

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

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"He Profits Most Who Serves Best"

SMOKE

FROM THE MOUNTAIN

The smoke column is intended to appear in this paper every week unless some one comes in and runs the entire crew out of town, because all of us will have a hand in it. Possibly others. We chose the name of this column for two reasons: first, because it seemed well to put something big, and imposing in this category of words and since this is the Mountain City that was appropriate; second, the smoke idea came from the belief (which you no doubt will agree with) that this would probably be a lot of "hot air" anyway.

Just what this column is going to be composed of, it will be hard to say. We invite the readers to bring the choice bits of gossip they wish to see in print about themselves or their friends and maybe we'll print it. It depends upon how "spicy" it is, but it must be understood from the start that this is not a scandal sheet. Only clean, wholesome fun permitted. (Miss Eunice Wheeler gave special permission for her name to be used at any time).

It seems that the "prankish spirit" has gotten into some of the men around town and are letting their friends get the benefit. Beware of loaded cigarettes, candy, and other edibles for at the light of a match, or the crunch of a tooth-poor—they vanish in thin air and you wake up with only ashes on your face and the taste of powder in your mouth. Of course now if the grown folks WILL insist on playing with children's toys, they will eventually end up with a gash on the head covered by a huge bandage, such as Mr. McGlothing was seen sporting this week.

Several automobiles around the city have been having "engine trouble" lately. It seems that the trouble begins when the owners step on the starter and a shrill whistle begins and smoke begins pouring from the hood. The most unusual part, however, is that after the driver returns from running several blocks to get away from the "burning car," he finds it quite intact and no harm done. It's queer what these modern cars can do. For further details, page Mr. Buck Davis, who was seen leaving a Dodge coupe quite hurriedly recently.

You might keep your eye out for a young man who boards the 10:40 bus for Coleman every night.

Before the fire dies out completely, let us add that we are open to suggestions about this column and we'll welcome your assistance in getting the low down on folks. Tell us what you want in it and we'll try to get it there. Ples Williamson offered his help and if he brings in anything that will do to print, we'll pass it on to you. All in all as a way of summing this up, Mrs. Gregg requests that she be called Elizabeth.

We'll sign off with the most sensible comment and the most sincere words that we've written yet—Happy New Year to one and all.

Local Poet Among Contributors of Verse Anthology

Mrs. Leola Christie Barnes will be among the state's "best known poets" represented in the recent publication entitled "Texas Poets," an anthology of verse published by Harry Hayden, New York City. Selections of poems and a biographical summary of Texas poets chosen for the book will be included. Poets include representatives from Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, El Paso, Wichita Falls, Amarillo, Livingston, and several smaller towns. Mrs. Leola Christie Barnes of Rising Star is among the contributors.

Funeral Services Held Dec. 26 for Pioneer Resident

Stephen Holmans, Sr. Dies Christmas Day; Rites at Burkett

Funeral services for Stephen Holmans, Sr., 78, pioneer Coleman county citizen who died Christmas Day were held Saturday at the Burkett Methodist Church with the Rev. M. L. Womack of Santa Anna in charge of services. He had been in bad health for several years. He had made his home with a son, Hector, near here where he succumbed to paralysis and pneumonia. Mr. Holmans was a native of England, being born in Margate August 1, 1858. He was a British soldier and came to the United States in 1875, settling near Floresville. He was one of the first settlers at Eden and helped lay out the Concho county town. He came to Burkett in 1891 where he farmed for many years. During the world war he served with the Draft board. He was also a former justice of the peace at Burkett.

Survivors are the widow, two sons, Stephen Holmans, Jr., Burkett, Hector Holmans, Santa Anna; two daughters, Mrs. Clara Rogers of Illinois, Mrs. D. A. Cook of Kermit, one brother, Charles Holmans of Gladewater, and three sisters, Miss Sophie Holmans, Mrs. Fannie Dafforn and Mrs. Nellie Balster, all of Margate, England. Pall bearers were E. W. Martin, W. R. Strickland, W. E. Audas, J. E. Burkett, Rae Norris, W. J. Colvin. Hosch Undertakers were in charge of arrangements.

Halmon Funeral Held Wednesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Inez Gay Close Halmon, who died Dec. 29, were held from the residence Wednesday at 3:00 p. m. with Rev. E. Elmer Dunham, pastor of the Baptist church, conducting the services.

Mrs. Halmon was born in Santa Anna July 6, 1907. She joined the Baptist church in August 1924 and a year later was married to Henry E. Halmon.

Surviving are her husband; two sons, Bobbie Gerald and Henry Earl, one daughter, Nellie Gay; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Close; a sister, Mrs. Jesse Porter; and two brothers, Garland and Raymond Close.

Flower ladies were Mrs. R. Hunter, Annette Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Ruth Boyd, Lophie Hair, Mrs. W. M. Stiles, Sybil Vinson. Active pallbearers were Jasper McClellan, Ray Owen, Arlie Irby, Reginald Owen, Homer Vinson, Drew Vinson. Honorary pallbearers were H. O. Hair, Jasper McClellan, Lee Hunter, Bill Marshall, C. T. Owen, Roger Hunter, J. J. Porter.

Interment was made in the Santa Anna Cemetery. Arrangements were in charge of Hosch Undertaking Co.

CONGRESSMAN SOUTH LEAVES FOR CAPITOL

Congressman and Mrs. Charles L. South and son left early this week for Washington, where the 75th Congress will convene on January 5. His secretary, L. Emet Walker, will leave about Jan. 4 to assume his duties.

STOCKHOLDERS NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of stockholders of the Santa Anna National Bank, will be held in the Directors room of said bank on Tuesday, January 13, 1937 at 2 p. m. for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that may come before it.

Santa Anna National Bank, D. L. Pizarri, Cashier.

Mrs. Ellis McCullough and son, Coleman, and Miss Larine Smith of Austin are visiting Rev. and Mrs. B. E. Dunham. The guests are sisters of Mrs. Dunham.

Our New Year's Resolution

New Year's is the time for beginning afresh and making promises to ourselves and others to make the year the most profitable and happy. It is particularly fitting that we greet our subscribers and advertisers on the first day of the new year in this—our first edition of the Santa Anna News.

The newspaper is your medium and is here to serve you. In all policies of the civic organizations for the betterment of the community, we wish to take an active part in sponsoring such movements through our news and editorial columns. We wish our readers to feel free to express their opinions through the paper. We are backing the churches, the schools, the city government, and the clubs, and will give each our cooperation and support.

We wish to give the readers a complete coverage of the local news each week. We want to know and we want you to know what your community is doing. Here we are asking your cooperation—phone in your parties, items about visitors, trips you have made, anything that will be interesting to your friends. Items you may think trivial make news. We want to give you ALL the news.

To the business men, without whose support our city could not exist, we offer our goodwill and complete cooperation. We will pull with you in keeping this a prosperous and congenial community.

These are our resolutions. The staff appreciates the encouragement already extended by readers and business houses and hopes that for all this year of 1937 will prove one of happiness and plenty.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bob Gregg

Funeral Rites for Jimmy Williams Held at Shields

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland C. Williams Dies Sunday

Services for Jimmy Wayne Williams, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland C. Williams, who died at the local hospital Sunday evening, were held Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Shields cemetery. Rev. E. Elmer Dunham and Rev. E. H. Wylie officiated.

The child, who was born March 10, 1935, succumbed following an illness of several days with scarlet fever.

Surviving, besides his parents, are his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dixon of Rockwood, John A. Williams of Shields; his great uncles, W. H. Williams of Coleman and E. D. Williams of Shields; aunts and uncles as follows: Roy, Jessie, Grady and Noble Williams; Mrs. Wallace Hill, Spur; Mr. and Mrs. Claude Dixon, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Ross Dixon, Athens; Hays Dixon, Mrs. Lonnie Bledsoe, Mrs. Preston Arthur and Leonard Williams. Sixteen cousins also survive.

Pallbearers were Preston Arthur, W. H. Williams, A. J. Walton, J. L. Smith.

Interment was made in the Shields Cemetery. Hosch Undertakers were in charge of arrangements.

COMMISSIONERS TO TAKE OFFICE TODAY

Business of Coleman County for 1936 was completed at the meeting of the Commissioners Court Monday at the office of County Judge J. O. Harris.

New commissioners will be given the oath of office today at the same time as all other county officers. Curtis Collins of Santa Anna, precinct two, is the only commissioner who retains his office for the ensuing term. Others to take office will be E. C. Jameson, precinct one; Monroe Forehand of Gouldbusk, precinct three; R. A. Cox of Talpa, precinct four. Retiring commissioners are R. D. Kinney, Clint Lohn, and Elizabeth Adams for precincts one, three, and four respectively.

Woodmen Groups Install Tonight

Joint installation of new officers for the local W. O. W. and Woodmen's Circle organizations will be held tonight at the Woodmen Hall at 8 o'clock in preparation for the work of the coming year.

Following the regular installation ceremonies, families of the members have been invited to partake of a turkey dinner which will be served to all officers, members, and guests. Entertainment committees, under the direction of W. T. Vinson, E. W. Marshall, and C. C. Gilbert, are planning programs for the enjoyment of the evening.

Officers of the W. O. W. who will be installed are: Reginald Owen, Council Commander; J. C. Gilbert, Advisor-Lieut.; Jim Bob Gregg, Banker; J. F. Goen, Escort; Tom Vinson, Sentry; Fred Watkins, Watchman; J. B. Flores, Clerk; Billie Baxter, Manager.

San Marcos Quartet Scheduled to Sing Here on January 24

The Male Quartet of the State Teacher's College of San Marcos has a definite engagement to appear in a full hours program at the First Baptist Church the morning of January 24. A quartet from this college has given programs here on two previous occasions and a packed house is expected as usual, for those who know are saying this years group has the finest voices of any yet sent out by the Voice Department Director, H. Grady Harlan, B.A., B.M., M.A., from Baylor University, American Conservatory of Chicago, and U. of Texas, respectively. Mr. Harlan was formerly with Harden-Simmons University at Abilene, and at one time director of music for revivals in churches here at Santa Anna. He is now doing work under Yeatman Griffith of New York.

Mrs. Marian Folk Rozell of El Paso, and Hibbard Folk student in Harden-Simmons University at Abilene, together with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Folk of Abilene, visited Miss Yoie Baxter Saturday.

Funeral Services for Hazel Cruger Held on Sunday

Classmates Serve as Pallbearers, Flower Girls

Funeral services for Hazel Marie Cruger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pleman Cruger, who died Sunday morning, December 27, were held Sunday afternoon at the Santa Anna Cemetery with classmates at the high school taking charge of the services. Rev. J. Virgil Davis, pastor of the Methodist Church, conducted.

Miss Cruger was born July 4, 1922, making her only 14 years, 5 months and 23 days old at the time of her death. She succumbed following an illness with pneumonia.

The pastor delivered a brief sermon of comfort and consolation to the family, classmates and many friends of the young girl, who was enrolled in the sophomore class.

Flower girls, all classmates, in charge of the beautiful floral offerings were Ara Bell Ragsdale, Mickie Parker, Dorothy Ross, Dorothy Sumner, Emma Sue McCain, Joyce Hensley, Alice Jane Lovelady, and Elsie Haynes.

Pallbearers were high school boys. They were Bailey Horner, John Gregg, Sealy Ferguson, Joe R. Stapleton, Bartlett Lamb, Leon Copeland.

Besides the parents, three sisters and a brother survive. They are Velma, Willie Mae, Helen, and Pleman, Jr. Grandparents who are living are Mrs. Lizzie Cruger of Santa Anna and Mr. and Mrs. E. Hunter of Brownsfield.

Voss Funeral Held Monday

Brief Services Held Here and at Miles; Resident Since 1920

Funeral services for H. L. Voss, who died suddenly Sunday morning at 9:30 were held at 11 a. m. Monday at the home in Santa Anna and at Miles at 2:30 that afternoon, with Rev. Hubert Crain of Norton, Rev. M. L. Womack, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, and Rev. J. Virgil Davis, pastor of the Methodist Church, officiating.

The deceased was born in Tennessee, coming to Texas with his parents at the age of three. The family settled near Waxahachie, later moving to Coleman county. Mr. Voss and family moved to Miles and then back to Santa Anna, where he has lived since September, 1920.

He received his medical degree from the Polytechnic College in Fort Worth in 1900 and since that time has been a pharmacist and jeweler, being connected with the Corner Drug Co. for many years.

He was a faithful member of the Methodist church for many years.

He is survived by his wife, three sons, Urban Voss, Eddie Paul Voss, and H. L. Voss, Jr.; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Voss; a brother, R. W. Voss; and four grandsons.

Pall bearers were cousins of the deceased. They were Hardy Blue, C. L. Curry, W. J. Curry, C. A. Curry, Robert Curry, and Maurice Curry. Among the out-of-town people here for the funeral were Mrs. Garvin Price of Bangs, Mrs. Leona Thames and daughters of Brownwood, Mrs. Lula Jackson of Brownwood, Dave Bell and Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Dick of Bangs.

PARACHUTE EXHIBITION TO BE HERE SUNDAY

A. D. Hatch, U. S. Licensed Pilot, will be in Santa Anna Saturday and Sunday to take passengers up in his licensed plane. Sunday he will conduct a free parachute jumping exhibition. Of special attraction will be the mile high parachute jump, the man falling 8000 feet before opening his chute. The public is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cook spent Christmas with relatives in Lorraine.

