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Ozona High School Given Highest Rating Accorded On Southern Assn. List

With the highest rating accorded any school of what ever size or class, the Ozona High School has been again admitted to a place on the accredited list of the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools for the Southern States, according to a report just received by Supt. John L. Bishop from A. M. Blackman, chief supervisor of high schools for the State Department of Education at Austin.

Acceptance of the Ozona High School on the Association list was given without a single recommendation, warning or criticism, according to the supervisor's report. This means that the Ozona school met every one of the rigid requirements exacted by the association for its inclusion on its list, and by so doing gained recognition among a select few of the highest ranking schools in the Southern States.

The significance of the local school's listing with the Southern Association will best be realized from a study of the requirements of the association for membership. Certain standards of excellence must be attained for recognition by this association and these standards are so framed as to make for all around excellence in every department of the school.

200 Listed In Texas
At present there are only about 200 schools of all kinds in Texas on the Association list. These include schools of the largest cities in the state, both high schools, colleges and universities. The principal object of the association is to establish helpful relations between secondary schools and institutions of higher learning, and it is also a sort of clearing house through which the records of individual student graduates are maintained. Outstanding requirements of the association for membership are given in a volume of the proceedings of the last annual convention of the association in Atlanta, Ga., a copy of which is in the hands of Superintendent Bishop.

Among these requirements is that 75 per cent of the teachers in a member school must hold degrees not lower than A. B. The Ozona High School tops this requirement by 25 per cent, having a 100 per cent college degree faculty.

To make instruction more efficient, the association requires that the maximum teaching load not exceed 750 pupil periods per week. The heaviest load carried by any teacher in the local school is approximately 500 pupil periods per week, the superintendent said.

Laboratory facilities adequate for courses taught is another requirement of the association. Laboratory facilities here have been examined by state supervisors and declared among the most complete of any school this size in the state.

Stringent Requirements
The association require a minimum of 16 units of affiliation for inclusion in the list. The local
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All-Stars Play Eldorado Friday

Texon Match Postponed & Schleicher Lads Called In

Failing in their efforts to match a game with the Texon All-Stars for New Year's Day, the Ozona All-Stars have thrown out the challenge to the Eldorado town team for the same date and barring further hitches, the game will be with the Eldorado team on the Powell Field gridiron here at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon.

The game was originally matched with Texon after a scheduled game between these two teams on the Texon grid was called off on account of rain. Members of the Texon team were unable to make the trip here New Year's Day and the Eldorado match was made.

Mrs. W. D. Barton Is Laid To Rest

Death Christmas Day Follows Long Illness Of Pioneer Woman

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon at Cedar Hill Cemetery for Mrs. W. D. Barton, 72-year-old pioneer resident of West Texas, who died at her home here at 5:20 o'clock Friday afternoon, December 25, following an illness lasting approximately six months. Services were conducted at the graveside by the Rev. J. H. Meredith, pastor of the Ozona Methodist Church, with the Joe Oberkampff undertaking department in charge. Mrs. Barton was born April 12, 1859, at Mountain City, Hays County, Texas, where she spent her girlhood. She was married November 20, 1884, in Hays County to Mr. Barton, the family later making their home in Coleman, San Angelo and Ozona. With the exception of a period of five years during which they lived in San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Barton had lived in Ozona 29 years. Mr. Barton was county judge of Crockett County one term, in the years 1913 and 1914. For the last several years he has operated the Ozona Hardware Company here.

Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Barton, one of them, a boy dying in infancy, and a girl dying at the age of three years. John Barton is the only surviving child. Clark Barton of Austin, an adopted child, whom Mrs. Barton raised from infancy also survives. The husband and two sisters, Mrs. S. Ligon of Fort Stockton and Mrs. Elam Dudley of Fort Worth, are the other surviving members of the immediate family. Besides these she leaves several nieces and nephews and other relatives and a host of friends throughout this section who will mourn her loss.

In her early girlhood, Mrs. Barton united with the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, of which she was a member until she came to Ozona, when she joined the local Methodist Church. She was a faithful church worker, a staunch friend and an efficient wife and mother.

Active pallbearers were Ben Ingham, Roger Dudley, Morris Dudley, Alvin Harrell, Bill Little
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Betty Ann Fulmer Knocked Down By Car; Slightly Hurt

What might have been a serious accident was narrowly averted last Friday, when Betty Ann Fulmer, 7-year-old daughter of Rev. and Mrs. M. M. Fulmer of Ozona, was struck by an automobile on a downtown street in Del Rio. Betty Ann, in company with Anna Jo and W. P. Meredith, had just come out of the theatre from the Santa Claus show, and ran across the street without seeing the car. The car, moving at a moderate rate of speed, struck her hip knocking her to the pavement. The driver of the car carried her immediately to the offices of the Del Rio Clinic where a thorough examination revealed that except for a badly bruised chin and jaw, from striking the pavement, the child was uninjured. It was considered fortunate that the accident was not more serious.

Yes, Clara Bow Got Married



After several denials, the "It" girl of the movies admitted that she had married Rex Bell, who nursed her back to health on his ranch. The film directors are angling for her return already.

Weiner Roast Friday Night

Everybody Invited To Gathering In Montgomery Pasture

Everybody between the ages of one and one hundred is invited to the big community weiner roast and marshmallow toast Friday evening, January 1, in the Marshall Montgomery pasture about two miles west of the city.

The affair is being sponsored by the Ozona Lions Club and that organization will furnish the bread, apples, oranges, water and an entertainment program. Club committees have also been assigned the task of gathering wood for a big bonfire around which the roasting and toasting processes will take place. The gathering is scheduled for 7:30 p. m. and a blanket invitation to everybody in the community to "bring your weiners and marshmallows" and be on hand.

The weiner roast will be held south of the road a few hundred yards from the fence. Turn in at the gate opposite the gate to the Marshall Montgomery ranch house, is the instruction from the committee. Whether you receive a personal invitation or not, you are expected, the committee declared, and preparations are about completed for a big gathering and an evening of fun for everybody. After the roasting, toasting and feasting, the crowd will take part in an entertainment program of games, which has been arranged by a committee composed of Rev. M. M. Fulmer and John L. Bishop. The committee in charge is composed of Hugh Childress, Jr., Royce Smith, O. W. Smith, M. T. Blackwell and John Pettit.

School Opening Again Delayed

Date Still Uncertain Pending Word From Architects

Formal opening date for the new \$175,000 Ozona High School building was still indefinite this week due to lack of information from contractors and architects concerning the date for completion of the structure, Supt. John L. Bishop announced this morning.

School authorities were told that the building would be ready for occupancy Monday of this week and as a consequence January 4 was set as the date for the formal opening exercises. Later developments in the work on the building indicated that it would not be ready by this date and the opening exercises were postponed. Work has been practically at a standstill all this week and in the absence of heads of the contracting and architects firms no information was available as to the pending date.

A. M. Blackman, chief supervisor of high schools with the state department of education at Austin, who is scheduled to make the principal address at the dedication exercises, has consented to postpone the engagement to suit the convenience of local school authorities, the superintendent said.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Murchison are here from Ft. Stockton to spend the New Year's holiday with Mrs. Murchison's mother, Mrs. Mary Perner, and other relatives.

Mrs. S. E. Couch was a visitor from San Angelo over the weekend.

Wool Industry Facing Brighter Prospects For 1932 As Demand Increases, Says Natl. Co-Op Head

With one of the most difficult marketing years in history behind it, during which a tremendous task was accomplished, the National Wool Marketing corporation looks forward to 1932, convinced that the trend of events in the coming year will favor a more active wool market at firm to better prices.

That is the opinion of J. Byron Wilson, McKinley, Wyoming, general manager of the wool marketing agency for 40,000 wool growers of the United States as the cooperative begins activity to await arrival of an anticipated large 1932 clip from the thousands of producers.

"Through 1931, darkest year of a world-wide depression, when every commodity took price declines, wool held its own," Wilson said. "Wool was one of the few commodities to show an increase in consumption during the unsettled year. The increase came during retrenchment periods of production, labor difficulties and general inactivity.

Co-Op Steadied Market
"During this period the marketing agency for the 40,000 wool growers was outstanding as a factor in keeping market levels on their proper plane," Wilson said. "Our policy of never selling below current price levels and that of rejecting bids below a fair

price, did much to keep wool on its proper level. At the same time we urged independent dealers not to sell their wool when efforts were made by large consumers to force the market down. This resistance to lower prices brought us respect from buyers and as the year ended it left the growers cooperative with more strength than ever.

"These factors clearly demonstrated to wool growers and buyers that the National is the leader of wool marketing. No attempt to create a false price was made and the cooperative did not make efforts to dictate what the price

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Former Resident Critically Hurt

F. A. Gray In Serious Condition Following Fall From Horse

F. A. Gray, for many years a resident of Ozona, now ranching near Rankin, is in a Midland hospital in a critical condition as a result of a fractured skull suffered Monday afternoon when he was thrown from a horse over a cliff while hunting on his ranch.

Mr. Gray was alone when the accident occurred, his companions on the hunt being ahead of him, and details of the fall are lacking. When he failed to catch up with other members of the party, they went back to look for him and found him at the bottom of the cliff, unconscious, and his horse on top of the mesa. It was believed that he was thrown from off the cliff, a fall of between 35 and 40 feet and that his head struck a rock at the bottom of the cliff.

Reports here indicated that Mr. Gray had suffered a fracture of the skull about 4 inches in length and that the brain had been punctured in one spot. He was reported to have rallied for a few minutes yesterday, recognized and spoke to his wife before lapsing again into unconsciousness.

Mr. Gray was in the water well drilling business here a number of years and still owns considerable property here. About a year ago he leased a ranch near Rankin and stocked it and has been attending that business since. He is a brother of Hugh, A. L. and Will Gray of this city and a son-in-law of S. L. Butler.

