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—SECTION 1—

DON'T NAME IT

WILL J. MILLER

Wheat 82c!

This week special Christmas issue of the paper represents the 8th Christmas shopping edition published under the management of this writer.

For the 8th time this writer feels deep obligation to the business men of Spearman for their wholehearted cooperation in publishing this large issue of the paper. You have been very liberal in your patronage. In behalf of the entire staff, and the owners of this paper I thank you for the patronage.

Business men over the city say the shopping spirit is being manifested. For one time, it looks like the majority of our people would make their Christmas purchases Early.

Hats off to Tom Etter and the Spearman Lions club for getting up the Christmas street lights. See No. 8 On Page 8

BOY SCOUT TROOPS COMMITTEE IS APPOINTED

To serve as the governing body for Boy Scouts of Spearman, the following committee was appointed Tuesday of this week. W. R. Finley, chairman, Fred Hoskins, C. A. Gibner, M. W. Graves and H. L. Heard.

At the regular meeting of the Lions club Tuesday the club members voted to sponsor a boy scout troop in Spearman and elected Rev. W. B. Swim as scoutmaster.

Rev. Swim announces that all parents, and boys interested in Boy Scout work will meet at the old gym in the grade building at 7:45 p. m. Tuesday Dec. 19. The new troop committee will assist Rev. Swim and the parents in organizing the scout troop at this time.

Please Mail Your Xmas Letters and Packages Early

Postal authorities this year are requesting senders of Xmas cards to put a 3c stamp on them. If this is done the card will be either delivered or returned to the sender if the proper return address is put on the envelope.

Christmas cards bearing the usual 1-2c stamp cannot be forwarded, or returned to the sender. They do not even have the right to be sent to the dead letter office. But must be destroyed if not delivered.

Packages SHOULD have the return address marked VERY PLAIN on at least 1 side of the package, preferably both sides. IF YOU CANNOT WRITE A PLAIN HAND THEN PRINT THE ADDRESS. USE INK WHEN POSSIBLE. Mail your packages EARLY! Please.

BASKETBALL GAME SATURDAY

Announcement was made early this week that two basketball games will be held at the school gym beginning at 7 p. m. Saturday evening Dec. 16.

Spearman boys and girls will play Darrouzette boys and girls. A real game is promised.



Join the Spearman Lions club in helping to make this Christmas more pleasant and enjoyable for some of the nearly 30 families in the Spearman trade territory that will appreciate "Good Fellow" generosity.

Lions W. R. Finley, Elma Gunn, Joe Hatton, Wayne Morton and Richard Holton have been appointed a committee to solicit funds so that the needy families may enjoy this Christmas. The fund was started with a \$20.00 contribution from a wheat farmer of this area who will not allow his name to be

made public. Another donation of \$10.00 was received by an out of town citizen interested in Hansford county. When the committee contacts you, give as much as you possibly can. Last year nearly \$100. was spent in giving food and practical gifts to needy in this area. The need is more emphatic this year.

Mrs. J. B. Cooke, welfare worker for the county has reported distressing conditions among many families. Mrs. Cooke arranged for a large shipment of toys that were reconditioned by WPA workers out of Amarillo.

Information has been received that the 20th Century Study club and perhaps the Ladies Missionary societies of the churches will cooperate with the Lions Club this year in making the "Good-fellow" campaign a success.

Anyone who wants to make a donation of any kind can see any of the committeemen mentioned above or Lloyd Campbell at the First State Bank. Mr. Campbell and J. B. Cooke represent the committee to assemble the gifts and deliver them on Christmas morning.

Hansford County New Deal Wheat Shows Production Record Of 1,535,193 Bu. For 1939

Any local citizen beginning to hanker for a political change had better check up on the record of the new deal government before they cast an opposition vote. We grant you that there was a time under the tyrannical rule of the Republican administration that we could raise a few grains of wheat in this section, but we had to feed it to the hogs or eat it, because there wasn't any market that would get us cost of production. Now with the Democrats in charge we find Officially that 55 percent of our wheat land raises more bushels of wheat than we used to under the Republican rule, and if the present market trend keeps up, we will get a little better than cost of production, since wheat is quoted at 82 cents on today's market.

Reviewing the situation from an economic standpoint we find that the new deal government began paying our farmers to leave out their wheat as far back as 1933. These payments have increased until today the allotment amounts to more than ever before. The official records show that we were not able to harvest very much grain in 1933, but came near the 2 million record in 1934 with about 21 percent reduction of the wheat acreage. In the years of 1936-37 and 38 the official cut of wheat acreage amounted to more than 20 percent in Hansford county. The production of wheat ranged near the million and a quarter mark

Crash Victim's Rites Sunday

Last rites for Jonathan Henry Cross, 38-year-old Cliffside man, court reporter for this district, who was killed Friday Dec. 8, when his car smashed into a moving freight train in Amarillo, were held Sunday Dec. 10.

The services were held in the First Baptist Church at Canadian with Rev. W. A. Fite, pastor, officiating.

Pallbearers were W. L. McConnell, E. C. Fisher, Jack Allen, Emmett Scott, E. T. Miller and S. A. Nolen. Interment will be in the family plot in the Canadian cemetery.

Cross' car crashed into a moving freight train at the Jack Hall crossing on North Western Ave., at 12:30 Saturday. One car of the Fort Worth and Denver train was derailed. Cross was on the way home.

Cross had been a reporter for the 84th district court for 10 years. He is survived by the wife two sons, Jack Cross, 16-year-old senior in Amarillo High, and Jonathan Henry Cross Jr., 12 years old; a daughter Laura Delia, 7 years old; a brother J. B. Cross of Canadian and two sisters, Mrs. Walter Mayfield, Amarillo and Mrs. Vance Stickley Canadian.

HATS OFF TO COMMUNITY PUBLIC SERVICE CO.

Following the custom established several years back, the local Community Public service Co is again furnishing the electricity FREE of charge to light our downtown business section. That is the electricity for the Christmas tree and the streamers across the street.

An estimate of this gift to the business people of Spearman shows that just about \$100.00 worth of juice is consumed for this holiday lighting.

ELLIS THEATRE PERRYTON, TEXAS

Dec. 16—"Nancy Drew And The Hidden Stair Case." with Bonita Granville and John Littel.
Dec. 17-18—"Day Time Wife" with Tyrone Power, Linda Darnell, Warren William and Binnie Barnes.

Dec. 19-20—"Dust Be My Destiny" with Priscilla Lane and John Garfield.

Dec. 21-22—"Henry Goes To Arizona." with Frank Morgan, Virginia Weidler and Slim Summerville.

Dec. 23—Pride of the Blue Grass—with Edith Fellows, James McCallion and "Gantry", blind horse.

Dedication Of Basement At Gruver Baptist Church Sun.

