

Weekly News Analysis Wage Earners May Carry Load In New U. S. Taxation Program

By Joseph W. La Bine

EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst, and not necessarily of the newspaper.

Taxation

Recent federal taxation policies have been based on the theory that business should bear the brunt. For this or some other reason, business has operated at a loss, laid off workers and precipitated economic depression. This year, as the U. S. treasury charts its course for the 1939-40 fiscal year, there are signs that business will breathe easier,



EDSEL FORD
He offered an incentive.

that government will look instead to the small wage earner for its new monetary requirements.

Even as Auto Manufacturer Edsel Ford was telling a senate sub-committee that a general tax reduction would be "as good a business incentive as any," three outstanding forecasts could be sifted from the financial gymnastics of budget-making treasury experts.

Economy. Although Federal Reserve Chairman Marriner S. Eccles has plumped publicly against premature reduction in federal expenditures, Treasury Secretary Henry Morgenthau is essentially economy-minded. In this policy he has the support of his new tax adviser, Undersecretary John W. Hanes, a recent recruit from Wall street who believes budget balancing would stimulate the confidence of business. While not expecting a balance between income and outgo next year because of the proposed national defense program, Mr. Morgenthau can take heart from President Roosevelt's latest pronouncement:

Pay-As-You-Go. The billion-dollar rearmament plan, which is due for strenuous congressional opposition, will not be allowed to increase the federal deficit. Though the President has not indicated what new taxation method he will use to finance the project, there is guarded admission that a 10 per cent tax will be placed on present income taxes. (If you now pay \$25 a year, you'd pay \$2.50 extra.) But this special revenue measure would only pay for armaments, and would not eliminate increased deficits caused by relief expenses. To fill this need, many congressmen favor:

Lower Bracket Income Taxes. Married men are now allowed \$2,500 exemption, which might be decreased to \$2,000 or even \$1,800. Exemptions for single persons, now \$1,000, would be dropped to \$800 or \$750. While this would boost revenue by only \$60,400,000, it would place bigger wage earners in higher surtax brackets and bring the treasury an additional \$250,000,000. Since large incomes are already subjected to huge taxes, the proposal can expect justified opposition. Outside of relief costs, the biggest need for new tax money will be to finance the proposed federal-state health program for insurance, hospitalization, clinics and expansion of the U. S. health service.

Europe

"Europe is drifting into war, a war which no nation wants but against which every nation is preparing. Unless there is a complete change in the outlook within the next month or two, international tension will reach the breaking point next spring."

This summation is the detached viewpoint of Oswald Pirow, defense minister of the Union of South Africa, after a two-month European tour in which he sought means of appeasing Adolf Hitler's colonial appetite. It came the same day German Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop visited Paris to sign a pathetically insincere pact with France; as Reichsfuehrer Hitler consequently prepared to delete French attacks from the next edition of "Mein Kampf"; as Italy, Germany's closest ally, continued clamoring for the French territories of Tunisia, Corsica and Nice.

With Great Britain shoved temporarily into the European background, France finds herself holding a gilded bombshell in the German treaty. Her government is now forced to accept Fascist activity on two European fronts or risk complete overthrow:

Germany. France must give Hitler a free hand in eastern Europe,

refusing to intervene even if Germany threatens France's ally, Russia. Within 48 hours after the Franco-German pact was signed, Berlin opened a noisy propaganda campaign against Rumania's King Carol, who has been actively purging Nazi partisans from his government. At the same time, in Memel (under Lithuanian sovereignty), German residents began an autonomy campaign that undoubtedly had inspiration in Berlin. Satisfied so long as Hitler keeps himself busy in eastern Europe, France will not protest these activities.

Italy. France must permit fulfillment of Italy's "vital aspirations" in the Mediterranean or incur the wrath of Adolf Hitler, Italy's friend. Though Foreign Minister von Ribbentrop declined to answer immediately the French question of what Germany would do in a Mediterranean crisis provoked by Italian demands, Germany's course hardly needs clarification. The Franco-German pact specifically reserves "particular relations with third powers" for both signatories. Most observers expect French capitulation to Italian demands next month when British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain makes his well-advertised "appeasement" visit to Rome.

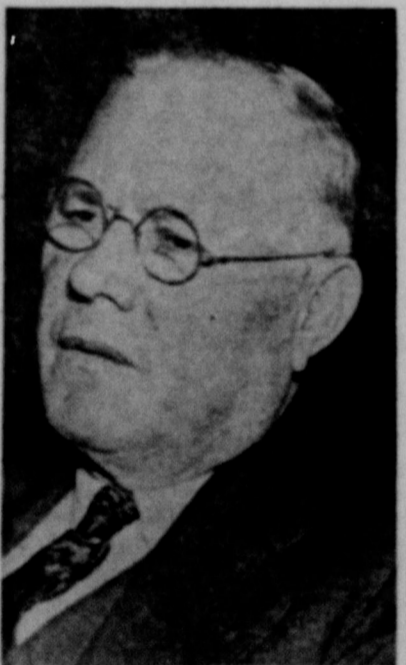
Labor

Both the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations insist the national labor relations act must not be changed, but A. F. of L. hurls constant criticism at the board President Roosevelt has appointed to interpret that act. One bit of criticism centered around the labor board's order to New York's Consolidated Edison company, forcing abrogation of a bargaining contract with A. F. of L. The board's reasoning: that the contract resulted from unfair labor practices and was intended to discourage membership in a rival C. I. O. organization.

When A. F. of L. President William Green heard the U. S. Supreme court had voided this NLRB order, his joy was unbounded: "This knocks the props out from under the board's arbitrary, prejudicial and grossly unfair position." But keen observers who read further into the court's decision found cause for speculation about something more important.

Although Consolidated Edison operates chiefly in New York, the court ruled its labor relations were still subject to NLRB regulation. Thus was the scope of federal regulation under the interstate commerce clause given broad extension, paving the way for legislation which could make the potent Wagner act seem mere child's play.

Predicted as a subject for congressional debate is extension of the highly satisfactory railway labor act to include all industry. If such leg-



A. F. OF L.'S WILLIAM GREEN
His victory brought a prediction.

islation could be so successful as the railway act, neither labor nor capital would have much cause for complaint. The record: since 1926 there has been only one minor four-day railroad strike. The reason: either carrier or labor can carry its grievances to the national mediation board, and if this group fails to bring peace the President appoints a fact-finding commission. No strike may take place until 30 days after this group reports.

That some such regulation will eventually guide all capital-labor relations is quite likely. Though this will not emerge from the next congress, 1939 will positively bring Wagner act amendments in the general direction.

Miscellany

Motorists bound for Pasadena's Rose Bowl football game next month will be guided by aerial traffic policemen whose broadcasts can be picked up by any car radio.

Three acres added to Bedloe's island, home of the Statue of Liberty, have created a problem for congress. Under a treaty in 1834, the island was given to New York, but all land around it went to New Jersey. The extra three acres apparently belong to New Jersey.

WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON

NEW YORK.—In the pre-war years, about the only sure-going newspaper man who covered Europe was Henri S. De Blowitz, the Bohemian who became a Frenchman and scooped the world with the full text of the treaty at the conference of Berlin, at the end of the Franco-Prussian war. Although he did this for the London Times, English journalists—distinctly that, rather than newspaper men—seemed to think it wasn't quite cricket and they went on wearing spats, carrying canes, and dodging leg-work. I remember citing to an English friend the De Blowitz book, published posthumously in 1903, in which he told how he got that beat on the treaty—an exciting newspaper yarn if there ever was one.