Mrs. C. C. Doty Buried Friday

Mother Of Mrs. Stephens Perner Died In Eldorado Thursday

Funeral services were conducted at Christoval cemetery Friday afternoon, December 25, for Mrs. May Alice Doty, 70, wife of C. C. Doty of Eldorado and mother of Mrs. Stephens Perner of Ozona, who died at her home in Eldorado Thursday afternoon following a long illness.

It was Mrs. Doty's wish that she be buried in the little resort city in which she and her husband Christopher Columbus Doty, were pioneers and once owned much property. It was Mr. Doty who gave the town of Christoval its name. His first name, translated into Spanish is "Cristobal." The spelling was altered somewhat by the postoffice department and adopted as the name of the little town.

Mr. and Mrs. Doty had lived in Eldorado for many years and Mr. Doty now occupies the post office of peace at Eldorado. He and Mrs. Perner are the only survivors of the immediate family.

Big Ranch Deal Reported Here

Mrs. S. E. Couch Buys 10,000 Acres From W. T. Noelke, Report

A deal was reported to have been completed here this week by which Mrs. S. E. Couch purchased a 10,000 acre ranch in this county from W. T. Noelke for a reported consideration of \$100,000 in cash and notes. Details of the big deal were lacking, however, pending the filing of papers for record in county clerk's office.

Mr. Noelke is understood to have retained the one-eighth mineral rights to the property.

Mrs. John Williams is reported ill in a San Angelo hospital.

17 LETTERMEN GET SWEATERS AT EXERCISES

Formal Presentation Is Made By Coach White Tuesday Morning

VISITORS PRESENT

Work Of Boys, Coach And Pep Squad Praised At Meeting

Seventeen members of the 1931 Ozona High School football squad who earned their letters on the gridiron the past season, were formally presented with their sweaters at appropriate exercises Tuesday morning at the High School building. The formal presentation was made in the presence of a number of visitors, including parents of some of the gridiron warriors, interested fans and members of the 1931 High School pep squad.

Supt. John L. Bishop, who acted as master of ceremonies, paid tribute to the 1931 Lions, not only the select group who were honored with award of letters but to the other members of the group who gave the best they had at every opportunity. Mr. Bishop also praised the work of Coach Ted White, who in his first year as mentor of the local gridiron aggregation, turned out one of the best teams Ozona has put on the field in many years. The pep squad, composed of around 40 high school girls, also came in for glowing tribute from the superintendent. The work of these girls, Mr. Bishop pointed out, played no inconsiderable part in the successful gridiron season.

"It was not necessary for a teacher to be assigned this group of girls to coach them and to drive them to their work," the superintendent declared. "They did it willingly, joyfully, and they worked hard every day. These girls are the true embodiment of that intangible something called school spirit."

Visitors Praise Squad

Mr. Bishop then called on several of the visitors for expressions and among those responding with brief comments expressing the pride of the community in the football team and the work of the school in general were I. G. Rape, Pon Seaborn, John R. Bailey, Will Baggett and Mrs. George Montgomery. Other visitors present included Tom Hunter, Tom Smith, Mrs. B. B. Ingham, Mrs. J. M. Baggett, Mrs. John Curry, Mrs. Will Baggett, Mrs. P. T. Robison, Mrs. Lee Childress, Mrs. Bruce Galyon and Evert White.

Lettermen who were awarded sweaters from the hands of Coach White included B. B. Ingham, Chester Wilson, Lowell Schwalbe, Vic Montgomery, Joe Chandler, Fletcher Freeman, Ethard Glover, James Baggett, Edgar Galyon, Phillip Lee Childress, Billy Baggett
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Cemetery Assn. Elects Officers

Year's Work To Be Reviewed At Meeting Monday Afternoon

Election of officers for the coming year will be the principal business to be taken up at the annual meeting of the Ozona Cemetery Association to be held next Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Joe Pierce, present chairman of the group. The meeting has been called for 2:30 p. m.

Reports of the financial condition of the association, accomplishments of the past year and plans for the coming year will be discussed at the meeting. Every member is expected to be on hand and all invited to be present.

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THURSDAY, DEC. 31, 1931.

DELAYING THE ECONOMIC MACHINE

In a masterly editorial in its December 5 issue, entitled, "Every Man His Own Leader," the Saturday Evening Post sums up conditions today in a way that anyone can understand. It takes the wind out of so-called economic and political leaders who propose sure cures for ills—always at the taxpayers' expense.

It says that "real leadership is developing among employes, business men and farmers who are concentrating on the individual job, putting everything they have into it, stripping their problems down to fundamentals, free from any illusion that by some magic formula they can beat economic law so as to improve their condition."

The article goes on to point out that, just as in the case of rubber, coffee and other products, not to mention our own government experiments "to lift the price of agricultural products by their boot straps," prices dropped steadily until the simple little economic law of supply and demand took a hand.

The Post emphasizes the fact that our problems, local, national and international, will yield to the same commonsense thinking that sensible men apply to their own affairs, if stripped of political humbug and commercialized economic hot air.

On our taxation question, which it lists as possibly our outstanding problem, it says: "It is time that government . . . cut expenses and cut out sinecures, padded payrolls, extravagance, graft and luxuries of all sorts, from the one and two-million-dollar school-houses, that, in the best of times, would be of doubtful value, with their fads and expensive frosting, down to these backroad boulevards. When enough men become their own leaders, they will get together and do something about taxation that is confiscation."

"The greatest leader that the world has ever produced could not help a soft, get-rich-quick, crime-ridden nation that is not self-reliant in its personal affairs and whose citizens are not fighters for efficiency and honesty in its several governments."

"In some respects we have gone ahead in America, in others we have fallen behind. As a nation our fibre is weaker, our fighting condition is softer. We want government pap."

"It is always possible to find a dictator who might make us behave. But what a sorry finish for a free people with a tradition of initiative and individualism behind them."

Every American citizen should read the Post editorial as an incentive to individual effort and to strengthen his determination to carry on our government as the outstanding exponent of individualism as contrasted with paternalistic and bureaucratic policies which pile up taxes to confiscatory proportions and make the citizen a mere workhorse for a top-heavy load of office-holders.

We are rapidly approaching the forks in the road where we will have to follow the straight course ahead which represents American

traditions and ideals, or take the side road which is filled with theoretical chuckholes and experiments which cause miring, breakdown and delays in the normal progress of a well built economic machine.

THE WASHINGTON BICENTENNIAL

Two hundred years ago next month, on February 11, 1732 a son was born to Augustine Washington, a prosperous planter of Wakefield, Westmoreland County, Virginia. This year we are celebrating the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of George Washington. Because the calendar system of the English-speaking world was changed in 1756, by dropping eleven days, we now celebrate Washington's birthday on February 22nd instead of February 11th.

But this whole year will be given over to commemorating the Father of this country. Everybody who can possibly afford to do so ought to make a visit to the city of Washington, and the nearby home of George Washington, Mt. Vernon, as well as to his birth place farther down the Potomac river, at some time or other during the year. It is our feeling that no true American can really get the spirit of America without visiting our national capital and seeing the historic mementos of the great leader who made our nation possible.

The very clothes that Washington wore are on exhibition in the National Museum in Washington. In the great memorial building on Shooter's Hill in Alexandria erected by the Masonic Order as a memorial to Washington, may be seen the apron he wore and the gavel he wielded as Master of Friendship Lodge. In Alexandria still the school which he built and for which he left an endowment in his will, while the very streets of the city are a memorial, for he was the young surveyor who laid them out. St. John's Church, in which he was a vestryman, is open to visitors who are privileged to sit in the pew which Washington occupied, while back from Mt. Vernon is the little country church at Pohick which he attended in his earlier years. Mt. Vernon itself stands almost as Washington left it, with much of the furniture which he used.

BANCROFT IN ECONOMIC LAW

Hugh Bancroft, President of Law, Jones & Co., Inc., publishers of the Wall Street Journal, said "If the federal government is not to add to the difficulties of economic recovery, it must balance its budget and at the same time must not increase federal taxes. Hundreds of millions of dollars are being spent for the purpose of harassing business, destroying and competing unfairly with business. The government is competing with its citizens in 97 separate activities."

MILK AS FOOD

All persons interested in keeping healthy, and particularly the parents of growing children, should be thoroughly informed as to value of milk as a food.

It would seem that the constant advices of doctors, health officers and similar authorities should have resulted in adequate milk consumption. But use of it, on the average, is still below the desirable point. A quart of milk will supply 675 calories—about a third of the day's need of a child of ten, and about a quarter of the day's need of a grown person. It contains, in generous amounts, the three vitamins A, G and D which are absolutely essential to bodily well-being. It likewise contains three of the important minerals needed by the body—calcium, phosphorus and iron. And it contains proteins whose chief work is to build tissue in the body.

It is a historical fact that the pastoral people of other times, being largely milk users, were unusually sturdy and healthy. In present times, milk drinkers are commonly in better condition than those who avoid it. Milk has been called the most nearly perfect food—a statement that medical research has justified.

Twenty-four hour weather report service was inaugurated at Sweetwater recently by the federal government as part of the coast-to-coast service for air travel.

Thirty-five hundred cotton pickers were given jobs through the offices of the United States Labor Bureau at Lamesa this fall.

A Dangerous Criminal By Albert T. Reid



ELECTRICITY DOING ITS JOB

In considering the subject, "Is the Electric Industry Doing Its Job?" John E. Zimmermann, President, The United Gas Improvement Company, said: "The very excellence of the service which the electric companies are rendering throughout the country today constitutes one of the chief difficulties in securing a fair and impartial consideration of such questions as commission regulation, holding companies, valuation, rate of return, etc. The electric service generally in the United States is so uniformly good and interruptions so infrequent and of such short duration, that the public has taken this high standard of service for granted. Forgotten are the long years of research and experimentation which made these standards possible, and what is more important, overlooked is the intimate relation between this quality of service and the efforts of the management that strives to secure the new capital which must be poured into the industry to maintain that high standard of service which the public demands."