The new basement of the Gruver Baptist church will be formally dedicated Sunday afternoon at 2:30. Work on the basement started on October 26th 1939. It was quite a task to dig a basement 50x30 and 9 ft. deep without moving or raising the church any. But it was accomplished. It took exactly 15 days to remove all of the dirt. The new basement contains 7 class rooms, a kitchen and two rest rooms. There are two entrances, one inside the church, and one outside. The Baptists are justly proud of their achievements and cordially invite the citizens of Hasford County to be with them in the dedication service.

Saturday Is Merchants Drawing

There will be another ticket drawing on Main Street in Spearman Saturday at 2:30.

Be sure to remember to get your merchant tickets when you make purchases.

Three more guineas will be turned loose and will be worth a dollar each returned alive to Mr. Jacobs.

There will be awards of two five dollar bills and one ten dollar bill for the lucky draws.

MRS. KIKER IMPROVING

Miss Fannie Sparks returned Sunday from a recent trip to Oklahoma City.

Mrs. Dick Kiker, a patient at the McKay Hospital is improving. The numerous friends over Hansford and Hutchinson county will welcome this report.

Supt. Finley Attends State Meeting Of Superintendents

As a representative of Hansford, Hutchinson and Moore county superintendents, Supt. W. R. Finley attended a state meeting of schools officials called by Gov. Lee O'Daniel Nov. 30 at Austin, Texas.

The purpose of the called meeting was to select a committee to make a study of educational conditions as they now exist in Texas. Among the committeemen from this section selected for the important work ahead was Supt. W. B. Irvin of Lubbock, Texas, former head of the Perryton schools.

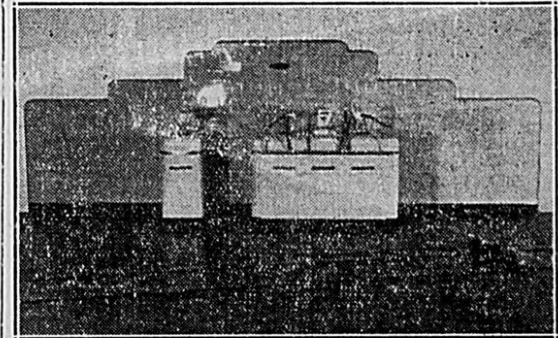
Two days were spent in lectures and addresses by some of the best talent of the nation in-

cluding Dr. S. Howard Evans and Dr. Eric T. Bell, prof. of math at the University of California.

Recommendations adopted following the state meeting included:

1. That every phase of education in the state be studied and reported.
2. That the educational committee make recommendations to the governor for any change that should be made.
3. That a bill be written to properly finance education in Texas that will take the burden off the local districts and place the burden of financing on the state.

McClellan Chevrolet Co. Installs Modern Lubricating Equipment



Announcement is made this week in the Reporter to the effect that McClellan Chevrolet Co have installed the nationally known Lincoln Lubrication Equipment. Mr. McClellan declares this is the very best equipment obtainable in fact as streamlined as your new car, to protect the new model high speed cars. The new equipment has been developed the past few years and specializes on the latest model cars. One thing that puzzles this writer is the fact that the blooming grease shop looks like an elite Beauty parlour. The equipment is encased in white marble shells, and if there is a spot of grease anywhere in the neighborhood of the equipment, this writer could not find it. The writer plans to have his car serviced under the

new method and try it out. Candidly we are a bit skeptical —It's our opinion that a real grease equipment should smell and look greasy—but we all live and learn.

Mr. McClellan is offering to give customers a Free grease job with each lubrication paid for during the week of Dec. 16-23 inclusive. Just drive into the new shop and pay him for one job and you will receive another job free within 30 days.

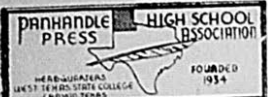
The McClellan Company has secured the services of Raymond Kirk, an experienced service station trained employee of 4 years experience. Mr. Kirk will be in charge of the lubrication department, sales and service of tires tubes and accessories at the Chevrolet company.

THE LYNX

READ WHAT YOUR CHILDREN ARE DOING AT SCHOOL

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ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

On Thursday morning of last week the entire school met in the auditorium for an assembly program which began at 10 and lasted until noon.

Bro. J. H. Nichols opened the assembly with prayer. After the announcements were made, the grade school had charge of the first part of the program. The second grade rhythm band gave two selections. Next Mary Margaret McLain told a story about Thanksgiving. It was a few days late but it was a good story any way. Then Cloyd Carpenter gave a reading and the 7th grade chorus sang next. The next part of the program was given by the freshmen. Jimmy Linn and Bobby Morton played a duet, and Nadine Hardin sang several popular songs. Sada Ruth Hoskins told us all about a Wedding. Lea Ann Dodson then did a tap-dance number accompanied at the piano by Estella Garnett. A short sketch called The Meller Drama was given.

BOOK REVIEW

Have you ever tried to solve a mystery of an old house? Augusta Huiell Seaman tells in

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

On the night of Dec. 21 the Grade Department will present a Christmas program in the School Auditorium. No admission will be charged, and everyone is invited to attend this program. Practically all of the 280 grade school children will participate in putting on this program. The time will be 7:30 p. m. on Thursday Dec. 21.

JUNIOR NEWS

The juniors are glad to have Everett Clements back in school he has been absent several days. The juniors are writing short stories in English 3.

The Home-making 3 girls are studying low cost diets. Although the juniors did not win the Band sweetheart contest we DO have something to be proud of. Out of the 52 members of our class 27 of them made the honor roll.

"Pine Barrens Mystery" of two girls, Alma and Rosanna, trying to solve the problem of a very old house located in the Pine Barrens.

There are several questions a person can ask himself now. Did the girls solve the mystery by themselves or did they have help? What did Chub, Rosanna's brother, do toward helping with their problem? There are a number of others that could be asked, but we will go on to another part of the book. What did the miniature have to do with the mystery? Another question is, what did the old lady Coombes have to do with the house?

Now, friends this story is not of a scary type it is merely a book that can be read by anyone in high school and some younger in the 7th grade. The language is simple and words are ones that are easily understood. All people do not like mystery stories, and I would not recommend it for them; but for ones that do like mysteries, I would advise them to read it because it is easily understood. I think the moral is also good, for it teaches us that we have to cooperate and work together.

SPORTS

This coming Saturday the Lynx play their first home game with the Pampa Harvesters. Pampa always boasts a good team and in addition have beaten the Lynx out in the District tournament for the past two years. This year the Lynx are planning very strongly on beating the Harvesters on their home court and on Pampa's court.

This game has the earmarks of being one of the best of the whole season and will probably be full of thrills and spills. It would be greatly appreciated by the squad to see the gym filled to the rafters Saturday.

Dec. 22 and 23 the Lynx are going to attend the Pampa invitation tournament and bring home the trophy for a Christmas present. This is the first time the Lynx have attended the Pampa tournament which is always one of the best in the Panhandle. In this tournament the Lynx will probably face the stiffest competition they have faced.

The Lynxettes open their home season with a game with Darouett Saturday night. The girls boast one of the best teams in years and will be playing to defend a clean record Saturday.

