

MIDLAND A STOP ON NEW AIRLINE

Plan for Giant Rail Operating Merger Is Recommended

Greatest Snow in Years Covered Texas Saturday

Events

Legend of Christmas Negro Instead of White \$8,000 and Who Pays Byrd One of Immortals

Fewer than thirty words tell of the most celebrated event of the world's history.

There is one representative, however, Allgood of Alabama, who must be accorded the praise of the South.

The South can appreciate that; but look what followed: The House accepted the resignation!

And here is another example of what may come to be more than infrequently seen.

The infusion of new racial traits through intermarriage of types strengthens a race.

De Priest was elected from Chicago. The city of the big gun and bomb men was evidently too busy with the stock market tickers and liquor running to observe the cloud arising over the political horizon.

There is one chance in 20 that he will get a life term in the penitentiary, one chance in six of drawing a lesser term in prison or a reformatory.

2 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS

JUST TWO DAYS LEFT HURRY SO YOU WON'T BE

HEAVIEST FALL IS AT HILLSBORO

Concern For Cattle Felt Over Parts Of State

DALLAS, Dec. 21.—(AP)—With winter's official debut still a day in the future, Texas witnessed its greatest snow in years today.

Flakes blanketed almost the entire southern and central area, from El Paso to Beaumont and from Del Rio to Texarkana.

Far northern cities, by some whimsy of the weather man, escaped the storm.

Dallas and Fort Worth struggled through the mud of rapidly melting flakes, while Amarillo, usually the coldest place in Texas, experienced clear and cool weather.

Report 3 Fatalities

One fatality near Snyder brought the total to three deaths in automobile accidents due to poor visibility and slippery roads.

Some concern was felt tonight for cattle on the ranges as snow depths as great as 25 inches were reported, and depths of from six to 12 inches were common over a large area.

Hillsboro held the unofficial record, the fall there reported as 25 inches.

The storm also hampered communication facilities, some points being cut off entirely.

M'NEIL ASSESSED 40 YEAR TERM ON ROBBERY CHARGE

BROWNWOOD, Dec. 21.—(UP)—The jury in district court here today rendered a verdict of guilty and assessed a sentence of 40 years imprisonment against Captain C. A. McNeil, charged with robbery of the First National bank of Brownwood on March 13, 1929.

One juror arose and said that the jury sympathized with McNeil's predicament, but felt it their duty to find him guilty.

Prior to his arrest, McNeil was highly popular. He was formerly head of the national guard, active in the American Legion and in the Boy Scouts.

GOODFELLOWS ARE NOT "OVER"; SUM STANDS AT \$870

The Goodfellows of Midland have their backs turned to the proverbial wall.

Only two more shopping days until the appearance of Santa Claus in the majority of Midland homes—and before some homes may find the old gentleman overlooking them, if something is not done quickly.

Goodfellows believe the possibility of Santa not coming to some homes is one of the most terrifying things about the 1929 Christmas. They advance a solution for the problem in a statement issued today.

"Last call for the Goodfellow fund! Many has contributed, many have not. There will be more empty stockings in Midland Christmas day than ever before if many do not.

Divorced Again



For the second time the divorce courts have cut the marital bonds of Mrs. Eugenia Bankhead Hoyt, daughter of Congressman Bankhead of Alabama, and Morton McMichael Hoyt, son of former Solicitor General Henry M. Hoyt.

ANDREWS TEST IS SWABBED FOR 180 BBL.; 12 HOURS

At a total depth of 4,428 feet Saturday, the Deep Rock No. 1 Ogdenville well in Andrews county was being swabbed and bailed, while the crew waited for further orders.

At 8 o'clock Saturday morning, there had been swabbed 180 barrels of oil in 12 hours.

Sulphur water, which made its appearance between 4,415-18 feet early Friday, rose to a level of from 500 to 700 feet in the hole but had not risen further, oil men here said last night.

The well is located in section 6, block A-26, Andrews county, and (Continued on Page 8)

Goodfellow Drive Halted; Child Ill

Plans for a rapid fire campaign, to wind up the Goodfellow fund drive Saturday by personal solicitation of Dr. J. D. Young, of people who have not yet donated, were broken into early Saturday when Dr. Young's small son was taken suddenly ill.

In such a time, it was imperative that Dr. Young call off his plans for personal effort in completing the Goodfellow drive. His son had even planned to go with Dr. Young on the trip of solicitation Saturday.

When The Reporter-Telegram editor visited Dr. Young at his home Saturday afternoon, the chief asked that a final appeal be made to those who have not contributed, asking that the drive be completed not later than Monday.

Unless the fund is completed, many Midland children will not share in the happiness of Christmas, he said. He pointed out that many of the most prominent people of Midland have not contributed.

"The Goodfellow campaign is going over," Dr. Young said, "but we must have the cooperation of the people to complete the drive Monday."

Contributions should be mailed or taken to the Goodfellow headquarters at 111 West Texas avenue.

I.C.C. HAS PLAN OF 19 BIG UNITS

Result Of 8 Years Study; Ordered By Congress

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—(AP)—A plan for merging steam railroads of the United States into 19 giant operating units was laid down by the interstate commerce commission today, in compliance with a congressional mandate.

Five eastern trunk lines would be formed, the Pennsylvania, the Baltimore and Ohio, the Wabash and Seaboard, the New York Central, and the Chesapeake and Ohio.

Other Key Lines

Other key systems included in the recommendations were the Atchafalaya, Topeka and Santa Fe, the Missouri Pacific, the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific, the Southern Railway, the Union Pacific, the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, the Great Northern, the Northern Pacific, and the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy.

The plan was offered after eight years of study and is not mandatory but is offered for the railroad's consideration.

W. P. COLLINS DIES; FUNERAL SERVICES AT 3

William Perry Collins, 80, well known as one of Midland county's first farmers and father of several children known here, died Saturday afternoon of causes attributed to old age. He was at his home at 822 South Weatherford street.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the Pres-

byterian church, the Reverend Thomas D. Murphy officiating. Services will be held under auspices of the Masonic Lodge. Burial will follow at Fairview.

Mr. Collins was born in 1849 in Ray county, Tenn. He came to Texas, lived for a time, then returned to Tennessee. In 1905 he came to Midland after living for a time in Fort Worth and Crystal Falls.

For a time he was a carpenter, then began farming. He was one of the first men in the county to attempt farming the almost solid ranch district.

At the time of death, he was the oldest Mason who held affiliation with the local lodge, having become a member of the order in 1885, at Crystal Falls. He joined the Cum-

Who cut off the hand of a human being in Midland and buried it in a sewer construction ditch?

Did an arch criminal lay the bloody basis of a mystery which will place Midland in the prints as the seat of a terrible torture murder?

JACKSON CHEVROLET CO. BUYS SUDDERTH INTERESTS

Local Oil Man Is Interested In Business

Purchase by C. L. Jackson of Midland and his father, B. A. Jackson, of Henrietta, Oklahoma, of the Suddorth-Chevrolet company here was announced Saturday, the deal having taken effect as of the close of business December 16.

C. L. Jackson, head of the land department here of the Tidal Oil company, is well known in Midland, having lived here for the past three years. He will continue his position with the Tidal, his father being active manager of the business.

B. A. Jackson comes to Midland from Henrietta, having been engaged in the automobile business on previous occasions in Oklahoma. Another son, Martin Jackson, will move to Midland in the near future and will be associated in the management of the business.

The new organization will operate under the name of Jackson Chevrolet company, and will continue as dealer for Chevrolet automobiles in the same territory covered by the Suddorth organization, with sales room and service department at the corner of Wall and Lorraine streets, across the street west of Hotel Scharbauer.

"We expect to continue the same standards of service which have been set up by Mr. Suddorth," B. A. Jackson said. "The organization will not be changed as long as it operates properly and profitably."

"I like Midland and see great possibilities here. I have lived in the west for years and these are my kind of people."

T. B. Suddorth, head of the former Suddorth Chevrolet company, has not announced his immediate plans. He owns the Chevrolet business at Silver City, N. M., and has other interests in West Texas and adjacent territory. His two children are attending school in Midland.

C. L. Jackson is one of the leading men of the fraternity in this section, and Midland business men who learned Saturday of his investment and that of his father expressed their pleasure at the new connection.

"WHITEY" WALKER IS SENTENCED TO LIFE IN PRISON

ADA, Okla., Dec. 21.—(UP)—Judge Orel Busby today sentenced Williams Jennings Bryan "Whitey" Walker, notorious outlaw, to life imprisonment. He was convicted Thursday of robbing with firearms the First National bank of Allen in 1928.

