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Officers Elected For Committee By Stockholders
PLAN JULY SHOW
Greatest Rodeo Race Meet Ever Held For Summer

Joe Pierce was elected president of the Crockett Fair Association at a meeting of stockholders held Monday afternoon at the second rodeo and race meet here.

Mr. Pierce's second year as president of the organization during the year was highly commended by the stockholders and elected unanimously. Officers who served during the year were also re-elected. Pierce was again named president and J. Scott Peckham treasurer.

Plans for the July show and race meet to be held in the town of Ozona and its vicinity are being discussed by the stockholders and it was expected that all committees would meet last night. The committee is instructed to get plans for the July show which are expected to start early in the New Year.

Definite plans for the July rodeo, race and stock show have not yet been made but will be within thirty days. It was declared last night that the fourth rodeo for this year, but the will be held on the same date as last year. Many improvements are planned for the grounds and in preparation for the start of the great stock showrodeo events never held in Texas. With more than \$2000 on the race track since it July show, other improvements on the track are expected to be made. It is further planned to make this year's race and stock show a grand success and stock 240 barrels in thirty minutes from the well.

Crockett Co. Gets Its Third Gusher

Wrightsmans No. 1 Half Flowing 500 To 800 Barrels An Hour

Leon and Wrightsmans No. 1 Half, in section 70, block 1, IGN Ry. Co. survey, in Crockett County opposite the Yates pool in Pecos county on the east, was estimated Tuesday to be good for 500 to 800 barrels of oil an hour after gushing 150 barrels in eight minutes from 1,051 feet, thirty-six feet in the pay. The well made no water before being shut in for tankage, which now is being built.

At about the same time, Mid Kansas and Transcontinental No. 40 Yates, in the west half of section 60, block 1, I-G-N Ry. Co. survey, in Pecos county, was completed at 1,144 feet making 550 barrels of oil the first hour.

Leon and Wrightsmans No. 1 Henry Half is less than a quarter mile southeast of the Gulf Production Company's No. 1 George L. Thompson, first Crockett county gusher directly opposite the Yates field on the east, located 150 feet from the south and west lines of section 71. The new well is 150 feet from the north and west lines of Leon & Wrightsmans' 200-acre lease, which is in the west part of section 70 bordering on the Pecos River.

The well is the first producer in West Texas for C. J. Wrightsmans of Tulsa, one of the owners, who previously had drilled one dry hole on University land in Reagan county and three dusters in Sterling county on the Foster, Hull and Collins leases. The new well only 150 feet from the Yates field, the company's next the Lane-Tex and later as Leon & Wrightsmans'. It is in the same section 60 in Pecos county in the same east half of which, along the north line, Marland Oil Co. has a number of producers. Preparations by Leon & Wrightsmans to drill a second test are being made.

WEATHER FAILS TO KEEP RODEO CROWDS AWAY

Many Brave Mud And Drizzle To Witness Rodeo And Races

A slow, drizzling, cold rain, slippery streets and generally uncomfortable weather failed to halt the scheduled second Mid-Winter Rodeo and Race Meet of the Crockett County Fair Association held at the Fair grounds here Monday.

Considering the weather, a good crowd was on hand for the event, automobiles lining the circular race track and rodeo arena more than half the distance around. The football game between former gridiron veterans of Ozona and Sonora featured the morning program. A big crowd of rooters swarmed the sidelines despite the drizzle and cheered the players. Ozona won in the last few minutes of play, Russell kicking a field goal from placement to win 3 to 0.

The first horse race of the day was run between halves of the football game. Hunt Custer of Crawford on Pure Gold, winner of the quarter mile event for three-year-olds against two other entries. One thousand dollars in cash was awarded as prizes in the riding and racing events. Key Dunne of Odessa won first place in the bronze riding contest for a cash prize of \$50. Buster Edwards, rodeo clown, took first place in the steer riding contest, winning a cash prize of \$50.

Barney Atkins won the three-eighths mile run on O Kane, owned by Earl Sellers of Del Rio. The quarter mile race was won by Darkey, owned by Warren Clayton of Ozona. Paul Ferner's horse won first in the quarter mile cow pony race.

Ozona Hi Again Member Of Assn.

