

Twenty-Second Year
Most Every Daddy
Has Felt That Way

SPEARMAN REPORTER

Spearman, Hansford County, Texas, Thursday, December 26, 1929

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From Spearman Towns Meet Here

"I am saying this to you as you are asleep, one little paw crumpled under your cheek and the long curls sticking wet on your damp forehead. I have stolen into your room alone. Just a few minutes ago, as I sat reading my paper in the library, a hot stifling wave of drowsiness swept over me. I could resist it. Guiltily I came to my bedside:

"These are the things I was thinking, son: I had been cross to you. Then it began all over again in the late afternoon. As I came out of the hill road, I spied you down on your knees, playing marbles. There were holes in your stockings. I humiliated you before your boy friends by making you march ahead of me back to the house. Stockings were expensive—and if you had to buy them you would be more careful. Imagine that, son, from a father! It was such a stupid, silly logic!

"Do you remember, later, when I was reading in the library, how you came in softly, timidly, with a sort of hurt, hunted look in your eyes? When I glanced up over my paper, impatient at the interruption, you hesitated at the door. 'What is it you want?' I snapped. 'You said nothing, but I ran across in one tempestuous lunge, threw your arms around my neck and kissed me, again and again, and your small arms tightened with an affection that God has set blooming in your heart and which even neglect could not wither. And then you were gone, pattering up the stairs.

"Well, son, it was shortly afterwards that my paper slipped from my hands and a terrible sickening fear came over me. Suddenly I saw myself as I really was, in all my horrible selfishness, and I felt sick at heart.

"What has habit been doing to me? The habit of complaining, of finding fault, or reprimanding—all of these were my rewards to you for being a boy. It was not that I did not love you; it was because I expected too much of you. I was measuring you by the yardstick of my own years.

"And here was so much that was good, and fine and true in your character. You did not deserve my treatment of you so. The little heart of you was as big as the dawn itself over the wide hills. All this was shown by your spontaneous impulse to rush in and kiss me good night. Nothing else matters tonight, son. I have come to your bedside in the darkness and I have knelt there choking with emotion, and so ashamed! It is a feeble atonement. I know you would not understand these things if I told them to you during your waking hours, yet I must say what I am saying. I must burn sacrificial fires alone, here, in your bedroom. And make free confession. And I have prayed God to strengthen me in my new resolve. Tomorrow, I will be a real daddy! I will chum with you and suffer when you suffer and laugh when you laugh. I will bit my tongue when impatient words come. I will keep saying as if it were a ritual: 'He is nothing but a boy—a little boy.'

"I am afraid I have visualized you as a man. Yet I see you now, son, crumpled and weary in your cot, I see you are still a baby. Yesterday you were in your mother's arms, your head on her



OUR PREJUDICES

According to many of our friends the one way to attain intellectual respectability is to read and quote frequently the outbursts of H. L. Mencken, editor of the American Mercury. He is indeed a clever writer but hardly profound, and scarcely worthy of imitation.

Unfortunately, however, he has become the chief spokesman of a lot of sophisticated younger writers who lack enough imagination to assume leadership.

But even if we did, at times find something in the works of the master, we can scarcely feel agreeable to the works of his younger imitators.

Because even the works of the master must be taken with the proverbial grain of salt. He writes on every subject under the sun though the range of his knowledge is not equally omniscient. He parades his prejudices, hobbies, and skepticism. He has no confidence in the integrity or good judgment of the great mass of the American people, pronouncing our democracy a failure, our law making bodies mere aggregations of clownish entertainers, and our business leaders rabbits and snobs.

Ask him for constructive criticism, and he would ridicule their very idea. In his eyes destructive criticism alone has a wholesome effect. For it alone causes us to scrutinize our institutions, and their ourselves make the necessary corrections.

The really great are much more modest. They avoid the arrogance, the certainty, the dogmatism, the angry writing of this master and his pupils. Men whose influence has been beneficial upon their own and subsequent times have always used constructive rather than destructive criticism.

Whitey Walker Is Given Life Term

Ada, Okla., Dec. 21—Whitey Walker, convicted of robbery with firearms in connection with a raid upon the First National bank of Allen in July, 1928, was sentenced to life imprisonment by Judge Orel Busby here today.

Walker, once held as a suspect in the Lamar, Colo., bank robbery and slayings was brought here for trial from Berger, Texas, where a murder charge is pending against him. Texas authorities released him to face the Oklahoma charge.

A. L. Haas Adjudged Insane Last Thursday

A jury in County Judge C. W. King's court on last Thursday afternoon, adjudged A. L. Haas insane and he is being cared for by Sheriff Wilbanks until a place is found for him in some of the state institutions. There was no room for him in the Wichita Falls asylum but it is thought that he will be taken to Huntsville soon.

Mr. Haas came to Spearman about six years ago and opened a shoe repair business. He has been separated from his family for years and lived alone. He has been a man of considerable ability and his friends and acquaintances will regret to hear of his unfortunate condition. He has some property here and C. A. Giber was appointed administrator of the estate.

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**E. TER BORG
DIES SUDDENLY**
The death of E. ter Borg occurred at his home in Spearman on Friday afternoon, December 20, at 2:00 o'clock. The death of this fine old gentleman, who was 64 years old, was not unexpected, as he had been in ill health for many months. He passed away while taking a bath, presumably of heart failure.

**TO MANUFACTURE
FARM EQUIPMENT**
Plant Will Furnish Employment For Fifteen to Twenty Five High-Class Mechanics
WILL SELL AT FACTORY
Four Articles to Be Built and Sold at Local Machine Shop

The Dittrich Machine Shop Company will open up a factory in Spearman on February 15, 1930 states Mr. Dittrich, president and general manager of this company. Four articles of farm equipment will be manufactured right here if the plant in Spearman, all of which, Mr. Dittrich believes, will be highly handy, useful and convenient things to have on the farm.

**College Students Home
For Christmas Holidays**
The little folks come rushing in from school, throw their things on the floor, scamper and yell at the top of their voices, "No school for two weeks, Christmas is here." It is with this same eagerness and joy that the young folks return from college to spend their vacations with the folks at home. Many homes of the town are filled with joy and happiness by the homecoming of big brother or sister from college, who are greeted on the streets with smiles and handshakes from friends and acquaintances. Among those who have arrived home at this date are: Miss Sibyl Baley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Baley, from Simmons University at Abilene; Miss Earlene Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Davis, from Amarillo Business College; Miss Mary Wilbanks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Wilbanks, from Simmons University at Abilene; Miss Lorene Morton, from Amarillo Business College and Miss Lois Morton from C. A. at Denton, both daughters of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Morton; Miss Lois Bailey, daughter of Mrs. H. P. Bailey, from C. I. A. at Denton; Misses Virginia and Reba Barkley, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Barkley, from C. I. A. at Denton; Auburn Curtis, son of Mrs. Homer Allen, from Texas A and M. at College Station; Elmo Maize from Texas Tech at Lubbock, at his home with his brother, P. M. Maize; Willie Ray Gay, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Gay, from Shinn's Business College at Oklahoma City; Clarence Gill, from Shinn's Business college at Oklahoma City;

**Naoma Ruth Word
Marries Dawson Richards**
A quiet but impressive ceremony was solemnized at Guymon last Wednesday evening, when Miss Naoma Ruth Word and Dawson Richards were united in the holy bonds of wedlock. The wedding of these popular young people came as a great surprise to their many friends.

**T. E. L. and W. M. U.
In Christmas Party**
(Too late for last week's paper)
One of the most elaborate Christmas affairs of the week was the entertainment of the T. E. L. class and W. M. U. of the Baptist church Wednesday, December 18, from 7:30 to 10 p. m.

**Special Show on
New Year's Eve**
Manager Thompson of the Lyric Theatre announces the booking of "The Lady Lies" and "Faro Nell," both all talking and both picked by Photoplay as among the best pictures made in November, for showing January 1 and 2, Wednesday and Thursday.

**Million Foot Gasser
Brought In Last Week**
John L. Hays returned Sunday from Iola, Kansas, where he spent the past week looking after interests in the oil and gas production line. Mr. Hays is interested with H. T. Griffith, who is well known here, in several oil and gas leases in the vicinity of Iola, which at this time are looking real good. A million foot gas well was brought in one day last week on one of their leases. As this well is located near a big pipe line, marketing of the gas will be an easy matter, and Messrs. Hays and Griffith are very proud of the outcome of their venture. They may put down other wells in that section, and still have hopes of striking oil. However, gas is a big paying proposition in that section, being so near the great manufacturing centers, such as Wichita and Kansas City.

CHRISTMAS OFFER

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LEGALIZING THE CRIME

"Mother, can I have those apples on the sideboard?"
"Yes, dear!"
"Oh, I'm so glad you said yes!"
"Why, are you so hungry?"
"No—but I have eaten them all already."