"Bit of a rotter, don't you think?" said the Englishman.

After the war, the English correspondents started shaking a leg, but, with all this Chauvinism loose in the world, we may boast that it was the American lads who set the pace. One press association and a few of our newspapers sent over to the big war some news beagles who began retrieving stories right under the nose of the morning coat scribes. They've been getting better all the time, and one of the bell-ringers is Frank Smothers of the Chicago Daily News, the tenth correspondent to be bounced out of Italy for faithful reporting in the last year.

Mr. Smothers was a fast-stepping and fast-thinking reporter in Chicago for nine years before he went to the Orient, as correspondent for the Chicago Daily News and the Boston Transcript. He was close in when the Japanese made their first grab for China and pegged home some of the best stories from that beat. In Italy, he made a similar record.

A keen analyst, as well as news-getter, he is one of a number of American foreign correspondents who have told the story of world catastrophe faster and better than any others at any place or time. He grew up in Roseville, Ill., and finished at the University of Wisconsin, after two years at Northwestern. He is 37 years old.

GEORGE RUBLEE, 70 years old, is beset with a thousand plans for taking care of European political refugees, as he heads the American efforts in this humane undertaking. His fame rests upon his achievements as an international lawyer, of the firm of Covington, Burling & Rublee, of Washington. He was a strong supporter and ally of the late Robert La Follette.

George Rublee Vet of Delicate Negotiations
Whenever they have had oil trouble anywhere in the Western hemisphere, they have sent for Mr. Rublee. He has straightened out snarls over oil rights in Colombia, Mexico and other countries. He was a friend and associate of the late Dwight W. Morrow and helped him settle a number of oil and banking arguments in Mexico.

He is a native of Madison, Wis., and an alumnus of the Harvard law school. He began the practice of law at Chicago.

THERE was a news story the other day about a thwarted artist, who came through and had a glorious revenge on his thwarters.

Flunked Artist Events Things With Boppers
The Fine Arts Substitutes association, in behalf of teachers flunked by the New York board of examiners, gives an exhibition by which the public is to judge whether the board bopped them unjustly. Among the exhibitors is Max Weber, distinguished artist, represented in the Metropolitan museum, who was among those flunked by the board. With his picture goes a note to the board in which Mr. Weber tells what he thinks of it and cites his success as "proof of their incompetence."

Mr. Weber, a native of Russia, here at the age of 18, was a modernist, so far out of bounds that the academicians would turn in a riot call whenever any body mentioned his name. He has been marked up more by the critics probably than any other man in America.

The turn in Mr. Weber's fortunes came in 1925, when a discerning New York Sun critic, among others, piped him up as a thoroughly competent artist. His pictures sell. He has a nice home at Great Neck, Long Island.

Floyd Gibbons' ADVENTURERS' CLUB

HEADLINES FROM THE LIVES OF PEOPLE LIKE YOURSELF!



Murder Ship

HELLO EVERYBODY:

You know, boys and girls, there are two kinds of adventures—the kind that hits you like a ton of bricks and is all over in about five seconds, and the kind that sneaks up on you slowly and subtly and sticks with you until you're worn down to the point of exhaustion. And it's the latter sort of tale you're going to hear today—the story of how Charles Mahler of Brooklyn, N. Y., stepped onto a boat weighing a hundred and forty-five pounds on a bright day in the winter of 1921, to stagger off it five days later weighing a scant one hundred and ten. Not many reducing addicts would want to follow Charley Mahler's formula for growing thin, though, for it was sheer, unadulterated terror that took the pounds off his body. Five days and nights of the most helpless fear he had ever experienced in his life.

The story starts in the Dominican Republic, down in the West Indies. Charley had been working there for a sugar concern in La Romana, for about six months. He was off on a week's vacation in Santo Domingo City when orders came transferring him to Barahona, in the same country, where a new project was being started.

Books Passage on Sailing Vessel.

At about that time a strike in the steamship industry had tied up all the boats. Charley was told that there wouldn't be a steamer sailing for Barahona for three weeks. There are darned few railroads or motor roads in the Dominican Republic, and none of them went where Charley wanted to go. It was a boat or nothing. So Charley did the only other thing he could do. He strolled down to the waterfront and booked a passage on a sailing vessel which was leaving port that night.

It was supposed to be an overnight trip. Charley had heard strange tales about these sailing packets, so he left his belongings behind to be shipped by freight. With two guns in his pockets and a round of ammunition under his shirt he walked aboard the vessel. It was pitch



He saw two dark figures on the deck.

dark. His bed—the only accommodation the boat afforded—was a common wooden box placed on deck. Charley sat down on the box and watched the boat glide out of the harbor. They had barely reached the ocean when a storm blew up. Dark shadows began rising from the deck. There were 40 Haitian natives, also bound for Barahona.

It was then that Charley discovered he was the only white man on the boat—and the natives of those parts have been known to kill a white man for his shoes. The storm was now knocking the little sailing craft around with all the fury of a tropic cyclone. "Scared?" says Charley. "I was ossified." The captain himself was jet black, but I slipped him ten dollars for protection. He offered me the hospitality of his cabin. The odor of it damned near killed me. It was crawling with bedbugs and roaches and alive with rats and mice. When I awoke next morning I was really sick from sleeping there, but it was a safer bet than sleeping outside."

That morning there wasn't a breath of air stirring. The captain had bad news for Charley when he awoke. The ship had been blown ten miles off its course and the steering gear was out of commission. The captain was depending entirely on the wind. If they waited long enough it would eventually blow them to Barahona.

"That whole day," says Charley, "I sat staring at the natives and they sat looking at me. There was no food on the boat and the water had turned hot in the tropic heat. Toward evening I noticed several natives holding a conference and I felt trouble brewing. The blacks were getting hungry, and they'd take it out on me."

And what was Charley going to do for sleep that night? He knew darned well he could never stand another night in the filthy, stuffy cabin. He spoke to the captain again and made another bargain. The captain stood the night watch at the wheel, and he agreed to watch over Charley while he slept near him on deck, his body lashed to the rail of the vessel.

The Natives Become More Restless.

But you don't get much sleep lashed to a railing. All night long Charley lay awake listening to the snores of the natives around him and thinking of the comforts of home. The next day was hot and humid. Hunger gnawed at his innards, but he had to make the best of it. The natives were getting more and more restless. They eyed Charley's clothes with covetous looks that became more and more insolent and apparent. And still there was no sign of the wind that would blow them into Barahona.

That night, worn out by two days and nights of wakefulness, Charley fell asleep. Sometime in the dark hours he woke up suddenly, by sheer instinct. In the dim light of a tropic moon he saw two dark figures creeping along the deck toward him—two natives—great, husky blacks with machetes in their mouths!

"They didn't know my eyes were open," he says, "if they had known it I wouldn't be alive today. But their ignorance gave me an opportunity to draw my guns."

Charley got those guns out just as the natives were taking their machetes from their mouths. He whipped up one gun and fired twice. In an instant, two men were dead on the deck and the whole ship was in an uproar. Dark figures came swarming toward him. The captain was a big, powerful fellow. Charley says he was built on the style of Harry Willis in his prime. He picked Charley up with one hand, threw him into his cabin head first, and then, with the aid of a revolver and his powerful physique, held that furious mob at bay.

Captain Threatens to Sink the Ship.

The next morning the captain held an inquiry, announced that Charley had shot in self-defense, and threatened to sink the ship if any more attempts were made on his life. "Calm was restored at last," says Charley. "And in the meantime, for four solid days and nights we had nothing to eat and little to drink."