Southern Assn. Accredited Schools, Colleges Accepts School

Report has been received from the meeting of the Southern Accredited Association of Schools and Colleges at Tampa, Florida, that the Ozona High School has been certified for membership for another year. The report states that unqualified membership is granted, Ozona fulfilling every one of the exacting requirements demanded of members.

Membership in this Association must be renewed annually. Renewal depends upon a report and survey demanded in November of each year. Membership allows an institution's graduates to attend any accredited college or university in the South without examination or question as to entrance credits. It also indicates a high standard of work. Many schools accredited with the State Department of Education are unable to qualify for membership in the Southern Association of Accredited Schools and Colleges.

The plant is seven-ton capacity and all machinery is modern in every respect. The plant can be expanded to a 20-ton capacity if the necessity arises, it was pointed out. The Utilities Company building is almost completed, but a few weeks more work will be necessary before it is ready for opening. Work has been shut down during the holidays in order that workmen might spend Christmas at their homes.

Miss Ruth Meredith, a junior in the University of Texas, spent a few weeks here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Meredith, before going to Detroit, Mich., to attend a Student Volunteers Meeting as a delegate from the University Methodist Church Sunday School at Austin.

OZONA VETERAN GRID WARRIORS TRIM SONORA

An Enthusiastic Crowd Witness Battle On Muddy Field
SCORE IS 3 TO 0
Russell Kicks Field Goal To Win In Last Few Minutes

Playing in a drizzling rain on a slushy field, a team of former high school and college grid warriors of Ozona edged out a 3 to 0 victory over a picked team from Sonora at the Crockett County Fair grounds here Monday morning.

The football contest was the curtain raiser for the second Mid-Winter Rodeo and Race Meet of the Crockett County Fair Association and was declared one of the feature events of the day's program. Both teams went into the contest with very little previous work-outs, and both performed remarkably well for the limited practice before the game, and in the face of the anything but ideal weather conditions.

The headwork and teamwork of Frank Russell at quarter, plus the previous line smashing ability of Morris Dudley, Worth Odum, Sherman Taylor and other members of the backfield, snatched victory for Ozona from the face of an apparently scoreless tie in the last few minutes of play.

A series of line plunges, passes and other plays had pushed the ball to Sonora's 29-yard line. With the ball near the north boundary line of the field, Russell took it on a long end run which gained but a few feet but put the ball in the center of the field and directly in front of the goal posts. A place kick went squarely between the goal posts and gave Ozona the winning three points.

A Happy New Year!



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| Ozona | Sonora |
| Bill Giffner | RE Stokes |
| Marshall Montgomery | RT Green |
| Leonard Hendley | RG Turney |
| Hillery Phillips | C Eaton |
| W. T. Childress | LG James |
| Chas. Davidson | LT Red Hill |
| Ers. Anderson | LK Alvin |
| Worth Odum | RH Glascock |
| Tom Weaver | LH Johnson |
| Frank Russell | Q Smith |
| Lake Young | FB Trainer |
| Substitutes: Ozona—Morris Dudley, John B. Weaver, Sherman Taylor, Arthur Phillips, Hilton North, Shorty Thompson. Officials were: Billy Montgomery, San Angelo referee; Alvin Harrell, umpire; Houston Smith, timekeeper; Richard Flowers, head linesman. | |

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Ozona, Texas, Thursday, December 29, 1927.

Slow Drizzling Rain Soaks Most Of West Texas Range Country

Coming on the heels of a blanket of snow which covered the country several inches, two or three days of slow drizzling rain early this week will prove of inestimable value to winter ranges in this section of West Texas.

The rain, although it did not amount to a heavy fall of moisture, fell slow enough to soak into the ground and will be of great benefit. The fall came just in time, for range men in many parts of West Texas had already begun to feed as a result of the dry weather which had persisted for many weeks. The moisture put roads in this territory in an almost impossible condition.

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Chas. E. Davidson, Joe T. Davidson
Mrs. Frank Friend and daughters, Misses Floy and Hazel Friend, are home for the holidays from Austin.