The Lynx and Lynxettes won a double bender at Follett last Thursday night. The Lynxettes won easily by a score of 25 to 5. Beuna Vernon was high point player with 10 points.

The boys ran into a little difficulty in their game, but came out on top with a score of 33 to 21. Ledru Jacobs scored 16 points.

SOPHOMORE NEWS

The sophomore and freshman classes are to have a party and give presents to the pupils whose name they have drawn.

The sophomore class is to be in charge of the next assembly program under the direction of Miss Winkler.

This week the literature classes are making calendars. We are to get pictures representing each month. And a quotation from poems we have been reading this past week.

HIGH SCHOOL HONOR-ROLL Freshmen

Charlene Tucker, Dickie Kiker, Patricia Hutton, Jimmie Linn, Wilbur Fullbright.

Rita Roach, Sada Ruth Hoskins, Nadine Hardin, Betty June Godfrey, Bobby Morton, Arthur Adair.

Sophomores

Kenneth Burke, Jan Nabours, Mary Lee Dacus.

Jewell Brandt, Margie Gerber, Viola Dillow, Kenneth Killian, Leona Shedeck, Robert Novak, H. L. Meers, Alton Ellsworth, Freddie Mizar, Frank Novak, Velma Dillow, Viola Jones, Betty McKay, Margie Russell.

Junior

Garland Caldwell, J. E. Gerber, Chalmers Porter, Frances Sheets, Emmett Sanders, Kathleen Creever.

Virginia Buchanan, Harold Crooks, Mary Nell Harbour, Georgia Thompson, Vance Prutsman, Bonita Harmon, Joe Harmon, Ada Rose Jackson, Colleen Kelly, Anta Clea Reed, Jerry Stephens, Della Beth Uptergrove, Harlin Parsons, Albert Graves, Elnora Close, Eva Hilton, Mary Horn, Wilma Jackson, Verna Jantz, Evelyn Longley, Wanda Smith.

Senior

Robert Harbour, Henry Horn, Roy Reed, Roy Lee Uptergrove, Verna Gail Allen, Estella Garnett, Sammie Morris, Betty Morton, Janelle Womble.

Dale Field, Beuna Vernon, Harold Graves, Doris Jean Russell, Willie Mackie, Kybie Lackey, Julia Kern, Veda Hutchison, A. L. Jackson, Ledru Jacobs, Howard Perry, Melvin Schell, Eli Unruh, Peggy Archer, Estelle Baley, Thora Jean Edwards, Juanita Hendricks.

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OFFICE SUPPLIES — PAPER CALL 10

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— and only Chevrolet's Exclusive Vacuum Power Shift has a hidden power cylinder which does 80% of the gearshifting work for you.

Why shift for yourself? Why do it the hard way? Chevrolet's Exclusive Vacuum Power Shift is controlled by an extra-short lever—its end right under the rim of the steering wheel. The only effort required of the driver is to move the lever; the vacuum cylinder supplies the effort required to move the gears.

80% AUTOMATIC — ONLY 20% DRIVER!

All steering column gearshifts look more or less alike... But only Chevrolet's New Exclusive Vacuum-Power Shift acts for itself when you touch the lever... Only this one advanced steering column gearshift is 80% automatic in operation!

You see, Chevrolet's New Exclusive Vacuum-Power Shift has a hidden power cylinder. And this power cylinder goes into action the instant you start to shift gears. It does 80% of the work for you instead of letting you push and tug and do all the work yourself!

You want the newest and best—the best in driving and riding ease, the best in styling and road-action—and on all these counts "Chevrolet's FIRST Again!"

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Cates and Son
 —have spent 5 Christmas seasons with the good people of Hansford county. The first Christmas was a scanty one from the standpoint of business. We were new—we had not proven to the people of this and adjoining counties that we carried the—

BEST QUALITY MERCHANDISE, and retail this wholesome food at the **Lowest Possible Margin of Profit** in order to Keep and increase patronage.

TODAY—we enjoy the greatest Volume of business we have ever had. People over this area have carried out the information that CATES and SON gives the best values, and pay the highest market price for produce. FOROR THE large increase in business that has enabled us to enlarge our business building two times during the past 5 years we are sincerely Thankful. We realize we owe a debt to the customers of this store in Hansford and adjoining counties—and in the future, as in the past we will endeavor to pay this debt by providing the best quality merchandise obtainable, at the lowest price compatible with good business.

We believe we can sell you the necessary merchandise for the finest Christmas season you have ever enjoyed. When we do sell you, we believe you will have a margin of saving that will enable you to purchase other merchandise for Christmas. We trust you will have a Healthy Happy Christmas and a most prosperous and pleasant New Year, not only Jan. 1, but throughout the year of 1940.

GROCERY **Cates & Son** PRODUCE



THE LYNX

NEWS

Cheers for the Senior Betty Morton for winning the hand-sweetheart contest. She owes much to A. L. Roy Reed and Estella the campaign managers. Mrs. Caldwell our sponsor their hard work in the And we want to thank who helped us win. We want to congratulate the freshmen who gave a close race. Better luck next time, fish!

Enjoyed the band concert last Friday night. The senior class was very sorry one of its members, Dale Fields moved to We wish him all the luck

Loss we gained Miss Shieldknight, who has gone from Childress. We want to welcome her as a member of our class.

Seniors are also very busy. Henry Horn. He won in boxing at Good Friday week and brought home a trophy.

Of the 38 students in the class, 26 are on the A or B roll.

MAN NEWS

Freshman-Sophomore party was Thursday night. We were expecting a lot of fun. Freshmen were very proud of their candidate for Band leader. As you all know she was elected by 13 votes.

Faye Womble has returned again. All the freshmen have been to see her. She is moving rapidly.

Some Ec. 1 the girls have started slips they were making. They will soon begin to have started studying for them.

Contest in General Math was along fine. A week ago Thursday night, the losing side will give the winning side a

the frosh in General Math are prepared for a quiz before the Xmas holidays. But—it will be easy—so says.

CLUB NEWS

WHT club won ten dollars drawing last Saturday. We bought our tickets when we paid for radio. Evelyn Longley gave tickets to the drawing. Don't know whether it was her luck or the club luck.

We are going to give our radio on Friday the 22.

clubs are going to have a Christmas tree this coming Friday. The Lab. Jerry Stephens and Ada Rose Jackson are in charge of the program.



GET THE EGGS

You can't make bricks from straw and a hen can't make eggs from grain alone. If you want lots of eggs from your flock feed Ful-O-Pep Egg Mash. It gets the eggs because it supplies egg making elements that the hen needs.

FUL-O-PEP EGG MASH

This balanced feed of liberal oatmeal content, keeps heavy producing hens up in body weight while they work for you. Feed Ful-O-Pep Egg Mash. It pays.

ON TRACK—New 1940 Ful-O-Pep Egg Mash Pellets. 20 percent protein, Northern yellow corn, white poultry oats, Sugar Schumacher soybean cubes and meal. Tree-ripened Valley wheat for Christmas will arrive next week. Come in and see us in Spearman or Dumas.