On the fifth day they sighted land—but when they tied the boat up to shore later on that day, Charley was too weak to walk the gangplank. They carried him up it, weighing a hundred and ten pounds—all that was left of the hundred and forty-five pounds of good solid flesh he had carried when he got aboard that lugger at the waterfront of Santo Domingo City.

Copyright—WNU Service.

Did Not Like Buttons

Once, a gentleman would rather have been shot than have any buttons on his coat. In England, about 700 years ago, the fasteners were only "scandalous ornament on men of low degree." A bit later whole sleeves might be buttoned, from wrist to above the elbow. Buttons have not always been used as fasteners, says the Washington Post. The rank of a Chinese mandarin was distinguished by the color button he wore on his hat.

Use for Ancient Calendars

In the old days almanacs served a purpose, but even those who consulted them most zealously didn't rely altogether on the printed word in preparing daily schedules. The skies, the birds, even the animals bore portents. If the chickens roosted unusually early, that was a sure sign of rain before morning. If fireflies clung close to the ground rain was in the offing, and it was an omen if an owl hooted in the daytime.

CHRISTMAS MORNING ECSTASY



"Hello, Santa? Sorry I'm so late but Christmas is just around the corner and I'd like to place my order. Bring me a doll, a teddy bear, a tricycle, a toy piano, a bag of candy, a new dress and a . . . What's that Santa? Have I been a good girl? Of course I have! Er . . . that is, I hope I have."



"Look at that doll! Santa WAS here last night, wasn't he, mummy? Guess I must have been an awfully good girl to deserve a doll like this! Brown eyes, real hair, a pretty dress . . . 'n everything!"



"What's this? Another doll! Kind of hard to get it out. Wonder what else is in this big stocking . . . maybe it's the candy I ordered from Santa Claus."



"Whee-e-e! Some tricycle Santa left me. There's so much to play with that I hardly know where to start. Wouldn't it be nice if Christmas came every day? But maybe that would be too much work for Santa Claus, and, after all, maybe I'd get kind of tired, too."



"Here it is bedtime already. I've had a busy day but I'm really not tired. Better go to bed, though, 'cause mummy says I should . . . and I really ought to be a good girl after this wonderful Christmas. Thanks a lot, Santa Claus!"

It's the Reason
For the Whiskers?

MOUNTAIN

He Tries, Anybody?

You may have been here forty years and everyone knows you are here, but do they think of you when they need merchandise? They think of the fellow who is constantly after them, reminding that he has the goods and service.

In Pacific Territory
HONOLULU.—For the past three years Hawaii has broadcast Christmas greetings on December 24 to several lonely islands which have become potentially important along aviation's equatorial Pacific area. The messages, from station KQU, have been the first of so young

THE TIGER POST



MANAGING EDITOR Iona Hatcher
EDITORIAL Opal Thacker
REPORTERS
Marie Budey, James Everett, Norma Lee Rickard, Cleo Ledbetter, Juanita Hornsby, Bernice McClellan, Audrey Terrell, Violet Moore, Ruth Thacker, Naomi Gunn, Glyn Dora Bailey, Marguerite Wheeler, Zelena Lankford, Wynema Lamb, Dorothy Sue Young, Joyce Graham.

EDITORIAL

BORROWING

By James Everett
Are you a pest who is continually borrowing something from someone in his busy moments? Take time out to put yourself in his place.
You are finishing an interesting story when Jack says, "May I borrow your journalism book?" After lending the book you finish the story with less interest than before.
Your term theme is due, so you start to work on it, with your references, fountain pen and paper on your desk.
Mary asks if your daily assignments are up to date, and if so she wants them. The reference, during this time, has been closed and the place has been lost. Laying your pen on your desk, you attempt to find your place once more in the reference book. Bernice walks to your desk, picks up your pen, asks the color of ink it contains, and walks away with it. This is the last straw, as the saying is, so you gather your things in one bunch and lock them up.
If you are a pest, mend your ways of borrowing and give your fellow student a rest.

SENIOR PERSONALITIES

JOHNNIE MAE SCOTT
Brown-eyed, black haired Johnnie Mae Scott is 15 years old. She was born at McLean and has spent all her school days here. Her birthday is August 10. She belongs to the shorthand and glee clubs and works in the high school office.
Every day, the fifth hour, Johnnie Mae goes to the music room to study her favorite subject, music. She has taken an active part in music for the past six years. Her choice of music is orchestra.
Johnnie Mae likes royal blue better than any other color. Her most admired movie stars are Tyrone Power, Alice Faye and Don Ameche; and the show that she likes best is "In Old Chicago." Her favorite song is "Heart and Soul."
Johnnie Mae's present ambition is to be a good stenographer. She is undecided where she will train for this work. Johnnie Mae is famed for her speed in typewriting.

MARGURITE WHEELER
Sixteen year old Margurite Wheeler was born at Hollis, Okla., Nov. 17. She has spent her school days at Loco, Liberty and McLean. She is now a member of the shorthand club and works in the library. She is five feet and five inches tall and her weight is 100 pounds. She wears size 5 1/2 shoes. Margurite has gray eyes and brown hair.
Margurite likes guitar music and her favorite song is "Ride, Tenderfoot, Ride." The food that she enjoys eating most is banana pudding. Her best liked subject is English and her pet dislikes are shorthand, conceited people and teachers who show partiality. Her hobbies are kodaking and horseback riding. She prefers red to any other color. Her ambition is to be a stenographer.
Margurite's choice of books and shows is "Magnificent Obsession." Her most admired novelist is Lloyd C. Douglas, and her best liked movie stars are Mickey Rooney and Ginger Rogers.

PROGRAM BOOK RECEIVED FOR SHORTHAND CLUB

"Commercial Clubs," by Archibald Alan Bowie, a book for the planning of programs and entertainments, has been placed in the library by Ina Nelle Still, shorthand instructor, for the use of the shorthand club program committee.
The weekly meeting of the shorthand club was held Friday during the first period shorthand class. A spelling match was held with Florence Mullin and J. H. Gordon choosing sides.
The officers of the club are as follows: Dorothy Merial, president; Dorothy Sue Young, vice president; Ina Hale, secretary. The program committee is made up of Ermadell Floyd, chairman; Margurite Wheeler and Veda Appling.

Christmas Program Given Tuesday in High School Aud.

An annual Christmas program was given Tuesday at 7:30 in the high school auditorium.
The program was as follows: Three selections by the band; "Seraphic Song" by the glee club; "Christmas in Review," a pageant, by the speech and music students; songs by the girls' glee club, and grade school music students; solos by Ruth Bond and Evonne Floyd; a duet by Ruth Bond and Frances Sitter, and a song by the A Cappella choir.

BASKETBALL BOYS WIN SECOND PLACE

The boys' basketball team won second place in a basketball tournament held at Goodnight, Dec. 16, 17. The boys' first game was with Groom, which the Tigers won 26-12. The second game was played with Lakeview Friday night. The Tigers lost to Lakeview with a 20-17 score. Steurday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the Tigers clashed with Phillips for semifinals. The Tigers came out victorious with a score of 24-22. They lost to Wayside in the finals.
McLean's two most outstanding players were John Bond and Norman Trimble. Both of these boys had the honor of being placed on the all-star team. Norman also received honorable mention for the sportsmanship medal.

SHE SNOOPS TO CONQUER

Opal Tedder, why do you think the show is a good place to spend Saturday nights?
Clint, are you sure you and John were really lost Thursday night?
We wonder how much of Good-night Peggy and Doris brought back to McLean.
What is Dorothy Sitter's tender spot? Clyde, would you like to argue about it?
Why did Robert Wilson stay at home Thursday night?