Ozona Chapter No. 237
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No. 55. THE STATE OF TEXAS
To The Sheriff or Any Constable of Crockett County—Existing.
You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once a week, for ten days, exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof, in some newspaper of general circulation published in said county for a period of not less than one year, the following notice:
To all Persons Interested in the Welfare of Lois D. Adams, a Minor.
You are hereby notified that Othro Adams has filed in the county court of Crockett County, Texas, an application for letters of guardianship upon the estate of said minor, Lois D. Adams, and on the 11th day of December, A. D. 1927, by order of the County Judge of said Crockett County, the said Othro Adams was appointed temporary guardian of the estate of said minor, and at the next regular term of said court, commencing on the first Monday in February, A. D. 1928, the same being the 5th day of February, A. D. 1928, at the courthouse thereof, in Ozona, Texas, at which time, all persons interested in the welfare of said minor, may, and are hereby cited to, appear and contest such appointment, if they so desire, and if such appointment is not contested at the said term of said court, then the same shall become permanent.
Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.
Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Ozona, Texas, this 17th day of December, A. D. 1927.
(Seal) E. B. Baggett, Jr., Clerk, County Court, Crockett County, Texas.

1927, by order of the County Judge of said Crockett County, the said Othro Adams was appointed temporary guardian of the estate of said minor, and at the next regular term of said court, commencing on the first Monday in February, A. D. 1928, the same being the 5th day of February, A. D. 1928, at the courthouse thereof, in Ozona, Texas, at which time, all persons interested in the welfare of said minor, may, and are hereby cited to, appear and contest such appointment, if they so desire, and if such appointment is not contested at the said term of said court, then the same shall become permanent.
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(Seal) E. B. Baggett, Jr., Clerk, County Court, Crockett County, Texas.

between Ozona and Sheffield, Wednesday, Dec. 7th. Finder please return to Grady Carothers, Cometa, Texas, and get reward. -37-2tp.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Adams spent Christmas with Mrs. Adams' parents in Cleburne.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Johnston of Big Lake spent Christmas with Mrs. Johnston's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Friend.

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May you say, sincerely, at the end of 1928

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We aren't crowing because 1927 was a year for us, but we want to thank you by your patronage and good will. To our friends and to our cherished new friends, and to all our friends, we wish a happy New Year, and an abundance of good things. We will be permitted to serve you if you will come.

And for the New Year, we will be full of surprises in the way of cost reductions in service to our customers. Building the recent fire will be rebuilt as one of the best acts of the New Year. In fact, we intend to make 1928 a "big" and better year than ever before and with our confidence and good will we can do it. We all grow and prosper together—so here's to

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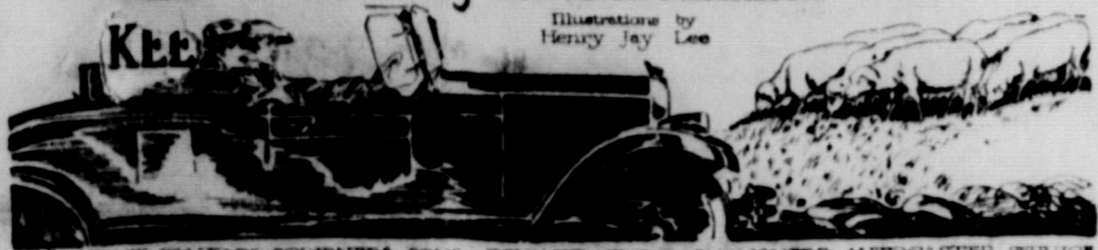
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By Meredith Nicholson

Illustrations by Henry Jay Lee



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INTRODUCTION

Archibald Bennett, wealthy bachelor, travels constantly in the interest of his health. He meets Isabel Perry, who recommends a life of crime, adventure, romance and excitement as a cure for his nerves. Archie goes to Bailey Harbor to investigate a house for his sister, while there he has a pistol duel with an intruder and the intruder is wounded. To evade publicity he flees across country on foot. He is stopped at dawn by "The Governor," master-mind criminal, with whom he joins forces. At Cornford, N. H., Archie meets Isabel but is snubbed.

The Governor changes stolen money for good money. Archie is used as decoy in his schemes. Archie and Governor drive safely away and speed across state to deliver the \$60,000 to train robber Leary at Walker's farm, where Archie gets new insight into workings of crime world.

Walker's daughter asks Archie to help her elope with a young farmhand. He does so, taking the couple across the state on a wild night ride. Seeing Sally on the train he is rewarded with an ardent kiss and turns to find that Isabel has seen the whole scene.

