly again right beside him! He was closer, if anything, and Leo was scared stiff that he would be discovered. The boy got ready to make a break for it at the slightest sign of suspicion.

But the man—whatever he was—seemed unaware of Leo's presence. He was intent on the box before him. He handled that box very carefully, Leo noticed, and once when a passing car threw a light in the yard, saw a tense, cruel face under a mop of gray hair. He hugged the ground and waited.

Finally Leo, listening, heard a strange sound from the box. It sounded like a clock ticking. The man seemed satisfied with the sound and he bent over the box in the direction of the railroad embankment. Leo bent over and placed it under a culvert beneath the tracks.

And just then the other boys nearly spoiled the whole game. They started calling for Leo to give himself up. Well sir, Leo says he'd seen enough anyway and was pretty glad of a chance to sneak away, if he could do it without being seen. He crawled along on his stomach and then made a run for it. The other boys were scared when they saw Leo's pale face, but when they heard about the spy he had found they all ran in different directions for a policeman. A policeman was found and he brought with him a man who didn't laugh when Leo told him his story. Instead of laughing he went back on one side of the blacksmith shop while the policeman searched the other. The boys stood on the sidewalk and watched a real

### Yes, It Was a Big Time Bomb.

The policeman went along noisily flashing his light to the spot where he had seen the man. Some of the boys thought Leo had just been "going things" and started to laugh, but the next minute the laughs were on their faces as a man, running at top speed, tore out of the darkness away from the policeman and toward them.

Leo didn't get far though, Leo says, before he had run right into the arms of the policeman waiting for him. They caught him and held him up. Leo says he didn't look like a spy at all when they had him in the wagon. But a good spy never does look like one.

The man never said a word, Leo says, while the policeman called the wagon. Leo even began to feel sorry for him and to think he had made a mistake, but in a few minutes he knew differently. The policeman led the policeman back to where he had seen the man place the box. They picked the box up gingerly. And what do you suppose it was?

A time bomb! With enough explosives in it to blow up the whole neighborhood! The clock was set for midnight when a train would be passing and, according to experts, the explosion would have killed Leo and his whole family who lived a few doors away!

And that, boys and girls, is the story of how Leo caught the German spy. Perhaps. But luck and adventure are companions. Copyright.—WNU Service.

**Early Indiana Capital**  
Merrill was once the territorial capital of Indiana. A city was laid out and much building construction was done and the first session of the territorial assembly met there in December, 1813. In addition to the Capitol building, the governor's house and other public places were constructed. Here the Constitutional Convention was held on June 10, 1816. A treaty with the Indians in 1818 made it the capital else-

**Why Frontier Women Carried Guns**  
During the Revolutionary war some British officers offered the Indians as much for a white woman's scalp as for a man's. That's why frontier women carried guns when they went out to milk the cows.

**Meerschm, Fossil Substance**  
Meerschm, used in pipes, is a fossil substance mainly found imbedded in red clay in Asia Minor. It was deposited long ago by shell creatures and is removed in small oval lumps.

## Fleeing Before Japanese Onslaught



Terror is clearly written on the face of this elderly woman and the two younger men as they trot from their native city quarters in Shanghai to the border of the French concession where all sought safety from the Japanese soldiers.

## Just Another Saturday Night



Visual proof that the Saturday-night ritual of the tub is not popular even in Europe is contained in this picture made in a north London home. "Big sister" does the scrubbing as little brother cries his heart out.