If, as Mr. Zimmermann says, we have forgotten these things, it would be well to look backward a moment to the days of poor and expensive service, the days when interruptions in plants were accepted with resignation as being inevitable. We should compare the home of today from the standpoint of economy, convenience, comfort. We should think of the new standards of earning power that electricity has brought to industry with resulting higher wage scales, shorter hours and increased leisure for the workman. Then, and only then, can we really answer Mr. Zimmermann's question—"Is Electricity Doing Its Job?"

JAPAN LEAVES GOLD STANDARD

Japan has now followed Great Britain's lead in deserting the gold standard of coinage. There is simply not enough gold to keep the international commercial machine running. What gold there is, is largely controlled by two countries—the United States and France.

The solution of this situation will probably come through rehabilitation of silver. It should be restored to a fair value, in relation to gold, if world trade is to be stabilized.

MORE HOMES NEEDED

It is an encouraging sign of the times that so much attention is being given by the Federal Government and by the great financial institutions to the subject of home building. According to those who keep track of such things, the country, as a whole, is five or six years behind its normal building program. Young folks continue to grow up and get married and to desire homes of their own, and in almost every part of the country there is a shortage of available modern homes. The big problem

is how to finance home building, but if the national plans which are now being developed work out there is going to be plenty of money available for those who wish to own their own homes but do not wish to pay an excessive price for mortgage money.

It is possible today for any one who has a steady job, or an income that can be relied upon, to build a comfortable modern house by paying in more than a quarter of the total value of the house and lot and spreading the rest of the payments over a term of from ten to fifteen years. That is always a safe investment. The would-be home owners who get into trouble are usually those who try to build a home on a smaller personal investment than 25 per cent of the cost. And there never was a better time to build than now, when all sorts of building materials are cheaper than they have been for many years, and there is ample labor available at reasonable wages.

Once the program of home building gets under way, it will do more than anything else to revive business generally. It will make business for the manufacturers of plumbing, lighting and heating supplies of lumber, brick, cement, of all of the items that go into the construction of a house and, best of all, it will make business for the local dealers in these things, besides giving work to craftsmen in the building trades.

Houses have to be furnished, and to do that makes for more business. Every house that is built adds to the wealth of the community and becomes another stabilizing influence against possible future depressions.

By all means everybody who can possibly afford to do so and does not already own his own home ought to prepare now to build this spring.

SCANDALS

By The Town Gossip

"SEES ALL—HEARS ALL"

Now that Santa Claus has come and gone, we wonder how fond mothers and fathers are going to get the kids to behave. It's an easy matter, the old folks say, to manage the youngsters a few weeks before Christmas when you can threaten to advise Santa Claus not to make his scheduled visit. But since he's already come to see the good ones and the bad ones, it's going to be a difficult matter to convince them they haven't been perfect angels.

See John Rochelle is back. Gossip has been having a hard time since he left finding somebody to lay these dirty cracks on. John's shoulders seem to be as broad as ever and he seems just as capable of carrying the load as ever.

John says Santa Claus was mighty good to him, but the socks don't fit and he already had a tie. But he does think it was just a bit unkind of jolly old Saint

Nick to bring him that blonde headed doll—since he simply can't abide blondes.

Christmas morning an Ozona youngster inquired of his mother where Santa Claus lived.

"At the North Pole," was the answer.

"Well, he's due to have a chill," he boy observed. "He left his clothes here last night."

Pon Seahorn says he doesn't think it's fair, putting him on a cot in the basement and giving Tom Smith a good bed, fireplace and all the fixings upstairs in the new school building. He wants to know who built that school building anyway.

Gossip wishes for the New Year:

That somebody will soon find out just which corner Prosperity is around and which way it was going when last seen.

That Charley Schauer doesn't have to buy a trailer for his family limousine.

That Pon Seahorn, Tom Smith and Paul Perner find new outlets

or their architectural talents. That the repression won't dampen the ardor of Joe Pierce, Vic Pierce, Scott Peters and the rest of the boys in their plans for the greatest Crockett County Race, Race Meet and Stock Show next July.

That there will be enough of this "constant dripping" to wear away the stone hearts of some of these bankers and loan companies. That Bill West will be able to employ some help with his job so he won't have to work himself to death.

That Judge Davidson gets to do some traveling instead of having to stick at home so close.

That Scott Peters will be able to part his hair on the side instead of the middle.

That for the sake of the present unmarred aspect of this scribe's countenance his identity be not discovered during the coming year.

That what we have to sell will be high priced and what we have to buy will be low priced.

That rain, rain and more rain falls on Crockett ranges in 1932 that grass grows tall, sheep and cows grow fat and that all our purses grow fatter.

That there will be no slump in the values placed on friendship.

That all of you will find peace, happiness and prosperity every day of the 366 offered by the New Year.

For Sale—Heavy, Young Thoroughbred A. & M. Strain, Rhode Island Red roosters, \$2.50 each.

MRS. R. W. BARR, BARNHART, TEXAS.

SEZ YOU!

While Firestone, Edison, Ford and Burroughs were touring, a light and a tire on the car went bad. Mr. Ford went into a store and said to the merchant:

"What kind of lights do you have here?"

"Edison," replied the merchant.

"And tires?"

"Firestone."

"You may be interested to know that Mr. Edison and Mr. Firestone are out in my car, and that I am Henry Ford."

As the merchant was putting on the tire, Mr. Burroughs who was well-adorned with white whiskers leaned out of the car, and the merchant looking up at him, said:

"If you tell me you're Santa Claus I'll crown you with this wrench."

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RAPTURE BEYOND

by KATHARINE NEWLIN BURT



When Jocelyn, forgetting what her music master had taught her, played music, her own mother, Marcella, was alarmed. It was like the voice of a stranger in the house.

She rose from the prie-dieu in an alcove of the long Spanish-looking room, difficult to recognize as the living-room of a New York apartment, and came forward past intervening massive furniture to look at the player.

There she sat, the daughter Marcella had put into a foreign convent twelve years before, a smooth sleek golden girl, eighteen years old, fullbodied, narrow-waisted and roundhipped. She used, when her eyes met her mother's, a slow smile. She did nothing quickly. But when she played this music of her own there was a change. Marcella was quick to recognize it. Jocelyn had thrust down her chin and there was in her eyes, when the slow smile left them, the difference between June sky and thunder sky.

Then Marcella thought of the contents of that little crypt above her prie-dieu and of Julian . . . and of all the things that this daughter must never know.

"I want her to be safe," she murmured to a nun when twelve years before she had left the little girl trembling in the dim waxy smelling parlor of the convent. And greeting her only two days ago on the wharf of her native city with all the wharf tall towers stretching up behind them Marcella had said again to the same nun, twelve years older, more waxen and more frail, "Oh, dear Sister Delice, how shall I keep her—safe?"

Jocelyn Harlowe's first ball-gown—it was for a costume ball—was white, as all first ball-gowns probably should be. Standing sheathed in all this purity of color Jocelyn herself had a look of sleek brilliance which did not express her age, her simplicity or her profound lack of all worldly experience.

It was not the convent child's fault that she looked so unconventional. She was really ignorant, a veritable novice in living, but there was in her blood and in her brain a swift rebellious maturity to which her body had subtly shaped itself.

A husband in her mind. It must be managed quickly before Jocelyn was fully awakened to reality. She must be made to long for it ignorantly as a release. If marriage, if this man, could be presented to her as an escape, as the opening rather than the closing of life's doors . . .

Before Jocelyn's return from France Marcella had been busy warming chilled social contacts, melting the edges from metallic connections of one sort or another. She had once a great position in spite of what had once shattered her life, to make herself remembered. So when she brought Jocelyn into the ballroom she was able to obtain for her, aided by her own exotic charm, a sufficiency of fantastic partners—to Jocelyn they all seemed Romeos and the ballroom an iridescent bubble of delight—and at last even to attract for her the supper-partner Marcella had desired. This was Felix Kent, dressed as the Jack of Diamonds, and with his regular Saxon face and large eyes curiously resembling that conventionalized gentleman of fortune:

"But you don't look it," he said, seating himself beside flushed Juliet at the small palmy rosy table they had taken for themselves. "You don't look it and you don't act it and you don't—yes, you do speak it. You have a delicious little French accent. And, well, something about the way you move your lips and use your eyes is different, conventional. Perhaps I'm not going to be disappointed after all."

This was the address altogether different from any Jocelyn had yet received. An older man, evidently. He condescended to her. Well, that was of course to be expected.

"Mr. Kent," she said, "you have really no right to any disappointment, have you? Because you can't have had an interest in me (there was shadowy delicate drum roll on the r) ever before tonight." "You're wrong. I've had an interest in you for—let me see—

twelve years."

"But you are just seely," scoffed Jocelyn at her sweetest. "And I have not any French accent at all."

"Twelve years ago I saw you in a bank in Paris. And I said to your mother, 'Give me a first option when she comes out, won't you, Marcella?'"

"But, Mr. Kent, you are not so old as that."

"I am nineteen years older than you are, Miss Jocelyn."

"And my mother did give you a first—option?" questioned Jocelyn with her eyes down.

Kent stared and laughed delightedly and drew in about her as though he had become for her a warm curtain, sheltering darkening.

"She did, really. She said to me that day in Paris, 'There isn't a man in the world I'd be so glad to trust her to, Felix.'"

Kent laughed. But he was giddy and filled with instant fear. There had never in the world been a lovely child like this one, so frankly hungry, so ignorantly passionate, and so untaught; with not a jot of the deep cold wisdom of experience. He could hardly bear to surrender her to her next partner.