"You were on that train!" he exclaimed—the most fatuous of questions and the poorest possible opening for a conversation.

"I thought I had made it sufficiently plain at Portsmouth that I resent your following me! The meeting there might have been accidental, but seeing you here I am convinced—I am convinced that you are spying on me!"

"But Miss Perry—"

"I should think," she interrupted, "that knowing or suspecting what I am trying to do you would show me some consideration."

"I can explain; really I can explain if you will give me a moment."

"I understand perfectly that but for me you shouldn't be loitering here! And you practically acknowledged at Portsmouth that you were interesting yourself in the affairs of the Congdons!"

"We were playing at cross purposes quite unnecessarily," protested Archie. "Why not confess just what your interest is in that family? I told you quite plainly at Portsmouth that I had reason to believe I had shot Putney Congdon at Bailey Harbor! But for the courage you put in my heart I should never have done that!"

"If you did that you have ruined everything! A dastardly act for which I hope you will pay the full penalty of the law!"

This was wholly unreasonable and quite beside himself he shook his finger in her face.

"You seem to forget that you advised me to flout the law; to do just the things I have been doing roving the world, shooting and plundering."

"Everything has gone wrong," she said, "and you may have all the satisfaction you can get out of your interference, your intrusion upon affairs of the greatest delicacy, in which my assistance and my honor are pledged. That car standing yonder belongs to me and before I leave I want you to walk away from here as rapidly as possible and not turn your head!"

He did not even confirm her statement as to the propinquity of the

car, but crossed the platform with the crestfallen air of a child in disgrace.

He knew nothing save that he was enormously tired and he went to the hotel and crawled wearily into bed.

He was sitting on the edge of the bed when a gently insinuating knock caused him to start.

"Come!"

The door opened slowly, wide enough to permit a man's head to be thrust in. A face wearing an amused smile, a familiar face but the last he expected to see, met his gaze.

"Hist!"

The governor widened the opening in the door and squeezed in. "My dear Archie!" he exclaimed as he locked the door, "how infinitely relieved I am! I was afraid some harm had befallen you, but to find you safe and sound fills my heart with gratitude."

He flung his cap and linen duster down, chose a chair by the window and seated himself with a little sigh.

"I hope," Archie ventured timidly "that you came alone."

"Oh, yes; I am alone! Trust me for that; but my friend Walker was not easily shaken. And his provocation! Oh, my boy, his provocation to justifiable homicide and all that sort of thing."

"Well, I only did what I thought was right," Archie declared doggedly. "I wasn't weighing the consequences."

"Splendid, my dear Archie, to see how beautifully you rose to the situation—a situation that spoke

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A Bright New Year

We hope that your New Year Day will be a happy one—and that each succeeding day will be brighter and merrier than the one before. We wish you, in every sense of the greeting, A Happy New Year!

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Happy New Year

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New Year Greetings

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May you prosper as you never before have prospered.

May every day of the New Year be happier than the one before.

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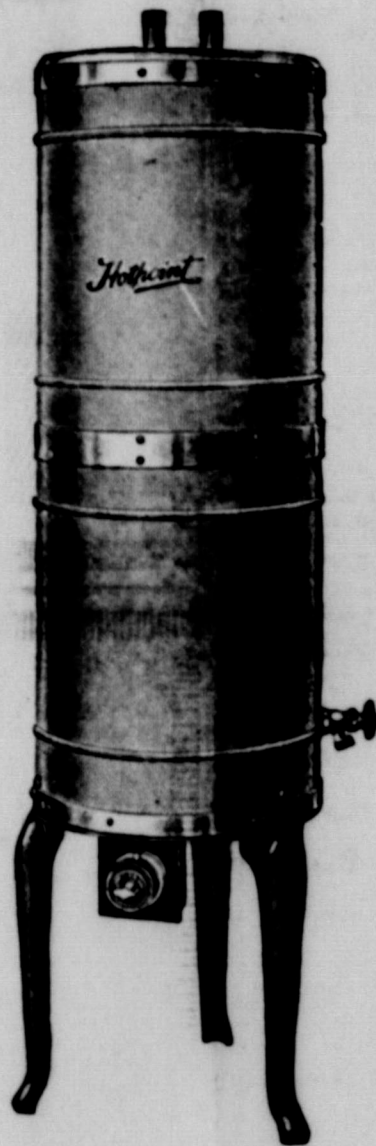


