

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAS ANNUAL GATHERING

Membership Meeting to Elect Officers Has Banquet Setting. Program Carried Out in Excellent Renditions of Song, Play and Addresses. Secretary's Report of Work Accomplished

give citizens who with shoulder to shoulder are working for the public good, in most pleasant of personal relationships and giving of their time and talents unstintedly. The report does not show many things more influential than mere "things done" or contemplated. The office of the chamber of commerce, in thus serving as a "heart" of the community, is a chief service performed. There the people who work together who seek information and who have ideas to advance or service to tender, come individually or in groups for consultations and working plans. Such features are but touched in the secretary's report but they are the inspiring, the which binds individuals, groups and interests. The secretary's office, with the efficient and affable secretary, C. T. Watson and his able and knowing assistant, Mrs. Alice Phillips, is the general clearing house for the progressive, full-measure citizens of town and county and is likewise the touch which the community has with the outside world of progress and the stranger who enter our gates or in communication seek information as to the country, its business prospects and its desirability as a place in which to locate for business and home,

With the full assigned number of 250 banquet tickets in hands of the Chamber of Commerce, practically all that could be disposed of were readily taken on the first round by the ticket sellers. Reserve of some tickets was made for guests and others from rural sections who might not have had opportunity to buy. Quite a number of these assignments were taken by the chamber of commerce members who invited farmer and ranch guests individually and furnished the entrance card. Some farmers and stockmen were guests and sat in the number six

The program, in novel form and desirable as a souvenir of the occasion, was as follows:

Master of Ceremonies—B. Reagan
Invocation—Rev. D. H. Heard,
Quartet—Mrs. C. T. Watson,
Steve Baker, Mrs. W. W. Hatch
C. T. Watson.

Introduction of Visiting Secretaries and Guests.

Report of Secretary—C. T. Watson
Election of Directors.
Address—Col. Clarence Ousley.
Play—"President by Proxy."

The quartet number was excellently rendered and it was the keynote to merriment. The title of the lighthearted ditty was "A Married Man."

Due to muddy roads the expected number of guests was not present. Acceptances of invitations to attend had been received from practically all the secretaries of the chambers of commerce in this district and some others from farther off. Responding to the invitation for a few words from secretaries J. V. Bush, secretary at Stanton expressed his pleasure at being present and commented Big Spring and her chamber of commerce. He told his own town being small and

Paul T. Vickers, secretary of the chamber of commerce at Midland, was the next speaker he brought into prominence through arrest on the floor on telegraphic advice from his home county. Sen-

of the gentleman's person brought light a wicked-looking six shog and a portion of a flask as a reddish-brown liquid, Mr. Vich attempted to explain how about but his tongue got to wobbling true Will Rogers style and one quip after another kept the audience in laughter. He did not fail to recommend his own town highly and he gave Big Spring some good

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natured jolts along with praise. One feature of Mr. Vicker's talk was the tribute he paid to C. T. Watson, secretary of the Big Spring business organization. He extolled Mr. Watson as being one of the very leading lights in the field of trained agricultural and livestock industries and just as good in secretarialship of a live chamber of commerce. His praise was heartily cheered by the audience who were in evident agreement with all the good that was expressed concerning their secretary.

Mr. Van Blarcom, staff correspondent of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, told of his pleasure in coming to Big Spring. His impressions, it seemed, were centered on his glimpses of pretty girls and mountain scenery, he and Mr. Ousley and others having been taken to the high places near the city and given view of the surrounding country. This entertainment was added to a drive to the north of the city where fine farms were seen and where there was uninterrupted gaze toward the north pole, over the length of the Plains, upon whose southern edge they rode. Mr. Van Blarcom's impressions of the city and its chamber of commerce will have been given in print in his paper, a courteous and appreciated attention and recognition by the Star-Telegram.

Colonel Ousley's Address

Col. Clarence Ousley, the well known publicist and expert in agricultural lore, was the especial guest of honor of the Chamber of Commerce. He is connected with the extension department of the A. & M. College, and his mission is to carry to the people his ripened knowledge of Texas and the principles upon which prosperity and contentment must rest. His messages are particularly timed to being to the rural communities particularly, a lesson in basic principles in God's laws. Throughout his address, which was delivered in impressive yet commonplace manner of speaking there was driven home the assertion that the moral law is no more sacred in its obligations to obedience than is the natural law governing creation in its physical constituents and relationships. Violation of either brings its own punishment and he held that the recurrent disastrous seasons which come upon the farming classes in particular and through them extending to all other classes, are due to violations of the physical laws. The great punishment the people are now suffering, in the cotton countries, is due to neglect of consideration of the law of supply and demand, he held, and he likewise scored the farmers particularly for being so "cotton-minded" that they have failed to keep animals on their lands and have year after year planted cotton and drained the rich soil of much of its productivity. The "cotton-mindedness" he declared, extended beyond the farm and bankers are peculiarly susceptible to it. Bankers and land owners are to be blamed for demanding the planting of all or practically all lands, in cotton.

These rather concrete applications of the central idea of the address, and others of kindly corrective import, were predicated on the proposition that mankind and civilization must, by slow steps perhaps, yet must surely get back into harmony with nature's laws. Cultivation of the soil must be such as to not destroy its fertility and the raising of cotton must be only a portion of the southern farmer's work. Keeping and feeding of animals he advised, was essential to not only the prosperity which should come of same as a paying industry but as going far to maintenance of soil fertility. Texas, he said, with its boasted deep soils which years ago would be declared to be without loss through planting, is now next to the bottom of all the states in its average per acre yield of lint cotton. The Texas "will never wear out" soil is ahead of only one other state, Florida, an always-poor sand bed.

Col. Ousley did not dwell on any panacea for the present ills due to the low price of cotton, not as an immediate help. He dwelt on the proposition that the people, the common people, when occasion arises, take the correction of abuses into their own hands. He cited the interstate commerce commission which has brought prosperity and service to the railroads, to the federal reserve banks which have stopped the periodic money panics, and to other reforms which he declared came from the people of the country — from the chambers of commerce, from the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce as typical of the voice of the people originating reform meas-

ures and carrying them into effect over the authority of the higher-ups in politics, business and manufactures. It is the local chambers of commerce which are the saviors and to-be saviors of the country in their leadership and in their cementing of the experiences and opinions of the people at large.

Col. Ousley had never before been this far west in Texas, he stated, and he was much pleased with what he saw here and along the route. He is popularly known all over the state as a man of culture, of deep study of economic problems and as an adviser in matters pertaining to the agricultural interests of the state and nation.

Election of Directors

Following an address by President B. Reagan, of the Chamber of Commerce, and preceding the Ousley speech, election of twenty directors to serve the ensuing year, all the membership voting, was conducted. President Reagan in his talk expressed his thanks and appreciation for the support and cooperation which had been given him by the outgoing directors. He especially praised the work of Secretary Watson and he predicted that the coming year would bring with it return to prosperity and a getting on higher ground in the industries of this section. In mention of the oil possibilities he recognized the benefits already received and told of a number of movements which are on foot looking to a thorough testing of this county by companies of leading activities and even now with their men in the field in preparation for extensive drilling campaigns. The oil search is a hoped-for asset of the coming year, in relief of the disappointments of the season now closing in agricultural lines.

The elected new directors are: Sam Weaver, A. M. Fisher, J. M. Fisher, C. H. McDaniel, H. L. Rix, John Wolcott, Fred Keating, E. A. Kelley, B. Reagan, T. S. Currie, R. L. Price, E. E. Fahrenkamp, L. E. Lomax, A. E. Pistole, W. B. Sneed, J. R. Frazier, N. W. McCleskey, Dr. E. O. Ellington, T. E. Jordan, J. B. Pickle.

President by Proxy

The hilariously amusing feature of the evening was the presentation of a home-talent play entitled as above. It brought out in appreciable way some of the experiences and trials of a chamber of commerce functioning in a small town. The play was written by a secretary who had gone through the mill and who had seen the amusing as well as the serious side of an attempt to do business for everybody. The subject changed too often, as the fellow explained as his reason for not liking to read in the dictionary and in this play there is no explanation of what it was like nor what might be quoted from extra-amusing scenes. Those who have not seen it might read it, from published book. It is not only an amusement-producing play but it should bring to the understanding of all who see it some idea of what a chamber of commerce is for, what it is and how it operates. When those things get into an alive person's comprehension that person is very apt to join with his brethren in membership in the body, so the promoters of the play hope and express. The personnel of the play was as follows:

Frank Walters, president chamber of commerce.....Dr. Ellington
John Carroll, president by proxy.....Rev. Owen
Ned Hilton, secretary to Walters and Carroll.....C. W. Hammond
William Drake, promoter.....Shine Phillips
Charles Hancock, inventor.....Hank McDaniels
I. M. Stung, fuel dealer, chamber trustee.....Emil Fahrenkamp
Fred Cost, solicitor.....Prof. Sparks
Mrs. Burton, mother of boy wonder.....Mrs. McNew
Archibald Burton, the boy wonder.....Lewis Rix
Theodore Davis, lumberman, chamber trustee.....L. W. Croft
Susie Norton, civic upbuilder.....Louise Howard
Gladys Roberts, another upbuilder.....Mrs. Ralph Rix

SECRETARY'S REPORT

APRIL 15 TO DEC. 1, '26

In submitting this report for your consideration I am doing it with considerable interest and pride. Interest, because I have put into the work my best thought and energy. Pride, because I am representing an organization whose only motive is service, whose only ambition is to make our community not only bigger but better and in all a more wholesome place in which to rear our families, make our homes and in which to follow our choice in trade or profession.

The work has had many angles and the interests to which the Chamber of Commerce has given support

have not been confined to either city limits nor county boundary lines, but to these first, then to West Texas as a whole. We have attempted to make the Chamber of Commerce the clearing house for constructive thought and cooperative effort, believing that through such a medium the best results are obtained. Remembering that not only the financial interest is to be cared for, but the civic, social and religious as well, and believing that such time spent will bear fruit, we have endeavored to foster those things by creating favorable sentiment and supporting them financially in so far as our treasury would permit.

I trust that you will not measure the value of the Chamber of Commerce by any particular act or by the accomplishment of one month or even one year, for such a judgment would probably not take into consideration that if a program is constructive, aggressive and at the same time sanely conservative it requires time for its completion.

In the allotted time given me it will be impossible to go far into detail on the work of our organization during the past year, but only to give some of the more important accomplishments.

Our Oil Interests

In our zeal to encourage the oil development we have spent several hundred dollars, principally on roads, but the spending of time and money in this new development is now bringing to our city new people an increase in business and bigger opportunities for development. Here we might say that the Chamber of Commerce was instrumental in getting the Marland Oil people to choose Big Spring for the location of their warehouse, but with all the oil excitement and the realization of its possibilities, our organization has not lost sight of the agricultural needs and possibilities of our county, but has recently purchased and distributed to the rural communities nine registered jersey bulls the which to encourage and improve more dairying and dairy cattle. The productiveness of Howard County soils was called to the attention of thousands of people who saw our county agricultural exhibit at the West Texas Fair at Abilene and the State Fair at Dallas. The quality of the products shown speak for themselves, for the cost of exhibiting was paid principally from premiums won.

In a small way we have maintained a labor information bureau at the Chamber of Commerce office and have been instrumental in many time putting together the "Manless job and the Jobless man."

There have come to the office more than 500 inquiries pertaining to farms, farm lands, business location, houses, apartments, property values, roads, etc. There have been sent from the office more than sixteen thousand words of publicity that have gone to seven daily newspapers in Texas. We have written for local publication about 5000 words of news matter. There has been distributed about five thousand pieces of publicity material, a part of this going to the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia. There were more than 1600 personal calls at the office in search of information or regarding some phase of work being conducted by our organization.

Financial Statement

To date we have collected \$5,852 from membership dues and to give you some idea of how this has been expended, I submit the following, going somewhat into detail:

Stamps, stationery, type-writer, hat bands, auto banners and novelties for W. T. C. of C. convention, band expense to convention, printing-booklet and publicity material.....	\$1126.43
Rent, lights, janitor service and office repairs.....	304.65
Telephone and telegraph calls and clock service.....	127.47
Expense of agricultural exhibits at home, Abilene and Dallas \$375.66 less premiums won \$227.50.....	148.16
Entertainment, district sheriffs' convention and barbecue, small expense of Feeders day, entertainment for president and manager WTC of C. and other distinguished visitors	193.00
Road work to oil field, and trips to Austin in interest of highways.....	923.13
Checks returned and membership dues unpaid.....	122.50
Salaries and extra stenographic work.....	2730.00
Jersey bulls distributed to Rural communities.....	377.90
Other matters involving finances were:	
Leaf worm poison purchased and sold to farmers at cost.....	10,728.18
Premiums collected and paid to farmers bringing	



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of 1926 cotton crop \$65
and \$35 respectively..... 100.00
Unpaid bills of which \$845
is due on bills in Feb.
1927..... 900.00

Cash on hand.....\$250.77
Aside from these things mentioned there are numerous services of the office that never come to the attention of the public such as information of prospectors, locating labor and laborers, charity seekers, calls for road maps and road information and agricultural questions that should be handled by a County agent or home demonstration agent.

Before concluding my report I want to pay an individual tribute to the members of our board of directors whom I have worked with and found enthusiastic for progress. To Mr. Reagan, our president, I want to say that I have never worked with a more sincere nor capable leader. I have found him constantly alert for opportunities for service, and for my part Mr. Reagan, I want to say that our relations have been very pleasant and I have appreciated your counsel and leadership. There are others who recognize the ability and leadership in Mr. Reagan for he has been selected as a member of the agricultural committee of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce to assist in working out a constructive agricultural program for that organization.

Looking Into Future

There is being spent through the Chamber of Commerce, time, energy and money in making Big Spring and her trade territory bigger and better and withal her people more prosperous, more enterprising and contented; and that citizen who wants to be recognized as an integral part of his community should prize highly a membership with the organization and an opportunity to serve.

The results obtained this year justify our saying that the program for the new year will be along the same general lines, with increased activities, especially in agriculture. In speaking for the new board of directors, whoever they are, I solicit your unqualified support and if your response is whole-hearted the results will surely be a more congenial and complete understanding between rural and city interests — and a greater Big Spring in 1927.
C. T. WATSON, Secretary.

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Gene Moon and Tom Currie left Saturday morning for a hunting trip to the Fort Davis Mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Hob Everoth jolting over the arrival of a young boy at their home on Dec. 10.

Miss Grace Mann spent the end visiting homefolks at C.

Early Abroad This Year is the Spirit of Kindness

peace on earth and good will toward men.
but before you realize the startling fact
fully

Christmas Will be Here

so it behooves all of us to be about our shopping now for those who do their buying early have the best of it—the selection of goods are better and the crowds haven't started the grand scramble of the last few days.

In your quest for suitable gifts come to us, and we will supply something useful or ornamental for every one.

We Offer below a few Suggestions of Articles that will be Suitable for Christmas Gifts
—THAT WILL PLEASE—

HIM The "Gift de Luxe"

of course would be one of these
wonderful

Hart, Schaffner & Marx

suits or overcoats. They are real clothes—they fit, they wear, and they are made in styles to suit every man. We show them in a wonderful range of patterns and grades.

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with buckle, beltogram and strap, either with initials or lodge emblems in Christmas boxes

\$3.00

wide or regular width belts with tongue buckles.

Gloves of All Kinds

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with gauntlet or without

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Kid Leather Aviation Helmets

for the outdoor man are unusual gifts and something extra nice, warm and good looking.

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Silk Socks—plain or fancy
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All wool imported golf hose
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cambrics in beautiful patterns
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Clothes Brushes
Union Suits
Leather Coats
Sheep Lined Coats
Hunting Coats
Leather Windbreakers
Pocket Knives
Suit Cases
Pajamas
Razors
Hand Bags



HER

The "Gift de Luxe" for Ladies

one of these wonderful new dresses will be just the thing to give her for the gay festivities of the Holidays are just around the corner. The styles are exquisite, the colors are new and the prices reduced.

AXMINSTER RUGS

in 9x12 size would make a wonderful gift, for it will be a remembrance all the year—and for many years. We are showing some beautiful new arrivals in this section; the prices are more reasonable than they have been for some time.

Some beautiful patterns in bath rugs are here too, that you will be proud to own yourself or give to your best friend for Christmas.



Brassieres and Underthings

in silk, rayon and cambrie are beautiful for one's personal use or for Christmas Gifts.

We show some extra nice garments in these luxurious undergarments—it is a pleasure for us to show it to you and it will be a joy to see them and feel their fine texture.



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Fitted Suit Cases
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The Bolt From the Blue

By DOROTHY DOUGLAS

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THE proverbial "bolt from the blue" was simply not in it when it came to the surprise which the six lucky girls had when they were informed that they had inherited something like fifty thousand dollars. Hometown, where the girls hailed from, was instantly put on the map.

None of the girls had ever, in their most vivid dreams, even thought fleetingly of possessing something in the neighborhood of eight thousand dollars, but that is what happened.

An eccentric old lady, supposedly not well off, had become much attached to the girls, who had done all sorts of little friendly things for her when she had tried to regain her lost health the year before in the quiet little town. When she died, she left them her money.

"I'm strong for keeping the money all together and going to New York and starting a tearoom or interior decorating shop," proposed Ella and there was an almost unanimous agreement. "Hometown certainly is dull."

It was Joan alone who differed from the rest.

"Why not start something in Hometown? All country girls seem to think New York is the one and only place in the world and half of them go there and take the wrong turning and that sort of thing and then—well there are millions of tearooms and decorating shops in New York—heaps of competition and all that. Right here in Hometown we have the start of everyone, the advantage of knowing everyone and we could do a lot more with our money here than in any New York."

"Hear! Hear!" shouted the other five.

"It's all right," went on Joan and her very blue eyes had taken on a keener blue, "but most girls think they're going to find something grand in the way of a man or a stage career if they go East, but, believe me, there's just as much real joy and interest to be had right here if we take the trouble to make it. Now, I say that if we can get that corner opposite Wester's 'movie' and open a spiffy little tea and coffee room and have one big room for dancing and start some kind of a dramatic club and build a tiny library we'll have a lot more fun out of it than going among a bunch of perfect strangers."

Fifty thousand would go a long way toward building up Hometown but New York would gobble it as a hen a choice worm.

"We could put summer houses and benches along the river bank and add another little wing to the church and—" It was Margy now who was spouting plans and before anyone knew it the six girls had in their mind's eye made a Hometown into one of those perfect towns that occasionally beautify the country.

"I shall plant a row of dwarf cedars all the way down Cedar street."

"Yes, but to come down to business. Who is going to do the dickering for property? Which one of us is the best bargain driver?"

Five pairs of eyes rested upon Joan. "Joan dear," said Margy, "we are no judge of bargain drivers but we do know a pair of useful eyes when we see them. Your long lashes above the blue of your eyes will go a thousand miles further in striking a bargain than all the words in the world."

Joan swept her five friends with a laughing glance. "I believe you're all afraid of the new real estate man, but I am not and shall brave the lion in his den this very day."

And true to her promise Joan donned the new costume which exactly matched the blue of her eyes and approached the office of the newly established real estate man whose sign bore the name Henry Vale.

Vale was distinctly pleased with his client for two reasons. First, because she embodied all that his dreams had ever pictured as the perfect woman and secondly because Joan was propounding the scheme which not only met but merged straight into the heart of his own pet hobby.

"Miss Varney, I left a big city to come here and be a factor in the building up and beautifying of Hometown. I want to grow right up with it and be a real part of it and know everyone in the town. I shall rent your syndicate the corner for one hundred dollars less than I would to anyone else."

The flash of joy in Joan's eyes was certainly the real bolt from the blue into Vale's life. It quite sent his rather steady head spinning, and he knew then and there that Joan was one day going to occupy a second chair at his dinner table, and in fact his breakfast and supper table as well, but he refrained from telling her so just at the moment.

And when Joan returned to the eager girls awaiting news, with contracts and things in her hands there was such a dreamy look in her very blue eyes that instant suspicion leaped up among them.

"I believe," she said shyly, "that if we wanted to rent even a pet cow in Hometown and Mr. Vale had anything to do with it we could get it at a most nominal rent—he's exceedingly nice."

"Oh-hi!" came from all five. "Are you sure you didn't get into a matrimonial agency by mistake?" one questioned.

"You never can tell," laughed Joan.

"But let's talk of our money before we get married." And then she

Her Christmas Dolls



Her Faith Reborn

By Katherine Edelman

(The story of a woman who had lost the greatest thing in life—faith in her fellowmen—and how it came back to her at Christmas time.)

HULDA POTTSFIELD was very unhappy. For two months she had fretted herself because a sum of money, which she had invested had been lost. She had entrusted it to an old friend of her girlhood in a nearby city and when the news came that the money was lost Hulda made up her mind then and there that all humanity was alike—eager and ready to cheat even its own friends if there was a chance. She grew more bitter and sullen each day and withdrew herself almost entirely from the circle of friends that she had known so long. She never stopped to think that even without this amount she could still live in comparative ease; that there was nothing in reason she would have to deny herself as the income she still had was quite large. Blindly she shut her eyes to all this and would not al-



low herself to think of her many blessings or to frame even the slightest excuse for the friend who had failed.