Kent sought out Jocelyn's mother and bending his fair lean height above her he talked and talked and talked.

Marcella was wise.

She declined innumerable invitations.

An occasional theatre-party she accepted. Several of these were given in Jocelyn's honor by Felix Kent. But Marcella brought her charge home after the play, forbidding any extension of gaiety for Jocelyn. She was not to be whirled off to the cafe or restaurants of after midnight joy. Jocelyn was meek, had suffered a long discipline in meekness. But her nerves began to quiver.

"The other girls," she said with a sort of fierce timidity, "the other girls go on, Mother."

"You are not like the other girls," said Marcella, "and I will not let you become like them."

Jocelyn murmured, "They're very nice."

Marcella's hand fell upon hers and tightened sternly.

"I am the judge of niceness."

And Jocelyn sat still under that touch.

Often Felix Kent came in to see them. During his visits in the livingroom Marcella was a constant chaperon. Jocelyn would play her piano or sit with her eyes down listening to her mother's hard manufactured conversation with an older man.

She had never before studied a man at such close quarters. Felix Kent was a man shapely and hard and different in every fiber from her thrilled self. The convent child felt this difference in all her nerves and pulses.

There came an evening when Marcella left them alone.

Jocelyn was at her piano dutifully executing a commanded melody. It was intricate and held all her attention. She did not know that she had been left unchaperoned in the room with Felix Kent.

He came and stood close to her leaning on the piano. In the slim severity of evening dress he looked sleek and attractive, like a

panther. His eyes were now filled with their extraordinary incandescence.

"Stop playing . . . just a minute, Jocelyn, please."

She obeyed, let her hands fall and gave him her meek child's look and her, slow unchildish smile.

"Your mother has left us together. You know I love you."

"Yes," said Jocelyn, trembling and looking down.

"Do you think you can love me?"

"I don't know monsieur."

He laughed in soft delight and drew closer.

"I may put my arm around you, loveliest?"

She made no movement nor sound but he, interpreting her silence, did draw her to him and she came softly suddenly so that all of her young body seemed to be his own. Then he kissed her mouth.

At that she was up and at the far side of the room. Never had he seen a living creature move so swiftly. Both her hands were pressed against her lips. Her bosom panted. Her eyes were distended and wet.

"Oh, no," she whispered. "Oh . . . no . . . no . . . no. I can't."

Kent came toward her, not close for her arms were stretched out to keep him at a distance. She even went back against the window which held an amazing picture of lighted towers and silver smoke and of a sky colored like the petals of dark pansies.

"Darling, I'm sorry. I beg your pardon. I know I frightened you. Please do forgive me." He felt as though he had been sent back in a dream to play the part of a Victorian lover. Phrases came to him from half-forgotten old romantic novels: "I won't do it again. You may take your own time. I want you so: I want you to marry me."

After a considerable silence Jocelyn composed herself. But she stayed against her window, drawn up there as though for an instant spring backward into the great dark city of refuge beyond the window-panes.

"You won't do that again?"

"Not until you wish it. Please, Jocelyn, give me just the tip of your silly little convent fingers."

She let him take her hand and kiss it. She brushed the other hand across her eyes and smiled.

"Then it's all right?" he asked her.

"I think so. Yes: If my mother . . ."

"Your mother gave me her consent at that same costume ball when I was the Jack of Diamonds"

"Do you mean that I will marry you . . . you are asking?"

"Yes."

He had kept her hand, was holding it close to him in both of his own.

"May I have a piano?" whispered Jocelyn.

The question sounded so like mere childishness that Felix laughed out, and again, but very carefully, put his arm about her. She came to him but not so softly, so completely, as before.

"You shall have everything," promised the Jack of Diamonds.

The engagement of Miss Jocelyn Harlowe of New York City to Mr. Felix Kent of Chicago with

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The year 1931 has fallen far short of being what we had all hoped for it, but it has taught us all a lot of good lessons that will be of value to us in the future. The brand new year ahead of us is fraught with possibilities—brighter prospects—glowing promises. It will depend on us what we make of it. Let's make it a year of new friends, of faith to old friends and may good-fellowship and happiness rule this land.

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Uncle Sam's Golden Yardstick Now Measure Of Money Standard Of All Nations; Has Greatest Gold Reserve

BY CALEB JOHNSON

Gold is today the measure of value the world over. That is not because gold in itself is any more valuable than any other metal, but because it is rather easily stored and does not rust or corrode. When it comes to actual value in usefulness, there is no doubt that a ton of steel or of copper is more useful than a ton of gold.

But from time immemorial gold has been the principal standard of wealth, as it is today practically the world's sole standard. It is a yardstick, in fact. All units of measure are arbitrary. They represent something agreed upon between individuals and nations, and individuals and nations are unanimous in agreeing that gold, measured by weight, is the standard by which all money and all wealth is measured. For thousands of years, when silver was less plentiful than it is now, silver was the principal money standard in many parts of the world and until comparatively recent times both silver and gold were used as measures of wealth everywhere. Until after the great European war the gold unit by which all other money and wealth was measured was the English pound sterling. It is curious that the name of this unit comes down from the days when silver was the standard. A "pound" in money was a pound of silver. But by the early part of the nineteenth century silver had begun to be so plentiful by comparison with gold that it no longer served as the best standard of money, and first England and then one by one the other nations of the world accepted gold as the sole monetary standard. The value of the gold pound, measured by United States dollars is \$4.8665. That represents substantially a quarter of one ounce of the precious metal, which is so compact that a bar of gold, 6 1/2 inches long, 3 1/2 inches wide, and 1 1/4 inches thick, is worth \$10,000.

All over the world statesmen and economists are now discussing the possibility of arriving at some new agreement by which silver will be restored, in part at least, to its former position as a standard or measuring stick for money. And the reason for that is that with the exception of the United States and France, none of the great nations of the world has been able to hold on to enough gold to be able to pay its bills in gold when gold is asked for.

The English pound is no longer the standard money of the world. The American dollar has taken its place. For England went off the gold standard last summer and the pound today represents merely the British Government's promise to pay. And the British Government is in such serious financial difficulties, as compared with the United States, that the price of the paper pound has been as low as \$3.20, and well under \$3.50, instead of \$4.86, for several months past.

In other words, the nations of the world are measuring their money and their wealth by the standard of the United States dollar. That is because we have in the vaults of the United States Treasury, the Federal Reserve Banks and other banks, the largest volume of gold that has ever been accumulated under one flag in the history of the world. We hold, in round figures, about forty-five hundred thousand thousand dollars (\$4,500,000,000) worth of gold, France has between two and a half and three billion dollars worth of gold behind its currency.

The trouble in England has been that her trade with foreign nations got to a point where she could not collect gold for the commodities she exported as fast as she had to pay out gold for the commodities which she imported. For while gold cuts very little figure in business transactions inside of national boundaries, it is the only universally acceptable medium of exchange in international trade. So, in order to prevent the complete loss of all of her gold reserves, England had to begin to refuse all demands for gold and to offer instead unsecured promises to pay, which is what the notes of the Bank of England amount to today. Nobody questions that eventually England will come back to the gold standard. Nobody is in a position to prophesy, however, is willing to predict how long it will be before that happens. In the meantime, the money of the British Colonies has depreciated, measured by the United States dollar standard. Canadian dollars have been worth less than eighty-five cents in United States money for several weeks. Money of the other nations that have not been able to maintain the gold standard is also down when measured in dollars. One effect of this is to stimulate purchases by the United States from those countries. Foreign goods are cheaper in dollars than they have been at any time since the great European slump that followed the war. If the rest of the world can induce us to buy enough of their commodities and pay them in gold, they can speedily return to the gold standard. But in the present condition of business in the United States we are importing fewer commodities than for many years past.

Some economic authorities do not believe that it is possible for the whole world to continue to maintain the gold standard, and there is a strong movement toward some kind of a new international agreement which would make a limited proportion of silver equal to gold as a monetary standard. They want to serve the double purpose of putting up the price of silver, which is now around thirty cents an ounce, and has been in the past as high as \$1.50, and of increasing the metallic reserves against currency.

There are great areas with enormous populations that have no use for gold. India, with its three hundred millions of people, was forced to the gold standard in 1926 by the British government, but the people of India still prefer silver to gold. The average worker in India seldom accumulates enough surplus to invest it in even the smallest gold coin. The Hindu has no use for paper money because he has no safe place in which to keep it. He wants to store up his wealth in the form of silver ornaments, bracelets and bangles which are often merely small coins pierced with holes, so that he can carry it with him all the time.

Everybody who reads the newspapers or listens over the radio is going to hear a lot of discussion of this gold and silver problem in the next few months. In the mean time, it is well to keep in mind that one of the reasons why it is important is that all of the war debts owing to the United States from Europe, as well as all of the private debts owed by foreign business to American bankers and merchants, are payable in United States gold dollars, and the rest of the world is very eagerly trying to find some way either to make it easier for them to get gold dollars or to reduce the value of the United States dollar. There is not the slightest chance, however, of the United States going off the gold standard, as conditions stand today.

SUFFERS KNIFE WOUND

Bill Grimmer suffered a painful cut just above the knee Tuesday morning on the Charles E. Davidson, Jr., ranch when a knife with which he was butchering a sheep slipped and struck his leg. The blade pierced to the bone but no leaders or large blood vessels were severed. Several stitches were required to close the wound and at last reports he was resting well at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bunger went to Eden Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mr. Bunger's brother, Henry Bunger, who died at his home there Monday night after an illness of several months.

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Meredith left Tuesday to take their daughters, Misses Mary and Ruth Meredith back to San Antonio after their holiday visit here. They will visit their son, Ray Meredith, in Kingsville, a few days before returning home.

Mrs. Dixie Brown and Miss Beth Davidson leave this morning for Columbia, Mo., where they will resume their studies in the University of Missouri.