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No. 52 THE STATE OF TEXAS TO THE SHERIFF OR ANY CONSTABLE OF CROCKETT COUNTY—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published, once a week for ten days, exclusive of the first day of publication, before the return day hereof, in some newspaper of general circulation published in said county for a period of not less than one year, the following notice:

To all Persons interested in the Welfare of Hallie Kirkpatrick, Mamie Kirkpatrick and John Kirkpatrick, minors:

You are hereby notified that Myrtle Mitchell joined by her husband John Mitchell has filed in the County court of Crockett County Texas, an application that letters of guardianship De Bonus Non issue to A. C. Hoover upon the estate of said minors, Hallie Kirkpatrick and on the 17th day of December A. D. 1927, by order of the County Judge of said Crockett County, the said A. C. Hoover was

appointed temporary guardian De Bonus Non of the estate of said minors, and at the next regular term of said court, commencing on the first Monday in February, A. D. 1928, the same being the 5th day of February, A. D. 1928, at the courthouse thereof, in Ozona, Texas, at which time, all persons interested in the welfare of said minors, may, and are hereby cited to appear and contest such appointment, if they so desire, and if such appointment is not contested at the term of said court, then the same shall become permanent.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

(SEAL) E. B. Baggett, Jr.
Clerk, County Court,
Crockett County, Texas.

Mrs. E. E. Stjcklen and daughter, Miss Carcie Stricklen, are spending the holidays here visiting friends.

Many Ozona High Graduates Return For Holiday Stay

Many graduates of the Ozona Public School have returned from college for the holidays. T. A. Kincaid, of the Class of 1924, is back from A & M where he takes his degree this spring. Wanda and Gussie Watson are home from Baylor College. Lily Flynn Myers has been in attendance at the University of Texas. Elizabeth Davidson has returned from Ward-Belmont.

Most of the class of 1927, which holds the signal distinction of having been 100 per cent for college this last term, have returned home for the holidays. Seven of these half from Simmons at Abilene—Beulah Baggett, Mildred North, Edna Phillips, Leta Powell, Alva Smith, and Mattie D. and Edith Word. Ethel Childress is home from Ward-Belmont. Louise Coates from S. M. U. and Annie Lee from C. I. A. Vivian Miller and Montie Sapp have attended Draughton's Business College at Abilene. Only one member of the class, Ada Frances Burke, has moved away; She is in attendance at Sul Ross Teachers College.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan McDonald of Canyon, are visiting Mrs. McDonald's parents, Judge and Mrs. Chas. E. Davidson, and other relatives.

Misses Wanda and Gussie Watson who attend Baylor College are are with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Watson, for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Mitcham spent Christmas with Mrs. Mitcham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Childress.

Mr. and Mrs. Othro Adams spent Christmas with Mr. Adams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Adams.

Billy Montgomery of San Angelo is visiting relatives.

Mrs. Mattie D. York, Commie York and Miss Viola Pennington spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Graham. Mrs. York is remaining for a longer visit with her daughter, Mrs. Graham.

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—22-tfc.

POSTED—All my pastures are posted. Anyone caught trapping, hunting, and especially hunting with headlights, will be prosecuted. J. Bert Kincaid. 36-10tp.

POSTED—My ranch lands lying in Crockett County. Trespassing without my consent positively forbidden. S. E. Couch. —29-tfc

POSTED—My ranches lying in Crockett and Val Verde Counties. Trespassing positively forbidden. T. A. Kincaid. —1tp

The regular meeting of the Ozona chapter of the Eastern Star will take place on the 3rd Tuesday night of each month.

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All my pastures are posted. Anyone caught trapping, hunting, and especially hunting with headlights, will be prosecuted. Jones Miller. —34-9tp.

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We have appreciated your patronage during 1927 and have enjoyed serving you. For the New Year we will be equipped to serve you even better and we hope that we may have the opportunity.

Meanwhile, it is our most sincere hope that the New Year holds for you nothing but Happiness and prosperity.