Grade School News

VISITING 'BOUND THE WEEK END
Betty Jo Andrews at Shamrock.
Mary Evelyn Foster at Pampa.
Gayle Montgomery at Shamrock.
Bobby Crisp at Pampa.
Kenneth Davis at Shamrock.
Worley Pugh at Alanreed.
Enoree Hodges at Shamrock.
Bobby Campbell and his parents went to Canadian.
Norma Lee Myatt in Shamrock.
Jim Carpenter's sister, who is attending Mary-Hardin Baylor at Belton, is at home for the holidays.
James Barker visited his sister, Ralph Letterell, at Sayre, Okla.
Miss Heath, Miss Winton, Miss Shaw, Miss Richardson and Mr. Wilkins in Amarillo.
Cris Clark visited at Muleshoe.

The sixth grade had a party at the gym Wednesday night, and the seventh grade will have theirs tonight (Thursday).

Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a very good girl and I'm not asking very much, but will you please bring me a new Packard car, an ermine evening wrap, silver fox furs, radio, diamond bracelet and a \$35 bottle of perfume. Please bring them to me. I love you.
MISS JOHANSEN.

Dear Santa Claus:
I don't know whether I have been good or not, but please bring me a typewriter. With love,
MISS WINTON.

Dear Santa Claus:
I'm not asking much, so please bring me an ermine coat, a \$35 bottle of perfume, a Rolls Royce, a gold bracelet, Elgin watch, and a white fur evening wrap. And, please, a radio, too.
MISS RICHARDSON.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a pair of gloves, a new fountain pen and a pair of hose. I've been good lately. With hopes,
MISS HEATH.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a new Chevrolet and a new fur coat. I've been very good, so please send them. With love,
MISS CARTER.

Dearest Santa Claus:
I've been pretty good, so all I want is a new Ford, a package of gum, and for my wife to treat me better.
MR. DUNLAP.

Dear Santa Claus:
The only thing I want is to go home. I want to see my relatives and friends. With hopes,
MR. BRANCH.

Dear Santa Claus:
I sure would be glad to receive a pair of mules and a little doll with bottle. With love,
MISS ANSLEY.

Dear Santie:
I sure would be glad to get a strapless evening gown and a pair of silver slippers. With hopes,
MISS SHAW.

Dear Santie Claus:
All I wish for is a \$50 bottle of perfume, and a box of body powder. Please include a radio. Your friend,
MISS SWIM.

Dear Santie:
I have been very good and will expect a radio for my car, also a diamond ring. With hopes,
MR. WILKINS.

News from Skillet

The box and pie supper which was held at the Skillet school last Wednesday night was very successful. We made \$22.29. Half of the proceeds go to the school and half to the Sunday school. We want to thank each person who helped in any way.
Jean Burr, Syble Weaver and Hermie Mae Hunt spent Friday night with Miss Catherine Dotson.
Mr. and Mrs. George Baker, Mr. and Mrs. George Preston visited Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Baker in McLean Sunday night. Mr. Baker is ill.
Mr. and Mrs. Lester Preston and baby from Oregon are visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Preston and other relatives here.
Kenneth Preston visited his grandfather in McLean Sunday.
J. R. Giesler, Mr. Streetman and son of Skellytown visited Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Preston, Mr. and Mrs. George Preston Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hunter visited in Oklahoma Thursday and Friday.
Mrs. Leslie Giesler visited Mrs. Buck Glass Wednesday.
Mr. and Mrs. Buck Glass visited in Shamrock Monday.
Gordon Billingslea and Bill Moore visited Mr. and Mrs. Buck Glass Saturday.
Jay Billingslea visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hunt Saturday.
Mrs. Gus Hunter, Miss Dotson, Nola and Bill Burr visited in Pampa Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Wood and children, Mrs. Faye Hubert and son visited in Pampa Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. Dink Burr visited Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Burr Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Burch visited Mr. and Mrs. Hartman of Pampa Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hunter were Clarendon visitors Monday.
Mr. and Mrs. L. Giesler and son, Audie, visited in the Gus Hunter home Sunday night.
Syble Weaver spent Thursday night with Billie Faye Glass.
Syble Weaver spent Tuesday night with Hermie Mae Hunt.

\$25 REWARD

Will be paid by the manufacturer for any Cern. GREAT CHRISTOPHER Cern Remedy cannot remove. Also removes Warts and Callouses. 50c at CITY DRUG STORE

FINE FOOD

prepared and served like you want it.
Plate Lunches - Short Orders
Appreciative Service
MEADOR CAFE
We Never Close

DR. V. R. JONES

Optometrist
Office Hours 8:30 to 12 a. m. 1 to 6 p. m.
Please make appointment.
Phone 105 814 N. Main St.
SHAMROCK, TEXAS
Also repair broken spectacles.

LYNCH SECOND-HAND STORE AND PIPE YARD

Phone 9502, East of Post Office Lefors, Texas
Water well casing and pumping equipment, oil field supplies, pipe straightening, bending, shopping, general welding. Cash paid for all used goods for lumber, for pipe, pipe fittings, heavy machine and shop equipment, sheet and scrap iron, metals, etc. etc.
CONCRETE BUILDING BLOCKS for Sale or Trade
Bubble design (rough hand hove hard rock effect) ideal for residences, basements, business buildings, retaining walls, foundations, terracing, curbing, rock facades, etc. etc. Dimensions 8" x 16", 16" each. P. H. A. Lamm 45-4p 4p

Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler Carter and children of Pampa visited the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Pettit, Thursday.

L. L. Rogers and family of Alhambra, Calif., are visiting home folks here during the holidays.

Forrest Rogers of California is visiting his mother, Mrs. Eva M. Rogers.

Mrs. C. O. Greene went to Amarillo Thursday to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Miller.

Mrs. Pete Ballard and baby went to Amarillo Thursday after Mr. Ballard, who had been in a hospital.

PLANT TREES NOW

Right now is the time to place orders for trees and shrubbery
Landscape Service
Bruce Nursery
Trees with a Reputation Alanreed, Texas
Our services are available, any time, day or night. Rural calls receive the same prompt attention as those close in.
Service rendered whenever required—no distance too far.

C. S. Rice Funeral Home

Day Phone 42 - Night Phone 18 McLEAN, TEXAS

GAS

That MAKES 'ER GO!
That's the kind you want for your car—and that's the kind we sell. Every drop filtered, sure firing and economical. Drive in and fill 'er up.
Winter grade oils and greases, Prestone, etc.

PHILLIPS 66
Service Station
Boyd Meador, Prop.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty and children were Amarillo visitors Saturday. They ate supper with their son and brother, Francis, in the home of Mrs. Catherine Francis.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Glass of Alanreed were visitors in the C. A. Watkins home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Crisp and children of Alanreed were in McLean Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sparks visited their daughter, Mrs. D. C. Regal, and family in Amarillo Sunday.

INSURANCE
Life Fire Hail
I insure anything. No prohibited list.
I represent some of the strongest companies in the world.
T. N. Holloway
Reliable Insurance

Elite Barber Shop
Your Trade Appreciated

A Gift DeLuxe

We have one model of Zenith Radio with every modern improvement, that will make someone a perfect gift. It is priced at only \$119.95, and we will allow you \$25.00 on your old radio. Here is an opportunity to make every member of the family happy Christmas morning. Come in and see this beautiful radio.
Other models from \$14.95 up.
Plenty of "last minute" gift items here.

CITY DRUG STORE

"More Than a Merchant"
Witt Springer, Prop.