Now, with Christmas approaching, she grew even more bitter than usual. "I'm not going to do a single thing this year," she repeated to herself over and over. "Why should I, anyway, after my great loss?"

So when the Ladies' Aid called for an offering for the annual entertainment and Christmas baskets to be given to the poor she was ready with her answer. But when they left hurriedly after her curt refusal she was more unhappy than ever. "No one seems to have any sympathy for my great misfortune," she wallowed to herself. "What a cruel world it is; no one seems to care."

The window where she sat brooding opened out on Arbor street. Soon after the Ladies' Aid left she looked out to see that some one else was coming up the steps. This time it was a young girl and Hulda sniffed to herself as she saw her: "Another who comes seeking," she said under tightened lips.

But the young girl who entered had not come begging. Instead, she had come to tell Hulda that she was the daughter of the man to whom Hulda had entrusted her money and that she had heard that Hulda was in need—that her loss had left her stranded. Her father had been ill for several months, crushed by the failure of his hopes, all of which was due to the treachery and deceit of his partner in business. He was now better and things were beginning to look brighter. There was every hope that no one would lose a dollar. In the meantime the girl had come to offer Hulda some money from her own earnings—she was private secretary to some big man in the city.

After the girl left Hulda sat huddled in her chair. God! how selfish she had been—how blind—how ungrateful! Great tears trickled slowly down her cheeks, tears that carried away forever the bitterness and selfishness that had been in her heart of late. The world, after all, was a wonderful place and its people were wonderful people!

Making her way to the phone, she picked it up with hands that trembled and called for the president of the Ladies' Aid.

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Appropriate

Hubby—What kind of a tree shall I get for Christmas?

Wifey—A fir tree might help suggest a suitable present for me.

The Christmas Guests

by Eleanor King

"THE more I think about it the less I like the idea of having two outsiders at our Christmas dinner. Of course, mother, I can see how, on the spur of the moment, you told Ruth to invite them—two strangers in a large city with no place to go—it would prey on your sympathies."

"They were given to understand that it was a family dinner when they were invited. They are friends of one of the members of our family, Mary, and out of courtesy to that person I think it is the least we can do to entertain them." With that remark the subject was dropped, and both Mrs. Mathews and her daughter went on about their work in preparation for the coming event.

The great day dawned upon a house decorated with Christmas tree, wreaths, holly and mistletoe, and occupied by two busy, enthusiastic persons. As one o'clock drew near the family began to arrive. This was one day in the year that Mrs. Mathews had the pleasure of seeing all her children and their families together. Among the first to make their appearance was Ruth, her mother, and the two young men, Eddey and Ross, who were to share in the families' Christmas rally.

"The boys reached our house soon after breakfast. From that time on they mugged us to get started. They were so afraid that they were going to miss the grand Christmas dinner that was in store for them. Here we are. Have we missed it?" Ruth laughingly explained as she introduced the boys to the assembled group.

Eddey, tall, slender and dark, had a decidedly eastern accent. Ross, how-



ever, was somewhat shorter and more square-built. Instead of being an easterner, he had been born and reared in the Middle West. One wondered that such a strong friendship could thrive between two such contrasting characters as these. Eddey was a dancer by profession, Ross was a singer. Ross had not been in the house more than an hour when he sat down at the piano and began to play very softly. He continued for a little while when some one suggested that he sing. Thus putting himself and the family at ease with his sociable manner, by the time the dinner was served the family no longer felt stilted or restricted by the presence of these strangers in their midst. Eddey and Ross were most versatile in their praise of the dinner. Their actions showed that they were thoroughly enjoying the home cooking. They were quick to make it known verbally. They ate until they were ashamed to admit their capacity for such excellent food.

After dinner Ross was urged to sing again. He persuaded or rather insisted that Eddey assist him with his tenor voice. They made a great pair. They kept the party going. Their entertainment was decidedly successful. Their happy countenances could not help but contagiously radiate to the ones surrounding them.

Mary met her mother going into the kitchen to prepare supper. "Mother, aren't they grand? What would we have done without Eddey and Ross? They have simply made the day."

"Yes," said Mrs. Mathews, "and all because they have been so exceedingly happy to be here."

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Christmas Goods

FOR THE BABY — THE CHILD — THE GROWN-UP

OLD SANTA HAS HIS MAIN DISPLAY OF

Toys and Presents

AT OUR STORE

In the Useful Gifts We Have--

The many modern household helps—the needed, the ornamental and the something the household has intended to buy "Sometime." Make her happy by having Santa put it on the Christmas tree for her.

Our Great Christmas Display is Now Ready
COME AND SEE — WHAT YOU WANT IS HERE — FOR
ALL MEMBERS OF FAMILY AND YOUR FRIENDS.

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More Dollars PER HEN



Simply add 1-1½ pounds of Pratt's Poultry Regulator to 100 pounds of any mash. If 5 to 10 times the cost of Regulator is not returned in extra eggs every penny of your money is cheerfully returned. Hold a century of Pratt experience has made Regulator the one natural tonic. Regulator builds flock vitality. Make your birds strong to resist roup and cold weather disease. Regulator alone can stand up under this amazing guarantee.

Pratt's Poultry Regulator

To Our Customers: We stand behind Pratt's Poultry Regulator unconditionally. Either you get more eggs from the same birds or we return your money.

Sold and Guaranteed by

FAT STEERS SHIPPED

The forty head of baby beef here-fords bred and fed by I. B. Cauble on his ranch nine miles southwest of Big Spring, mention of which was recently made in The Herald, were billed out to the Fort Worth market, with privilege of change of destination, last Sunday evening. They were as fine a lot of baby steers as were probably ever penned here.

Sale returns have not been learned but an approximate idea of the value of these yearlings may be had by estimating their weight at 1,000 pounds each and bringing ten cents on the market. That would give a selling price of \$100 each. The butchers will take the fat babies for the fancy Christmas trade.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. T. Bennett Jr., and children from Cantillo, Texas, Miss Nell Stacy of Pittsburg, Kan., and Ben Gooch of Albuquerque, N. M., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Fisher and family a few days last week. Mrs. Fisher accompanied them to Cantillo, Texas, for a visit there and also in Hot Spring, New Mexico, during the holidays.

Herald want ads gets good results. Use more of them.

PIED PIPER LEADS KIDS IN JOYOUS STREET PARADE

Intended as a strictly advertising stunt of the Pied Piper Health Shoes for which the A. M. Fisher Co. is the exclusive dealer in Big Spring, the coming of the Piper last Saturday with his fabled costume and reed fit in as a Christmas time beginning and aroused the spark of joyousness of the nation's greatest holiday occasion, near at hand. From out of Germany came the Santa Claus, or Kris Kingle celebration of the Savior's birthday anniversary and from the same land of fairies and folk-lore came the legend of the Pied Piper, that mythical man who took such terrible revenge on the German village which refused to pay him for ridding the place of its rat hordes. As the story goes, the piper played his reed and led all the children of the village into a cave in the mountain nearby and never to this day have the little folks ever been heard from more.

The Pied Piper representing the shoe company might as readily have led Big Spring children into a magic opening in the hills at edge of this American town. He certainly corralled the juvenile population and after bedecking them at the Fisher store and having told them the story of the German children and the rats and big mountain cave, the excited, merry crowd, each with a horn furnished and beneath gay-colored cap, fell in behind the Piper when he led the way up the street. Up and down Main street the hundreds of children followed, in what must have been a faithful replica of the scenes on the streets of Hamelin, the German town of long ago. Boys and girls, little and not so little, whites and browns, in silks or in rags, they were all children as they were in the real Piper's time and they had the added spirit of Christmas as coming in their joyous blowing of horns and dancing march behind the Piper.

There were two objects accomplished by the Piper and his children's levee. The shoes he represented were well advertised and the Christmas spirit was brought into blossoming in hearts of not only the children but of the grown folks who lovingly smiled on the scene and in tenderness went back to their own childhood with its enthusiasms. It was a fitting introduction to Christmas.

Several hundred children in the procession—some say a thousand but rough count considerably ed that estimate. However, remarked, the number of little to respond to the Piper's music such as would have delighted gone but remembered Teddy velt and they were in number conduct highly satisfactory Piper who has traveled the over and who pronounced Spring engagement to be one finest he has enjoyed.

The Piper is represented by Schulte, a man with a nature which captivates children. He represents the Pied Piper Shoe Wausau, Wis., and his line is popularly known over the As stated, the A. M. Fisher the sole representative of the Piper shoes in Big Spring.

NEGRO BOYS ARRESTED

If they keep putting boys county jail they will soon enough to start a ward school that building. The latest instance, up to Wednesday, were little negro waifs who last charged, broke into the North house and helped themselves ous articles they could use some they had better not given the chance. The items stolen were three plates each and probably intended ure in more daring exploits.

ATTENDED "SAFETY ME"

The Big Spring office of the Texas Electric Co. was well attended in the district "Safety" ing of employees of the company last Friday, Dec. 10, and Sweetwater. Those to go from and to come back with report fine time and a profitable ence were: Manager R. A. G. Miss Modena Fabens, M. H. man and V. H. Buckley.

PRESBYTERIAN AUX. NO.

The regular Bible study, was postponed from the first day afternoon on account of weather, will be held at the Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. C. W. Cunningham will be All of the ladies are urged to

What?—"Old Fashioned Where?—At Center Point. When?—Friday, Dec. 17.

Herald want ads get results.

More Value than the Price Suggests

In the year just drawing to a close the price of Dodge Brothers Motor Cars was materially lowered.

Yet during this period more important improvements were incorporated than in any year in Dodge Brothers history. Advances were made in engineering and body designs. The cars possess a greater degree of smoothness, silence and ease. They are more comfortable, more beautiful.

Current prices—made possible, of course, by constantly mounting sales—are therefore not an obvious measure of value. Prices, in fact, have never told the full story of Dodge Brothers dependability and basic worth.

But now, more than ever before, there is far more value than the price suggests.

Touring Car.....	\$1,041.00
Coupe	\$1,092.00
Sedan	\$1,031.00
Special Sedan.....	\$1,151.00

Delivered

W. W. CRENSHAW
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We Also Sell Dependable Used Cars

DODGE BROTHERS MOTOR CARS

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EACH SATURDAY FROM 3 TO 4 P. M.

**PLACE:--Vacant lot adjoining
Store on Main Street**

There will be sold to the highest bidder, each Saturday afternoon between the hours of 3 and 4 o'clock a varied selection of

New and Used Furniture

and

Apples and Yellow Yams

This is the opportunity to buy Household Furnishings at YOUR OWN PRICE.

Sales are for CASH ONLY. I need the Cash—you need the Furniture, the Potatoes and the Apples.

Come For Bargains

J. R. CREATH

The Furniture Man

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LET US DO THE WORK

We are prepared to promptly and satisfactorily do your washing and ironing. Let us have an opportunity to relieve you of a burden. PHONE NO. 17.

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Improved Uniform International

Sunday School 'Lesson'

By REV. P. B. FITZWATER, D.D., Dean
of Day and Evening Schools, Moody Bible
Institute of Chicago.
(Western Newspaper Union.)

Lesson for December 19

SAMUEL THE JUST JUDGE

LESSON TEXT—1 Sam. 7:1-17, 12:1-15

GOLDEN TEXT—Prepare your heart unto the Lord and serve Him only.

PRIMARY TOPIC—God Helps the People at Mizpah.

JUNIOR TOPIC—The Victory at Mizpah.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—What Samuel Did for His People.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—How the Lord Helps.

I. Samuel Called the People to Forsake Their Idols (7:1-6).

Under the administration of Eli, the nation rapidly deteriorated. For their sins, God permitted the nation to be bitterly oppressed by the Philistines. Samuel promised them deliverance on the condition of repentance.

II. Samuel Prayed for the People (7:7-14).

Moved by fear of the Philistines the people besought Samuel to cry unto God for them. In response to his prayer God miraculously delivered them from the Philistines.

III. Samuel Judging Israel (7:15-17).

Bethel, Gilgal, Mizpah and Ramah were his circuit, to each of which he made annual visits. These centers were for the accommodation of the people.

IV. Samuel's Farewell Address (12:1-25).

When Saul, the new king, was crowned, Samuel turned over to him his authority, and gracefully retired. 1. Samuel's challenge to the people (vv. 1-5).

(1) A reminder of the way the king had been given (v. 1).

He showed that they were directly responsible for the change in government. Though keenly feeling the reflection upon himself, and their ingratitude to God in their demand for a king, he had not resisted their wish.

(2) Review of his own administration (vv. 2, 3).

a. Walk from childhood (v. 2). Samuel's was a remarkable life; from childhood to old age he had lived an upright and pure life.

b. Career as judge and ruler (v. 3). He boldly challenged them to show where and how he had ever oppressed anyone.

(3) The vote of confidence by the people (vv. 4, 5).

It was Samuel's right as he laid down the reins of government to have his record vindicated and to have his integrity established beyond a doubt, so that no evil-minded man should ever be able to cast reproach upon him.

2. Samuel reviews God's dealing from the time of Moses (vv. 6-15).

He reasoned with them concerning the good hand of the Lord upon them from the time of Moses. Though they with ingratitude turned from the Lord and demanded a king like the other nations, He had acceded to their request and set a king over them.

(1) National prosperity conditioned by obedience (v. 14).

Though they had displeased God in choosing a king, if they would fear the Lord and render obedience, national prosperity would still be given.

(2) Disobedience to God meant the nation's ruin (v. 15).

It is folly to ask God's blessing upon a nation while it is living in rebellion against Him.

3. Samuel's own vindication (vv. 16-19).

This was such a critical hour in the history of the nation that Samuel sought to indelibly impress its meaning on their hearts. This he did by means of the thunder and rain out of season. Harvest time was not the season for thunder and rain, so when it came at the call of Samuel, the people were affrighted. They saw it as an example of God's mighty power, which if directed against them, would destroy them in an instant.

4. Samuel's gracious response (vv. 20-25).

(1) "Fear not—serve the Lord with all your heart" (vv. 20-22).

Samuel did not minimize their sin but assured them that if they would serve the Lord wholeheartedly He would not forsake them. The ground of their hope was the faithfulness of God in keeping His covenant.

(2) "God forbid that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you" (v. 23).

The people had rejected Samuel, yet he had such magnanimity of soul that he did not allow their ingratitude to cause his intercession for them to cease. He assured them that in spite of their sin their one concern should be to fear the Lord and serve Him wholeheartedly.

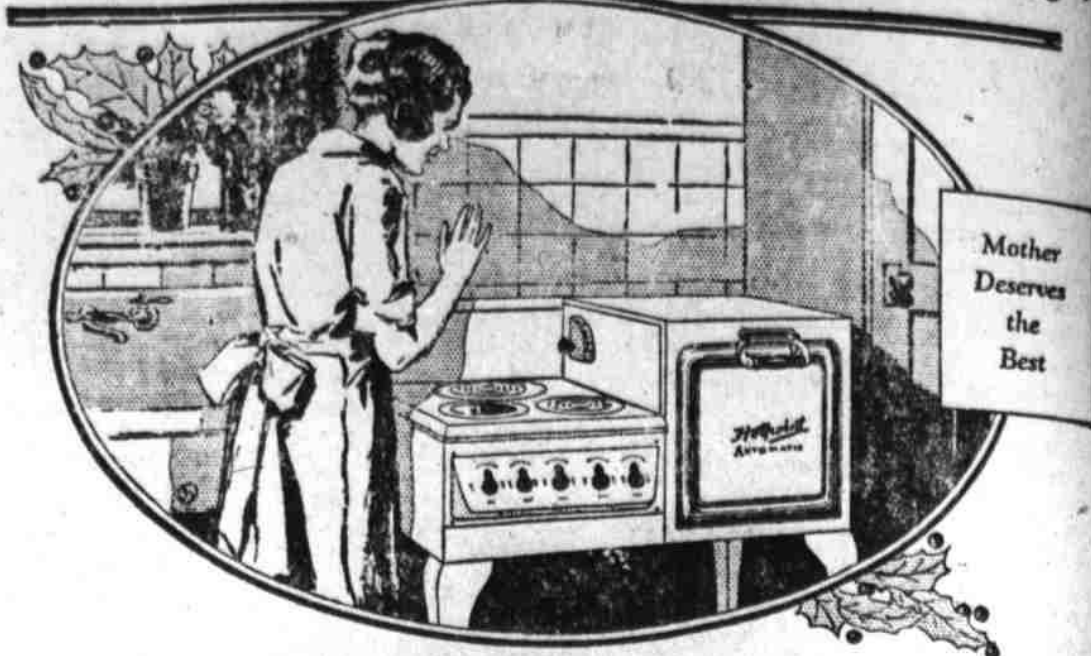
Pleasure

The pastor says: To expect adequate refreshment for the human spirit from mere pleasure is like gathering dewdrops and blowing upon them to keep them moist.—John Andrew Holmes.

Repentance

Repentance is a hearty sorrow for our past misdeeds, and a sincere resolution and endeavor, to the utmost of our power to conform our actions to the law of God.

What Mother really wants



An Automatic Hotpoint Electric Range

Think of the joy and convenience this beautiful range will afford Mother. Its gleaming whiteness will make it the pride of her kitchen for years.

Think of the pleasure and satisfaction she will derive from its use. Less time in the kitchen—more time to devote to other interests in and out of home—and at the same time better cooked foods, absolute cleanliness and economical operation.

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Trade in
Allowance
on your
Old Stove**

Mother deserves the best—plan now to give her an electric range. Just tell us when you want it delivered.

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MONTHLY PAYMENTS**

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Meeting each Sunday 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.

Sunday school 10 a. m.

Corner 10th and Main Streets

C. Y. D. meeting at 7:30 p. m.

Everyone is invited and welcome to be with us.

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Residence, Corner Main and 10th.

Phone 682-J.

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TABERNACLE

J. D. Boren, Minister

Res. 211 West Fourth Street

Phone 692

Bible School 9:45 a. m.

Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.

Monday, 2:30 p. m., Ladies Bible Study.

Wednesday, Mid-week Bible Study.

A hearty welcome awaits you.

E. THIRD ST. BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner East Third and Goliad Streets

REV. D. G. WELLS, Pastor

Services each Sunday.

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. M. H. Morrison, Superintendent.

Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

B. Y. P. U. 6:30 p. m.

Prayer meeting each Wednesday night.

A welcome awaits you.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner Main and Sixth Streets

D. H. HEARD, Pastor

Res. 1411 Scurry Street

Phones: Res. 492; church 460

Services Each Sunday

Sunday school 9:45 a. m.

Preaching 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Mid-week service Wed. 8 p. m.

Women meet each Monday, 8:30.

Strangers especially invited.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

W. C. HINDS, Pastor

Residence 404 Scurry Street

Sunday services:

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.

Epworth league, 7 p. m.

Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.

Services are held in the Methodist church at the corner of Scurry and West Fourth streets.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Corner Main and Fifth Street

R. L. OWEN, Pastor

Phone 369

Services each Sabbath, except the third.

Sunday school 9:45 a. m.

Morning worship 11 o'clock.

Evening worship 7:15 o'clock.

Mid-week service, 7:15 p. m. Wed.

A glad-hand welcomes YOU.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Main Street on North Side

REV. KISTNER, Pastor

Mass every second and fourth Sunday at 10 a. m.

Strangers especially invited.

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You are always welcome and we will try to make you feel at home.

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Morning Prayer 11 a. m.

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Sunday school.....10:00 a. m.

Morning worship.....11:00 a. m.

Young people meeting...6:30 p. m.

Evening service.....7:30 p. m.

Bible study, Tuesday...7:30 p. m.

Prayer meeting, Friday...7:30 p. m.

You have cordial invitation to worship with us.

T. R. Gathright, Pastor.

Don't Be Embarrassed By Skin Diseases

Use Blue Star Soap to cleanse the affected parts, then apply Blue Star Remedy. It penetrates the skin, kills out the germs, stops the itching at once, and restores most cases to a healthy condition. Eczema, Yaws, or Cracked Hands, Poison Oak, Ringworm, Sore Blistered Feet, Sunburn, Old Skin Sores—all of these have yielded to its wonderful healing power. 60c and \$1.00 a Jar. Soap 25c, at J. D. BILES

Gas Makes People Nervous and Restless

Gas pressure in the stomach causes a restless, nervous feeling, prevents sleep. Adierika gas in TEN minutes and brings surprising amounts of old matter you never thought your system. This excellent natural evacuant is wonderful for constipation or allied stomach. Don't waste time with pills, but get REAL Adierika. J. D. Biles, advertisement.

ICE PLANT FOR MIDLAND

Construction of an ice plant in Midland will begin within a few days, according to C. W. Dawley, president of the Southern Ice & Utility Co., as quoted by W. G. Smaugh, one of the chief men of the company. A letter to the Midland Chamber of Commerce, Midland Reporter.