THE WISE GENERATION

Teacher: "We are going to have a little talk on wading birds. Of course, the stork is one—what do you say, Elsie?"
Little Elsie: "Oh, but, teacher—the idea of there being any storks!"

THE PLEASURES OF GOLF

Plant Supt.: "Why did you persuade Uncle Tom to take up golf? Now he'll live forever."
Plant Supt.'s Brother: "Don't you believe it—he'll swear himself into apoplexy."

MARVELS OF HEREDITY

Phyllida: "Sometimes you appear really manly, and sometimes you are effeminate. How do you account for it?"
Phyllip: "I suppose it's hereditary. Half of my ancestors were men and the other half women!"

SOME NERVE

A hardened motorist ran down a pedestrian.
"Hey," he shouted, "while you're under there, take a look at my brake rods."

Read the Reporter every week.

How to Raise Poultry

By Dr. L. D. LeGear, V.S., St. Louis, Mo.
Dr. LeGear is a graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College, 1892. Thirty-six years of veterinary practice on diseases of live stock and poultry. Eminent authority on poultry and stock raising. Nationally known poultry breeder. Noted author and lecturer.



ARTICLE XIV

Editor's Note—This is another story in a series of 52 stories on poultry raising written by the well known national poultry authority, Dr. L. D. LeGear, V. S., of St. Louis. The entire series will appear in this paper. Our readers are urged to read them carefully and clip them out for future reference.

WHEN EGG-MAKERS GO ON A STRIKE

Broody Hens Represent an Economic Loss When Not Needed for Hatching—Harsh and Cruel Measures Not Needed to Overcome Broodiness.

In a recent radio talk, Raymond Hitchcock stated that even though he had called all his hens together and scolded them severely, they still refused to lay an egg for him. Not many people would employ the trying to get eggs but many of the ways used to break hens of broodiness are just as ridiculously ineffective. It is really important that better ways of overcoming broodiness should be known. A broody hen is an unprofitable hen especially where incubators do all the hatching. Consequently the sooner her broodiness can be broken up the sooner she can begin once more to earn her board and lodging.

It is a mistake to frighten a broody hen by tying red ribbons to her tail, plunging her into cold water, or confining her in a closed box without food, water or light. Such methods belong to the dark ages of poultry raising. They do not actually cure broodiness but only put the hen in poor flesh and health. The only way to get a hen out of this condition is to get her mind off the subject, so to speak, so she will once more begin eating and drinking in normal fashion. One good way to accomplish this is to confine one or more broody hens in a small coop with a vigorous male.

Broodiness can also be easily and humanely overcome through the use of broody coops. The important thing in using such a coop is to get the broody hen into it the very first day she shows any sign of that condition. If this is

done she will forget her broodiness in less than half the time that will be needed if she is allowed to stay on the nest, two, three or four days. The longer broodiness is allowed to continue the harder it is to overcome and the greater will be the loss of egg production. I shall describe two broody coops that I have found exceptionally effective.

For just one hen, make a coop 2 by 2 by 2 feet. The sides are to be of slats for ventilation, and the top solid for protection. Using a single rope or wire fastened to the center of the top, hang this coop from any convenient rafter or branch of a tree. Such a coop will sway with every gust of wind and with every step the hen takes. That will keep her so busy trying to retain her balance that she soon forgets her broodiness.

The second form of broody coop I wish to describe may be used with good effect, when a number of hens all decide to go on a strike at about the same time. This coop should be 3 by 4 or 4 by 5 feet and two feet deep. The slats should be made of slats or poultry netting and the floor either slatted or solid. A good roof should be provided and should extend far enough on each side to give good protection from the rain. This coop should be at least 2 or 3 feet off the ground to allow for good circulation of air all around the hens. This is very important, as broody hens should be kept cool. From three to six hens may be placed in this coop and kept in it day and night. It should be put in a cool, shady spot instead of the sun.

Plenty of good feed and clean water should be kept within easy reach of broody hens the whole time they are confined in a broody coop. This is very important and should not be neglected under any circumstances.

Hens so confined constantly fuss among themselves, which tends to make them forget their broodiness. Seeing other fowls at liberty also helps considerably to speed up the end of broody spells. This method should have the desired effect in from three to five days. It is a particularly good method not only because of its effectiveness but because it is absolutely humane.

Better than any methods of

curing broodiness is the plan for eliminating it, now being successfully used by many poultry raisers. With careful breeding it is possible to develop a strain of non-sitters or hens that will not go broody. Only hens that do not go broody should be used for breeding and if care is used in selecting just the right hens, broodiness can be practically eliminated in a few generations.

A broody hen, unless needed for hatching eggs, is simply a nuisance and an unnecessary nuisance at that. It is so easy to break up the habit there is no reason why it should be tolerated and a great many reasons why it should not be tolerated. But to be successful, one must not make the mistake of using the harsh methods once so much in vogue.

The right way is always the cheapest and best. That is why I recommend sane, humane methods of curing broodiness. They work along scientific lines by not trying to scare the hen out of her broodiness, but by replacing the brooding idea with something else. This method brings 100 per cent success because it leaves the hen in excellent physical condition ready and willing to resume her profitable job of laying eggs. Diplomacy and gentle methods are just as superior to force when dealing with feathered strikers as they usually are with the human variety.—Copyright, 1929, by Dr. L. D. LeGear, V. S.

WOMEN ARE BARRED

Have you ever noticed many women floor walkers in stores? You have not. There is a field women have not crashed. When there is a check to be O. K.'d or something to be straightened out, it is always "Mr. Somebody" who is summoned.

Stores would just as soon have women floor walkers. They would probably be just as efficient and work just as hard. But store officials know their women shoppers too well to give these jobs to women. They know, given equal tact and equal courtesy, women will prefer to have a man floor walker direct them to the toy department or listen to their grievance against a clerk, than a woman.

This antagonism of woman against woman is old as time. It is something women do not realize they have and yet it is reflected in the modern commercial age, just as clearly as it was in the days of the caveman. It seems incongruous with our advanced concepts of freedom, but it is there.—Childress Index.

Children playing put the "din" in reading.

May the Smile of Good Cheer Be Yours Sincere---

AND THE FOND RECOLLECTIONS OF THE JOYS OF A MERRY CHRISTMAS LIGHT YOUR WAY DOWN THE ROAD OF 1930 TO SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS!

--We Greet You --We Thank You

And as we approach 1930 we are thinking, building, planning to make this business more worthy of your confidence, esteem and patronage.

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These sweaters are guaranteed gift that will long be remembered.

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Other sweaters made

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HOUSE SHOES

You will find in our stock of Shoes for the Lady that come in black, green, red and patterned.

LADIES FELT HOSE

Make this a Merry Christmas in the most beautiful presents with suggestions

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You Ever Stop To Think?

By Edson R. Waite
Shawnee, Oklahoma

That Texas is forging ahead. She has a winning gait. She is not only up to the minute, but a few camps ahead.

Texas is a winner because her people realize that if they don't pull together they will have no pull anywhere.

Texas is a winner because everybody works and nobody shirks, and her people know that it is better to be a winner than a wisher. No state ever was developed by wishes.

Texas is a winner because she is winning through cooperation and constructive efforts—with plenty of energy behind the effort.

Texas is a winner because her business men do not spend their time talking about the business outlook. They spend their time being on the out-look for business.

Texas is a winner because people and capital come where they are invited and stay where they are well treated. Texas treats everyone well.

Texas is a winner because it is a good state in which to live and make a living. What more could be desired?

WHY NOT TRY?

The great Christmas rus is now on.

How few of us ever stop to think what the Christmas season means to millions of people in this country—the postal workers, the clerks and the delivery men. For them it is a season of hard work—fatigue in the extreme. Many of them will work 18 hours a day.

And all because so many of us put off buying and mailing those Christmas presents until the eleventh hour. You will find it much more satisfactory to do your Christmas mailing and shopping early and you will be making Christmas more of a season of joy than drudgery for millions of your neighbors.

Why not try it?—Childress Index.

They say long skirts are coming again, and we suppose it won't be long before the men will wonder if women really have legs after all.

People who worry about international affairs ought to look around them and see some of the poverty in their own communities.

NEITHER BEGINNING NOR END

The most impressive epics of mankind are not always those that have been remembered. For more than half a million years the featherless bipeds of our species have been the world's most adventurous animals, forever forcing their way into climes or countries where nature has done her best to be discouraging. What inquisitive tiger or energetic elephant has ever thought of setting foot on the North Pole or in the South merely to be able to say that some member of his species has been there? To explore, not from necessity but from mere dislike of uncut horizons, is the unchallenged prerogative of man, and apparently, it always has been.

Human bones, rude scratchings on the bones of animals and the remains of camps are part of the accumulated evidence that human beings explored, and even lived, in the Far North during the glacial period. Nature in her severest moods has never been able to overawe this determined creature called man.

