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Dr. Woods, State School Supt., Speaks

Dr. L. A. Woods, state superintendent of public schools, was guest speaker at the Lions Club luncheon held Tuesday.

Dr. Woods, who was accompanied by State Deputy Lofan, spoke on "Streamlining Education," outlining his talk by giving the origin, organization, program and cost of education.

In streamlining education, it should point first to vocation, second to avocation and third to culture, according to the speaker. As to the cost, "the great majority of public schools in Texas are poverty stricken," said Dr. Woods. "While Texas is above the average of southern states, the average per capita cost of education is some 10 or 12 dollars below the national average."

Dr. Woods compared the 85 million dollars spent annually on education with the 150 million for movies and 600 million for crime.

"There are 75 thousand children in Texas who were not in any school last year. We are what we are because we have been taught that," said the educator, showing that money spent for education is much cheaper than money spent to punish criminals. Dr. Woods also showed the drift toward race suicide by comparing the number of children in Texas today with the 19,000 more in 1930.

The club entertainment program was in charge of T. N. Holloway. He presented little Misses Glenda Joyce Smith and Mary Beth Steph, who delighted the Lions with the following accordion duets: "That Saxophone Waltz," "Red River Valley," "Whispering Hope," "Silent Night" and "That Silver Haired Daddy of Mine." Boss Lion Meador appointed the following as Christmas basket committee to work with the churches. C. O. Greene, W. E. Bogan, Leigh Fischer, W. W. Boyd, M. W. Banta and C. B. Batson.

REBEKAHS ELECT OFFICERS

The McLean Rebekah lodge elected the following officers at the regular meeting Monday night:

Noble Grand—Mrs. Lillie Butcher. Vice Grand—Mrs. Jessie Ruth Boyd. Recording secretary—Mrs. Isabel Petty.

Financial secretary—Mrs. Anna Marshall.

Treasurer—Mrs. Lucy McCarty. The Rebekahs visited the Shamrock lodge Thursday night, when a new member, Mrs. Lenna Dwight, was initiated. Others attending were: Mr. and Mrs. J. T. McCarty, Mesdames Jessie Ruth Boyd, Lillie Butcher, Isabel Petty, Ruth Rupe, Inez Hamman, Bertha Day and Dorothy Beck.

SCOUTS TO COLLECT TOYS

The boy scouts of troop 25 are collecting toys to be given to the poor for Christmas. Anyone who has some toys to give is requested to bring them to the grade school, or call the school office and a scout will call for them.

The toys will be rebuilt and painted before distributing.

Mesdames H. M. Roth, Floyd Lively, Buster Stokes, Luther Petty, and Miss Hettie Burr, members of the East-side Home Demonstration Club, enjoyed a Christmas party Saturday afternoon at the office of Mrs. Julia E. Kelley in Pampa.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Coffey visited at Kermit over the week-end.

C. M. Carpenter made a business trip to Pampa Thursday.

BIRTHDAYS

Dec. 17—Walter Bailey, Mrs. S. R. Kennedy, Mrs. J. A. Sparks, Mrs. R. M. Gibson, Mrs. Allison Cosh.

Dec. 18—Mrs. Bob Thomas.

Dec. 19—Colleen Burrows, Robert Brewer, S. B. Morse, Orman Harlan, J. E. Langham.

Dec. 20—Dorothy Nell Woods, M. J. R. Clark.

Dec. 21—Marian Wilson.

Dec. 22—Glyndora Bailey, Mrs. O. B. Shamin, Glenn A. Parks.

Dec. 23—Mrs. Milton Carpenter, H. R. Trimble, Mrs. Ercy Cubine, D. N. Massey, Plecta Cunningham, Wayne Worley.

McLean F. F. A. Wins High Honors at District Meet

McLean and Canadian won most of the honors at the Pampa annual district judging contest last week.

McLean won first place with a score of 750 points in judging of dairy cattle. Team members were J. L. Hancock, Bob Sherrod and J. M. Montgomery. Hancock was high point individual of the contest.

Canadian was second with a score of 707, White Deer third, 688; Panhandle fourth, 680; and Dumas fifth with 594.

McLean alternates in the dairy judging were Leonard Glass, Arthur Boyd, Tommy Beck and James Reureau. Glass was high point individual of alternates, Boyd second and Beck fifth. McLean alternates made an unusually good score of 707, which tied with the regular team from Canadian.

Canadian placed first in the poultry judging contest with a score of 1215 points. McLean was second with 1187, Claude third with 1170, and Panhandle fourth with 1169.

Wayne Beck was high individual in the placing of Leghorns, and third in placing of eggs.

McLean did not participate in the judging of livestock, in which Miami placed first, Panhandle second and White Deer third.

Teams entering the various contests were McLean, Groom, Claude, Panhandle, White Deer, Miami, Canadian, Wheeler and Dumas. Pampa, Shamrock, Perryton and three other towns in the district did not enter teams.

LOCAL PASTOR IN GREAT MEETING

What resident pastors of Bogalusa, Louisiana, claim is the greatest meeting ever held in their town was scheduled to close last night (Wednesday), at the Second Baptist Church, with over a hundred additions to the church expected.

The meeting was in charge of Rev. Troy A. Sumrall, pastor of the First Baptist Church of McLean, and up to Sunday night 82 additions had been reported, some 50 of them married people.

Bogalusa is a town of over 12,000 population, and as the church will seat only 500 people, many have been turned away at each service.

Rev. Sumrall has been asked to conduct revivals at three other churches in Louisiana, but he says he feels that he should devote his time for the present at his home church.

Rev. Sumrall will be in his own pulpit Sunday, according to present plans, and will speak at the morning hour on "Going Deeper with God," and in the evening, "The Man God Calls a Fool."

On last Sunday, Rev. A. A. Barnado, Bogalusa pastor, preached here.

KILLS BIG RATTLER

E. J. Williams killed a big rattlesnake with 14 rattles, near Mobeetle last Tuesday.

It is considered very unusual to find snakes at large at this season of the year.

The News acknowledges with thanks complimentary ticket to the annual luncheon of the Panhandle Water Conservation Association at Borger Dec. 19.

Mrs. Kate Everett was called to Brownfield the first of the week by the death of her father.

Mrs. Vernon Close of Canadian visited her sister, Mrs. H. C. Rippey, Wednesday.

Wilburn Lynch of Amarillo and Fred Wayne Harris of Claude visited in McLean Wednesday.

Charles Stratton has returned from Fort Warren, Wyoming, where he has been in the army.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Powers and Mrs. C. B. Batson were in Amarillo Tuesday.

Mesdames J. T. Hicks, Donald Beall, Chas. E. Cooke and James Emmett Cooke were in Amarillo Monday.

Mrs. Ruel Smith has our thanks for a subscription renewal this week.

Red Cross Roll Shows 214 for McLean Community

Membership in the McLean chapter of the Red Cross was reported this week to total 214 persons, with the amount contributed at \$225.44, according to H. C. Rippey, roll call chairman of the chapter. This number included 191 at McLean, 13 at Alanreed, 6 at Heald and 14 at Kellerville.

"This year the Red Cross is faced with the need for the greatest expansion of its membership since days of the world war," the roll call chairman said. "Peace-time services of safety, health, disaster preparedness and volunteer work in this last year have become more inclusive than ever before. The continuance and growth of these services necessarily depends upon membership, for the Red Cross is only as strong as its membership."

"The citizens of McLean have demonstrated their intention that their Red Cross shall continue and grow in its work. Their willingness was shown not only in membership response but in the service rendered by roll call volunteers and in the manner in which these workers were received."

"In behalf of the local chapter, I take this means of expressing profound appreciation and thanks to all citizens of McLean and surrounding communities who gave so generously of their time and funds during the annual roll call," Mr. Rippey concluded.

SIGMA GAMMA HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Christmas party of Sigma Gamma was held in the home of Mrs. E. E. Ross Tuesday evening, when Miss Helen Heath entertained with a buffet dinner, assisted by members of the club.

A miniature tree surrounded by tiny packages on a reflector graced the lace covered dining table. Yuletide motifs were stressed in the decorations of the rooms, and a tree from which gifts were distributed was in keeping with the Christmas theme.

The Christmas story as told by St. Matthew was read by Miss Lorene Winton, and Misses Glenda Joyce Smith and Mary Beth Steph favored the group with accordion numbers, the group joining in the singing of "Silent Night."

Guests present were: Misses Wilma Richardson, Mary Lou Melhane, Lucille Scott, Ruby Swim, Lois Hinton, Jewell Cousins, Lorene Winton, Myrtle Marion Shaw, Dale Smith, Marnie Wilson, Eloise Lane, Pansie Pickett, Eunice Stratton; Mesdames Willie Boyett and Roger Powers.

NEW FLORAL COMPANY

The Shamrock Floral Company is a new advertiser in the News columns. This company has a large plant and invite visitors at any time to see their displays of fine flowers.

C. S. Rice is the McLean agent for the company. Read their advertisement on another page.

Rev. and Mrs. G. T. Palmer of Clarendon visited in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Leroy M. Brown Sunday, the former preaching at the Methodist Church Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Doolen and son, Claude Gene; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rippey and daughter, Patty Ruth, visited at Borger Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman White and son of Pampa visited in McLean Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Rice, Miss Verna Rice and Mrs. Mae Watson were in Shamrock one day last week.

H. E. Moore of the Baptist Foundation of Texas, of Dallas, was in McLean Wednesday.

Rev. W. O. Cooley, pastor of the Kellerville Baptist Church, was in McLean Wednesday.

Mrs. Ora Lee Bidwell, Mrs. T. A. Buchanan and little daughter of Pampa visited here this week.

Roger Powers was in Amarillo Monday.

Mrs. C. C. Lander visited in Albuquerque, N. M., last week end.

Old Santa Claus Here Saturday

With the Churches

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Leroy M. Brown, Minister
Sunday school 10 a. m., C. O. Greene, superintendent.
Morning worship at 11. Sermon by the pastor.
Epworth League 6:15 p. m.
Evening worship at 7. A white Christmas program will be given. Gifts will be brought to the church for distribution in cooperation with other churches and the Lions Club. The annual Christmas offering for the orphan boys and girls at the Methodist Home in Waco will also be taken.

The public is cordially invited to all our services.

PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH

W. R. Maxwell, Pastor
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.
Preaching 11 a. m.
P. Y. P. S. 6 p. m.
Evangelistic service 7 p. m.
W. M. S. 2 p. m. Monday.
Bible study Monday night.
Prayer meeting Wednesday night.
Preaching Saturday night.
Mrs. King, missionary evangelist of Pampa, spoke last Sunday at the morning hour on the subject of missions.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Lee Starnes, Minister
Bible school at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.; young people's Bible class at 6:15 p. m.
"The Three Parts to Salvation" will be the sermon topic at the morning hour Sunday. The evening theme will be "What Must I Do to Be Saved?"
The public is invited to attend each of these services. COME, bring your friends.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

W. A. Erwin, Minister
Sunday school 10 a. m.
Morning worship at 11.
Christian Endeavor 6:15 p. m.
Evening worship at 7.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Troy A. Sumrall, Pastor
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.
Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.
B. T. U. 6 p. m.

METHODIST W. M. S.

The Methodist W. M. S. met Tuesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Geo. W. Sitter for their annual Christmas party.
Gifts were brought for the family of a needy minister.
Refreshments were served to the large number present.

Mrs. W. F. Houston and grandson of Paint Rock left Thursday after a visit with the lady's daughters, Mrs. Dick Russell and Mrs. Guy Hibler. They will visit at Ballinger on their return trip.

Misses Martha Joyce and Frankie Sue King of Childress visited their father, Harris King, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Ebert Bateman and children of Amarillo visited in the A. L. Morgan home over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Cheney, Mrs. Thomas Ashby and daughter, Miss Nora, were in Shamrock Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Crisp and family of Asteo, N. M., visited relatives here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sanders of Alanreed visited in the T. E. Crisp home Sunday.

Mrs. Jake Stubbs has returned to her home at Amarillo after a visit with her sister, Mrs. Pearl Caldwell.

Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Erwin were in Amarillo Tuesday.

Mrs. R. T. Dickinson visited in Amarillo Tuesday.

Mrs. Erwin Browning and son of Alanreed were in McLean Thursday.

Funeral Services

Mrs. J. A. Thomas Today, 1 p. m.

Funeral services will be held at 1 o'clock this (Thursday) afternoon at the First Baptist Church for Mrs. Lizzie Lou Thomas, aged 48 years 6 months and 1 day, who died Dec. 12, 1939, at a Pampa hospital.

Services will be conducted by Rev. W. R. Lawrence, Baptist pastor from Lefors. Pallbearers will be: Jesse J. Cobb, Reep Landers, W. H. Floyd, Murray Boston, R. L. Appling and F. E. Stewart; flower bearers: Mesdames T. N. Holloway, Geo. Colebank, Irven Alderson, F. E. Stewart, R. L. Appling, H. W. Finley and Reep Landers.

Mrs. Thomas came to McLean some seven years ago. She is survived by her husband, J. A. Thomas; four daughters, Miss Mary Lou Allen of Amarillo, Mrs. Pauline Gillespie of Clarendon, Mrs. Dorothy Williams of Lefors, Miss Jewel Allen of McLean; one son, William L. Allen of McLean; two brothers, J. T. and W. M. Patman of Clarendon; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Lewis of Sulphur Springs, Mrs. Lillie Adams of Amarillo; and three grandchildren.

Burial will be made at Clarendon cemetery.

FIRE DEPARTMENT HONORS CHIEF SPARKS

Members of the McLean Fire Department honored their chief, J. A. Sparks, at a steak dinner Thursday evening at the Meador Cafe. Mr. Sparks has been chief of the department since its organization.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:
Chief—J. A. Sparks.
Assistant Chief—Boyd Meador.
Secretary-treasurer—T. N. Holloway.
First Drill Master—W. W. Boyd.
Second Drill Master—Chas. Guill.
First Captain—C. C. Lander.
Second Captain—D. E. Upham.

Other members present were J. A. Meador, Cleo Edwards, Ted Morris and S. A. Cousins. Mr. Cousins is a new member of the department, taking the place vacated by Jack Litchfield, who has moved to Amarillo.

GIRLS 4-H CLUB MEETS

The Girls 4-H Club met Saturday in the home of their sponsor, Mrs. H. L. Dorsey. Those present filled out their enrollment cards. They were: Zora and Nora Petty, Oleeta Cunningham, Peggy Ledbetter, Bennie Mae Wade, Mrs. J. H. Wade and Mrs. Dorsey.

The next meeting will be Dec. 29 in the home of Mrs. Wade, for a candy making demonstration.

CITY TAXES DUE

Cards have been mailed to city taxpayers offering 10% on split payments if paid in advance, the first payment being due now and payable before the 31st of the month. If any installment is not paid when due, no discount will be allowed, and 6% interest added.

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Everything is in readiness for the visit of Old Santa Claus to McLean Saturday afternoon.

The chamber of commerce has gifts already collected for every child who is in town at 2:30 Saturday afternoon.

The down-town streets are decorated with colored lights, as are the windows of most of the stores, and Christmas stocks have been attractively arranged for Saturday shoppers.

Old Santa has indicated a desire to meet every child in the McLean trade territory and will be disappointed if any of them fail to meet him here.

The visit of the old saint is sponsored by the chamber of commerce as an annual event and this year's celebration is expected to eclipse any yet held.

ALANREED PUPILS VISIT NEWS OFFICE

Fourth grade pupils and their teachers from the Alanreed school visited the News office one day last week, and while the visit was a short one, it was enjoyed by the News force. The following letters from two of the pupils are self-explanatory and appreciated:

Alanreed, Texas, Dec. 8, 1939.

Mr. T. A. Landers,
Publisher McLean News,
McLean, Texas.

Dear Sir:
I thank you for showing us around. We have been writing about your print shop. It is a fine place and we learned a lot about how the machinery worked. I think I will be a newspaper man when I grow up.

Sincerely yours,
C. W. PATTERSON,
Fourth Grade.

Alanreed, Texas, Dec. 7, 1939.

Mr. T. A. Landers,
Publisher McLean News,
McLean, Texas.

Dear Sir:
We enjoyed looking at the machinery in your shop. It was very interesting. We had a good time. We thank you very much for your kindness.

Sincerely yours,
BILLIE HALL,
Fourth Grade.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS CONTEST

Considerable interest is being shown in the Christmas lighting contest sponsored by the McLean Yard and Garden Club. Mrs. C. S. Doolen and Mrs. J. B. Hembree report that a large number of home owners have advised that they will enter the contest.

The sponsors of the contest wish to advise that out-of-town judges will be secured and that all homes will be carefully judged. Lighting plans of those entering the contest will be judged on the following points: General artistic effect, originality, ingenuity in utilizing surroundings, conformity to the Christmas spirit.

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TIGER POST



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EDITORIAL

You Can't Win

J. Edgar Hoover says: "Criminals think people who have money are lucky, that he is unlucky not to have it, and that it is within his rights to manufacture his own luck." Statistics show that more persons are in prisons due to stealing than for any other cause. Don't let petty thieving prepare you for a penitentiary career! When we purposely take something that belongs to another person, we aren't playing the game squarely. Perhaps taking that pen may seem insignificant, yet be vitally important to its owner. That quarter could be someone's lunch money. Let conscience, the moral sense within, be your guide.

Be practical and honorable to yourself and society by thinking before you act. Resist the temptation. Remember, YOU CAN'T WIN!—Selected.

MEET THE SENIORS

John Bond

John Bond is eighteen years old, and his place of birth was Gordonville. He has attended the schools of Gordonville, Pampa, Miami, Hoover, Cornvalley, Mobeetie, Loco and McLean.

John has been active in basketball, track, the string band, and was captain of the football team last season.

The college he plans to attend is either T. C. U. or Texas U. John's ambition, he says, is to become a football coach.

While fishing is John's hobby, football and basketball are his favorite sports. Bob Burns is the movie star of his choice, and "Eabes in Arms" is his favorite movie. John's pet peeve is to be two-timed, which almost never happens.

Alvin Smart

Alvin Smart from Kellerville was born 17 years ago in Kilgore, Okla. He has been a student in the White Deer, Shamrock, Lefors and McLean schools.

Alvin's ambition is to be on his own. He plans to attend a business college in Oklahoma City when he graduates from high school.

Alvin has in the past taken part in football, his favorite sport. His best-liked hobby is being on the move. Jane Withers is Alvin's favorite motion picture star; "Steamboat Round the Bend," with Will Rogers, is his favorite movie. He says his pet peeve is brothers.

SENIOR-PARENT-FACULTY RECEPTION

Thursday, Dec. 14, 7 p. m., is the date set for the senior-parent-faculty reception, with the seniors as hosts, and the parents of the seniors, the school faculty, school board members and wives, the ministers and wives, as guests.

This reception is an informal affair, planned for the purpose of acquainting each person present with all the others. An interesting program is planned, and the seniors are hoping for a one hundred per cent attendance.

The following program will be given:

- Group singing—"Silent Night."
- Welcome—Clint Doolen, Jr.
- Duet, "Sleigh Bells," "Jesus Our Lord"—Frances Slier and Ruth Bond.
- Quartet, "Let Us Go Even Unto Bethlehem," "Oh Come"—Paul Bond, Olan Back, E. J. Windom, Jr., Clint Doolen, Jr.
- One-act play—"The Christmas That Bounced."
- Instrumental Ensemble.
- Group singing—"Joy to the World."
- Introductions.

SNOOPERS

We wonder why: Mr. Cunningham was pulling at his necks Thursday night.

Kenneth Dyer doesn't make up his mind. Don't you, Doris Nell?

Viola has been hugging everyone's neck here lately. Could it be for practice?

Madge wants to go to the Mobeetie young people's class. Could it be someone from Wheeler?

If what we hear is true: Jimmie will be wearing a new

jacket soon, and it's likely to be white.

Joyce Fulbright will be leaving for Berger soon.

It's quits with Doris Nell and John Kelly.

There'll be a senior wedding pretty soon. Could it be two J's?

ROY RODGERS ENTERTAINS

The high school students were entertained Friday morning at activity period with a program presented by Roy Rodgers, his dummy, "Dummy Dan," and Alva Woods.

Musical numbers were played on a teakettle, a saw, an accordion, and the piano by Mr. Rodgers. Mr. Woods and Mr. Rodgers played several violin and accordion duets.

This program was sponsored by the seniors.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PLANNED

On Tuesday, Dec. 19, a musical Christmas program is to be given by music student's of Miss Dale Smith and M. J. Newman. Besides the A Cappella choir and the band, there will be vocal solos, duets, trios and quartets, and a saxophone quartet.

An interesting evening is assured. A full account of this program will appear in next week's Tiger Post.

TIGERETTES WIN OVER EXES

The McLean Tigerettes defeated the McLean Exes, 16 to 15, Thursday evening, Dec. 7, in the grade school gymnasium.

Captain Iona Batscn was high point scorer with eight points for the Tigerettes.