Walker was released to Oklahoma authorities by Clem Calhoun, Borger district attorney, when Calhoun believed he was unable to convict Walker on a charge in connection with the murdering of two Borger deputy sheriffs.

Needle Pricking To Prove Case



"Hysterical anesthesia" is the newest term to enter the case of "California's prettiest slayer."

After her former husband was found shot to death in her apartment here last summer, Mrs. Slayback was charged with the murder. She was tried, found guilty "by reason of insanity," and sent to an asylum. Now her attorney, S. Luke Howe, has filed a habeas corpus petition, claiming she has no homicidal tendencies, which is to be heard on January 7.

Dr. Twitchell produced one of the most dramatic situations of the trial when he led the woman before the jury, bared her left arm, and drove a needle into the arm. The jury gasped. Mrs. Slayback, never wincing, declared she could not feel it. Twitchell declared this was evidence that her left side was insensible to pain, and presented this as one of the evidences of the strange malady.

Army Designer Wants a Bigger Hangar at Port

The construction program at Sloan Field, Midland municipal airport, may be greater than at first conceived it has become known following the visit here of Captain L. B. Crawford, reserve officer who designs airfields and physical equipment for the government.

Where it was formerly planned to erect an 80x120 hangar, Captain Crawford recommended a 120x220 building. This is to be furnished by the government and will be put up as soon as the sections can be shipped.

The concrete floor of the hangar alone will cost \$4,000, exclusive of the big concrete apron which will probably be constructed before the hangar, it has been estimated.

Captain Crawford made a few changes in the plans of the administration building, then marked his okeh on them and said construction might proceed. These plans were drawn by Charles Nolan, city building inspector.

Staking off for the construction has already started at the port. Within a few months the landing field will have changed completely, according to Field-Manager Becherer. Radio towers, 80-feet in height will be up, barracks built, meteorological station in, and government men here to aid in caring for the added improvements.

Whether or not a basketball player makes a basket, it's a toss-up.

PARIS, December 21.—(P)—Mrs. James Thomas Frazier, 18, bride of two months, was found dead by her husband at their home yesterday, her head lying near a gas heater. No reason for the act was assigned.

S-A-F-E TO LAND AT PORT

Line Connects With Cromwell Route At Abilene

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 21.—Midland and Abilene will be included on regular schedules of the Southwest Air Fast Express, airline which operates out of Tulsa, it was announced Saturday by Larry Fritz, general manager.

Stops will be made on the Sweetwater route. The Abilene stop will connect the system with the Cromwell airlines operating from there to Houston.

Prospects for Midland becoming an air center received further impetus when Fritz made his announcement.

S. A. T. Already Here

Southern Air Transport, largest subsidiary of Aviation Corporation's great network serves Midland daily with a plane from the east and one from the west. The designation of an army airport here will cause army hangars, radio and meteorological stations, administration building and barracks to be erected in the near future.

A possible landing point on a proposed airline from Canada to Mexico has already been discussed. Midland is certain to be on the first transcontinental airmail line to be put across the Southern transcontinental route, decision having been reached recently by the interdepartmental committee in Washington.

Services Offered

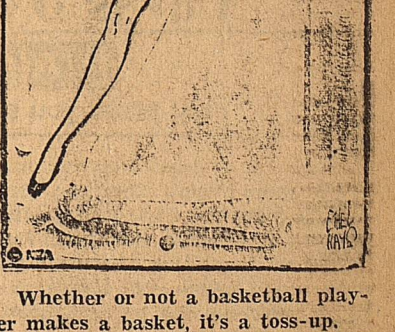
Noted airmen connected with the government have pointed out the future position of Midland as well fixed in regard to aeronautic possibilities.

Immediately upon receiving information of S. A. F. E. deciding upon Midland as a stop three letters were written to Fritz, from the chamber of commerce, Field-Manager H. M. Becherer of Sloan Field, Midland Municipal airport, and from K. E. Ambrose, chairman of the aeronautics committee of the chamber of commerce. All pledged every support possible to the new line.

Aid Rushed To Ship Reported Sinking

BOSTON, December 21.—(UP)—The steamer Santa Anna, leaking badly 130 miles south of the Isle of Pines directly south of Cuba, has lost its steering gear and is "barely able to keep afloat."

Three vessels are speeding to it with aid. The steamer "Athelstief" arrived alongside at 11:24 this morning.



FLAPPER FANNY SAYS

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MIDLAND HOMES MADE HAPPY

Scores of Midland homes have been made happy this week by the return of young men and women from college. This return to their homes for the holidays is one of the BIG events of the year for college students, and it is just as big for parents, sisters and brothers, as well as friends.

The young son comes home from a military school, and under his three months of hard drilling, regular hours and consistent study, he proudly displays 10 or 15 additional pounds of weight.

Or perhaps he went to a University and comes home with a record of unusual achievement in his scholastic work, or made his letter in athletics; or maybe he is just one of those average college boys who are the backbone of our educational institutions and the material from which our leading citizens are made. All of them are welcome home at Christmas time.

And look at the girls. Nine out of ten have changed the style of their hair, are wearing longer skirts, use a different color of make-up, all of which is no hamper to their serious work in college, and their families and friends are tickled to death to see them at Christmas time.

It's just a big round of pleasure in Midland, just as it is in towns and cities all over the world. The college students are home for the holidays.

LET DICKENS TELL YOU

It's really a little bit hard to write about Christmas. When you tackle that subject you're tackling something that's just a little bit too big for you; for Christmas, besides being a gay holiday, is one of those occasions when the ordinary, prosaic world splits in two and gives you a glimpse of indescribable wonder and glory lying beyond.

Nevertheless, it's a simple thing—Christmas—like all great occasions. And, after all, simple language is the best to use. There is, for instance, this very familiar quotation from Dickens' "Christmas Carol," in which Scrooge's nephew answers his uncle's taunt, "Much good Christmas has ever done you!"

"There are many things from which I might have derived good, by which I have not profited, I dare say," says the nephew, "Christmas time among the rest. But I am sure I have always thought of Christmas-time, when it has come round—apart from the veneration due to its sacred name and origin, if anything belonging to it can be apart from that—as a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time; the only time I know of, in the long calendar of the year, when men and women seem by one consent to open their shut-up hearts freely, and to think of people below them as if they really were fellow-passengers to the grave, and not another race of creatures bound on other journeys.

"And therefore, uncle, though it has never put a scarp of gold or silver in my pocket, I believe that it has done me good, and will do me good; and I say, God bless it!"

There you have it. Christmas is, above everything else, an understanding time; a time, as Dickens remarks, when, for once in the year, we realize that we and our unknown fellow-human beings are, after all, all in the same boat, blood-brothers on an identical pilgrimage, bound out of the same mystery into the same mystery.

You won't find it better expressed than in that quotation from Dickens. You might just clip that and put it away somewhere. It will stand a second reading.