NOTICE to City Taxpayers

The first quarterly payment of your City Taxes must be paid by

December 31, 1938

to receive the

10% DISCOUNT

After December 31, no discount will be allowed on the first quarterly payment

Pay your city taxes now and take advantage of this discount.

City of McLean, Texas

W. E. Bogan, Secretary & Tax Collector

Clarendon visited her parents Miller, Glen Chilton, Mrs. Ed D. Smith, Jun

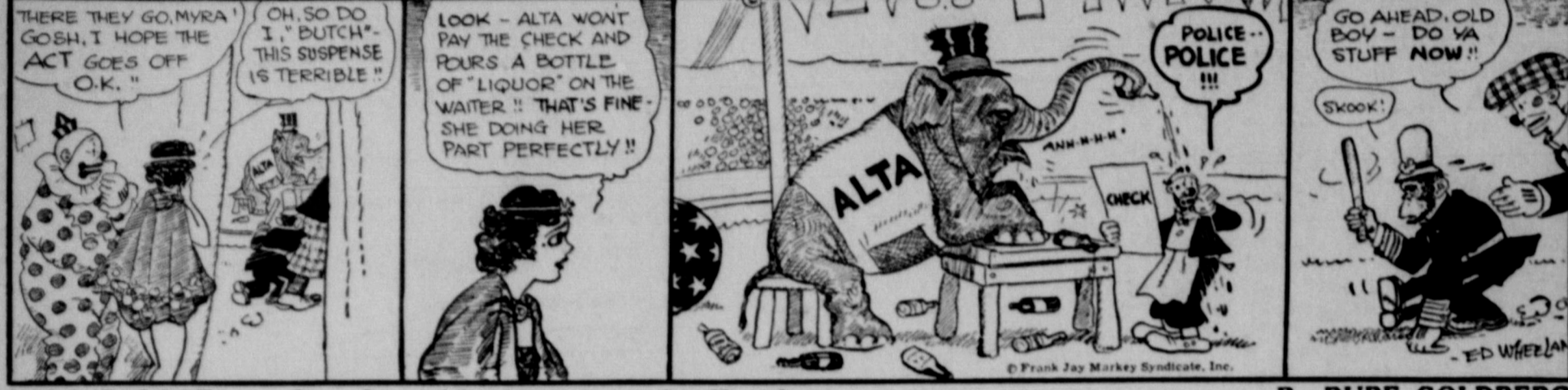
THE SUNNY SIDE OF LIFE

Clean Comics That Will Amuse Both Old and Young

BIG TOP

"Skookie" goes out to do his act with Alta who, so far, is going through her stunt o. k.

By ED WHEELAN



LALA PALOOZA

Gonzales and Professor Zero Get Together

By RUBE GOLDBERG



S'MATTER POP— For a Second, Pop Forgot

By C. M. PAYNE



MESCAL IKE

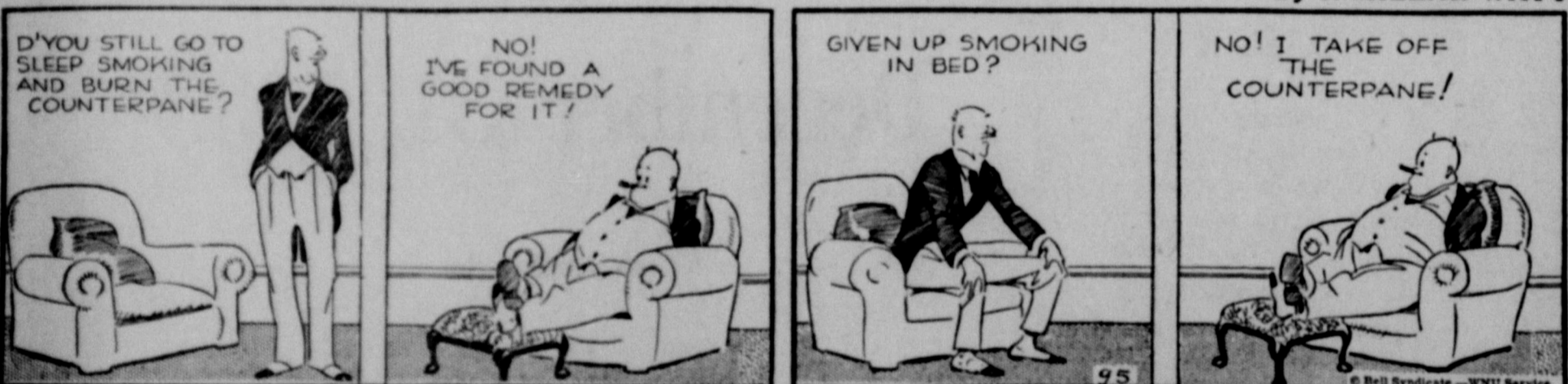
By S. L. HUNTLEY

The Process of Law



POP— Hazard Removed

By J. MILLAR WATT



Curse of Progress



SPUR TO THOUGHT

"Bridget," said Dennis timidly, "did ye ever think of marryin'?"
 "Sure now," replied Bridget, looking demurely at her shoe, "the subject has never entered my mind."
 "Then it's sorry I am," said Dennis, as he started to leave the room. "One minute, Dennis," called Bridget, as he was going. "Ye've set me thinkin'."
 Good Enough Evidence
 Manager—Where is Mr. Brown?
 Clerk—Speaking on the telephone to his wife.
 Manager—How do you know it's his wife?
 Clerk—Well, he's been on the telephone half an hour and I've only heard him say "Hullo" and "yes" so far.—Stray Stories Magazine.
 And Some Sawdust
 "Darling," said young Justwed, "what did you say this stuff is?"
 "Cottage pudding, sweetheart," cooed the bride.
 "That explains it! I've got hold of one of the beams!"

NOT HUNGRY

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



Make This Useful Bag on a Hanger

By RUTH WYETH SPEARS
 THIS bag has been a great success. Several others can be made for different purposes. They are good to hang in the closet or the sewing room for patterns or small equipment. When traveling I find a little bigger one perfect for laundry. The size shown here requires 3/4 yard of bright ticking. You will notice in the sketch that French seams are used. This makes the first stitching of the



seams on the right side. Trim close to this stitching, turn the bag inside out and stitch the seams again so that the raw edges are covered. Punch a small hole in the center top for the hanger hook. Clip today's lesson and add it to the many gift suggestions contained in the books offered below.

NOTE: Mrs. Spears' Book 2—Gifts, Novelties and Embroidery, has helped thousands of women to use odds and ends of materials and their spare time to make things to sell and to use. Book 1—Sewing for the Home Decorator, is full of inspiration for every homemaker. These books make delightful Christmas gifts. Mrs. Spears will autograph them on request. Books are 25 cents each. Crazypatch quilt leaflet is included free with every order for both books. Address: Mrs. Spears, 210 S. Desplains St., Chicago, Ill.

Bothered by Constipation?

Get relief this simple pleasant way!

Take one or two tablets of Ex-Lax before retiring. It tastes just like delicious chocolate. No bottles or spoons to bother with. No disagreeable concoctions to mix. Ex-Lax is easy to use and pleasant to take.

You sleep through the night... undisturbed! No stomach aches. No nausea or cramps. No occasion to get up!

In the morning, Ex-Lax acts... thoroughly and effectively! It works so gently that, except for the relief you enjoy, you scarcely realize you have taken a laxative.

Ex-Lax is good for every member of the family—the youngsters as well as the grown-ups. Available at all drug stores in handy 10¢ and 25¢ sizes.