Coach Joe Guinn and the Tigerettes plan to attend the Quail tournament Dec. 15 and 16. The boys' and girls' team winning first place will each receive nine gold wrist watches.

The Tigerettes lost a return game to the Exes 15 to 13 Tuesday evening, Dec. 11. The Exes are being coached by Orville Cunningham, former coach of the Tigerettes.

BAND ATTENDS CLINIC

The McLean band, together with 12 other bands, attended the band clinic at Shamrock Friday and Saturday.

The bands met together and practiced under one director. The object of the meeting was to increase the students' knowledge of music.

A band concert was held in Shamrock Monday night.

NEWSLETTERS

Jewell Cousins attended the Rubinoff concert in Amarillo Saturday night.

Neal Wilkins went to Amarillo Saturday.

C. E. Christian, R. R. Dunlap and the Tiger squad attended the district game at Shamrock Friday.

Mary Lou McIlhany and Wilma Richardson spent the week end in Wheeler.

Band Director M. J. Newman and most of the band members attended the Southeastern Panhandle band clinic in Shamrock Friday.

Pauline Word visited her sister, Mrs. George Orrick, in Shamrock Saturday and Sunday.

OUR SCHOOL

Of our great school we are so proud,
 As up and down each hall
 We hear shouts of laughter loud,
 As back and forth we call
 To our school mates at recess time,
 And all our teachers "jine"
 In friendly jests with girls and boys,
 And show such spirit fine.
 Then as we go to class again,
 We feel we're greatly blessed
 To have a school so fine and strong—
 We think it's Texas' best.

SCHEDULE BOYS' BASKETBALL

- East Panhandle Basketball League
- Dec. 12—Memphis here.
- Dec. 19—Berger here.
- Dec. 21—Wellington there
- Jan. 5—Wheeler here
- Jan. 12—Sammorwood here
- Jan. 16—Shamrock here
- Jan. 19—Memphis there
- Jan. 22—Pampa here
- Jan. 26—Wheeler here
- Jan. 30—Kelton here
- Feb. 2—Sammorwood there
- Feb. 6—Wellington here

STATE SUPT. VISITS SCHOOLS

State Superintendent L. A. Woods, Deputy Supt. W. T. Loflin and County Supt. W. B. Weathered visited the McLean schools Tuesday. Each of these superintendents was introduced by Supt. C. A. Cryer.

After several numbers by the band and A Capella choir, Supt. Woods made a humorous but thought-provoking address on Relativity. Mr. Loflin and Mr. Weathered made brief

talks after Mr. Woods had finished. McLean schools are the only schools in Gray county to be visited by Mr. Woods this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Phillips of Dumas visited the former's niece, Mrs. Sammie Cubine, and family last week end.

C. A. Watkins renews for the News and Amarillo News at our bargain rate.

Miss Helen Teeter and Earl Graham of Clarendon visited in McLean Sunday.

A. L. Farren is a new reader of the News.

Miss Laura Lee Howard visited in Amarillo over the week end.

Kid McCoy takes advantage of our bargain rate on the News and Amarillo News.

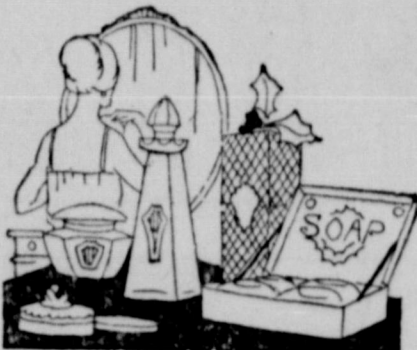
Mrs. Willie Boyett, Misses Mamie Wilson, Nona and Jewell Cousins were Amarillo visitors Saturday.

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Carl M. Jones renews for the Star-Telegram at our bargain rate.

Neglect May Invite Pyorrhea

An astringent for superficial soreness that must please the user or druggists return money if first bottle of "LETO'S" fails to satisfy. CITY DRUG STORE.



DISTINCTIVE GIFTS

Selections that are above the average run and priced very reasonable.

May we suggest?

Evening in Paris sets, Coty sets, soap sets, Pangburn's candies, brush and mirror sets, manicure sets, shaving sets, baby sets, electric items, novelties of all kinds.

CITY DRUG STORE

"More Than a Merchant"
 Roger Powers, Manager

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DR. A. W. HICKS - - Dentist

Office Hours 8:30-6:00 Phone 250

Free Gifts

See the many fine gift items in our show window that will be sold at auction for "Stubblefield Santa Claus Dollars."

Daily Auction Sales at 4 p. m.

Fine gift items are sold at auction to the highest bidder each afternoon, beginning Saturday, and continuing until Christmas—sold for "Stubblefield Santa Claus Dollars" only. These dollars cost you nothing—you get one of these dollars with each dollar purchase. Buy your needs here and use this free money to buy your Christmas gifts.

For pleasure and profit, attend each auction.

Stubblefield's
 Department Store
 "Everybody's Santa Claus"

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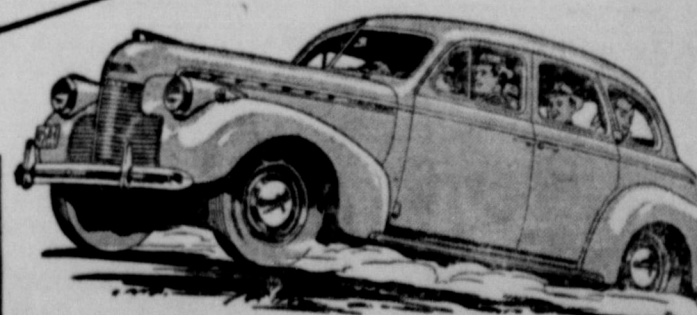
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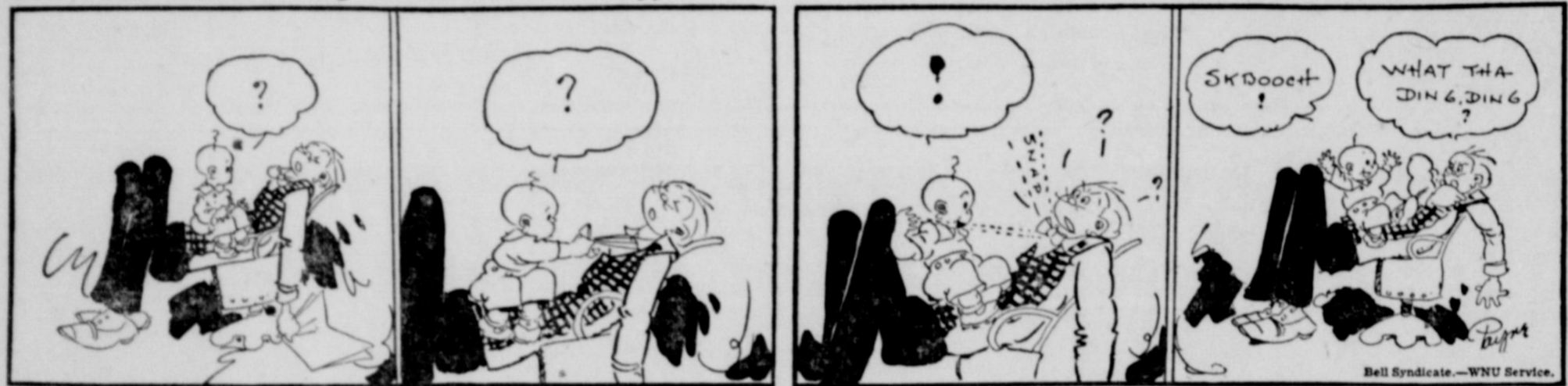
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Cheerful News



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At school the first time, the small boy started to sob bitterly. "What's the matter, Willie?" asked the teacher. "Aw—I don't like school. And Mother says I've got to stay here till I'm 14." "Don't let that worry you," said the teacher. "I've got to stay till I'm 65!"

A Long Dog
There was a dachshund once so long, You haven't any notion How long it took him to notify His tail of his emotion! And so it happened when his eyes Were wet with woe and sadness, His tail would still be wagging on Because of previous gladness!

New Angle
Mrs. Jones—What's the matter with the old one? It doesn't leak. Mrs. Jones—No, but I don't want to be ashamed every time an airplane flies over the house.

FOLKS NEXT DOOR

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



AROUND THE HOUSE

Bulbs Need Moisture.—Most of the failures of winter flowering bulbs is due to imperfect root development because of lack of moisture. A little sand placed under hyacinth, tulip and narcissus bulbs when planting them is recommended.

To clean rollers on the clothes wringer wipe off with a cloth dampened with kerosene and then rinse well with hot water and wipe dry with a soft cloth.

Never stir a salad. Toss it lightly together blending the dressing thoroughly with each piece.

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Tiled hearths and fireplaces should be washed in hot soapy water, then, when quite dry, polished with a little furniture-cream, used sparingly. Finally, polish with a soft duster. If greasy or soot-stained, add vinegar to the water.

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TALBOT MUNDY—WNU SERVICE

CHAPTER XII—Continued

Lynn stared: "Do you think I could persuade Rundhia to try to prove Captain Norwood's innocence?"

"But Lynn dear, if Captain Norwood has been guilty of taking a bribe—"

Lynn interrupted: "I don't believe Captain Norwood is guilty."

"But what do you know about him?"

"Maharaneer dear, what do you know about me? How do you know I'm not a criminal?"

"Lynn—"

"Maharaneer dear, even if Captain Norwood could be guilty of an ungentlemanly, mean thing like taking a bribe, it was I who betrayed him and I want him to know it. If he isn't guilty—"

The door opened suddenly. Rundhia entered, followed by an attendant in the Maharajah's livery.

"Yes," said the Maharaneer, "that man can be trusted. Lynn dear, I will give him both your letters. He will find Captain Norwood, even if he has to hunt all over Kadur."

She gave the man emphatic orders in his own language, told him to go at once, watched him along the corridor and led Lynn through the brass gate to the women's quarters.

Rundhia waited, standing. When he heard the messenger's footfall returning along the corridor, he opened the door, admitted him, closed the door, held out his hand, received both letters, glanced at them and returned to the messenger the one that was addressed to Mrs. Harding.

"Deliver that one. After that, keep out of sight for an hour. Then return and say that you have delivered the other letter to Captain Norwood. Go."

Rundhia opened the letter that was addressed to Norwood. He smiled. There was no heading:

"Your unkindness about what you saw this morning does not make me wish to hurt you in return. There is something I wish to tell you. It is important. I hate myself for something that I said unintentionally, under great strain. I can explain it. Won't you see me?"

"Lynn."