L. Porter Grain & Seed Co.

LIBRARY NOTES

The high school library has been doing a rushing business lately. Records show that 879 books have been in circulation the past month. A number of magazines are read during each hour and many of them go into the homes over night and for week-ends.

Shakespeare is the most popular author in the library, if you ask the English 4 students.

Do you owe a library fine? Please pay it to Mrs. Kenney at the circulation desk.

Kathleen Greever is a new assistant librarian. She will work at the magazine counter.

SECOND GRADE

Cloyd J. Carpenter gave a reading in chapel on the Thursday morning program.

The second grade rhythm band played two numbers.

Mary Margaret McLain told a story. Dorothy Lee Bruce went to Amarillo to see the Santa Claus parade.

The boys of the second grade are working with wood two days each week, and the girls are making things of clay.

Lee Marie Dacus was absent on Monday because of illness.

CHORAL CLUB NEWS

Mrs. Caldwell offers a bit of musical advice to the chorus girls in the form of our new song the Jermoe Kern arrangement of Smoke Gets in Your Eyes. Some feel a bit reluctant about accepting the advice but take it from a trouper—so help me, its true.

Verna Gail was finally overcome from the effort of reaching high notes in class Monday afternoon; so three wayward travelers of last Friday night suggest that she do some of her practicing about two miles south west of town.

Peace reigned in chorus Monday because Dopey failed to appear on the scene. That is, peace not considering the slightly bliky notes melodiously poured forth by the altos. (They, or we,

might use a little practice out of town also.)

KERRY OVER

We are always complaining that our days are few, and acting as though there would be no end of them.

Child's definition: An adult is one who has stopped growing except in the middle.

Marie Dressler: It's not how old you are, but how you are old.

An old Yankeeism: Fish and visitors spoil after the third day.

Marriage: A ceremony in which rings are put on the finger of the lady and through the nose of the gentleman.

Violent exercise is like a cold bath. You think it does you good because you feel better when you stop it.

HONOR ROLL FOR 6-A

—A—
Rosanne Porter, Jean Hill,
—B—
Avis Harbour, Jack Tice, Winifred Hoskins, Kathleen Adair, J. C. Sanders, Barbara Daily.

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GIFTS

THEY CAN USE

- Purses
- Gloves
- Hosiery
- Silk Robes
- Woolen Robes
- Wool Blankets
- Towel sets
- Parke Hoods
- Bath Mats
- Satin Gowns
- Pajamas
- House Shoes
- Dresses
- Luncheon sets
- Guest Towels

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- Jackets
- Car Robes
- Sweaters
- Stetson Hats
- Shaving sets
- Belt Sets
- Underware
- Military sets
- Linen Hdkf.

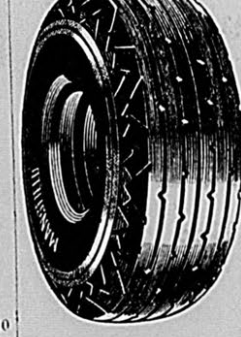
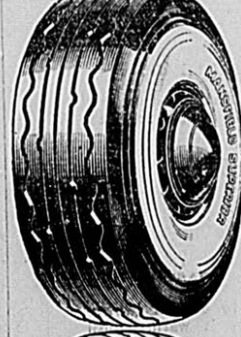


Christmas

TIRE SALE

We are closing out our entire Stock of Tires and Tubes for our Jan. 1st inventory.

We are placing a price on this stock of new Tires and Tubes that will move out the entire stock before Jan. 1, 1940. Our Loss—Your Profit.



MANSFIELD Tires

EXTRA MILEAGE

HERE ARE ONLY A FEW of the BARGAINS—

- 4.75x19—\$6.00, tube \$1.00 with tire sale
- 5.50x17—\$7.50, tube 1.25 with tire sale
- 30x5, 8 ply—\$16.50, tube 2. with tire sale
- 6.00x20, 6 ply truck—\$12.50 tube \$2. with sale
- 32x6, 8 ply—\$20.00, tube \$3. with tire sale
- 32x6, 10 ply—\$28.00, tube \$3. with tire sale

MANSFIELD Tires

EXTRA MILEAGE

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Treads—deep, channeled for greater skid resistance.
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R. E. LEE OIL COMPANY



SHAMROCK-PERRYTON PLAY FOR CHAMPIONSHIP AT PERRYTON FR

By virtue of their 14-12 victory over Tullia, the Perryton Rangers will play for the Region 1 class A championship at Perryton Friday Dec. 15. Shamrock won their right to play in this game with their 19-7 victory over Lockey.

The toss of a coin decided the game site.

Season Records—Perryton
 Follett 6 Perryton 40; Canadian 0 P. 26; Shattuck 0 P. 50; Lefors 0 P. 45; Wellington 7 P. 12; Phillips 0 P. 21; White Deer 0 P. 21; Spearman 6 P. 28; Panhandle 0 P. 34; Dalhart 0 Perryton 13; Tullia 12, P. 14.

Won 10 Lost 0 No ties

Shamrock Record
 Canadian 0 S. 26; Borger 26 S. 25; Childress 16 S. 0; Memphis 0 S. 13; Clarendon 0 S. 13; Wheeler 0 S. 13; Lakeview 0 S. 40; McLean 7 S. 7; Wellington 0 S. 6; Chillicothe 32 S. 7; Lockney 7, Shamrock 19.

Won 7 Lost 3 Tied 1
 Reserved seats are now on sale at \$1.00. General admission 75c.

GRUVER NEWS

Mr and Mrs W. T. McRee and family are visiting their parents Mr and Mrs Fred McRee. Bill in the Phillips 66 dealer in Conchos Dam New Mexico.

Mr and Mrs I. W. Ayres Jr are rejoicing over the safe arrival of Rosalynn Ayres. Rosalynn and her mother are doing fine, and daddy is feeling lots better.

Billy Bob Brooks is also a recent arrival in Gruver. His proud parents, Mr and Mrs J. C. Harris are very happy about the young man. He is named for both grandparents.

The above named new citizen arrived too late for ye reporter last week.

Mrs Joe Gruver is still not feeling very well. Aunt Hattie as we all know her has been confined to her home for some time now. Her many friends are praying for her recovery.

Mrs Jake Shapley has been to the hospital in Shattuck for treatment. It was not necessary for her to remain at the hospital.

Mr and Mrs Carl Archer were visiting in Gruver last week.

Mr and Mrs Tobe Giles leave

Gruver for their new home in Wheeler next week. Mr Giles is the genial manager for the Panhandle Power and Light Co. He has been transferred to Wheeler by the company. We wish him success.

Community Church news: Bro. Cox, pastor, of the Methodist Church and his family are getting settled and seem to enjoy their work. Mrs Cox is a very talented musician and her music adds much to the interest of the services. At the mid-week prayer services last week Bro and Sister Cox were tendered a fine pounding.