Hundreds of thousands of years have passed since those first known arctic explorers dared the hazards of the land of eternal ice, but man is still at it. Today a group of intrepid American are "keeping house" down in the Anarctic and polar aviation is commonplace even before the airplane has been universally accepted as a safe mode of transportation.

VACATION FOR HOUSEWIVES

Practically every worker receives some vacation during the year, except the housewives of the country, whose work of running the home has not let up.

We thoroughly agree with Secretary of Labor Davis that every housewife should have a liberal vacation each year. As far as possible, some plan should be arranged in every home whereby the mother and housekeeper could be sent off and freed from her household duties for a period of recreation. As Secretary Davis said in a recent radio address:

"The wife is not looking for nor expecting rewards for her faithful labors, but if we could bring into her life some of the so-called luxuries with which the world abounds today, and which are the right of every toiler who helps to make them possible, this wife, mother and business manager would be getting only her just deserts."

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DO WHAT YOU CAN FOR THE POOR TODAY

Dear Girls:

We mortal men and women are peculiar creatures. We read in the large city papers of the destitute cages and our hearts are filled with pity.

"Oh," we think "if only we had the money how gladly would we give the five hundred or a thousand dollars needed to keep this poor family whose father is ill and mother struggling to make end meet until he can recover. How gladly would we give to help the poor old woman who lives in a cold tentment room and suffers for the proper food. What a joy it would be to help any of those unfortunates of whom we read. And how can the wealthy people in these places enjoy their luxuries with so much suffering at their doors?"

The peculiar part of this trend of thought is not of course our pity for the poor. That is commendable, but isn't it queer that we should expend so much sympathy on suffering so far away, when there is so much in our own community. We never see the poor little school children with threadbare clothes who pass our homes on their way to school. Some of these probably come from homes as poverty stricken as any we read about but we do not cry over them because we know nothing about them and what is more we make no effort to find out. It is too much trouble and it upsets us if we do discover anything deplorable. We notice occasionally, the wan-faced little woman who coughs so much, but the only track our sympathy takes in that case is to avoid any possible germs by going on the other side of the street. We hear that Mr. K. is out of a job and the family have no means of support, but we make no effort to lend a helping hand.

We criticize the rich when we know nothing at all about them. Of course a great many of them are extravagant and so are many of us. As a matter of fact New York has more than enough money subscribed each Christmas for its hundred neediest cases. Some of the people who give large sums cannot afford it any better than we could afford to give five or ten or twenty-five dollars and yet it never occurs to us to do our share.

We take our charity out in saying how we should love to give a whole lot if we had a whole lot but we are not willing to share a part of that which we have.

Let us remember the widow's mite and bear in mind that the little we can give may mean just as much to the one who receives it as more to others who are the recipients of larger gifts.

Let us not forget the joy that comes to a gracious giver.

LOST HEROES IN ALASKA

Pilot Carl Ben Eielson and mechanic Earl Borland left Alaska in an airplane on November 9th, seeking to rescue passengers of a steamer, and have been missing ever since.

Efforts of brother pilots to locate the men have so far proved futile and it is feared that they were forced down in the Bering Sea. While acclaiming Commander Byrd for his South Pole flight, let's not forget the brave men in Alaska. Wait a prayer for their deliverance.

A NATIONAL RADIO CHAIN

The growth of the radio as an entertainment device is inevitably marred, very often, by obtrusive advertising. As a vehicle of news the ether has not yet gone very far.

Sometime ago the suggestion was made that the United States government establish a station at Washington, with such additional stations throughout the country as may be necessary to give complete daytime coverage. Then, governmental information could be broadcast to every citizen and the session of Congress when special occasions made them of unusual interest.

We fail to see any insuperable barrier in the carrying out of this idea, and hope that the congressmen from this state will bear it in mind.

CHICAGO'S WORLD FAIR

Chicago is planning a big world fair to be held in a few years. The exhibition will exhibit some of the progress of mankind as exemplified in its modern developments and inventions.

Millions of people throughout the United States will attend the fair. Other millions will not be able to do so unless they make plans now to save their money for that purpose.

Our own little suggestion is that, just as the city of Chicago is working on its part of the program, you begin to make your plans now. If it entails saving money over a period of many months, go ahead.

Don't worry about the gang warfare that you read about. Chicago is all right. It is a humming metropolis, with big buildings and bigger businesses. It has a wonderful future ahead of it and is almost as big an attraction as the exposition itself.

Many a rich man has paid a young lady for a promise that he never made, but how could you expect a jury to believe that a good looking girl would lie?

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We Pledge Ourselves Anew To Your Service During 1930

We extend good wishes, to be sure, but the best way we know to add to your happiness is to do our part in serving you acceptably with a service that will bring satisfaction. This we pledge to strive earnestly to do each day of the New Year.

Wilson Funeral Homes
Phone 121 Spearman

Who Said There Is No Santa Claus?

How could the world be so full of joy and the spirit of good-will running so high without a Santa Claus?

There is a Santa Claus—of good cheer, good gifts, of brotherly love and happy smiles. We submit gladly to the influence that engulfs the whole wide-world and send our message of good wishes broadcast to friends and patrons.

May this be a Christmas filled to overflowing with happiness and may 1930 bring riches and good fortune in abundance.

J. R. Collard
Real Estate—Loans—Insurance
Phone 4 Spearman

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HERE'S TO OUR ... FRIENDS ...

To our older friends, to our newer friends, to our friends yet to be: We take much pride in the firm friendships which we have been able to win by our high quality of merchandise, cheerful service and ready desire to accomodate, and,

We are wishing for you, one and all, the choicest enjoyments of the glad holiday season now with us. May they add to your permanent stock of happiness and to your length of life.

Please us often with your visits during the New Year.

HILL BROTHERS

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LOOKING INTO 1930...

1930 is almost here. We welcome it. We welcome the opportunity to serve and progress, to be a factor in the upbuilding of Spearman, to contribute a definite and distinctive service to the men and women of the city and state we all love.

In dedicating anew our service to our patrons and Spearman we want those who go along the years with us to know something of our aims for 1930.

We Give You Them Briefly:

To give our patrons an even more intelligent comprehensive and obliging store service.

To maintain our well-known policy of fair and equitable prices for superior merchandise.

To create by enlargement and rearrangement an even more beautiful store building and appointments.

THESE AIMS are not new in themselves. We have held them in our dreams for a greater and better store through the years. But they become new as each year sees their fulfillment. So, in 1930 we begin the year with the determination to make our dreams come true!

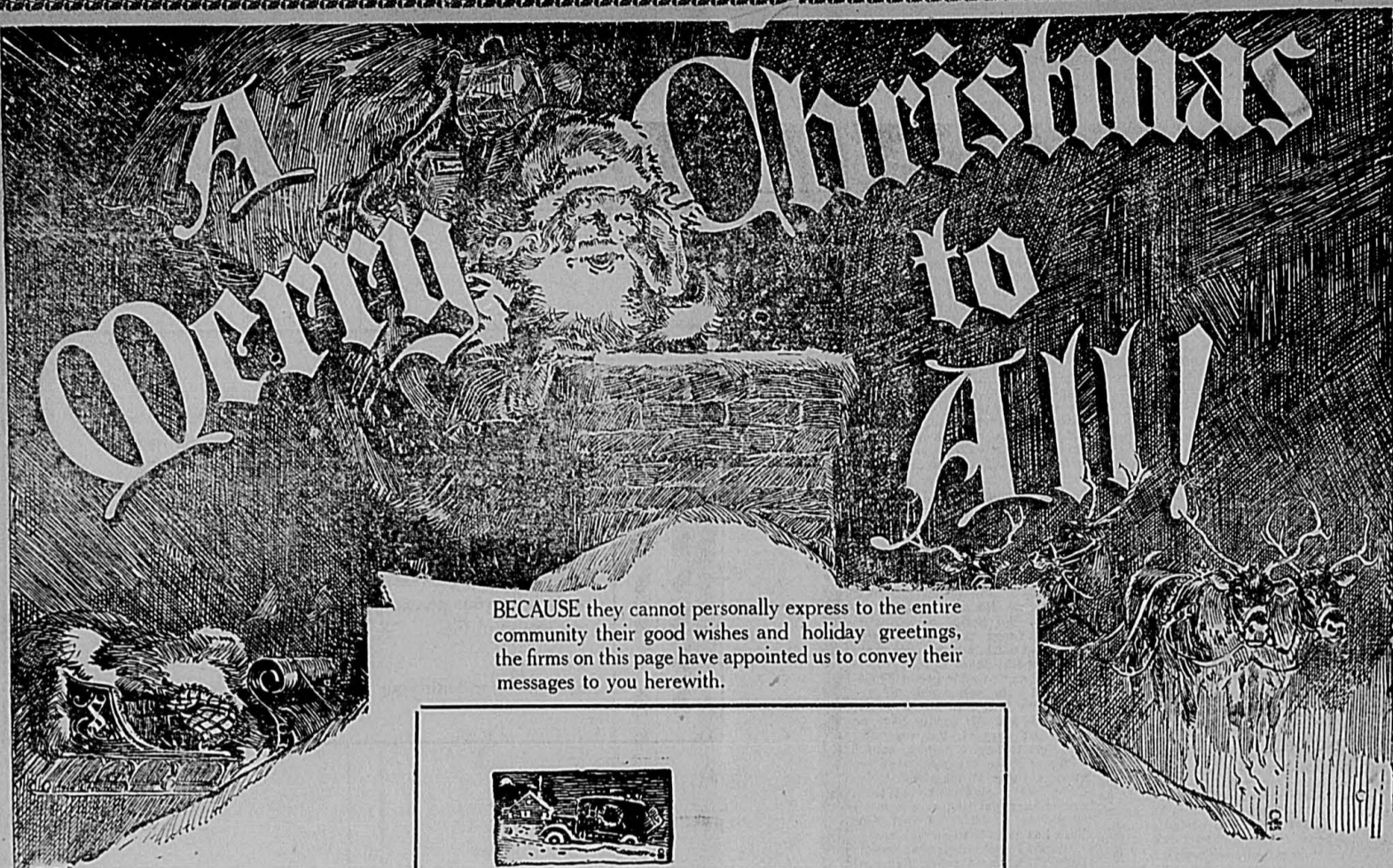
May 1930 hold for our patrons, co-workers and friends everywhere—