Santa Anna Dam Project Plans Near Completion

Approval Expected in 60 Days; Gouldbusk Program to be Finished Early This Month

Approval of a proposed dam near this city as a part of the county's Central Colorado Authority program, is expected within 60 days, according to Clarence Cooper, county engineer. Plans and specifications are nearing completion and will soon be filed for approval of authorities.

The dam site is on the main fork of Mud Creek, approximately two and one-half miles from Santa Anna. The structure will be 40 feet high and 1000 feet long, providing storage for 600 acre-feet of water.

The Gouldbusk dam will be finished about Jan. 10, while approval of a proposed dam for Talpa is expected very soon.

Editors Note: The following is taken from the December issue of "West Texas Today," official publication of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. The article should be of interest to the readers, since it deals with their own county projects in regard to flood control and land conservation.

Coleman county has taken leadership for Texas in considering the problem of recurrent droughts and floods, and soil wastage through erosion. The Central Colorado River Authority, confined to Coleman county, is the most significant initial step taken to solve the problem. Sam Cooper, its secretary and executive officer, says solution does not lie in spending all your money on one great reservoir along some main stream; but that it lies in splitting up the pot; building dozens of small reservoirs near the sources of tributary creeks leading into the big rivers; in other words, storing up the water near the source.

The Central Colorado River Authority is the agency created to tackle the problem from this approach—first of its kind ever organized in Texas. Its officers are W. J. Stevens, merchant of Coleman, chairman; C. W. Woodruff, banker, vice chairman; S. W. Cooper, secretary. Directors with them are Joe B. Pouns, Coleman; Dr. T. Richard Sealy and Leroy Stockard, Santa Anna; H. E. Evans, Talpa; H. S. Willey, Novice; and George Pauley, Valera. Cooper is also secretary-manager of the Coleman Chamber of Commerce.

First Dam At Gouldbusk. The CCRA was created in 1935 by act of the 44th Legislature and given a start-off appropriation.

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QUEEN THEATRE

Sat., Jan. 2
JOHNNY MACK BROWN in
"Lawless Lands"
Sat. Night Prev., Sun. & Mon.
Jan. 2-3-4
FRANK McHUGH in
"Three Men On A Horse"
With **JOAN BLONDELL**
and **GUY KIBBIE**
Tues., Jan. 5
BARGAIN NIGHT 5c & 10c
JACK HALEY in
"Mr. Cinderella"
With **BETTY FURNESS**
Wed., Jan. 6
HERBERT MARSHALL in
"Make Way For A Lady"
With **ANNE SEHLEY**
Thurs. & Fri., Jan. 7-8
FRED MacMURRY in
"Texas Ranger"
With **JACK OARIE**

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Christmas — A Yearly Program

Many poor and needy families were given Christmas cheer this year through the thoughtfulness and kindness of churches, civic organizations and individuals around the community.

Some of the families visited lacked the very necessities of life — food, clothing, and fuel. Their Christmas was made happier because these things were furnished them.

The spirit of Christmas — that of giving, compassion for the needy, and love of your brother — should not be confined to one season of the year; it should be present every day.

Additional Relief Funds

One of the first tasks that President Roosevelt will have to face and dispose of, and one that apparently will not stand any great delay, is the providing of additional relief funds by the Congress.

One of the Washington correspondents who analyzes measures from a position to see the inside as well as the outside, finds that the reduction of the relief rolls is being made, or is to be made, in a geographical sense.

The greatest evil, he thinks, is local politics. That those who have no political pull get nothing, either as employees of the system or as beneficiaries of the funds.

This might help simplify the problem, yet there would have to be local administration of funds, under direction of such a board, and no board at Washington could be able to make decision in individual cases.

The providing of funds for the coming six months, therefore, will not be the end of the problem by any means. The end will come only when people give more thought to self help and less to donations.

(San Angelo Morning Times)

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Bishop of Victor and son, Robert Bishop and family of Dallas spent the holidays visiting I. F. Nicholson.

ROOMS FOR RENT: Either furnished or unfurnished. Mrs. W. W. Wheeler.

Mrs. H. B. Thompson of Mason spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Baxter.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Golston of Tyler are visiting here.

Charles and Buster Turner, students at Oklahoma University at Norman are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ashley and little daughter of Houston spent the Christmas holidays with the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Lackey, and other relatives here.

Miss Gene Adams is visiting Miss Augusta Bond in Abilene this week.

FIFTEEN YEARS OF SERVICE

Previous announcement has been made of the pending change in the management of this paper, which, apparently will go into effect this week.

For fifteen years, barring a few months during 1930 and 1931, this writer has labored with the problems of publishing and managing the business affairs of the Santa Anna News, and we are reluctant to surrender our post of duty to others.

We bespeak for the incoming management an honest, untiring and faithful effort to give the town and community a local newspaper second to none. The field is before them and the plant is well equipped to turn out the work.

This writer was reared on a farm, and it has been our ambition for several years to return to our first ideal, that of stock-farming, and we think, at last, we have succeeded in procuring a good little stockfarm, out on the waters of the famous Jim Ned Creek, where we contemplate retiring for the future.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Edd Bartlett Christmas week were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bartlett and children of Matador and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Albright and little daughter of Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Holland Cheaney, student of Texas Tech, is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cheaney.

Misses Mary and Alberta Banks, Louise Wilsford, Mrs. Lucille Vinson, Joe Sowe, Emanuel Carlucci of Corpus Christi visited relatives here Christmas Day.

Miss Dorothy Hull of Killeen is visiting her sister, Mrs. Bill Griffin.

James Pinney, student at A. and M. is visiting his mother, Mrs. Minnie B. Pinney.

Misses Josie and Kathryn Baxter and Mrs. P. B. Snook and daughter, Helen, visited the E. E. Polk family in Abilene Friday.

N. D. Wylie of Lubbock spent Christmas here with his wife and baby. Mrs. Wylie will remain here a few weeks longer.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wylie and daughters, Kathryn, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Simpson and Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Sikes spent Christmas with Mrs. Wylie's parents in Whitesboro.

Mrs. O. P. Strauss of Houston, who has spent the week with her mother, Mrs. J. S. Jones, will return to her home tonight.

Mrs. J. M. McDaniel had as her guest during the holidays her daughter, Miss Edna McDaniel of Norman, Oklahoma.

Mrs. L. Gene Hensley and Mrs. D. J. Johnson spent several days last week in El Paso organizing a Sunshine Council, auxiliary to the Phyllis Sisters.

Miss Elizabeth Kelly, registered nurse formerly at the Sealy Hospital but now of Dallas, was the weekend guest of friends in Santa Anna.

The condition of Duane Moredock, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Moredock, who was seriously injured last week when the bed of a truck fell on him, is very much improved.

FOR RENT: Furnished apartment. See Mrs. S. E. McDaniel.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Garrett of Coleman and Mr. and Mrs. Cal Mellen of Fort Worth visited in the Mrs. W. O. Garrett home Christmas Day.

Mrs. W. O. Garrett is spending New Year's Day in the C. L. Garrett home in Brady.

Mrs. C. W. Tierney, who has been visiting in San Antonio with her mother for the past several days, returned this week.

Mrs. William Steubesand and daughter, Jerry, of Victoria, are visiting this week in the home of Rev. and Mrs. R. Elmer Dunham and family.

The News is in receipt this week of a card from Rev. G. A. Morgan, former pastor of the local Methodist Church, stating that he is now pastor of the church at Winnfield, Louisiana, a little city of 4,000 population, which is the birthplace of both the late Senator Huey P. Long and the late Governor O. K. Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sealy of Midland visited here during the holidays.

Mrs. Ira Hudler and Miss Mildred Eubank, of Monahans, who spent the Christmas holidays visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Eubank, were accompanied by Mrs. Raymond Bays and little daughter, Nettie Ardis, who spent Christmas holidays with friends and relatives.

Edwin Niell of Texas Tech is here visiting his mother, Mrs. Ola Niell.

Misses Mary and Alberta Banks, Louise Wilsford, Mrs. Lucille Vinson, Joe Sowe, Emanuel Carlucci of Corpus Christi visited relatives here Christmas Day.

Floyd Blair of Goldthwaite spent part of the holidays here with his mother, Mrs. H. O. Blair.

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. McKinney and children of Wichita Falls were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Auten Tuesday.

Misses Josie and Kathryn Baxter and Mrs. P. B. Snook and daughter, Helen, visited the E. E. Polk family in Abilene Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dean returned Wednesday from Anson where they spent a few days with Mr. Dean's father and family.

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

Marriage Licenses
Alton Stovall and Miss Pauline Edna Henderson.
Glen B. Wolfrum and Miss Jeanette McClure.

William T. Chapman and Ouida Nell Sellers.

Arthur Patterson and Miss Ardelle Jennings.

Hardy W. Holderman and Miss Lena Hawkins.

Dale Cook and Cleo E. McQueen.

Eldon A. Morgan and Miss Lucille Brown.

Raymond E. Jennings and Miss Montie Moore.

Sidney Smith (col.) and Luisa Ward (col.).

Emory Spangler and Helen Thompson.

Eddie Paul Voss and Miss Minnie McIntyre.

Orville L. Cook and Thurloe Morrison.

Samuel Eugene Richardson and Miss Dorris Williams.

W. A. Price and Miss Velma Alexander.

Warranty Deeds
J. A. Lawrence and wife, Willie Lawrence, to First Coleman National Bank, two tracts of land in Coleman county; first tract, part of H. T. & B. Ry. Co. survey No. 3, abstract No. 408, containing 165.65 acres of land; second tract, part of H. T. & B. Ry. Co. survey No. 3, abstract No. 408, containing 81.59 acres of land. For \$1 and other considerations.

R. G. Mann to J. V. Lincoln, 100 acres of land, being block No. 63 of Burnet county school land 8856 acres grant of land in Coleman county. For \$2625.

J. R. Ward to Opal Burden, tract of land in Coleman county, being undivided interest in lots 3, 6 and 7 in block No. 10 of town of Santa Anna. For \$250.

Ben H. Melton to Harry Harvey, parcel of land in Coleman county, being part of H. T. & B. R. Co. Section No. 59. For \$3,718.

Ben H. Melton to Harry Harvey, parcels of land in Coleman county; first tract, 3 acres of land, more or less, beginning on east line of H. T. & N. R. Co. survey No. 61; second tract, being all of block No. 11 as shown by map of the G. W. Mahoney addition to town of Santa Anna. For \$347.

I. O. Shield to Flora Jenkins Shield, parcels of land in Coleman county, beginning at a point 939.2 vrs. south of north-east corner of Phillip Zoella survey No. 21. For \$10 and other considerations.

Mrs. Janie Byrom and husband, L. R. Byrom, to T. W. Wilson, parcels of land in Coleman county; first tract, 49 acres out of G. O. Jarvis survey No. 307, also being out of lot No. 15; also three lots in town of Voss in Coleman county, being lots Nos. 19, 21 and 17 of block No. 1. For \$1,500.

New Cars Registered
W. W. West, Coleman, Chevrolet sport sedan; J. O. Gideon, Coleman, Plymouth two door touring sedan; Joe F. Brown, Coleman, Chevrolet deluxe coupe; Mrs. P. M. Dunn, Coleman, Plymouth coach; Hugh Wheat, Gouldsburg, Plymouth deluxe coupe; Monroe Forehand, Coleman, Ford fordor; Jerald Saunders, Coleman, Plymouth coupe; George M. Griffith, Coleman, Ford tudor.

Commercial Cars
Cudney Furniture, Coleman, Chevrolet pickup; J. T. Morris, Coleman, Ford pickup.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks and gratitude to the neighbors and friends for their kindness shown us during the illness and death of our daughter and sister, Hazel Marie Cruger. May God's richest blessing rest upon you.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Cruger and family.

Coleman Gay and family of Austin spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Gay.

Mrs. Holt Smith and children of Junction are visiting Mrs. J. T. Overby.

Barnie Crowder, who has been jeweler at Phillips Drug Co. for several months left for Taylor Thursday where he will be employed.

Mrs. Sherman Gehrett left Tuesday for Kansas City, Mo.

Miss Florence Harper of Denver, Colo. spent the Christmas holidays here visiting with relatives and friends.

Miss Eudora Garrett and Miss Gladys Ross, who have been in charge of the Mexico Gift Shop will leave next week for Dallas where they will spend a few weeks.

Charles Mathews is spending the holidays with his parents in Bangs.

Coleman Davis is spending the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davis. Mr. Davis is Educational Director and assistant pastor of the First Baptist Church at Miami, Okla.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Brown for Christmas dinner were Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hefner of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Lester C. Boone and son of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. B. Thompson of Mason, Mrs. Leon Shield, and son and daughter, Donald and Leone, of Coleman, Mrs. A. D. Lee of Brownwood, Mrs. Hilton R. Bates and son, Ronnie, of Breckenridge, L. E. Rinehart of Mineral Wells, Mrs. Frances Adams of Austin, I. R. Hewitt of San Angelo, Ruby Volentine, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Baxter.

H. G. Switzer of Phoenix, Arizona, visited in the Leman Brown home Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Moseley of Fort Worth visited here during the holidays.