Eye Sight Specialist Coming Again

Dr. Fred R. Baker, San Angelo's popular optical specialist, will be at the Hotel Ozona, Friday, Jan. 8th, only. Considerable price reductions have been made in quality glasses, including expert fitting. Forty references from people of this county will be furnished upon request. New 1932 styles in pink and white gold optical ware just received. (Adv.)

METHODIST NOTES

Rev. S. L. Batchelor will preach at the Methodist Church Sunday morning, January 3, and hold the First Quarterly Conference of the year at two in the afternoon. The installation of officers of the Woman's Missionary Societies will be postponed until January 10th. —J. H. Meredith, P. C.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Lunday are the parents of a boy born Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Capps are the parents of a boy born Monday. The newcomer has been named Walter Capps, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Friend, Jr. are the parents of a daughter born Wednesday. The youngster weighed in at 9 1/2 pounds.

The year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Friend is seriously ill with an attack of whooping cough.

Try those delicious Hot Tamales at Moore's Cafe.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cox were here from San Angelo to spend Christmas with Mr. Cox's mother, Mrs. L. B. Cox, Sr. and other relatives.

Dr. and Mrs. G. Miller returned Wednesday from a visit to Moody and other points.

J. L. Glover and family have returned after spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in Lampasas.

Dwaine Puckett was here from Uvalde to visit his father during the holidays.

Mrs. William Swearingen of Lockhart is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Peters.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Friend, Jr., spent the Christmas holidays in San Angelo.

Misses Louise Crowder and Dorothy Miller were visitors to San Angelo Tuesday.

W. R. Mulroy is in Dallas where he is undergoing treatment at the hands of dental specialists.

Glyn Cates, linotype operator for The Stockman, spent the Christmas holidays with his parents in Ferris, Texas.

Cecil and Carol Kennedy of Bellville are here visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Word and family. The boys are nephews of Mrs. Word and made their home here with them last year. They will return to Bellville Friday.

Anna Jo Meredith of Del Rio is visiting Betty Ann Fulmer this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Clayton and Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Clayton spent the week-end in San Angelo visiting Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Clayton.

Mrs. D. D. Shipley of Floydada spent the holidays here as the guest of her sister, Mrs. L. B. Cox, Sr. Mr. Shipley was also here for a day but returned to his home, Mrs. Shipley remaining for a few days visit.

John Rochelle has returned after spending the last several weeks with his family in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Blackwell spent the Christmas holidays visiting relatives in Lometa.

Mr. and H. A. Moore visited relatives in Lometa and Lampasas during the Christmas holidays.

Frank Friend was here on business Tuesday. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Pank Friend.

Mrs. Pipp (at bedside of ill husband): "Oh, doctor, is there no hope?"

Dr. Wise: "First, tell me, which way are you hoping?"

WEST TEXAS NOTES

An Amarillo Hereford bull won first in its class at the Wichita Fat Stock Show, Wichita, Kansas, recently.

A half million tin cans were used in home packing of cans in Denton County this year.

A radio broadcast by the Mineral Wells Chamber of Commerce offering a tire cover to the first person responding from each state in the Union brought two hundred fifty letters.

Curry County, New Mexico, farmers are marketing a breakfast cereal made from wheat.

Eddy County, New Mexico, has sufficient proven potash area to supply the domestic needs of the United States for many years with an increased demand.

The Panhandle of Texas has a road building program aggregating \$2,600,000.00 for the present year.

Amarillo's building permits for ten months of 1931 total over two and a half million dollars.

Twenty million dollars for new buildings and public improvements have been spent in Fort Worth during the past two years.

Six hundred thirty-three tourists visited Palo Duro Park during one Sunday in October.

One hundred fifty rare books from the J. C. Ingram collection, Galveston, have been added to the College of Industrial Arts Library, Denton.

Denton County has forty thousand head of cattle. This was revealed during recent tuberculosis test given among cattle herds.

The Bowie Blade, Bowie's newspaper, celebrated its fortieth anniversary recently.

A Weatherford farmer produced a sweet potato weighing twelve pounds this season.

A Fort Worth packing house official is the authority for the statement that Texas imports seventy per cent of the pork products consumed in the state.

A scenic highway through Davis mountains is to be built soon, seventy-five miles long, and declared to be the most scenic in the Southwest.

Waterworks extensions costing twenty-five thousand dollars are to be built at Alpine, Texas.

Twenty-seven cowboys drove twelve hundred head of cattle to a market at Marfa recently.

A charter has been issued for a railroad from Del Rio to Sonora.

The price of silver is increasing in increased silver mining near Del Rio, and Sierra Blanca, in West Texas.

A twenty thousand dollar feed mill began operations at Fort Stockton recently.

A two hundred thousand dollar oil refining plant is being built near Baird with a daily capacity of fourteen hundred barrels of oil.

Three all-weather runways are under construction at the Abilene airport.

United States Navy officials are being asked to name the next dirigible to be constructed "Amarillo," for the Panhandle city of that name.

Llano, Texas, is shipping the largest pecan crop in years. Three buyers have shipped a quarter million pounds.

Texas' only glass plant, located at Santa Anna in Coleman County, is to be reorganized. It uses silica from Santa Anna mountain, containing the world's largest deposits.

Lampasas is the market place for twenty-five carloads of pecans grown this year, the largest crop on record for the section.

The wheat acreage has been reduced twenty per cent in the Panhandle according to recent estimates.

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THERE'LL BE SOMETHING NEW TOMORROW

EVERY time you feel like muttering "There's nothing new under the sun," take up your hometown newspaper and read through the advertisements. Chances are, you'll change your mind. Here's a new wrinkle in sanitary plumbing . . . there's a new kind of carpet that should have been thought of long ago . . . here's a decidedly better way of washing delicate fabrics.

These things concern you intimately—they affect your life and the manner in which you live it. They are new things under the sun. And advertisements are the arms with which they reach out and touch you. Read the advertisements regularly. There'll be something new tomorrow . . . and the day after . . . and the day after that. Something you wouldn't want to miss.

WOOL INDUSTRY

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should be, except to refuse to dispose of its members' clips at a sacrifice to make a sale.

"Recognition of what the National has done during these past uncertain and trying days was accorded the growers' cooperative by the Boston Transcript, wool authority, in its issue of December 17 when that paper said the National cooperative, which is the largest holder of unsold wool is quoting prices slightly above the market average and shows little hesitation, apparently, in turning down low bids. Some hesitation, if not uncertainty, is usual in the closing month of the year; but sentiment is actually more cheerful now than a year ago."

See Improvement in '32

Marketing conditions for wool should improve during 1932 for many reasons, Mr. Wilson believes. These include increased consumption, curtailed production because of smaller carry-over of sheep and a constantly growing demand for wool. Large replacement needs by mills now operating with depleted stocks on a hand-to-mouth buying policy also will bring about heavier buying.

"For the first ten months of 1931 the United States consumed 63 million pounds more wool than in the same period of 1930," Mr. Wilson said. "These figures, which are exclusive of imported carpet wools, clearly indicate that the nation has returned to wool and that general betterment is in store for the long-suffering wool industry."

"Style trends brought wool into the spotlight a year ago and the steady demand for lighter wools and worsteds has grown so strongly that wool cannot be easily replaced or removed from a new wool-minded buying public. The National has cooperated with all branches of the wool industry in conducting wool promotion and an education campaign to boost wool. In the fall of 1931 our organization took the lead in sponsoring National Wool Week, when \$25,000,000 worth of woolen and worsted fabrics were sold."

"The present popularity of wool the sterling of all fabrics, makes it obvious that wool will be the standard-bearer of dominating style trends for 1932 and for many years to come. With this demand increasing, wool consumption will continue in proportion and the supply for this year should bring better prices."

"Consumption on all grades of domestic wool, except low quarterblood was greater in the first nine months of 1931 than for the same period a year ago. This is especially true of three-eighths blood wool, which experienced a 'run' from mills when it was learned that the supply was low. The increased demand for three-eighths wool also helped stimulate demand for other medium grades."

"Consumption by grades in the United States for the first nine months of 1931 and for 1930 showed that 49,238,000 pounds of three eighths wool was used, compared to 32,169,000 pounds for the same period in 1930; 122,816,000 pounds of fine combing or 20,000,000 pounds more than for nine months a year ago. The United States consumed 56,000,000 pounds of halfblood wool, or 16,000,000 pounds more than the first three-quarters of the year 1930."

Wool Consumption Up

"World wool production for the entire year of 1931 was four per cent above that of 1930, totaling 2,669,000,000 pounds. Figures on the entire year's consumption are not yet available, but for the first ten months of 1931, world consumption was estimated to be 20 per cent greater than in 1930. In the first ten months of 1931 the United States had consumed 357,600,000 pounds of wool, exclusive of carpet wool. This compares to 294,820,000 pounds for the same period a year ago."

"Estimated United States production for 1931 is 432,700,000 pounds or 28,000,000 pounds more than a year ago."

"It is interesting to note that the course of wool consumption throughout 1931, domestic as related to foreign, has risen steadily since passage of the Fordney-McCumber bill in 1922. Index figures based upon 1926 consumption of domestic and foreign wools including carpet wools, at 100 in each case, show the upward trend in domestic wool. At the same time they show the lack of demand for foreign wools."

"Consumption of domestic wool in 1931 was 28 per cent larger than the average for the past five

MRS. BARTON

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ton, Bascomb Cox, Charles Coates and Lloyd Ligon of Fort Stockton.