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Panhandle Lumber Company

Yards at Morse and Gruver D. W. HOLLAND, Manager

Merry, Merry Christmas



BECAUSE they cannot personally express to the entire community their good wishes and holiday greetings, the firms on this page have appointed us to convey their messages to you herewith.



ANOTHER Christmas—another occasion when we can express publicly and pertinently the good will we feel to a community that has bestowed upon us so fully its faith, interest and patronage.

Nickens Electric Co.

By E. N. NICKENS

Greetings

—to our patrons and friends

In closing our business on December 28, as advertised, we wish to thank all for past favors, and are truly grateful for the loyal patronage given us during the three years we have been in Spearman.

During the remaining three days that our store will be open in Spearman, we offer

AT ONE-HALF PRICE

All Novelties, Scarfs, Handkerchiefs, Luggage, Shoes, Hats, Etc.

Spearman Dry Goods Company



CHRISTMAS is a Pleasure Day when all the World makes Merry. We hope that you are one of Santa's favored for Christmas '29—that every dream be realized so you'll be Merry too.

Dittrich Machine Shop Company



Each Christmas the bracelet of FRIENDSHIP is fostered anew with links of good wishes. And each year we send our strengthening contribution to this jewel—Topmost Happiness—Best of Luck—and a MERRY CHRISTMAS is our 1929 Yuletide wish to all this Friendly Community.

O. K. RADIATOR

—and—

FENDER SERVICE

W. A. Cone, Prop.

Now located at the Dittrich Machine Shop.



Our wish for you this peaceful happy day conveys the spirit of good fellowship we feel. May this Christmas be filled with treasured thoughtfulness for you and your family.

SPARKS CONFECTIONERY



May your joys be added—your sorrows subtracted—your wealth multiplied is the wish of your sincere friend for this Happy Christmas Day.

CLARK BARBER SHOP



Santa's a jovial old fellow who brings every home a pack full of delightful things — this year we're sending our good wishes with him for a Merry, Merry, Christmas to you all.

DR. J. E. GOWER



We send you a message of good will this Festive Day. May the Spirit of Christmas in all that it means abide in your home to bring new cheer.

Spearman Motor Company

Gladness is the Message every Christmas brings. For this Christmas we hope the message multiplies immeasurably. A merry Christmas to you all.

G. P. GIBNER, M. D.

For the Yuletide Season we wish you all you wish yourself—new prosperity—added pleasures—treasured health. May you achieve these precious possessions in bounteous need.

HALE DRUG CO.
The Rexall Store

We extend to you our heartiest wishes for Christmas and hope it will fulfill your highest expectations.

Witney Jungle

YULETIDE Greetings to all our friends—both old and new. May this Christmas prove the happy day you've all looked forward to—bringing bountiful blessings.

"HOSS" BERNER Grocery

A written message sometimes brings more cheer than an expensive gift. We hope our thought for you this Christmas Day will bring additional happiness to your home. May the Day's joys be lasting.

LACK MOTOR CO.

A mighty Christmas tree might well symbolize our greetings and good will to you all—the branches extending into every home throughout the community with each individual sprig and cone laden with good wishes to you and kind remembrances of your gracious cooperation during 1929.

Club Cafe

It's been a cheery, prosperous year for us—so on this Christmas Day we can do no more than wish you too an equal happiness. May your every desire be fulfilled.

Burrans Bros.

1930

Yes, here's another year at our threshold.

- to the old the passing of another year may bring a touch of sadness
- to the young memories and the future usually holds only happiness.

But Everyone Might As Well Be Happy About It

Especially when 1930, young, vigorous and smiling gives such promise for all things good.

For our part, we desire to thank our friends for their splendid patronage during 1929, and we wish for you and your family, and their friends and their friends' friends a happy and prosperous 1930.

Fidelity Bank of Commerce

Phone No. 123 Spearman

ALL JOY AND HAPPINESS

Be to you and yours this merry Christmas season. Your patronage is sincerely appreciated, and we trust that it will continue through the New Year.

And may the young year bring you added prosperity and happiness in all the enterprises which may engage your attention.

The **First National Bank** of Spearman

A CHRISTMAS GREETING

I'd like to be the sort of friend that you have been to me,
I'd like to be the help that you've been always glad to be,
I'd like to mean as much to you each minute of the day,
As you have ment, friend of mine, to me along the way.

I'd like to do the big things and splendid things for you
To brush the gray from out your skies and leave them only blue;
I'd like to say the kind things I so oft have heard,
And feel that I could rouse your soul the way that mine you've stirred.

I'm wishing at this Christmas time that I could but repay,
A portion of the gladness that you've strewn along my way;
And could I have one wish this year, this only would it be,
I'd like to be sort of friend that you have been to me.
Talpa, Texas—Christmas, 1929.

WELCOME SANTA CLAUS

Santa Claus, inevitable master of childish hearts, is about to pay his annual visit to the homes of Spearman.

Children are already writing their letters to the good Saint, making known their dream desires, and counting the days and nights until he makes his magic entrance into their homes.

What man or woman can bear the thought of disappointed children? What one of us would not give 'til it hurts in an effort to help fulfill juvenile hopes?

Let's make the heart of every child in Spearman glad for one Christmas day. Let's see that every child, in our community has at least one day of unalloyed happiness, a day of joy and gladness, a day when their dreams shall come true.

R. I.-Frisco Line Is Recommended

Construction of 159 miles of new railroad in the Panhandle and north-central part of Texas, involving an outlay of approximately \$6,302,598, would be begun soon under recommendations submitted to the interstate commerce commission on Friday of last week by Examiner Thomas F. Sullivan.

The Railroad Recommendations. The Rock Island would build 108 miles of new line from Shamrock south through Wellington and Quanah, to Beaver Creek, south of Vernon.

The Frisco would build from Vernon to Seymour, a distance of 42 miles. The Rock Island would connect with the Frisco at Beaver Creek, and run over its new line and the Gulf, Texas & Western into Fort Worth. The latter road is to be purchased by the Frisco. The examiner did not approve the Denver extension from Childress through Shamrock to Pampa, a distance of 110 miles.

An eight-mile branch of the Santa Fe from Heaton, just east of Pampa, to Lefors was approved.

The new roads approved by the examiner total 159 miles and will cost \$6,302,000, according to estimates.

The Rock Island-Frisco hook-up gives the Rock Island a new trunk line from Amarillo to Fort Worth and Dallas, using its present line to Shamrock.

Formal ruling by the Interstate Commerce Commission in the permits is expected in 30 to 60 days, attorneys of the railroad companies say.

The examiner recommended that the applications, through subsidiaries of the St. Louis-San Francisco, and Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroads, designed to open a through and shorter route than now available from northern Texas and Southwestern Oklahoma to Ft. Worth and Dallas, be approved.

He also would permit the Santa Fe railway, through the Clinton-Oklahoma-Western railroad, to build a nine mile road from Heaton to a point east of Lefors, but would deny the petition of the Fort Worth and Denver Northern railroad, controlled by the Burlington System, construction of a new line from Childress to Pampa.

Champion At Stock Show Is Envied Beauty

Beauty shows for the most beautiful girl and the handsomest man are all very well, but the title of Champion Baby Beef at the International Live Stock Exposition at Chicago is the desire and envy of all beeves and their owners.