Mrs. Barba McCall is a daughter, Miss Louise, is spending the holidays in Bangs with Mr. and Mrs. Buck McCall.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Williams and little daughter spent Christmas Day, Saturday and Sunday in Dennison visiting Mr. Williams' parents.

Wayne Durham, student in John Tarleton College at Stephenville, spent part of the Christmas holidays here in the home of his aunt, Mrs. G. A. Sheekley.

John E. Smith, student in Texas Technological College at Lubbock, came Friday to spend the week with his father, W. E. Smith.

Robert Dempsey, student in Texas Tech at Lubbock, came last week to spend the holidays here with his parents and friends.

Newman Upton of Randolph Field spent the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Upton.

Mrs. Raeford Guffey of McCombs is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Booker Watson of Rockwood.

HURRY!!

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McIntyre - Voss Nuptials Held Dec. 24

The marriage of Miss Minnie McIntyre and Ed Paul Voss took place Thursday evening, Dec. 24 at the Presbyterian manse, with the Rev. M. L. Womack, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, performing the ceremony. The couple was attended by Miss Winnie McIntyre, sister of the bride, and John Hensley.

Mrs. Voss is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. McIntyre of the Shields community and attended high school in Santa Anna.

The groom is the son of the late Mr. H. L. Voss and Mrs. Voss, and is a graduate of the local high school. He is now employed in the Radio Electric Shop.

The couple will reside in Santa Anna.

Miss Todd Weds Roger George

Miss Hettie Fae Todd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Todd of this city, and Roger George of Valera were married Thursday, December 24 at 9 a. m. at the Methodist parsonage with Rev. J. Virgil Davis officiating.

The bride is a graduate of the local high school and completed her college education at Daniel Baker College in 1935. She has been teaching home economics since that time in the Centennial High School. She is also a graduate of the School of Oratory at Brownwood.

The groom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence E. George of Bangs, attended high school at Bangs, receiving his college work at the West Texas State Teachers College at Canyon. He is now principal of the school at Valera.

Following a short wedding trip to San Antonio, the couple will reside at Valera.

SELF CULTURE CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Members of the Junior Self Culture Club met at the Service Cafe, Tuesday evening, December 22, for a Christmas entertainment.

After all members had arrived a turkey dinner was served, following which the party went to the home of Misses Ruby and Elsie Lee Harper where bridge and other games were enjoyed. A Christmas tree and the exchanging of gifts concluded the enjoyable evening.

Those present were Misses Mary Lela Woodward, Mary Nell Morrow, Eunice Wheeler, Mattie Ella McCreary, Lula Jo Harvey, Eulalia Grady, Helen Turner, Rebecca Turner, Elsie Lee Harper, Ruby Harper, Mrs. J. W. Riley, Mrs. Aubrey Parker, and the two sponsors, Mrs. Joe Mathews and Mrs. Tom Hays.

Mrs. Frances Adams of Austin, who is employed in the State Department of Health, spent part of the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Lester C. Boone and son Carl, of Fort Worth, and accompanied them here to visit relatives for the remainder of the holidays.

Class of '34 Holds Reunion

The Santa Anna High School class of '34 held the annual Christmas reunion at the home of Miss Annie Louise Watkins Tuesday night with fifteen of the group present.

Several games were played which greatly added to the enjoyment of the evening, much of which was spent in talking over old times and inquiring about the absent classmates. A telegram of greeting and best wishes for the New Year was sent to the class sponsor, the former Miss Olivia Land, who is now Mrs. Wesley Carroll of San Francisco, California.

Refreshments of cakes, hot chocolate and candy were served to John David Harper, Ruth Niell, Carmilla Flores, Annie Louise Watkins, Francine Merritt, Mrs. Mary Miller, Lena Jane Bartlett, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bob Gregg, Aubrey Murrell, Russell Hale, Robert Hunter, Carroll Barton, Richard Dillingham, Brownlee Hunter, John Hensley.

Sophomores Have Christmas Party

Alice Jane Lovelady was hostess Wednesday evening at the sophomore class party given at her home.

Games were played and gifts were distributed from a gaily decorated Christmas tree, after which, refreshments consisting of potato chips, cakes and punch were served to the following members and guests:

Mary Louise Curry, Wanda Sanders, Elsie Haynes, Billie Pope, Thelma Dodgen, Dorothy Sumner, Henrilee Ashmore, Ara Belle Ragsdale, Lucille Lancaster, Darlin Brewer, Jake Barnes, Wyndell Rowe, Hilburn Henderson, Joe Ray Stapleton, Muri Wolfe, Talmadge Turner, Robert Wheeler, Buddy Lovelady, Oran Henderson, Worley Wheeler, Billy Joe Harvey, Virgil Lancaster, James Everett, Leon Copeland, Charlie Henderson, A. L. McGahey, Lewis Evans, Bartlett Lamb, Willard Wilson, Lee Schattel and Burton Gregg.

MISS HOLLON MARRIES R. D. KLINE DEC. 19

Miss La Verne Hollon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Hollon of Rockwood, became the bride of R. D. Kline, Dec. 19, with Justice of the Peace A. L. Oder performing the ceremony at 9:30 a. m. Mr. Kline is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kline of the Rockwood community.

The bride was accompanied by her cousin, Miss Joyce Farris, who was the only attendant at the ceremony.

Mrs. Kline was graduated from the Bangs High School last spring. The groom is a driver for one of the Santa Anna school buses. The couple are residing at their home on the Rockwood Highway about two miles south of the city.

Mrs. V. S. Carpenter and daughter, Jo, of San Antonio and Mr. and Mrs. George E. Vaughan and son, Bud, of Fort Worth, were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hosch Christmas week.

Miss Merritt Is Hostess for Party

Entertaining with a Christmas party at the home of her parents, Miss Francine Merritt was hostess to a group of friends Thursday night at 8:30.

The home was beautifully decorated with Christmas candles and mistletoe, while a festive tree was placed in the living room. Guests were entertained with the game of Monopoly and other group games, later greeting Santa Claus who came and distributed gifts for each one present.

Refreshments of angel food cake and hot chocolate were served to the following: Mildred Boardman, Rheba Boardman, Beth Barnes, Annie Louise Watkins, Mary Dellinger, June Kirkpatrick, Anita Kirkpatrick, Marilyn Baxter, Ernestine Thames, Armenta Ragsdale, Clifford Wheeler, Jesse Brown, Vernon Ragsdale, Robert Hunter, Russell Hale, William Earl Ragsdale, Billy Baxter, Brownlee Hunter, Dosh T. McCreary, Billy Barnes, Rex Golston, and Audas Smith.

Miss Williams Is Bride of Eugene Richardson

The marriage of Miss Dorris Williams and Eugene Richardson, both of Rockwood, took place at the Methodist parsonage in Rockwood Monday morning at 10 o'clock, with the Rev. Seba Kirkpatrick officiating. Only the pastor and his wife were present at the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. W. G. Williams and is a graduate of the Rockwood High School of the class of '34.

Mr. Richardson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Richardson. He is a 1929 graduate of the Santa Anna High School and attended Southwestern University at Georgetown.

The couple will reside on a farm near Rockwood.

Candle Light Party Is Given Tuesday

With the university and college Baptist students who are at home for the Christmas holidays as honor guests, the Senior B. Y. P. U. entertained Tuesday evening, December 29, with a Candle Light Christmas party. The center of attraction was a small Christmas tree on a table where gifts were placed as the guests entered and drew names of those to whom they were to present the gifts.

Many appropriate games, under the direction of Miss Ruth Leedy, were played, among the most popular being a contest to see who could blow out the most candles. A dozen candles were placed on a piano stool and each contestant had to stand on his knees at a yard's distance away to see if he could blow out all the candles. Louis Pittard proved to be the "longest winded" person present with Rev. Dunham "runner up."

Many clever games, testing the guests' agility as well as mental alertness, were played with candles at the main objects of each. Rev. Dunham entertained the crowd also at various times with his "Christmas harmonica."

At a late hour, groups of candles over the house were lighted and refreshments of hot chocolate topped with marshmallows, cookies with candle shaped icing, and stick candy were served.

Miss Leedy then played the role of Santa Claus and gave everyone toys that made the group hilarious with laughter.

Those present for this merry occasion were Misses Ernestine Thames, Armenta Ragsdale, Rheba Boardman, Vera and Vada Horner, Ruth and Allene Leedy, Lillie Hosch, Frances Gregg, and Jerry Steubensand of Victoria, Messers. Jesse Brown, Milton Howard, Louis Pittard, and Bill Early, Rev. R. Elmer Dunham and Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Lightfoot.

Miss Mabel Gipson of Coleman visited Mrs. M. E. Chambers and Miss Luella Chambers Tuesday. Knowing that they are interested in antiques, Miss Gipson brought with her a doll and dress that is seventy three years old, and some quilt blocks that are one hundred and fifty years old that belonged to her great great grandmother. The blocks are embroidered bouquets of flowers that were to be applied on the quilt. These old things are well preserved and afforded much pleasure to those seeing them.

They Rate 'A' on Hurdle



Some folks may doubt that Mary's lamb followed her to school, but here is Miss Winifred Small, sophomore at Texas State College for Women (CIA) and her sorrel hunter, Robin, who did accompany her to Denton. The tall sedate brunette, daughter of State Senator Clint C. Small of Amarillo, is an accomplished equestrienne, and is shown on a course of jumps at the college riding academy.

Liberty News

The Christmas Tree and pageant, "The Heart of Christmas," presented by the community was given Thursday night at the church and was enjoyed by a large attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swartz of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Si Addison of Hobbs, N. M., and Mrs. Buna Plunkett of Kilgore are spending the holidays with relatives here.

Mrs. P. D. Hughes and daughter, Miss Pearl, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Duggins Christmas Day.

J. M. Duggins and family spent Sunday in the L. A. Kile home of Fisk.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hurlbut of Dallas, Estus Polk of Abilene, A. L. McGahey and family and Leon Polk, who has recently returned from the U. S. Navy, were dinner guests in the parental home Christmas Day.

Miss Eunice McGahey of Lubbock spent Thursday and Friday with home folks.

A. L. McGahey and family, O. L. McGahey and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Williams were Friday afternoon visitors of Mrs. Georgia Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis Thigpen were dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Smith Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Woodward returned to Lamesa Sunday, having spent the past few days with relatives here.

Eaf Day and family, W. L. Day and daughter, Miss Ida Mae, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Allcorn Thursday.

Mrs. E. L. Woodward spent Sunday in Abilene visiting relatives.

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS

Shoe Hospital

Here's Wishing You A New Year of

Great Success!

There's something solemn about the beginning of a new year—an implication of renewed opportunity that causes us to wish to express the hope that you will find 1937 the year in which your efforts are crowned with success and your dreams come true as your own hands build toward the stars.

Gilbert Service Station

We Fix Flats
Octane Gas 15c & 17c — Oils in Bulk 10c up
Use PRIMROSE Motor Oil

Carl Flores Weds Hearne Girl

Miss Edith Claire Cass of Hearne became the bride of Carl A. Flores of Vernon December 24 at 2 o'clock at the Baptist parsonage in Hearne, with the pastor performing the ceremony.

Mrs. Flores is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cass of Hearne. She is a graduate of Tyler Commercial College.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Flores of Santa Anna. He is a graduate of the local high school, being salutatorian of the class of '32. He is also a graduate of the Tyler Commercial College.

After a wedding trip to Santa Anna to visit the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Flores are at home in Vernon where Mr. Flores is employed by the Waples Platter Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Talley and family spent Christmas visiting with his mother, Mrs. J. H. Talley, in San Antonio, who returned home with them. They also visited other relatives in Nixon, returning home Sunday.

LICENSE PLATES WILL ARRIVE SOON IN COLEMAN

New 1937 automobile tags for Coleman County will arrive soon from the state prison in Huntsville, according to Frank Lewis, tax assessor-collector.

License plates, this year in ivory and green, will go on sale February 1.

Miss Grace Mitchell left Sunday for Temple for medical examination.

Mrs. Othelia Croft left Saturday for Dallas to visit her son, J. B. Croft and family.

Miss Margaret Schultz spent the holidays with her parents in Hillsboro.

Mrs. W. T. Wheatley left Saturday for Fort Smith, Ark., to be with her daughter who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Jones and daughters, Margaret and Allene, were in Ballinger Christmas Eve Day to attend the funeral of Mrs. Jones uncle, Hatten Laxon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hefner of Sweetwater visited homefolks here during the holidays.

Miss Margaret Jones is spending the week in Coleman with relatives and friends.

James Gipson of Lubbock is spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. J. R. Gipson.

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Hello, 1937!

Goodby, 1936!

Welcome to the world, New Year! With you, you bring untold opportunities, countless promises, hopes, plans, dreams and ambitions. What we do during your reign is to a large extent dependent on ourselves, but the months and weeks, days and hours and minutes you come bringing are the stuff of which life is made, the material out of which happiness and success are made.

We wish to extend to all our friends and customers our cordial and genuine wish that 1937 will prove to be the Land of Heart's Desire.

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Welcoming The Young Year 1937!

Welcome, 1937—with your outlook for a rosy future with your new and greater opportunities, with your encouragement for mankind to move nearer its goal of peace, progress and prosperity.