CHAPTER XIII

The Bengali doctor entered Rundhia's suite at the palace with the air of a crook who is afraid of a master-crook. He assumed an air of self-importance that he didn't feel; of confidence that didn't exist. He didn't wait for Rundhia to tell him to be seated, and he began to speak in Bengali.

Rundhia interrupted him: "You may discontinue dosing Mrs. Harding. Miss Lynn Harding has accepted an invitation to remain here at the palace, so the sooner the aunt clears out of Kadur the better. Let her get well."

"She has refused medicine. I had to put it on her breakfast food. And now she won't eat. She will recover quickly enough! There is nothing much the matter with her. I am relieved. I do not like to do such things to western people."

"Could you get at Captain Norwood?"

"No."

"I think you'd better. Last night at supper, Norwood watched your clumsy play when you gave that pellet to Mrs. Harding. The way you switched the pellets wasn't clever. Norwood suspects you."

"Captain Norwood is himself under suspicion," the Bengali answered. "He stands accused, does he not, of having accepted a bribe? You told me to say so to Mrs. Harding. And I did."

"Yes. I was coming to that," Rundhia interrupted. "I thought the news might influence her to keep Norwood away. Now, look here: officers caught taking bribes, especially if they're popular and well connected, very often commit suicide. Norwood's suicide would be appropriate, convenient and, in the circumstances, not suspicious. How do you go about it?"

"We don't!" the Bengali answered, without a second's hesitation.

Rundhia stared at him scornfully: "Well," he remarked at last, "it might be dangerous to do. You and I must be careful."

The Bengali folded his hands across his stomach: "Very careful." "Things mustn't be traced back to us," said Rundhia. "There is nothing, so far, that can be traced back to me. But I have the goods on you; and by God, if you don't do what I tell you, you're in trouble."

Fear looked forth from the Bengali's eyes, but he said nothing. He crossed his knees and waited.

"Norwood has got to be killed," said Rundhia. "He is in love with Miss Lynn Harding. He hates me. He is suspicious by nature. He is on the defensive. And he is the type of person whose idea of self-defense is to attack with every scrap of energy he has. That kind of person is much too dangerous. You and I can't afford to let him live."

If we can blame his death on the priests, that could be made to hold water. The priests bribed him. By this time, they probably know that the news of the bribe is out. It would be natural for them to murder Norwood, to stop his mouth."

"Well, why not let them! Why not leave it to them?" the Bengali retorted.

"Because they won't do it, you fool! Did you ever know a priest to do a thing at the right time to suit someone else? It will have to be done for them. Now here's the idea: they keep a hospice where mendicants may live as long as they please, for no payment. There are three men in that hospice, who would kill their mothers and anyone else for an ounce of opium. For two ounces, they would murder ten children apiece. You know my man Gulbaz?"

"Too well. Some day that bad-mash will turn on you."

Rundhia smiled: "Long before that, dear doctor, he shall swallow one of your prescriptions! Summon Gulbaz. Give him money. I will



"No, he didn't ask me to promise."

give you three hundred rupees, and you may keep the change. Tell Gulbaz he is to hire those three men to assassinate Norwood tonight. I don't care how they do it, and I hope they get caught. They have been living for months in the temple hospice. Everyone will believe they are in the pay of the priests. Do you understand?"

"I understand you. I won't do it. I have done what I have done, because you knew of former indiscretions, for which you could have betrayed me to the law. And I will do what I will do, because I need the money. There it ends. I wish you wouldn't keep me waiting. I am becoming nervous. I have drugged his medicine until he needs it five times daily. Now he is demanding one at bedtime. Why wait?"

"Are you sure of the poison?"

"Quite sure. It is the same that I gave you to test on the monkey that you packed in ice and sent to Delhi to be autopsied. It is a vegetable poison. It escapes analysis by all known methods. It is one of five poisons that baffle analysis, once it has become absorbed by the blood. They will find in your uncle's stomach, if they look, some traces of marijuana, which it can be proved that he himself bought, and which I added to his tonic at his own written request. I advise you to act quickly."

Rundhia nodded: "If you will attend to the killing of Norwood, I will let you do the other job tonight. But I want Norwood out of the way."

There was a chill at Lynn's heart. As she walked beside the Maharaneer into the room, that was called the boudoir but retained the sumptuous, old-fashioned splendors of a royal boudoir, she felt more self-critical than ever before in her life. Not even Aunt Harding's cruellest accusations had made her feel as guilty, and as impotent to undo wrong.

"Lynn darling, why are you silent? I can almost always count on you for chatter when I feel despondent."

"Maharaneer, did you ever betray anyone?"

"Let us sit here by the window," said the Maharaneer. "Tell me how it feels. Perhaps I can help you to feel differently. You have helped me in so many ways. There is a law of compensation. Perhaps comes now my opportunity to do for you what you have done for me."

"I hate myself," Lynn answered. "You can't change that. I don't want it changed. If I didn't hate myself for what I've done, I shouldn't be fit to live. The dreadful part is, that I can't undo what I did. Oh, my God—" she put her head between her hands—"I didn't

mean to do it. If I could cut out my tongue! But I said it. I can't unsay it."

"Lynn darling, did you promise Captain Norwood not to speak about those diamonds?"

"No. He didn't ask me to promise. He took it for granted that I wouldn't mention what any idiot could guess he hadn't wanted me to see. Captain Norwood saw me kissing Rundhia. I know he did."

"Did he say so?"

"Of course he didn't. And of course he won't mention it, ever, to anyone else. The man is a gentleman. I don't want him to despise me, yet it wouldn't bother me if Rundhia did."

"Perhaps you don't yet understand Rundhia."

"Oh, yes I do. Rundhia is a beautiful savage."

"Darling, did you ask him not to tell?"

"I made it quite clear I was sorry I had told him."

"Well, you must remember that you told him something that concerns the State of Kadur. You uncovered to him the existence of a bribe that might have changed the destiny of Kadur by legalizing the priests' possession of the diamond mine. I haven't told you much about the diamond mine. It is supposed to be a secret. Do you call it a betrayal that I have mentioned it to you?"

"Don't worry. I won't tell!" Lynn answered. "I never want to hear diamonds mentioned again. How long will it take that messenger to reach Captain Norwood?"

"That depends on where Captain Norwood is. The messenger will have to look for him. He has gone on horseback. I ordered him not to spare the horse. It might take him half an hour—an hour."

"I can't wait for an answer! I wish I had gone in search of him, myself. I haven't any pride left. His career will be ruined, won't it?"

"But darling, he deserves to be ruined if he accepts bribes. And if he is innocent he can prove it."

"Do you believe that? I can easily doubt it," Lynn answered. "I have never once been able to prove my innocence, against Aunt's accusations. Not one single one! Not one time—ever. To this minute, she believes everything she has ever said against me." Then, suddenly: "What is Rundhia doing?"

"Does he like to be despised?"

"Lynn dear, if you should despise him, I don't know what might happen. Rundhia loves you."

"Does he? You think so? Tell him I despise him! And I will, until he proves to me that he has done his absolute, utmost best to undo the cowardly wrong he has done to Captain Norwood."

"Lynn—"

"Maharaneer dear, won't you please tell him? I mean it. He might believe you."

The Maharaneer sighed. She left Lynn and walked out of the room to find Rundhia.

Lynn was seated in the armchair by the window, staring at an illustrated magazine, when the Maharaneer came back.

"Darling, Rundhia has promised."

"What did he promise to do? What can he do?"

"I mean that Captain Norwood can be cleared of the charge of bribery," the Maharaneer answered.

"However, Rundhia made a condition."

"Maharaneer dear! Tell me. Don't prepare me for it. I can take it without our pretending it's something else."

"Very well," said the Maharaneer. "Let us be quite frank with each other. Rundhia loves you."

"So says Rundhia."

"And I love you."

Bicycling Rapidly Becoming Popular French Pastime

So popular has bicycling become in France that the French railways make up entire trains of bicycle cars, the same as mail trains, to handle the more than 7,500,000 bicycles now running rampant over the hills and dales, towns and countryside of that nation, where one out of every six of the population owns a bicycle and stays on it most of the time from the cradle to the grave.

Increased production of low-priced cars, the vast network of motor buses, reduced rates on railways, have all failed to lure the French, men, women and children, from their favorite sport, bicycling. And, where they go, near or far, with them goes their bicycle, until, literally, they crowded the passengers right off the trains during week-ends and vacation seasons.

Bicycle vacationists go directly by train to the center of the distant region chosen for the tour and their bicycles will follow by special train within 24 hours. Or, by shipping one day ahead, will be awaiting the owner. After the holiday is over, the bicycle can be sent back the same way.

In Paris the visitor cannot help but be amazed at the thousands of bicyclists who weave their blissful

"I can believe that," Lynn answered. "Why else should you be so kind? I haven't influence or money."

"You have personality," the Maharaneer answered. "You have imagination and spirit. You can redeem Rundhia. So that when the day comes that he shall be Maharajah of Kadur, he will be a great man. Rundhia will do anything for you—anything. Your influence will persuade him to do good things, of that I am sure. Even now, having known you only one day, for your sake he is willing to save Captain Norwood. But he makes conditions."

"Can't he tell them to me?"

"He has gone in search of that creature Gulbaz. Rundhia has taken it for granted that you will accept the conditions, since he has accepted, as a command your wish that he should help Captain Norwood."

Lynn almost lost her temper. She retorted: "I was treacherous. So was Rundhia. I don't believe Captain Norwood has been! I won't believe it until they prove it."

The Maharaneer returned to her subject: "Rundhia insists that you mustn't tell Captain Norwood whose influence it was that saved him. He demands—and I think that is fair, isn't it?—Rundhia can't afford to be compromised—he demands that if Captain Norwood should characteristically force his way into your presence, you will not answer Norwood's questions."

"But I have asked Captain Norwood to come and see me."

The Maharaneer's sympathy looked genuine. Lynn didn't doubt it:

"Lynn dear, Rundhia thinks that Captain Norwood probably believes you told about the diamonds because you knew that Captain Norwood was embarrassed by your having seen them, and you wished to punish him for remarks he had made, in the garden, last night. Rundhia thinks that perhaps Captain Norwood won't answer your letter."

Lynn was silent for a long time, thinking. The Maharaneer watched her, reading on Lynn's face, the course of the struggle between pride, humiliation, anger—and some other, western emotion that not even Lynn could have put into words. It was too simple. Too elementary. It escaped analysis. At last Lynn spoke:

"I promise. I won't tell Captain Norwood that Rundhia is helping him. But will Rundhia do it?"

"For you he will do anything," the Maharaneer answered.