This year's champion beauty "Mike" an Aberdeen-Angus calf, is the pride of Waldo Mommsen, an 18 year old 4-H club boy, from Miles, Iowa. He has been active in 4-H work for 6 years, and was one of the first member of the local Baby Beef club. At the weekly club meetings experienced cattlemen spoke to the members about their own livestock practices. Waldo enthusiastically entered into the work, and in 1928 showed a Hereford steer to a Reserve Grand Champion at the Davenport, Iowa fair.

"Mike" was purchased for \$70 from a neighbor and weighed 450 pounds. For the first five months of his life, he was fed oats, corn, linseed meal and molasses; his roughage consisted of corn fodder and clover hay. At different times he was also fed some shelled corn, and molasses feed. The boy winner claimed that the linseed meal aided in putting on flesh, in producing a good coat of hair, and in balancing the feed ration.

At the Mississippi Valley Fair at Davenport, Iowa, in the early fall "Mike" was proclaimed

"Grand Champion Baby Beef." The boy won as one of his prizes, a trip to the International with all his expenses paid.

Waldo, a 1927 high school graduate, leads a busy life, helping his father on their 170 acre farm, but finds time to read agricultural bulletins, newspapers, and to rabbits. He gave a great share of his attention to "Mike," who was curried, groomed and exercised each day. Many long evenings and Sunday afternoons were spent in teaching the calf how to stand until he soon stood as proudly as any Champion Baby Beef.

Thousands applauded him in the sunshiny Chicago Stock Pavillion when he was chosen from 193 animals, who were the selected representatives of some 18,000 beef calves fed and cared for during the past season by 4-H Club boys and girls in 10 states.

Judge Walter Bigger, an eminent Scottish live stock expert was highly impressed with "Mike" this year's Grand Champion, with his wonderful thickness, smoothness of flesh and his uniformity of width and lowsetness.

Who said prohibition is a failure? We read that it is awfully dry on the Pacific coast.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City Council of Spearman, Texas will receive bids at Spearman, Texas on January 13th, 1930, for the purchase of one or more motor patrols.

FRED J. HOSKINS, City Mayor, Spearman, Texas, Spearman, Texas, December 16, 1929. 24t.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Commissioners' Court of Hansford County, Texas, will receive bids at Spearman, Texas, on January 13, 1930, for the purchase of one or more crawler type road tractors and No. 20 Patrols.

C. W. KING, County Judge, Hansford County, Texas, Spearman, Texas, December 16, 1929. 24t.

Merry Christmas

At this season of universal happiness, we wish to thank our friends for their patronage. Ours has been the privilege, the opportunity for a service which we sincerely hope has accomplished its mission in bringing unqualified satisfaction.

We appreciate the confidence which has been placed in us, and now, on the threshold of the New Year, we dedicate ourselves anew to the continuance of this service, which we trust will continue to grow more inclusive and helpful.

W. L. RUSSELL

You'll Find What You Want at Our Store

Phone 78 Spearman

Happy New Year

CHRISTMAS IS MORE THAN A HOLIDAY

It is a heritage of happiness in the hearts of men. Down through the ages it has brought the beautiful benediction of

"Peace on Earth; Goodwill to men!"

And each year it brings us anew the pleasures of wishing you a "Merry Christmas and abiding Happiness throughout the New Year."

As we welcome the joyous holiday season we recall many pleasant associations during the past year and wish for you and yours, everything good throughout the New.

Thomason Brothers

THE QUALITY STORE EST. 1904

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

There is no holiday quite like
Christmas and no period of the
year quite like the holidays. It is
a time when happiness seems to
pervade the very atmosphere. Gay
crowds we see everywhere, whose
good cheer comes from the feeling
created by doing for and giving to
others.

It is one time when we forget
ourselves, and thereby attain the
greatest happiness and pleasures
for ourselves. No man can really
harbor a grudge at this joyful
time.

To give expression to this spirit
is not easy. But to join in is the
part of every well balanced soul.

It is a pleasure, therefore, for
us to extend the season's greetings
with all they may mean to our
large family of readers. We wish
you the greatest joy at this time
that these joyful times can bring.

May yours be a real, old fash-
ioned Christmas, made merry by
the delightful laughter of children
and a source of pleasure in your
own effort to make others happy.
May the spirit of Old Saint Nicho-
las bring joy around the family
hearth, and may the true and pro-
found significance of the day
come to your realization.

The day is one of merrymaking
but more. It is a day to which we
should consecrate ourselves to the
immortal principles of conduct, of
wholesome living, and of social
and national betterment estab-
lished by the Prince of Peace
whose birth we reverently observe.

May good will toward all men
reign in your hearts on this great
day.

If all our subscribers would pay
in advance this month we would
believe in Santa Claus ourselves.

A NEW ERA DAWNS

The superpower age has dawned
—the age of energy free and fluid
as water, shot by high tension
lines here, there and everywhere.
Today the world catches a glimpse
of a second industrial revolution
which promises to be as far-reach-
ing in its social and economic ef-
fects as was the first.

That first industrial revolution,
now almost forgotten, was the re-
sult of the invention of Watt's
steam engine. Effecting as it did,
the substitution of mass produc-
tion by machine for manual skill,
the steam engine did more to
change civilization than any other
single force.

Now the second industrial rev-
olution is already being marked by
the wide distribution of electric
energy and the substitution of a
comparatively few central stations
for hundreds of thousands of in-
dividual factory power plants.
Power is no longer confined.

Unlike that first revolution the
era of superpower was foreseen.
The nation saw it coming, pre-
pared for it, welcomed it, depend-
ed upon it. The first industrial
revolution was attended by no
such prescience. Watt was as soci-
ally blind as hundreds of innova-
tors before and after him.

Electricity through interconnec-
tion has freed the factory from
the limitations of time and space.
The steam engine could deliver its
power only with a short leather
belt. The worker had to go to the
power. Hence the crowding of
millions into great industrial cities
with the attendant social and phys-
ical evils. Now that power can be
taken to the worker the large cen-
ters are slowly emptying them-
selves.—Lubbock Avalanche.

TIME TO ADVERTISE

America's grand total of busi-
ness intelligence and economic
genius has been on parade ever
since the stock crash started the
nation to worrying over the future
of our national prosperity. If pre-
paredness is any protection
against hard times, the prosperity
of the United States is not des-
tined to meet its Waterloo at this
time.

Many pertinent things have
been said by President Hoover and
leaders of industry, commerce,
agriculture and finance. The dis-
cussions have been a school for
business from which the careful
student has drawn much common
sense and sound business judg-
ment. Dr. Julius Klein, assistant
secretary of commerce, proves
himself one of the most enlighten-
ing instructors.

"Will there be a tendency to
reduce advertising appropriations
on the mistaken assumptions that

this is one way of saving money
and that existing conditions made
the buying public somewhat less
responsive to advertising appeal?"
Doctor Klein asks the business
men. He then answers his own
question:

"Advertising should go ahead
with all of its characteristic force.
Advertising as a whole is one of
the most potent of business accel-
erators. It keeps goods moving, and
it inspires confidence. At this time
any appreciable letup in advertis-
ing programs would be unques-
tionably injurious. So advertising
we believe, should go forward like
our other business efforts, without
interruption or curtailment. It is
inherently constructive, acting as
a powerful stimulus to every
branch of activity."

It was back in the dim dark
days of universal acquiescence to
the "summer slump" that business
was so blind as to curtail its ad-
vertising during periods and sea-
sons of sluggish business. It is
now that business needs an adver-
tising stimulant.—Lubbock Ava-
lanche.

BRIGHT BOY PROBLEM

We hear a great deal about the
necessity for special attention to
the dull child, and every aid which
may be given these unfortunates
ought to be given. But a lot of
bright boys need some thought and
practical assistance, too.

Education of the masses to a
common level is to be desired,
but unless the boy who shows ex-
ceptional talent can be given
special opportunities to develop
his latent powers, not only he, but
the world at large, is the loser.

Thousands of mediocre boys go
through college with little bene-
fit to themselves or to society,
while other thousands who have
great gifts are denied the privi-
lege through lack of means.

That any boy with exceptional
talent for creative work, scientific
research or leadership should lack
the opportunity to make the most
of that talent is a tragedy.

Upon such boys and their pro-
per training depends the progress
of the world. The same is true of
especially talented girls.

When our civilization is a little
further advanced, means will be
provided that our brightest minds
shall have every opportunity for
their highest development. Such
means should be provided now.—
Shamrock Texan.

Any politician will tell you that
the way to please the public is to
say nothing, but say it wisely.

Among the signs of increasing
enlightenment is the report from
a scientist that the healthful effect
of spinach has been greatly over-
estimated.

**The Memory of Friends
Lingers With Us**

At this time of the year when everyone is renewing old friendships and reviewing in memory the pleasures of the past year we recall with special satisfaction the pleasant relations we have had with our many friends and patrons during the months just gone by

Our friends are always esteemed as our best assets, and nothing could please us more than to know that each one of you will have the merriest Christmas of your experience and enter with joy upon a prosperous and happy New Year.