At this time we wish to thank our customers for their patronage during 1936, and solicit its continuation during the New Year.

Mathews Motor Co.

Plymouth & DeSoto Dealer

Chronology of the Year 1936

Compiled by E. W. PICKARD

DOMESTIC

Jan. 1—Franklin D. Roosevelt resigned as general alcohol administrator.
Jan. 3—Congress opened its session and President Roosevelt delivered his message to the state of the nation.
Jan. 6—Supreme Court decided the AAA was unconstitutional.
Jan. 10—President Roosevelt submitted budget message for fiscal year 1937.
Jan. 13—Democratic national convention opened in Philadelphia.
Jan. 16—House passed immediate payment of bonus by check.

INTERNATIONAL

Jan. 1—Emperor of Ethiopia protested to League of Nations against use of poison gas by Italians and bombing of Swedish ambassades.
Jan. 2—Japan withdrew from naval conference in London.
Jan. 22—Seven European powers agreed to co-operation of war forces against Italy if Britain was attacked.
Jan. 23—Mussolini recalled Italian delegates from Geneva; league council suspended Italy from League of Nations.

SPORTS

Jan. 1—Stanford beat Southern Methodist in Rose Bowl football game at Pasadena.
Jan. 11—Willie Hoppe won three-cushion billiards championship from Cochrain.
Jan. 17—Joe Louis knocked out Charley Peterson in one round in Chicago.

FOREIGN

Jan. 10—Miguel Gomez elected president of Cuba.
Jan. 17—Eleven acquitted, nine convicted in great Stavisky fraud trial in France.
Jan. 20—King George of England died.
Jan. 21—Former Prince of Wales proclaimed King of Spain.

DISASTERS

Jan. 9—Earthquake killed several hundred persons in Colombia.
Jan. 12—Freighter Iowa foundered at mouth of Columbia river.
Jan. 14—American Airlines plane crashed in a swamp in Arkansas, killing 17.

NECROLOGY

Jan. 1—Harry B. Smith, American dramatist, died.
Jan. 4—Col. James Churchward, American author, died.
Jan. 5—Walter H. Pater, English poet and critic, died.

MONKEY FAMILY IS LARGE

The ape or monkey family is a whole lot larger than you think it is. The gorilla is the king of the apes—up to 9 feet tall and weighing three hundredweight or more.

ON TEXAS FARMS

BALLINGER: "It is difficult to estimate the value of the terraces on my home place of 533 acres," says G. H. Dierschke of Runnels county. "They hold all through the recent floods, held the soil and water and prevented washing up of crops."

CECIL FERGUSON

announces that he is now local agent for WATKINS PRODUCTS. Will take orders at residence, Joe Griffin place, and will appreciate your patronage from house to house orders.

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Baptist Column

Clear End of First Year

A year in some places would seem like a long time, we feel sure, but our year at Santa Anna has gone by rapidly and happily...

absolutely "Christmasy" doings, all-in-all. Miss Howard of Howard Payne Knows How...

LEAVES FOR NEW POSITION



ROSS K. PRESCOTT

whose resignation as science teacher at the local high school became effective Dec. 23 to begin his term in the House of Representatives in the state legislature at Austin...

Santa Anna Dam—

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tion of \$5,000. This sum was so measly that it meant the authority could not even make a start without cooperation of communities in the county...

The dam is being erected on a tributary to Bull Creek, 1 1/2 miles southeast of Gouldbusk. The water storage will cover 30 acres and impound 180 acre feet...

Cooper's CCRA is working on a complete and integrated county-wide plan drawn up after many months of close engineering study of Coleman county's 200 miles of rivers and creeks...

1. Build four more lakes, each larger than the present lakes, with combined capacity of 16,000 acre feet. The proposed sites, already surveyed, are on Elm creek south of Talpa; Home creek, south of Valera; Jim Ned, south of Goldsboro and west of Novice; and Hords, west of Coleman.

2. Build 12 smaller lakes to supply local communities of which there are 56 in the county.

3. Build a large number of very small lakes as individual and ranch projects.

When it is in full operation, the Central Colorado River Authority's plan will do more than impound water for farm and local community use. It will do more than mitigate flood danger and restore fertility of the soil...

What Coleman county is doing is something that every West Texas county should be doing. County judges, commissioners, courts, mayors, city commissions, chamber of commerce executives—all should go over to Coleman and interview Sam Cooper (as we have) on the set-up and goal of his CCRA.

Then, next May, they should come to Brownwood for the 19th general convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, attend the group conferences on soil and water conservation; help devise a region-wide, continuing program to not only control the streams of West Texas, but utilize them to the fullest. This will be the major theme of the WTCO convention in Brownwood, and it deserves fullest support.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Taylor and daughter, Mrs. Fay Tucker, visited in the B. M. Kendrick home in Brownwood Saturday.

Employers Urged to Send in All Status Reports

Austin, Texas, Dec. 31.—Status reports from more than 20,000 employers have already been received by the Texas Unemployment Compensation Commission...

The Commission last week mailed status report forms, known as Form TUC 1, to more than 90,000 Texas employers, requesting data on the number of men employed, the type of business engaged in, the basis of pay for employees and other pertinent information.

"In spite of the Christmas holiday season employers in every section of the State have been very prompt in sending in their filled-out reports," Anderson said.

"While we sought to send these forms to all employers in the State who might come under the Act, we realize that our list is incomplete," he declared. "We therefore urge all persons and firms who have not received these forms and who have employed as many as six (6) people at any time during 1935 or 1936 to write to the Texas Unemployment Compensation Commission, Austin, Texas, immediately for their forms, specifying the number of employees they NOW have."

These preliminary reports must be in before we can determine the employer's status under the law," Anderson asserted, "and a delay in filing the reports will penalize the employer."

Presby'rian Church

M. L. Womack, Minister.

Sunday School, 10 a. m., J. T. Oakes, Superintendent. Services 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Christian Endeavor 6:15 p. m. Women's Missionary Society Mondays after second and fourth Sundays.

Mothers' Club third Thursday in month. Vesper Bible Hour first and third Tuesdays in month. Session Meetings first Tuesday in month.

The people of the church remembered the pastor and family abundantly at the Christmas gifts. Our hearts are filled with gratitude. May the New Year bring good and lasting blessings to each and every one. It does us good in heart to have so many kind friends.

SUNDAY IS "PIN DAY" IN BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday morning has been set as "Pin Day" at the Baptist Sunday school, and all the nearly 100 who have not missed a day for the past three months will be awarded a beautiful bronze pin. The pins are here and are very attractive. This awarding will be at the closing assembly, immediately preceding the preaching service. This is the only time Sunday when these pins will be given out, and all who are to receive one are urged to be on hand.

Vernon Adams returned to Fort Worth Saturday after a visit with his brother, G. E. Adams and family.

NEW YEAR'S FOOD NEEDS

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Red & White wishes you a happy and prosperous New Year—Resolve now to get better acquainted with these friendly stores and their superior Nationally Advertised Red & White Food Products. Look at these values for your New Year's dinner celebration. Buy now and save!

Table listing various food items and their prices, including COCOA, MILK, SOAP CHIPS, COFFEE, OATS, MACARONI, PRUNES, PEAS, TAMALES, LETTUCE, LEMONS, CARROTS, APPLES, BACON, BRICK CHILI, CHEESE, ROAST, STEAK, LYE, MATCHES, SYRUP, PEANUT BUTTER, CRACKERS, CATSUP, HOMINY, BAKING POWDER, and SALT.

THE RED & WHITE STORES

Rex Garrett, who is attending the University of Ft. Collins, of Colorado, is spending the holidays here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben G. Ewing and Ben, Jr., of Waco were Christmas visitors of Ben's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Ewing.

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Every business has its "ups and downs" and its bad days and good days, but with us it seems our patrons have been kind and thoughtful in helping to make every day a bright, cheery day for us. Therefore you may know, good friends, that we mean every word of it when we send you the season's best wishes and the hope that 1937 will bring you a delightful twenty-four hours for every day on the calendar.

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LET'S SWAP OATS: First year Ferguson and Nortex from seed farm, 75¢ and 65¢ per bushel. Will exchange at the rate of 1 1/2 bushels for 1. W. E. Wallace.

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FIGS FOR SALE: Ready to deliver any day next week. \$4.00 each. Would trade a good sow and litter for good young sallow cow. J. J. Gregg.

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Hospital Notes

Duane Morelock of Santa Anna is a patient in the hospital.

George Prusser, Jr. of Winters was able to go home Sunday.

W. G. Lanier of Quannah is a patient in the hospital.

Mrs. W. T. Billups of Winters is a surgical patient.

Barbara Fisher of Guion is a patient in the hospital.

Mrs. Clarence Parsons of Coleman was able to go home Monday.

Beverly Vinson of Santa Anna was a patient in the hospital Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Estes of Rockwood are the parents of a son born Dec. 25.

Miss Vesta Futrell of Coleman was able to go home Monday.

M. M. Stephens of Lampasas is a patient in the hospital.

Miss Christine Zachary of Santa Anna is a patient.

W. T. Rogers of Beckton is a surgical patient.

S. E. McElroy of Lubbock is a surgical patient in the hospital.

W. L. Zachary of Pensacola, Fla., is a surgical patient in the

hospital.

Gene Mayo of Petersburg is a surgical patient.

Mrs. W. B. Watson of Rockwood is a surgical patient in the hospital.

W. L. Swann of Santa Anna is a patient.

Mrs. Walter Sanford of Paint Rock is a patient in the hospital.

Mrs. L. L. Davis of McCamey is a patient.

Rockwood News

This community was saddened Sunday evening by the death of Wayne Williams, two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland C. Williams of Rockwood.

Wayne had been ill for a week with scarlet fever in the Sealy Hospital. Interment was made in the Shields cemetery Monday evening at 3:00.

Mrs. Boss Estes entertained with a farewell shower for Mrs. Susie Gilbreath Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. Mrs. Gilbreath has purchased a farm near Woodson, Texas, where she is moving.

Miss Eula Mae Bartlett and Earl D. Newman were quietly united in marriage Christmas Day at Santa Anna. Miss Bart-

lett is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Newman is the son of Mrs. J. E. Bartlett of Rockwood Mr. and Mrs. Joe Newman of Dool.

Mrs. J. L. Trotter and daughter, Janie, of McCamey and Mr. and Mrs. Bill McSwain and family of Eldorado spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. A. N. McSwain.

Jack Johnson of Eldorado spent the Yuletide holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Johnson.

Miss Lucille Lancaster of Trickham spent a few days with Hearthal King this week.

Clyde King and son, Clyde Edward spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. King this week. Mr. King is superintendent of the Eliasville High School.

Dave Arnold and family spent Christmas Day in Coleman.

Mrs. A. F. Rothermel and son Charles of Fort Worth spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. King.

Ernest Heilman of San Antonio spent Christmas with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bryan spent Christmas Day with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Lige Lancaster and family of Trickham, Mr. Mrs. Arthur King and family, Mr. and Mrs. Willie King and son of Coleman, Mrs. Annie Rothermel and son of Fort Worth, Clyde King and son of Eliasville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. King.

Mr. and Mrs. Blake Williams spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Sam McIlvain and Saturday with Dr. and Mrs. Williams.

Mrs. Belle Caldwell and daughters, James and Geneva, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ashmore spent Friday with Mrs. William Ashmore.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Ashmore spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Ashmore.

D. V. Bozeman was called home unexpectedly last Monday night a tthe death of his mother in Rosebud.

FOR RENT: Furnished apartment. See Mrs. S. E. McDaniel.

Whon News

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rehm and son Willard of Uvalde were holiday visitors at Whon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe C. Barnes visited Mrs. Barnes' parents in Cuero, Texas, last week.

Mrs. Ida Massey of San Angelo is visiting the Black families.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hill spent Christmas with Mr. Hill's relatives in Santa Anna.

Mr. and Mrs. Doss Smith and children enjoyed Christmas at Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bird White, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Craft, all of Iran, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Blackwell of Cisco were holiday visitors at Whon.

Miss Ina Grace Johnson of Rockwood is visiting Mary Frances Herring this week.

Miss Maudie Kathryn Ashmore of Santa Anna is visiting Maxis Gene Black.

Miss Jackelyn Quinn Smith of Brownwood is visiting Miss Cloelia Black.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Webb of Winters visited in the Roy Bible home during Christmas.

Mr. M. R. Cheatham is reported no better. He is still in the Brady hospital.

Misses Beulah Tisdell, Irene Avants and Lorene Carter are all enjoying Christmas vacation with home folks.

The two small sons of Walter Brandstetter both have pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Watson and Miss Viola Avants visited in the Tom Avants home during Christmas.

Mr. E. W. McNutt of Goldthwaite and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Gill, Jr. and children of Whon spent last week-end in Post.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. McNutt of Goldthwaite spent Christmas week with their daughter, Mrs. G. L. Gill.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Gill spent Christmas with Mrs. M. T. Right.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Gill visited in Mullin with Mrs. Gill's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Shields of Marshall visited relatives at Whon during Christmas.

Mrs. S. S. Shields visited Mrs. Max Prater in Coleman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Miller of San Angelo visited relatives at Whon last Saturday. Roland remained for a visit with Sammy Jack Black.