Now improved—better than ever!
EX-LAX
 THE ORIGINAL CHOCOLATED LAXATIVE

Foe of Tranquility
 Nothing is so great an enemy to tranquility, and a contented spirit, as the amazement and confusions of unreadiness and inconsideration.—Jeremy Taylor.

Head colds do make you feel miserable. Do this for relief: Put 2 drops Penetro Nose Drops in each nostril—so soothing, cooling to irritated membrane of the nose and throat. As a stimulant-like action of ephedrine quickly allows you "more room to breathe".
PENETRO NOSE DROPS

Philosopher Kings
 A state would be happy where philosophers were kings or kings were philosophers.—Plato.

relieves
666 COLDS
 First day.
Headaches and Fever
 LIQUID, TABLETS and Lozenges
 SALVE, NOSE DROPS
 Try "Rub-My-Tiss"—a Wonderful Linctus

ADVERTISING
 IS as essential to business as is rain to growing crops. It is the keystone in the arch of successful merchandising. Let us show you how to apply it to your business.

It's the Reason
These Fake Whiskers?

MOUNTAIN

but do they think of...
need merchandise?
Likely they do not. They think of the fellow who is constantly after them, reminding that he has the goods and service.
Here are some things that "have been" until they quit
years Hawaii has broadcast Christmas greetings on December 24 to several lonely islands which have become potentially important along aviation's equatorial Pacific area. The messages, from station KGU, go out to the dozen or so young Americans who for three years have...

White House Shares Yule Spirit

WASHINGTON—The holiday atmosphere that grips America each December also finds its way to the White House, home of our chief executives for nearly 140 years and scene of many a colorful Yuletide party in bygone years.

White House history is rich with anecdotes of such gatherings since the building was occupied by the country's second chief executive, John Adams. For his granddaughter, four-year-old Suzannah, President Adams gave the first Christmas party ever held in the White House. Those were the days before the mansion was finished, when Mrs. Adams is said to have hung out her wash in the great East room.

Suzannah's party was a success at one of her guests broke a doll belonging to the little hostess. Suzannah retaliated by biting off the nose of the young guest's new wax doll. President Adams had to resort to diplomacy.



Entrance to the White House at Washington as it appears each year during the Christmas season.

Jefferson Played Violin.

Christmas has always aided chief executives in discarding their dignity for a brief return to the simplicity of their childhood days. It was the younger President Jefferson who played the violin for his young guests, and the aged Andrew Jackson threw wide the White House doors to hundreds of orphans who attended to the President himself tell them wild tales of Indian wars.

Dolly Madison, most famous White House hostess in history, was in charge of President Jefferson's party in 1805 when nearly 100 guests were present. Mrs. Madison also served as hostess at 13 other Christmas dinners in the White House during the two terms each of Jefferson and her own husband, James Madison. Once the Madisons had to flee from the mansion when the British invaded Washington in 1812. Jackson's party for the orphans was inspired by his own sad boyhood. At his party Santa Claus came to the White House as usual, leaving many gifts for the homeless

youngsters. Jackson himself found a cornucopia and warm carpet slippers in his bulging stocking.

Jackson in Snow Fight.

"Old Hickory" is said to have participated in a snowball fight at the party, aided by Vice President Martin Van Buren. As his little guests scattered over the moonlit White House lawn he turned to a friend and said:

"They remind me of the one who came to the knees of Jesus, and of whom he said, 'Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of Heaven.'"

In modern times much more ceremony has been attached to official Washington's celebration of the Yuletide. Each year the chief executive radios holiday greetings to American soldiers, sailors, marines

WHAT to EAT and WHY

C. Houston Goudiss Asks How Do You Get Your Vitamin D? Relates Need for and Sources Of This Necessary Vitamin

By C. HOUSTON GOUDISS

THERE is scarcely a mother of a young baby today who has not at one time or another been told to give her child cod-liver oil. Perhaps she does not know this substance must be given to the baby for the vitamin D that it contains. But she has heard that there is something in cod-liver oil which makes it valuable to the baby's health.

A generation ago, cod-liver oil was given to children in the winter time, "to build them up" after colds or various other respiratory illnesses. It was not until 1921, however, that a long series of painstaking investigations, terminating in the discovery of vitamin D, made it clear that cod-liver oil is valuable as a source of vitamin D, and also why this vitamin is essential in the diet of growing children, as well as adults.

Discovery of Vitamin D

After years of patient work and many thrilling and dramatic experiments, seven forms of vitamin D have been revealed by science. And scientists have also solved the mystery of how such widely separated factors as cod-liver oil; sunlight; a diet that is rich in, and carefully balanced with calcium and phosphorus; and ultraviolet light, all can perform the same service for the body.

Readers of this column may have observed that the discovery of a number of the vitamins came about chiefly through the efforts of investigators to discover a method of treating or curing obscure nutritional diseases. In most instances, however, carefully controlled laboratory experiments played their part in reaching the ultimate goal after some clue had been found as to what the mysterious substance might be that helped to control a baffling nutritional disease. The discovery of vitamin D was no exception!

Vitamin D and Rickets

Vitamin D is associated intimately with the prevention and cure of rickets, the most devastating nutritional disease of children in temperate climates. Indeed, it is the moderate, and in some cases the small amount of sunshine in the temperate zone that accounts partially for the presence of rickets.

Historians have given us reason to believe that this disease may have existed in England even before the Roman conquest. Certainly it appeared in a serious form, both in England and in other North European countries, in the Seventeenth century. In fact, early literature refers to it as the English disease, and the early attempts to fathom its causes were written in Latin by English and Dutch doctors during the 1600's.

In rickets, the child's head grows large and out of proportion to the body, while the leg and arm bones, and in severe cases even the ribs, are bent and twisted out of their normal shape.

Need for Calcium and Phosphorus

The two principal minerals required for constructing the bones and teeth are calcium, obtained chiefly from milk, cheese and green leafy vegetables, and phosphorus, found in generous amounts in eggs, whole grain cereals and dried legumes. But one of the things that made it so difficult for scientists to determine the cause of rickets was the fact that apparently well fed children, who had plenty of calcium and phosphorus, frequently developed the disease.

Mystery of Cod-Liver Oil

Cod-liver oil had been used for many years because of its supposedly "tonic" or "building" properties, when it was observed that regular doses of cod-liver oil not only cured rickets in children, but also cured the corresponding disease in adults, called osteomalacia, in which the bones become soft as the calcium and phosphorus already deposited in them are withdrawn and excreted.

Fat and Vitamin D

One of the strangest paradoxes to the scientists in their early investigations was the fact that while cod-liver oil appeared to cure rickets, another substance high in

advice of their physician in determining when to start the use of a vitamin D preparation and what quantities to give. But if they want to give their babies the blessing bestowed on them by the scientists who discovered vitamin D, they must not overlook this important substance.

As guardians of the health of both children and adults, mothers should see to it that vitamin D is supplied regularly through the use of eggs and salmon; irradiated foods and those fortified with vitamin D; and if necessary, fish-liver oils or concentrates.

Questions Answered

Miss G. M. L.—Yes, it is true that sweet potatoes contain a small amount of protein. In fact, their protein is composed of four amino acids known to be essential to nutrition. Some of the protein may be lost if the potato is boiled, but it is entirely preserved when the potato is cooked by dry heat.

Mrs. M. B.—Both cooked lentils and baked kidney beans contain over 20 per cent of carbohydrate. Low carbohydrate vegetables include cabbage, celery, cauliflower, kale, lettuce and spinach.

HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONS

Lintless Tea Towels.—Tea towels will not leave lint on china and glassware if they are passed through a weak starch solution when laundered.