Honorary pallbearers included Richard Flowers, John Curry, Warren Clayton, Ray Piner, C. J. Watts, Bryan McDonald, W. S. Willis, Scott Peters, Pon Seahorn, Hugh Childress, Lee Childress, John Bailey, Joe T. Davidson, Collins Coates, G. L. Bunker, Joe Oberkamp, Mart Findlater of San Angelo, Roy Henderson, P. L. Childress, Max Schneemann, R. J. Cooke, A. W. Jones, Evert White, Nick Wigzell, Harold Baker, Tip Smith, N. W. Graham, Dr. F. T. McIntire, Dr. G. Miller, C. C. Montgomery, W. R. Phillips, J. O. Seacrest, Tom Smith, Wayne West, Massie West, Ad Harvick, Ele Hagelstein, Charles E. Davidson, Jr., Joe North, Ed Bean, Vernon Cox, I. G. Rape, J. H. McClure, Vic Pierce, Joe Pierce, Ralph Watson, Hugh Childress, Jr., Early Baggett, Monger Baggett, Will Baggett, Bright Baggett, George Harrell, Houston Smith, Rob Miller Roy Miller, Dan Willis, P. T. Robison, Fleet Coates, Paul Perner, Ben Lemmons, Chris Meinecke, W. J. Grimmer, A. C. Hoover, T. A. Kincaid, J. W. Owens, R. F. Powell, John Findlater of San Angelo, Strick Harvick, W. M. Johnigan, Fayette Schwalbe, John Pettit, Sherman Taylor, George Russett, J. T. Keeton, H. M. McGlothing, Dr. J. A. Fussell, Judge Chas. E. Davidson, Jones Miller, Paul Hallecomb, W. E. West, C. C. Luther, O. W. Smith, Walter Augustine, M. T. Blackwell, Clayton Puckett, J. C. Kirby, Jess Hancock, Hugh Gray, S. L. Butler, H. A. Moore and Roscoe Coates.

Among out-of-town friends here for the funeral were John and Frank Findlater and Mrs. Abbie Sawyer of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Puckett, ranch, Mrs. Olene Bell, Mrs. Eddie Ligon and Floyd Ligon of Fort Stockton, Mr. and Mrs. Elam Dudley and Miss Linore Dudley of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Littleton of Abilene and Clark Barton and family of Austin.

Say "I saw it in The Stockman."

years, while consumption of foreign wool for the same period was 26 per cent less, as indicated below:

	Domestic	Foreign
1926	100	100
1927	125	92
1928	110	60
1928	132	82
1929	134	97
1931 (Estimate)	150	60
Five year average	122	86

"With all of these factors in our favor—enough to discount the existing economic discouragements with which we are all familiar—the National Wool Marketing corporation and its 40,000 grower-members look forward to the New Year with brighter hopes than in the past."

OZONA HIGH

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school has a total of 25 units.

Schools included in the association list must allow not over 26 per cent of the student body to take over 4 subjects in any one term. Less than the minimum take over that number here. The local school also meets the requirement that school must be taught 175 days during the year.

Local school authorities point with pride to the Ozona school's library facilities as compared to the minimum requirement of the association. The requirement with reference to libraries is not less than 500 well selected books, exclusive of government documents and text books, suitable for supplemental, cultural and inspirational reading, one good general newspaper in addition to the local one, and a well selected list of from five to ten periodicals suitable for student use. The library of the Ozona High School contains not less than 500 volumes, subscribes for two daily papers in addition to the local paper and takes 24 periodicals.

Other requirements of the association are that the minimum teachers salary be \$1000 or more, that complete records of attendance and scholarship be kept from year to year and that the school be on the Southern Association list must be in the highest class of schools as officially listed by the proper authorities of the state. These requirements are also met by the local school.

The Ozona High School has been on the list of the Southern Association continuously since 1916.

17 LETTERMEN

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gett, S. W. Westfall, Massie Ray Smith, Conley Cox, Hop Hoover, Buddy Moore and Captain Miller Robison.

Following the presentation, the boys filed out of the room and donned their new sweaters and returned to the room where they were greeted with a yell from the pep squad. The grid warriors responded with a cheer for the pep squad, for the coach and for the school.

Mrs. L. B. Cox, Sr., was reported improved this morning after an illness of several days. Dr. George Cox of Del Rio, brother of the late L. B. Cox, Sr., is here at her bedside.

POSTED—All my pastures in Crockett County. Hunting and trapping and all trespassing positively forbidden. Floyd Henderson. 11-1-32

POSTED—All my pastures in Crockett County. Woodhauling, hunting and all trespassing positively forbidden. J. W. HENDERSON, EST.

Here Are Some of the 4-H Club National Champions for 1931



ROBERT E. OWENS Guilford N.Y. MARY TERESA RICO-Keewatin Minn. MARION DOLAN Sun Prairie, Wis. CHARLES L. BROWN -Battle Ground Ind

Series of Ranch Sermons Planned By Baptist Pastor

A series of seven Ranch Sermons has been announced by Rev. A. M. Fulmer, pastor of the First Baptist Church, to begin Sunday evening, January 3rd, and to continue at the evening services there after until the series is completed. The Sunday night's subject is "Outlaw." This is to be followed by "Mavericks," "Dogies," "God's Brand," "The Trail," "God's Cutting Chute," and "The Great Round-Up."

As far as possible these will follow in the order given on consecutive Sunday nights, though due to previous engagements there will necessarily be some skips. A special invitation is extended to ranchmen, ranch hands, cowboys, sheep herders, horse wranglers, fence builders, trappers, and everyone else who is interested in the traditions and terms of the old west. Local color

will be used to illustrate these sermons and make them interesting and helpful. Watch for date announcement or the other subjects.

THANKS LIONS CLUB

Members of the local Mexican Woodmen of the World and the local council of the League of United Latin-American Citizens expressed their thanks to the Ozona Lions Club for the donation of \$5 toward the Christmas tree for poor children of the Mexican settlement provided by these organizations.

SEE N. W. GRAHAM For 5 1/2 Per Cent Loans On Your Ranches

CARD OF THANKS

Your many kind deeds could not heal the wound, nor your words of sympathy lift entirely the burden of grief, but your kindness and your sympathy brought light to us in the darkness of our grief and strength to bow to the will of God. Our hearts are so full of gratitude that we could not adequately express our appreciation to all of you who were so good and kind on the occasion of our bereavement, but we know that you will understand the depth of our simple "Thank you". We also want to express our appreciation for the many beautiful floral offerings.

W. D. Barton John Barton Clark Barton and family Mrs. Elam Dudley Mrs. B. B. Ingham.

Mrs. Chris Meinecke returned last week in time to spend Christmas with her family here after a visit of several months with her daughter in Santa Barbara, Calif.



For The NEW YEAR

The New Year is a time for new beginnings, for new resolves, for a broadening of purpose and a raising of vision. May this New Year find you welcoming a New Era, resolving to make the most of new opportunities and strengthened by a new vision of life's possibilities.

We are grateful to every one of our friends and patrons for their patronage during the past year. We have sought to serve you to the utmost of our ability and we hope that by our efforts we have won your friendship and your goodwill and that we may have the opportunity of further serving you in 1932.

North Motor Co.

Chevrolet Sales & Service—Goodyear Tires

Welding Windmill Erecting and Repairing Wagon and Wood Work

See Us for Your Cabinet Work

O. W. SMITH

Blacksmith Machine Shop

Look, Just Another Friendly Deed That Is A Necessity At This Time

Lower Barber Prices At A. J.'s. NEW SHOP

HAIR CUT	35 CENTS
SHAVE	20 CENTS
SHAMPOO	40 CENTS
TONIC	25 CENTS
SHOE SHINE	10 CENTS

Ozona people spent their money freely with me during good times, and I feel that it is a duty that I owe to my old friends and customers, and the only way I can show my appreciation is by lowering Barber work prices, in accordance with the depression times that we are having. This is no time to try to make money, it is a time of sacrificing to each other. You will receive the same good service that you always received at my place.

I am at your service—A. J. SORRELS.

SANITARY BARBER SHOP

The new Barber Shop South Side of the Square.

RAPTURE BEYOND

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all other possible details of information was presently in due form announced. And Jocelyn wore upon her third finger a diamond as splendid as a star.

"You shall be married in the spring after a four months' engagement," Marcella promised. Later there were evenings, however, when Felix's new role of restraint was difficult to maintain. On one such evening he left Jocelyn abruptly with a manufactured excuse.

She went back into the room and sat down by her piano, brooding.

The door from the passage which led back toward the bedrooms opened softly. Jocelyn whirled about, surprised. She could see no one. But the door had moved.

She was startled.

Then she saw him coming round a great throne of a chair which had interposed between them. The cripple. The little bent man, side-long, with bright eager eyes.

Jocelyn would have screamed but he arrested her with speech.

"Don't be frightened, Jocelyn," he said gently in a voice full of pleasantness, "I wouldn't scare. I wouldn't hurt you for the world. You see, you poor little child, I am your father."

And Jocelyn recognized him.

For years Jocelyn had had a photograph in her possession, secretly. All other pictures of Nick Sandal had been destroyed, clipped into splinters of cardboard and burned to black feathers, by his wife. When the bent man came round the corner of the chair and spoke to her, Jocelyn was therefore able to identify him.

"I'm not afraid of you," she said—a queer first speech from child to parent.

"I'm glad my daughter is not afraid of me. I thought by this time you'd be made . . . of fear—I used to call you 'Lynda.'"

He lifted her hand to his lips. "I came to ask you . . . are you happy?"

"Yes. And thr-rilled."

CONTINUED NEXT WEEK

MAIN STREET LOOKS AT BROADWAY BY OBSERVER

Fog Bothers Liners

The popular conception of an ocean greyhound nearly a quarter of a mile long is that it can disregard almost any natural hazard barring huge icebergs, in its trips across the Atlantic. That this is not true was shown this week when a newspaper headline stated that eight liners were held up on one day for hours because of a fog.

Sometimes the big vessels are held up at Quarantine, five miles from Wall Street, for a full day, during which the passengers can only fuss and fume and eat with reluctance the wonderful extra meals the steamship is forced to serve them free of charge.