Methodist church services will be as follows: S. S. 10 a. m. Lawrence Gruver, supt. Pastor will preach at the morning hour. Epworth League at 6:30 and preaching at 7 p. m.

Church of Christ services will be held in the afternoon. S. S. at 3 p. m. followed by preaching services. Bro. Graves of Spearman is the minister.

Baptist Church News: There will be an all day service at the dedication of the new Sunday School department. A turkey dinner will be served at noon. Sunday school at 10 a. m. with Gay Fletcher in charge. It is hoped that every member of the services. Preaching at 11 a. m. by the pastor. In the afternoon the basement will be formally dedicated and cordial invitation is extended to all to be present with us.

BTU at 7 p. m. with Ward Spivey, director.

NEW BOOKS IN CITY LIBRARY

"It Takes All Kinds" by Louis Brownfield. "Stranger Within The Gates" by Grace Livingston Hill. "The Ownley Inn" by Jos. C. Lincoln. "Lost Sunrise" by Kathleen Norris. "Another Cynthia" by Doris Leslie. "The Sea Tower" by Hugh Walpole. "Return to Dust" by Alice Lent Covert and "Kitty Foyle" by Christopher Morley.

FOR SALE—have 50 tons of good baled feed for sale. Located at Cotter place 4 miles west of Spearman. Dick Bergin, Gruver, Texas.

THE CROWDED INN

By HELEN CLARK WENTWORTH

ALL day long they had been going by the inn, camels and donkeys stirring up dust, weary men and women resting by the stream outside the inn yard. The little country maid had never seen so much travel.

Just outside the city of Jerusalem, near by the village of Bethlehem, there were plenty of people who stopped for refreshment. And Jeremiah kept a good inn. He was a good man, too. But he was hard, sparing neither man nor beast. And his niece Rebecca was hard put to do the tasks that were set before her.

"Why are there so many travelers today?" she asked the little slave girl who helped her prepare the evening meal.

"The tribesmen," replied Fatima, "are going to Jerusalem to be numbered, so that they may pay their taxes. And this will continue for days. These are not times of rejoicing and feasting for us!"

Rebecca looked up as a bearded man, leading an ass on which a young woman rode, entered the courtyard. "Is the inn keeper here?" he asked gently. "My wife and I seek shelter."

"There are no rooms left," Fatima told him, going on with her work. But Rebecca looked up at the woman, whose face was weary and touched with pain.

"I will see what provision can be made," the little maid exclaimed. Her eyes never left the young woman's sweet face. The woman smiled at Rebecca, and her husband smiled too. Rebecca's face lightened eagerly and even Fatima found herself softening.

Rebecca had some difficulty finding her uncle, busy as he was with many things. Then it was hard to make him listen.

"There must be some place, uncle. That new stable, with the clean straw, would be warm and comfortable. She cannot go farther, I know."

"So be it," he answered. Then, as they neared the group, he too was impressed by the young woman's beauty and the lovely warmth of her smile. "There is naught but the stable," he told them, "but Re-

becca will seek to make you comfortable there."

Even after she had done everything she could, and had crept into her own dark corner for the night, Rebecca found she could not forget the couple in the stable. Mary, the man had called his wife. There was such a radiance about her. "I wonder what makes her so different," Rebecca thought. And she opened her eyes.

In amazement she saw light in the courtyard, so much that it seemed the dawn must have come. But the light came from a star that shone just about the stable. Out into the yard the girl crept, and suddenly she heard a child's cry, a cooling, happy sound.

Rebecca looked about. No one was stirring. Far off, on the hillside she saw what looked like a group of men, shadowy, indistinct, seemingly moving toward Bethlehem. It must be her imagination. Possibly it was Ephraim's vineyard she saw. Soon she stood in the stable doorway.

There, lighted by a lantern, was Joseph, bending over the young woman and holding in his arms a tiny baby—her firstborn. At Rebecca's exclamation he turned, and into her outstretched arms he handed the little figure and showed her the snowy lengths of swaddling cloth. Tenderly the maid clothed the infant and laid it beside the mother.

"Thank you," Mary whispered. "For the child's sake and in His name, I thank you for what you have done. We thank her, don't we, Jesus?"

The baby opened his eyes and smiled.

"He smiled at me," Rebecca exclaimed. "I shall never forget, a new born babe smiled into my face to say thank you."

Mary drew the child into the shelter of her arms. Her eyes closed, Joseph walked to the doorway and watched Rebecca as she returned to her room. He, too, saw the clump of trees or vines, or was it a group of men on the hillside? Then he returned to the manger and settled down beside Mary and the sleeping Jesus.



PAMC DRAMATIC CLUB AT GRUVER DECEMBER 19TH

The Home Making Department is sponsoring a dramatic arts program Dec. 19, Wednesday evening by PAMC artists from Goodwell.

The admission is 10c and 25c. Proceeds go to the Home Department fund. The public is urged and cordially invited to attend.

OFFICE SUPPLIES — PAPER CALL 10

Kiss the Maiden Under Mistletoe—But Follow Rules!

IT'S still a nice custom this Christmas to kiss the young lady under the mistletoe, but your efforts are in vain unless it's done properly.

Every time someone kisses under the mistletoe a berry should be plucked from the branch, for only so many blessings are bestowed as there are berries. And don't let the mistletoe fall to the ground. Otherwise its properties of good luck and healing will be destroyed.

Many a romantic story surrounds this plant. The berries represent tears from this legend:

A Scandinavian god, Balder, dreamed he would die. When he told his mother, the goddess Friga, she made earth fire, air, water and all animals and plants promise they wouldn't harm her son.

But she overlooked the mistletoe, for its roots were neither in the earth nor air. So one of Balder's enemies fashioned an arrow from the plant and that was the end of Balder. The tears of the heartbroken goddess fell thick and fast, and froze into the berries that we find on mistletoe today.

Having such a heathen origin, mistletoe is seldom included in church schemes of decoration. But despite this ban few maids care to risk making the legend come true that "she who is not kissed under the mistletoe at Christmas will not be married in the year which follows."

If you want to be lucky, remember the rules.



Don't Marry the Girl Day After Christmas

If you believe the early monks, don't select the day after Christmas to get married, start a new job or put on that new suit. It's Childermass day, commemorating the slaughter of the Holy Innocents by Herod, and in the early days was considered an occasion of the greatest ill-omen.

Children, according to legend, were soundly whipped Childermass day to impress on their minds the story of the baby martyrs.

So intense was the fear of this unfortunate festival that the coronation of England's King Edward IV was postponed in order to avoid the fatal date.

White House Maintains Traditions 139 Years Old

WASHINGTON. — Santa Claus makes his 139th visit to the White House this Christmas, carrying on a tradition started December 25, 1800, when Kris Kringle called on little Suzannah, granddaughter of President John Adams from Massachusetts.