## 65-FOOT WASHINGTON



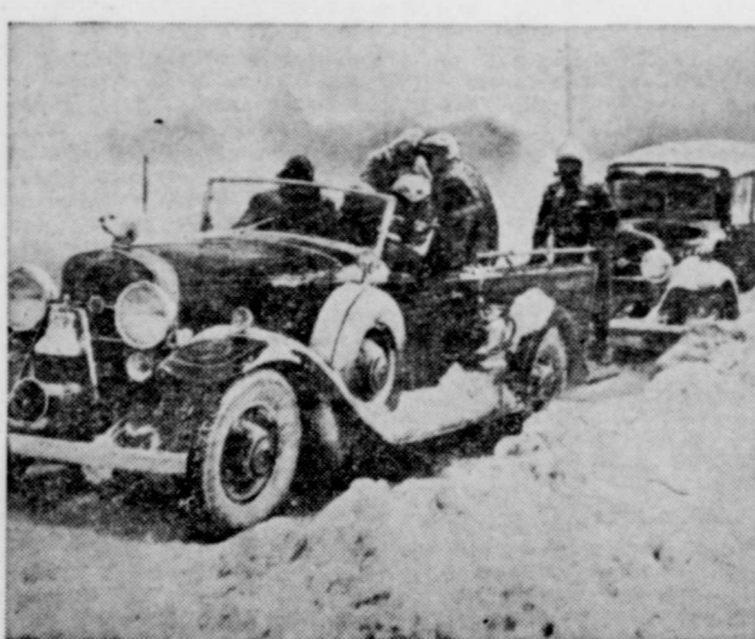
The largest portrait statue fashioned by mankind in modern times will honor George Washington when the New York World's fair opens on April 30, 1939, commemorating the First President's inauguration. The sculpture, shown above in a model by James Earle Fraser, will be 65 feet high, including a 15-foot base.

## ROYAL ROMANCE?



A photograph of Lady Anne Cavendish-Bentick, daughter of the marquis of Fitchfield, whose name has been linked romantically with that of King Leopold of the Belgians. Leopold and his mother were recent guests at Walbeck abbey, seat of the duke of Portland who is the grandfather of Lady Anne.

## Matter of Life and Death



Three expectant mothers were rescued from a snowbound riding academy by a rescue party headed by the Eggertsville, N. Y., fire department over snow-buried, windswept Niagara Falls boulevard. The fire department broke a trail for the ambulance which took the three women from the academy and brought them in safety to the Buffalo city hospital.

## German Kids "Joyride" in Armored Cars



German youth attending the "open house" of the Berlin garrison at the Stahnsdorf barracks are shown being treated to a ride in the high-speed armored cars. The army post was thrown open to the public to aid the winter relief fund.

## Change Wishes to Stitches



"GEE, if I could only afford that darling dress I saw the other day—I'd give my left arm!" We who are addicted to pretty clothes and subject to the usual feminine foibles (but not too well-blessed financially) often make a wish like this, don't we? Ah, but here's good news, Milady! Thanks to Modern Sew-Your-Own you can make all your wishes come true on the "pretty percentage" basis. You may have "that darling dress" at half the price (you won't have to give up your left arm either). Why not decide today to sew, sew, Sew-Your-Own?

### Looking to Spring.

The frock at the left has never been in anybody's window, but you can bet your bottom dollar it's going to be seen this Spring wherever style is of first importance. It interprets the mode in a young and graceful manner. And because it's a Sew-Your-Own original it's the last word in simplicity. Make it either with long or short sleeves in lame, sheer wool, satin, or velvet.

### Pajamas for Madame.

Pajamas that make you want to wake up and live; pajamas that help you sleep like a log—is that the kind you have in mind, Mi-

lady? You can depend upon today's model either in taffeta or velvet for leisure; cotton flannel, silk crepe or seersucker for sleepy time. Make this becoming style in duplicate while you're about it and be the perfectly groomed pajama girl all-around-the-clock.

### To Start the Day.

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## Canny Politician Had a Desire in the Matter

At a hectic political meeting where representatives of the various parties were gathered, an English politician, while addressing the assemblage, was struck full in the face with the body of a dead cat. It came from the direction of the audience. A look of great anger came over his face as he prepared to seek out the perpetrator of the vile deed. But from the audience arose one who said: "Please, sir, I'm very sorry. I meant it for your opponent." "Well, my friend," came the quick reply from the injured one, "I sincerely wish that you had meant it for me and it hit him."



# IN SOCIETY

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(Items for either this column or the calendar must be turned in by not later than Wednesday noon)

## THURSDAY CLUB PARTY

The Thursday club met at the Woman's Club rooms on Tuesday, December 28th, with Mrs. Willis Pardee and Mrs. A. L. Van Arsdol as hostesses. Games were played, at which Mrs. Hal Ware and Mrs. Van Arsdol each won a prize.