HILL DRAWS 10 YEARS

Thursday morning the jury in the case of State of Texas vs. J. L. Hill, charged with the murder of Parker in Yoakum County in 1925, brought a verdict of guilty and assessed the punishment at ten years in the State penitentiary. Lamesa Reporter.

BARBER GETS 99 YEARS

J. H. Noce, a grey-headed man, was convicted Wednesday evening 8 p. m. by a jury of killing Patton at Monahans August 9, 1925, with a shotgun using slugs, and sentenced to serve ninety-nine years in the penitentiary. Pecos Enterprise.

SICKLY, FEEBISH CHILD

Children suffering from intestinal worms are cross, restless and unhealthy. They are other symptoms, however, a child is pale, has dark rings under the eyes, bad breath and takes no interest in play, it is almost a certainty that he is eating away his vitality. The remedy for worms is White's Compound. It is positive destruction of worms but harmless to the child. Sold by CUNNINGHAM & PHILLIPS.

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Mountain to Stand as Memorial to Women!

Spring, Dec. 13.—Big Spring, rising 1000 feet from the level of the most productive land in West Texas, from the summit of which it is possible to see 50 miles in every direction, will be the eternal monument to the progressiveness of the club women of this city.

The \$1,000 in the treasury of the Big Spring Federation of Women's Clubs, and an equal sum collected by the women of local merchants, has been used to buy the top of this mountain, and to have it set apart as a park.

When the women induced the city of Big Spring to build a road to the top of the mountain, and to have it set apart as a park, they were not only giving tourists and the people of the most inspiring section of Texas.

It is claimed for these club women that they are noted for their civic progressiveness, that they are the first in the history of such organizations to buy the top of a mountain out of their own pockets to present it to a commonwealth to be enjoyed gratis by all.

Those who have never visited Big Spring, and who have never had the good fortune to meet personally the women, elevating and home-loving, the tale of the purchase of this mountain might smack of a fairy story. But when one has visited the city, come in contact with the women, seen for themselves the improvements, and listen to the plans for the future, one is not surprised that they actually did buy the top of the mountain to present it to the almost five miles of the most picturesque road up the side of the almost sheer face of the upland, and carry it along the very top of the summit, so that visitors can see the farm dotted valley for a distance of more than 50 miles in all directions.

When these women tell you they are going to keep after the law down at Austin until they have sufficient money to buy that park, why, seeing what has already done, you can picture in your mind's eye those who are just what they are asking for. And that in the near future Big Spring will have probably the most unique and attractive State park in Texas.

Mrs. L. I. Freeman is president of the Big Spring Federation of Women's Clubs. She takes no credit for the achievement of the city and its plan for the future. You will note she uses the pronoun "we." And that she covers a multitude of women, you might say, for Big

Spring boasts of having more club women, population considered, than any other city in Texas.

It is conservatively estimated that the majority of the women of this city belong to one of the seven women's clubs and the Parent-Teacher Associations. There are five of these latter, because there are five school buildings in Big Spring, and each has its Parent-Teacher body.

The federation is composed of delegates from the minor organizations. And it is said to always be a most harmonious body, all united to the advancement and beautification of the city.

These women have learned that shade and ornamental trees will thrive in this section, and this year they will supervise the beautification of the streets running east and west with trees and shrubbery planted in the park way. And flowers will be planted, too, to further beautify the thoroughfares.

There are four study clubs in Big Spring, devoted in the main to study of topics elevating to woman. They are the Hyperion Delphian Club, the Delphian, the Twentieth Century Club and the Study Club. There are three other clubs, whose object is the social advancement of their members and improvement of the city. The members of the four study clubs are equally interested in city problems, and co-operate with the minor clubs and have representation in the Federation.

Mrs. J. I. McDowell, ex-vice president of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, and now state parliamentarian of that organization, organized the first women's club in Big Spring. That was 14 years ago. She has since seen one club after another formed, grow, help upbuild the city and finally assisted in the organization of the Federation. She, like Mrs. Freeman and the other leaders, are tireless workers. Nothing is seemingly too stupendous for them to undertake. And once undertaken, a task is never abandoned until it has been completed.

For some years the Federation leased a tract of land, beautified it and called it City Federation Park. It had to be abandoned when the rental became too high. For two years the Federation paid the salary of a home demonstration agent and a domestic science department was installed in the schools through the efforts of these women. They now maintain a county rest room in the courthouse. It is for women and girls.

A public library of no mean size was organized and is now maintained by these women. At first books were donated, now the Federation buys the best current literature. Prizes are offered by these women to stimulate hog raising and corn growing in the county. Members of pig and corn clubs are eligible to enter these contests. The Federation also helps members of the domestic science class in the public school to attend

the state meeting every year.

A flower show, held annually, is one of the efforts of this body of women. The last show was one of the largest ever held in West Texas. One woman alone had an exhibit of 25 different kinds of flowers. These shows have proven that roses and other plants can be made to thrive in this section, although doubted for years, with the result that thousands of rose bushes will be planted in yards and public places next spring.

The Federation cooperated with the Chamber of Commerce a few days ago in holding a canning demonstration in this city. Despite the inclement weather, a downpour of rain all day, it was largely attended. One woman was so enthused over the matter that she drove, unaccompanied, 18 miles through mud and rain to attend. The demonstration was held by Miss Swift, home demonstration agent from A. & M. College.

The Federation enjoys a small revenue from dues, but makes most of its money from a carnival, held once a year, which is lavishly patronized.

Last spring the Federation had a tree planting day. Hundreds were set out all over town, including Chinese elms, black locust and pecans. The latter were planted by school children upon their campuses.

—By W. D. Van Blarcom in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Sunday, Dec. 12, 1926.

CHRISTMAS TREE AT FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Santa Claus and his pack of toys will be present at the Christmas tree that will be held in the basement of the First Methodist Church on Friday evening, Dec. 24, Christmas eve. A beautiful ornamented tree will be the center of interest, which will be laden with gifts for all of the Sunday school children. A delightful program is also being arranged for this entertainment.

A cordial invitation is extended everyone to attend, and especially all of the Sunday school children are urged to be present.

Mrs. J. I. McDowell left Thursday evening for a several weeks visit with relatives and friends in Houston, and other points in South Texas.

Mrs. K. S. Beckett who has been quite ill is reported to be getting along nicely.

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JEWELRY has the quality that makes it an ideal gift. The passing years add, rather than detract, a higher regard for the thoughtfulness of the one who selected the gift.

And the fact that it comes from this Store assures lasting satisfaction; the superior qualities, the excellent workmanship—guarantee it. It is pleasing to note, though, that prices are very moderate.

RINGS, from...\$1.00 to \$450.00

LADIES WRIST WATCHES.....\$7.50 to \$90.00

GENT'S WATCHES.....\$1.35 to \$65.00....

—and a thousand other beautiful gifts too numerous to mention.

WILKE'S JEWELRY STORE

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Who's Who, with Anne Nichols' Laugh Riot "Abie's Irish Rose," Lyric, Monday, Dec. 20



Hand Painted GIFTS

Before you buy your Xmas presents see my low prices on hand-painted gifts.

CATHERINE HAMLETT
GIFT SHOP

In I. H. Hamlett Wholesale Store, Hathcock Bldg.
12-31 East Second Street

WHAT DO YOU SAY, BOY?

I say save your money and buy your groceries from J. E. DAVIS, and save money enough to buy your Christmas gifts. He sells a big sack of flour for \$2.00, and a big bucket of lard for \$1.10; 5-lb. bucket of comb honey for 96c; 5 lb. nice pecans, for 85c. Ring 52; he delivers too. Appreciates your business and save you mucho money... advertisement. It.

DON'T WORRY

No matter what ails your watch we can repair it. WILKE'S JEWELRY and OPTICAL SHOP.

REVEREND OWEN WILL DELIVER CHRISTMAS SERMON, COAHOMA

Rev. R. L. Owen will fill his regular appointment at the Presbyterian Church of Coahoma, Sunday, Dec. 19, both morning and evening. A Christmas sermon at the 11 o'clock hour.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend these services.

SERVICES AT COAHOMA

Rev. B. K. Tenny, the secretary and treasurer of the Synod of Texas, will preach at the Presbyterian Church of Coahoma, Friday evening at 7:15 o'clock. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. and Mrs. I. J. Robb, Miss Boone Gilmore and Mrs. Florence McNew spent Sunday in San Angelo visiting friends.

Now Is The Time To Have Your Car Overhauled

Winter is now on hand. Drive your car in and let us look it over. All labor prices are greatly reduced, all parts cost less, and our WORK is GUARANTEED.

Ford 13-plate Batteries are now...\$12.00

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Dentist

OFFICE OVER WEST TEXAS NATIONAL BANK
BIG SPRING, TEXAS

Herald want ads get results.

Joye M. Fisher and C. T. Watson made a business trip to Abilene Wednesday.

We will appreciate your orders, whether large or small. Pool-Reed Co. Phone 145.

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Radiola 20, with 5 Radiotrons . \$115

The music is clear—true—real! It comes in over big distances—makes the evenings lively.

And the weather reports—the news and speeches—are clear. Radiola 20 gets the actual tone—gets it with a single turn of one control. It has a power tube for volume. It has five tubes, drawing small current, but made to do the same work as many more tubes. It runs inexpensively on dry batteries—gets the distant stations dependably—leads the field in performance among sets anywhere near its price!

Auto Supply Co.

Herb Lees

J. E. Price

PHONE 196, BIG SPRING, TEXAS



There are **STANDARDS** IN Christmas Gifts as in other things.

There are Playthings for Children and Staple, Desired articles for the Grown-Ups.

There are Gifts that are broken, lost or cast aside tomorrow—the joys of Christmas end with the passing of the day. Not so with those who select **DURABLE GIFTS**.

Christmas and enjoyments of the Gifts continue long to the one whose thoughtful relative or friend has made gift of such articles as these:

For the Kiddie For Housekeepers

An Air Gun
A Wagon
A Coaster
A Tricycle
A Sidewalk Cycle
A Slide

Pyrex Ware
Aluminum Ware
Electric Percolators
Roasters
House Furnishing
Goods in Many Useful
Articles

A first-class, new, general hardware stock to select from. **INCLUDE US IN YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING TOUR.**

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BY T. E. JORDAN

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Big Spring, Friday, Dec. 17, 1926

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MAX MERRICK FAVORITE AT WESLEY COLLEGE

The many friends of Max Merrick and of his family, will read with interest of the honor recently bestowed on him at Wesley College, Greenville, when he was chosen Junior favorite. Following is the clipping from the Wesley Pilot, the college publication, giving an account of the election:

In a quiet, impartial election held under the direction of the Junior President, the Junior class elected Max Merrick, a popular B. J. Williams Society member, athlete and member of various other campus organizations, as Junior favorite.

Last week the Juniors met and had a primary election in which three candidates, Ruby Jean Miller, Ludora Langston and Max Merrick, were selected as candidates for the run-off today. Today every member of the Junior class who attended the meeting cast a vote with the result that Max Merrick is the favorite.

The results are as follows:
Merrick 21 votes.
Langston 8 votes.
Miller 7 votes.
Signed—J. E. Blackburn, Dixon Hatcher, Judges.

Merrick is a worthy man to fill this position having been previously elected President of his class as an advance indication of his popularity. He is a letter man on the football squad, and has made a record as an athlete this year.

Miss Langston and Miss Miller, the other candidates, are also very popular with the class and are general favorites among the entire student body. Miss Langston is yell leader in conjunction with Newell Porter and Miss Miller was tennis champion in Greenville high last year.

Through the courtesy of the judges the votes was retained for publication in this issue of the Wesley Pilot, and was not announced at the election, as has been the custom in the past.

CHAPTER NINETEEN

With great gratitude to both God and the kind givers, acknowledgement is made of the following gifts to the Mexican mission building fund:

Miss Ethel Hudson, Dallas, \$14.
One dollar each: Ed Allen, J. B. Neel, and Mesdames W. V. Crunk, D. H. Haley, Hilda Lindner, J. B. Stokes.
Total \$ 20.00
Total last report \$908.75
Total to date \$928.75

A good start toward ten thousand! May not Chapter Twenty record some special Christmas gifts for the fund? Over the peaks and planes of 1926 years the voice of the Christ with "all authority in heaven and earth," comes to us more strongly than ever: "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these (other needful) things shall be added unto you."

"Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me."

We are the losers if we choose not to heed His commands, though we may not discover our loss before the day of final adjustments, when it will be too late to start over. A Christmas benediction upon every gift and giver!

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All prices, in English and Spanish. Good type; some beautiful binding. See some of these at Flower's Variety store, or call Mrs. S. H. Morrison.

Mrs. J. M. Morgan returned Saturday night from a three weeks visit with her mother in Douglas, Ariz., and other points of interest in Arizona and New Mexico. While in Douglas Mrs. Morgan attended a family reunion. Enroute home she visited friends in El Paso.

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STORES IN BIG SPRING

AGLOW WITH DECORATIONS

The spirit of Christmas is abroad in the land, and if one lacks the feeling, all she or he has to do is to come to town and visit the various stores in the city, to get the spirit. The stores of Big Spring are aglow with Christmas decorations. Green and red, the Christmas colors were never more artistically or beautifully used in the adornment of displays at Christmas time, and these colors in numerous kinds of attractive streamers, crepe paper, etc., are used in profusion. Santa Claus is seen in almost every store, and his fireplace, and the stockings hanging in a row are also there to suggest that the time for his annual visit is almost here.

Cedar trees have been placed along the sidewalks in front of or at the sides of the stores and these make attractive decorations at this season of the year.

Other decorations are featured in the window displays, or in the interior of the stores, on special counters or in the gift section. Beside the emblems suggestive of the Yuletide, beautiful fall leaves and flowers give adornment and beautification to the display of beautiful Christmas gifts.

Into these attractive settings, the busy shoppers come and select the gift for Christmas giving, or gets suggestions from the array of beautiful things on display.

Only six shopping days remain! It is too late to use the time worn slogan, "Shop Early and Avoid the Rush," for now the rush is on.

FIRST BAPTIST SENIOR B.Y.P.U.

December 19, 1926.
Program starts promptly at six o'clock.

The subject of our lesson is "Faith."

Introduction—Loula Cardwell.

Part 1—Faith Taught by a Story—Lola Creighton.

Part 2—Repentance and Faith—Frances Crawford.

Part 3—Scripture Stresses Faith—Lillian Gray.

Part 4—The Great Faith Chapter—Katherine Bettle.

Part 5—The Kind of Faith That Saves—Abbey Nell Rhotan.

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IF YOU COME TO US ONCE YOU'LL BE SURE TO COME BACK

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EPWORTH LEAGUE PROGRAM

FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

Leader—Cleta Faye Cook.

Subject—"The Christmas Spirit—Getting It, Spreading It."

Song—Holy, Holy, Holy.

Scripture—(Luke 2:1-20; Gal. 6:9-10)—Ira Mae Bradley.

Song—Silent Night.

Prayer closing with Lord's Prayer—Elizabeth Crain.

Solo—Leta Cochran.

Addresses:

1. What Christmas Means—by Leader.

2. Christmas Spirit—Baird Shive.

3. Getting and Spreading the Christmas Spirit—Mary Elizabeth

Burns.

Announcements.

Collection.

Benediction.

Walton Morrison is expected to arrive home Sunday from College, where he is attending a College, to spend the holidays this city with his father, M. Morrison and other homefolks.

Miss Dorothy Jordan Thursday night from Denton, she is attending the College of trial, Ariz. to spend the Christmas holidays in this city with homefolks.

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reached it before her, leaning in defense against it, his arms outspread, his feet firmly planted. "You cannot get out, Olga. I shall not let you—yet."

In hopelessness the girl looked around the room for a means of defense. Her eyes reached the containers on the sideboard, and as quick as the thought had entered her mind, she reached out and seized the nearest bottle by the neck.

Determination to wage this gruesome battle to an end was visible in her eyes, and her mouth was set, as she spoke: "Let me out, Ivan Kusmin, or you shall regret it."

The banker left his place at the door, and advanced with hesitant steps. "Look here, Olga," he said in a warning tone. "Put it down."

"No," she cried, "not until you let me out." She raised her arm, her fingers locked around the tall neck of the bottle, and looked at Kusmin with shining eyes.

But, disregarding her threat, the banker moved closer.

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The first light of dawn had not yet pierced the black sky, as Alexei and Nickoli, in the unsteady flicker of a coal tar lamp, were laying the last plans for the Nihilist meeting in Moscow. Since joining the ranks of the revolutionists, the former lieutenant of the Grand Duke Sergius' guard had taken up his abode with his brother in a poor rooming house in the outskirts of St. Petersburg. Despite the vigilant search for him the government had instituted, Alexei had managed to escape its dragnets, and his retreat remained undiscovered.

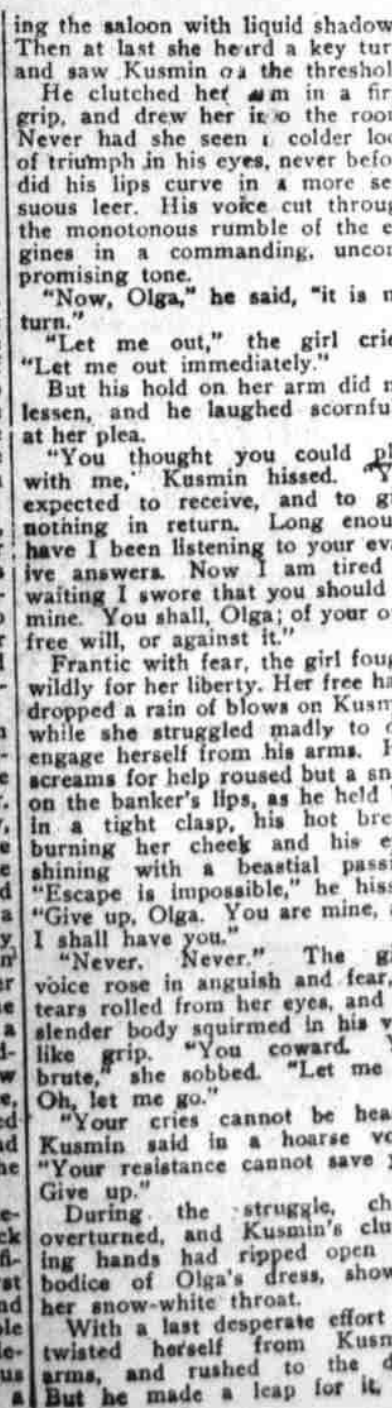
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Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Schram
holding over the arrival of their
young daughter at the home
Friday, Dec. 10.

The Ties That Bind

By DOROTHY WEST

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EVERY night he would traverse the length of the garden to the distant, lofty oak and stare down, for a brief and bitter moment, at the grave of his mother. And inevitably he would stoop to pluck a long-stemmed flower and twine it about his wrist. There was something terribly brutal about it. A mocking reassurance of a deathbed promise.

He hated the valley. He hated the splendid stretch of land that for generations had belonged to the family, riotous, neglected now save for a small patch of garden that supplied his daily needs.

He had chained himself by a deathbed promise to the rolling, far-reaching acres a sentimental mother loved. He had been too young and too awfully sorry to foresee the droning years. He had wanted, with youthful pity, to make her last moments happy. And so he had promised, eagerly, forever to live in the valley.

And then there had been her weak voice calling Martha; the young Martha kneeling beside her with tears in her eyes. And suddenly she had joined their hands, and there had been something about "my son, my best friend's motherless child," and he had found himself pledged to Martha, staring into her tear-wet, adolescent eyes. He had always wanted to write. From earliest youth he had scribbled on any and every scrap of paper. He felt, perhaps wrongly, that he had a splendid gift to give to the world. And he lived in that future hour of recognition.

He had never been outside the valley. He had never seen beyond his narrow community. There had been little expansion of his own soul. And he had the happy faculty to realize his restriction. He was wedged in by stupid conventionalities. He had, he knew too poignantly, little to write about.

He had held tenaciously to his dream of ultimate freedom. He had heavily mortgaged the land. He knew, with almost mad complacency, that within a few years he would lose the far-reaching acres. And then would begin his pilgrimage to the world. The world he thirsted for, and from whose living pages he would transcribe.

Tonight he walked slowly back to the house. He began to hope that Martha had gone to bed. There was something about her of late that disturbed him. She was pale and unhappy and ailing. And wistful, too. And he would raise his head suddenly to find her sad eyes intent on his face as if there were something she wanted to tell him. It annoyed him, because it frightened him. He felt, somehow, responsible.

She had not gone to bed. She was sitting before the empty hearth, staring unseeing at the darkened bricks. She did not turn to look at him. She held out her hand.

He went slowly to her with calm indifference.

She was only a child, and she knew, vaguely, that she had never really pleased him. She had so little to give him, and now she felt that her sole gift would be unwanted.

He looked down at her, not unkindly, and put a gentle hand on her shoulder.

"I've been meaning to tell you," she said with difficulty, "the doctor—"

She faltered. His hand fell away. He was suddenly white and drawn.