ERRORGRAMS



They's Scrambled'm

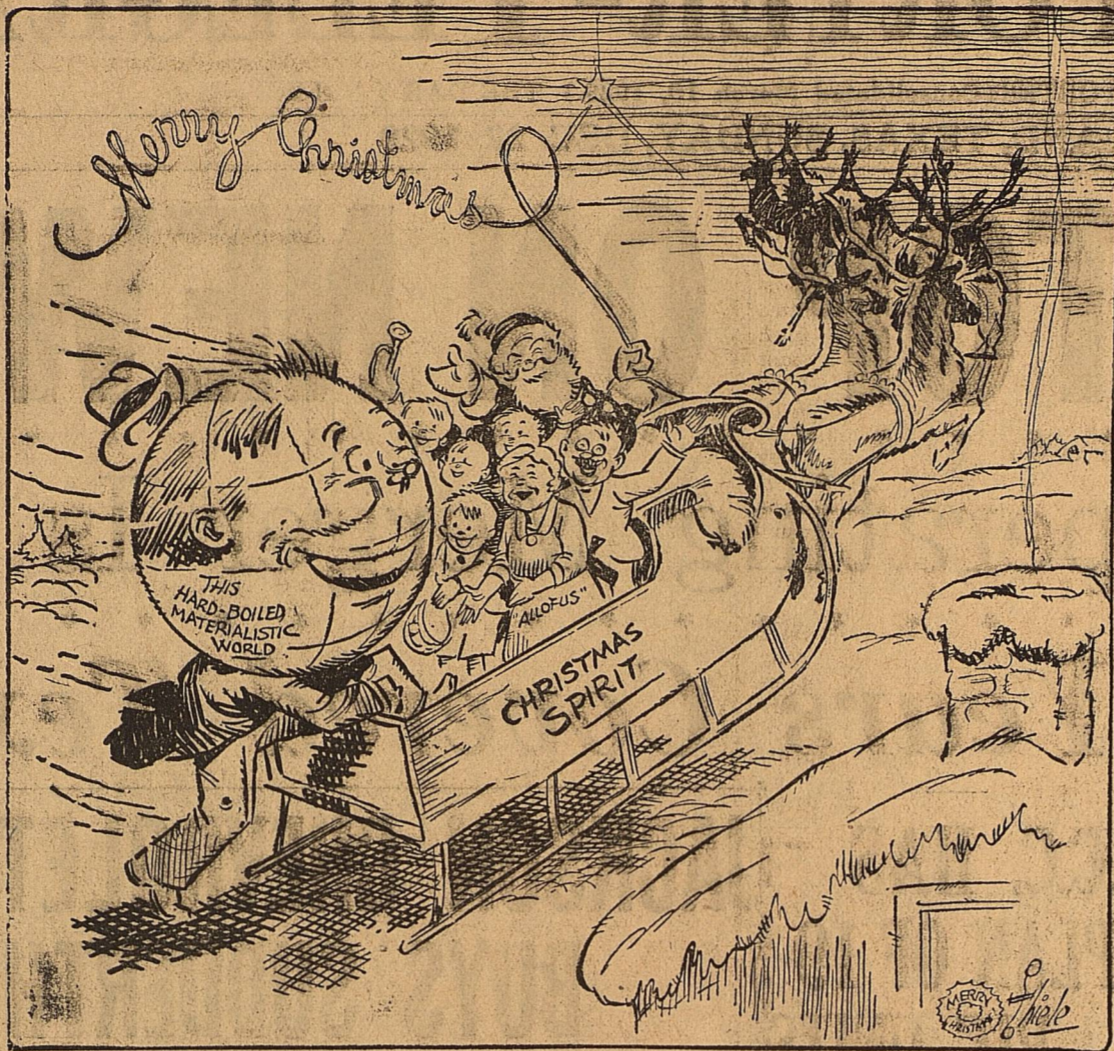
RAGES

They make you shift for yourself.

There are at least four mistakes in the above picture. They may pertain to grammar, history, etiquette, drawing or whatnot. See if you can find them. Then look at the scrambled word below—and unscramble it, by switching the letters around.

Grade yourself 20 for each of the mistakes you find, and 20 for the word if you unscramble it. Today, on page 6, we'll explain the mistakes and tell you the word. Then you can see how near a hundred you hit.

There's Always Room for One More!



WASHINGTON LETTER

There'll Be No More Tariff Fights in Another 20 Years, Says Congressman Huddleston, Because the Whole Country Will Be Converted to the Free Trade Theory.

By RODNEY DUTCHER
NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON—The current tariff fight is only the beginning of a last, decisive struggle over the protective theory.

There will be more tariff fights, continues Congressman George Huddleston of Alabama, until in 10 or 15 or perhaps 20 years a general reversal of opinion will have developed and the free trader again will have come into his own.

Important branches of industry are already coming to realize that the protective tariff system is a handicap to them, Huddleston says, and as soon as the farmers become fully aware of the same thing in their own case the destruction of the system will be in plain sight.

Financiers Don't Want It. "We have observed some rays of light this year," says Huddleston, "which forecast the future. Recognition is growing all the time in a great section of American public opinion, especially among financiers and industrial leaders who are looking abroad for business, that all tariffs are handicaps to international commerce.

"That goes even for certain lines of American manufacture. The automobile business, for instance, is looking to foreign markets. The tariff can't help it because its prices are fixed by domestic competition. They have an important exportable surplus and the tariff system hinders them because of the high duties placed by foreign nations on American cars.

"The textile and coal industries are in poor shape. In both the costs of production are increased by the protective system. Everything the textile mills buy in the way of equipment if not in raw materials is increased in price. The man operating a coal mine buys his machinery and a great deal of expensive equipment for higher prices. When he sells coal it's on a basis of domestic competition. The same condition is true in the coarser grades of textiles and it is becoming increasingly true with the finer textiles.

"American textile manufacturers can't compete with foreign manufacturers because their costs are so enhanced by tariffs and it's the same way with automobile manufacturers and many others.

"I think most of these farm state senators are supporting the higher agricultural rates with tongues in their cheeks, realizing that few of these agricultural tariffs will be effective. Everyone knows that they are not effective on such important agricultural products as wheat and cotton and corn because of the large exportable surplus.

"But the constituents of these senators, not realizing it as well as they do, are not yet ready to support them in a fight on the protective system.

"Of course we know that the farmer's costs of production and his costs of living are greatly increased by the tariff. It is not conceivable that the farmer, aware of this and realizing that he cannot become a beneficiary of the tariff, will cling much longer to his acceptance of the system.

"Already, I believe, the farmers are saying to themselves: 'We are going to see if this tariff works for us and, if it doesn't we'll tear down the whole playhouse.'

Senator Howell's Plan. There are farm state senators



The Town Quack

Reserves the right to "quack" about everything without taking a stand on anything.

A jeweler appeared in court complaining against a man who had been arrested for theft of a clock. The judge heard both sides and said to the plaintiff, "You get the clock." "What do I get?" asked the defendant. "You get the 8 days," the judge replied.

I hope the people of Stanton didn't think I was laughing at the town when I passed through there Friday. Just as I left the office, Hankins said, "I was just reading about Miss Laura Pickens here. I wonder if she is a sister to Slim." Just as I got to Stanton I "got it" and began to laugh uproariously.

A Midland boy can play four musical instruments. A neighbor was talking to the boy's mother, and complimented him on his talent. "Why, yes," the mother replied, "he has always shown talent. When he was only a few months old, he was playing on the linoleum."



Next Week in Christmas

For the sake of those who have stood behind the counter from early morning till late at night to please you, satisfy and serve you well, I hope you did your shopping early. I hope there isn't a toy left in all of your stores—I hope every boy and every girl will find their stockings full to overflowing—that you will see to it that every boy and girl does have a Christmas.

May everybody in Midland be happy, and merry this Christmas, and when the family circle gathers 'round the dinner table, may every heart be glad.

No doubt there will be those with you this year who haven't been back to the old home town for months and months—perhaps years. There may be, too, those among you who never have been in Midland before. While they are "home" light of heart and gay, meeting old acquaintance and making new, show them Midland as it is today. Tell them what hopes you have for future growth and ask them, when occasion arises, to say a good word for Midland.

"Sell" them on the place where you live, work, play and make your money, so that wherever they go

who think as Huddleston does, for those from the grain belt admit that there is no salvation in the tariff for agriculture.

Senator Howell once proposed that in answer to the industrial east following the Coolidge veto of the McNary-Haugen bill, the supporters of that measure begin to tear down the protective tariff wall stone by stone, or schedule by schedule. He argued that if agriculture could not be brought up to the level of industry, then industry must be dragged down to equality with agriculture in a gradual process.

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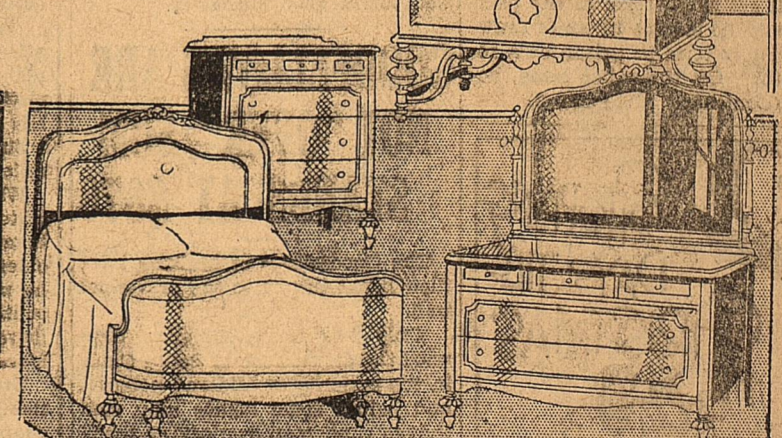
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FATALITIES REPORTED AS STORM HITS TEXAS

Heaviest Snowfall In Decade Is Reported

Automobile fatalities resulting from snowstorms had claimed four lives in Texas as reports from the Associated Press and the United Press were received Saturday, the snowfall, sweeping Texas from the Panhandle to the southern coastal regions, being the heaviest in a decade.

Poor visibility is blamed for the death of Mrs. J. R. Farmer, near Austin, when a Missouri Pacific freight train crushed an automobile. Mrs. Austin's husband and son were injured slightly. The train crew, not knowing of the wreck went on.