Nature still holds the whip hand on man. Even Lindbergh had to give up his plan to fly Grandi to Washington when Italy's foreign minister came here just because of the fog.

Being Pilot No Snap

Every vessel leaving or entering New York Harbor must have a licensed pilot. The penalty for not carrying a pilot is forfeiture of the insurance and the \$300 or so that could be saved is too small to make it advisable to try and cut down on that item.

The pilot "takes over" the vessel as soon as he steps on the bridge and whatever happens from then is the pilot's fault. If he makes a mistake he loses his license and his means of livelihood, which probably took him twenty years to qualify for. It is far from being a soft snap, even on bright days.

When one thinks how hard it is to drive an auto on a misty day one can figure the worries a pilot has in a harbor crowded with ship ping and steering a vessel five blocks long up a narrow river. But it pays a very good income and there is no lack of candidates.

An Infant Industry

New York's telephone directories, issued in four big books, are a nuisance to consult, because of their size. Out of this trouble has



Carl H. Hageman, class of '33, 19 years old, chosen Captain of Harvard's football squad for 1932. He comes from Lorain, Ohio.



L. F. Shuey, 87, is still reporting the proceedings of the U.S. Senate in shorthand. He is a Civil War veteran.



Virginia Penfield, 19, Columbus, O., started a nation-wide hunt for her when she mysteriously disappeared while shopping in Philadelphia, where she attends a fashionable school.



Winston Churchill, famous British statesman, got confused in New York traffic and was badly hurt when a car struck him.

grown a business all its own. This is nothing less than a concern which will take your directories and return them with a thumb index.

Switchboard operators, and others who have to turn to the directories often, find the fifty cents charged for the service a small amount to pay for the convenience obtained.

It's a service that could be started in almost any large town and for other books than directories.

"Farm Boy Makes Good"

Most New York papers ought to carry that headline standing. The most recent case that came to my attention was one in which Edwin Booth Cox, a Maryland farmer boy, figured.

Cox joined the Seventh Regiment, the society soldiers (but great fighters, as they showed in the war) and in three months he got to be a corporal and the pal of more millionaires than he ever thought existed. But that's off the record. The story is that the regiment held a turkey shoot just before Thanksgiving—five shots for fifty cents.

Cox plugged the bulls-eye on his first shot—got an order for a turkey and forty cents back with a request he get out of the contest. He doesn't feel sore, because the colonel patted him on the back for his marksmanship.

Pre-War Sodas

There's been a lot of price-cutting here in various lines, the latest being in the old-fashioned sodas. The 15¢ and 20¢ ice cream sodas have been cut to 10¢ and trade is looking up. Druggists are divided as to whether the plan is a success or not. Anyhow, it looks as if the lower price will stand for a time or until business gets a lot better.

Nearly all of the moderate priced restaurants have cut their prices without lessening the quality of their meals, but most people here figure the old prices were altogether too high in the first place. The average cafe in New York is not likely to follow New York's example in this respect.

Joe Oberkamp Ambulance Service

DAY OR NIGHT
Phone 181

Canadian, Texas, boasts a hog market with gross receipts of one million dollars annually.

A million dollars worth of mohair has been marketed in the San Angelo territory this year.

Any kind of sandwich to order at Moore's Cafe.

Never Mind Whose Fault It Was . . . You're Liable

And weeks in a hospital, plus damages, runs into thousands. It might cost you your home—everything.

Insurance Is Your Only Protection

Protection up to \$50,000 for most cars costs only \$16.32 a year. At such a ridiculously low price you cannot afford to be without protection.

N. W. GRAHAM
INSURANCE—PHONE 91

CARLOAD FEED

We have just bought a car of Gold Chain Flour and Red Chain Feeds.

DAIRY RATION	\$2.00	RED CHAIN BEEF RATION	\$1.85
BLUE CHAIN SCRATCH, 100 lbs.	\$1.75	50 lb. sack	90¢
25 lb. sack	50¢		
Bran, 100 lb. sack	\$1.20	White Corn, 100 lbs.	\$1.50
Milo Maize, 100 lbs.	\$1.40		
GOLD CHAIN FLOUR, 48 lbs.	\$1.20	24 lbs.	70¢
MEAL, 20 lb. sack	50¢	CREAM MEAL, 5 lbs.	20¢
PANCAKE FLOUR, 1 lb. 4 oz.	11¢	CREAM MEAL, 1 lb. 4 oz.	11¢
WHOLE WHEAT FLOUR, 3 lb. pkg., per pkg.	25¢		

This is a new car of fresh mill-products (no bugs)

Trade Where the Cash You Have Will Go the Farthest

GOOD PINTO BEANS, 10 lbs. for	39¢	SPUDS, per lb.	2½¢
PINK BEANS, per lb.			6¢
SAXET SODA WAFERS, 2 lb. box	20¢	SALTINES, 2 lbs.	30¢
SUGAR, 10 lb. sack for			50¢
(Saturday Only, January 2, 1932. Limit 10 lbs. to each customer)			
SOAP, White Eagle, 7 bars	25¢	SOAP, Crystal White, 7 bars	25¢
PAGE MILK, Baby size cans, 7 for	25¢	Tall Cans, each	7¢
SOAP, White King Guaranteed, per pkg.			25¢
SPANISH PEANUTS, per lb.			5¢

These Specials Are For January 1st and 2nd, 1932
Our Everyday Cash Prices Are Cheap—Try Us

PEACHES, Blue Ribbon, 2 lbs.	30¢	1 lb.	16¢
(in sealed pkgs.)			
OUR SPECIAL PEABERRY BLEND COFFEE, reg. 25¢ pkg. for			22¢
SWIFT'S JEWEL LARD, 8 lbs.	75¢	4 lb. bucket	40¢

We have some Libby's "Get Acquainted" Assortments of Foods—\$3.52 worth of Merchandise for \$3.10. Look these assortments over. We'll have a display of the contents of these boxes.

Come to MIKE COUCH'S and start the year 1932 right
We have the most complete and largest stock of Groceries in Ozona. Our Groceries are fresh, complete and new—Try us

Mike Couch

"The Store That Lowered Prices In Ozona"

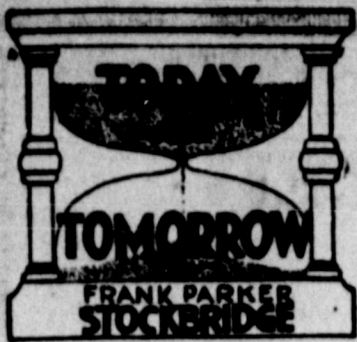
For Every One of You

THIS YEAR of all years, when the patience and fortitude of all has been severely tested, we wish to thank our friends for their patronage and for their friendship and good will.

AND AT this happy season may we add our sincere best wishes for you, a

More Prosperous
New Year

Smith Drug Store
The Rexall Store



CANADA

Canada's census of 1931 has just been completed and it shows the total population of the Dominion to be almost exactly ten million persons. That is an increase of about fourteen per cent in ten years, which is a fairly rapid rate of growth—a faster rate, in fact, than the United States showed between 1920 and 1930. It is not very many people, however, to populate Canada's enormous area. The Dominion as 3,690,000 square miles, which is 660,000 square miles more than the United States. Our population is about thirty-eight persons to the square mile, and Canada's is fewer than three persons to the square mile.

This vast and largely undeveloped area to the north of us still holds immense possibilities for the pioneer and the explorer.

VITAMINES

We hear a lot about vitamins and the necessity of eating foods containing them, but few people are able to keep the list in mind. Here is a simple, concise list of the common foods which contain the vitamins essential to health:

- Vitamine A—milk, butter, fresh cheese, eggs, green vegetables (spinach, lettuce, etc.), yellow vegetables (carrots, yellow corn).
- Vitamine B—Germs of cereals, liver, yeast, lettuce, raw peanuts.
- Vitamine C—Lemons, oranges, grapefruit, raw cabbage and sauerkraut, sprouted grain or peas, tomatoes, lettuce, watercress, raw spinach, turnips or green peppers.
- Vitamine D—Liver and cod liver oil, egg yolk, snails, sunshine (that is, sunshine on the body actually causes vitamine D to appear in the body, which aids bone growth, prevents rickets, prevents tooth decay).
- Vitamine E—Germ oil of wheat or other grain, other vegetable oils, fresh meat and animal fat, fresh lettuce.
- Vitamine F—Same foods as vitamine B.
- Vitamine G—Fresh or evaporated milk, liver, green vegetables, fresh or canned, bananas and yeast.

GAS

Enough natural gas is being produced in the United States today to provide six times as much energy as all of the electric power stations put together.

New natural gas fields of enormous volume have been discovered and developed in the past two years in southern New York and northern Pennsylvania, and in many other sections of the United States. I know some counties in which almost every farmer has his own gas well.

Probably enough natural gas has been allowed to go to waste in the past fifty years to supply the whole nation with fuel for a hundred years. A great many gas fields "petered" out, but new ones are constantly being brought in. Eventually natural gas seems likely to be our chief source of power.

INSURANCE

The life insurance companies of the United States paid more than two thousand million dollars to their policy holders and beneficiaries last year. There is about three times as much life insurance in force today as there was ten years ago. There are literally millions of men who are providing estates for their dependents after they die, and comfort for themselves in old age, by no other means than setting aside a fixed percentage of their incomes for life insurance premiums.

A good rule for anybody buying life insurance is to take as large a policy as can be paid for out of ten per cent of the individual's fixed annual income, and increase the insurance as the income increases.

JOBS

The hardest problem that community committees on unemployment have to face in using the funds raised for unemployment relief is finding or making jobs for the class often called "white collar workers."