NEW YEAR GREETINGS

From The Force—

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Adams

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Forehand
Charley Owen

Pat McKinney
Buster Miller

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powerfully to your generous heart! If there has been any error it is mine. I should have known from the way you played up to the Seabrook girl that you were far too susceptible to be trusted with women. The error is mine; not yours, Archie; I don't blame you a particle. Sally is a winsome lass; she has a way with her, that girl."

"If you don't mind," said Archie with dignity, "we'll stop talking nonsense. What happened?"

"Just a little curious, are you, as to what followed your amazing breach of hospitality? Ran away with a pretty girl, assisted in marrying her to an undesirable son-in-law, and now you want to know how the old folks take it! Oh, Archie, for sheer innocence you are a wonder!"

"Walker had no right to force a girl like Sally to marry an old curmudgeon she hated. I never hesitated as to the course I should take after she told me her story. The marriage was in proper form and I haven't a single regret!"

"What you did, Archie," the Governor resumed paternally, was to marry Sally, the incomparable, Sally the divine, to Pete Barney, the diamond thief."

"You mean—you mean I married the girl to a crook?" Archie gasped.

"One of the smoothest in the game! And Sally knew he was a crook! I suppose it was the diamonds that fetched her. If you'd

looked at his hands you would have noticed that he hadn't the paws of an honest Green Mountain farmer. Pick-pocket originally and marvellously deft, but precious stones are his true metier. The trifling little necklace he had on his person when he struck Walker's is worth a cool hundred thousand. He'll have to break it up and sell 'em in the usual way and it will take time."

Archie sank upon the bed; he had done a horrible thing, hardly second to murder, and his penitence weighed heavily upon him.

"It doesn't seem possible that the girl would have deceived me!"

"We never know when they are going to deceive us, Archie! Sally hated the farm and was crazy to escape. She lifted a couple of hundred dollars the old man kept under a plank in the parlor floor—an emergency fund in case he ever had to run for it. A nasty trick, I call it; most unfilial on Sally's part. The Walkers are crushed by her conduct. And I had vouched for you at the Walker's; it is almost as bad as though I had betrayed them myself. You will not, of course, make the serious error of knocking at the Walker door again! That would be rubbing it in!"

"I don't want you to think me ungrateful," Archie stammered. "The girl made a fool of me; I see it all now!"

"She made a fool of you but you in turn made a fool of me! And while I'm not ceciling, you will

pardon me son, if I suggest that hereafter you play square with me. I don't mean to curb your personal enterprise, or set any limit on your little affairs of the heart. But let's have no more foolishness."

"I haven't a thing to say for myself!" blurted Archie, who was at the point of tears. "I was weak, miserably weak. I had no idea that any one could lie as that girl did. And it's not fair for me to stay on with you. I can't ask you to trust me again. We'd better part company right here."

"How completely you misjudge me, Archie! There's a charm in you begotten of your very innocence and helplessness, and I should be very unhappy if we

parted now. We've shared some dangers together and in spite of your weakness I'm fond of you. And if I left you to your devices something quite disastrous might happen to you."

The Governor was unconcernedly sketching one of the diagrams with which he seemed to visualize his plans. Archie was startled now to hear his companion muttering to himself:

"Aries, the Lamb, the Fishes! For a time I stumbled and walked in darkness but the leading light is clearer now. The movingfinger writes—writes."

Archie had caught one day a glimpse of several of the zodiacal signs drawn on the margin of a

newspaper where the Governor had neglected to erase them; but he was astounded to find that he was in the company of a man who took counsel of the stars.

"Ne sous une mauvaise étoile! You catch the sense admirably."

When you see me scribbling I am calculating the potency of the dark fate that overhangs me and trying to estimate when if ever the cloud will pass. Don't trouble your head with those fancies; leave them to

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On the Crest Of the Wave

We hope that your ship will come in during 1928 laden with all the good things that you have hoped and dreamed for—And a great deal more!

This is our Happy New Year Greeting to you.

Roy Parker

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Thursday & Friday
Laura LaPlante and James Kirkwood
in
"BUTTERFLIES IN THE RAIN"
In which a modern girl tries her best to shock an old fashioned man and gets the shock of her life

Saturday
Evelyn Brent, Lawrence Gray and Louise Brooks
in
"LOVE 'EM AND LEAVE 'EM"
A new Decalogue—Get 'Em, Pet 'Em, Love 'Em, Leave 'Em
A roaring comedy of modern youth and its loves

The Ozona Theater
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A Full Tide

OF FORTUNE TO YOU

As 1928 comes sailing in, we are hoping that it will hold for you greater happiness than you have ever known—that it will make up to you in full for any unhappiness or misfortune you may have had in 1927—that it will be in truth, A Happy New Year!