George Wesley was killed near Floresville when his automobile skidded and struck a truck.

D. H. Watel, 50, en route to his home at Dallas, was killed near Snyder when his coupe skidded on a snowy hill and overturned, crushing him. His car was loaded with Christmas presents.

Milton Yarbrough, 15, died in a hospital from injuries received when a car overturned on a snow covered road.

Heaviest in Central Texas
Snowfall was reported from many sections of the state, some of the reports being as follows:

Coriscana	14 inches
El Paso	5 inches
Brady	12 inches
Ennis	6 inches
Nacogdoches	4 inches
Bryan	7 inches
Waco	7 inches
Lometa	10 inches
Menard	10 inches
Childress	3 inches
Childress	3 inches
Abilene	3 inches
Borger	3 inches
Tyler	10 inches

Rain At Brownsville
Brownsville was reported free of snow, but rain was falling. Eagle Pass reported the first snow for four years on the international boundary. North Texas cities sloshed through light snow that melted rapidly. Central Texas was promised a white Christmas, snow having fallen Friday night and Saturday.

The weather forecast for east Texas calls for snow in the South portion, Sunday, with rain or snow on the coast and cloudy weather in the north portion.

West Texas is promised fair weather with rising temperatures.

Local Church To Have Program

The "White Christmas" program to be given Sunday night at the Baptist Church, is in charge of Mrs. Claude Cowden, president of the W. M. S. A sketch follows:

Mrs. Paul T. Vickers will tell the story of "Why The Chimes Rang," and Fred Gordon Middleton and Paul Hyatt will dramatize the story. Duffey Stanley will guard the gate to the altar. Angels will be Jean Verdier, Barbara Gann, Maurice Elliott, Elouise Sundquist, Louise Elkin, Vivian McCargo, Mary Helen Walker, Lois Murphy and Doris Lynn Pemberton.

Each department or class of the Sunday school will either place a gift on the altar or have a representative tell what that department is doing this year to bring Christmas to the more unfortunate.

The Junior department of the Sunday school will sing a Christmas song.

Anyone who wishes to give groceries, clothing, money and so forth is asked to wrap the gift in white.

What some after-dinner speakers need is not a watch—but a calendar.



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TEXAS ELECTRIC IS INVOLVED IN CONSOLIDATION

Announcement was made yesterday of the consolidation of the Fort Worth Power and Light company with the Texas Electric Service company, charter having been granted Thursday in the name of the Texas Electric Service company.

Aubrey S. Legg, district manager of the Texas Electric here said that the merger was for economy of operation, and does not affect the company in this territory.

The new company will take over with the West Texas units, the Fort Worth Power and Light Company and its general headquarters will be in Fort Worth. A gradual but ultimately extensive enlargement of the present organization will follow the formation of the new company, which is designed to serve all of West Texas.

Among the larger cities of West Texas, whose electric operations will be under the supervision of the Fort Worth headquarters are Wichita Falls, where a large power plant is located; Ranger, Eastland, Sweetwater, Big Spring, Breckenridge, Midland and Eagle Pass and Piedras Negras in Mexico.

LEADS TEAM AND CLASS

SAN MARCOS, Tex.—(P)—When Garrison Rush, first string forward on the Southwest Texas Teachers College's basketball team, is not shooting his way to victory as a forward he is leading the junior class as its highest ranking student, records show. Rush was elected this week to membership in the Nolle Scholarship Society, and his name headed the list of high ranking juniors.

BIDS WANTED Midland County Court House

Sealed bids will be received by the Commissioners Court of Midland County, until 10 A. M. Wednesday, January 8, 1930, on the erection and completion of a Court House building costing \$295,000 including all furnishings and equipment.

Building is to be approximately 70x130 feet and five stories in height. Structure to be of reinforced concrete, exterior walls of brick,

faced with stone. Interior walls plaster and marble. Floors Tile, Terrazzo, Cement and Linoleum, Steel for trim Oak.

Separate bids will be taken on General Construction, Plumbing, Heating, Wiring, Electric Fixtures, Movable Wood Furniture, Court Room Furniture, Steel Furniture, & Equipment, Elevator and Jail Equipment.

Plans and specifications may be obtained by Contractors at the office of Voelcker & Dixon, Inc., Architects, 207 Perkins-Snyder Building, Wichita Falls, Texas. A deposit of Certified Check in amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) will be required. Check to be refunded when plans and specifications are returned with a bonafide bid at the time of the letting or within seven days of date of issue of plans, should contractor not make a bid. Plans will also be on file at the Midland County Judge's Office; Texas Contractor-Plan Room, Dal-

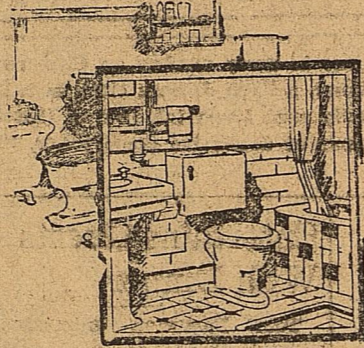
las, Texas; Fort Worth Sub-Contractor's & Material Mens Association, Fort Worth, Texas; and San Antonio Builders Exchange, San Antonio, Texas.

Bids must be submitted according to the standard form submitted by the Architects and accompanied by a Certified Check to the amount of 5 per cent of total amount of bid submitted by bidder. Certified check to be made payable to Judge M. E. Hill and is to be posted as a forfeit to guarantee proper performance of contract and furnishing an acceptable Surety Bond to the full amount of contract, within ten days of award of contract by Commissioners Court.

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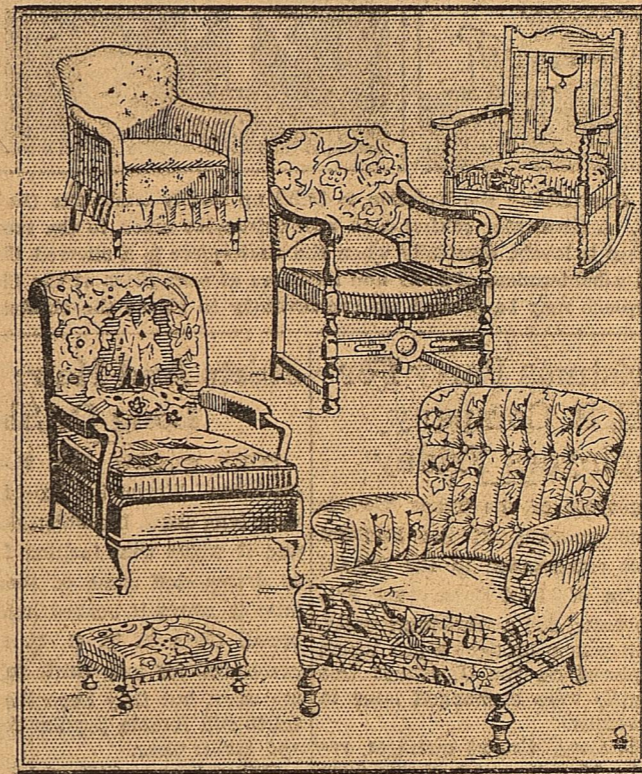
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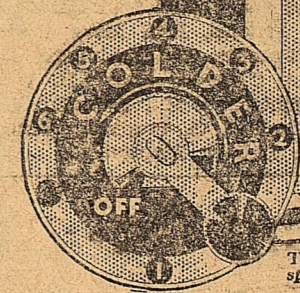
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HOLIDAY SEASON BUSY TIME FOR MIDLAND SOCIETY

Today ushers in Christmas week. It is crowded with church affairs, informal parties, dinners and Christmas breakfasts and such.

Several groups are planning gay processions from house to house on Christmas day, with hurried visits to each place.

Tuesday night every church in town is going to have a Christmas tree.

And the students home from college! They stand in the limelight. Plans are being made for parties in their honor and in honor of visiting students from other places.

Of special interest are the names of college boys and girls who are already here or will be here in the next day or two.

Miss Lydie Watson and Mr. Ned Watson furnished the music. Inn Porters were William Morris Cole and Duffey Stanley.

bits of dancing by Neva Rae Drake, Doris Harrison, Jesse Lynn Tuttle, Rose Kincaid, Virginia Gay, Irene Prine, Mary Scruggs and Carleen Sisk.

Miss Lydie Watson and Mr. Ned Watson furnished the music. Inn Porters were William Morris Cole and Duffey Stanley.

The feature of the program was the last number, a tap dance by Miss Mary Garrett to the tune of Swannee river.