It is comparatively easy to make work for the manual laborer. New York is doing this by all sorts of street, park and waterfront improvements. A good many

Polled Angus Wins National Calf Contest



Dorothy Henry, 20, Charleston, Ill., won the national calf contest in Chicago with her entry, a ten-month-old Polled Angus. The calf, "Midnight," won from a field of 420 entries.

white collar workers are being provided work in collecting information which various public and semi-public institutions need but in ordinary times have felt they could not afford to collect. One New York business house suggested a house-to-house canvass of the city to find out how many domestic electrical appliances of all kinds were in use, and on condition that this information should be available to every distributor of electric appliances, one of the unemployment relief agencies put a thousand men and women at work on salary, ringing doorbells and gathering these statistics.

There is no community so small that some work of that general nature cannot be found for unemployed who are not able to do manual labor, and who are unwilling to take charity.

Say "I saw it in The Stockman."

HEAD WORK

A woodpecker pecks out a great many pecks when building himself a hut. He works like a "nigger" To make the hole bigger, And is sore if his cutter won't cut. He doesn't bother with plans Or cheap artisans— But one thing can truly be said: The whole excavation, Has one explanation, His success comes from using his head.

The man who advertises shows good head work.—Ex.

NOTICE RANCHMEN — Will trade first class plumbing jobs for Rambouillet sheep. If interested, write W. E. Brown Plumbing Co., Kerrville, Texas. 3tc

Tobacco has been successfully grown at Sweetwater this year.

Choice Meats
EXPERTLY SLAUGHTERED AND CUT
Barbecued Beef, Mutton, Goat
Barbecued Bologna
OZONA MEAT MARKET
PHONE 29



American Beauty Flour

The Best Money Can Buy
Thirty-Seven Consecutive
Years—You Can't Go
Wrong When You Buy
The Best

Purina Chows

A Feed for Every Animal

**Properly Balanced. Made by the Oldest
and Most Reliable Commercial Mixed
Feed Producers in
Texas**

Let Us Quote Prices
Delivered



LUTHER AND NEWBERRY

Ozona and Barnhart
PHONE 257



**HERE'S TO THE
NEW YEAR**

1932

New Year 1932! The end of one year—the end of a unique epoch—the beginning of a new! That is what we are all so happy about it—it is more than just another New Year—it is a New Era! During the past year we learned our business all over again. It was a year of adjustment—of change of pace—of adaptation to altered circumstances for buyers and sellers alike. We all, now face a new year with new courage—new methods—new ideas. We have become adjusted to new conditions—mutually used to one another's changed manners—ready for a banner year. A happy and prosperous New Year to you all!

Ozona Stockman

"Volunteer Day" Sun. To Inaugurate Baptist '32 Budget Campaign

Inaugurating the 1932 Budget Campaign at the First Baptist Church next Sunday, January 3, has been designated Volunteer Day. At the morning service opportunity will be given all present to subscribe to the church budget for the New Year as a volunteer service and not wait for the committee solicitation.

Envelopes will be furnished each subscriber who desires them, so he may pay his pledge weekly. An effort is to be made to enlist every member of the Church and Sunday School into the financial support of the work of the Lord and for that purpose an "Every-Member-Canvass" is to be made during the month of January. Those who subscribe Sunday will have the joy of being the first fruits of this endeavor as well as being a volunteer. Every member of the Church and Sunday School is urged to volunteer Sunday as a New Year's Resolution.

LEADERSHIP

American Community Life provides this somewhat strange contradiction, that while different sections of people are a good deal alike in character, yet there is an enormous difference in communities. Some cities and towns are hustling and progressive, some are slow and sleepy.

Yet if a group of energetic and confident people went into one of these slow and sleepy places, the chances are strong that they would transform it in a few years. They would find difficulty in rousing the people from their ancient indifference. There would be much croaking and knocking at first.

Yet there is in most people some desire to see their communities go ahead. If a group of people in a disorderly village, should go about that place asking people to have a Clean-Up-day and get rid of the rubbish that disfigures their homes, the chances are that two-thirds of the people who were thus solicited would join the movement. They would hate to fall behind and fail to keep up with their neighbors.

People hate to take the lead in things, they hate to feel that things are depending on them. But if someone else will lead, the rest will generally follow.

What most communities need then, to obtain business progress and community improvement, is leadership. They need a group of people who will take the lead, start things, and organize movements and carry them on. After such movements are started, and are pushed steadily, they are apt to be successful.

How can our towns obtain more leadership? Well, one way to get it, is to encourage the people who do start things. Give them some appreciation and recognition, and avoid needless knocking—Record Bristow, Oklahoma.

Dr. J. A. Fussell and family spent the Christmas holidays visiting friends and relatives in Cisco.

ROBERT-MASSIE COMPANY
Superior Ambulance Service
Phone 4444 Day or Night
San Angelo, Texas

THE PIANO TUNER SAYS—

By Fred Wilson

This is called the Yuletide season because:

You'll stand off your creditors for three months in order to have the cash for Christmas.

You'll blow in cash for a lot of junk nobody wants.

You'll pick out all of your acquaintances who are more prosperous than you and give each one a fifteen cent present with the expectation of receiving one worth fifteen dollars in return.

You'll burn twenty gallons of gasoline and wear out a set of tires going after a sprig of cedar which could be bought on the market for four bits.

You'll be unable to distinguish between red and green traffic lights from December 20th until January 5th.

You'll receive 57 varieties of presents none of which you'll be able to use.

You'll be lucky if you come through without indigestion or delirium tremens.

You'll sober up about the middle of January and spend the balance of the month trying to borrow enough to tide you over until you'll be in condition to work again.



DIRGE FOR THE YEAR

By Percy Bysshe Shelley
Orphan hours, the year is dead,
Come and sigh, come and weep!
Merry hours, smile instead.

For the Year is but asleep,
See, it smiles as it is sleeping,
Mocking your untimely weeping.

As an earthquake rocks a corpse
In its coffin in the clay,
So white Winter, that rough nurse
Rocks the dead-cold year today;
Solemn hours! wail aloud
For your mother in her shroud.

As the wild air stirs and sways
The tree-sprung cradle of a child,
So the breath of these rude days
Rocks the year;—be calm and mild,
Trembling hours; she will arise
With new love within her eyes.

January gray is here,
Take a sexton by her grave;
February bears the bier;
March with grief doth howl and rave,
And April weeps—but, O, ye hours,
Follow with May's fairest flowers

Say "I saw it in The Stockman."

POSTED NOTICE

The entire Hoover Estate is posted and any trespassers will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Mrs. Laura Hoover and family.
10-1-32.

POSTED

All our pastures in Crockett County are posted. Hunting and all trespassing positively forbidden. W. R. & J. M. Baggett. 39-52c

High School Debate Teams Start Warming Up For District Meet

Getting away to an early start, Ozona High School debate enthusiasts held their first meeting Tuesday afternoon to review the question for this year's debate and to lay plans for the work. A representative group attended the meeting and engaged in a general discussion of the question for this year. "Resolved, that lobbying as it is now practiced is detrimental to the best interests of the American government."

This is considered one of the most timely subjects ever adopted for debate. There has been considerable discussion of the subject for a number of years and it concerns all people for it deals with the matter of sane legislation.

There is a wealth of material on both sides of the question and at present the outlook for creditable debating teams here, one of girls and one of boys, is bright, according to teachers in charge of this work. The teams will have approximately three months in which to prepare for the district meet at San Angelo.

CHRISTMAS QUIET HERE

No disturbances or accidents marred the observance of the Yuletide here, and officers declared it was one of the quietest in years. There were no arrests for disturbances or drunkenness, although a small quantity of liquor was confiscated and a Mexican arrested a few days before Christmas. The Mexican was charged with possessing liquor in complaints filed in justice court.

STREET GRADING STARTS

A crew of men and machines was placed at work Wednesday on the preliminary grading work on Broadway as a part of the grading contract on the east end of the Old Spanish Trail through this county. The first effort of the workers was directed to lowering the hill between the Methodist Church and the West Texas Utilities Company building. This point was cut down three or four feet several years ago through co-operation of the West Texas Utilities Company and the county but the work was stopped before the street had been completely levelled. The grading work will extend to the intersection of Broadway and Powell Avenue under the present contract.



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DR. PARRIS, OPTOMETRIST OTIS OPTICAL CO.

Western Reserve Life Bldg. 103 W. Beauregard—San Angelo

POSTED—All my pastures west of Ozona in Crockett County, Hunting, fishing and all trespassing positively forbidden. LEE CHILDRESS. 1-32
Fresh Hot Tamales—Moore's Cafe



With The New Year We Extend You

GREETINGS--

And Wish You

Prosperity, Happiness and Contentment

May joy be yours in bountiful measure and may your fondest hopes for the future be realized.

We sincerely hope that our earnest efforts to serve you well have won us the reward we seek—your friendship and your good will.

San Angelo Telephone Company

Velma Richardson, Local Manager



THANK YOU! and Happy New Year

As we come to the end of the Old Year and launch into the New, we cannot refrain from some kind of expression of our appreciation for our loyal friends who have patronized us during the past year. It has been a most trying year and few will shed tears at its passing. We are proud of our record of service during these trying times and we are grateful for your loyal support.

Now, for the New Year let us wish you all joy and success. The tide seems on the turn, optimism is in the air—may all your highest hopes for the future be realized and may your fondest dreams come true. We will still be in the same old stand, still ready and anxious to serve you. Come to see us.

Flowers Grocery & Bakery

"We Go The Limit To Please"
Phone 3

New Year Greetings

May the good year 1932 bring you a full cup of Happiness and Prosperity

WE THANK YOU

For your patronage during the year just closing. We have given you highest quality merchandise at lowest prices and the best brand of service we could muster. We are going to make it more advantageous for you to trade at home in 1932 with the best lines and the best prices you will find anywhere. Resolve now to give your home merchant a chance—TRADE AT HOME.

Lemmons Dry Goods Co.
"Home of Quality Merchandise"