"No," he said quietly, "no."

She was terror-stricken. "But why?"

"We've only the barest necessities. There's hardly enough for two."

She caught her one shred of courage. She was fighting for something bigger than herself. Something potent within her. She was fighting, with terrible strength, for life.

"It's because we've done nothing, either of us, about the farm. We've let it go to ruin. We've lived our days in laziness. Idled the hours. Why, ours is the finest land for miles. We must," she ended with quiet finality, "make it a paying farm for our child."

He did not answer her. He saw, very vividly, the approaching days. He would awaken at six to the smell of fried food and Martha's shrill voice. Then a long, hard morning in the field, and dinner. The field again, dragging, dulling hours, then merciful dusk, and supper. And when he could get out his paper and pen, they would dance before his eyes, and the only alternative, of course, would be bed.

Apathy dulled him. It was as if the strength of her words had crushed his spirit. He could not even cry out in protest. An inbred New England conscience compelled him to realize his duty. There was nothing beyond the impregnable wall of right.

He heard himself mumbling, "They're bound both my hands, the quick and the dead." His ironical laughter flooded the room. "Blessed be the ties that bind."

Willingness to Wait

A young farmer was urged to set out some apple trees. "No," said he, "they are too long growing, and I don't want to plant for other people." The young farmer's father was spoken to about it, but he, with better reason, alleged that apple trees were slow and life was fleeting. At last someone mentioned it to the old grandfather of the young farmer. He had nothing else to do—so he stuck in some trees. He lived long enough to drink barrels of cider made from the apples that grew on those trees.—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

.....for Her

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In the new fancy color combinations and solid colors with interwoven toe and heel

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Hand tooled, hand laced and plain solid leather pocket and traveling cases.

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Pocket Combs, with nail file.....\$1.50

Genuine Leather Traveling Cases

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A gift that will add to his comfort in cold weather. More desirable scarfs are not to be found anywhere than these—

Highlander Plaids all-wool \$3.00 and \$3.50

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Genuine Oregon City Robes \$17.50 up

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GIVE HIM GLOVES

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Gloves galore! Select a pair for him here. If you don't get the right size we will be glad to exchange them after Xmas.

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Pure Irish Linen, hand brodered.....\$1.00

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for the friends home

.....for Him

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French kid with turn back cuffs in shades of tan and black. And washable Cham-oisette gloves. See them.



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Desk Lamps

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Fitted Cases for Her

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A most appreciated gift, one of these overnight or traveling fitted cases. In black or tan leather. Fittings in drawing room tray or conveniently arranged in top of case. The sets are complete with every piece she could need. Large and small size cases.

Royal-Rochester SILVERWARE

A fine quality silverware that will last a life time in—

Percolators.....\$7.00

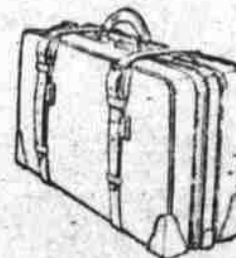
Sandwich Trays.....\$2.25 up

Crum Trays.....\$3.50

Hot Dish Mats.....\$2.25

Casserole.....\$9.50

Serving Bowl.....\$13.50



Gladstone Bags

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Another useful gift for him. A gladstone bag or gun cowhide suit case and bag.

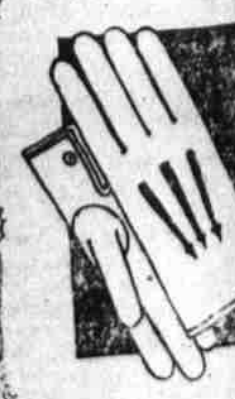
Hand Bags.....\$10

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The Christmas Store

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Big Spring, Texas, Friday, December 17, 1926

By T. E. Jordan

Social Notes

CHRISTMAS ADDS GAIETY

Christmas time is a happy time, a busy time. It is busy because of the every day duties that must be done in a limited time. It is happy because everything is in such a merry mood that one hasn't time to be anything but smile and cheer. The spirit of cheer and good will is abroad, and everyone is not already absorbed in the joys and cheer, it will be these last few busy days before the great day arrives. There have been so busy shopping and preparing for the arrival of the daughter from college, that there have been planned for the club hostesses have been the various clubs, in which Christmas emblems have been placed each has been a gay affair. Little time can be devoted to anything within the last few days before the arrival of Christmas. The minute shopping will be done, the time. But time taken off to attend several entertainments that will be in our city in the near future. The Christmas trees to be held at the various clubs in the city on Christmas. The delightful entertainments are on the calendar.

Friday, Dec. 16, the annual banquet will be held. The banquet will be held at the hotel and his son is expected to attend, and every father with a son is expected to adopt one and accompany him to the banquet.

"The Old-Fashioned Mother," a play is to be presented at the Central Point school tonight. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to attend.

"The Christ Child," a Christmas play is to be presented at the Baptist Church at 7:30 o'clock on Sunday, Dec. 19. Members of the church are invited to attend.

"The Irish Rose," a most popular success will be presented at the R. and R. Lyric theater on Sunday, Dec. 20. The sale of tickets indicates that a full house will be secured for the play.

On the same evening, the third of the Lyceum course will be given in the district court room of the courthouse. Baroness de Hueck, lecturer, author and linguist will appear in Big Spring on this evening and give sketches of Russian life.

refugee whose story of Russia before and during the war, as she is going to give to the Lyceum goes, is a most graphic and fascinating recital. When the war broke out the Baroness was a bride on her honeymoon. After the revolution, she and her husband who was an officer in the Russian army, escaped the pursuit of the Bolshevik authorities, disguised as peasants and returned to their home in Petrograd. Their money had all been confiscated by the state and when they contemplated the sale of some of their jewels to sustain an existence they were ordered to surrender these, under threat of death. Later their silver plate and all valuables were taken from their home and they were left absolutely penniless. They escaped to Finland where they were finally arrested, and the husband sentenced to death. Again they escaped eventually landing in Canada, where at present she makes her home in Toronto.

Following her lecture the Baroness in the costume of her native country appears upon the platform to answer questions about her Russia. She welcomes these questions as keys to that information about her country of especial interest to Americans. This part of her program is most interesting.

A wedding of wide interest to friends in this city was solemnized in Shreveport, La., on Saturday evening, Dec. 4, uniting in marriage Rodney L. Trapnell and Miss Edythe Runyan. Rev. J. Wainwright, pastor of Fetter Avenue Church of Christ, officiating.

Miss Runyan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Runyan of Big Spring, and grew to young womanhood in this city. She left here sometime ago to visit relatives and friends in Shreveport, and while there met Mr. Trapnell, and their romance has culminated in this happy marriage. The bride is a graduate of the Big Spring High school, and is a talented reader. She has many friends here who wish her success and happiness.

The groom is said to be a young man of sterling qualities. He is in the employment of the Western Electric Co. in Shreveport, and it is there they will make their home.

The Herald joins a host of friends in extending best wishes and congratulations to the happy couple.

CHRISTMAS MOTIF EXPRESSED AT FOOTBALL BANQUET

A Christmas motif and the Christmas colors, red and green, were beautifully and elaborately employed in the table decorations and other details of the banquet given at the Cole Hotel by the members of the Steer football team Wednesday evening. This was the annual football banquet, given by members of the Steer team, honoring their young lady friends and invited guests.

The banquet tables were arranged to form a big "T" for team, and centering the "T" on the wall was the head of a "Fighting Steer." Steer colors of Black and Gold were also artistically used for further adornment. Baskets of mistletoe and a miniature Christmas tree were used as centerpiece on the tables, and tall burning tapers in pretty candle holders, were placed at the end of each table.

By attractive place cards of black and gold and in the form of footballs, the guests found their places, and were served a delectable dinner in three courses. The dinner consisted of cocktail, the main course and salad, and an ice course. Unique in design and delicate in flavor were the individual cakes served with the ice. Each one was iced in orange, and the outline of a football, with the lettering "B.S. Steers, 1926" in black topped them.

Shine Phillips, manager of the football club, and to whom much credit is due for their successful season, was toastmaster of the occasion, and put pep and spice into the program that was given following the dinner. Following talks by Dr. E. O. Ellington, president of the school board, Principal T. F. Hugkins, Coaches Alfred Collins and Frank Boyle Jr., the Steers, each in turn, were called on to make a talk. Their remarks were brief and to the point, and every one was enjoyed.

Miss Winona Taylor, sponsor of the Steer team, Miss Lucile True, Pep Squad yell leader, and Miss Lois Cochran, president of the Girl's Pep Squad, made short talks, after which they led the group in a number of high school yells and songs.

Those enjoying the hospitality of the Steers were: Mr. and Mrs. Shine Phillips, Dr. and Mrs. E. O. Ellington, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Hugkins, Miss Clara Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Collins, Frank Boyle Jr., Miss Olive Ruth Bird, Miss Rosalind Adams, Winona Taylor, Maywood Rix, Mary Dallas Collins, Virginia Whitney, Julia Bess Nowell, Irma Lee Gary, Lucille True, Eula Mae Sanders, Billie Faucett, Lois Cochran, Mamie Hair, Maurine Leatherwood, and Dorris Greaves, and Dick Collins, Frank Segall, Chas. Frost, Roland Schwarzenbach, Harold Harwood, Theo Ferguson, Frank Griffith, Harold Yarborough, Lloyd Wasson, Burma Barley, Curtis Driver, Arthur Osborne, Fred Fields and Frank Jones.

ENTERTAINS ON TWELFTH ANNIVERSARY OF A.H.H.O.B.

In celebration of the twelfth anniversary of the A.H.H.O.B., Curtis Driver and Roland Schwarzenbach were hosts to other members of this organization and lady friends on last Thursday evening at the lovely new Driver home in Fairview Heights.

Diversion of the evening was various kinds of games, and great pleasure and enjoyment was found in this pastime. At the refreshment hour an attractive plate luncheon was served to the twelve guests. Plate favors were dainty sprigs of holly.

Those included in this anniversary celebration of the A.H.H.O.B. were: Misses Winona Taylor, Maywood Rix, Mamie Hair, Mary Dallas Collins, Virginia Whitney, Lois Cochran, and Dick Collins, Frank Segall, Charles Frost, Roland Schwarzenbach and Curtis Driver.

O. C. Holden of Coahoma was a business visitor here Wednesday.

John Currie made a business trip to Fabens the part of this week.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA IS TO BE GIVEN AT BAPTIST CHURCH

"The Christ Child," a Christmas Cantata, written by Rene Bronner, and music by H. W. Petrie is to be given at the First Baptist Church on Sunday evening, Dec. 19, at 7:30 o'clock, with Miss Lou M. Cardwell director and James F. Willson, accompanist.

Miss Cardwell and members of the Baptist choir have devoted much time and interest to the preparation of the cantata, and the success with which it will meet is deserving of much merited praise. Miss Cardwell, who possesses a sweet voice, directed the cantata and she will appear in solo part as well as in group numbers, on this program, which is as follows:

Opening Chorus—The Light of Promise.

Duet—Soprano and alto—Come, Savor Come—Mrs. Travis Reed, and Miss Ruby Bell.

Tenor and Baritone duet—The Hope of the World—Steve Baker and Buell T. Cardwell.

Trio—soprano, tenor and baritone—A Child Shall Lead—Lou M. Cardwell, Messrs Baker and Cardwell.

Baritone solo—Wise Men Came—Buell T. Cardwell.

Chorus by the Choir—Peace on Earth.

Contralto solo—The World is Thrilled With Joy—Lou M. Cardwell.

Quartet—Christ is Our Righteousness—Mrs. R. H. McNew, Miss Ruby Bell, Messrs Steve Baker and Buell Cardwell with Miss Hardy.

Soprano solo—The Wonderful Nazarene—Miss Otero Lloyd.

Final Chorus—The Prince of Earth and Heaven.

The personnel of the cantata will be: Soprano, Mrs. Travis Reed, Mrs. Homer McNew, Mrs. J. Tom Mercer, Miss Zou Hardy, Mrs. Morgan Martin, Mrs. B. N. Ralph, Miss Otero Lloyd, and Miss Lillian Shick.

Altos—Miss Ruby Bell, Mrs. W. W. Hatcher, Mrs. R. D. Hatch, and Mrs. W. C. Henley.

Tenors—Steve Baker, Nat Shick, and Roy Cornelison.

Bass—Buell T. Cardwell, George McNew and George Gentry.

A cordial invitation is extended the general public to attend.

LITTLE MISS LORRAINE GREAVES HONOREE ON HER BIRTHDAY

Little Miss Lorraine Greaves was the honoree at a happily planned affair on Tuesday afternoon when eighteen little friends were invited to come and celebrate with her, her seventh birthday anniversary.

The merry group of youngsters were entertained during the play hours, by Miss Dorris Greaves, who led them in several interesting games and contests. Finally the door bell sounded and Santa Claus and a pack of letters arrived. Now all of the little guests took seats, and listened to the Santa Claus letters, and stories, read to them by Miss Dorris. Gathering around a prettily decorated Christmas tree the little folks were presented with toys, which served as party favors.

At the refreshment time, the little tots marched into the dining room, to the tunes of sweet piano music, and took places around an attractively laid table. Centering the table was a big birthday cake, topped with seven red lighted candles. The candles were blown out, good wishes made, and the cake was cut and served to the guests with delicious hot chocolate. Candy was also served the little guests.

MASSINGILL-BYERLEY

The ceremony which united in marriage J. H. Massingill and Miss Tony Belle Byerley was performed by Rev. W. C. Hinds, pastor of the First Methodist Church, in this city about seven o'clock Saturday evening, Dec. 11. Congratulations and best wishes for a happy wedded life is extended the happy couple for a successful wedded life.

Miss Anna Mae Freeman has been on the sick list this week.

BARONESS DE HUECK NEXT ON LYCEUM PROGRAM HERE

The third number of the Lyceum will be presented in this city Monday evening, Dec. 20, in the district court room of the courthouse. Baroness de Hueck, lecturer, author and linguist will appear in Big Spring on this evening and give sketches of Russian life.

refugee whose story of Russia before and during the war, as she is going to give to the Lyceum goes, is a most graphic and fascinating recital. When the war broke out the Baroness was a bride on her honeymoon. After the revolution, she and her husband who was an officer in the Russian army, escaped the pursuit of the Bolshevik authorities, disguised as peasants and returned to their home in Petrograd. Their money had all been confiscated by the state and when they contemplated the sale of some of their jewels to sustain an existence they were ordered to surrender these, under threat of death. Later their silver plate and all valuables were taken from their home and they were left absolutely penniless. They escaped to Finland where they were finally arrested, and the husband sentenced to death. Again they escaped eventually landing in Canada, where at present she makes her home in Toronto.

THE LAST LAP OF THE CHRISTMAS SEAL SALE

The weather is a subject about which we talk a great deal and can do very little.

Health is a subject about which we talk a great deal and can do very much.

The little Christmas seal, symbol of health, is at your service and will we until Christmas day. It pleads for prevention of disease, especially tuberculosis. The Christmas slogan is "Buy seals in the interest of public health," and that seal alone stands for education and prevention along health lines.

Everyone who has not yet bought Christmas seals is urged to do so before next Wednesday, when the sale comes to a close. The chairman of Howard County, Mrs. D. L. Barnes, reports that the sale is coming along most satisfactorily, and that all of her chairmen are working most earnestly in helping to raise the Howard County quota. Good work in the sale is being done by the school children, and an honor roll and the amount that each school sells will appear in our next issue. This great work has a part for everyone, and every penny's worth of seals bought will help just that much in fighting tuberculosis. Buy now, if you haven't already. Use the seals on your letters, cards and Christmas packages. Each one carries the message of good health and good cheer, and shows that you are doing a part for the stricken ones who really need help and are depending on us to help them. Read the final report of the chairman in our paper next week.

TRAPNELL-RUNYAN

A wedding of wide interest to friends in this city was solemnized in Shreveport, La., on Saturday evening, Dec. 4, uniting in marriage Rodney L. Trapnell and Miss Edythe Runyan. Rev. J. Wainwright, pastor of Fetter Avenue Church of Christ, officiating.

Miss Runyan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Runyan of Big Spring, and grew to young womanhood in this city. She left here sometime ago to visit relatives and friends in Shreveport, and while there met Mr. Trapnell, and their romance has culminated in this happy marriage. The bride is a graduate of the Big Spring High school, and is a talented reader. She has many friends here who wish her success and happiness.

The groom is said to be a young man of sterling qualities. He is in the employment of the Western Electric Co. in Shreveport, and it is there they will make their home.

The Herald joins a host of friends in extending best wishes and congratulations to the happy couple.

FORREST-ROGERS

"He saw her and loved her. He wooed her and he won."

On Sunday, Dec. 12, at two o'clock Mr. and Mrs. J. Thom Rogers gave in marriage their daughter, Jewell Marie to Wilburn H. Forrest. Rev. R. A. Brown, officiating. The beautiful and impressive ceremony was read in the presence of relatives and a few intimate friends at the home of the bride's parents at Fairview.

Immediately following the ceremony the happy couple left for a honeymoon trip to Dallas, Fort Worth and other points, and will return home to spend the holidays.

This popular young couple have friends throughout Howard County who wish them every success in their married life.

KNIGHT-WEBB

Rev. R. L. Owen performed the ceremony which united in marriage John Ambrose Ellis Knight Jr. and Miss Bertha Mae Webb of Midland, at the Pastor's study in the annex of the First Presbyterian Church at high noon Wednesday, Dec. 15. The happy couple will make their future home in Odessa.

A pleasant social hour followed the study hour.

ACKERLY COUPLE MARRY

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. West, this week announced the marriage of their daughter Miss Wilma, to Robert Mabry, on Saturday, Dec. 11, at Ackerly, Texas. Congratulations and best wishes are extended this happy couple.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Skalky have moved to Big Spring from Sweetwater and will again make their home in this city.

HYPERION CLUB MET WITH MRS. FAHRENKAMP

The members of the Hyperion Club were guests in the home of Mrs. Wm. Fahrenkamp for study on last Saturday afternoon, and the meeting was marked by a good attendance. "Modern European Nations" is the subject being studied by the club at this time, and the topic at Saturday's meeting was delightfully interesting.

A pleasant social hour followed the study hour.

Herald want ads get results.



FOOTBALL MEN PRESENTED WITH SWEATERS THURSDAY

Following the feature entertainment of the football season, the annual football banquet, which was held at the Cole Hotel Wednesday evening, Dec. 15, the members of the Steer football team were presented with sweaters at a special assembly at the high school building Thursday morning. Dr. E. O. Ellington, president of the school board made the presentation speech, and the following men received sweaters: Captain Dick Collins, Harold Harwood, Perry Johnson, Ed Settles, Harold Yarborough (captain elect), Theo Ferguson, "Red" Coots, Fred Fields, Curtis Driver, Burma Barley, Roland Schwarzenbach, Charles Frost, Frank Segall, Frank Jones, Vernon Manuel, LeRoy Merriek, Arthur Osborne, Frank Griffith, Malcolm Patterson, Coach Frank Boyle Jr., Coach Alfred Collins, and Shine Phillips, Steer manager.

The sweaters are black coat sweaters, with gold "B" on the left side, and gold stripes on the left sleeve, indicative of the number of years on the team. Only three sweaters had three stripes, and those belonged to Dick Collins, Captain; C. E. Johnson, Jr., and Harold Harwood. Several others had two stripes and others one stripe.

The members of the team, dressed in their new sweaters, were invited to march upon the stage in a group, and the student body viewed the 1926 football team in their new attire. Some of the speakers claimed them to be the best looking football team Big Spring ever had, and by far the out fightingest team.

Coach Collins said that every member of the team looked good to him and he better than anyone else knew what fine men they were.

Captain Dick Collins made his farewell talk to the team, stating that he was sorry to leave. He said that he wanted all of the old men to come back and play football next year and to go undefeated.

Captain-elect Harold Yarborough, expressed delight at having his new sweater and said the "More I get the more I want," so I think that I will come back two more years and get two more sweaters.

This brought to a close the 1926 football season, one of the most successful in the history of the Big Spring school, and hopes are high for a winning team in 1927.

MRS. H. D. HILLIARD HOSTESS TO PIONEER CLUB

Mrs. H. D. Hilliard in a gracious manner was hostess to the members of the Pioneer Bridge club on Wednesday afternoon having as her guests only club members. Pretty appointments for the bridge play marked each table, and around the tables the guests were seated and found diversion in the interesting bridge games. Mrs. R. Homer McNew was winner of high score in the afternoon play.

At the refreshment hour, dainty luncheon covers were spread and a tempting luncheon in one course was served in a dainty manner.

MISS JEANETTE PICKLE IN COLLEGE PLAY

Denton, Texas.—Miss Jeanette Pickle of Big Spring, a sophomore in the College of Industrial Arts, will be a member of the cast which will present "The Nativity," an adaptation of an old miracle play, the evening of Dec. 11 in the C. I. A. auditorium. The play will be sponsored by the Young Women's Christian Association. It will be under the direction of the speech department. A Christmas play is given annually at the college.