Mrs. John Avants received word of the death of her brother Mr. John Wise at Brooksmith early Wednesday morning.

Miss Oneta Wells is spending this week with Mrs. G. L. Gill.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Burnett and baby of Lamesa spent the holidays in the Raymon Rehm home.

Buffalo News

Miss Grady of May, Texas has been elected to fill the place of Miss Leach, who has resigned her position at the Buffalo School.

All of the teachers went home for the holidays, some staying the entire time, while only a few remained over Christmas Day.

Doreland Powell, who was operated on for appendicitis several days ago, is home now.

The girls basketball team will go to Burkett this weekend for another tournament. The team has won three week-end tournaments in succession.

Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Snook and family of Gladewater spent Christmas with Mrs. Snook's mother, Mrs. J. W. Kirkpatrick.

Miss Kathryn Baxter of Waco is spending the holidays with the home folks and incidentally making some improvements on her property.

Mr. and Mrs. Chap Eeds and daughter Elizabeth, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Martin and son of Abilene.

\$10.00 REWARD

Whoever took my black suitcase, size about 16 by 18 inches, with N. T. S. T. C. seal on it, by mistake from Phillip's Drug Store at Santa Anna between 12:10 p. m. and 3:30 p. m. Thursday, Dec. 24, please mail my suitcase, including all things in it, C. O. D., to Seba Wolfe, Robert Lee, Texas, and receive \$10.00 reward. My name is not on outside of suitcase but on Christmas cards in pocket inside.

Seba Wolfe

Eureka News

Farmers are taking advantage of this pretty sunshine and are getting their grain sowed and land plowed for another crop.

There weren't very many out to Sunday School and B. T. U. Hope there will be more next Sunday.

Visitors in Mrs. R. N. Bouchillon's home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Robinett and son of Brownwood, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Bouchillon of Santa Anna, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Bouchillon.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Brinson took Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brinson of Bangs.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Lancaster and Mrs. Lancaster's sister of Brownwood were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lancaster.

Mrs. R. M. Lowe is on the sick list. We hope her a speedy recovery.

Mr. W. L. Swann was carried to the Sealy Hospital Monday afternoon for treatment. He returned home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton McKown and daughter were Christmas dinner guests of Mrs. McKown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Christy of Silver Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brinson and children, Mr. Jess Swan and daughter of Bangs, Misses Juanita and Leah Bell Nix of Brownwood, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Brinson were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Swan Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernay Wright of Commerce, Mr. and Mrs. Theron Wright, and two sons of Cathlemet, Washington, and Miss Clyde Wright of Zenith, Washington, visited with Mrs. J. W. Kirkpatrick Saturday evening.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to sincerely thank all friends and neighbors who so kindly comforted us in the illness and death of our mother, Mrs. R. A. Holland, and express our deepest appreciation for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. O. L. McHorse
N. R. Holland
O. C. Holland
E. D. Holland
J. C. Holland

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our deepest thanks to our many friends and particularly to Dr. McDonald and the Sealy Hospital Nurses who aided and befriended us during the illness and death of our son. For their kindness and sympathy and comfort, we feel the deepest love and gratitude.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland C. Williams

CARD OF THANKS

To the many friends and neighbors who came and gave their sympathy in the time of our greatest sorrow and grief we wish to extend from the depths of our hearts, our thanks and appreciation.

The Voss family.

Mrs. J. F. Goen has as her guest this week her sister, Mrs. Nettleship from San Saba county.

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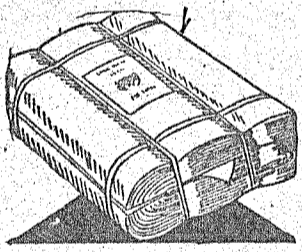
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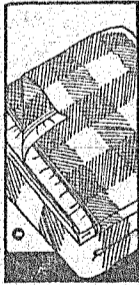
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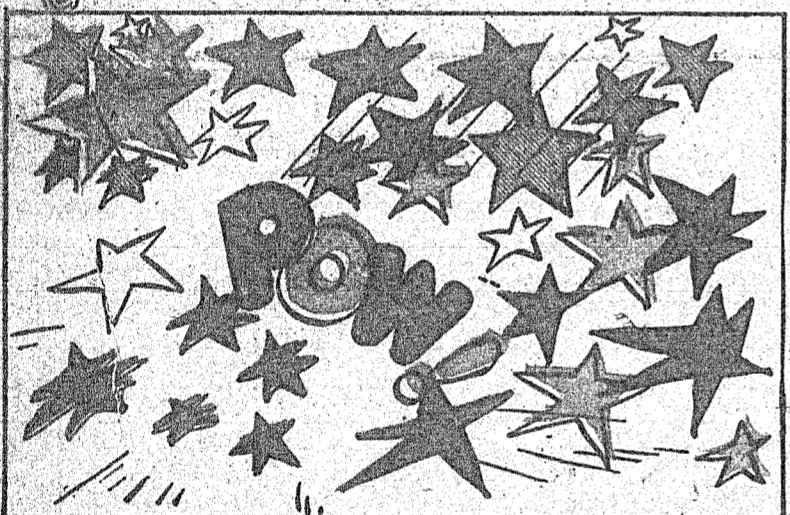
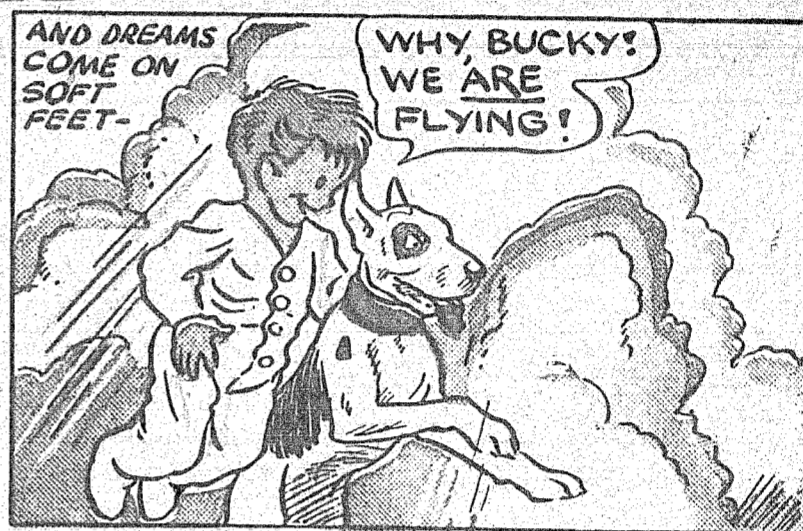
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BACK HOME AGAIN

By Ed Dodd



Served the State of Texas Under Three Flags

By TROY MORRIS
Levelland, Texas.

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P. BAKER came to Texas from Lexington, Tennessee, in 1837. He served Texas under three flags—the flags of the Republic, the United States and the Confederacy. He died at Silverton, Texas, in 1916.

Through the courtesy of his son, the Hon. W. R. Baker, of Levelland, Texas, we have permission to publish the following excerpts from his father's biography:

"Completing the sale of our negro slaves in Tennessee," wrote R. P. Baker in his biography, "father and my brother, Thomas, prepared for a trip to Texas. At that time (1837) I was 10 years old, but I well remember the sale of our negro slaves. All of them had been sold except Aunt Haggar. Stepping to her side, father said: 'Aunt Haggar, as far back as I can remember you have been with us. You nursed me, nursed my brothers and sisters. You have nursed my children and you have been faithful. Aunt Haggar, I give you your freedom—you can go and do as you will.'

"The hands of the old black woman nervously twisted the ends of her gingham apron—so much a part of her—and it seemed for a moment she would not speak. Then, in a choking voice, almost inaudible, she said:

"Thank yo', Massy James. Ah wants to stay with yo' an' the missus an' the childrun."

"So, Aunt Haggar came to Texas with the family, which consisted of father, mother, four sisters and three brothers.

Removal to Texas

"All plans having been completed for removal to Texas, we set out on the long journey in the fall of 1837. My mother and next older brother drove the covered wagons, drawn by four horses, while father and Thomas, my oldest brother, rode ahead driving the milch cows. Both of them carried long-barreled muzzle-loading rifles in front of and across their saddles.

"By the time we reached Arkansas, civilization had been left far behind. Here our progress was slowed down by swamps, across which we laid logs for the wagons to pass over. No roads anywhere, and sometimes not even a trail. Often we had to travel by compass. Day after day we pushed on, halted by swollen streams, rain and storms. All meals were cooked in the open, over campfires. If rain put out the campfire, there were no meals. It was not unusual for some of the men to wear wet clothing all through the day. In addition to those discomforts, there was the constant fear of meeting hostile Indians.

"After several months of hard travel, we came to Red river, fording this stream into 'the promised land'—the Republic of Texas.

"Settling near what is now Clarksville, we began to clear land and to erect log cabin homes.

The Deadly Muzzle Loader

Brother Thomas supplied the family with meat by killing wild game. He easily killed deer, turkey, quail, squirrel, rabbit, and at one time had an exciting adventure with a Mexican lion. The rifle he used was a percussion-cap, single-shot muzzle-loader, but deadly when fired by a good marksman. Powder for the rifle was carried in a deer horn, the small end of which held just one charge. This charge was poured into the mouth of the rifle, wadding inserted and then the powder tamped down by ramrod. This was followed by the bullet, more wadding inserted, and the bullet also tamped down by ramrod. The last process of loading was a brass percussion cap fitted tightly over a hollow tubing—then the gun was ready to fire. Bullets used were made by melting bar lead and pouring it into a mould. I often helped to mould bullets.

"During the first year of our residence in Texas Indians were friendly. They would visit us, ask for food, and mother always gave them something to eat. It was later they became hostile, as more settlers came into the country. Particularly did they resent the ruthless slaughter of vast herds of buffalo by white hunters, who killed for hides only that sold for one dollar a hide.

Kills Buffalo at Age of 12

"The greatest thrill of my life was to kill my first buffalo when 12 years old. Two other boys and I, while hunting on Chambers creek, in Ellis county, sighted a herd of buffalo grazing along the creek bank. We were to windward of the herd and they failed to scent us. Creeping with Indian stealth, we soon came in gun range of the animals. It was agreed that each of us would pick out a buffalo and, upon the count of 'three,' fire together.

"I was unduly excited, and at the count of 'two' pressed the trigger. The other two boys fired, but missed. I trembled from head to foot as I took aim, but somehow my bullet hit the animal just behind the ear and it toppled over. I jumped up, yelling with

delight. Neither before, nor since, have I experienced such a thrill.

"While our family lived near Clarksville supplies were freighted to this point from Shreveport, La., by horse, mule and ox teams and it took weeks to make such a trip. White bread was a luxury. On one occasion father paid \$40 for just a small bag of flour. Coffee—any kind—cost \$1 per pound; white sugar \$1 per pound. We could not afford to buy shoes or boots—so we made our own from home-made tanned leather. A good pair of either shoes or boots cost from \$20 to \$30 per pair. Cattle were very cheap—range steers and cows sold for about \$5 per head.



"High water and driftwood battered me."

Grass was long and plentiful and feeding unnecessary. We did our plowing with yoked oxen. A pair of good oxen cost \$30. A horse, broken for farm work, cost \$20.

"Father was a qualified surveyor. At the end of a year, he sold his farm near Clarksville and moved to what is now Ellis county, where he was employed to survey lands in that section of the State.

Few Schools in Texas

"At this time there were few schools in Texas. I was now 12 years old and father and mother decided I should go to school. They sent me to the 'McKenzie Institute,' taught by the Rev. J. W. McKenzie. The school house was one big room, the benches and desks built of split logs. For one year I received instruction in writing, spelling and elementary arithmetic. That one year was about all the schooling I was ever able to get.

"The school was located on a big farm and many of the students paid part tuition by working the land and tending the hogs and chickens.

"Up to this time, and for a while after the Civil War, there were no free schools in Texas—practically all schools

were taught by preachers. A woman teacher was rare. I remember seeing just one woman teacher at this early period."

Part of the biography of Mr. R. P. Baker is here missing. Where resumed it tells about the United States war with Mexico in 1846, the call for volunteers, his enlistment under General Kearney and the invasion of Mexico by U. S. forces.

Romance at 24

"I received my discharge from the army in 1849 and returned home from Mexico," continues Mr. Baker. "Now, being 24 years old, I decided it was time to settle down. Before joining the army I had courted Mary Jane Russell, and although I had not heard from her in two years, not since my enlistment, I immediately called upon her when I arrived home. I was happy to find her single and prettier than ever. She had been thinking of me while I was in the army, she said. We soon discovered a mutual attachment and set a date to be wed.

"Our wedding day was a gloomy one—it rained as never before. But I made up my mind not to let rain stop me from marrying Mary Jane. I saddled my horse and started for the Russell home. Arriving at Bois d'arc creek, I found its banks full, flowing swiftly and filled with driftwood.

"I urged my horse to the water's edge, but he shied off, and looked back

at me. I spoke to him sternly and applied the quirt. He heared, then plunged into the stream. For a moment he sank out of sight and I went down with him, clinging to the saddle. High waves and drift wood battered me with such force that I dropped the reins and held on for dear life. Right there I had some doubts about my wedding. In fact, I thought more of praying and less of marrying.