Removing Indelible Ink Marks.—Equal parts of turpentine and ammonia will remove indelible ink marks from white fabrics when everything else fails.

To Judge Grapefruit.—Notice its firmness, weight, and shape as well as the thickness of the skin. Good quality fruit is firm yet springy to the touch. It is well shaped, thin skinned and heavy for its size.

When Fruit Cake Becomes Dry.—Fruit cake that has become dry may be moistened by saturating a clean cloth with spiced fruit juice, wrapping the cake in the cloth and returning it to its airtight container for a day or two.

Improving Mince Pies.—Run your mincemeat through the mincing machine before putting it into pastry. It makes it much more easy to digest than if the currants, etc., are left whole. Remember that mince pies should be served very hot.

A REAL CHRISTMAS

By Vera Ashton

"Oh, lookit, lookit, Jimmie. Doesn't it look like a real baby? Just 'magine it's for me!" And little Sally's face was radiant with the imagined joy.

"Ah, that's nothin' but a doll! You girls!" and Johnnie's nose turned up with disgust. "If you're lookin', just lookit that!" and he pointed to a scooter that leaned proudly against the wall in the show window. "That's what Santa Claus has picked out for me." And Johnnie's eyes shone.

A well-dressed man standing near them heard the words, and looked curiously at the ragged children. As he saw his wife approaching, the children started on, but not before he heard the boy say to his sister, "It's no use 'magine anything this year. Aunt Meg doesn't even have a chimbley for Santa to crawl down, and he probably doesn't even know that daddy and mother aren't here any more," and his brave little lip quivered.

The man turned to his wife, who had just reached him. "Madge, look at that window."

But her voice was shrill with a hysterical grief, as she exclaimed: "Oh, Phil, I can't look at those toys. You know I can't. When little Elsie is dead, and we have no one to make Christmas for."

"But Madge, that is what I mean. We have someone to make a Christmas for. See those kids there, just going round the corner? They are the Mayne children, whose father and mother were killed in that factory fire last month. They're living with their aunt, who already has four children of her own, and her husband is only working part time since the fire." He said no more but watched his wife anxiously.

Her look of grief turned slowly to one of questioning and then pleasure.

"We'll do it!" she exclaimed in glad tones.

"I heard them tell each other what they wanted," Phil said joyously.

So on Christmas morning Sally and Johnnie were surprised to have an auto drive up in front of their Aunt Meg's house, and have a fine big man ask them to go home with him to dinner. And there, when they had taken off their coats and hats, they found a lovely Christmas tree with a beautiful doll and a perfectly grand scooter, and a new suit for Johnnie and a dress for Sally which made her dress sparkle with joy.

"We don't want you to go home," Mrs. Vigers said when the children began to talk about having to go, after the dinner of turkey and cranberry sauce and all the fixings. "We want you to stay, don't we Phil?"

"Indeed we do, for we need a little boy and girl in our house," Phil Vigers replied, with a happy smile on his face. And he added, under his breath, as he gave his wife a mighty hug, "This is a real Christmas, Madge. I'm glad that there was plenty of room at this inn."

While Shepherds Watched



A photographic reproduction of the famous Christmas painting, "As Shepherds Watched," by Carl Mueller, noted German artist. The painting, depicting the birth of Christ, was executed in Dusseldorf in 1885 and was first published in the United States in 1936.

AMAZED SANTA CLAUS FINDS 33 STOCKINGS IN MARYLAND HOME!

LEONARDTOWN, MD.—No less than 33 stockings are hung by the chimney with care each Christmas eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Sterling here.

The couple has 17 children, who with the grandchildren and in-laws add up to the grand total of 33.

Santa Claus can hardly see the fireplace for the stockings when he slides down the chimney. But he never fails to fill them all. In the years since he started visiting the Sterling home, Santa has found that another caller, the stork, also has the Sterling address in his book.

Each year there has been a "new addition" to the Sterling household, or in the homes of their children. As Santa's burden has become greater he has cheerfully risen to the needs and found plenty of toys and other "goodies" to go around.

But he has to replenish his supply after each visit to the Sterling home.

Who Hasn't?

Dear Santa Claus
I am a good boy at home
and in school.
My name is Herkman.
I like a scooter, a book
and a watch.
Love Herkman

Each Christmas season hundreds of plaintive notes to Santa Claus, like the above, find their way to the Post Office department's dead letter office. Others reach the town of Santa Claus, Ind.

Railway Station Carols Make Travelers Relax

In metropolitan railroad stations throughout the country this holiday season, hurried travelers will halt to the strains of Christmas carols echoing from lofty ceilings and long corridors. Originally adopted several years ago in New York, the idea has spread each December to more cities until railroad station music has become a tradition.

The concerts were started because railroad officials decided "everyone was in too much of a hurry" around Christmas time, and that if people could relax before starting their homeward journey they would have a better time.

Late Yuletide Observed By Orthodox Christians

Conforming to the Julian calendar, thousands of Americans will not celebrate Christmas until January 7, 14 days behind the Gregorian calendar. These people are Russians, Serbians, Armenians, Bulgarians, Syrians and Macedonians—followers of the Christian Orthodox church. Greeks and Rumanians, also of the Orthodox church, mark Christmas on the Gregorian calendar but adhere to the Julian calendar in observance of Easter Sunday.

Dressy Midwinter Fashions



ed, the gathered bodice fills out your bustline, and the full skirt is extremely graceful. The high neckline is scalloped to make it softer and more becoming. In velvet, silk crepe, satin, or thin wool, this will be one of the prettiest afternoon dresses you ever owned!

Suspender Skirt With Jacket.

Here's a perfectly charming new princess skirt, in suspender fashion, topped by a short little tuxedo jacket. You can wear the skirt with your own blouses, or just with the jacket, so that you'll find it very useful. See how tiny it makes your waist look, and notice the cute, crescent-shaped pockets. Very simple to make, like all two-piece styles. Choose tweed, wool crepe, plaid or flannel.

The Patterns.

No. 1641 is designed for sizes 12, 14, 16, 18 and 20. Size 14 requires 4 1/2 yards of 39-inch material.

No. 1646 is designed for sizes 12, 14, 16, 18 and 20. Size 14 requires 3 1/2 yards of 54-inch material with long sleeves.

Send your order to The Sewing Circle Pattern Dept., Room 1020, 211 W. Wacker Dr., Chicago, Ill. Price of patterns, 15 cents (in coins) each.

© Bell Syndicate.—WNU Service.

HAVE something brand new and smart, to cheer you up during the after-holiday time when you feel a little let-down. Here are two of the very smartest things you can wear, both just as pretty and new as they can be! And they're so easy to make that you'll enjoy doing it, and of course you'll save, decidedly, by choosing your own fabrics. Each pattern is accompanied by a detailed sew chart.

Soft Afternoon Dress.

This is a lovely design, very smart and new. It does very nice things to your figure. The wide girldle makes you look doll-waist-



Make Your Home Attractive

READ the advertisements in your paper regularly. You'll find extraordinary values from time to time, in all the hundred and one things that make houses more attractive.

Your budget will cover the improvements you want to make if you plan your buying with the news of bargains as a guide. Read the advertisements.

Basel Pettis
Miller, Glen Chilton,
Mrs. Ed D. Smith, Jr.

THE McLEAN NEWS

Published Every Thursday

News Building, 210 Main Street Phone 47

T. A. LANDERS, Publisher

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

In Texas	
One Year	\$2.00
Six Months	1.25
Three Months	.65
Outside Texas	
One Year	\$2.50
Six Months	1.50
Three Months	.85

Entered as second class matter May 8, 1906, at the post office at McLean, Texas, under act of Congress.