IDLEWILDE BRIDGE CLUB GUESTS OF MISS DUVALL

Miss Essie Duvall was hostess to the members of the Idlewild Bridge club last Friday evening, delightfully entertaining three tables of bridge players at the pretty Duvall home in Fairview Heights.

Mrs. Ralph Rix was the successful winner of high score in the games played throughout the evening hours, and Ralph Rix made second high score.

A delicious plate luncheon was a pleasant aftermath to the play.

The P. & F. Company store was entered by burglar or burglars during Wednesday night. If they took anything it was from the big stock of goods and in such quantities that the Thursday morning checking up did not reveal a thing in particular missing the cash drawer not having been tampered.



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Give golden moments and hours of restful, easeful transportation, this Christmas. Give princely luxury and beauty. Give a Buick!

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L. J. Geer of Sweetwater, district manager of the West Texas Electric Co., was a business visitor in Big Spring on Monday of this week.

H. W. Caylor who has been critically ill the past two weeks, is reported to be improving.

If it's a bargain in second-hand furniture you want see me before you buy. **J. R. Creath.**

HAM BAKED WITH PINEAPPLE

Virginia ham is never better than when baked with Hawaiian pineapple. Use slices of ham one inch thick. They must be soaked in warm water for at least an hour before using. Then drain them and sprinkle with flour. Melt a little fat in the baking pan and brown the ham in it. Then pour a cup of crushed or grated pineapple and a half cup of water over each slice of ham and bake slowly until tender, probably an hour. Remove to platter and pour the remainder of the pineapple around it.

What?—"Old Fashioned Mother" Where?—At Center Point. When?—Friday, Dec. 17.

J. M. Barley made a business trip to Fabens the first part of the week.

H. L. Rix made a business trip to Lamesa Tuesday.

Big Spring Herald

BY T. E. JORDAN

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WEST TEXAS LEADS ALL

Especial pride comes to the West Texas booster in the awarding of the gold medal for excellence of the agricultural display at the recent Sesqui-Centennial exposition held in Philadelphia. Pride, almost as great, may be taken by any citizen, anywhere in the state, for the distinction belongs to all of Texas.

The people of Texas have not been backward in asserting their claims to superiority in agriculture as well as in most every other product of soil and including the wealth of yields of the under regions. Statistics have borne out the claims in so many instances that they have had expert testimony as to the justice of what they boastingly would assert with regard to their state.

Statistics are dry reading, however, and are not impressive to the multitude and it has taken something more understandable to bring the true situation to anything like general knowledge. In the great national exposition, with many states contending for superiority in their exhibits, there was actual eye-sight view of Texas' agricultural products, alongside the exhibits from other states. Texas won the gold medal, Ohio had to be content with second place and another southern state, North Carolina, came in for third prize.

Comparatively few of the citizenship of the country got to see the actual displays but the many mediums of news purveying carried the tidings over the land.

Along the line of correcting false ideas regarding Texas and of giving surprised shock to citizens from other sections of the union the Bankhead highway beats the Philadelphia show buildings. Thousands of automobiles from north, east and central western part of the country plan their summer or winter vacation in a trip to Texas, often with California as final destination. They come with preconceived ideas of moving picture heroes and expect to see "truly western" people, cattle and other ideals of our state, such ideals as were in great exaggeration formed long ago when Texas really was a cow country and the scene of operations of pioneer characters. The cars of tourists, with their occupants often rigged out in costumes deemed to be in harmony with those worn by the people of the country through which they expect to pass, are woefully disappointed when they do not see the six-shooter cowboys, the herds of cattle, primitive buildings and the many other characteristics of the screened portrayals or novels' scenic settings of dark crimes and heroic deeds of the Texas frontier. They are disappointed when they drive day after day through communities which furnish them with paved roadways, and they can hardly believe that the well built cities and towns with their inhabitants dressed like the folks back home are real. The only touch of "roughing it" is when at first, they "camp," if that word may be descriptive of the eastern copy of what they imagine the "out in the open" means. Their outfits and their comforts and canned foods are far removed from what they are trying to imitate, and most of the visitors soon get enough of putting on all the show themselves. West Texas hotels cannot accommodate the hordes of travelers who started in to "rough it" through to California.

All these things are to be desired. The exposition in its way gave many a better understanding of what Texas is and the tourists carry back home, and incidentally also to California, stories of a Texas civilized and of taking the lead of "back home" in so many ways. The gold medal should be worth much to Texas in backing statistical demonstration of what Texas is and heaven of personal touch with West Texas particularly is going to spread, movie pictures and jokesmiths notwithstanding.

Don't forget the Auction Sale each Saturday, 3 to 4 p. m. at Creath store. **J. R. Creath.**

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The State National Bank

Big Spring, Texas

Statement of Condition as Reported to the Comptroller of the Currency at the Close of Business June 30, 1926

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts.....\$591,434.45	Capital.....\$ 50,000.
Overdrafts.....NONE	Surplus Earned.....50,000.
U. S. Bonds.....50,000.00	Undivided Profits.....28,160.
5 per cent Redemption Fund....2,500.00	Circulation.....50,000.
Banking House and Fixtures...30,000.00	Dividend, June 30, 1926.....5,000.
Federal Reserve Bank Stock....3,000.00	Borrowed Money.....NONE
Cotton Acceptances, 341 bales...16,107.30	Due to Banks.....NONE
CASH.....183,674.60	DEPOSITS.....683,556.30
	\$876,716.35

Deposit Your Money Where You Can Get Accommodations When You Need Them. We are Prepared at All Times to Grant Our Customers Accommodations

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For Safety and Service Do Your Banking Business With Us

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CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations, Messrs City Commissioners, on your selection by fellow-citizens to set the city's feet on broad highway of progressiveness.

Congratulations, Messrs Directors of the Chamber of Commerce, on your election by popular vote of your membership. You and your officers, chosen to lead, are the "heart" of the city in its community interests.

BIG SPRING HAS IT

Without purpose to beat anybody out of his pet slogan the above headline is appropriate to Big Spring in her preparations to serve the city and country with Christmas goods.

As some folks know, and many others do not know, Christmas lines are purchased months before the holiday is to arrive. With crop prospects good the merchants lay in big stocks of useful as well as fanciful articles for the Christmas trade. If the crops "hit" and the prices for some are fair, the merchants make a nice little pot of money as an offset to the dull days which are usual to the early new year.

If something happens to the general prosperity of the community the merchants are "stuck" with great quantities of goods on hand, much of it not marketable until another Christmas season rolls around.

Big Spring merchants got maybe a little over-enthusiastic when buying time came this year. The crops certainly did look fine, and were fine clear to the days of selling cotton and feed. We all know what has hit Big Spring and Texas and all the cotton-growing states. Cotton countries are next to busted for ready cash.

Still, Christmas will not wait for better times and Christmas brings a blessed desire to get back to childhood. Money may be scarce but love of children and family and friends blooms in hard times maybe with a keener urge than when times are easy. There is turning to the joys of family when outside pleasures and ambitions are checked and Santa Claus is even more real and whatever the sacrifices necessary to be made, the children particularly must have their Christmas.

The money available for presents and needfuls must be spent sparingly by most families.

Meeting this situation of scarce money the Big Spring merchants have spread their wonderful wares in tempting display. They are making prices to coax the dollars from reluctant pockets. They are inviting the people to come to this market for their Christmas supplies and are making worth while a visit to their stores.

Big Spring Has It—has the present for each one to be remembered and has the Price to bring it within reach of pocket-book, however, lean that book may be.

THE MIGRATORY MEXICAN

Comparable to the mystery of where periodical visitants and migratory animal and bird life "come from" and "go to" is the coming and going of Mexican cotton pickers. Yesterday they were thick as blackbirds in fields, on highways and in town streets, this last particularly a Saturday demonstration; today only the few resident specimens are over West Texas. The cotton picking jobs are either over or the cold spells come too often and severe for family camping in bare fields and pastures.

They may come from Old Mexico and maybe from way down south in the Texas coast and border country. They come—they go, by thousands and thousands and they are spreading into the far north, in earlier season and mostly returning to warmer climates by rail.

Several sub-mysteries are connected with these seasonable migrations. One is the "where" of their ownership of automobiles. Whole families pack in cars or trucks and some seem to be well provided with comfortable clothing for women and children especially.

Two merits the Mexicans have that are noticeable and are appreciated by those of us who see, and seeing, judge. The Mexicans are particularly loving and kind to their children. They herd the little fellows, notice them and pet them. They clothe them warmly and buy candies, toys and in ways really beautiful to behold, hover their broods. And their children are light-hearted, obedient to parental control and happy. Another good thing about the Mexican with a job is that he is a good spender. May they find sunshine wherever they are going and may they come back when we need them.

The severance of contest ships as between Baylor and College is probably the best of the ugly situation which grown out of the fight between cadets and Baylor students on occasion of the football game Waco. In the fight which the putting on of a stunt by a cadet was injured so serious he died. Both sides have been in denunciation of each other and the fuss had extended to of both schools over the status of the tragedy might be expected the teams of the schools to meet on field of athletic competition either Waco or College Station the decision to not play each in the future the subject may off, in schools and in the state.

One of the very best of institutions of late years and one fostered by organizations of religious or fraternal inclinations is that of the "Father and Son" banquet. Big Spring is in line with this movement and under the auspices of the Hi-Y club the fathers and sons have their come-together tonight, the 16th, too late in the for the news report of same too late, nor too early, for the tradition of the spirit which gave to the custom and which lives in its perpetuity.

A correspondent of a neighborhood newspaper takes that paper, papers, to task for using the "Community" so lavishly. He takes the good point that it takes more than a lot of people living close together to make a community. They are not united in aspirations, social intercourse, progressive, recreational and friendly community generally, the group of houses not constitute a "community," even a neighborhood. The more than a critic, he is a constructive adviser.

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NOTES FROM SALEM

The recent cold wave prevailing and fair weather conditions caused a large number of hogs to be butchered Monday. Much cholera among hogs has been reported in the eastern part of the county, and those taking advantage of the cold wave probably evaded the epidemic.

There are a few cases of diphtheria reported in our community. Those suffering from the disease are Clemon Robinson, one or more of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Walker's boys. Those who have been exposed have taken the serum. Dr. Collins was in our community Monday, looking after the interest of the community in trying to keep the disease under control.

Forrest-Rogers Wedding

The beautiful wedding ceremony was read on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 12, uniting in marriage Miss Jewel Rogers and Wilburn Forrest. Quite a few of our folks drove to Fairview to attend this ceremony, those included were: Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Dearing, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Hull, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Rogers.

Many beautiful gifts were presented the happy couple by their friends. Immediately following the ceremony they left on a wedding trip to Dallas and Fort Worth, where they will visit relatives and friends, and will return home for the Christmas holidays. Enroute home they will visit in Amarillo, Odell, Vernon and other points.

The little Misses Mary and Mildred Robinson of Coahoma spent the week-end with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rogers.

Mrs. Clyde Cook has been sick the past week.

Remember we have Sunday school at 10 a. m. and B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Preaching every fourth Sunday night and Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Everyone cordially invited to attend.

CREPE MYRTLES AS LONG BLOOMERS

The loveliest of all blooming shrubs, even if one does grieve over its lack of perfume is, of course, the crepe myrtle. Set out a lot this autumn anyway, perfume or no perfume, and for the rest of your life you will rejoice in their beauty and long blossoming time. A great many plants are lovely for a few days, but crepe myrtle, like the mimosa, is

lovely for weeks at a time. So even if it is expensive to buy, you get the blooming time of three ordinary blooming plants put together, so you are still gaining when you purchase it. And eventually the crepe myrtles grow into masses of color worth coming miles to see. Several neighbors could make a club order and get reduced rates while adding to the beauty of the neighborhood. Unfortunately, while crepe myrtles do have growing sprouts all around the old bushes, they do not multiply by the hundreds as lilacs do or even altheas. Mrs. Lindsay Patterson, in The Progressive Farmer.

RATS ARE SEEKING

WINTER QUARTERS

That rats are beginning to come in from the fields and other outdoor haunts in search of winter quarters, is the warning issued by the state board of health to housewives in the state, who are urged to use prompt measures to keep these disease carrying pests from their homes.

"Not only are rats disease carriers, but their upkeep is also costly to the householder, and especially to farmers having grain supplies," stated Dr. H. O. Sappington, state health officer, who from his previous long tenure of office as city health officer of Galveston, has had excellent opportunity to note the ravages made by rats and the danger from them as disease carrying agents.

How to Keep Rats Out

"Rats will not stay where they cannot obtain food, and housewives will do well to keep all food supplies in tightly covered containers to which rats cannot gain access. Waste scraps of food should not be left on kitchen tables or shelves, but should be placed in a tightly covered metal garbage can. To eliminate food and hiding places entirely is to eliminate rats.

"Poisoning of rats should not be attempted by anyone other than those skilled in such work, owing to the possible dangers to human and domestic animal life from such practice. Systematic rat trapping achieves good results in rat extermination. Modern buildings can be constructed so as to be rat-proof and old buildings can be made rat-proof at a relatively low cost. For further information in rat extermination, write your state health officer, Austin, Texas."

When the Skies Fall

By MARTHA M. WILLIAMS

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"LORD! LORD!" Priscilla May burst out. "Why don't something happen? I feel like I'd been dead a week—and had no hope of any resurrection."

"How d'ye know, Prissy? Canst recall former existences and passings?" Sister Helen mocked—her mission was breaking Prissy's moods. "Tell you that after I'm revived—as you never will be," Prissy chaffed. She was tall and twenty, rich, a beauty, and very, very badly spoiled. Inevitably, with nothing masculine nearer than second cousin to offset a phalanx of adoring aunts, a brace of grandmothers to both of whom she summed perfection, to say nothing of swarming beaux.

She didn't dream it, but it was her great charm that halted a happiness she had a sultry thirst to grasp. George Lee-Vernon would have loved her for the looking at her, if he had let himself. Rather he was held from doing it by the scar upon his heart. An old story now—it ought never to throb and sting him. But it did—and it was there in token that another woman with the same charm had earlier won him—and played him false. Since then his chief concern had been not to forget her, but to armor himself against all such attacks. He would marry, of course—after awhile. There must be Lee-Vernons to follow him—but they should be scientifically bred, carefully born and trained. Their mother a lady—that went without saying—handsome, healthy, with neither too much nor too little brain. Helen was, to speak truth, much nearer the specification he had set forth—yet to him was merely an adjunct of Priscilla. D—n the luck that had brought him home for the quail shooting first time in five years, to find the sisters resting at little old Maywood, the original family seat, from the wear and tear of a hectic social year. He had known them at second hand and long—this was his first encounter in the flesh. Brief but romantic—he had all but run them down defying speed limits at the edge of dusk. Safety for them had meant a wrecked car, a potential fatality. Helen had screamed, all but fainted—it was Priscilla who had sworn at him, a good mouth-filling oath ordering him out of sight with a stamp of the foot, and eyes that shot sparks. Yet when he made due apologies next day, she had smiled at him indulgently, saying with a shrug: "You got heap the worst of it—but we shan't insult you offering you a new car." Which might have eased the tense situation if Helen had not pleaded plaintively: "Please forget? Have pity on weary pilgrims seeking real rest."

Muttering a pledge, bowing as became his name, he had gone away. He'd tried to obey—but somehow vagrant eyes had more than once feasted upon Priscilla's face—and read there that she was deadly sick of solitude. Being no hermit, he got quickly, through kindly gossip, the low-down on the sisters—they had run away from worrying elders to Maywood, for a freedom cure—self-appointed. Sent on big dogs and saddle stock ahead, fetched along Tobe and his wife Maria, as faithful as they were black.

When at last by Fate's decree, he got sight of them, it was to find the half had not been told him. Sight came to pass upon the third day of shooting—in this wise—else it might never have come at all. Maywood was open ground—anyone who would might shoot there. Besides, the untitled land overgrown with thickets, briars and sedge, provided the best of cover which upon a mild October morning was vocal with calling Bob Whites. Lee-Vernon would have stopped ears to the calling—there was no stopping the dogs, nor the other men. For an hour the blurry boom of shotguns filled all the sunlit world—sport often dreamed of, rarely met with, made the sportsmen careless of everything else. Of the orchard just beyond, the shallow rainpool whence their dogs lapped thirstily, the crashing surge through an overgrown hedge of sleek stinnous bottles—an alreale, a mastiff, a greyhound, which fell upon the other dogs with sportive barks, overset them, tumbled them about, pretending to growl. Bemis, a visitor, loved his dog, a champion, a bit better than himself—instantly he fired both barrels above the squirming mass, crying wildly: "Stop that! Stop, I say!"

"Stop something yourself," a gay voice cried, just as a ripe red apple took him full between the eyes. The rest looking up saw Priscilla, bare-headed, flushed and laughing perched perilously in an apple crotch, and clinging with one hand to a slender high bough. She nodded to Lee-Vernon, saying: "Introduce your friends. Helen's so sick of seeing only me you'll look like munnas from heaven. See her smiling—over in that tree yonder—follow her to the house—you're thirsty! I know—and we've elder to tap."

"You're coming too," Lee-Vernon interrupted. "I have to wing down," she said. "Can't do that before an audience," she said. She could for as she was tall enough to break holes in the second, but it was not her in Lee-Vernon's eyes. He had seen her in the sky fall.

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Oil News of Other West Texas Fields

Humble's Big Refinery
Work has started on the Humble's 10,000 barrel refinery in the Crane-Upton field. The Orient has about completed laying extra sidings for the plant at the end of the present wye at McCamey. The plant will be a little over a mile northwest of the city.—San Angelo Standard.

In Trans-Pecos Field
Lockhart Allen is classed as first producer in the Trans-Pecos field due to its flowing the past week every forty-eight hours, making between sixty-five and seventy barrels each flow. The length of time has been less than an hour, followed by a fill-in, which has decreased with each head.—Pecos Enterprise.

Ector County Royalty
The sale of royalty rights on 19,000 acres of land in Ector County for \$50,000 to a group of Houston business men, a deal handled by Northrup and Carr, local independent operators, has been announced here. The land in question is about two and a half miles from the Cadden-Connell Number 1-A. John Scarbauer is the owner of the land. Most of the activity during the last few weeks has been in the purchase of royalty as most of the land in the area to the west of here has been leased. The royalty purchased in Ector is in rank wildcat territory.—San Angelo Standard.

Winkler County Discovery
Winkler County is still leading the west Texas fields as a late discovery now witnessing the advent of a pipe line by the Southern Crude Purchasing Co. to its well, the former Westbrook well. There are also new locations being made, with four major companies preparing to start their actual development on the large blocks of acreage they purchased at top prices. Deals in acreage by major companies in Loving County, are also reported to be pending, and to be completed in the near future. The northern part of Ward County, just south of Loving and Winkler, is also said to be in line for tests in the coming year.—Pecos Enterprise.

West Texas Oil Bearing Areas
Were Once Arm Permian Sea
Defining the "big lime" in which the West Texas pay is found, as belonging in the Double Mountain formation of the Permian age, E. C. Edwards, chief of the subsurface department of the Exploration Company of San Angelo, presented one of the most interesting discussions yet given before the West Texas Geological Society, at its regular December meeting Saturday night in the rooms of the West Texas Petroleum Club at the St. Angelus hotel.

During the period in which the formations which now carry the oil in West Texas were being deposited, according to Mr. Edwards, this portion of West Texas was submerged in an arm of the Permian sea. It appears probable that the shore lines of this sea extended from the region of the Marathon Mountains area eastward to the central mineral belt of Mason County, thence northward toward the Wichita and Arbuckle Mountains, thence northwest through the Panhandle district into New Mexico. These old land masses furnished the sediments which upon being transported, were deposited round the margin of the sea as red sands and muds. Toward the center of this sea, these red sands and muds graded into typical marine types of sediments, such as dolomite, limestone and blue shale. Subsequent uplifts of the old shore lines caused partial withdrawal of the sea and a farther extension of the red bed material toward the center of the basin in the upper Permian measures. At about this time in its history, the arm of the sea covering West Texas became a closed basin and hundreds of feet of salt with its accompanying potash minerals were deposited by precipitation from the sea water upon evaporation.

By means of subsurface correlation of the well logs between the Bend Arch fields and those of West Texas, it was brought out that the so-called big lime belongs in the lower portion of the Double Mountain formation, and that very probably it is to be co-related with the Word formation of the Glass Mountains section and the Delaware formation of the Trans-Pecos area.

Edward Kraus, chief geologist of West Texas for the Atlantic Oil Producing Company, presented a report of the committee of which he is the chairman relative to cooperative field work on question of general interest.

At a meeting of the committee last Saturday, it was decided to make the

first trip January 8 and 9, during which the central mineral region of Texas would be worked from Brady into San Angelo. Those joining the field party will meet at Brady Friday night, Jan. 7, and will start the trip Saturday morning, ending at San Angelo Sunday night. It was the unanimous decision of the committee to extend the field of investigation working from all directions toward the center of the great salt basin.