Gifts were exchanged in a very clever manner of blind-folding each guest and leading her to the tree, which was beautifully decorated.

Delicious refreshments of date pudding with sauce, coffee and red and green mints were served to the following: Mesdames Robert Conner, Harry Cowan, Robert Cumpsten, A. M. Ehret, W. A. Losey, Sam McKinstry, Jack Sweatt, Hal Ware, J. T. West, E. A. White, J. E. Wimberly, Willis Pardee and A. L. Van Arsdol.

## NEWSOM-PINO

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Juanita Newsom of El Paso, Texas, daughter of G. B. Newsom of Hagerman to Frank Pino of El Paso, which took place there on Monday, December 29th. Miss Newsom was a graduate of the local high school in 1931. For several years she was employed in El Paso, then accepted a position in Washington, D. C., where she had been for nearly a year, up to the time of her marriage. The young couple are making their home in El Paso, where Mr. Pino is employed.

## CHRISTMAS EVE WEDDING

Key-Jackson

Miss Doris Key, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Key of Hagerman, and Lloyd V. Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Jackson of Portales were united in marriage on Christmas eve at the home of the bride's parents in the presence of close friends and relatives. Rev. Rollo Davidson read the beautiful ring ceremony.

The house was beautifully decorated with a huge Christmas tree and other Christmas decorations.

## EYES

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Mrs. Jackson was a graduate of the local high school with the class of 1935. Later she attended Eastern New Mexico Junior college at Portales where she specialized in art. Mr. Jackson is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Jackson of Portales and a graduate of E. N. M. Jr. college with the class of 1937. He is the principal of the grade school and the athletic coach in the Logan, schools.

The bride wore a beautiful dress of turquoise blue with brown accessories. Her maid of honor was her sister, Miss Maxine Key, and the best man was Mr. Lowell Payton of Portales. The couple left Sunday afternoon for a brief visit with relatives in Portales, before going to make their home in Logan.

## NOONDAY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Chrisman were hosts to a family dinner in Christmas day. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Dorman and three children of O'Donnell, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Key and sons, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Dorman and Howard and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Menoud.

## PARTY COMPLIMENTING EARL LATIMER, JR.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Latimer honored her son, Earl, Jr., who is home from the State university at Albuquerque, with a delicious seven o'clock dinner on Tuesday evening of last week. At the attractively laid table centered with a small Christmas tree, covers were laid for Miss Courtlee Johnson, Miss Martel Graham and Miss Audre Latimer of Roswell; Warner Wilkes, Virgil Henry, Earl Latimer, Jr., the host and the hostess. Dancing followed the dinner.

## SUNDAY DINNER

On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Dorman were hosts to a very delicious dinner. Present with the hosts were Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Dorman and family of O'Donnell, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Menoud, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Chrisman, Howard Dorman and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Key and sons.

## Social Calendar

The Moman's club meets on Friday, January 7th at the club rooms.

Ladies aid meets at Hedges chapel on Wednesday, January 5.

The Thursday club will meet on Thursday, January 6th at the Woman's Club rooms. Mrs. McCarthy is to be hostess and Mrs. Jack Sweatt is to be leader. The subject will be "Animal Life of the Sea."

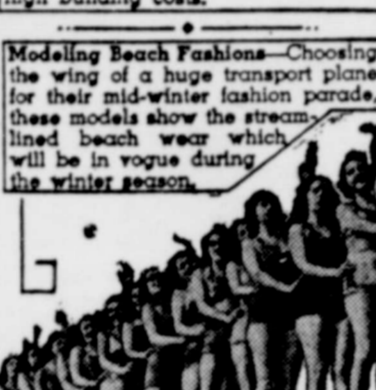
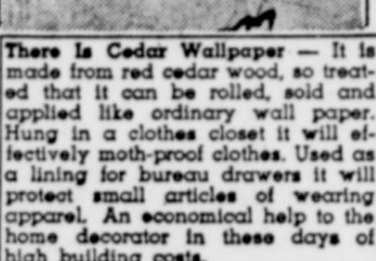
## CAN'T FIGURE TAX ON RESTAURANT—BURNS IT