Plucky Pony

"My pony was plucky, however, and wouldn't give up—that was all that saved me. We came out on the opposite bank, half a mile below where we entered the water.

"Soaking wet, teeth chattering, I pulled up in front of Mary Jane's home. She was expecting me, for quickly she came out into the rain, clasped me by the hand and kissed me. That kiss was worth all the trouble I had experienced in crossing Bois d'arc creek.

"Well, we were married that afternoon, and attended a dance and feast in our honor that night. The fiddlers played 'Sally Gooden,' 'Leather Britches' and other tunes until morning, when a big breakfast was served to all guests.

"Because of the flood, it was a full week before I could take my bride behind me on my horse and travel to the little log cabin which I had built for our home."

Mr. Baker's biography, at this point, goes into the tragic story of depredations and murder of white settlers along the border by Indians. Also he tells about his election as first sheriff of Parker county and the hazard of arresting some of the two-gun badmen killers of those times.

We shall reserve this last part of Mr. Baker's biography for a later issue of the Magazine Section.

The "ACE of CLUBS"

By AVIS PLATTER
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DURING the worst period of the late depression—when the morale of the people was low—Miss Essie Daws, of the Milton (Van Zandt county) community, decided to organize a girls' club for the purpose of helping those who needed help and to prove that a lot of good things could be done for the Milton community despite the depression.

Miss Daws called her girls' club the "Ace of Clubs." We will let her tell the story of the club's work in her own words:

"Every one laughed at me when I decided to organize a girls' club. They even went so far as to say that it could not be done. You see, young minds are more flexible and more easily enthused than older minds. We called it the 'Ace of Clubs.' The community called it the 'Ape of Clubs.' We didn't mind that. We went bravely to work. There were thirteen members at the time of organization, but we lost four of them the second time we met. That left only nine, but they were real good ones.

Stage a Peppy Program

"The first thing we did was to stage a nice little, peppy program free of admission charges. Then we started planning a box for the orphan's home. Quilt tops were pieced and some quilted. The box was kept ready all the year to put anything in it that could be acquired. The box filled rapidly. As the year went on quite a bit of canned stuff, syrup, dried green peas, and later, dry peas were turned over to us. By fall we were real proud of the contributions.

"We planned to buy a piano for the church. How to raise the funds was staring us in the face. Each member set a hen on eggs and sold the baby chicks. We sold 150 at 5c each. This netted us \$7.50. It was very little but it was a start and it gave us new courage.

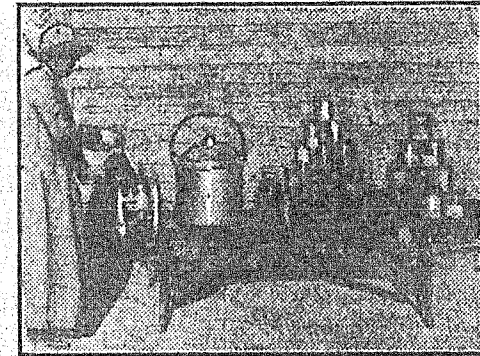
"Meanwhile, we had prepared a long dramatic program, for which entrance fees were charged. The program was a success. We collected \$12.50. The play seemed to raise us a little in the estimation of the community. One week later we had a pie supper at the school house, where we introduced several different contests. The returns were \$30. We now had \$50. We proudly set out to find a good used piano. We found one without any trouble. After it was paid for our big brothers hauled it to the church. We swelled with pride the following Sunday morning when the choir gathered around the piano—the piano that folks said we could not pay for.

Self-Confidence Grows

"Our self-confidence began to grow,

In fact, we decided that we could do most anything. Hadn't we paid for the piano, and didn't we have \$10 left? We thought we could amount to something, and we did—thanks to the co-operation of every member and every member's family.

"We staged some kind of program every two weeks, charging only a small admission fee. Once in a while we had some kind of contest arranged, such as old fiddlers' contest, vocal contest, and one time an eating contest. Our bank account grew steadily. Then we staged a carnival, a drinking feat of lemonade and several other things that were new and novel to our rural



Ace of Clubs steam pressure cooker.

district. "We planted some extra plots in our gardens for club purposes and used some of the money we had put in the bank to buy a steam pressure cooker, sealer and tin cans. Each member canned not less than 100 cans of vegetables and one or two members reached 300 cans. We were very busy in those days. When the season was over the club owned 1200 cans of vegetables.

Learned Many Useful Things

"The club girls learned many useful things at the meetings. They learned to make paper flowers, wax flowers, home-made vases, numerous kinds of pillows, baskets and hooked rugs. We showered every wedding and birth and made flowers for every funeral. Our motto was, and still is, 'Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.'

"The club earned \$50 through a magazine plan which I am not at liberty to disclose. We were very grateful for that \$50.

"The next thing started was a library—a small one. It was installed in a little room that we built back of the church. We solicited all the books and magazines that folks had read. We got 75 novels and other books—some of them worthwhile subjects. There were a few religious books. A few new books were added from time to time by the club girls, and they subscribed for five good monthly magazines.

"There was church service only once a month. It was decided we needed more preaching. Accordingly a radio was purchased and put in the church. We now have radio church service during each week end.

Needy Ones Are Helped

"When cotton picking time arrived the club members made \$20 picking cotton at odd times. They picked a bale of cotton for two families down with malaria. Nothing was charged for the picking as the families were in poor circumstances. School soon opened and few children lacked proper clothing.

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San Jacinto Memorial Monument

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ACTUAL construction work on the San Jacinto Memorial monument at San Jacinto Battleground, near Houston, began in November. After 100 years and co-operation of the Federal government, this late recognition has been accorded to those patriots who freed Texas from the rule of Mexico in the short but decisive Battle of San Jacinto, fought April 21, 1836.

Towering 564 feet above the field where the Mexican force was defeated by Sam Houston's men, the memorial represents an expenditure of \$1,500,000. It will be surmounted by an electrically-lighted Lone Star, which will measure forty-five feet across. This gleaming star, perched at the top of the shaft, will be visible over a radius of many miles.

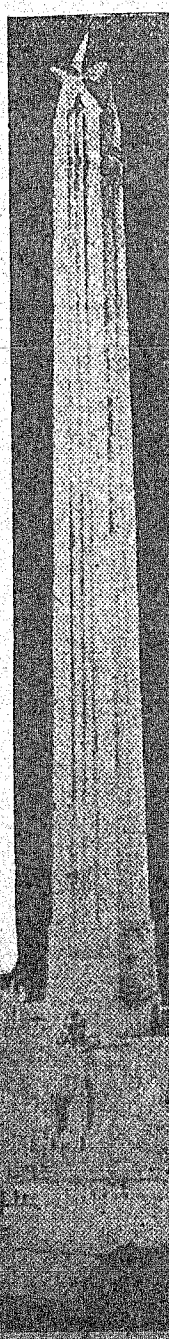
Will Cover 6 1/4 Acres

It is stated by the architect, A. C. Finn of Houston, that the San Jacinto monument will be the largest piece of masonry in the world built for memorial purposes. It will cover 6 1/4 acres of ground, and will rise higher than the famed Washington monument. The base of the shaft is 125 feet square and 15 feet thick. According to C. A. Bullen, superintendent of construction, there are 300 tons of steel in the foundation, and when finished the base will sustain a weight of 146,208,000 pounds.

The concrete mat, or foundation, about 20 feet of which is underground, is said to have been the largest single job of continuous concrete pouring in the history of building construction. The foundation was completed within 6 1/2 working hours. Hundreds of people from Houston and the surrounding country went to the battleground to witness this undertaking, in which 120 carloads of gravel, 80 carloads of sand, and 40 carloads of cement were used.

Amphitheater Inside Vault

The present objective is completion of the base, 89 feet high, on which will rest the main monumental shaft, to be completed by the summer of 1938.



this vault will be an amphitheater with a seating capacity of 5,000; there also will be a State museum and an art gallery. The memorial throughout will be built of reinforced concrete, faced with variegated golden-buff limestone. Steps approaching the tower will be of Texas granite. The entrance approach will lead through a "Hall of Honor," 44 feet by 54 feet, provided with niches in which later will be installed statues of prominent Texas pioneers.

Under the W. P. A. plan, landscaping of the park surrounding the monument will require the services of about 1,000 men for a year and a half. This work is in charge of Mrs. C. B. Whitehead, landscape architect of Fort Worth. The cost will approximate \$538,000; the State has appropriated \$40,000 of this amount.

Landscaping One-Fourth Completed

Major J. Perry Moore, chairman of the San Jacinto Battlefield State Park Board, with general supervision of the entire memorial program, advises that the landscaping and park development work, which began August 17th, is now about one-fourth completed. This landscaping will provide a beautiful and appropriate setting for the main memorial monument.

Contractors estimate that the monument will be completed and ready for dedication in October, 1937.

For many years San Jacinto Battleground, improved and maintained by the State of Texas, has been a patriot shrine, visited annually by many persons from within and without the State. Since work began on the memorial, visitors have increased to many thousands, particularly during week ends.

The San Jacinto monument will be a permanent memorial, constructed to endure through centuries. It will perpetuate, in steel and concrete, the memory of heroic men who fought for a principle and freed Texas of a foreign foe.

Such a monument fittingly rounds out the Centennial motif that began the early part of and was concluded the latter part of 1936, emphasizing 100 years of Texas independence from Mexican domination.

CURRENT (EDITORIAL) COMMENT

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Russian Advance in Science

MOST Americans disapprove of the Russian Soviet form of government, but it is doing some things by which we may profit. Just now, in Russia alone of all the countries of Europe, scientific research is more important than is the training of a huge army.

Russia has more than 250 research laboratories, all subordinate to the Academy of Sciences, which, since the beginning of the first Five-Year Plan, has directed the technical advance of that country. It has 98 member institutions and 1558 researchers and workers in key positions.

Stalin, the Soviet Dictator, complains that, although great things have been accomplished, Russia has received too little benefit from science. The researchers, spurred to greater effort by this criticism, have set for themselves great objectives during the third Five-Year Plan. As energy lies at the basis of a mechanized society, energy is the primary consideration—electrical energy. It is proposed to cover Russia by a single electric system, a network in which all the productive units are connected up with each other. Adequate motive power for shops, the farm and the railroads and for the electrification of the great trunk lines will be sought.

Other objectives are better means of locating coal, oil, gas, and metal ores and of working the mines; the better utilization of the products of the mines; manufacture of synthetic rubber; the discovery of methods of making drugs, now imported in large quantities; the development of varieties of wheat, cotton and other plants suitable to the soil and climate; sheep and goats with better wool; the improvement of tractors and other farm machinery. These are a few of the things upon which the Russians are working.

Agencies for Adult Education

Many city school systems have long had night schools for the benefit of those who did not receive the elements of an education during their childhood years and for those who desire education or training in some special subject. Some of the States have provided schools for rural illiterates and in this way have greatly reduced the number of those unable to read. The Federal government, under the provisions of the Smith-Hughes Act, has been helping the States provide instruction for men and women in the industrial and mechanic arts.

The farmer and his wife have not been neglected by the government. Nearly every county has its county agent, most often a graduate of an agricultural college, who confers with farmers, both individually and through the means of public meetings, about their problems. The State agricultural colleges and the agricultural experiment stations have supplemented the work by conventions of farmers, where the greatest experts in the land lecture on questions of peculiar interest to farmers. In many counties we have home demonstration agents, women who go from neighborhood to neighborhood, instructing the housewives about canning and other problems of the home.

These and other agencies of the government have done much to make us a better educated and a better trained people. This it has done through direct instruction, and, better still, through stimulation to individual study.

The adult has other means of acquiring an education. Among them are travel, lectures, clubs, Sunday School, sermons, conversation, books, and periodicals, including newspapers. The newspapers are the most important factor in adult education. The extent of their influence is measured only by the ability and willingness of the people to read. We have an irreconcilable quarrel with those modern educators who tell us that it makes no difference whether a child learns to read before he or she is 12 years of age. We agree heartily with them in stressing as an important factor acquaintance with one's neighborhood and a knowledge of all that goes on in it. These things can be got only from the local newspaper. For this reason and others the local newspaper should be in every home. The items of local interest, the outstanding news of the State and Nation, the editorials, the feature story matter, the advertisements—all contribute to our education. The local newspaper does more to create and stimulate pride in the community than does any other agency in it; then, too, it always encourages the making of the community a better place in which to live. All these things are important elements in the right kind of education.

Some of the best educated and best informed men we have known have had little formal schooling. They were educated by the newspapers.

Caring for the Aged

Some wish to pay everyone over 65 pension. This seems difficult of attainment, and after all might be fairer, is it, those who have looked forward

to old age and have saved up something for the unproductive years may have to help look after the shiftless and improvident.

It seems to us that, as Paul said, everyone should provide for those of his own house, and that the care and support of old people devolve primarily upon the children or kinsmen of the superannuated person. In ancient Rome and Greece the kinsmen, as distant as third cousins, provided for the old. These Greeks and Romans were the "infidels" whose example Paul indirectly commended to the early Christians. In the South before the war, old slaves were set free and provision for their comfort in their declining years was made even by the harshest masters. It never occurred to anyone at that time that the duty of looking after the old should be turned over to the State. Many people still hold to this opinion. Old-age pensions for those with children able to support them will ultimately mean the slackening of filial obligation; in fact, that slackening is already becoming manifest.