CHAPTER XIV

Norwood sat in his tent and checked Stoddart's survey figures, found a couple of mistakes, corrected them, admonished Stoddart and gave the sergeant instructions for the following day. Nervously he walked the distance between the horse line and his tent.

After the third of his paces to and fro, he sat at the table in his tent and wrote a letter to Lynn Harding, tore it up, and made several more attempts. He tore up the last one, gathered all the scraps of paper into one heap, carried them to a cook-fire and burned the lot.

He returned to his tent, scraped out a pipe, wrote another letter to Lynn Harding and tore up that one. It was getting on toward dark. The Kadur River was a splurge of crimson. He heard the hoof-beats of O'Leary's horse at about the hour when he had first seen Lynn Harding in the Maharaneer's carriage. Norwood's servant came and lighted the lamp in the tent.

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IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL Lesson

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PARABLES OF THE KINGDOM

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 13:3-8, 31-33, 44-46

GOLDEN TEXT—Incline your ear, and come unto me; hear, and your soul shall live.—Isaiah 55:3.

Teaching by parable, a method so often used by our Lord Jesus Christ, has many advantages. A parable (which is a story relating events in common life to teach or illustrate spiritual truth) is useful in stimulating interest and attention, in making the truth clear, in fixing it in the hearer's memory, and in attracting for further instruction those who are interested even as it eliminates those who make no response. Jesus was the master of this art of teaching. Others have learned from Him.

The interpretation of the parables of Jesus has brought forth much difference of opinion. The important point to bear in mind is that the interpretation must be one consistent with other scripture, as well as with our Lord's own revelation of its meaning when given. We have His own interpretation of the parable of the Sower (Matt. 13:18-23), but He did not interpret the other parables of our lesson, leaving it for us to carefully seek their meaning and gladly receive their instruction.

I. Take Heed How You Hear (vv. 3-8).

This parable is rightly called the parable of the Sower for our Lord so named it (v. 18), but as we read it we see that the lesson it teaches relates primarily to the four kinds of hearers of the Word of God.

There are some who hear and their hearts and minds have so long been the common road over which every worldly influence has passed, that it has become so hard the Word of God finds no lodgment, but is quickly carried away by the birds, which are the "cultures of worldliness" and wickedness (see v. 19). Reader, if your heart is like that, ask God to break it up. Let us all shun those hardening influences which destroy our susceptibility to God's Word.

Others there are who hear and the seed takes root, but the soil is so shallow that it has only a quick growth which soon withers. These are those whose life is largely emotional, thrilling to a new experience, but not ready to face trials and the responsibilities of life (v. 21). As long as the Christian life looks attractive such shallow folk want to be counted in, but when they learn that it involves sacrifice, they are gone. Shallow souls, pray God to give your life depth and real meaning and worth.

Others hear and receive the truth, but soon permit the cares of life to choke and destroy it (see v. 22). This picture modern life so aptly that one could dwell with profit on the vital lessons here taught.

Thank God, some of the seed brings forth a rich harvest! There is encouragement for every teacher and preacher of the Word of God. Notice (vv. 8, 23) that if we should bring forth a hundred-fold it would be tragic to bear only thirty or sixty.

II. Beware of the Power of Evil (vv. 31-33).

Just as the mustard plant was never intended to grow into a tree in which the birds would dwell, so Christianity was never intended to be a nominally Christianized world empire in which ungodly men, the dark birds of the evil one (v. 19), should find comfortable lodgment. Unfortunately, that is what much of professing Christianity has become. Let those of us who love the Lord beware that we are not misled by it.

The parable of the leaven teaches the same lesson. Always in the New Testament leaven stands for evil (see such passages as Matt. 22:16-21, 23, 29; 23:14, 16; 1 Cor. 5:6-8; Gal. 5:9). It is any influence that weakens testimony, encourages hypocrisy, formalism or worldliness. Who can deny that this leaven has spread throughout the Church? The Evil One is powerful. Let us beware of his power and of his leaven.

III. Value Redemption Aright (vv. 44-46).

In interpreting this parable we observe that obviously the sinner had nothing to sell with which to buy salvation, even if it were to be bought, which we know it is not (Eph. 2:8). We do give up some things to follow Christ, but are they not the worthless and degrading things? On the other hand, He gave us His all, even to the shameful death of the cross. This He did for His own people, Israel, and what we are even more interested in, for the Church.

Let us value our redemption highly. We have been purchased with the unspeakable price, the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us then heed the admonition of the apostle Paul, "Ye are bought with a price, therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's" (1 Cor. 6:20).

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Elderly people probably put candles on their birthday cakes to make light of their age. We don't know why the younger ones do it.

Styles have been changed the last few years to fit women's shape, but it now looks as if they must change their shape to fit the styles.

No newspaper in a small town can exist without its printing department, and when a local business man gives his printing orders to a peddler, he is helping to cripple his community newspaper. Money spent with the out-of-town printer injures the community just as certain as money sent to the mail order houses for other supplies.

A few years ago an important executive of a large mail order house gave a talk on advertising. Among other statements was the one that his mail order house didn't send out catalogs in the communities where the local merchants were doing heavy advertising in the local newspaper. It didn't pay, he said.

We have also noticed that when an outside man wants to open a business in town, he always looks over the home paper to see if his competition is on its toes. Advertising as insurance against harmful competition may be a new idea to some people, but it is another one of its virtues.

Mr. and Mrs. Allison Cash of Dumas visited the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Cash, over the week end.

D. M. Davis takes advantage of our bargain rate on the News and Star-Telegram.

Byrd Gull takes advantage of our bargain rate on the News and Amarillo News.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Neill of Panhandle were in McLean Saturday.

Frank Price was in Borger Saturday.

S. M. Castleberry is a new reader of the News.

Sam Brown of Alanreed was in McLean Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Greene were in Amarillo Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Koons of Amarillo were in McLean Saturday.

E. A. Hill and Ernie Doyle made a trip to Borger last week.

J. S. McLaughlin renews for the home paper this week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. McCracken of Alanreed were in McLean Monday.

WANING POPULARITY OF THE VIOLIN

The violin, long adored by a doting public, deified by the celestial performances of David, Kreutzer, Ole Bull, Sarasate, Maude Powell, Zimballist, Kreisler, Heifetz and Rubloff, halved with the achievements of Guarnerius, Amati, Stradivarius, Stainer in construction, has lost its grip. Still recognized by a few experts as the instrument most capable of expressing and sublimating all individual human emotions, the violin is becoming a disreputable has-been, displaced by a bit of brass, a sliver of wood, and a skein of wool.

Evidence of this decline appears on all sides. In small schools and towns, where formerly the violin teacher was a familiar and respected figure, he has now virtually disappeared. School orchestras for assembly programs, string ensembles for entertainments are now available only near the larger centers. Yet at least half the band directors in my vicinity, within 100 miles, are skilled violinists themselves or have access to a good private teacher whom they favor. There is no lack of good teaching ability, only lack of favor for the instrument itself—and for this there are several causes.

Chief among these causes is the Stradivarius myth. I am quite positive that all fifty of the existing Stradivari are in three South Texas towns—maybe—since I have been introduced to at least three times that number of them. I can take the cheapest make of trumpet or clarinet and maneuver a better tone out of it in proportion to the higher grades of the same instrument, than is possible on some of these violins in proportion to even a twenty-five dollar violin of standard make. Yet parents wonder why "Johnny just didn't take it." Poor fellow—it probably was not humanly possible to get a decent tone out of it in the first place. The superstition and curdled ideas on this subject alone are so well entrenched that I have never dared to attempt to cope with it. Only one parent in my ten years of teaching experience has defied tradition and purchased a finely made brand new fiddle—and believe me her child does not mind practicing a bit, or showing the fiddle to anybody.

Why not peddle some real dope on the materials that go into a fine violin, or I should say a violon—its measurements, strings, pegs, etc. and on the reasons and actions of aging wood? Tell them why Villaume was so long unable to obtain a decent price for his work except as a fake Stradivarius. The actual facts are so pitifully distorted or ignored.

Another reason for the decline of the violin is overemphasis on personal skill as contrasted with tonal finesse. One of the favorite musical rags of the turn of the century was of the famous violinist who wailed that his audience applauded him personally, not his instrument. To prove his point he presented an evening's program on the cheapest possible piece of wood, and they applauded just the same. Under present day methods of training the child learns his music by going through a series of complicated stunts evolved by past masters of juggling such as ole diablo Paganini—try out the tonal value of his music sometime and then play a little Bach or Mendelsahon—or hammered out by the stage shy Sevcik. So long as the emphasis is on the muscular activity then the student might as well be drumming on the arm of a chair, and would get a great deal more fun out of tap-dancing.

Some years ago I came into a position in the public schools on the heels of a wide success in class work by a private violin teacher. Having studied violin a little, I innocently offered that instrument as part of the general course in instrumental music. For weeks it fairly rained violins, and not one even half worth looking at. At the end of the term I was compelled to inform half or more of the class that they must do their beginner work again. At the end of the term half or more of the class quit. At the same time I made almost no headway in providing proper replacements for the needy, skeleton band which I was forming. I have gradually withdrawn support from the violin work, with a few setbacks such as the advent of a new class teacher, and a queer idea on the part of my superintendent and one of the public school music teachers that I must have forgotten it in making up my schedule, have gotten along fairly well.

But I have learned my lesson, and when, as, and if, I begin to sponsor violin again, it will be with one or two or three sources of supply of my own choosing, and I will back

them to the limit of my influence. —H. B. Butler, in Texas Outlook.

News from Skillet

Miss Louise Preston spent Monday night with Miss Dotson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Rhodes spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Buck Glass.

Joe Amerson and Joe Reeves visited Kenneth Preston Thursday.

Miss Margaret Weaver, who is a student of W. T. T. C. in Canyon, spent the Thanksgiving holidays here with her mother, Mrs. C. F. Weaver. Miss Catherine Dotson spent the holidays in Memphis with her brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Glass, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Giesler visited Mrs. C. F. Weaver Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Baker visited Mr. and Mrs. George Preston Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hunter spent Sunday with J. N. Burr of McLean.

Miss Dotson and Hermie Maye Hunt spent Tuesday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Preston.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Burr and daughter, Jean, visited Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hunter Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Giesler of Skellytown spent Thanksgiving with relatives here.

This Week

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hunt and

Our services are available at any time of the day or night. Satisfactory service means so much—for a service is a memory everlasting.

C. S. Rice Funeral Home
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CAKE FLOUR
 Swans Down 25c
 extra special

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 3 reg. size pkgs. 25c

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 Del Monte 15c
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 Standard 25c
 4 No. 2 cans

KARO
 Maple flavor 25c
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 embossed 15c
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JELL-O
 6 delicious flavors 5c
 pkg.