The committee has received the enthusiastic endorsement of the plan from Dr. E. H. Sellards, director of the Bureau of Economic Geology at Austin. Dr. Sellards and a party from the University will join the geologists at Brady to make the trip with them. Dr. Sellards also offered to see to the duplicating and distribution of the reports of the field parties, and expressed the opinion that the work would attract the attention and attendance of geologists in all parts of Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.—San Angelo Standard.

FOUR CANDIDATES IN RACE FOR DISTRICT JUDGESHIP

It is known that at least four candidates are seeking appointment to the place as district judge of the 32nd judicial district, and rumors say others are seeking for the place. Appointment to fill out the unexpired term of Judge W. P. Leslie will be made by Governor Dan Moody after his inauguration in January.

Those to offer for this appointment so far are: Thos. J. Coffee of Colorado; James T. Brooks of Big Spring; Judge Mauley of Sweetwater and Harry Bondies of Sweetwater. It is rumored that Judge C. R. Buchanan of Snyder is seeking the appointment but confirmation of this could not be made. T. J. Coffee is claimed by many, to be the most formidable contender for the place, and his friends in Colorado say he will likely receive the appointment. The Mitchell County bar association has endorsed Coffee and friends from other counties in the district have also endorsed him for the place. Since the place is to be filled by appointment, though, it is problematic as to who will receive the appointment. The matter rests largely with the friends of the candidates, it is said, in that the new governor will be influenced largely by the wishes of the larger percent of the people of the district.—Colorado Record.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

As predicted by the reporter for this department of The Herald, the marriage license industry conducted by County Clerk Prichard and his assistants, has entered into the usual "Christmas Rush." From one lone couple a week during the past couple of weeks, the number of applicants was increased to ten the past week, to Wednesday morning.

Permits to wed were issued to the following:

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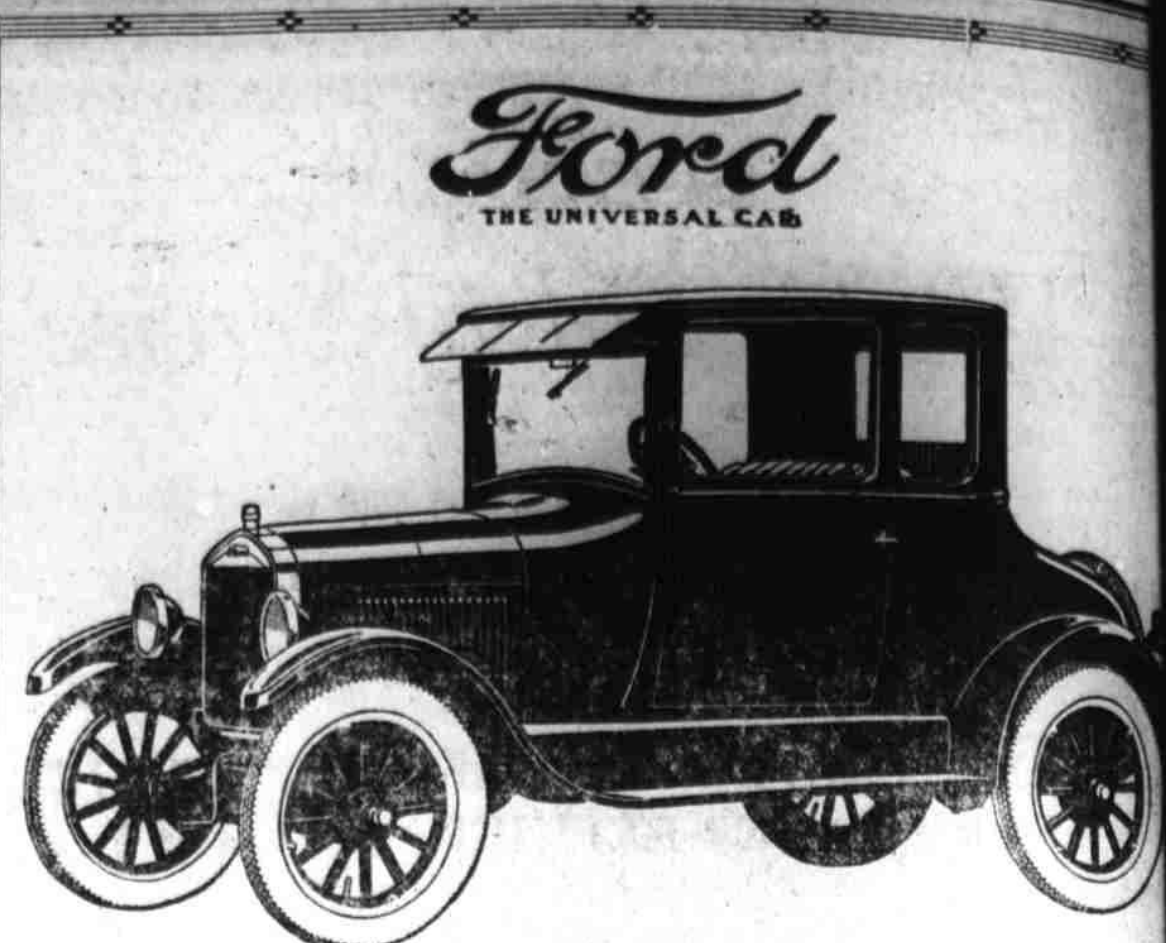
MIDLAND VETERAN DIES

Mr. Geo. T. McClinton moved from his home in Covington, Va., to Midland, Texas, twenty-five years ago. He was taken suddenly ill with pneumonia Tuesday morning at one o'clock and passed away at nine-thirty a. m. Funeral services were held from the Midland Presbyterian Church and was under the auspices of the Masonic order, of which he had been a member for sixty-two years. Uncle George was eighty-five years of age and, since moving to Texas, has made it a rule to spend all the holidays on his ranch near Stanton. He leaves two sons, Charley and Harry of Midland.—Midland Reporter.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Wilkins on Saturday, Dec. 4, a fine 10-pound baby boy. The mother and young gent are getting along nicely, and P. S. is able to be at work, but is wearing a broad smile that won't come off.

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Earl Comer was a visitor in Tahoka the forepart of this week.



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Nicotine sulphate dust rapidly loses its strength and should be used reasonably soon after mixing. Material that is not at once used must be kept in air tight containers. For this reason the material is not generally available for purchase from companies having other insecticides. If it cannot be secured locally, inquiry may be made of the Entomologist, Extension Service, College Station, Texas.

The strength of material which is ordinarily advised for the control of the insects mentioned is what is known as a 2 per cent nicotine dust. For this five pounds of the liquid nicotine sulphate is mixed with 100 pounds of hydrated lime.

Application of this material is made to the infested plants with any of the dusting machines, but preferably those of the bellows type. It should be applied on a quiet day and when the plants are dry—if moistened by dew the formation of gas is delayed. It is not greatly effective at temperature below 70 degrees Fahrenheit, and as warm a day should be selected for application as is possible.

Plant lice increase with great rapidity and plants badly infested may require later treatments. Turnips already beginning to turn yellow or die from the attack of lice are usually too badly damaged to make control profitable. Plants should be closely watched and as soon as the presence of the lice is observed they should be dusted.

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CERTAIN SOLUTION OF A SERIOUS PROBLEM

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There are no drunken zig-zagging motorists jeopardizing the lives of careful and law-abiding travelers as they dash recklessly along.

There is no law-breaking, God-defying bootleggers peddling their poisonous hell broth to weak and foolish men—and women. It is a broth which guarantees the death of its victims, either by accident or by its own brain-muddling and tissue destroying contents.

But we must remember that there is a "straight and narrow way" in the matter of obedience to human law as well as to Divine law. The difference is that while the reckless scoundrel endangers one's temporal life, he has no power to destroy the spiritual life of him who is traveling the straight road, nor prevent his reaching the City which is his destination.

Again it is about the appalling indifference to the law of the land, even its defiance, yea, the contempt in which it is held by those who live by its violation that we are considering here. It is a matter for congratulation that the people are at last becoming awakened to the situation. This is evidenced by the interest expressed and manifested in the series of articles by Judge Kavanaugh of Chicago which were published in The News recently.

This great jurist and experienced student of criminology is rendering our country a splendid service by his writings and addresses, admonishing his fellow-citizens to rouse themselves to a realization of the almost unbelievable situation. Anyone with average intelligence can see at once that a government where crime runs rampant is no government at all. Government is for the protection of life and property and the preservation of the rights of citizens.

While the above sentence was being written a copy of The Dallas Journal, only a few minutes off the press, was brought in and the heading over an article on the first page was this, "21 Violent Deaths Here in November." That is, these deaths took place in Dallas. The article continued, "One of every ten deaths during November was a violent death. Total deaths were 223, while violent deaths of every type were 21." Now listen to this, "The homicide rate for Dallas was below the average for the month, only three killings taking place, against a monthly average of six for the year." Let that soak in: Only three killings for the month, against a monthly average of six for the year!

Grimly enough the little news item continues, "Automobile accidents accounted for four victims, which is about the normal auto crash death rate for this city of one each week, the records show." All these accidents may have been unavoidable, but often it is found that automobile accidents are the result of disregard for law, including city ordinances, the glaring headlight law, and the law with regard to sale of liquor, which often indirectly at least, is responsible for such accidents.

"The homicide rate for Dallas was below the average for the month, only three killings taking place, against a monthly average of six for the year!" And Dallas is not alone with its terrible record. The fact that there are 12,000 homicides each year in the United States makes this clear enough.

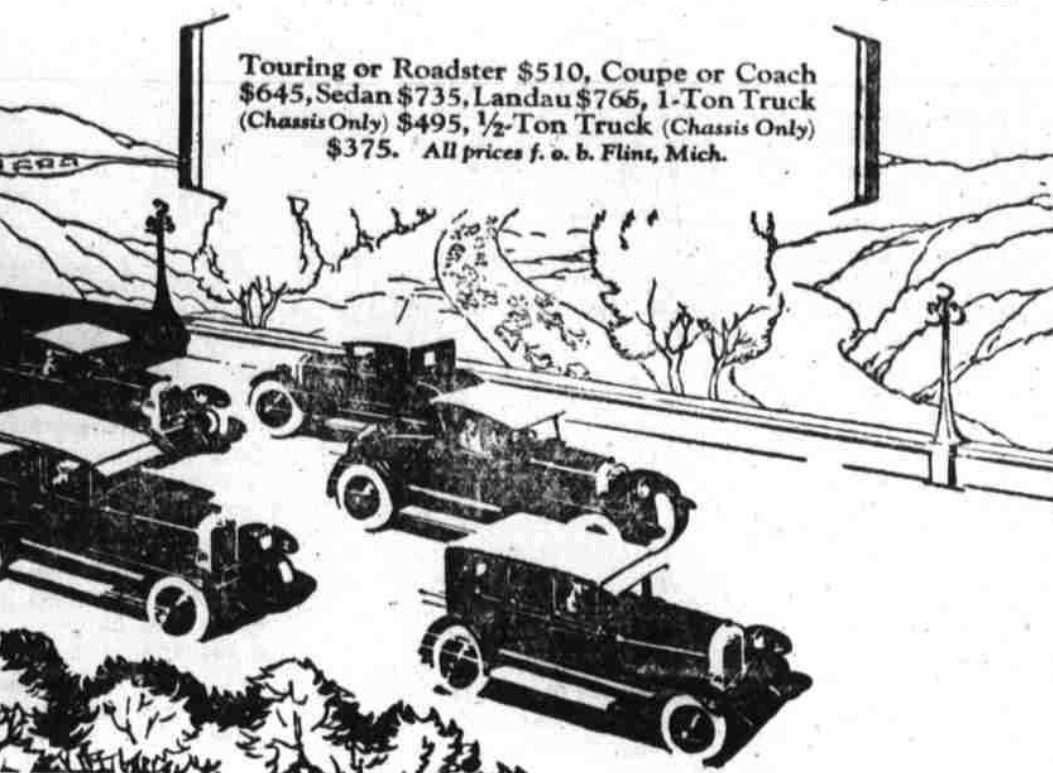
Missouri Begins to Awaken
 Showing that Texas lacks very much of being a hermit State in this awful matter of man-killing, conditions in other States prove. For example, Missouri is taking notice of the situation within her borders, as the following from the Kansas City Star shows:

"It is time for Missouri's Legislature, representing the people, to revise the pitifully obsolete and man-handled criminal code, which codifies the criminal and makes conviction under contestable testimony an achievement extraordinary. That is the meaning of a speech, 'The Missouri Crime Survey,' which Judge Thomas C. Hennings of St. Louis, president of the Missouri Association for Criminal Justice, gave Tuesday in Kansas City. The Missouri Association for Criminal Justice is an outgrowth of the Missouri State Bar Association, an organization of reputable and leading lawyers of the State, and its work represents the research and opinion of the best legal minds in the State."



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In the same issue of the Kansas City contemporary from which the foregoing excerpt was taken, and alongside it, was this characteristically humorous, but nevertheless impressive, message from the inimitable Will Rogers:

"Chicago.—To the Star: It's 9 o'clock now and I'm still alive. There is one chance in a million I'll make it through the night I'll be a second Mussolini, so I'm hoping against hope. P. S.—Box score to-day: Died by gunshot and other natural Chicago causes, thirteen; wounded, twenty-three. Bad weather kept out door shooting down to a minimum.—Will Rogers."

Chicago is the city in which gangsters use machine guns, firing from automobiles, day or night along the streets to assassinate other gangsters or citizens if they don't happen to like them. Also at least on one occasion the rum peddlers have even used flying machines in their warfare against one another. This was in Illinois.

Let us hope that the good citizens of Texas, including many of its splendid jurists and outstanding patriots, will at the earliest moment set about devising ways and means of simplifying law procedure, presenting to the Legislature suggestions for the enactment of such laws as will do away with the criminal's favorite refuge—useless and unreasonable technicalities.

It is respect for the law that causes obedience to the law.
The One Sovereign Remedy

The one sovereign remedy for lawlessness is certainty of punishment.

When he who contemplates killing another considers the matter, he is not nearly so anxious to carry out his premeditated crime if he knows that he is likely to suffer for it. He mentally visualizes himself swinging at the end of a rope, or strapped to the electric chair, and his determination to kill his contemplated victim is just about proportionate to the likelihood of his being hanged or electrocuted.

The greatest encouragement to crime is failure to enforce the penalty for crime!

It can not be too strongly emphasized that he who violates the law of the land is attacking the Government. Government is maintained by law, and when one strikes at that which maintains it he strikes at the Government itself.

In Germany the number of convictions is 95 per cent. In the United States it is 1.3 per cent. Small wonder the difference in the number of homicides—5 to each million of inhabitants in Germany, 110 to each million in America!

In America a man who is contemplating murder knows that the chances are 6 to 1 that he will never be arrested, from 12 to 15 to 1 that he will never be convicted, and 110 to 1 that if convicted he will not die for the crime.

Is it any wonder that men in fits of anger, or because of jealousy, or for revenge of an old grudge, take so little into consideration the law of the land?

And those charged with enforcing the law are not going to be so vigilant if they do not know that those who elect them to office want it enforced.

Our Most Important Problem
 The United States as a Nation has many problems for solution. So

have other Nations. They arise as time passes and progress continues. These problems are principally governmental, economic and social. We worry and trouble, do much speaking and consume millions of pounds of paper and ink discussing governmental and economic questions and too little considering social ones.

Just now the production, consumption and price of cotton is receiving constant and serious attention, as it should. But there is another problem vastly more important than the cotton question, as important as that may be. It is more important than the tariff question. It is more important than who the next President is going to be.

The most important problem that confronts America is: How shall we suppress crime and make our country safe, every foot of it, every minute of the day and night, for man, woman and child?

The criminal will not respect a law if the good citizen treats it with indifference. In that case the "good citizen" is indirectly a partner in the crime.

There are various and sundry solutions offered for governmental and economic problems, not one of which any one can assert with any degree of certainty is sure to prove effective. Other great Nations have these problems and are as much puzzled for solutions as we are. But no such confusion and speculation exists as to the solution of our greatest problem—that of the suppression of crime.

We have a positive solution for this, and we know we have it.

It is one that has been found effective all down the ages. It is found effective now in other countries, and human nature is such that we know it will prove effective in our own country whenever we make an earnest effort to use it.

This solution consists in the sim-

ple matter of enforcing the law. It is "a true and tried remedy."

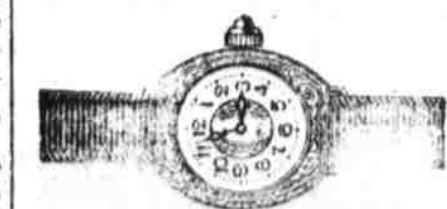
Thus it is that we have a certain solution of our greatest problem—that as to the social order—the suppression of crime. We need only to EMPLOY it for that purpose.

Let's not allow minor questions to divert our attention from the most important of all.

While we are pruning the tree of its smaller branches we are allowing the worms at its roots to destroy it.

Let's go after the worms. We know where they are and we have the remedy.

—Editorial in The Dallas News, Sunday, December 12, 1926.



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WILKE'S JEWELRY & OPTICAL CO.
 Where a dollar buys one hundred cents worth

Miss Spencer Leatherwood left Monday for a visit in Abilene.

J. L. McWhirter has been quite busy this week.

Wednesday Club Is Optimistic

Big Things For Next Year in Sight.
Best Town in West Texas Any-
way Proclaimed

With vice president H. L. Rix in the president's chair, the Wednesday Luncheon Club enjoyed one of its most enthusiastic and helpful meetings of the year of 1926.

The early discussion was introduced by the presiding officer in recommending that the paving program be extended to residence districts. Opinions of a number of those present were expressed with the agreement that the property owners on at least three of the principal streets needing paving, would probably be unanimously in favor of same. The only note of doubt expressed, as to the project was based on the financial condition of the country at the present time and the uncertainty as to what the incoming new administration of the city might be able to do in coming up with the city's portion of the expense. This doubt was taken up by several members which started a regular bombardment of facts which were all to the good as to Big Spring being in compared better condition than other West Texas towns, no matter how they may be boosted and our own city lying quiet. In recital of what progress had been and telling of the big developments for the coming year already secured or in good prospect, there was an almost "revival meeting" in appreciation of Big Spring's "sitting pretty." Appointment of committees to canvass the situation with reference to immediate paving of Runnels, Main and Scurry streets to high lands on the south was a tangible start toward paving residence streets. The committees appointed were: For Runnels street, B. Fisher, W. Greaves, F. F. Gary; For Main street, Dr. Ellington, Lewis Price, Will Currie; for Scurry street, Travis Reed, Shine Phillips, W. C. Hinds. This committee is to obtain signatures to a petition to the city commissioners requesting that they take such steps as may be feasible looking toward the paving of these streets as soon as possible.

H. H. Hester, of the General Construction company, now finishing the paving of the business district, was a guest at the luncheon and in talk told of the pleasant relationships which his people had had with the citizens of Big Spring. He ex-

pressed desire to continue the work, out into the residence districts.

Inspiring talks were made by a number of the members, along lines of accomplishments and in telling of the several important industrial developments which are now knocking at the door. A good year ahead, despite the distress which has come upon the farmers through low cotton prices, was predicted and the oil situation was particularly presented as calculated to bring activity and growth to the city with much benefit already enjoyed.

Fox Stripling, a guest, and an old-time resident and worker made an inspiring talk and out of his knowledge of conditions here and elsewhere he drew a comparison highly favorable to Big Spring as the most fortunately situated of all the towns in this section, not only in her present prosperity but in her future prospects.

Secretary Manuel of the Y.M.C.A. made brief report of the membership drive for his charge and he told of the improvement of Big Spring along all lines, since his coming here four and a half years ago. He predicted even more rapid progress and greater accomplishments, especially in "civic pride" ways during the coming year and continuing.

The session ran overtime—the discussions were so rich in encouragement and in expectations of a good year ahead that there was reluctance to leave the table. There was going forth to everyday duties a bunch of men who more strenuously and more enthusiastically are resolved to bring to pass the promises which are now held out, for further building on the good foundation laid for not only one good year ahead but for permanency of growth and prosperity.

Bring in your coupons for dishes We have another shipment. P. & F. COMPANY.

HOG SALE POSTPONED

Two carloads of gilts of, mostly poland china and duroc breeds are offered the farmers of Howard County and district at auction sale.

Owing to the few present at the sale advertised for Thursday Lewis W. Brown, owner, decided to postpone the auction until Saturday, the 18th, at 2 o'clock.

This is the farmer's chance to stock up with highly bred vaccinated hogs, and at the buyer's own price.

Sale conducted at the Joe B. Neel warehouse lot, Big Spring.

Turkeys wanted. P. & F. CO.

UNIQUE, DRAMATIC STORY OF SIXTEEN NATIONS COMING

The far-famed students league of many nations honored by nations executives and citizens will appear in First Methodist Church South Tuesday, Dec. 21, 1926, 7:45 p. m. Big Spring, Texas. The students league are slated to give their unique program featuring a panoramic view of the life in Europe and other countries, contrasting the privileges and opportunities that America affords. This great and thrilling service has been rendered nearly 600 times and in 20 different states of the union.