Spearman Hardware Co.
SPEARMAN GRUVER

**Merry
Christmas**

: Greetings :

**Happy
New Year**

It is fitting that such a festal season as Christmas should close the work and worries of the year. After business let there be pleasure.

We have enjoyed a year of progress and growth, for much of which we are offering thanks to you, our friends and patrons. We desire for you now a Holiday Season of joy and gladness among friends and pleasant surroundings.

And when the close of the merrymaking period brings us back to the call of our daily tasks, you will find us, as ever, ready to serve and to do our part according to the very best of our ability.

PICKERING LUMBER CO.

1929

Everything In Building Material

True-Tag Paint—100 per cent pure

1930

HARRY DUMAS, Manager

SPEARMAN, TEXAS

still and cold, preparing to deliver their order of Christmas snow before the break of another day. The pale moon now and then broke through a rift in the clouds and flooded the darkness with its soft golden glow. Shivering with the cold we rang the door bell and were admitted. Inside the door we passed a gala of various colored lights illuminated the interior of the room in a fantastic and charming manner. Ropes of red and green were artistically draped in a holiday fashion. In one corner stood a beautiful tree, gay in its Christmas regalia. Half hidden in the



Bill Der Says MERRY XMAS

The Same To You!

Says Bill Der— isn't he quite shocking?— May you find a new home in your stocking you wake up on Christmas morn'g— I wish, as sure's you're 'rn!

Christmas to everybody! The old Saint Nick is more generous with you, and you more than you wanted expected. Merry Christmas to us to bring business in as good a city spearman.

THE WHITE HOUSE LBR. CO.
The Home of Friendly Service
PHONE 22

D. W. H. SMITH
Chiropractor
Spearman, Texas
Baker Hotel

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HOSPITAL
Medical practitioners
at Surgery
T. SPENCER
Reporter Building
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at Law
Hastings Drug
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O. V. Patein

OIL AIDS SANTA CLAUS IN MAKING FAMILY HAPPY

The Berrimans had known both cold and hunger; but when oil spilled prosperity all over the district it included Hal's ranch. Now he could do things for Lutie and the girl! They should have a home. Having located one for him the relator started to show him through. "Never mind," said Hal, "all I want to know is—is it hot?" Re-assured, he bought it furnished Christmas eve.

Next morning he brought them. He lighted the fire in the cheery fireplace. Sallie quickly spied the row of stockings and hugging Betty, cried: "I always knew there was a Santa Claus, even if he couldn't find our ranch." "Just what we wanted, too," said Betty.

Lutie emptied her stockings eagerly as a child. Silk stockings, bon bons, gloves and deep down in the toe—a wedding ring! "Better ten years late than never," laughed Hal. "A happy wedding, Hal, even without a ring. Money isn't everything." "Powerful convenient though," returned practical Hal. It was his day.—Noni C. Bailey.

Mrs. Marton and Mrs. Hale Entertain Twenty Two Bridge Club

Mrs. S. B. Hale and Mrs. R. W. Morton were hostesses to the Twenty Two bridge club last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Morton. The ladies spent a very pleasant afternoon and were served a delightful two course luncheon by the hostesses. Those present were: Mrs. Harry Dumas, Mrs. D. W. Holland, Mrs. M. D. Jackson, Mrs. J. D. Hester, Mrs. John L. Hays, Mrs. R. M. Clogston, Mrs. W. L. Russell, Mrs. Delon Kirk, Mrs. M. B. Wright, Mrs. Tom McMurry, Mrs. R. W. Huffstutter, Mrs. J. M. Thompson, Mrs. Chas. Chambers, Mrs. Pope Gibner, Mrs. C. D. Foote, Mrs. Vester Hill, Mrs. E. C. Womble.

Mrs. Hazlewood and Mrs. DeArmond Joint Hostesses At Bridge Party

Christmas, the season of good will, joy and happiness, was the incentive of the enjoyable party given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. DeArmond on last Thursday evening, with Mrs. DeArmond and Mrs. Clyde Hazlewood acting in the capacity of joint hostesses. The holiday spirit was beautifully carried out by the house decoration, talley cards and the delicious plate luncheon that was served at the conclusion of the pleasant evening. A number of games of bridge were enjoyed for several hours and when the scores were counted Mrs. Lester Howell was the delightful recipient of an attractive high score prize and Mrs. E. B. Dodson was consoled with an amusing booby prize. Guests of the evening were: Mr. and Mrs. Lester Howell, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Darnell, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Dodson, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Jameson, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hazlewood.

W. M. U.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Baptist church did not meet Wednesday, December 25. The date and place of the next meeting will be announced Sunday, December 29. Our 1930 year book is almost complete and with the cooperation of all the ladies we hope to accomplish many things. We especially invite all new members and prospective members to attend our meeting each Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Towe and the children left the first of the week for Edmund to spend Christmas with Mrs. Towe's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Davis and the children were visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim King of Perryton Sunday.

Bob Bundy and Halsey Hulbert left Tuesday for Meade, Kansas, where they will spend Christmas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. DeArmond left Friday for Cherokee, Oklahoma, where they will spend a few days visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Raney left last Wednesday for Eldorado, Arkansas, to spend Christmas and visit several days with their son Rufus Raney.

H. D. Foster registered pharmacist, came from Amarillo last week to accept position as pharmacist at Hastings Drug. Mr. Etheredge, who has been with Hastings Drug for a past month, has returned to his home at Perryton.

Mrs. W. A. Crismon in Ermin Hollis came Oklahoma, Monday to week in the home of her, Mrs. D. W. Hazlewood.

TEACHERS GO VISITING

Mrs. Hobart Dick left for Quitaque where she was, by the next several weeks with her parents.

Miss Verna Lawrence, in the Spearman schools is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents at Perryton.

Prof. A. H. Ward left Saturday for Bonham, where he will spend the next two weeks visiting with his mother.

Miss Glendia Tutwiler left the last of the week for Dallas to spend Christmas with relatives and friends.

Misses Ruth and Eathyl Murphy both teacher in the Spearman schools are spending the next two weeks with their parents at Lockney.

Miss Ethel Deakin left the first of the week for her home near Guyton, where she will spend the holidays visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Deakin.

C. A. Robinson, teacher of Agriculture in the school here, is visiting with relatives and friends at Bartlett, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sumrall and daughter Leta Mae arrived the first of the week from Springfield, Missouri, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Tackitt, and with other relatives.

Prof. and Mrs. R. L. Snider left Friday for Stephenville where they will spend the two weeks Christmas vacation with relatives and friends.

Another important lesson that people have learned is that there is no connection between Wall Street and Easy Street.

Who can question evolution. Wall Street, it is demonstrated, can make a monkey out of a lamb.

Read the Reporter every week.

AT THE LYRIC

FRIDAY and SATURDAY

'Woman Trap'

All talking. Not a boy and girl romance, but a love between man and woman. A conflice between brother and brother, one an upholder of the law, the other a transgressor! Starring Hal Skelly and Evelyn Brent.

Admission 20c and 50c
Saturday Matinee 15c and 35c

MONDAY and TUESDAY

"In Old Arizona"

Silent Western and Talking news.

Admission 15c and 35c

TUES.—NEW YEAR'S EVE SPECIAL PREVIEW

Also Wednesday and Thursday

"The Lady Lies"

All talking. This picture was voted by Photoplay as one of the best in November.

Also "FARO NELL" all talking Western Comedy.
Picture starts at 11:00 p. m. Tuesday

Admission 20c and 50c

A Holiday Message

Our Christmas message for this Christmas may seem very simple, but it is from a heart filled with meaning, and if we wrote a book we could mean no more.

"May this be your best Christmas and your happiest New Year."

Hotel Tice

On Main SPEARMAN

Classified Ads

Why not buy your boy an inexpensive "O. K." used car for Christmas. He will appreciate it. McClellan Chevrolet Company.

FOR SALE—320 acre farm located three miles from Morse; 190 acres of wheat on place. One-fourth of wheat goes with land. Address H. H. Jones, owner, Spearman, Texas. 114p.

RADIO REPAIRING
Radios repaired, rebuilt and rewired. See me for your radio troubles.
W. O. SWAIN
At Russell's Store.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Some very desirable property in Amarillo. Would like to trade for property in or near Spearman. See—
I. M. KING,
Spearman, Texas,
Painting Contractor
52tf

WANTED—Two dozen Plymouth Rock or Buff Orpington hens.—Mrs. Fred Mizar, Phone 112, Box 772, Spearman, Texas 1t3.

WHEAT LAND FOR SALE—160 acres level wheat land sowed to wheat. All wheat goes to purchaser. Located 18 miles northwest of Morse, Texas. See owner, E. J. Dixon, Gruver, Texas. 3t2.