Salad Dressing
 full quart 23c

See us for your Christmas fruits, candy, etc.

Market Specials
SLICED BACON
 per lb 18c

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 per lb 16c

TRIMBLE GROCERY CO.

children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Hunt of Alanreed. Mr. and Mrs. George Baker and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Claude Brown Sunday.

Miss Dotson and Billie Faye Glass spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Rhodes.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Hunt and baby of Alanreed were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Preston Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Preston visited Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Giesler Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Giesler of Skellytown visited their parents here one day this week.

Miss Dotson spent Tuesday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Burr.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Close of Canadian visited the lady's sister, Mrs. H. C. Rippey, and family last week end.

NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING



AT YOUR SERVICE
 TO HELP YOU SELL

J. T. Simmons is home from the army with headquarters at Fort Warren, Wyoming. He has reinstated and will leave Jan. 6 for Fort Bliss at El Paso.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kennedy and little daughter of Skellytown visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Noel, last week end.

C. A. Gatlin takes advantage of our bargain rate on the News and Amarillo News.

Say it with printing—flowers die

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 Eat Sunday Dinner Here
 Your wife is entitled to a day of rest and you both will enjoy the meal.
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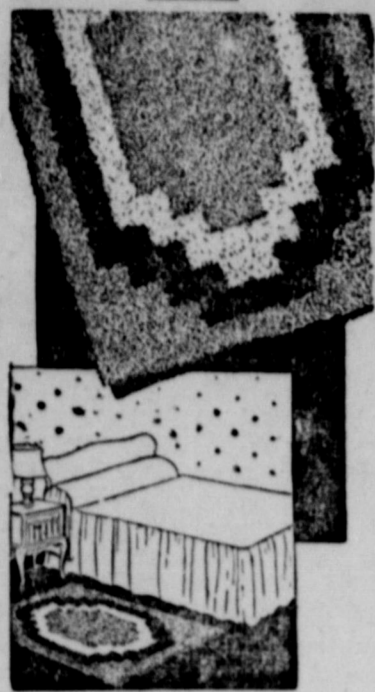
Let colored lights give your home the Christmas spirit...inside and out. Decorate trees and shrubbery with strings of colored lights to make a fairy pattern against the velvet black of holiday nights. Light up the Christmas tree with strings of colored lights and watch the youngsters gaze enraptured...thrilled to the core at the play of rainbow hued brilliance. Twine colored lights in holly and mistletoe. Festoon them over mantles and trail them to every corner of the room.

Many new ideas for Christmas lighting—indoors and out—have been developed. There are new type Christmas tree lamps that eliminate hunting for burned-out bulbs—others that look like old-fashioned candles—and many other novelties to make your Christmas more joyous. See them at your dealer's. And be sure to get your Christmas lights early, so that no one, especially the youngsters, will be disappointed.

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Pattern 2051.

You can have this thick-piled rug suitable for various rooms and show it as your handiwork. It's crocheted in squares which makes it excellent pick-up work. Pattern 2051 contains directions and charts for making rug; illustration of it and of stitches; materials required.

Send 15 cents in coins for this pattern to The Sewing Circle Needlecraft Dept., 82 Eighth Ave., New York, N. Y.

Please write your name, address and pattern number plainly.

Just Commenting

A lecturer said that Roman soldiers sometimes received property as the reward of bravery. Presumably that is why Horatius kept the bridge.

Mr. Ford is quoted as saying that a million dollars are no more to him than an old belt. Well, both are nice to have around.

They say it's bad manners to scold your wife in front of company. But it isn't safe to do it after they've gone.

When a novice plays the stock market, it's the other people who get all the fun.

It's an easy matter for a young man to support a wife if she doesn't object to changing from one knee to the other occasionally.

CLOTHESPIN NOSE

Sensational extra help for colds—with Luden's! These famous cough drops not only help soothe throat, but release a menthol vapor— which, with every breath, helps penetrate clogged nasal passages, helps relieve "clothespin nose!"

LUDEN'S 5¢
Menthol Cough Drops

Cheerful Outlook

The game of life looks cheerful when one carries a treasure safe in his heart.—Schiller.

**There's a Good Reason
You're Constipated!**

When there's something wrong with you, the first rule is: get of the cause. If you are constipated, don't endure it first and cure it afterward. Find out what's giving you the trouble.

Chances are it's simple if you eat the super-refined foods most people do: meat, white bread, potatoes. It's likely you don't get enough "bulk." And "bulk" doesn't mean a lot of food. It's a kind of food that isn't consumed in the body, but leaves a soft "bulky" mass in the intestines and helps a bowel movement.

If this is your trouble, you should eat a natural "bulk" producing food—such as one as the crunchy, toasted, ready-to-eat cereal—Kellogg's All-Bran. All-Bran is the source of prevention that's worth a pound of emergency relief. Eat it every day, drink plenty of water, and "Join the Regulars." All-Bran is made by Kellogg's in Battle Creek.

Great Unknown

The world knows nothing of its greatest men.—Sir Henry Taylor.

St. Joseph ASPIRIN
NONE SURER
NONE MORE DEPENDABLE
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WORLD'S LARGEST SELLER AT 10¢

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And the place to find out about these new things is right here in this newspaper. Its columns are filled with important messages which you should read.

WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON

Rifle Virtuoso Made Gun Our Army Mainstay
NEW YORK.—When we went into the World war, Sen. Smith W. Brookhart of Iowa said our crack riflemen would win for us if he were allowed to recruit and train them. Americans, he said, were born marksmen, and the rifle would be suited to our native genius. He was soundly patriotic and moving, as he worked in Daniel Boone and individual initiative, but his plea went unheeded—in fact, the senator's suggestion seemed amusing to most commentators.

But, at that time, there was a young fellow popping off the conveyor belt ducks at Coney Island with such accuracy that he became a virtuoso of rifle fire, and, in between war years, made the rifle the mainstay of our army firing power, just as Senator Brookhart said it ought to be. The Grand self-loading, semi-automatic rifle, tested by National Guardsmen at Camp Smith, Peekskill, has for several years been put down by military men as the world's most sensational achievement in light arms. The army took it over in 1937. It is the creation of John C. Garand, the young toolmaker whose earlier laboratory was a Coney Island shooting gallery. It weighs only nine pounds, and fires 60 shots to the minute—one shot with one trigger-pull.

Young Garand made several models, embodying his basic idea, and sent one to the navy department at Washington. They planted him with the bureau of standards to continue his experiments.

Later, they sent him to the United States armory at Springfield, where in 1923 he brought through the deadliest small weapon ever made. It has been steadily improved since then, and, according to the most authoritative military judgment, has more than trebled our army's firing power. Automatic in all but the trigger-pull, muzzle gas is used to power it.

John C. Garand was born in a French-Canadian village, 20 miles from Montreal, and was brought to Putnam, Conn., by his father, when he was seven, after the death of his mother. He was the seventh of 14 children. He was a textile mill machinist at 18. In 1930, he married a Canadian girl. They have a boy and a girl. He is 52 years old, still a gunsmith at the Springfield armory.

THERE was once a hillbilly girl who went to a neighbor's cabin to borrow a hammer. She said, "Pappy's fixin' to build a house next fall." Over in Europe, they are "fixin'" to build a federated Europe, forehanded about it, as above, with the building apparently dependent on a preliminary wrecking job.

Europe Borrows Our 'World of Tomorrow' Idea

Within the last few days, plans for the grand remodeling have gone forward, with two sets of blueprints on each side of the west wall. Franz von Papen thinks the new commonwealth of Europe will be devised by Germany, while Paul Reynaud, French minister of finance, and his conferees in London, are making other arrangements. The wide range of planners swings from intellectuals, such as Julian Huxley, the British scientist, to the man of action, General Wladislas Sikorski, premier of the Polish government which is just now camping out in France.

General Sikorski, the latest matriculate in the peace seminar, visions a "consolidated Europe," but one in which a reconstituted Poland will somehow be happily encysted.

He is a soldier who became a writing, as well as his gift of ready speech, an orator and politician. He was an effective leader of the war of 1920, when the French general, Maxime Weygand, helped the Poles stop the Bolsheviks, and he became premier in 1922 when he was replaced by Marshal Pilsudski as chief-of-staff. He was forced out in 1923, and in 1924 became minister of war. One of his first official acts was to forbid women workers in the department to wear silk stockings. He decreed dark, high-collared dresses, high shoes and cotton stockings. He is a strict disciplinarian.

A handsome and romantic figure of the old feudal Polish aristocracy, he took full account of modern conditions as he tried desperately to tool his country into modern statehood. Now, it appears, he would just skip it and take a chance on the world of tomorrow.
(Consolidated Features—WNU Service.)

**Furs Make a Gorgeous Showing
Especially Hat and Muff Sets**

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



GET out your furs! Your most sumptuous furs, if you please, for it's a veritable extravaganza of furs, and nothing less, that fashion proposes to stage this winter. No matter how much economy you may have to practice on other items of dress, when it comes to furs you cannot afford to stint if you would move and have your being as a shining light in the pageantry that illumines the winter style horizon.

It's not alone that this season's furs are sounding the luxury note in accents loud and clear, but the fact that fur treatments are so excitingly individual, so in the no-two-alike class so to speak, is arousing an enthusiasm for furs that knows no bounds. Everything that can be made of fur is being made of fur.

There is a decided move in favor of wearing separate fur pieces. Many women are buying a smart cloth suit (velvet for formal afternoons) also an equally smart topcoat, with thought in mind of glorifying these units with fur neckpieces, muffs and hats throughout the coming months.

Fashion encourages the idea of the detachable fur by offering an endless array of accessories from which to choose. At your own sweet will you can don a huge showy fur stole or a quaint tippet (once on the old-fashion list, now very new and ultra). Perhaps you prefer one of the youthful sailor collars of fur which is the newest thing out in the way of neckpieces. If your fancy runs to wide revers of fur or to neat and trim military collar effects you are equally sure to win smiles of approval from the powers that be in fashion realms.

You can have fur go up and down the front opening of your coat, or go round and round at the hemline or go criss-cross. You may have your cloth coat fantastically pocketed with fur or widely cuffed with fur or both. Sleeves, all of fur, in the cloth coat are likewise in the style picture. If you wish to adorn your coat with a breast-plate of fur or a gilet or vestee, it's a sure sign you are correctly fashion-inspired.

A short jacket all of fur or a cape long or short or a handsome full-length coat of luxury fur, each and all testify to the marked luxury trend that prevails this season. As to the muff and the hat made of fur, they are absolutely fashion "musts."