TOPEKA, KANSAS—Problems of sales tax and social security tax confused Mrs. Bertha Mae Vaughn. She felt incapable of keeping books for her small cafe. She admitted recently, state fire inspection officials said, she burned the cafe to go out of business and avoid the task of computing the taxes. Fire loss was estimated at \$1,800.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Burck paid a visit to their new grandson, little Joseph Wayne Burck, in Roswell on Tuesday. Mrs. Burck remained to be with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burck for a few days.

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# In The WEEK'S NEWS



**A Safety Reminder for Cleveland's Jaywalkers**—Foolhardy pedestrians are politely reminded by police that using a red flag placed there for their convenience "might" help them in darting across the streets when the traffic lights are against them.



The Anthony F. Lucas gold medal has been awarded to Henry L. Doherty, president of Cities Service Co., by the Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers. The award recognizes "distinguished achievement in improving the technique and practice of finding and producing petroleum. Mr. Doherty was the first to recognize the value of gas dissolved in oil in the pool for drilling a field and recovering the oil economically."



**BROTHER VS. BROTHER?** "No!" says Lloyd Budge, new tennis pro at Miami Biltmore Country Club. "Leading players won't accept 'Open' tournaments, so I'll never meet brother Don while he's king of the amateurs, except in private matches."

**Modeling Beach Fashions**—Choosing the wing of a huge transport plane for their mid-winter fashion parade, these models show the streamlined beach wear which will be in vogue during the winter season.

## Seven Recipes To Clip and Try

- Stuffed Pimientos**
  - 1/2 cup cooked rice
  - 1/4 tsp. pepper
  - 2 tbsps. fat
  - Few gr. cayenne
  - 1 small onion
  - 1 egg
  - 1 stalk celery
  - 1 7-oz. can
  - 1/2 lb round pimientos
  - steak, ground
  - 1/2 cup buttered crumbs
  - 1/2 tsp. salt
  - 1/2 cup crumbed
- Modern Meat Loaf**
  - 1 lb. raw beef
  - 2/3 cup mashed chopped fine bananas
  - 1 tbsps. chopped onion
  - 1/2 tsp. dry mustard
  - 2 teasp. salt
  - 3 peeled bananas,
- Chicken and Nut Croquettes**
  - Melt four tablespoons of butter and blend five tablespoons flour; add one cup milk gradually; cook
- Luscious Ham Apples**
  - 2 1/2 cups diced onion
  - 1 1/3 cup chopped ham
  - 3 teasp. pre-green pepper
  - 3 teasp. grated 2 tbsps. butter
  - Mix finely diced ham with mustard, onion and green pepper. Hollow out inside of apples and fill with ham mixture and brush top with butter. Place in a buttered casserole. Cover and bake in moderate oven (350° F.) for one hour, or until apples are tender.
- Over low heat, stirring constantly until mixture is thickened and smooth. Add one-half teaspoon salt, dash of pepper, one beaten egg yolk and one-half teaspoon lemon juice slowly. Stir in one and one-half cups chopped chicken meat and one-half cup broken walnut meats and mix well. Season to taste and cool. Then shape into croquettes, roll in bread crumbs, then in egg and again in crumbs, and fry in deep hot grease (375° F.) until delicately browned. 6-7 croquettes.**

## Tested Recipe

**GOOD** Scotch shortbread is something to dream about, but like souffles and such-like dishes, many women steer clear of it, firm in the belief that such triumphs of culinary prowess are not for them. That may have been true in the days when cooking was guessing and inspiration. But the modern recipe, with its accurate, dependable measurements, knows no mysteries. All is plain sailing and common-sense. So the young bride entertaining at her first tea party can fearlessly produce a batch of shortbread which would not shame her grandmother.