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me. Hope is buoyed in me by the fact that never yet have my figures erred.

"To return to practical affairs, we shall abandon Collin's machine and I'll wire him where to pick it up. Then we'll entrain at our leisure."

"If you don't mind my asking, I'd like to know where we're bound for."

"New York, my dear boy, but you needn't be alarmed. It will be hot there and we'll only pause for a day or so. We both need to freshen up our wardrobe a bit."

Archie shook his head stubbornly. "I haven't told you this, but I'm supposed to be in the Canadian Rockies. It would be a risky business for me to show up in town."

"You're a frightful egotist, Archie. This is a large world and man's memory is short. If you see any old friends I beg of you not to attempt to dodge them; shake hands and all heartily by the hand. We'll pretend that our black wool is as white as the drifted snow, and no one will run after us like black sheep, blacksheep."

At the station gates a man in gray livery stepped up and placed his cap to the Governor.

"Ah, Tom; glad to see you again. Thank you sir; is this all the baggage?"

"That's all, Tom. Drive directly home, please?"

"We may wander to our heart's content, Archie, but there's no place like home, particularly when it's little old New York," remarked the Governor, sinking back contentedly.

The car crossed to the Avenue and bore north.

The Governor had not warned him to avoid marking the route which was as familiar to Archie as the palm of his hand, but somewhere in the Seventies he did for a moment lose track of the streets.

And the car, swinging east, stopped midway of a block of handsome residences. There was still the chance that this was all by-play, a trick for concealing their arrival in town; but the footman was already ringing the bell of a house whose facade was the most distinguished in sight. The door was opened by a manservant, whose face expressed pleasure as the Governor passed him with all the airs

of incontestable ownership.

"I think we may as well go at once to our rooms," he said. "You understand, Barnig, that we dine at seven-thirty—places for three."

"Very good, sir; I received your telegram."

On the third floor, Archie surveyed approvingly a lounging room half library and half office.

He tottered toward a stand on which decanters, syphons, and a silver bowl of ice had been placed. He helped himself generously to Scotch; the Governor contented himself with a glass of mineral water—he never took anything else, he explained.

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Having now dispensed with "Oh Promise Me" at weddings—we might say the first great step in stamping out perjury has been taken.

Miss Louise Coates is home from S. M. U. for the holidays.

Miss Vivian Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Miller, became the bride of Ted Adkins at a quiet wedding at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Miller, Saturday afternoon. The bride was a member of the 1927 graduating class of the Ozona High School and attended Draughon's Business College at Abilene the fall term. Mr. Adkins is employed on the W. R. Baggett ranch.

Miss Mary Bell Flowers, daughter of Mrs. B. C. Flowers, and Walter Augustine, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Augustine, were married in San Angelo Saturday morning. The wedding came as a surprise to local friends of the couple. After a short wedding trip they are making their home on Mr. Augustine's ranch in Pecos County.

Mrs. W. R. Baggett, Mrs. J. M. Baggett and Miss Emma Lou Phillips were hostesses at a shower given Tuesday afternoon at the Hotel Ozona for Miss Gertrude North, who will be married Saturday to A. A. Perry, Jr. Many beautiful and useful gifts were given by friends of the young couple and many guests were present for the entertainment despite the inclement weather.

Miss Peggy Schwalbe who is employed in Wichita Falls, is spending her vacation with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Fayette Schwalbe.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Cook of Sinton, Texas, are having a short visit with Mr. Cook's parents, Elder and Mrs. Walter Cook.

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As We Turn Over A New Leaf

Let us be glad for the good things that 1927 brought us.
Let us forget everything unpleasant.
Let us start 1928 with the best of wishes for all.
Let us strive to be worthy of the good will and continued patronage of our friends.

These Are Our Resolutions For 1928

Joe Oberkamp



We Wish You A Happy New Year

That the year bring great prosperity—that you shall know no adversity—that every day in the New Year shall cast new joys in your path—this we wish to you when we say, "Happy New Year All."