MEMBERS

National Editorial Association Texas Press Association Panhandle Press Association

Display advertising rate, 50c per column inch, each insertion. Preferred position, 80c per inch.

Resolutions, obituaries, cards of thanks, poems, and items of like nature charged for at line rates.

Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation, which may appear in the columns of this paper, will be gladly corrected upon due notice of same being given to the editor personally, at the office at 210 Main Street, McLean, Texas.

Merry Christmas! What better greeting can anyone know?

It is all right to find fault, if you keep your findings secret.

All some people have on their minds is what they have on their backs.

The man who thinks he knows everything has no use for an encyclopedia.

The man who is on the lookout for business is seldom troubled with the business outlook.

In spite of all that has been done to improve people's eyesight, many of them can't seem to read the signs that say "Danger," "Slow," or "No Parking."

With the shelterbelt program

limited to what can be put in this year, land owners should see that they have their applications in early to insure being considered this season.

With right at two million dollars a year paid by the state to officials for traveling expenses, it would appear that it is high time for something to be done about this nice sideline income for officials. Most officials get high salaries and the traveling expense item should be dispensed with.

Liquor advertising is particularly obnoxious at Christmas, but we must compliment the advertisers on taking pictures of women before they take their drink. They always look dignified and charming in the ads. They do not always look that way after drinking.

So many beautifully decorated homes in McLean this Christmas are worth driving miles to see. These public-spirited citizens deserve the thanks of everyone for their efforts in creating the proper Christmas spirit. The judges are going to have a task deciding which home deserves first prize this year.

It is nice to live in a town with a cheap gas rate in cold weather, and McLean is more fortunate than others in that the system now belongs to the city, and citizens have a right to expect a cheap rate as long as the city owns the system, as municipal systems are primarily installed to save money for the taxpayers.

If the common man who is in need of proper medical attention can get anything out of the anti-trust suit against the American Medical Association, all well and good. It is too bad that one of the oldest professions, one that should be farthest from selfish motives, should be in position to be accused of such practices.

Those who have put off their Christmas shopping can do nothing but try and make up for it at the last minute, but overworked clerks could appreciate it if all would try to do

their buying before Saturday night. The night before Christmas is generally a nightmare to tired clerks as last-minute shoppers try to make selections from depleted stocks of Christmas merchandise.

Not many people in this community are lacking in creature comforts at this season, as compared with communities not so favorably situated, yet there are some families who will not have the Christmas cheer needed unless some assistance is given. The service clubs and churches have made plans for Christmas baskets for needy families, but there is work that can be done by individuals that will help make Christmas happy for someone.

A. W. Willard of Fort Stockton visited in McLean Wednesday. Mrs. Willard stopped at Paducah to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Lindsey and daughter of Pampa were in McLean Thursday.

Miss Gwynne Carpenter, who is attending school at Belton, is home for Christmas.

Mrs. H. W. Finley and sons visited relatives at Mangum, Okla., last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Sullivan of Pampa were in McLean Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Meador and son were in Oklahoma Sunday.

News from Ramsdell

Oliver Bones attended the funeral of his cousin, Mrs. Charlie Davis, at Twitty last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Powell and son were dinner guests in the Joe Hindman home last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Davidson and daughter, Miss Iva, were McLean visitors Friday.

Mrs. John Grogan visited in the Furd Bones home Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Powell and son and Miss Iva Davidson made a business trip to Pearson, Okla., last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Powell and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Davidson and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Bones and Mrs. Gertrude Van Bibber were dinner guests Sunday in the Geo. Weems home at Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Moody and son from Arizona came Monday for an extended visit with the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gale, and family.

Mrs. S. W. Rice, Mrs. A. Stanfield and James Lee Rice visited Mrs. Maurice Armstrong at Lefors Tuesday.

H. C. Rippy takes advantage of our bargain rate on the News and Star-Telegram this week.

Mrs. J. W. Kibler, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Davis were in Oklahoma Sunday.

T. J. Coffey has our thanks for a subscription renewal this week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Landers and Mrs. S. D. Shelburne made a trip to Cordell, Okla., Sunday afternoon.

Judge and Mrs. Sherman White of Pampa visited in McLean Thursday.

James Cobbs from California is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cobbs.

Mrs. Arrell King was in Amarillo Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Floyd were in Pampa Monday.

Bill Hell of Pampa was in McLean Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Palmer of Alanreed were in McLean Friday.

Jimmie Braxton of Shamrock was in McLean Friday.

Paul Dowell is home from school at Albuquerque, N. M., for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Dickinson and daughter were in Shamrock Friday.

R. H. Routh of Amarillo was in McLean Friday.

Mrs. W. W. Wilson and son visited in Pampa Saturday.

DR. A. J. BLACK

Optometrist

Eyes Examined - - Glasses Fitted

322 Rose Bldg. Phone 382

Pampa, Texas

MILES PER GALLON

One of the standards of any motor car is its mileage per gallon of gasoline used. Let us tune your motor and fill up with our winter gasoline oil and greases—and see the difference.

GEORGE HERVEY

Machine Shop and Garage

LAST CHANCE!

Only two days remain in which to buy Christmas gifts. We still have a few nice ones.

Mrs. E. J. Lander

Next Door South Hodges Bakery



TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND FRIENDS

May all the good things you long for be yours at this Christmas season. We have a few gift items left in our stock.

ORCHID BEAUTY SHOP

Last Minute Gifts

If you have neglected to buy that gift, or find that you overlooked someone, you can probably find just what will please here.

ERWIN DRUG CO.

Your Electric Rate has come DOWN AND DOWN!



During the past year, on the average, citizens of McLean received more than twice as much electricity for the same money as they did seven years ago. Since January, 1930, McLean's average lighting rate has come down 52%.

Why not make a list of the lamps, fixtures, and electric appliances most needed in your home today? If you will hand this list to your Electric Dealer, or to us, we will work out a convenient budget payment plan for you.

Then you will see how easy it is for you to have all of the lamps, fixtures, and electric appliances you need before Christmas. We shall be glad to help you with your Christmas lighting, too.

ELECTRIC GIFTS COST LITTLE TO BUY

Southwestern PUBLIC SERVICE Company

ELECTRIC GIFTS COST LITTLE TO OPERATE

start... terly... their... the... the... get... Al... lipped... come... ded... black... the... h... 'I... have... Fort... tortu... agony... -of... 'M... you... fore... weel... wan... trail... wen... good... all... ds... snow... now... 'I... than... Alan... her... w... i... we... day... u... 'De... head... starv... 'Ye... us... do... to... ga... ragge... and... g... 'W... 'B... back... ing... w... 'Sh... Alan... Roug... stron... two... l... valley... 'She... 'It... v... the... h... willin... over... sire... t... ing... f... at... on... with... l... ror... o... throu... -on... these... their... farthe... him... hear... At... t... up... the... it... wo... He... w... but... we... if... he... coast... ness... t... Some... they... young... wolve... As... 'br... knees... Takin... mitter... broste... his... pi... Alan... eyes... 'Th... ar... T... of... us... down... feet... b... get... E... alway... At... his... e... searc... golde... the... s... Ala... tion... s... to... us... you... i... hard... Roug... pound... The... Alan... throu... 'It... do... As... little... Roug... Ag... and... s... the... t... Then... his... m... expla... In... t... Powd... 'Ye... going... old... H... fastes... ask... y... got... -Heath... The... the... s... aling... while... In... green... stars... late