The Practical Bible Training School of Bible School Park N. Y. is the home of the Students League. This school has now been in existence 25 years and was founded by Rev. John A. Davis.

Four years ago an organization came into being. The members of this represent 21 nations, the majority of students being natives of these foreign countries. They dress in national costume, speak or sing in their own language, and translate and depict European conditions and give snatches of personal experiences that hold an audience spellbound. An attempt to describe them is absolutely futile, one must hear and see for himself. Only then can their originality of message and reality of subject be truly comprehended.

"ABIE'S IRISH ROSE"

That "Abie's Irish Rose" is the most popular play the world had ever known is proven by the following long run records, which Miss Anne Nichols' famous comedy has established in various large cities of the United States and will be the attraction at the Lyric theater for one night only, Monday, December 20. The hilariously funny Irish-Jewish comedy has broken record all over the American continent. These are some of the records: New York City five years and still running strong; Detroit 28 weeks; Chicago 58 weeks; Pittsburgh 29 weeks; Los Angeles 42 weeks; Cleveland 28 weeks; Kansas City 14 weeks; Cincinnati 13 weeks; St. Louis 13 weeks; Dallas 2 weeks; Houston 2 weeks.

And last but not least, Erie, Pa., a poor one night stand, where Abie played for three weeks to packed audiences and received the thanks of the Mayor and the Town Council for putting the town on the theatrical map.

And when the play is through here there probably will be another record to add to the list.

Seats are now on sale at Fox Drug store. Secure yours early.



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Order Now for Christmas Delivery

We serve those delicious Butterkist sandwiches; real Mexican Chili; Hot Choolate; Percolated Coffee.

Chocolate Shoppe

ONLY THE BEST

GEO. MARSHALL PROMOTED TO EL PASO AGENCY

George Marshall, Texas & Pacific railroad agent at Big Spring, has been promoted to the agency at El Paso. He left Thursday night to assume his duties at the new post.

He is succeeded in temporary appointment, by Mr. Hanold, who has been in the depot office of the Western Union Telegraph Co.

The promotion coming to Mr. Marshall is appreciated by a large circle of friends and co-workers. For several years he courteously and efficiently served his company and the public and that he is given the important position in the big western city is evidence that he has done his work well and is competent to handle larger responsibilities.

WEST TEXAS WEATHER

Big Spring is in West Texas and she had her share of the blizzard which swept entire state as far south and west as San Antonio.

This favored spot of West Texas had its freezing temperatures Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, with all-day and all-night continuances. Ice and frost were plentiful and real winter was dished out. No high winds, no rain nor snow but just bracing cold weather with thermometer chasing the 20 degree mark was the portion given Big Spring.

ADDED TRAIN SERVICE

Commencing tonight the T. & P. railroad will put on a double passenger train service, as to trains Nos. 5 and 6, which will be operated in two sections to Big Spring and eastward.

The first sections will carry coaches and chair cars and the second sections will handle through traffic in pullman service.

No. 5 train arrives in Big Spring from the east at 9:15 a. m. and No. 6 train arrives from the west at 8:05 p. m.

T. & P. PUTTING ON PAINT

The T. & P. freight depot has been given a paint treatment in correspondence with the recent improvements at the neighbor express office. With the painting was removal and renewal of fencing posts about the parked grounds. The cheerful news is saddened a bit by statement that the building is still in a sunken garden, with boating in prospect when there come heavy rains.

Your Christmas Stocking!

Can be filled here with all seasonable

FRUITS, NUTS AND CANDIES

Figure with us in quantities—
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Big Spring

ONE MORE Reason



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are requisites of good
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like every woman and girl wants but would, but
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DON'T MISS SEEING OUR HOLIDAY LINES WHILE
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BIG SPRING, TEXAS

Was No Longer Useful

CHARLES MACKIE

After the fire, and the house was not scorched, it seemed to be charred fragments.

It's a merciful thing that the house was not scorched, as she leaned over the door and saw the small home that had been for years known as the Latimer place. There had been a fire, generation after generation, and now the house which had been for so many years was a heap of smoking ruins. After her mother's death, she went to teaching school, living alone except for her mother's room, who made her home.

It seems wonderful not to see Mrs. Benton," said Peggy to the old lady's remark, "but I cannot find an insurance policy, though I was sure the house was insured with Ben Hawkes, that was three years ago and has expired." She calculated Mrs. Benton, who had given Ben Hawkes the money, he'd have a policy, I'm thinking!

Believe the best of Ben," she said, and just then there was a small car which drove the Latimer gate and emerged a tall, slim, dapper man carrying a brief case.

"Hawkes!" whispered Mrs. Benton.

Who it is—a strange young man advanced and asked for insurance.

"You come last week?" he asked, then "I was the manager," the girl said.

"Distinctly," said the man, "you insured, madame?"

"I'm about the insurance, if it really existed, had it?"

"I said thoughtfully, 'I remember one opened the door, and you answered, 'No, sir, I don't have any insurance, life insurance, washing machine, brushes, horsehair, silver polish, magazines or nothing!'"

"I said any such thing to you?" she asked, Peggy in denial.

"I must have been Penelope," she said.

"Ben Hawkes, now," she said excitedly. "You ask me the policy once more, and I'll give it to you."

"I came, lifting his straw hat, very rich shock of auburn hair, smiling broadly. "Good morning, still surveying the ruins."

"Peggy," he said, "Mr. Hawkes—your name, isn't it?" asked the man. "My name's Buttons. I'm inquiring about the insurance."

"I'm inquiring about the insurance," he said, "as I'm disputing the policy."

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WHY CERTAIN NAMES DID NOT APPEAR ON ELECTION BALLOT

When Mr. Watson, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, made his motion, at the Wednesday Luncheon Club to appoint a committee to nominate commissioners for the coming city election, I was certain that such a move was a mistake and had I been present I would have pointed out the fact that the consent of the candidate was all that was necessary. A few years ago some well-meaning but misguided citizens placed on the school board ballot three names of men whose consent had not been asked or consulted; they were defeated, and they were angry, and had a right to be. Some of the ten names would have certainly been defeated in the city election, and it would not have been right for me to have placed the names on the ballot without their consent, and I did not do it. No reasonable man could have expected me to do it. I run the risk, in not doing so, of incurring the ill-will of the few proponents who were behind the proposition, but if it is incurred, it will be because of no wrong committed on my part; it is simply a move based on misinformation.

There was Johnnie Jones living in my town who loved Mary Smith and Mary loved him. This was well-known, and so fifty citizens petitioned Johnnie to marry Mary, set the time and fixed the place, and on the day, they all met, including Johnnie, but Mary was not there. Johnnie felt bad because the citizens seemed to blame him, but he got courage, enough to say, "If you fellows had just sent one of the petitioners to me, and the other forty-nine to Mary we might have had a wedding today." Johnnie was in bad, but he would have been in worse had he married Mary without her consent. Clyde E. Thomas.

PREACHER'S HOUSE ENTERED

Wednesday night, while Rev. R. L. Owen and family were at prayer meeting their home was entered by a burglar who was after money. The raid yielded him nearly twenty dollars, Mrs. Owen losing \$17.50, the little boy losing a bank with his savings and the little daughter her purse containing her Christmas money. Pastor Owen did not lose anything for a reason which he satisfactorily explains. Entrance was through the front door, presumably as it was left unlocked. The robbery was discovered on return of the party from the Presbyterian Church prayer meeting but there was no search made for the nightly visitor and no clues were left through which to undertake Sherlocking.

Alfalfa Pasture Likely Cause of Stock Bloat

Alfalfa pasture is very likely to cause bloat. In order to at least lessen the chance of bloat, do not turn stock in upon the alfalfa until it is thoroughly dry in the mornings, and do not put them into it hungry. If you have another pasture for them to graze on in the mornings, it would be much better. Or, when accustomed to it, feed them well on some other dry feed and put them on the alfalfa but a short time, gradually lengthening the time which they are allowed to stay each day. If the case of bloat in the cow is not extreme, it may be sufficient to drive the cow, or let her walk for water. In some cases the following simple treatment may be successful: A rope of twisted straw is knotted with pine tar or wagon grease or other unsavory substance and is placed in the cow's mouth as a bit, being secured by tying behind the horns. The effort of the animal to dislodge this brings the mouth and throat into action which stimulates the secretion of saliva in swallowing, thus opening the esophagus which permits the exit of the gas.

Proper Exercise Needed to Prevent Constipation

After sows are "penned" for safety and to become accustomed to their new conditions of housing and feeding, care should be taken to prevent constipation which condition contributes to excessive feverishness later. This may be prevented if the sows are properly exercised and some changes made in the feeding. Where a number of sows have been penned and, as is frequently the case, do not have individual space for exercise, the desired results may be accomplished by turning them together for a portion of the day where they may pick over some clover or alfalfa hay. For several days before the expected date of farrowing, the grain feed should gradually be reduced to one-half the former amount and a part of this should be composed of such laxative feeds as bran and linseed oil meal. Where the sow is restricted as in penning her up, she has less need for a full ration. The bran and linseed oil meal and alfalfa or clover hay serve to regulate the bowels to the right condition.

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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOR SALE

PECANS—Fancy Brazos River Pecans prepaid to you 20c pound. Shelled pecan meats \$1.00 pound. R. W. BOWDEN, Grandbury, Texas. 12-24-pd.

FOR SALE—1 six-room house, 1 five-room house. Both close in, priced to sell, part cash. Terms to suit purchaser. Call 425. 13-2

FOR SALE—A complete moving outfit at a bargain if sold at once. Call 425 or see Hubert Rutherford. 13-2

FOR SALE—Household goods: consisting of electric cook stove, coal heater, iron bed, porch chairs, dining room suite, dining room rug, hall clock, office desk and chair, fern stand, and rockers. Mrs. M. A. Wooster, 507 Main street, will be glad to show you and price them to you. 11pd

FOR SALE—\$500, if sold within 12 days, will handle a good residence in Coahoma. Apply to Nando Henderson at the Burton-Lingo Co. at Coahoma, Texas. 11p

COW FOR SALE—Jersey cow, coming six. Will be fresh in about 30 days. Priced to sell. If interested see me soon. B. M. Newton, Garden City Rt., 3 miles south of Elbow. 11pd

AN IDEAL CHRISTMAS PRESENT—An English White Leghorn cockerel or "Aristocrat" Barred Plymouth cockerel or trio. You can't beat them. Leesdale Farm or Lawrence Simpson, Herald office.

FOR SALE OR TRADE

FOR SALE OR TRADE—A good 160-acre farm, seven miles north-west of Big Spring. Will sell or trade for city property in Big Spring. See J. M. Barley at Gem Barber Shop. 11tf

FOR SALE OR TRADE—My equity in section 46, west half in Howard County for sale or trade. Box 22, Garden City Rt. 12-3p

FOR SALE OR TRADE—40-acre and 80-acre tract of famous Clyde fruit land, unimproved. \$75 per acre. Water only about 20 feet. One and one-half miles from Clyde. 13-1

SCOUT BAND FURNISHED MUSIC AT FATHER AND SON BANQUET

The Scout Band, under the direction of G. S. Hartman, furnished the music at the Father's and Son's Banquet which was held in the basement of the First Methodist Church on Thursday evening. The band is composed of fourteen members, and they play remarkably well to have only been organized two months. At the Methodist Church on Wednesday evening the Scout Band also furnished music at a church meeting, and they have received much praise since this program. Thomas Joe Williamson gave a coronet solo which was especially enjoyed. He has only been studying two months and has shown much musical ability in this short period. Anyone who is interested in playing in the Scout Band is urged to join, as more members are wanted. It is the hope of Director Hartman to have 40 members in this Scout Band.

Yes—I still make mattresses and guarantee every job to give satisfaction. J. R. Creath.

Chocolate candy, one grade, 25c lb. P. & F. COMPANY.

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Good grade chocolate candy.....25c
A five pound box good chocolate candy, mixed varieties.....\$1.45
Pecans, per pound.....20c
Pecans, ten pounds, for.....\$1.75
Pecans, 20 pounds, for.....\$3.00

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Perhaps you are not ready to buy a new car just yet, but why not trade in your present car for one just a little newer than yours. Look at these—

Chevrolet Touring Car—1926 model, five good balloon tires, excellent upholstery, new paint job, good top, excellent mechanical condition. In fact, a good serviceable car.

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Grand Leader Sale

The Sacrifice Sale is going merrily on and with approach of Christmas there is heavy buying in CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. All our stock is suitable and highly desirable for the USEFUL GIFTS.

Spend Your Money for Something Needed

We have one of the best assortments of sweaters in West Texas and without a sale our prices are low, but during this sale event they are priced from

98c UP TO \$6.98

A Rare Opportunity

This sale is opportunity to combine necessary shopping with Christmas giving. It should apply to the buying of FAMILY Presents.

One lot of Ladies Silk Dresses, that formerly sold up to \$15.00 that go for\$7.59

One group of Ladies Silk Dresses, that formerly sold up to \$22.50, that go for\$12.98

One special number in the well-known Humming Bird hose for women. Every pair guaranteed—no questions asked. This sacrifice

price at **\$1.29** Pair

Women's Wear and Household Necessities

The shopping for a family is a serious proposition. So many items there are of clothing, cloths, linens, cloaks, hosiery, shoes and unnumbered other things for the mother usually to select for all her brood.

THE DEPARTMENT STORE

is her best place to trade. She wants to know that the lines carried are of standard merit. She is highly interested in the prices.

We offer in this sale a selection of goods covering all family needs. They are of best manufacture and they are priced lower than for many years.

Hope Domestic, the old stand-by, in the 20c grade, going for

12c
Yard

9-4 Pepperell Bleached Sheeting going for sacrifice price of

37c
Yard

One number in a good cotton blanket that is extra large size, going at

\$1.69

Children's good heavy winter Union Suits going at

69c

One group men's Dress Shirts, going while they last, for only

98c

Men and Boys want warm wear

Men's needs and Boys' needs are not so complicated as for the mother, the sister and the little ones. The man or boy wants something warm for winter warm and with good wear in it.

THE DEPARTMENT STORE

is where he finds all his desires. In this Sacrifice Sale we have not overlooked the man and the boy. We have cut the prices to where his dollars will spread over much territory. We have what he wants and he can buy his usual bill and have money left over.

BUY FOR WINTER WEAR

One lot of men's Suits in values up to \$25.00 that we are closing out for\$14.98

One group of men's suits of the better kind that formerly sold up to \$35.00 that go for\$21.98

BUY Now for CHRISTMAS

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guage. No room for argument on this
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BUILDER

"BETTER HOMES"

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WHAT'S DOING IN WEST TEXAS

By West Texas C. of C.

Quanah — The Hardeman County
Poultry show to be held Dec. 21, 22
and 23 is getting good publicity
through efforts of C. G. Wille, sec-
retary of the local chamber of com-
merce. Each week Wille mails out
circulars interestingly illustrated
through drawings made by himself.
The work is prepared on a plain
mimeograph.

Sierra Blanca — E. H. Whitehead,
publicity manager, and B. M. Whit-
aker, exhibit manager of the West
Texas Chamber of Commerce, were
here this week on the first round of
a service tour which is to cover towns
in the Big Bend Country. White-
head will get materials for feature
stories to be published in "West
Texas Today," magazine of the West
Texas organization. Towns included
in the tour are El Paso, Alpine,
Marfa, Del Rio, Fredericksburg and
Mason.

Plainview — A new addition to
the Missouri Hotel here to cost
\$5,200 has been planned by its pro-
prietor, to consist of ten rooms of
brick and the construction. The
improvement program will make the
Missouri Hotel a first rate structure,
fire-proof throughout.

Fort Stockton — Business men of
the town have cooperated with the
Commissioners Court in securing im-
provement of a stretch of road here
leading from the old White-Baker
headquarters ranch gate through the
ranch to the Yates oil well. The
road connects with the Old Spanish
Trail.

Stamford — The Christmas issue
of "West Texas Today," official organ
of the West Texas Chamber of Com-
merce, will be devoted largely to
chambers of commerce affiliated with
the organization. Resumes of work
during 1926 and plans for 1927 will
feature the number.

Tulla — A Booster Club whose
membership is composed of country
correspondents of the local paper was
organized here recently, and it is
thought to be the first organization
of its kind in the state. Perfection
of the club and complete election of
officers will be made December 20.

Clarendon — Repairs have been
made recently on the bridge here at
the head of Kearney street, new
strips being laid on the floor of the
structure.

Midland — To the West Texas
Chamber of Commerce goes the
credit of Midland's recent attain-
ment in securing an ice plant, ac-
cording to Paul T. Vickers, secretary
of the chamber of commerce. For
two years, Vickers and the Midland
organization waged a campaign to
get an ice factory for their town.
Several weeks ago, aid of the West
Texas Chamber of Commerce was
solicited and when contract was
signed in November with the Morgan
Utilities, Inc., its representative said
his company was attracted to Mid-
land by publicity released through
the West Texas Chamber of Com-
merce.

Shamrock — Three-quarters of a
mile of new concrete sidewalk for
Shamrock will be laid here as a re-
sult of a campaign inaugurated by
the local chamber of commerce. The
pavement will extend from the busi-
ness section on Main street to the
high school building.

MAILING CHRISTMAS PARCELS

Here are some of the points that
should be observed in preparation of
packages for the Christmas mails:

Use strong paper and heavy twine
and wrap securely.

Addresses should be complete, with
house number and name of street or
rural route number, and typed or
written plainly in ink. Return ad-
dresses should be on every package.
If a tag is used, the address and re-
turn should be written on the pack-
age, as well as the tag.

No package may be more than 34
inches in length and girth combined.
For delivery locally and in the first,
second and third zones, 70 pounds is
the maximum weight; in all other
zones, 50 pounds.

Christmas gifts and cards ad-
dressed to points within one day's
travel should be mailed not later
than December 20; within two days'
travel, not later than December 18.

Sore Bleeding Gums

Only one bottle Leto's Pyorrhea
Remedy is needed to convince any-
one. No matter how bad your case,
get a bottle, use as directed and if
you are not satisfied druggists will
return your money. ALL BIG
SPRING DRUGGISTS advertising.

Yes—I still make mattresses and
guarantee every job to give satis-
faction. J. R. Creath.

Herald want ads get results.



SELECTING For Man or Boy

Is Not So Hard When You Visit a Man's Store

The man or boy appreciates something he
can wear. After the toy-age the young fel-
low turns to style in—say, such articles as
are here depicted. Any of these will just ex-
actly suit the boy or the man.

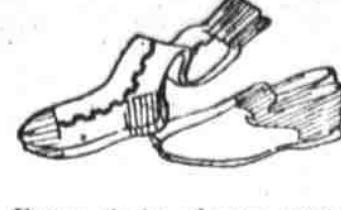
Give him the added appreciation
which goes with goods bought at McDonald's.
If he is of long residence he will know that
the McDonald lines are quality; if he is a
late-comer do him right by giving him some-
thing the other fellows will not criticize.

A. P. McDONALD & CO.

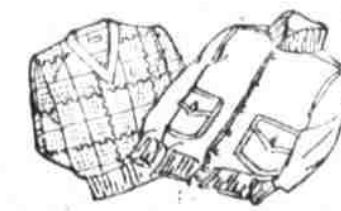
Men and Boys Store Big Spring, Texas



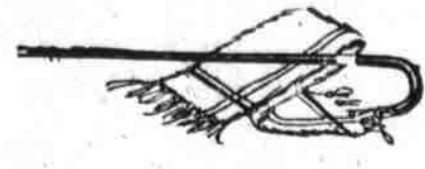
Never too many Ties
He'd sure like these



Fancy Socks always wanted
Comfort Slippers are Christmas



Sweater Coats—very appropriate
Windbreakers — appreciated



You can't go wrong on
Muffs



He needs Dress Shirts
Pajamas are real presents

NEGRO WOMAN SWIPES MONEY

The officers have so far been un-
able to locate a negro woman who
is wanted on charge of robbing a
Mexican hombre of \$80 and a hand-
kerchief, the latter of unlisted val-
uation.

The robbery was one easily accom-
plished, it appears. The Mexican had
his wealth tied up in a handkerchief
which he carried in his hip pocket.
He was carelessly leaning a bit for-
ward, with a corner of the hand-
kerchief exposed when the woman,
as alleged, deftly and quickly drew
the savings bank from the pocket
without the victim realizing that
anything was wrong in his rear.

The loss was soon discovered and
the officers were put on the trail of
the woman. She had a gentleman
friend with an auto and the pair
drove out of town until they met or
overtaken another negro in a car. The
fleeing woman changed cars and
proceeded on her devious wanderings
while the first negro man with the
first car, returned to Big Spring.

Final capture of the suspect is
confidently expected by Policeman
Choate who was but half a jump be-
hind the fleeing negress and who
would have apprehended them but
for the fact that he was afoot and
the fugitives in a Ford.