Honors Friends With Party

Miss Bennie Bell Gilchrist entertained at her home, 114 S. Colorado, Friday evening with a party in honor of Miss Jean Franklin from Coleman, Texas, and friends who are leaving the city for the holidays.

Dancing and bridge were the diversions of the evening. Refreshments were served to the following guests:

Mr. and Mrs. Claud White; Miss Gladys and Bonnie Jean Carnahan; Olga Pickens, Lela Mary Taylor, Jean Franklin and the hostess, and Messrs. Clements Mayo, H. Wendell Matthews, Bill Standifer, Bob Crawford, J. G. Gemmill, Wendell Craig, Dabney Biggers.

Local Young People Present Program At Yucca

A very pretty presentation by the pupils of the Vickers studio was given at the Yucca Theatre Friday night, when they enacted a Christmas pageant, "The Nativity."

The costumes were beautiful, with the background, a large star in a blue sky, making an appropriate setting for their colors.

Fate in the Offing

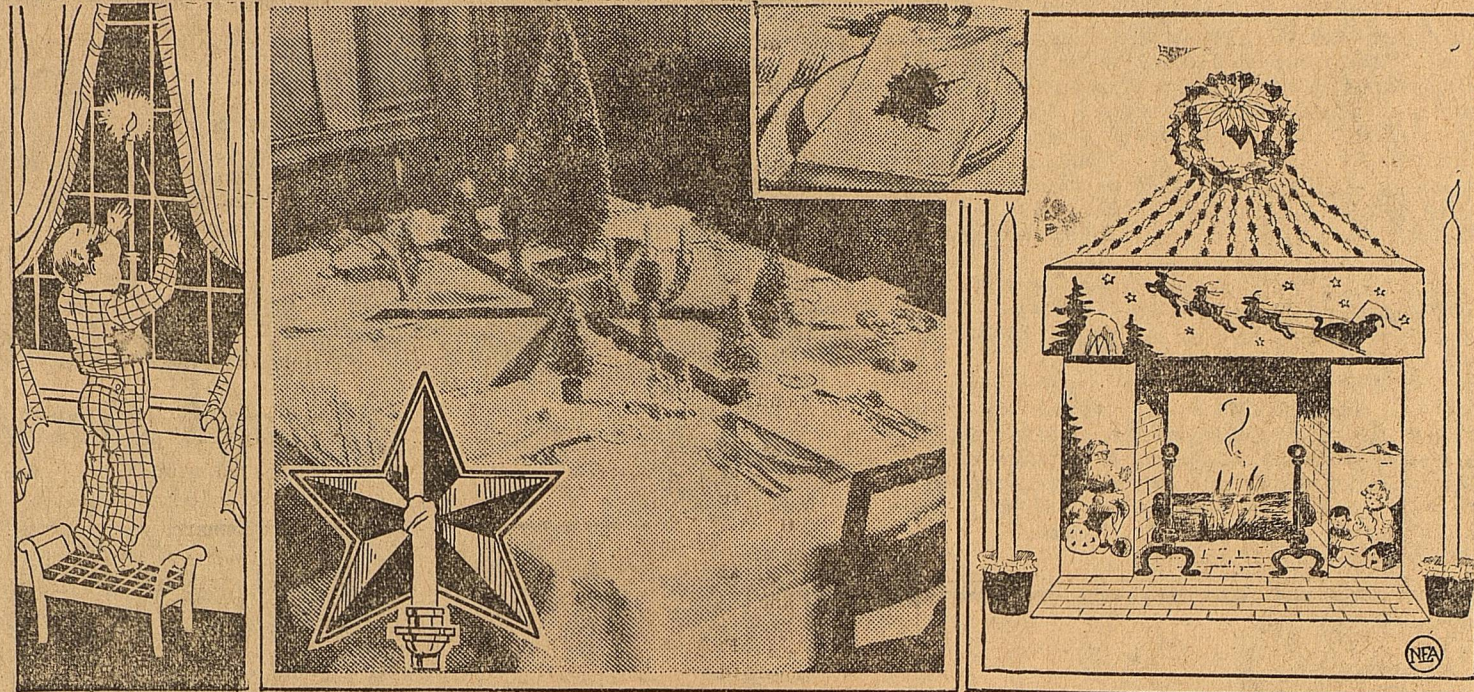
By Truda Dahl



FOR Winter with its skis and skates and snow! It's the most glorious time of the whole year! There's a sparkle in the air that tints the cheeks of those who are daring enough to brave the rigors of the wondrous days and lends them a glory and beauty which nothing else can ever give.

Dan Cupid immediately gets busy! He knows the accidents that sometimes happen, and he sees to it that she trips and loses her grip on the ski poles and then what happens? Well, Fate appears in the offing in the person of the Only Man, and Dan takes good care to see that he rescues her and that the long waited for romance is safely launched to the music of the falling snowflakes.

Yuletide Decorations Take New and Novel Forms for Tables and Entire Rooms



Capitalizing the Yuletide to build up family tradition: (Left to right) Let the children light the tapers in every window on Christmas eve. A silver star behind each wall light adds much to the room's gaiety and beauty.

Christmas Party For T. E. S. Company Employees Friday

Employees of the Texas Electric Service company of the Midland district congregated in the Crystal ballroom of Hotel Scharbauer Friday evening for a Christmas party.

Each person brought a gift which was placed on the Christmas tree and gifts were exchanged later in the evening.

Skirts And Hair; Long Or Short?

FORT WORTH, Dec. 21.—Texas Christian University co-eds will wear long skirts if fashion decrees—and it seems that fashion is going to decree—but some of them promise to revolt if bobbed hair is taboed.

Girls in T. C. U. show a preference for long skirts for evening wear, but they hope that short skirts will remain popular for sport and street wear.

"When I was a little girl I wanted to grow up and wear long skirts," says one co-ed, "but by the time I was grown short skirts were the style. The new fashions will give girls like me a chance to see what long skirts really are."

"Every time I step out in a long skirt it seems like Sunday!" comments another. "All girls are slaves of fashion, anyway, and long skirts do make you feel dressed up. However, I'll keep my hair short, no matter what."

"Short skirts are neater and more comfortable than long skirts," is the argument of one co-ed on the other side. "I'll keep mine short if I can. You never look fresh with long hair, either."

"Girls should be individual in dress," is still another opinion. "If one looks better in short dresses, then she should wear them. The same applies to bobbed hair."

ANNOUNCEMENT The Lois Class desires full attendance at the Baptist Sunday school Sunday morning at 9:45.

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Teacher of S. S. Class Honored At Party Thursday

Members of the Friendly Builders Class were entertained with a party in the Methodist Church Thursday afternoon. Twenty-two were present.

A decoration committee previously appointed had the classroom decorated in Christmas style.

Entertains Guests With Dinner

Tom Patterson entertained a number of friends with a 3 course dinner in the private dining room of Hotel Scharbauer Thursday evening attendant upon the dance in the Crystal ballroom.

The table was laid in a cut work cloth trimmed with venise lace over green. Table decorations carried out the Christmas motif with poinsettias used as favors and place cards as well as floral decorations.

Wreaths and potted plants adorned the dining room. Covers were laid for Messrs. and Mmes. A. S. Legg, A. N. Hendrickson, Joe Youngblood; Mmes. Guy Cowden and Dewey Ross; Misses Luila Elkin and Thyra Dickinson, and Messrs. Ernest Landreth, Chas. Miller, Dee McCormick and Tom Patterson.

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Mrs. Noyes Hostess To Live Wire Class

The Live Wire Class was entertained Friday night in the home of their teacher, Mrs. Iva Noyes.

The home was beautifully dressed in Christmas style, with an unusually attractive Christmas tree which was lighted with novel kewpie doll lights.

An evening of fun was spent in playing flinch and forty-two.

At the close of the games, each one present drew a name and received a toy gift from the person whose name they held. These gifts, which were taken from the tree, were the cause of much merriment.

Delicious party plates were served to the following: Misses Lottie Estes, Nellie Stephenson, Lucille Cole, Hazel Graham, Esther Mae Hodo, Alta Mae Johnson, Messrs. Harvey Powledge, Grady Cole, James Killough, Clyde Gwyn, Uel Feeler, Ralph Hallman, and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. King.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Covington of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Covington of Midland left Saturday for Austin where they will spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Covington. They expect to return before Christmas.

Mrs. Dristol Chesser and Mrs. J. E. Chesser of Stanton were Midland shoppers Saturday.

Miss Mary Garrett, stenographer for the Barnsdale Oil company, has gone to Ardmore, Oklahoma, to spend Christmas with her family.