The White House in those days was in an unfinished state and the great barnlike rooms were only scantily furnished, providing a great contrast to the beautifully appointed mansion of today. Yet the same joyous spirit prevailed on that Christmas morning, more than a century and a quarter ago, as that found in the White House this Yuletide.

From early years of our country, Presidents have set aside the heavy burden of state and made merry Christmas day with their families.

Christmas Tree Useful During Rest of Winter

AMHERST, MASS.—In northern states where Christmas heralds the coming of cold winter weather, the tree that warms the living room December 25 is being put to work the balance of the winter outdoors. According to Arnold M. Davis, extension horticulturist at Massachusetts state college, fir trees can make excellent "feeding stations" for birds and offer them cozy shelter on frosty winter nights. Suet is often tied to the branches. The tree is also used to protect climbing plants, or the branches can be ripped off and laid as a mulch over low-growing plants or bulbs. Northern beekeepers find the trees handy as windbreaks.

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GRUVER METHODIST PLAN TREE AND PROGRAM

Rev. W. A. Cox, Me pastor at Gruver report Gruver church will have a tree and children's gram Saturday evening D A Xmas pagant will be in connection with the pr The WMS is sponsoring the ent.

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Helen Morton

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... standing here think-... That fat woman looked... as going to buy several... are very nice, madam... 35 cents a piece... 40. This is an ex-... pretty one," and Betsy... navy blue. But the fat... the ties and has-... with her friend, leaving...
... Betsy leaned over and... them up. "Let me... voice asked, Betsy... to a handsome face... hair, deep blue eyes... that curved into a... surprise in Betsy's eyes... get some ties for my... been up here the past... and so I don't know... want, but I think it'll... 'em ties. Socks are...
... Betsy asked as... one or two she liked...
... three brothers and a sis-... about your age, I reckon... girl like, anyway, when... little to spend?" He...
... the brothers fixed up... see about her. How's... year-old?" Betsy in-...
... know, I'm tickled pink... do anything for the... a bad spell, was... for three weeks, and... I just got another last... have hated to have... with nothing from the... face was shining...
... them wrapped as gifts... over to the counter... something for your... I'll take you over and... my home town to... he'll help," and Betsy...
... city girl, then? No... ve so helpful. I'm

How Other Lands Mark Christmas

A melting pot of the world, America has created its Christmas traditions from countless customs brought across the seas from foreign lands. In these far-away places the Yuletide symbols of bygone ages still endure. Here are a few of them:

ENGLAND: Christmas to rural Englishmen means not only the observance of Christ's birth, but also a parting of the ways between the old year and the new. Preparations are started for the next year's farm work, which begins right after Christmas. Throughout the island such trappings as the holly and mistletoe remain undying traditions, nor is any Christmas complete without the Yule log burning. On clear frosty nights the carol singers raise their voices over the countryside. To many Englishmen's despair, such American customs as the turkey dinner are gaining a foothold.

GERMANY: Two years ago storm troopers in Berlin lit bonfires in the public squares as a revival of the pagan custom of celebrating the winter solstice. But this distraction will not stop the Christmas-loving Germans from decorating their trees in every town and village, and joining in the famed Christmas hymn, "Stille Nacht, Heilige Nacht."

ITALY: Most Italian families celebrate Christmas eve and spend the following day quietly in their homes. Here it is a feast more for grown-ups than for children, whose merry-making day comes 12 days later, on January 6. On Christmas eve fami-



IN ITALY—Children of the Italian Alps at Christmas Time, praying before a wayside shrine.

lies gather around the "ceppo" or Christmas log blazes. At nine p. m. begins the "cenone," or big supper, at which no meat may be served. Gifts for children, which come on Epiphany, are brought not by Santa Claus but by an ugly witch whose name is "Befana."

FRANCE: Exchange of gifts comes not on Christmas but mostly on New Year's day, which in France is the big family day for reunions of cousins, aunts and uncles. Santa Claus is "Pere Noel," who leaves his gifts in wooden shoes. Christmas eve is spent at home but in revelry and feasting.

BELGIUM: Neither Santa Claus nor Pere Noel visit children here—but St. Nicholas makes the rounds, surprisingly, on December 6! A quaint Belgian custom is the putting up the chimney of a few carrots for the little donkey on which St. Nicholas makes his visits.

RUSSIA: This anti-Christian nation forbids celebration of the Yuletide but no longer compels foreign residents to import their own Christmas trees. Making an about-face, the Soviet government uses this emblem of childhood for its New Year's celebrations when Dajda Moroz, or Uncle Frost, appears with gifts for good children.

POLAND: This Christmas celebration lasts until February 2 and is preceded by fasting which is not broken until the first star appears on Christmas eve. In all homes the tablecloth is placed over a layer of fragrant hay in commemoration of the manger.

HUNGARY: St. Nicholas leaves boxes of candy for children early in December, after which the youngsters must be on their good behavior. They write letters to the angels, who, they believe, bring the presents. If they find bits of tinsel on the floor, they claim this is angel's hair and proof that the angels are everywhere, observing which boys and girls are good.

HOLY LAND: Where it all began nearly 20 centuries ago, worshippers reverently hail each Christmas at the church of Nativity which is built over Christ's traditional birthplace. It has remained unchanged more than 1,500 years. There pilgrims gather from all over the world to intone "Glory to the New-Born King."

A Christmas Snowstorm

By Sarah Jane Clark

THREE hours late, the snow-bound train reached Chicago. Mary Lou gathered her baggage together and took the bus across to the other station, to find her connecting train had left on schedule. The folks would drive in to town to meet the train unless she could head them off.

Her message put through, Mary Lou sank down on one of the benches to collect her thoughts and make her plans until train time. Five o'clock, and no train until 9:30 the next morning.

"Going out soon?" a cheery voice near her asked. She looked up to find the chief usher standing beside her. A middle-aged, friendly-looking fellow. Mary Lou told him of her missed connections.

"Here, Eddie, look at this!" a red cap interrupted her story. He was leading a three-year-old child, a dear little girl with big blue eyes and yellow curls.

"What are you doing with the kid? Is she lost?" Eddie asked sharply, turning away from Mary Lou.

"Might as well be. She came in from Denver, in charge of the stewards. They missed the train north, and the stewardess is celebrating Christmas by having her appendix out, emergency case. They told me to turn the kid over to you," the boy grinned as he handed her over to the chief usher.

Eddie took her clumsily. "See here, what can a bachelor like me do with a kid like this?" He looked appealingly at Mary Lou.

Mary Lou's eyes filled with tears. Then she held out her arms toward the youngster. "What is your name, dear?" she asked.

"Annette Pollard. I am three years old and I am going from Cheyenne to Rio, Wisconsin, to my grandma Pollard. My daddy is there." It was a lesson she had been taught.

Mary Lou held her close. "I had a little girl almost as old as Annette when she died," she said brokenly to Eddie. "Let me keep the child

tonight, and take her to her home. I missed the same train she did."

Eddie studied her face. What he saw satisfied him. Still he hesitated for a moment. "That sounds good to me. But I'd better get the conductor to authorize it."