MOTHER OF F. W. BETTLE

IS CLAIMED BY DEATH

In response to a message announc-
ing the death of his mother, F. W.
Bettle left Monday night for Cin-
cinnati, Ohio, to attend the funeral
services. Mrs. Bettle eighty-eight
years of age, and was a woman of
fine and noble character, and had
lived a life of usefulness, marked
with many kind and loving deeds.

The many friends of Mr. Bettle ex-
tend to him heartfelt sympathy at
the loss of his precious mother.

Rev. D. G. Wells after a several
weeks illness, was able to come
down town this week.

Mattresses made over and mat-
tresses made all new. Work and
quality guaranteed. J. R. Creath

DISTRESSING GIN ACCIDENTS

George Moore, pressman at the
Law Round Bale Gin, got his arm
caught in the press Tuesday morning
and terribly crushed. The bones of
the entire forearm and a portion of
the upper arm were crushed and
broken into innumerable pieces. Dr.
L. E. Turrentine was called to dress
the wound but had the patient sent
immediately to a sanitarium at
Lubbock, where an amputation of
the injured member was effected,
the member being taken off between
the elbow and the shoulder.

On Wednesday night of last week
W. O. Henderson got both thumbs
caught by the saws of the burr-out
machine at the Fuller Gin and they
were most painfully lacerated and
injured. Prompt medical attention
was given and it is hoped that the
injuries will not prove to be serious
or permanent.—Lynn County Ta-
hoka) News.

FOR HOME AND STABLE

The extraordinary Borozone treatment
for flesh wounds, cuts, sores, galls, burns
and scalds is just as effective in the stable
as in the home. Horse flesh heals with
remarkable speed under its powerful in-
fluence. The treatment is the same for
animals as for humans. First wash out
infectious germs with liquid Borozone,
and the Borozone Powder completes the
healing process. Price (liquid) 30c, 60c
and \$1.20. Powder 30c and 60c. Sold by
CUNNINGHAM & PHILIPS

ARTISTIC CARTOONS

The cartoons exhibited in show
windows of Big Spring stores, adver-
tising the school play of an "Old-
Fashioned Mother" to be presented
by Center Point school, have been
viewed with interest by the public
of Big Spring. The drawings, of
really high merit, are from the pens
of Mrs. Rufus Davidson and Mrs.
Edwards, of the Center Point com-
munity.

Mrs. D. Price returned the latter
part of last week from Plainview
where she was called by the serious
illness of her daughter, Mrs. Lynn
Hatcher. Mrs. Hatcher's condition
was greatly improved at the time
Mrs. Price returned home.

NOTICE—SHERIFF'S SALE

STATE OF TEXAS

County of Howard

Whereas, by virtue of an order of
sale issued out of the District Court
of Nolan County, Texas, on a judg-
ment rendered in said court on the
5th day of October A. D. 1926, in
favor of M. D. Willis, Plaintiff, and
against F. B. Jones, W. W. Rix, M.
C. Fairchilds, S. M. Merrick and L.
B. Minor, defendants, in cause No.
2237, on the docket of said Court,
I did on the 4th day of December
A. D. 1926, at 10 o'clock A. M. levy
upon the following described tract
and parcel of land situated in the
County of Howard, State of Texas,
described as follows, to-wit:

All of the northwest quarter,
(N.E. 1-4) and the south one-
half (S. 1-2) of the northwest
quarter (N.W. 1-4) of section
thirty-six (36) in block thirty-
two (32) township 1 North,
Cert. 2162, Texas & Pacific Ry.
Co. survey, Howard County,
Texas.

And on the 4th day of January A.
D. 1927, being the first Tuesday of
said month, between the hours of
10 o'clock o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock
P. M. on said day at the court house
door of said county, I will offer for
sale at public auction for cash, all
of the right title, and interest of
the said F. B. Jones, W. W. Rix, M.
C. Fairchilds, S. M. Merrick, and L.
B. Minor, defendants, in and to said
property.

Dated at Big Spring, this the 4th
day of December A. D. 1926.
12-31. FRANK HOUSE,
Sheriff of Howard County, Texas.

Cement Work

CONSULT

A. B. WINSLOW

BIG SPRING, TEXAS.

Am prepared to do all kinds
of cement work, such as
stucco, coping, walks, tanks,
water troughs, etc.

STUCCO vs. PAINT

Let Us Give You Figures
on Stuccoing Your Home

Where to select Presents for All Loved Ones

A Real Sale of Jewelry and Jeweler's Present Goods

Santa Claus in the Drug Store

These days, a drug store is that in name, principally. It's stocks of medicines are secondary in importance. Today, the drug store is the headquarters for the very pick of articles most suitable for

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Our store is a veritable fairy land this Christmas. Almost everything, of the thousands of displays, is suitable as a gift for someone—a "Just Fit" Gift.

We can't tell all about it in an ad

COME AND SEE

A WHOLE JEWELRY STOCK
PUT ON SALE AT CHRISTMAS
TIME IS A SURE ENOUGH
BUYING OPPORTUNITY

Christmas Display and
Real Jewelry Bargains

The Clyde Fox Store is a
QUALITY STORE

Clyde Fox Jewelry & Drug Co.

Jewelry Presents are
EVERLASTING



You'll Solve the **Problem**
of what to Give

Not specifying the many articles suitable and desirable as gifts, same in our Great Jewelry Stock now on Sale at 25 Per Cent Discount, we suggest the following lines as furnishing answer to the bothersome yet pleasurable question "What shall I get for So-and-So?" We suggest—

Perfumes	Pipes
Candies	Smoking Tobacco
Stationery	Shaving Sets
Fancy China	Atomizers
Pens and Pencils	Box Candles
Toilet Articles	Box Cigars
Card Cases	Box Cigarettes
Purses	Cigarette Cases
Toilet Sets	Cigar Cases
Manicure Sets	Bill Folders
Fancy Glassware	Brushes

Christmas Tree Decorations

Christmas Cards and Greetings

Now Ready---Christmas
Tree 'N Everything

GIRLS ON THE JOB
Austin, Texas.—Although it is often considered much easier for boys to earn the expenses of a college education, some 380 co-eds of the University of Texas are earning all or part of their expenses. About 205 of this number are entirely self supporting. Positions, or jobs, as some of them must be called, which these girls hold range from keeping babies while the parents go to the movies to doing secretarial work either on the campus or down town. Perhaps the work which employs the most girls is that of acting as student assistant in some course or department of the University. In the science courses this entails taking charge of laboratory sections and grading papers, while in other departments the work is not so well defined. Another type of employment for girls is that of clerical work, as for instance, assisting either some professor in the University, the secretary to some University official, or in some state department at the capitol. Practically every University department or bureau uses students help in some way.

A fairly large number of girls do housework and serve in dining rooms at the various girls' dormitories and boarding houses. In several of the dormitories there are candy and notions stands, following out the "Help Yourself" idea, run by girls who live there. In each of the large halls there are girls who operate the telephone switchboard and work in the office and in the package room.

As for occasional jobs, there might be included acting as part-time companions for elderly persons, working at the downtown telephone exchange, and clerking in downtown stores, for there have been a few University girls who have done all these things. And, added to the list must be the task of coaching students in courses in which they are failing.

Carroll and Ken Barnett and Earl Comer returned last Tuesday from a trip to San Angelo.

Read Herald want ads.

W. L. SHUMAKE IS PIONEER COTTON GROWER

In Monday's issue of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram appeared a picture of W. L. Shumake, one of the earliest settlers of Howard County.

Accompanying the picture on the front page of the paper was the following write-up given Mr. Shumake:

W. L. Shumake is one of Big Spring's pioneers. He went from Ellis County in 1890, and settled on a ranch nine miles northwest of Big Spring. He was one of the first ranchmen to try cotton, and in 1891 sold on the streets of Big Spring the first bale ever sold in Howard County. This bale brought six cents, and was purchased by R. D. Matthews, who still is buying cotton. Shumake said he paid toll for his ginning, and sold the bale of seed for \$1.50. This was his entire crop. With the proceeds of the bale, Shumake purchased one-quarter of a beef at 3 1-2c per pound; one-half of a hog at 6 cents per pound; a complete change of work clothes for five children, and had some money left that he carried home and divided with each member of his family. Shumake says that in 1890 few people believed that cotton would grow in West Texas.

Your eyes are your most precious possession. Don't neglect them. We examine them free of charge and tell you their needs. We have the best equipped shop between Fort Worth and El Paso, and we are eye experts, having graduated from the best Optical College in the United States, and 21 years experience. Our business is growing by leaps and bounds through the advertising we get from satisfied customers.

Glasses from \$1.00 to \$25.00. All work guaranteed.

WILKE, Registered Optician
Big Spring, Texas

Mrs. Theo Shultz has been on the sick list this week.

Pure lard. Pool-Reed Co.

BARONESS C. DE HUECK.



Baroness C. de Hueck, of Russian nobility will lecture on our Lyceum course on "Russia." She gives intimate, first-hand information of the Russia of the Bolsheviks, of the Kerensky days and of the old days. Being of the aristocracy and of a wealthy family, she experienced not

being allowed to draw a cent of their money deposited in the banks, and later of being ordered shot. Instead, however, she was sent to a prison camp from which she managed to escape. The Baroness speaks several different languages and her English is almost perfect.

BAYLOR AND A. AND M.
SEVER ATHLETIC RELATIONS
Waco, Texas, Dec. 8.—A. and M. and Baylor University have severed all athletic relations.

This was made known tonight following a conference between President S. P. Brooks of Baylor and President T. O. Walton of A. & M., at the home of the former. Facts of the conference were contained in the following announcement:

"In consideration of the strained athletic relations now existing between the student bodies of Baylor University and A. & M. College, we, the presidents of the said two institutions, hereby cancel all existing athletic contracts heretofore made by these schools. This is done without prejudice to either institution. Appeal is made to the public that

it will help us to grow a better feeling between the student bodies, to the end that at some future time a renewal of games may be made, and the games played according to the high ideals that govern both institutions."

Miss Agnes Currie arrived Thursday night from St. Charles, Mo., where she is a student in Lindenwood College, to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Currie and other relatives.

Don't forget the Auction Sale each Saturday, 3 to 4 p. m. at Creath store. J. R. Creath.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Griffith and family moved to the Satterwhite farm on Tuesday of this week.

THE MESSAGE OF CHRISTMAS

To The Citizens of West Texas
The message of Christmas is just as vital today as when it was brought to us two thousand years ago; vital because founded on the divine, eternal law of life—the law of service. Prompted by the holy life of Him who lived but to serve, there is given to us a perfect illustration of this great law as a guide through the checkered pathway of human life.

He who would really live must be useful. "He that loseth his life for my sake shall find it" was the great message of the Christ, and it is proven to us in a thousand different ways. It is a truth which, like a golden thread, runs through all the good and beautiful literature of the earth's nations. It is an axiom verified in the lives of countless thousands and a motto set forth by many of the world's greatest institutions.

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce is an organization of service. Its one aim is to be of help and inspiration to the citizenry of this portion of the great state of Texas. It would form a bond of human brotherhood, linking together the ties of kindred interests and cementing more closely the mutual welfare of all, realizing that the greatest accomplishments are made possible only through a larger increase of the moral and social relations of life.

"Whoever will be greatest among you shall be your minister; and whosoever of you will be chiefest shall be the servant of all; for even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto but to minister." These were the words of the Christ 1,926 years ago, and every time since that the sweet story of Christmas has been told and his life of sincere service has been repeated unto the world. So, in this spirit of worthy devotion to a noble cause, the West Texas Chamber of Commerce would be a servant toward greater accomplishment in life and more extended benefit to the citizenry of this territory to the end that the West may be a better place in which to live.

Hearts of officials of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce go out

In sincerest appreciation to low citizens who seek to this great law of service, those laudable efforts and ora that have contributed so during the past year to success of the organization greatest in its history. It is cere wish of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce that the may bring to each in its the greatest of blessings: the New Year may increase desire and opportunity for so that all may keep His C and be joyful that he cious ago with the mous stir; every heart and increas ings for greater achievement fellowmen.

W. T. CHAMBER OF COM

SPECIAL CLUBBING

Dallas News and Big Spring Herald, one year, for... Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Big Spring Herald, and Abilene Reporter and Big Herald, one year, for... The subscription price Herald is \$2.00 a year, scribing for the state paper, at the special club named, the price of The SAVED. In other words, paper and the home paper the price of the state paper with very slight variations. To obtain these reductions by all the papers quoted, tions must come through Spring Herald.

Friends of The Herald who desire to save a couple of dollars in their newspaper subscriptions are invited to get or renew, through The Herald patronage appreciated.

BIG SPRING HERALD

Big Spring Tr

In McNew & Eason B... OFFICE PHONE... FOR LOCAL AND... DISTANCE HA... B. H. SETTLES, Pres.



Visit Our Balcony



Trays
 Purses
 Book Ends
 Gift Books
 Xmas Trees
 Toilet Sets
 Fine Candles
 Smoking Sets
 Fountain Pen Sets
 Bridge Lamps
 Eversharp Pencils
 Boudoir Lamps
 Coty Perfume Sets
 Books, all Kinds
 Xmas Boxes of Cigars
 Johnston's Candy
 Nunnally's Candy
 D'Orsey Individual Perfume
 Leather Goods Xmas Cards
 Houbigants Perfume Sets
 Xmas Candles and Lights
 Community Silver
 Osborn Brushes
 Xmas Mottoes
 Shaving Sets
 Gift Tobacco
 Kodak Books
 Dollar Mama Dolls
 Ivory Fitted Bags
 Pipes. ...Meerschaum too



Quality Stationery
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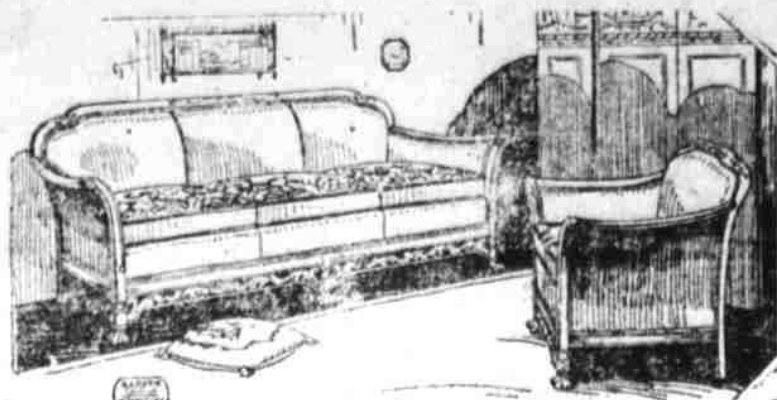
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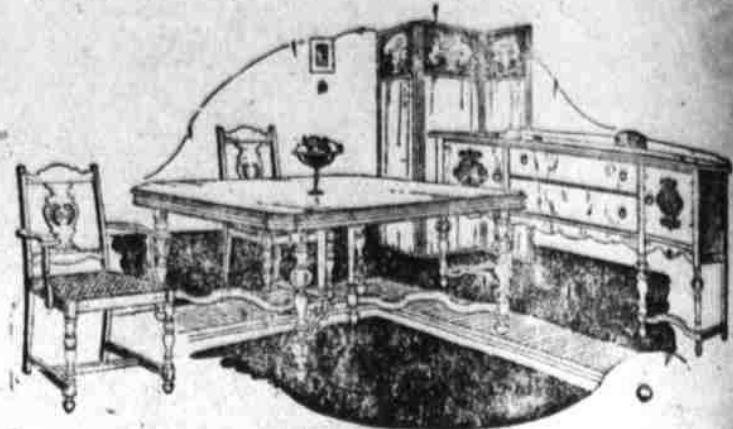


The Christmas Gift STORE



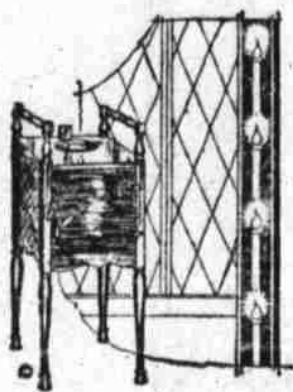
A LIVING ROOM RE-MADE FOR CHRISTMAS

What an ideal time to surprise the folks with a new suite for the center scene of holiday activities—to afford untold comfort and beauty long after this Christmas is forgotten! This two-piece set has an ornate carved frame of mahogany, cover of mohair.



THE DINING ROOM GIFT FOR CHRISTMAS

Here you have a suggestion that will add to the home comfort of everyone in the family for many Christmases—a gift that can't be forgotten. It is one of our new dining suites—eight stately pieces of fine walnut furniture to suit you.



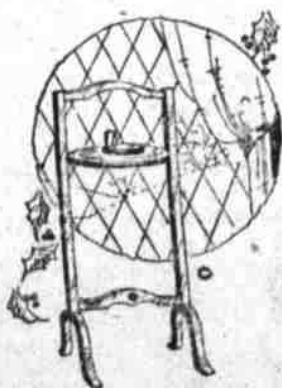
A Man's Own

If he smokes, there's no gift quite so suitable as a humidor-smoker like this.



For Her Sewing

The woman of the house needs a sewing cabinet every day. Priscilla style, as shown above.



Big Clearance of Smokers

An ornate, handy style that carries all the desired accessories. Finished in mahogany.



Cheering Glow

throughout the year—a new table lamp like this with its decorated base and shade to match.



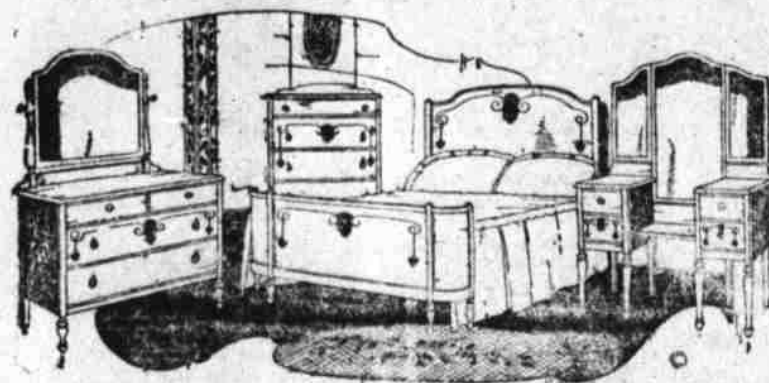
Electric Irons

Replace the old electric iron with a new one, for one of Mother's Christmas presents. Price \$4.50



Roasters

For the Christmas turkey—buy a new roaster, we have them priced from \$1.50, up.



This Ideal Gift Idea—On Terms to Suit

Now is the time to give your wife that new bedroom outfit you have been promising her—nothing could please her more. And our selection contains the style that she will like. The suite shown—in blended walnut, finished two-tone—is just one of a score new ones. Its price—as shown—is.....\$112.50

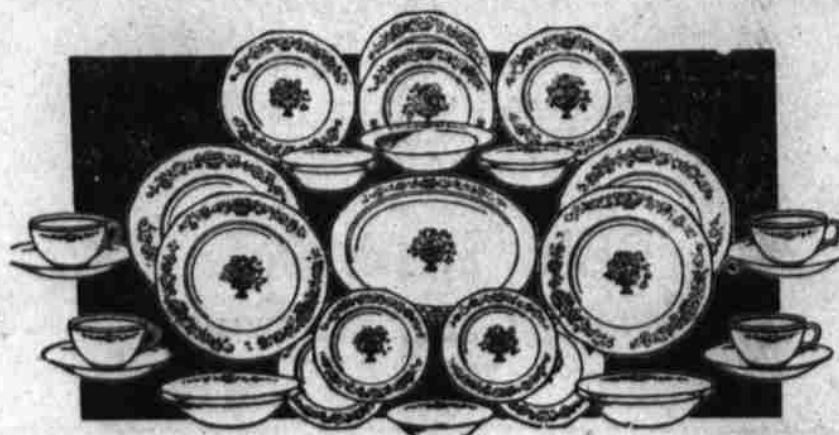


A Coleman Lamp

is just the thing to bring cheer and contentment over the family circle.

THE LANTERN

is just a he-man helper, an actual Jack-of-all-Lights.



Some Beautiful New Designs in Dinner Sets at extraordinarily low prices

How Mother would welcome this gift—how well it would serve to the Christmas feast!

Twelve each of the major pieces with all the extra platters, bowls, etc., to give complete service. Of fine American porcelain. 32-piece, 42-piece, and 100-piece sets from \$8.00, upward.



Her Hope Chest

—always a good suggestion for daughter. This style of cedar interior, walnut veneered.



Lacquered Gateleg Tables

Something new in these useful home furnishings. Very decorative.



A Quaint Windsor

does make an always acceptable home addition—it brings much in comfort as well as a decorative touch. Mahogany.



Tapestry Fireside Chair Shown

Very comfortable and good-looking. Soft and strong. Just as illustrated.



Electric Toasters

Are always good Gifts to add to the housewife's needs \$5.50



Pyrex Casseroles

We have quite an assortment of Casseroles that will make ideal gifts.

"The House of Satisfaction"

Rix Furniture and Undertaking Company

BIG SPRING -- LAMESA -- LUBBOCK