George H. Coates, Midland oil man, who has been in San Antonio for the past few months has returned to Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Blaydes and son, Laurin, of Lubbock are guests of their daughter and sister, Mrs. E. J. Kay of Midland. Mrs. Kay also has as her house guests, her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Rose of Dallas, who will probably establish a residence here.

Miss Laura Helen Sowell left Friday night for Fort Worth to visit her brother, Rae. Both will return Sunday night and spend Christmas in Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Heald left yesterday for Carlsbad, Texas, to visit their daughter who is in the sanitarium there.

Mrs. J. O. Stephenson has returned to her home in Midland from Gatesville where she has been visiting her mother.

Misses Annie Frank and Allie Mae Stout and Emeline Glaspy left Saturday for Ennis to spend Christmas.

J. L. Heath, of Walker-Smith Wholesale company, has gone to California for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Mitchell are spending Christmas in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wilkinson and son, Jack, are spending the holidays in Winters, Texas.

Lee Hill is visiting with Artie Lee Simmons in Crane.

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Weekly Sunday School Lesson

Text: Luke 2:8-20

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly hosts praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in the manger.

And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

The International Uniform Sunday School Lesson for Dec. 22, Christian Obligation to Childhood. Luke 2:8-20.

By WM. E. GILROY, D. D., Editor of The Congregationalist

The lesson theme as stated is the topic for young people and adults. The general lesson title, "The Child in a Christian World," is a little broader and simpler, and it suggests the consideration of the whole theme from the child's standpoint as well as from the standpoint of older folks.

The text of the lesson in the beautiful story of Mary, the child Jesus, and the shepherds, is suggestive rather than specific in its application. It suggests first of all the supreme importance of the child, not from any theoretical attitude toward childhood, but simply from the practical standpoint of the life forces inherent in a babe.

It might well induce in any thoughtful person a reverence when he considers all the possibilities of future development, and power for good or for evil, that are found in that little life.

The artist has portrayed the infant Jesus in the manger with a halo of glory around His head, but it is doubtful whether the



shepherds saw any such manifestation. The awe and wonder that they brought to the infant Christ were born of mystery. Had they not been devout men, mindful of all the marvelous things in God's economy, they would not have been so ready to bring their tribute to a new-born babe. They showed in the very act their freedom from narrowness and their teachableness.

Child Often Disregarded Contrast with their simple wonder and adoration of the child the spirit of those who rebuked the mothers who brought their little children to Jesus that He should bless them. Here was the spirit that, unfortunately, has been more representative of the world. Even its educators, and its professed Christian leaders have in practice, if not in theory, too often disregarded the child. Their whole ministry has been conceived of for adults, and it is only in relatively recent times that the Church has ever begun adequately to see and to perform its responsibilities toward the young.

Possibly Christian people have formerly left much of the dealing with the young to the individual home, and there is a sense in factors in dealing with the young. But it would seem as fitting to leave all the education of the young to home and parents without any attempt to develop public schools as to suggest that all religious and moral instruction should be on the part of home and parents with no provision for education and guidance in the moral and religious sphere similar to that in public school life.

When Robert Raikes began the first Sunday school the marvel was that that institution should have been an innovation. The Sunday school or Church school has justified its place and mission, but even with the large development of religious education the Christian world lags far behind in the fulfillment of its responsibilities and the acceptance of its privileges.

Moral Training Difficult The problem of moral and religious education has, of course, its very difficult aspects, due to the religious sectionalism which characterizes the community and to the convictions or prejudices which make wide and general co-operating almost impossible. Perhaps with the progress of the world toward emphasis upon the cardinal virtues we shall attain a stake where it will be possible to make the general work of educa-

tion more definitely contributive to the upbuilding of moral and spiritual character. Certainly it would seem that no education of youth can be either satisfactory or sufficient which fails in the great purpose.

That anyone should doubt where Christmas should stand upon this matter is strange. The New Testament stands nobly and profoundly for the recognition of the moral and spiritual possibilities of the child. The profound stress at every point is on love as the rule of life in family relationships and in society. It is the perception of that and in the insistence upon it today that we may hope best to serve the young and fulfill our responsibilities toward every child.

Church Opening At Big Spring Delayed Opening of the new Fourth Street Baptist church building of Big Spring has been postponed from December 22 to December 29, according to a letter received today from the Rev. S. E. Hughes, pastor. Delay in arrival of seats was given as the reason.

"We will have a splendid program arranged for the fifth Sunday, December 29, for our opening date," he wrote, and extended an invitation to the people of this section to attend.

Big Spring Chamber Elects New Officers BIG SPRING.—A joint meeting of the retiring and incoming Board of Directors of the Big Spring chamber of commerce was held on December 18, with a banquet at the Episcopal Parish house, and officers elected for the coming year. Dr. E. I. Ellington will serve the organization as president, E. A. Kelley, retiring president, first vice-president, Ray Wilcox, second vice-president, and B. Reagan, treasurer.

The board of directors is composed of twenty members as follows: Dr. E. O. Ellington, E. A. Kelley, R. L. Price, Dr. G. T. Hall, R. L. Cook, Tom Ashley, Garland Woodward, Shine Phillips, B. Reagan, George White, Fred Keating, W. W. Inkman, J. B. Pickle, Joye Fisher, T. S. Currie, W. T. Strange, Wendell Bedichek, Ray Wilcox, J. C. Douglass and Carl Blomshield.

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Christmas sermon at 11:00 a. m. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. White Christmas program at 7:30 p. m. under the direction of the W. M. S.

A most cordial invitation to YOU

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE Christian Science services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the Midland county library. Sunday school at 9:45.

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FIRST METHODIST CHURCH Sunday morning services at 11 a. m.; Sunday school at 9:45; Evening services at 7:30; Senior and Junior Leagues at 6:30. Prayer services, Wednesday evening at 7:30; Choir practice Thursday evening at 7:30.

CHURCH OF CHRIST Services at the Grand theatre. Bible Study at 10 and communion at 11:30. No evening services.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH J. E. Evans, pastor Bible school at 9:45 a. m.; preaching at 11 by pastor; Communion at 10:45. Subject for the morning hour will be "Doing Good." The Sunday school offering is to go to the Juliette Fowler Orphan's Home.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Thomas D. Murphy, pastor Christmas once again! The services today will center around the Christmas theme. At the morning hour of worship the theme for the sermon will be "St. Nicholas or Infant Redeemer?" and special music will be given. At the evening service the features will be Christmas music, and the story of "The Other Wise Man," by Miss Lucille McMullan. The pastor will make a short talk. It will be a good time for us all to present our supreme gift to Him whose birth we celebrate. All other services will be held.

On Tuesday evening the Christmas program, with Christmas tree for the Sunday school pupils, will be given. Worship with us today, and may this be your most joyous and best Christmas.

S-A-F-E Making Special Rates SWEETWATER.—Announcement was made here today of special holiday rates on one and one-third fare for round trip on the S. A. F. E. Way Air Lines by Bill Lerner, local representative of the company. This rate becomes effective Saturday, December 21 and is good until Tuesday, December 31, 1929. Residents of neighboring cities can make train connections out of Sweetwater with the morning S. A. F. E. Way plane which leaves the Municipal airport at 8:30 o'clock each

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Harris spent in Midland yesterday.

Merl Craddock of Andrews is in Midland visiting with relatives.

Bedford Taylor was in Odessa on a business trip Saturday morning.

Mrs. Henry Orr and Mrs. Horace Eiland of Stanton were Midland visitors Saturday.

Mrs. J. J. Amberg and daughter Mary Alta, were in Midland Saturday from their home in Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fowler were among Odessa visitors to this city Saturday.

Fred Guthrie is leaving today for Truscott, Arkansas, to spend Christmas.

David Frame of the Humble Oil and Refining company of McCamey spent Saturday night in Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Lloyd of Rankin shopped here Saturday.

Jax Cowden of San Angelo spent Friday night in Midland, returning to his home Saturday morning.

W. F. Hanagan, Jr. left Saturday for Roswell, New Mexico, to spend Christmas with his family.

Lee Satterwhite of Odessa visited in Midland Saturday.

Gus Edmondson of Midland was in Odessa Saturday on business for the Southwestern Bell Telephone company.

Mrs. F. L. Perkinson left Saturday night for Cisco where she will meet her son, Donald Albert, who has been visiting his grandparents, for the past week. From there they will go to Dallas to spend the holidays with Mrs. Perkinson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wooten.

Elmo Smith, Burlison Montgomery, and Miss Ruth Bryan motored to Abilene Friday to get Miss Ernestine Bryan, who attends Draughon's business college there. Miss Bryan will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bryan, 301 South Baird street.