We believe, however, that it is the duty of the State to care for the deserving indigent old people if other agencies fail.

In this day of the prolongation of life's expectancy by reason of a better understanding of how to ward off and cure disease, and a declining birth-rate, the proportion of old people is becoming increasingly larger. At the same time, people are approaching old age with less chance of having a competency by reason of our insane desire to have only young men for the professions, business and industry. Many cities will employ no teacher for the first time if he is over 40. Our churches want only young preachers. More and more preachers, teachers, and others are going to be turned out to grass at 40 or a little later. If the Child Labor Amendment is ratified, and one may not work before 18, there will be only twenty-two years of productive life, and the burden of supporting those younger and older will be placed upon the shoulders of those in the prime of life, that is, between 18 and 40. Most older people who have done anything in life know that their most productive and worthwhile years were after 40.

Fascism in Europe

Italy under Mussolini and Germany under Hitler are great European Fascist powers. Other Fascist countries of Europe are Austria, Hungary, Greece and Portugal. The western half of

Spain, now occupied by the rebels, is also Fascist, as the whole country will be if the rebels triumph in the war now raging.

What is Fascism? It is a theory of government and economics that would center all power in one man, not only the functions of government as administered in a democratic country, but also the power to raise and equip armies, to declare war, to determine foreign policy, to regulate workers and industry, to censor books and the press and to say what books shall be read, to suppress freedom of speech, to prescribe what shall be taught in the schools and universities, and even to set up a State religion. The citizen has only one liberty left, the doubtful one of thinking what he pleases if only he keeps this thought to himself. As all power in Fascist States is centered in one man, such a State is called "totalitarian."

All Fascist States and those with leanings towards Fascism fear Communism as a great nightmare, and well they may if many great students of political economy are correct in their opinion that Fascism will inevitably lead to Communism as the next step.

The Quoddy Project

For many years engineers have recognized that we have an inexhaustible source of power in the tides of the sea. Their problem has been to harness these tides and to turn their power into electric energy. They believe that they have now found the way.

The highest tides in all the world are in the Bay of Fundy between Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, provinces of Canada. Just to the southwest of this bay, partly in the United States, is Passamaquoddy Bay. In this bay the tides, while not rising to the height of those in the Bay of Fundy, are high enough for power development. Engineers for our government have drawn up plans and specifications for a plant at Eastport, Maine, to harness the tidal force. Several million dollars were allotted to this project, but work was suspended a few months ago. It is now probable that it will soon be resumed, and that the project will be completed.

Electric Comforts

During the past year scientists have perfected an electric comfort. It consists of two sheets of a thin fabric, between which wire is sewed in zigzag pattern. The wire is heated by an electric current much in the same way as an electric pad.

This electric comfort has two advantages—it is light and will not weight the sleeper down or tire him as do the comforts and blankets we are accustomed to pile on the bed in cold weather; it works automatically in regulating heat so as to keep the temperature just right for the sleeper whether the weather be moderately cool or extremely cold. The cost of operating it is said to be about four cents a night.

Television

Recently at Radio City, New York, 250 spectators sat in a darkened room, in which television receivers, each costing about \$400, were arranged so that each instrument might accommodate 12 or 15 persons. A machine presenting an 8x12-inch picture is sufficiently large for the average family.

Television is described as radio movies—a miniature moving picture—tinted green.

Both in New York and London, the news reel seems to be the most popular thing transmitted by television. Pictures of actors may be shown; these are usually full-length pictures, as pictures of shorter length usually are flattened sidewise, making the actors appear disproportionately fat.

So far it has been impossible to transmit pictures by television for any great distance. The English experts in London say that the area to be covered satisfactorily is not greater than twenty miles from the transmitter as a center. The Americans suggest a radius of forty-five miles as a maximum. Scientists hope to overcome this and other difficulties and imperfections. One of the chief hindrances to the wide use of television is the great cost of receiving sets. The standard 33-tube receiving set costs not less than \$400. It also uses much more electricity than does the ordinary radio.

The British Broadcasting Corporation has already installed transmission stations in a small way. An official of the National Broadcasting Company, at the celebration of the tenth anniversary of that organization, said: "I can safely say that present trends point to further technical improvements in radio, with the addition of at least fairly satisfactory television." This indicates that NBC is considering the addition of television to its broadcasting service.

The Folly of Crime

Cole Younger, then an old man, came to Fort Worth, Texas, after he had been pardoned from the Minnesota peniten-

tiary, to make a speech under the auspices of the Confederate Veterans. In that speech he asserted that there is only one word fit to describe one who sets out on a career of crime, and that word is "fool." He told of having the scars of twenty-eight bullet wounds on his body, seven of which were received in the Confederate service, and then added: "Would to God that all had been as honorably received." He stated further that crime does not pay; that the same energy devoted to honorable work brings larger financial returns, to say nothing of intangible values, such as the esteem of one's fellowmen and ease of conscience.

A few years ago there were criminals in Texas whose names were frequently in flaring headlines on the front page of the newspapers. They robbed banks and the mail, they murdered, they kidnaped. Where are they now? Practically every one of them is under the sod or serving a long sentence on Alcatraz island.

A statement recently made by J. Edgar Hoover, who directs the war against crime for the Federal government, shows how unprofitable is crime. He told of what had been accomplished since the enactment of that law. One hundred and seventy-one persons have been convicted of kidnaping and are now serving long sentences, thirty-three of them for life. He added:

"Two individuals participating in kidnaping were lynched. Three other individuals participating in a kidnaping committed suicide, six kidnapers were murdered by their associates or other criminals, and five kidnapers were killed resisting arrest."

A Kingdom for Love

In setting love above a kingdom, Edward VIII, former King of Great Britain, has had many eminent predecessors.

Adam was the first example. He gave up Paradise for Eve, David, although he was already well supplied with wives, connived at murder that he might have Bathsheba, Uriah's wife. Paris, the finely dressed dandy, traded the great city of Troy, violated the rights of hospitality and carried off Helen, the wife of Menelaus. Not only Menelaus but enough other Greeks to fill a thousand ships spent ten years of grueling warfare to get her back. Ulysses, although he might have enjoyed immortality as the husband of a goddess, always kept his rocky isle of Ithaca and his faithful Penelope in mind and after twenty years was able to return to her. Julius Caesar for a time abandoned his interests in Rome because Cleopatra had infatuated him. Later Marc Anthony was captivated by the same Cleopatra, so infatuated that in order to marry her he divorced his high-born Roman wife Octavia, the sister of Augustus, and lost the Empire of Rome and his life. Cleopatra was then 38 years of age; Mrs. Wallis Simpson is now 40. Thackeray, in Henry Esmond, tells us that a Stuart prince lost his chance to become England's king because of his love for a woman.

World's Largest Bomber

A sixteen-ton Boeing bomber, described by its makers as the fastest and longest ranged aircraft of its type in the world, made a successful test flight at Seattle, Wash., December 2nd.

Designated as the YB-17, the plane, equipped with four 1,000-horsepower engines, was manned by four Air Corps officials of the army and a mechanic.

The ship has been built to carry a ton of bombs and fly 3,000 miles non-stop. It is the first of thirteen similar ships ordered by the army to be constructed.

It has 1,000 more horsepower than its predecessor, which had four 750-horsepower Pratt-Whitney radial engines. The new bomber has Wright Cyclone engines.

Engineers believe the new ship's speed will surpass that of its predecessor, which traveled non-stop from Seattle to Dayton, Ohio, at an average speed of 232 miles an hour.

The YB-17 has five machine gun turrets and carries its bombs in the fuselage, whence they can be dropped through trap doors. The ship has a wingspread of 105 feet, is 70 feet long and 15 feet high.

77 Below Zero

In the first balloon weather observation flight ever attempted in darkness in this country, Harvard University sent a balloon up to a height of about 50,000 feet recently. It sent back a radio signal indicating a temperature of 77 degrees below zero and then floated southward to land off Cape Cod.

Dr. Charles F. Brooks, director of the university's meteorological observatory on Blue Hill, from which the ascension started, said that the balloon's report proved to be as accurate as that of a plane.

It was pointed out at Harvard that reports such as this were of value to meteorologists because analysis of conditions in the upper air masses made possible more accurate forecasts of surface weather conditions.

Introducing the Sage of Coon Creek

By JOE GANDY

Winnboro, Texas.

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BEING assured of four more years of New Deal policies, we are all full of advice as to how things should be run. An old man once said that when you take advice be sure you take it from a man who is making a living. But usually a man who is making a living has no time to give advice.

For instance, there is our courthouse clock. This clock has caused more pain and inconvenience than all the green apples since Columbus discovered America.

We have a \$90,000 courthouse and the whole works, from janitor to district judge, have to depend on a \$1.35 clock. It runs only when the signs are in the legs and the constable thinks it ought to have been crossed with a centipede to give it more legs. One man bought a dollar watch and wore it out in one day trying to get it set with the courthouse clock.

Housewives who follow the clock get dinner ready either an hour too early or an hour too late. If too late the husband gets mad, bawls out the wife and then suffers an attack of acute indigestion.

In some sections of the country farmers are organizing to make their geese work for them—chopping cotton. There's a real idea. Why not train all the farm animals to plant, chop, cultivate and pick the cotton crop? That might help Mr. Wallace solve some of our cotton problems.

A negro left Texas and went to New York, staying 23 years. He left Texas owing a debt of \$150. Through a peculiar quirk of fate he came in contact with a revival minister up there who persuaded him to come back to Texas and pay his debts, which he did. Now, what Texas needs is to get that same preacher to come to Texas and hold a State-wide revival. He would be the most popular preacher that ever preached; nobody would question his mode of baptism or whether he believed in falling from grace or once in grace always in grace. He would get more calls to hold revival meetings than he could

ever fill. Bankers and heads of every other business would be beating the bushes begging folks to go to meetings. In fact, that is the shortest cut to prosperity and recovery we have heard of. And if the New Deal promoters will quit everything else and start a search for preachers who can get folks to pay their debts they will have found a remedy for all our economic ills.

England is much upset about their former King Edward falling in love



"Why not train farm animals to plant, chop, cultivate and pick the cotton crop?"

with an American woman and quitting the throne because they wouldn't let him marry her. Well, that only shows what a grand country America is. Over here you can fall in love and marry a girl if you have the price of a marriage license. You can chew any kind of 'backer, run for any kind of office, or be baptized in any kind of church. You can vote the straight Democratic ticket or you can backslide and vote for Mr. Lemke. War talk is so common in the European countries and love affairs so rare this one has almost wrecked the British constitution. If they had as many love affairs as we have they would get used to them, or all be in padded cells. But maybe if they had more love affairs they would have less wars.

Now that we have launched into the New Year, we folks who have lived unrighteously want to do something about it, so we make New Year resolutions. People who have lived righteously sel-

dom waste time on resolutions. Making New Year resolutions is an old custom that some of us inherited, and a lot of us make them because we are so near broke that resolutions are about all we can make.

In making new resolutions, people resolve to live better and more economically. I used to know several fellows who would always quit chewing tobacco on the first day of January each year, but as that resolution was never kept more than three days the tobacco pledge has about petered out. However, some people still think they can be good and live cheaper despite temptations and the higher costs of things; therefore they take a fresh stab at it every year. But when beautiful springtime comes on, roads get good, and the flu epidemic passes, they let down and skid back into old ruts.

This writer used to make a lot of new resolutions every year and usually kept them through the cyclone season. But when the cyclone scare was over and life seemed safe, we forgot about the resolutions.

An old man once lived in my community who was in constant fear of being blown away by a tornado. He built himself a solid concrete storm cellar—furnished it with bed, chairs, lamp, table and food. A prairie dog never hit his hole quicker in time of danger than this old man hit his cellar door when it thundered.

One night he sat up with a sick neighbor. Some devilish boys, sensing what was about to happen, padlocked his storm cellar door. Along in the night a little cloud came up and it began to thunder. At the first pop, the old man beat it home and to his cellar door. The boys said he acted just like a rat when chased to its hole and finds the hole stopped up—only rats don't cuss loud enough to be heard a mile.

Here is hoping we all have a bountiful year, regardless of what happens. It is not the things we hit, it is the things we miss that count; and that includes cyclones, bullets, automobiles, slicker agents and bill collectors. There is hope that a cyclone may change its course, a bullet may miss or an automobile may stop, but—well, let us just hope we'll be lucky and escape all these death-dealing contraptions.

BRIEF TEXAS NEWS---from Over the State

GIRL FOOT BALL COACH

Miss Edith Schell recent graduate of the College of Mines and Metallurgy, at El Paso, is believed to be the only woman football coach in the State.

ARMADILLO RAIDS

Hunters and farmers charge the armadillo with being the worst enemy of birds and chickens. The armadillo, they claim, raid poultry houses and quail coverts.

ASKED COURT TO CHANGE HER NAME

A young woman has filed suit in the Dallas district court to have her name changed officially from Willie Augusta Kalazkowske to plain Willie Mae Smith.

COUNTRY PHYSICIAN'S RECORD

During 40 years as a country physician, Dr. L. E. Moore, of Maydelle, Texas, claims to have ushered 2729 babies, including 13 sets of twins, into the world.