IT WAS soon decided that Mary Lou should keep her. But she must not leave the station. "It won't be very comfortable for you, ma'am, but the kid can curl up on a bench here and be dead to the world in no time. There are some rocking chairs in the far room there. Why, of course there are some cots there, and baby beds."

"We ought to telephone the child's relatives," Mary Lou suggested. "Of course we should. Here is the address and telephone number. You do it for me, will you, please, ma'am? I've got my last minute shopping to do. I'm mighty glad you came in on this train. Eddie'll take the kid while you telephone to Rio," and the conductor was off, after turning over the child's money to Mary Lou. But not until Mary Lou had made him promise to send a big doll back for the child's Christmas.

"We'll let Annette say hello to her daddy herself, if she wants to," Mary Lou exclaimed. And so it was done. Mary Lou heard the voice of Annette's father, tense with concern, and then joyful as he realized where his baby was and heard her childish treble over the phone. "Her mother's parents sent her back here to have Christmas with me. Her mother died two years ago," he added.

The sun was shining dazlingly bright the next morning when the train stopped at Rio. The red-haired man who was waiting expectantly on the platform had only time to thank Mary Lou, and get her address, before the train pulled out leaving him holding Annette as she waved a good-by to Mary Lou.

But the trip home was much easier. Mary Lou forgot the burning pain at the loss of her own little daughter, the aching loneliness since her own husband's death, as she remembered the soft kiss of the baby lips of the motherless child who had been in her charge the night before. And the look in the face of Annette's daddy made her sure she would see Annette soon.

1,161,023 Bushels of Wheat Insured For 1940 Harvest

Filling its share of the Ever-Normal Granary, Hansford county has insured production of 1,161,023 bushels of wheat in 1940 and has put 1,175,000 bushels under the 1939 wheat loan, J. B. Cooke, administrative assistant under the ACA program reported.

With 119 all-risk wheat crop insurance policies sold in the county Mr Cooke said the insurance covered the production of 33,251 acres in the county, costing farmers 45,943 bushels as premiums. Most insurance is for 75 percent coverage.

Meanwhile, indemnity payments have been made on 9 of the 66 policies sold in the county on the 1939 crop with farmers collecting 3,563 bushels or the cash equivalent of \$1,631.

Wheat stored as premiums on crop insurance and under the loan is part of the Ever-Normal Granary, the chairman explained and serves to alleviate economic distress among producers and consumers caused by crop failures due to drought and other causes.

Mr Cooke pointed out that the Ever-Normal Granary does not papy only to wheat but to all agricultural products in that the Department of Agriculture is attempting to maintain a normal supply from year to year for the benefit of both producer and consumer.

CONVENTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a convention will be held in Commissioners Precinct No. 3, of Hansford County, Texas, at Gruver's Elevator in said Precinct at 2:30 o'clock p. m. on the first Tuesday in January 1940, being the 2nd day of January A. D. 1940, for the purpose of electing a member to the County Soil Conservation Committee from said Precinct.

Only land owners resident in said precinct are entitled to participate in said election. Dated this 14th day of Dec. A. D. 1939. Gus Olsen, Commissioner, of Precinct No. 3, Hansford County, Texas.

MORSE PTA HAS XMAS TREE

The regular meeting of the Morse PTA was well attended and much interest was manifest in the business session and the program which followed the singing of Xmas carols.

Rev. Herbert Hughes was the guest speaker, who very ably discussed the subject "Spiritual Grace". Bro. Hughes emphasized that we live in a material age, therefore, the spiritual side of life must be stressed more than ever in the training of our children. The children who observe the cultural and spiritual customs of everyday life in the home are not problems for the school and society. The Wall St. Journal says "what America Needs most is a Revival of Religion." True prosperity must be builded on true spiritual values.

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BLODGETT NEWS

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Mrs. E. S. Uptergrove. Mr and Mrs J. P. Simm were Sunday guests in the E. S. Uptergrove home.

Mearl Beck went to Raton, N. M. after 2 loads of coal the past few days. Frank Hardin accompanied him on one trip.

Mrs. E. S. F. Brainard was a Spearman shopper Monday. Mr and Mrs Earl Church were transacting business in Spearman Monday.

Mrs. Ralph Blodgett, Mrs. M. Beck and Mrs. John Kenney attended the County Council Monday.

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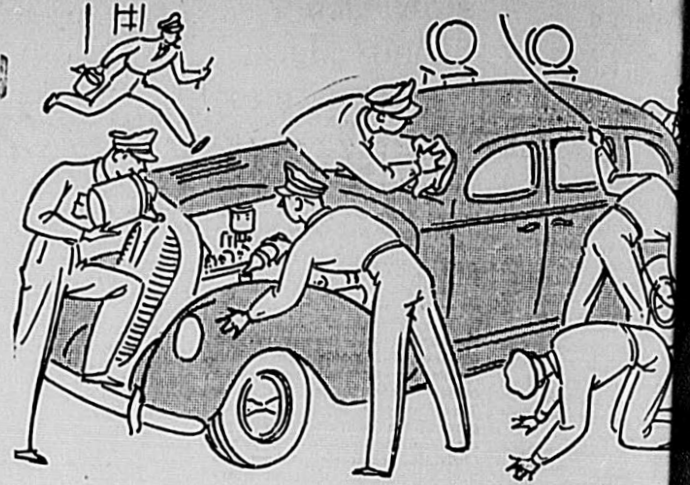
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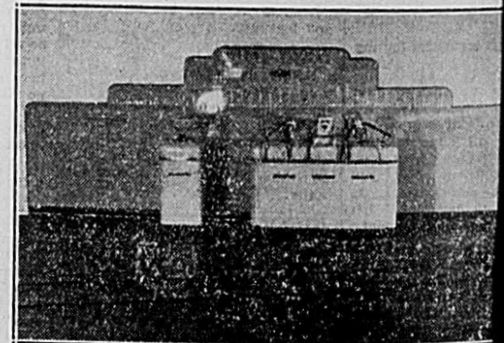
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R. V. CONVERSE SAYS

"Woe unto the world because of offences; for it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh." Matt. 18-7.

It is becoming evident; that the powers that be, are using every trick in the sock to make Roosevelt and his administration look like they are not.

Watch the trend of events place the U. S. in the position of dictator in the Orient, and gradually be drawn into a controversy with Japan.

It has been confidentially passed out that the leading Democrats are talking Garner for President in 1940 not because they think he can win but to gain time and see what the republicans are shaping up for an issue, many of the leader sin the Dem. party had rather see a republican president elected than to have Roosevelt re-elected.

Some writers are pointing out that there never was a member of the Roosevelt family that had ever done manual labor for a living. Perhaps they think that will detract from FDR's popularity.

We are told in the book of books that in the last day each man will be judged by the deeds he has done, that might not be such a bad way to pick a president.

It now seems like Germany has become so attached to the Rhine that she intends to divert its main channel back into Germany in order that it can be longer be the boundry line between Germany and France.