**Scotch Shortbread**  
2 cups sifted cake flour; 1/2 cup butter; 1/2 cup powdered sugar. Sift flour once and measure. Cream butter thoroughly, add sugar gradually, and cream together until light and fluffy. Work in flour, using finger tips. Press into greased pan, 8x8x2 inches, and prick with fork. Bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 50 minutes, or until delicately browned. Cool slightly and cut in squares before removing from pan. Makes 16 squares.

**Chocolate Bread Pudding**  
1 1/2 squares unsweetened chocolate; 3 cups milk; 2 eggs, slightly beaten; 1/4 cup sugar; 1/4 teaspoon salt; 1 teaspoon vanilla; 2 cups cubed stale bread. Add chocolate to milk and heat in double boiler. When chocolate is melted, stir until blended. Combine eggs, sugar, and salt; add chocolate mixture gradually, stirring vigorously. Add vanilla. Place bread in greased baking dish; pour mixture over it and let stand 10 minutes; then mix well before baking. Place dish in pan of hot water and bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 60 minutes, or until pudding is firm. Serve hot with hard sauce or cold with cream. Serves 6.

**Chocolate Fruit Cookies**  
1 cup raisins powder  
1/2 pkg. pasteurized dates  
1/2 cup water  
4 tbsps. butter  
1 cup sugar  
1 1/2 cups flour  
1/2 tsp. soda  
1 egg  
1 teasp. baking  
Cook sliced dates, water, butter and sugar in saucepan until dates are soft and syrup slightly thick. Drain; measure syrup, should be about three-fourths cup) and cool. Sift flour, soda, baking powder, cocoa, cinnamon and salt together. Add sour milk, beaten egg, vanilla, nutmeats, dates and syrup. Drop mixture by rounded teaspoons two inches apart on well-oiled baking sheet. Bake in slow oven (250° F.) fifteen minutes. About four dozen cookies; will keep fresh over long period.

**Mid-Winter Pie**  
4 cups cranberries. 1 teasp. salt  
1/2 cup orange juice  
1 teasp. grated orange rind  
2 1/2 tbsps. quick-cooking tapioca  
Grind or chop cranberries, add the juice and rind of orange, sugar, melted butter, tapioca and salt. Mix well; pour into pastry lined pie plate and bake about forty minutes in hot oven (450° F.).

**Tangerine Cocktail**  
1 1/2 cups tangerine juice  
1 cup sections  
1 pkg. lemon gelatin  
Heat tangerine juice almost to boiling; pour over gelatin; add lemon juice. Set in pan of ice water, and when thick, add tangerine sections; pour into oblong pan; chill thoroughly. To serve, cut into one-half inch squares, pile into cocktail glasses and sprinkle with chopped mint, blended with tangerine juice, on top.

**TARRANT AGAIN IN JAIL**  
W. H. (Buz) Tarrant, former resident of Pinon was in the Chaves county jail for the second time within a five year period, it was learned at Roswell yesterday. He was awaiting charges of passing counterfeit money. A few years ago Tarrant was sentenced to seven to eight years on a robbery charge after he was captured in a gun battle near Pinon. He was later pardoned from the state penitentiary.

**BACK WITH QUAIL**  
State Game Warden Elliott Barker Thursday received a wire from J. Stokley Ligon, state game specialist at Nogales, Arizona, saying he had just arrived from Sonora with 132 Masked Bobwhite quail. Ligon has been trapping below the border for a month or more to get birds of this species to restore to their former habitats in southwestern New Mexico and Arizona. Ligon will keep twenty birds for breeding purposes at his game farm at Carlsbad and the rest are to be released on their former ranges.

**COTTON CLOTH OUTPUT REACHED A NEW HIGH**  
NEW YORK — Enough cotton cloth to form a white cover for the state of Delaware was woven by the country's textile mills in 1937. Trade association figures, with December partly estimated, placed the year's output at 9,000,000,000 square yards—2,370 square miles—the greatest on record. Last year 8,573,000,000 square yards were woven. In 1937, the previous record year, 8,980,000,000. Depression shrank production in 1932 to 6,446,000,000 square yards.

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