MR. WHEAT FARMER would you invest a few dollars with a corporation that will manufacture a product to reduce the present cost of harvesting machinery. If so please write, Gruver Roller Bearing Mfg. Co., at Gruver, Texas.

JERSEY MILK COWS—I have four nice Jersey milk cows for sale; one fresh now, others fresh in spring; all good, young stuff. G. W. Crane, Hansford. 3t4.

LOST—a brown and orange mixture ladies silk kerchief scarf, somewhere in Spearman Friday night. Finder please return to Ruth Prutsman at the Reporter office. 3t1.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Spearman, Texas,
December 19, 1929.

Dear Santa Claus:
Will you bring me a little baby doll with a bottle. I want a little rug about 5 inches long. I want a purse.
From your friend,
Winnell Jackson.

Dear Santa Claus:
Will you bring me a little doll that is a boy. I want a little cub-board and a little dresser.
From Idarose.

WITH HEAR GOOD WISH EVERY MEM OF THIS FIRM TO AND YOURS--

PEOPLE ke This POSSIBL

much pleasure in doing s in a community of such ple as we have here. We 1930 than ever before give you better ser- rely trust that we may fortune to come into busi- to prove friend. We are happy because we greet you less asset—your good will. wish you happiness and pro

and Good Year!

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SPEARMAN REPORTER

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

There is no holiday quite like Christmas and no period of year quite like the holidays. A time when happiness seems to pervade the very atmosphere.

It is one time when we find ourselves, and thereby attain the greatest happiness and pleasure for ourselves.

To give expression to our love for our friends and family is not easy. But to do so is a pleasure.

It is a pleasure in writing with all they may in an incorporated family of in Hansford county.

May your joy and happiness be as great as ours. We wish you a Merry Christmas and a very happy New Year.

The day is fast closing in on us. It is the time of the year when we should be thinking of our friends and family.

If all our subscribers were to believe in Santa Claus ourselves...

THE WIFE!

up a number of people. The wife has to come in the short and snappy copy New Year." Now I or one?

Furniture Company

Furniture Store

LIEB ITEMS

It was sad news to the community to learn the business Bailey Parks' new ford sedan answers his... Miss Ollie Beck spent Saturday night and Sunday in the O. W. Jarvis home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Watters visited in Pringle Saturday, enroute to see Mrs. Watter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Forester, of Texhoma.

Everyone enjoyed the play given at Pringle Friday night and the cast wants to thank each and everyone who attended for coming out. We intend to put on another program soon and the proceeds will go for helping pay for a piano.

Argus Parks, Hiram Parks, Russell Marable had the misfortune of turning Argus' car over Friday night after the play while enroute to Stinnett in search of the stolen car. None of the three were seriously injured, but were pretty badly bruised, and some minor gashes cut, Russell Marable being the worst hurt of the three, but he is getting along well at this writing.

Billy Jarvis, Woodville Jarvis, Ollie Beck and Iris Lieb motored to Amarillo and Canyon Saturday.

Cecil Webb, Mrs. L. C. Henderson and daughter Denzil Lee went to Amarillo Sunday to see Lloyd. They reported that Lloyd would be home Christmas if he continues to improve like he has been. But will have to stay in bed several weeks after returning home.

Most of the men of the Lieb community are having to go to court this week.

Everyone is invited to attend the program and Christmas tree in said incorporated city or town of Spearman, in Hansford County, Texas, and by posting such notice at three public places in said city or town of Spearman.

Witness the hand of the Mayor of said incorporated city or town of Spearman, at Spearman, Hansford County, Texas, this 17th day of December, A. D. 1929.

FRED J. HOSKINS, As Mayor of Spearman, Hansford County, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Chisum, Mr. and Mrs. Will Chisum and Ray Ownbey motored to Borger to do some Christmas shopping Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Marle spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Seitz.

Miss Louise Prewitt of Spearman spent the week-end visiting Miss Ruth Jane Van Cleave.

Hauling and stacking feed seems to be quite popular in this vicinity this week. Jess Edwards, Ora Schroder, Jack Whitson, Ed Close and Joe Edwards have all been at that job.

Mr. J. C. Noel has returned from Amarillo, where she has been attending her sick granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McNulty were visiting friends and attending to business in Amarillo Wednesday.

Mrs. Ora Schroder and Mrs. J. R. Allen were business visitors in Spearman Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Noel of White Deer visited with Mrs. Noel's sister, Mrs. J. A. McNulty, Sunday. Irene McNulty returned home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Van Cleave were business visitors to Spearman Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Harris of Amarillo were callers at the Ora Schroder home Saturday afternoon. They spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Charley Rosenbaum. Mr. Harris had his leg broken the 4th of August, when the tractor he was driving ran over him. He is able to be about now without his crutches.

Roy Rosenbaum, just recently came from Amarillo, and is working for Ted Rosenbaum.

Claude Rankins was attending to business in Borger Friday.

Kiff White, Frank Allen and Lawrence Wilbanks have reported duck and goose hunting good in the Canadian district.

Joe Edwards spent Saturday night and Sunday in Amarillo.

Mrs. O. L. Williams was in Spearman Monday in search of Old Santa Claus.

Miss Embry, teacher of the Medlin school is quite busy preparing for their Christmas program.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS and a most prosperous NEW YEAR

Another Christmas is at hand and another New Year approaches. We are deeply grateful for the patronage we have enjoyed, and for the kindly favors that have been shown us in the year now passing.

It is our ambition to merit your good will and patronage, and to this end we shall continue in the future as in the past, to strive toward a still better and more efficient service.

Again, we wish for you and yours, a most Merry Christmas, and a very happy, prosperous New Year.

HASTNGS DRUG

Phone No. 56 On Main Spearman

IT'S CHRISTMAS TIME

As we see the holiday wreaths and observe folks going here and there, buying gifts, speaking words of good cheer, and showing other signs of Christmas, we pause to think,

"IT'S A PRETTY GOOD WORLD AFTER ALL"

—and right away we catch the spirit of the day and this moment we are thinking kindly of our friends and take pleasure in sending out this message of wishes.

Joy to You and Yours on This Day of Glad Tidings---

R. L. McCLELLAN GRAIN CO.

Spearman Morse Gruver Berns

MAY TOLLY CHRISTMAS TREE

To all our host of friends and neighbors a high measure of happiness, and may the beginning of the New Year find you one and all ready to take up the responsibilities of another twelve months with joy and lightness of heart.

We want to serve you during 1930

Spearman Equity Exchange

or Row

WOMEN PLAN SCHEDULES FOR DOING THEIR HOUSE WORK

The women take 10 minutes to wash a milk separator, and some take 30. Why should there be so much difference in the time consumed by this task? Do some care for their separators better than others, or are the differences due to awkward, ineffectual motions, or to poor arrangement of the equipment, lack of running hot water, or other causes? These questions and many others were discussed by 15 home demonstration clubs in Beaver county, Okla., last year. Before the meeting each member was asked to time herself while doing certain tasks, such as dish-washing, bed making, sweeping and dusting, and washing the separator—a task which falls to the lot of almost all rural women. The reports of time used in washing the milk separator were:

the most interesting and enlightening because the separators were all alike. Lively discussions followed, and after they returned home many of the women carefully considered how long they took for various tasks. Every one of them desired to get rid of any handicaps which made her slower at her housework than her neighbors. One woman, who had tried to see how quickly she could do her work without frantically rushing, wrote out a schedule for the time she considered really necessary for each task. Some of the women present, when her report was made, objected to the schedule because usual interruptions were not considered. They cited such common occurrences as the cows getting out of bounds, the telephone, or visitors who delay one's work. The retort was that "a train does not abandon its schedule because it is some-times delayed, but

makes every effort to catch up the lost time." Extension workers, who are co-operatively employed by the United States Department of Agriculture and the various langrant colleges are endeavoring in a great many states to interest rural women in planning the use of their time to the best possible advantage, so they may have more leisure to spend with their families and friends, and more time for reading and other recreation. Many farm women are making systematic studies of the use of all their time for a particular week, in order to find out what tasks are taking too long, what improvements in equipment are needed, or what changes in methods would be advisable.—Quannah Tribune-Chief

GIVING WITH THE MIND

Campaigns to bring Christmas cheer to the homes of the unfortunate are going on in every city in the country. That being the case, it may not be amiss to quote a few paragraphs of advice issued by the Welfare Council of New York City relative to Christmas charity.

Remembering that we should "give with the mind, and not with the heart alone," the council remarks: "We should remember that Christmas is essentially a family festival. Parents and children look to each other for gifts and the family dinner should be purchased and prepared by the mother as she would do it under normal circumstances. When a family through poverty or misfortune, is unable to provide its own Christmas, let the generous friend quietly see that money or credit is supplied direct to the family, or through relatives and friends.