Connections may also be made in St. Louis and other points along the line where plane service is not available.

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Grade Crossing Accidents Fatal

HOUSTON, Dec. 21.—(P)—Two men are dead, four firemen are in hospitals and two men are recovering today from serious injuries as result of grade crossing crashes. A. L. O'Brien, 23, and William Ward, 24, were killed when an engine struck a fire truck on which they were riding.

David Terry, 29, E. H. Cox, 25, and Captain L. E. Ogilvie, 48, were injured.

John Frazier, 21, was injured when his automobile collided with a Southern Pacific motor car; and P. R. Brent, 29, is in a hospital following a collision of his car with a switch engine.

COLEMAN FIRE—THREATENED COLEMAN, Texas.—(P)—Two rewards, totaling \$1,600 have been offered for the arrest and conviction of any person guilty of arson in the city of Coleman.

The city offers \$1,100 and Perry Stobaugh offers \$500. Speaking for the city, Mayor Scarborough said, "Unless the present rate of fire losses is stopped it is going to cost the citizenship thousands of dollars in the next few years; The penalty has recently been raised 15 per cent, making a total of 21 per cent penalty that will continue until 1933, regardless of the fire losses between now and that date."

Fire department and city officials believe many of the fires during the past year have been set; and the three consecutive fires in the grocery supplies of Perry Stobaugh, resulted in his offer of \$500 reward.

Confessed Abductor Asks Life Sentence

KANSAS CITY, December 21.—(UP)—Russell C. Arnold, 53, abductor of Dorothy Van Camp, 14, pleaded to the county prosecutor today that he be sentenced to life imprisonment for his confessed attack. He is afflicted with an abnormality, he said, causing him to lose his reason, and suffered a lapse when in the underground room of his garage.

Police are investigating to see whether Arnold should be allowed to plead guilty and take life imprisonment or stand trial for which death is the maximum penalty.

BEAUMONT, Texas.—(P)—Mrs. G. E. Taylor, owner of a grocery store here, is looking for another egg with a nail inside.

Taking some eggs out of stock for breakfast she broke one and found a steel nail an inch and one half long in the shell. The yolk was normal and the white showed only a slight discoloration around the nail.

NAIL IN EGG

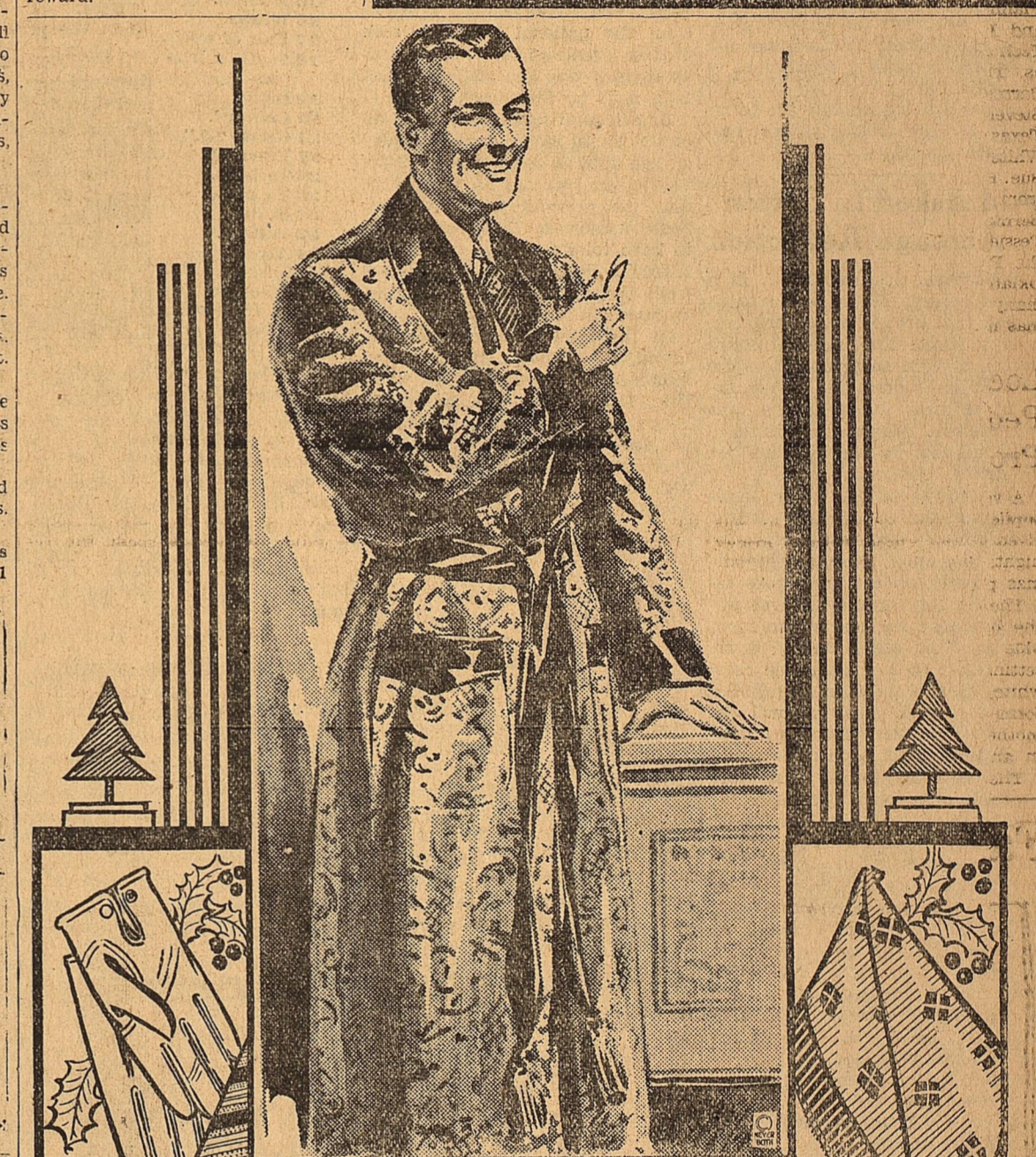
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BRECK AND PORT ARTHUR FIGHT SCORELESSLY IN BLIZZARD

Arkansas, Setter of Records, Will Attempt Repeat Act

BRECKENRIDGE KEEPS BALL IN PORT ARTHUR TERRITORY THROUGH OUT THE TUSSLE

WACO, Dec. 21.—(P)—Breckenridge and Port Arthur battled to a scoreless tie here Saturday for the high school football championship of Texas.

Driving snow storms prevented either team making a determined bid for the title. So heavy was the weather only a handful of fans saw the two school boy finalists tussle and tug through the game.

Breckenridge kept the ball in Port Arthur's territory throughout the game, but was never able to

put across a touchdown. Port Arthur never had the ball past midfield.

The result left the championship in a muddle, both Breckenridge and Port Arthur holding equal right to the title.

It was doubted whether the teams would arrange another game to settle their claims.

Aid Asked In Cotton Acreage Reduction

Solicitation of co-operation in a cotton acreage reduction campaign which that group believes the best way to assist the Federal Farm board in work being done to raise the cotton industry to the standard of other industries was sent this morning by the chamber at Frederick, Oklahoma.

An excerpt of the letter shows the suggestion of the body towards reduction of cotton acreage:

"As you know, when the government issued its cotton acreage report the first of last July of approximately forty nine million acres, the price on cotton started down, and this crop has been sold from three to four cents a pound less than last year, altho we will not produce more than five or six hundred thousand bales more than last year, according to the final government estimate of December 9th.

"Now if you want our cotton mills and every other industry of this Southland of ours to hum, less wipe out this surplus of cotton, so our farmers can have a profit in what they have to sell. To increase the farmers buying power means profit in every line of business. Our Co-operative Associations throuth the South have thousands of bales of cotton on hand, and if we do our part in this campaign, we have no doubt as to the outcome of the remainder of this crop.

"Now, if we bankers, farmers and merchants sit idly by and let the south plant from forty-five to fifty million acres of cotton, and all growing conditions are favorable, we will produce eighteen or twenty millions bales of cotton next year, and it will mean bankruptcy and poverty for the masses of our people, and years of hard work to get ourselves back on a sound business basis.

"Every other industry such as coal, lumber, copper, petroleum, textiles, and many others we could name, curtail their production when the supply exceeds the demand. There is no reason why we people of this great south-land of ours could not join hands with the excellent leadership we have in our Federal Farm Board and help raise the standard of the cotton farmer to a level of other lines of business."