The eye-thrilling fur fashions pictured are typical trends. Note above to the left in the picture the huge collar and muff of silver fox. It is worn with a stunning coat dress of blue-gray self-striped wool styled with the now-so-voisguig peg top effect.

The fur that trims the costume below to the left makes a gorgeous showing. Handsome silver fox forms a deep sailor collar at the back, the fur continuing a wide border effect down each side of the front. Of course, there is a corresponding trim of fur on the hat.

A superb muff and coat ensemble is pictured at the top, to the right. The hat with a veil is trimmed in wide brown ribbon. It is just such wowsomes of fur hat and elaborate matching neckpiece, as shown below to the right, that leads in today's fur fashion parade.
(Illustrated by Western Newspaper Union.)

Brocade Revival



The fact of fabric elegance impresses one more and more this season. One of the outcomes of the call for rich materials is the revival of handsome stately brocades. Ice blue brocade in a tulip motif fashions this lovely formal evening gown. It shows a tight bodice, elbow-length puffed sleeves and bustle back. A ruby and gold pendant pin is used at the heart-shaped neckline.

Black Velvet Bonnet
Designed like a demure little puritan bonnet with stiff wings on either side to frame the face is a hat made of severe black velvet, with a tiny bow of mink as its only trim.

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**Fox Trimmed Wraps
Smack of Luxury**

Luxurious white fox and deep jewel-toned velvet are combined to make a new group of magnificent evening wraps. These fitted and flared coats with their modified back fullness are particularly effective in black, carnelian red and purple. Some of them boast full-length tuxedo bands of fox, left open at the waist to permit the hands to be inserted miff-fashion, and others have yokes of white fox or back plastrons of fur curving from shoulder to waist.

**Charming Costume
For Casual Sports**

A gay and casual sports costume is one which combines a beige camel's hair jacket cut in swagger style and a heavy wool plaid skirt. The coat has a removable parka hood lined with navy and cherry red plaid to match the skirt. Illustrating the correlated influence, the skirt has an extra wide waistband measuring at least four inches across. Navy blue shoes and gloves and a cherry red brushed wool sweater are the accessories.

**Young Girls Favor
Evening Sweater**

The evening sweater is being promoted everywhere for young girls. It finds itself with a low heart-shaped decolletage front and back, slightly off-the-shoulder puffed sleeves, a nipped-in waistband. New cellophane iridescent sequins, gold nailheads, crystal buttons, gold braid trimmings and myriads of other decorative gestures embellish these festive sweaters.

A Little Bit Humorous

NEARLY HUMAN

A woman who had led a very secluded life inherited a lot of money and decided to see the world. She wound up in China, where she was fascinated by the ancient Chinese methods of transportation.

She watched the coolies pulling rikshas; it was the strangest sight she had ever seen.

When she returned home she was in great demand by her neighbors. They wanted to know all about her trip.

"Tell me," said a friend, "did you like China?"

"It was marvelous," replied the traveler, ecstatically. "China is the most wonderful place in the world. On my word of honor, they have horses there that look just like men!"

HELPFUL LEMON



Patient—So you think, doctor, a lemon a day will help?

Doctor—I think you can count on the lemon aid.

She Tried Hard

A middle-aged woman stopped in at a cigar store to buy some birthday cigars for her husband. Not knowing just how to proceed with the purchase, she stood hesitatingly for a moment.

"What can I do for you ma'am?" asked an approaching clerk.

"I want some cigars for my husband," she replied.

"Just what kind, please," he inquired.

"I don't know exactly," she said, "but he is 45 years old, weighs 150 pounds, and wears an 8½-size shoe."

Advanced Education

The dear old Lady Bountiful took pity on a young farm hand and persuaded the village schoolmaster to give him lessons in reading.

Some time later she met him in the village.

"Well, George," she said, "I suppose you are now able to read the Bible fairly easily?"

"Bless you, mum," he replied with pride, "I was out of the Bible and into the sports news over a week ago!"

No Peekers Allowed

"Why, Julia, you surely don't consider these windows washed?" said the lady of the house reproachfully.

"Sure, I washed 'em nicely on the inside, ma'am, so we can look out," replied Julia, "but I intentionally left 'em a little dirty on the outside so the children next door couldn't look in."

POOR MONK



Monk—Great Scott, I forgot all about that fellow when I made that sign!

Barnyard Grammar

Farmer Jones—Which is correct—"A hen is sitting" or "a hen is setting?"

Farmer Brown—I don't know, and I don't care. All I bother about is when she cackles—is she laying or is she lying?

Observant Youth

Teacher—Now, Tommy, take the globe and point out Australia. Tommy (pointing)—There it is. Teacher—Now, Johnny, who discovered Australia? Johnny—Tommy did.

Three Guesses

Binks (phoning down from his room)—Night clerk?

Snippy Clerk—Well, what's biting you?

Binks—That's what I want to know.

**Quickly Made Dolls
For Late Gift Choice**

By RUTH WYETH SPEARS

HERE is a boy and a girl doll that you can make quickly. The body is two tubes of material made of fabric stitched together to simulate socks and shoes and then stitched, turned and stuffed as indicated at the left of this sketch. The head is a two-inch ball of cloth covered first with cotton and then with tightly



stretched cloth sewed in the back as in steps 1 and 2. The wig is made as in step 3.

The diagram shows how the tubes and the head are sewn together. Sew across the top of the legs to make the doll jointed. Sew the arms down and the tips of the feet up as indicated. Sew clear through the head when adding the bead eyes about half way between the top and bottom. This shapes the cheeks. A few stitches in red make the mouth. The pleated skirt is cut straight. The trousers are slightly shaped in the crotch. The sweaters are made from the striped tops of children's socks.

NOTE: The 10 cent edition of Sewing Book No. 4 is now ready for mailing, as well as the 10 cent editions of No. 1, 2 and 3. Mrs. Spears has just made quilt block patterns for three designs selected from her favorite Early American quilts. You may have these patterns FREE with your order for four books. Price of books—10 cents each postpaid. Set of three quilt block patterns without books—10 cents. Send orders to Mrs. Spears, Drawer 10, Bedford Hills, New York.

HE KNEW HER WELL ENOUGH TO TELL HER



Alkalize quick with these mint-like tablets the instant you feel acid indigestion distress.

The old days of embarrassment are gone! Now at the first sign of "acid indigestion" distress—quick, take 2 Phillips' Milk of Magnesia Tablets that you carry right in your pocket or purse.

It's wonderful that each of these tiny peppermint flavored tablets contains all the good alkalinizing benefits of a full teaspoonful of liquid Phillips' Milk of Magnesia, known the world over for its fast action in relieving "gas", nausea and stomach upsets from excess acids. Don't risk embarrassing yourself and others. Just be sure to get a box of genuine Phillips' Milk of Magnesia Tablets today and carry them with you always.

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—that will save you many a dollar will escape you if you fail to read carefully and regularly the advertising of local merchants

IN THIS PAPER

Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus: How are you? I am fine. I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a desk, nursing set, and a Princess Patty. And I want mother and daddy to give me a pair of white dancing shoes. Will you tell mother and daddy I want them? Please do tell them, will you? I have been a pretty good girl. Please answer, please answer. With love, ERNESTINE DICKINSON.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 7 years old, and have been a good little girl, and go to school. Please send me a didy doll and something for my baby brother and little sister. Also remember my teacher, Miss Foster. Thank you. Your little friend, JEANNIE HALL.

Dear Santa Claus: We need just one thing for Christmas. Now that we are having hot lunches at our school, we need a teakettle for heating water. We can't buy one, as we are saving our money for soup. Our teacher says we have been pretty good, so please bring us one. With love, HEADL SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a tractor with a grader and a rake? Don't forget Eva May. She wants a doll that says "Mamma." Your friend, GORDON RULEDGE.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a tractor with a grader, a football, and some candy. Yours, EDUARD PHILLIPS.

Dear Santa: I want a doll and a doll bed for Christmas. I also want a drum. Don't forget Deany. Your little friend, NAOMI PHILLIPS.

Dear Santa: I want you to bring me a pretty pocket knife and a bill fold. Be sure to bring some candy and nuts. With love, ALFRED BILLINGSLEY.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a junior bicycle and a doll with curly hair. I have tried to be a good girl at school and at home, too. Your friend, MARNELLE LEDGERWOOD.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good boy. I wish you would bring me a bicycle for Christmas. If you can, I'll really be happy. Yours truly, T. F. PHILLIPS, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a sweater, some snow shoes, a cedar chest, a didy doll, and some candy and nuts. With love, JEAN LANE.

Dear Santa Claus: I want four things for Christmas. I want a sweater, snow shoes, cedar chest and a didy doll. I am 11 years old. I have tried to be a good girl all year, and of course I want my stockings to be filled with candy, oranges and nuts, to the very tip top. With love, IVA DELL RIPPY.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good little boy (well, pretty good). I want for Christmas only three things. I want a pair of boxing gloves, a punching bag and a rack for it. I hope you get around to every boy and girl. I am 11 years old. I want my stocking filled to the top. DONALD GENE HOLDER.

Dear Santa Claus: For Christmas, I want a little wheel barrow to haul gravel. I want a dump truck, too. I also want a cattle truck. Thank you. WESLEY PHILLIPS.

Dear Santa: I want a purse and some powder. My little brother wants a coast-to-coast wagon. Your friend, BETTY JEAN BILLINGSLEY.

Dear Santa: I want a doctor set, and a diaper doll. I also want a toy broom and mop. Love, BETTIE JOE BEESINGER.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a dresser set, a snow suit, and a manicure set. Thank you, JUNE BEESINGER.

Mrs. R. L. Buskirk will sing "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth," in the presentation of "The Messiah" at Pampa Friday evening.

C. C. Lander of the Springer Drug Co. at Albuquerque, N. M., is back behind the counter at the City Drug Store for the holidays.

Witt Springer of Albuquerque, N. M., was in McLean on business Thursday.

T. J. Coffey, Porter and Ruel Smith returned Saturday from a business trip to Tulsa, Okla.

Mrs. Jeannie Chapman has our thanks for a subscription renewal this week.

Mrs. Jerry Newman and baby are visiting in California. Mr. Newman will join them for the holidays.

Mrs. C. A. Cryer and daughter, visited relatives in Amarillo over the week end.

Mrs. C. S. Rice and daughter, Miss Verna, and Mrs. Callie Haynes were in Pampa Tuesday.

Mrs. T. N. Holloway and daughters, Mrs. Ruel Smith and Mrs. Durwood Riddle, were in Pampa Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Sitter and C. A. Watkins were in Amarillo Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Dorsey of Alanreed were in McLean Monday.