That is what education does for the human race. If we do not like things as we find them we just change them to suit us. In the U. S. we have changed the Colorado river, making its waters flow down the west slope of the Rockies, where it will be used for irrigation and to water the thirsty city of Los Angeles.

A self conceived fresh guy, the other day made a rather unnecessary remark to the good looking waitress who came to take his order. When the order was delivered the waitress re-

marked in a friendly way, "why don't you fill out that blank?" and of course the fresh customer grabbed the book and asked what blank, and the girl very tartly replied the one between your eyes.

Yours,
R. V. Converse.

BETTER HOMES CLUB

The Better Homes DC met for the Christmas party on December 12 at Mrs H. L. Wilbanks' home which was beautifully arranged for the affair.

Mrs Deta Blodgett, Mrs Joe Novak and Mrs Earl Church were on the refreshment committee. They made the beautiful christmas trees that adorned each table. The candle dessert was clever in appearance and taste. The entertainment was arranged by Mrs R. V. Converse.

The christmas presents added their share of happiness to each person.

Present were Mesdames Williams, Bennett, J. M. Blodgett, Shedeck, Beck, Deta Blodgett, Kenney, Novak, Uptergrove, Earl Church, H. L. Wilbanks, Converse Hutchison and Mrs Schubert was a guest.

The club will meet January 2 at the home of Mrs Carl Hutchison.

Ray Valette Converse and wife of Amarillo spent the night and day at the home of his parents Mr and Mrs R. V. Converse.

4-H CLUB GIRLS MAKE MATTRESSES

The girls of Gruver and Spearman made two mattresses Saturday in the sewing room, to help raise money for their expenses to College Station in July. Each county is allowed to send one sponsor and each club one delegate.

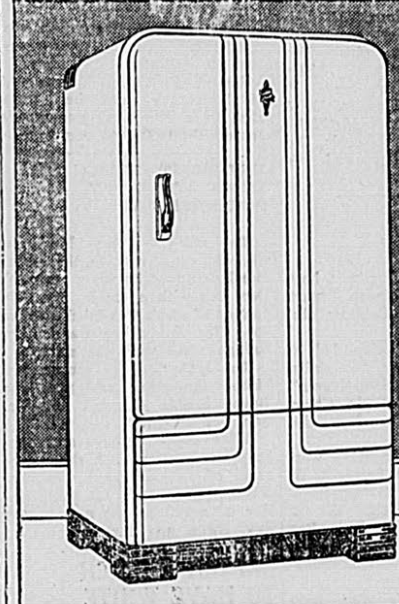
Mrs Tom Dozier is the Gruver sponsor and Mrs Bennett is the Spearman sponsor. Miss Locke assisted the girls. A number of adults attended the demonstration.

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Spearman Merchants Prepared For Christmas Rush

It is not much farther to Christmas, and very little else will occupy people's minds until that important occasion is past history. Lists of suitable gifts for cherished ones are being made up and purchased in preparation for the happiest time of the year. May this Xmas Season be the most joyous one the readers of The Reporter have ever known.

Spearman merchants are preparing to have a complete showing of holiday materials, presents of all descriptions for members of the family, practical, useful gifts and of every-day value, as well as the numerous items so many times used as remembrances or tokens of thoughtful consideration.

More money can be saved by buying Christmas presents in Spearman than in any other

place. Your home-town merchants who know you and every member of your family, can give you better advice as to suitable and appropriate gifts than can any stranger whose sole motive is to sell you something. Your merchant wants you to be satisfied with any purchase you make for he needs continuous trade to stay in business—any other out of town merchant does not care whether you are pleased or not.

It will cost you more to buy presents out of town than it will to buy them in Spearman.

GRUVER HD CLUB

The Gruver HD club held an all day meeting at the home of Mrs A. R. Bort, Dec. 6 for the purpose of making a mattress for Mrs R. E. Bandy. A covered dish luncheon was

served at the noon hour. At the regular meeting hour a business session was held at which time some old business was cleared up as this is about the close of this years work. Plans were made for the Xmas party which will be at the home of Mrs C. B. Williams Dec. 20th at 2 p. m. Those present were Mesdames C. B. Williams, Elmo McClellan, Lloyd Frier, R. E. Bandy and the hostess Mrs A. R. Bort.

CALLED MEETING OF HANSFORD MASONIC LODGE

Members of Hansford Lodge No. 1040 are urged to be present Monday night at 7 p. m. Dec. 18. Several Xmas matters must be decided. Degree work.

Mr and Mrs Bud Beeson were Amarillo visitors Saturday.

1939 Toys Sprout Wheels As Kids Imitate Parents

Today's civilization-on-wheels has revolutionized the Twentieth century toy industry. Several decades ago children played with paint sets and cut-out dolls. Now girls and boys want wheel goods. The desire to have an automobile like dad's is so great that toy auto manufacturers must change their designs as soon as new models appear. Velocipedes must be streamlined, scooters must have pneumatic tires, and doll carriages must be of the latest baby buggy designs.

OSLO NEWS

The morning worship at the Oslo church next Sunday Dec. 17, Third Sunday in Advent, will begin at 11:00 a. m. Sermon theme "The Highway of the Lord is Built by Baptism-Repentance" Luke 3:1-6.

Dr. Larsen, president of the Ia., District of the N.C.A will conduct services at the Oslo Church Tuesday evening, Dec. 19. The services will begin at 8 o'clock. Everyone is welcome. The choir and Sunday school will meet for the practice of the Christmas program on Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. The Sunday school will meet at 10 a. m. H. C. Hjortholm, pastor

THE LUCKY EIGHT CLUB

Mrs W. S. Good was hostess to the Lucky Eight Bridge Club in the home of Mrs McNabb on Thursday afternoon.

Delicious refreshments were served to Mesdames James Spiller, Olin Chambers, Gene Cline, and Mrs Good and Misses Mattie Lou Easley and Bernice Vernon and guests Mrs Tad Platt and Mrs McNabb.

Mrs Tad Platt won high score for guests and Mattie Lou Easley for members.

The club meets next Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs O. Chambers.

Mr and Mrs C. A. Gibner visited in Amarillo Saturday.



And a Prosperous 1940—We deem it opportune to express our Thanks to the customers that have made possible our success during 1939—Let us serve you during the coming year.



The good will of the Christmas season reminds me of your good-will throughout the year, for which I am truly thankful. May happiness, prosperity and great success attend you.

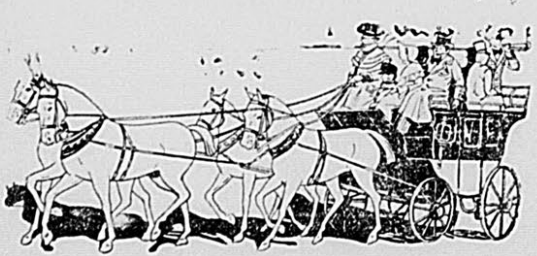
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