The Old Year has been good to Crockett County but still we shed no tear at its passing—the new year promises even greater things. The glow of the New Year now just over the horizon is decidedly a rose tint. May all your expectations for 1928 be fulfilled and then some.

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QUALITY AT LOW COST

New Ford Shown Here Wednesday

Tudor Sedan Attracted Hundreds To Grimmer Show Rooms

Crockett County people were given an opportunity to examine one of the new Ford models at the Grimmer Motor Company local Ford dealers, Wednesday when a Tudor sedan in charge of a factory representative was displayed in the local agency show rooms during the morning.

The car exceeds expectations even after the wide-spread interest it awakened, in the opinion of those who examined it. It is a snappy looking little car and lives up to every claim that was made for it.

The model brought here was a light green color, an excellent fin-

ish and a beautiful light car. Although it was here only a few hours hundreds visited the show rooms during that time and looked it over.

A car for demonstration purposes and possibly a car load to fill first orders, is expected by Mr. Grimmer early in January. Factory representatives assure dealers that enough cars will be available to fill all orders during the coming year.

Class Of '26 Enjoys Banquet At Reunion Christmas Eve Night

On the evening of December 24 at the Hotel Ozona the Senior class of 1926, under the leadership of its president, Hugh Childress, Jr., reassembled for the first time since graduation. A sumptuous banquet was the occasion for a general jollification. Only two members of the class were absent. Members of the classes of 1925

and of 1927 attended as guests. Toasts were offered by Elizabeth Davidson, W. T. Childress, Jake Young and others. President Hugh Childress served as toastmaster and kept everything going in great shape.

After the last course was served a shining Christmas tree was uncovered and promptly despoiled by Jake Young for the benefit of the guests. Gifts consisted of musical instruments, all of which were immediately put into action to the utter distress of hotel management and guests.

Hugh and his Class deserve credit for this novel entertainment based upon a worthy effort to rekindle tender associations and to establish an alumni spirit in a portion of Ozona High's graduates.

METHODIST NOTES

Upon the first day of the week, the first day of the year, I shall go to church; realizing that "I shall pass this way only once. Any good thing, therefore, that I can do or any kindness that I can

show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer it nor neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again." Besides, I want to begin the New Year by confessing God, by expressing myself in worship, by partaking of the sacrament in remembrance of his grace and his gift.

Preaching Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Subject, "A New Year". Text, Lamentations 3: 22,23. Services at 7:15. Subject, "The Worth of a Man." Text, Matt. 16:26

Sunday school every Sunday morning at 9:45. Will Odom Superintendent. Epworth League at 6:30. Mary Childress, president. The Sunday School council will hold its regular monthly meeting Saturday night, Dec. 31. The regular monthly meeting of the board of stewards Saturday night, Jan. 7. J. H. Meredith, pastor

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Meredith of Banquete, Texas, and Miss Mary Meredith of San Antonio spent Christmas with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Meredith of Ozona.

Mother Of Dick And George Baker Dies; Buried At Killeen

Mrs. Jim Baker, 52, mother of Dick and George Baker of Ozona died in a Temple sanitarium last Friday night after an illness lasting several months. Funeral services were held from the family home at Killeen Saturday with all surviving children present.

Mrs. Baker is survived by her husband, six daughters and four sons. The daughters are Mrs. John Barton of Borger, Mrs. Dallas Jobe of Gorman, Mrs. W. P. Mounce of Killeen, Mrs. Theo. Curry of Eastland and Misses Ruby and Mildred Baker of Killeen. The four sons are George and Dick Baker of Ozona and Harold and Troy Baker of Killeen.

Misses Edith and Mattie D. Word, students at Simmons University, Abilene, are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Word.

Few Changes In School Personnel With Opening Mon.

School reopens next Monday, January 2. Some withdrawals have been registered, and a few pupils are slated to enter. However, much change in the school personnel is not anticipated.

Duke Shaw, a senior, has chosen to finish his year in the El Paso High School. Duke is a fine pupil and the school regrets losing him to the El Paso High. Other excellent pupil, Lois D. Adams, will attend school at San Angelo beginning with the new year.

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Miss Lillie Flynn Myers a student in Texas University is home for the Christmas holidays.



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