Thurman Adkins of Shamrock was in McLean Thursday.

Mrs. O. G. Stock visited in Oklahoma last week.

J. S. McLaughlin made a business trip to Amarillo one day last week.

Mrs. Siler Faulkner of Pampa visited in McLean Friday.

Mrs. Lee Atwood and daughter were in Shamrock Friday.

C. G. Nicholson made a trip to Shamrock Friday.

B. Hell of Alanreed was in McLean Thursday.

Oscar Sullivan made a business trip to New Mexico last week.

N. Clark made a trip to Shamrock Friday.

Lee Atwood made a trip to Borger Saturday.

Kenneth Brodie was in Amarillo last Thursday.

Arle Carpenter of Lefors was in McLean Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Medley of Lefors were in McLean Saturday.

Haskell Smith was in Pampa the first of the week.

C. G. Nicholson and M. M. Newman were in Pampa Monday.

Mrs. W. W. Whitsett of Alanreed was in McLean Tuesday.

Mrs. Roger Powers was in Pampa Tuesday.

WE DON'T NEED THAT SORT OF BUSINESS

Checking over the newspapers of this area, The News is amazed to find that it is now one of the two or three papers which have consistently refused to accept beer advertising. For several years, now, the weekly press over the nation has been offered well-paid schedules of so-called "institutional" advertising for the breweries. As much as The News needs added income, we have steadily refused to accept it, for we cannot afford to sell the advertising influence of this paper to assist what we believe to be the greatest menace to the morals of America faces today—the beer and liquor influence.

Not many of the papers accepting the advertising advocate the use of beer or intoxicants, and The News believes they will all regret their course of action before many months pass. There is no such thing as good business with a bad business.—Clarendon News.

THE ADOBE WALLS COUNCIL

The Adobe Walls Council, serving Carson, Collingsworth, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Roberts and Wheeler counties in Texas, and Beaver, Comarion and Texas counties in Oklahoma, has an area of about 16,000 square miles and an estimated population of 150,000.

The success of scouting in this large area is largely due to the recognized fact that lofty adult ideals can be tied to boy-interest only through a high type of adult companionship with boys while doing things which appeal to boys. The fact that scouting is a national program of activities for local use, to be run by local men and for the benefit of the local boys has appealed not only to the boys but also the adults. This companionship is given and largely supervised by volunteer leaders. Of the 438 adult scout workers in the Adobe Walls Council only two are paid workers and these only to help the volunteers to better serve the boys.

In this area there are over 1600 boys who become twelve years of age annually. Multiply this by two, three or four, and you will have the prospective scout field. Just how near we reach all of these boys will be measured by the adult interest in these boys. Wherever sponsoring institutions and leaders can be found boys are available. Surveys of all boys of scout age (12-21) show that 75% want to be scouts. Nearly every boy at the age of 12 wants to be a scout, but as he grows older other interests interfere unless he is well rooted in the scouting program. As leadership and better troop programs are developed more and more boys will want to be scouts and have a greater tenure.

At the present time there are 53 scout troops, 977 scouts, 438 scouters, 9 cub packs, 195 cubs, and 61 cubbers in the Adobe Walls Council. This shows an increase over last year at this time of: 13 troops, 194 scouts, 183 scouters, 6 cub packs, 108 cubs, and 39 cubbers. The objective for the year is: 60 troops, 1200 scouts, 8 cub packs and 170 cubs, which gives us the picture of the work necessary if we are to reach our goal in the next four months.

WE'LL SEE HOW IT WORKS

Recently The News called attention to the unusual number of county papers over Texas accepting beer advertising, and suggested that before many weeks they might be embarrassed by this tolerance to an industry which most of them believe to be inimical to the best citizenship of our state.

Last week the brewers of Texas launched a monthly magazine and wrote all Texas newspapers asking that they review the publication and its aims, claiming that the periodical is dedicated to sobriety, law enforcement, tolerance and development of Texas resources.

Now the monkey is on the backs of those papers accepting this business, for 80% of the boys know that the brewers' interests are exactly opposite to every one of the aims they claim. We'll see how many go along with such undermining propaganda.—Clarendon News.

HARD TO CHOOSE

Once there was a woman who had three suitors. She didn't know which one to marry. One was a grocer, one a doctor, and one a preacher. If she married the grocer, she could get her groceries for nothing. If she married the doctor, she could get well for nothing. If she married the preacher, she could get good for nothing.

IT CAN BE DONE

"According to a news story appearing in . . . Taxpayers Digest, Hill county was faced with the necessity of either reducing expenses or raising more money," notes the Odessa News, continuing:

"The county court chose the former course and began slashing expenses by reducing salaries and firing two or three jobholders. . . .

"Peter Molyneaux's Texas Weekly says other governmental units in Texas, municipalities as well as counties, might profit from study of the Hill county action. For taken as a whole, the local governments of this State are increasing their spending each year and going deeper in debt each year.

"At the end of the 1938 fiscal year, the political subdivisions of Texas owed a net debt of \$646,374,586. Their total combined debt increased during the year by nearly \$5,000,000, although tax collections in the subdivisions during that year were up by \$6,715,000 over the preceding year. . . .

"Hill county has set an example. . . . The example set by this Texas county should be studied not only by local government officials but by State government officials and by Federal government officials as well.

"Too much money is being spent all along the line, by all divisions of government. The money has to be raised by taxes, and all the people have to pay the taxes. The people themselves should demand the halt of mounting costs of government."

Swing

Bells, ring Bells; sound from loft and steeple; Sing a happy Yuletide song for the listening people. All the birds have flown away with the summer time; ring your music on the air; chime, Bells, chime! Dear Star, clear Star, rise on hill and valley; silver with your lovely light—lane and street and alley. All the flowers have blown away, blossom, leaf and vine; shed your beauty on the world; shine, Star, shine! Nancy B. Turner in The Texas Outlook

It's far better to arrive a few minutes late than never.

Financial Philosophy

Don't spend a red cent at the HERMITAGE until you have paid the preacher, paid your taxes, your utilities and doctor bills and insurance; then I will be glad to relieve you of part of your surplus, grin like a Cheshire cat and promise to put it to good use.

Fresh Cut Flowers

Grown in Shamrock EXPERT DESIGNING More and Better Flowers for Less C. S. Rice is our exclusive agent in McLean Your trade appreciated. Shamrock Floral Co.

FOR XMAS—

A made-to-measure suit or trousers will please any man.

Alderson Dry Cleaners

LYNCH SECOND-HAND STORE AND PIPE YARD

Water well tasing and pumping equipment, windmill towers, tanks, cattle guards, 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.

DRIVE IN

and let us service your car. Everything from free air to the most intricate repairs on cars and tractors. We appreciate your business and strive to please. Geo. A. Hervey Pontiac Co. Machine Shop and Garage

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

RATES.—One insertion, 2c per word. Two insertions, 3c per word, or 1c per word each week after first insertion. Lines of white space will be charged for at same rate as reading matter. Black-face type at double rate. Initials and numerals count as words. No advertisement accepted for less than 25c per week. All ads cash with order, unless you have a running account with The News.

FOR SALE

BOOK YOUR ORDER for Christmas turkey. 1 mile west of Country Club. Phone 1617F12. D. M. Thomas. 50-2p

PERFUME CANDLES for Christmas, novelties, etc., at Moureene's Gift Nook. 1c

FOR SALE.—Boy's bicycle. Will make a lovely Christmas present. The Texas Station. 1c

FOR SALE.—1100 bales cane @ \$10.00; 1200 bundles cane @ 3c; 4 tons maize heads @ \$12.50. R. N. Ashby. 1c

ADDING MACHINE, good shape, cheap at News office.

HAMBURGERS 5c, hot dogs 5c, chili 10c. Eat your next lunch with us. Peirce's Luncheonette. 1c

FRUIT CANDLES for Christmas. Many other gifts at Moureene's Gift Nook. 1c

LAST CALL for Christmas cards printed to order at the News office.

MISCELLANEOUS

FINE BIBLES. Full leather bound, India paper. See the thickest full text Bible published, at News office. Cambridge or Revised edition.

Trees! Trees! Trees!

for Orchard, Yard and Garden. We are taking orders every day now and will be glad to talk over your requirements.

Bruce Nursery

Trees with a Reputation Alanreed, Texas

NEED GLASSES?

See F. W. HOLMES Sayre - - - Oklahoma Suggest an Appointment

DRIVING COMFORT

Let us service your car for winter driving, to insure your comfort. Winter grade oils and greases. Prestone Anti-freeze 66 Gasoline

66 Service Station

Avalon

Thursday, Dec. 14 "BABES IN ARMS"—Last Day Mickey Rooney, Judy Garland

Friday, Saturday, Dec. 15, 16 "DOUBLE FEATURE" "FAST AND FURIOUS" Ann Southern, Franchot Tone

"KID NIGHTINGALE" John Payne, Jane Wyman

Prevue, Sunday, Monday Dec. 16, 17, 18 "THUNDER AFLOAT" Wallace Beery, Chester Morris

Tuesday only—Family Nite "ESPIONAGE AGENT" Joel McCrea, Frank McHugh

Wednesday, Thursday Dec. 20, 21 "DRUMS ALONG THE MOHAWK" Henry Fonda, Claudette Colbert

COMING—Dec. 23, 24 "HERE I AM A STRANGER" Richard Greene, Brenda Joyce

BUY Texaco products for better motor performance. Harris King. 1c

BIG ECONOMY OFFER.—Woman's Home Companion, Pathfinder, Breeders Gazette, Country Home, Farm Journal-Farmer's Wife, Progressive Farmer, and The McLean News, all one year for only \$3.00.

GIANT VALUE OFFER.—Collier's Weekly, Woman's Home Companion, McCall's Magazine, Country Home, Farm Journal-Farmer's Wife, Progressive Farmer, and The McLean News, all one year for only \$3.50.

STEEL FILES, four drawer vertical cabinets, \$1.25 at News office.

THE NEWS and Amarillo Daily News, both one year, for only \$6.50 at News office.

THE NEWS and Amarillo Daily Times, both one year for only \$3.75 at News office.

THE NEWS and Fort Worth Star-Telegram, both one year for only \$8.45 at News office.

The Eastside Home Demonstration Club will close the year's work Friday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Jesse Ledbetter. They will meet at 2 o'clock for a Christmas party and exchange of gifts. All members are urged to be present, and prospective members are invited.

Some 20 ladies from the Methodist W. M. S. attended the Harvest Day meeting in Shamrock Friday.

Postmaster Johnnie R. Back has the post office lobby nicely decorated for the holidays.

DR. V. R. JONES

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