"The entrance of a stranger into the family circle, particularly when misfortune has overtaken it, may result in hurt pride and loss of self-respect.

"Those who have the privilege of selecting gifts for such a family should bear in mind the real needs of the parents and children and should not be misled into purchases dictated by the whim or fancy of the purchaser. It is so much easier to buy what you like than to determine what gifts are necessary and suitable. Coal, blankets, clothing, perhaps even medical attention or nursing service, may be a great boon to families that often receive only a basket of food.

"Nor should gifts be limited to those which fulfill material needs. When these needs are met, there are candy and toys for the children, delicacies and small luxuries for the adults. Our ideal should be to assure beauty and happiness as well as the satisfaction of creature wants."—Childress Index.

AN AIR MERCHANT MARINE

Air transportation offers America the opportunity to gain back the advantage lost by our failure to develop a great merchant marine in the opinion of Assistant Secretary of the Navy E. L. Jahncke.

He points out that commerce between nations is a basic factor in creating prosperity, and visions a great American air fleet, carrying goods to far countries. South America, Australia, Japan and other lands are but a few hours away by air. They represent untouched markets, open to American aviation genius.

Here is a dream that may become an actuality. A new field beckons American pioneers.—Liberal News.

We still hope to be able to live long enough to discover that what we have in the bank is actually what we think we have.

For a nice peaceful conference between the naval powers imagine France and Italy talking about the Mediterranean sea power.

In this world it is not what we take up, but what we give up that makes us rich.

ENGLISH REPORT SHOWS AN EXAMPLE OF CRIME PREVENTION

The railroads of the United States have set an example of crime prevention that might well be emulated by municipal and state governments. During the eight years from 1920 to 1928 crime, in general increased all over the nation. Yet, in that period, losses due to robbery on railroad property were reduced ninety-three, per cent, from over twelve million to less than a million annually. It is expected that further improvement will be effected during the current year.

The efficiency of the railroad police is given additional proof by the fact that, during the last few years, they have averaged ninety-seven convictions to each one hundred arrests. In comparison to this the ratio in many of our large cities is about one to ten.

The success of the railroad police is due to the fact that, following the example of the United States secret service, they consider no case closed until it is cleaned up. Criminals are pursued relentlessly until captured. As a result, such gentry as card sharpers, confidence men and baggage thieves have been practically driven from the railroads.

Here is the simplest of all methods of crime prevention, to make crime unprofitable by swift apprehension of criminals. The underworld has little stomach for its pursuits when a prison cell beckons. If all police departments adopted this system, life and property in our great cities might become relatively safe. Crime, nurtured by our superabundance of laws and political graft, will continue to grow until a new leaf is turned.

EXPERIMENT

Summary and simultaneous setting up a new calendar throughout the business world would be revolutionary, confusing and in some instances, temporarily ruinous. What the consequences might be are merely conjectural, but the possibilities warrant proceeding slowly and by one step at a time.

Chief among the calendar changes advocated and seriously considered is the adoption of a 13 month calendar for domestic commerce. Big business favors it for the same reason that it favors other forms of simplification and standardization.

There is no possibility of congress forcing, a la Mussolini, a new calendar upon the nation. Republics do not operate in that impetuous fashion. If the thirteen-month calendar comes, it will come gradually. A start has been made.

A large mail order house with a nation-wide business has adopted the reform for its internal business administration. It is the largest of the numerous enterprises using the new calendar, and because of its size will determine the action of many other business establishments.

Although the year of 13 months each having four weeks failed to receive the vote needed for its endorsement by the United States Chamber of Commerce, a majority of the members of the representative organization favors ventual abandonment of the existing calendar.

A young student provoked his teacher very much by the excessive use of "have went" instead of have gone.

One day the lad was in school after dismissal and was told to write "I have gone" 100 times. When the task was finished, the teacher being out of the room, he wrote a note as follows: "I have finished my work and I have went home."—Wall Street Journal.

The old-fashioned girl was thought considerate if she helped her mother get the dinner; the modern girl is thought considerate if she comes in for it on time.

THE UNIVERSAL TOPIC

When Pandora lifted the lid of her box and let loose a pack of troubles she did not, perhaps, realize that she had added another avenue to the many open to collectors.

Human beings are, by nature, great collectors. If they are not collecting postage stamps or coins or antiques they are out to acquire period furniture, etchings, cigar bands, old china, first editions, stocks and bonds, golf clubs and a thousand and one other things. The all-consuming desire to collect is no better emphasized than by the fact that it is stretched to include trouble.

Collectors of trouble are innumerable. They put a premium upon troubles according to originality, size and endurance. They delight in exhibiting them to anyone who comes along and matching them against the collections of others. At times they may even exchange one trouble for another.

Next to troubles of one's own, are the troubles of other people as an intriguing subject of conversation. After the weather, trouble is the most popular theme of pure gossip, probably because it requires neither learning nor intelligence. Though specific troubles may be exoteric, idle talk on trouble is always exoteric.

MAKE SENSIBLE GIFTS

The idea of a few years ago that a fellow had to spend a lot of money to make Christmas as merry as it ought to be seems to have disappeared. Today the tendency is toward the giving of sensible gifts, the kind that afford service and comfort. It doesn't necessarily have to cost a lot for it to do this.

So far as we are able to determine, Spearman people are going to get as much happiness out of this Christmas as they did in other years, but they are not going to waste a lot of money doing it.

Our merchants tell us the tendency of the buying public is to confine its purchases to useful things. While they still offer gimmicks for the children, of course, they are centering attention on sensible gifts for older members of the family. Today articles of clothing and things for the home are considered the best Christmas presents.

Making a spending orgie out of Christmas was wrong in the first place, because it was never intended for it to be celebrated that way. Make up your mind to give something serviceable this time, and remember the price tag doesn't count—it's the spirit that prompted the gift. Do that and you will make yourself and the community happy, and you will feel better later on when you realize that you had a joyous holiday without having squandered any money in procuring it.

INTERCONNECTION SYSTEMS ABLE TO MEET EMERGENCY

The prolonged drought in the Pacific Northwest has, in many localities seriously lowered the amount of water available for hydroelectric plants.

In Seattle and Tacoma it has been found necessary to place restrictions on the amount of power used. Two municipally owned plants serving these cities are without facilities for generating power by steam or transmitting it from other sections.

Privately owned competing hydro plants in the same area are providing adequate service, due to stand-by steam plants and interconnection which gives a co-ordinated system able to meet just such an emergency.

Here is a great weakness in the whole structure of municipal ownership. A municipal plant is necessarily localized and when a crisis arrives has not outside resources to draw upon to maintain high standards of service.

It would be funny, if it wasn't tragic, how people continue to run into trains that are using the same crossing.

Christmas A Joyful

We take this opportunity of wishing our many friends and customers a very joyful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We hope that you, whose friendship has been the cause of our success, will continue to favor us during the coming year with this friendship, which we assure you, is deeply appreciated.

IN APPRECIATION OF YOUR FAVORS

We enter the New Year with the determination to excel our past efforts to please you, and co-operate with you every hour of the coming year.

Olmer Farm Equipment Co.

Raney & Crawford, Dealers
Phone 208 Gruver
SPEARMAN Morse

Here We Are Again!

With that same old message, "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year" . . . yet with all its telling a message that never grows old.

May the future greet you with ever increasing prosperity.

Triangle Service Station

CHAS. DARNELL NORTH MAIN

Hello Folks

Everybody Happy?

We hope so and if there is anything we can do to add to the enjoyment of the Christmas season we would gladly do it. We are happy—happy because of the favors of so many loyal customers—many of them old patrons and many of them new ones. We want you to know we appreciate you and that we are going to continue to do our dead level best to please you and to fully merit your confidence, patronage and good-will.

May this be the merriest Christmas you have ever experienced and the New Year one filled with just those things you most desire.

CHAMBERS SERVICE STATION

—and—

ALLEN'S TIRE SHOP

Phone 157 North Main

WE DEAL OUT CHEER

through all the seasons of the year because we supply in good measure commodities which make our friends and customers healthier and happier.

We enjoy Christmas because it adds new opportunities for service.

Let us cook for you and keep you warm during 1930

Panhandle Gas & Electric Co.

PHONE NUMBER 56

Heartiest Wishes

For Your Success and Happiness During the New Year.

C. Irion & Son

Jewelry Watch Repairing

Greetings

TO THE PEOPLE Who Make This BUSINESS POSSIBLE

To YOU we owe our success

To YOU we acknowledge obligations.

To YOU we send this Christmas message, and in the true spirit of the season extend

Christmas Greetings and Good Wishes for the New Year!

There is much pleasure in doing business in a community of such fine people as we have here. We expect to give you better service in 1930 than ever before and sincerely trust that we may have the opportunity to prove this to you.

COME IN TO SEE US IN 1930!

Campbell's STORE

CLEANING PRESSING