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POLES, REPORT GIVEN; URGES AN EARLY EXTENSION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—(P)—Urging the extension of branch banking by national banks as a way to assure a safe and sound system to rural communities, John W. Pole, Comptroller of the Currency, said in his annual report today that such a development would be of advantage to agricultural communities.

At the same time the Comptroller pointed to the growth of group banking, in which holding companies have acquired the stock of several banks, and the defections of banks from the national field to seek broader privileges under state laws as reasons why the National bank laws must be liberalized.

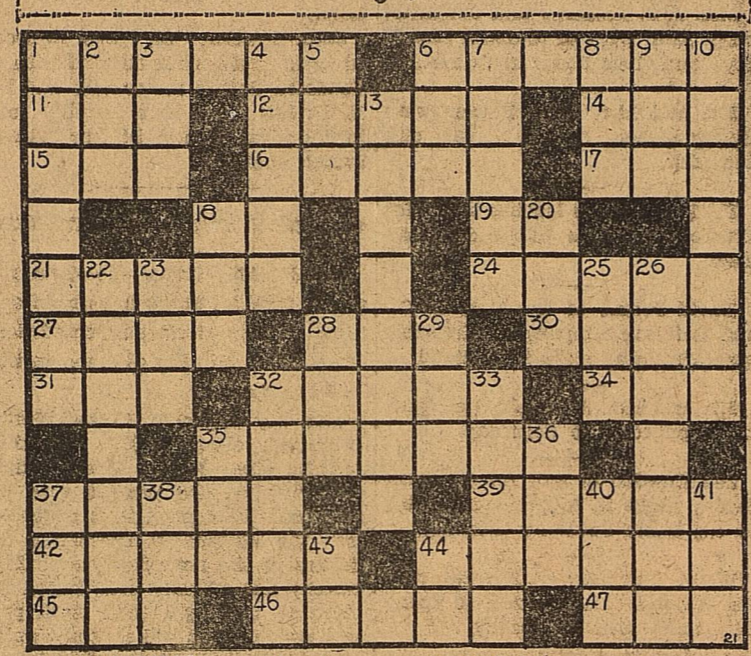
He said that total resources of all of the 25,330 banks in the country on last June 30 aggregated \$72,172,505,000, an increase of \$598,177,000 over the previous year. National banks numbering 7,506, were shown to have total resources of \$27,440,228,000, a decrease of \$1,068,000,000 while the number of all banks had decreased in the year by 883.

Of the total resources, he continued, 250 banks in the cities had resources of \$33,400,000,000 while three-fourths of the banks of the nation were in country communities and classed as country banks. The country banks, he said, operate with small capital funds and economic developments since the war have had the effect of decreasing their opportunities to operate at a profit.

On the question of bank failures Pole said that no "important failures" had occurred among banks in the larger cities between last January 1 and November 1 and that "whereas a depositor in a large city bank, whether a wage earner or a business man, has had full protection, the depositor in the small country bank has suffered severely from the inability of so many banks to meet their deposit liabilities."

"It is cause for immediate concern that the operating conditions faced by country banks show no prospect of improvement under the present system. There are many

Looks Easy, But Isn't



HORIZONTAL

1 What is Rosa Rainsa? 42 Miens. 44 To testify. 45 Measure. 46 Tusk. 47 Beverage.

VERTICAL

1 Capital of Porto Rico. 2 Fish. 3 At the pres-ent time. 4 Theme. 5 Hurrah! 6 Church bench. 7 Wasted time. 8 Reverence. 9 Sailor. 10 Who's ruler was "Good Queen Bess"? 13 Where Napoleon met defeat. 18 Pig pen. 20 Conducted. 22 Essential. 23 Wrath. 25 Boy. 26 Chief of a tribe. 28 Wages. 29 Japan's monetary unit. 32 Male servant. 33 VII. 35 Vehicle. 36 Point. 37 Eon. 38 Lubricant. 40 To decay. 41 Ocean. 43 Southeast. 44 First note.

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WHALEY WINS AGGIE SHOOT

COLLEGE STATION.—B. K. Whaley, of Dallas, member of the Company B, Engineers, team, made high individual score in the intramural rifle matches just completed for the current academic year at the A. & M. College of Texas.

Whaley's score was 133 out of a possible 150. R. J. Bethancourt, also of Dallas, member of Battery D, Field Artillery, team, was second in individual scoring with 127 and W. H. Myers, of Valley View, Company A, Signal Corps, was third with 126.

First place in the matches was won by Company B, Engineers, with average of 119, according to announcement by Lieutenant L. R. Nachman, United States Army officer who conducted the matches this year. Company A, Signal Corps, was second, and Company A, Engineers, third.

KERVILLE LEADS IN WOOL

KERVILLE, Texas.—(P)—This city maintained top rank among primary wool and mohair markets of the nation by "exporting more than 6,400,000 pounds during the past year. The Charles Schreiner Wool and Mohair Commission company shipped 2,753,701 pounds of mohair, the largest single accumulation of the year by any town in the entire country.

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ROD IS DARING MARAUDER IN RADIO TALKIE

Romance goes to sea with a 1929 pirate in "The Delightful Rogue," the all-talking Radio Picture featuring Rod La Rocque, which comes to the Yucca Theatre today.

"The Delightful Rogue" is the first sea story made in sound. It tells of the adventures and loves of LaRoca, a pirate who steals a millionaire's yacht, "The Golden Rule," and sets to plundering a group of tropical isles.

How he meets Nydra, whose dancing is the delight of an island cafe; how he aids her in a unique test of another's love and how he and his crew of colorful vagabonds settle an affair with the police of Kapit from the highlights of Wallace Smith's yarn, which he adapted from his own original Cosmopolitan story, "A Woman Decides."

Rita La Roy, a tall titan beauty from the vaudeville stage, appears as Rod's leading lady and sings the beautiful theme song, "Gay Love," which already has become a radio and dance orchestra favorite.

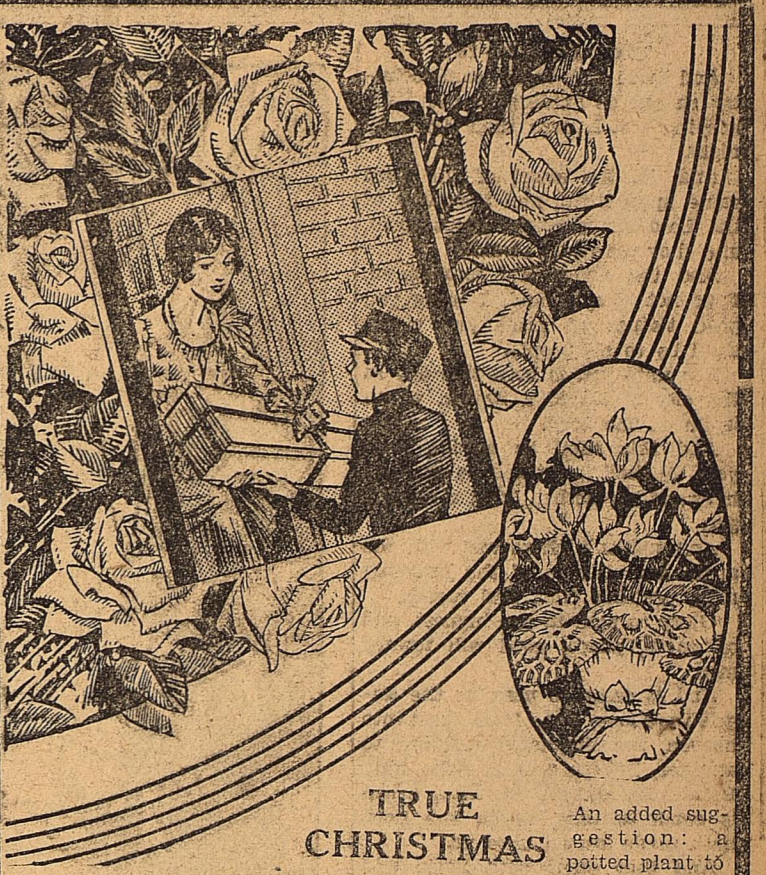
HOCKEY GAINS IN TEXAS

SAN ANTONIO, Texas.—(P)—Ice hockey fast is taking its place as a major winter sport in San Antonio.

Local enthusiasts hope that in time a state-wide circuit will be formed, including such cities as Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston, Waco and Austin.

Four leagues already have been formed here this winter, two of them well stocked with experienced stars from the north and east who have come here to spend the cold months. Large crowds are turning out for all the league games.

In addition to two senior leagues, backed by business houses, there is an academic league, composed of high schools and junior colleges and a junior high school league.



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