TEN ELK ADDED TO GAME PRESERVE

Ten elk have been added to the Bear creek game preserve of R. H. Friedrich, near Kerrville. The animals were shipped by truck from Oklahoma. Friedrich is a conservationist and wild-life enthusiast.

700 BIRD SPECIES

Museum directors say Texas has 700 varieties of birds. Two varieties recently discovered were the elf owl, found in the Chisos mountains at an elevation of 5,000 feet, and the broad-tailed humming bird, in the same locality, at 1,000 feet.

WILL HOGG BEQUESTS

Mike Hogg, executor of the estate of the late Will Hogg, son of ex-Governor Hogg, has announced that payment of \$635,000 in bequests from the estate to 17 universities and colleges in Texas for student loan funds has been started.

VALLEY WOMAN, 103, DIES

Mrs. Anna Howarth, age 103, died December 8th at the home of her son, George H. Howarth, in La Feria, with whom she had made her home for the past 20 years. She was probably the oldest resident in the Rio Grande Valley.

5,000 BEAUTY SHOPS

Mrs. Mary Dodson, secretary of the Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists, says there are 5,000 beauty shops, 15,000 licensed operators, 52 schools, 153 instructors and 184 manicurists in the State. Since September 200 new shop licenses have been issued.

MAKES PETS OF ALL WILD DEER

No hunting is allowed on the large ranch of Louis Burns, DeWitt county stock raiser, for the reason that he makes pets of all deer on his ranch. These deer, once wild, have been tamed by Burns until they eat out of his hand, says the San Antonio Light.

\$200,000 ALLOTTED TEXAS FOR ELECTRIFICATION

The Rural Electrification Administration has announced an allotment of \$200,000 to Texas for an electrification project in Rockwall, Collin and Dallas counties. The line to be built is 202 miles in length and will serve 700 customers.

MARKER TO TEXAS HEROES

Ceremonies dedicating a marker to 13 heroes in early Texas history was held at Fayetteville. The inscription on the marker, in part, reads: "Fayetteville: Stage station on the old San Felipe Trail. Founded by James J. Ross, John Crier and James Cummins, members of Stephen F. Austin's First Colony."

MAKER OF HAND-HOOKED RUGS

Mrs. H. C. Wilson, of 1512 North Florence Street, El Paso, derives much pleasure from making hand-hooked rugs, dyed in many colors. She is now at work on her 28th rug. "The only requisite for making a hand-hooked rug," said Mrs. Wilson, "is a soft wood frame, a square of burlap to be used as a base, and strips of worn-out hose, underthings, dresses, sweaters, coats or boys' and men's suits. It's an excellent way to utilize cast off clothing."

OLD BAPTIST CHURCH BURNS

The First Baptist Church, of Sabine Pass, built during Civil War times, burned December 14th, shortly after regular Sunday services.

WILD DOGS KILL DEER

Packs of wild dogs have been killing deer in the Irish creek hills of South Texas. State game wardens have called on sportsmen to help exterminate the packs.

\$16,500 FOUND BY WIFE

Billy Hammond, of 2400 Austin Avenue, Waco, lost \$16,500 in securities on the streets of that city. Six days later his wife found the securities near Eighth and Washington Streets.

MARRIED 62 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kelley, residents of Beeville for the past 45 years, celebrated the 62nd anniversary of their wedding. The aged couple have 61 living descendants.

ILLITERACY REDUCED

Under the Works Progress Administration, 40,000 illiterate Texans, students of elementary subjects, learned to read and write, said Dr. L. R. Alderman, national director of the WPA education program.

PREDATORY ANIMAL WORK

The Texas Predatory Animal Control Association, co-operating with the United State Bureau of Biological Survey, reports 1,114 predatory animals trapped in October. These included 990 coyotes and 100 bobcats.

WOMAN MANUFACTURER RETIRES AT 83

Mrs. W. G. Logan, age 83, of Sonora (Sutton county), who has been making saddle girths from twisted mohair 38 years, retired from business recently. Mrs. Logan used an old spinning wheel to weave the girths, which sold readily to ranchmen in West Texas and New Mexico.

BONITO AND JACKFISH SAID TO BE EDIBLE

The United States Bureau of Fisheries says local fishermen are wrong in their belief that bonito and jackfish are not good to eat. Thousands of these fish are caught along the Gulf Coast in Texas and either left on the docks or thrown back in the water because fishermen believe them inedible.

SHOWS PROFIT GROWING FLOWERS

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Wigley, of Buna (Jasper county), say they make more money growing and selling flowers than they make out of growing and selling truck. They grow marigolds, narcissus, gladioli, chrysanthemums, daisies, zinnias, roses and sweetpeas. Their markets are Beaumont and Houston.

SLIGHT DECLINE IN TEXAS TRAFFIC DEATHS

The Drivers' License Bureau, of Austin, reports 1472 persons killed on Texas highways in the first ten months of the year, representing a decrease of 19 under the same period last year.

For the ten-month period this year 15.7 persons were killed for each 10,000,000 gallons of gasoline sold, compared with 19 persons last year.

GIFT OF HAND-MADE DOMINOES SENT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

C. F. Peveto, 61-year-old carpenter of 905 Birdsall, Houston, having been informed that President Roosevelt likes to play dominoes, has fashioned by hand and sent to the President, as a gift, a set of dominoes. Peveto said the dominoes were made from black walnut wood taken from a stairrail in the old "Sam Houston home at Huntsville."

PAGE MR. RIPLEY

A Weimar business man found a \$60 roll of currency on the main street of that little city. Being an honest man, he announced the find and sought the rightful owner. In a few days the owner appeared. When handed the \$60 he said: "I certainly do thank you, and I wish to reward you. I'll bring your reward in tomorrow." True to promise, the owner brought the reward, a 25c collar button, and handed it to the finder.

STERLING PRICE CAMP CONFEDERATE DIES

Jacob Wesley Weaver, age 88, one of the six remaining members of the Sterling Price Camp, United Confederate Veterans, died at Dallas December 2nd. He was born in Shelby county, Tex.

200 ACRES IN BEANS AND PEAS

The Texas prison system heretofore has been buying thousands of pounds of beans and peas to feed its inmates, but Jack Ellington, general manager of the prison system has received instructions from the State Prison Board to plant 200 acres in beans and peas.

SCIENTIST SEES RICHES IN GULF WATERS

Dr. J. E. Lund, chairman of the biological section of the Texas Academy of Science, estimates the Gulf of Mexico, if properly developed, is capable of producing from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000 annually of oysters, shrimp and fish.

EX-WOMAN REGENT DIES

Mrs. H. J. O'Hair, age 67, the only woman ever to serve on the Texas University board of regents, died at Coleman. Mrs. O'Hair was appointed once to the University board of regents by Gov. Pat M. Neff, and once by Gov. Dan Moody.

PORPOISE VORACIOUS EATER OF FISH FOOD

Louis Peden, veteran Galveston fisherman, says the porpoise is next to the shark as a voracious eater of food fish. "They attack schools of trout in solid formation," said Peden, "strike the trout violently with their tails, tossing them in the air and catching them in their mouths as they fall."

OLDEST SON OF LAST SAN JACINTO SOLDIER

Alonzo Steele, 95 years old, oldest son of the late last survivor of the Battle of San Jacinto, has been seriously ill at a Goose Creek hospital. He was born at Old Springfield, near Mexia. A medal was awarded his father by the Texas Legislature, in 1913, because he was the sole survivor of the San Jacinto battle.

PAYS OFF PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION BET

Plummer Ashburn, a West Texas oil driller, believes in paying his debts, even though this one was a belated election bet. On December 7th he pulled a little red wagon from Crane to McCamey, distance 21 miles, and seated smilingly in the wagon was Slim Curfew, weight 200 pounds.

ASHBURN BET ON LANDON.

UNUSUAL ACCIDENT

The Port Arthur News reports this accident: "According to Eddie Barker, Orange policeman, an accident occurred on the Beaumont highway several days ago. Barker stated that an automobile driven by an unknown driver struck a slippery place in the road, turned completely over, landed on its wheels and kept going. This is the only time that such an accident can be recalled in Orange county."

WHITE MAN MAKES INDIAN ARROWHEADS

Mac Matthews, of Gustine, (Comanche county), can take you back to the stone age by his clever shaping of arrowheads, stars, birds, etc., out of flint. Collectors of curious from many parts of the United States have visited him and studied his methods. Matthews says you have to use the same stone tools as the Indians in order to make a perfect arrowhead.

\$735,000 FEDERAL FUNDS TO PAY OLD AGE PENSIONS

A grant of \$735,000 to Texas for old-age assistance payments during December has been announced by the Federal Social Security Board. The grant, which will pay the Federal government's share of the December pensions payments, is expected to provide for 98,000 benefit payments in the State. The total thus far allotted the State for the last quarter of the year has reached \$2,415,000.

Orville S. Carpenter, State Director of Old Age Assistance, said 5,000 pensioners had been added to the rolls since the November payments.

SELECTED AS RHODES SCHOLAR

Cresson H. Kearny, of San Antonio, has been selected as a Rhodes scholar to the Oxford University in England.

BIRTH OF 22-POUND BABY

The wife of C. C. Winfield, negro preacher of Jasper, recently gave birth to a 22-pound baby. Several years ago she gave birth to a 15-pound baby.

700-POUND NEGRO WOMAN DIES

Clara Jene, 700-pound negro woman, died at Galveston December 4th. A truck and ten husky pallbearers conveyed her body to the cemetery.

MOUNTED WHITE HAWK

The Carson Museum, at Van Horn, has a mounted white hawk, killed at Phantom Lake, near Balmorra. The white hawk is a rare specimen of the hawk family.

TOWN WITH QUEER NAME

The Waco Times-Herald says the town of Ding Dong, in Bell county, derived its name from two cousins who established a general store there and each bore the names of "Ding" and "Dong" Bell.

PIONEER VALLEY RANCHER DIES

James L. Landrum, age 71, a pioneer rancher of the Rio Grande Valley, died in San Benito December 20th, at the home of his daughter. Born in California, he and his father are credited with importing the first Angora goats into the United States.

SWISS "FLOWER OF ROMANCE"

Mrs. W. R. Ware, of Edinburg, claims to have an Edelweiss, or silver star flower, picked high in the Swiss Alps 116 years ago by the grandfather of Miss Noame Schuffman, of Austin. The Edelweiss is the emblem of love in Switzerland and is called the "flower of romance."

WOMAN STILL OPERATES GROCERY AT 81

Mrs. Elizabeth Catherine Tomkins observed her 81st birthday in December by attending to business in her small suburban grocery store at Palestine. "Some people think the world is going to the dogs," said Mrs. Tomkins. "I don't. I think the world is getting better." She came to Texas from Macon, Miss., in 1857.

REPORT THAT METEOR HITS WOMAN

The Ladonia News says: "The News has on display what is reported to be a meteor rock which some time ago struck Mrs. J. A. Massey at her home southeast of Ladonia. Neighbors who brought the stone to town stated that it grazed Mrs. Massey's shoulder and rolled away a few feet where it was discovered to be very hot. The meteor was said to have made a singing noise before striking the ground."

AUTOMOBILES KILL TWO BUCK DEER

Automobiles and trucks, which killed 36,000 persons in 1936, are also killing wild deer.

D. P. Smith, a Llano rancher, while rounding a sharp turn in the road ran his auto plump into an 8-point buck, the impact of the car breaking the animal's back.

Robert Lee Ritter, truck driver for a concrete pipe company at Sullivan City, crashed into a buck deer and, while the animal lay unconscious in the road, cut its throat with a pocket knife.

INTERESTING RELICS FROM AN INDIAN MOUND

E. F. Pohl, of Houston, who is in charge of exploration of an Indian mound at Cobb Springs, 8 miles northwest of Georgetown, reports 67 Indian skeletons as having been unearthed from the mound. Some of the skeletons, seven feet tall, Pohl said, had been sent to the Smithsonian Institute, and experts there estimated them to be 700 to 800 years old.

Some of the war and domestic implements unearthed from the mound included long spear heads, scalping knives, lances, hoes, spades, celts used in tanning hides, corn grinders and metates, scrapers, hammers, drills—all made of flint or stone.

FIDDLES AT 100

Does fiddling prolong life? William H. Bristol, 100 years old, who lives with his granddaughter at Galveston, is still a pretty good left-handed fiddler. He is also a fairly good typist.

KICKED IN MOUTH BY HORSE

Joe Cooke, farmer residing in north-west Cooke county, suffered a broken jawbone when he was kicked in the mouth by a horse he was trying to saddle.

SEEKING HEIR TO \$50,000

John J. Dwyer, attorney at 40 Wall Street, New York City, is seeking the whereabouts of Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Johnson who disappeared many years ago and were believed to have settled in some section of Texas or Oklahoma.

If the couple are living, the attorney has \$50,000 of their money. If not living, it goes to their heirs.

BUILDS OWN AUTO TRAILER

According to the Denison Herald Dr. Charles T. McGregor, of that city, has built an auto trailer that is literally a portable home. The trailer measures 16 feet in length and 6 feet in width. Such conveniences as kitchen gasoline range, hot and cold running water, shower bath and even the kitchen sink are embodied in the compactly designed vehicle. The living room compartment, finished in green and gold, includes a combination couch and bed, dressing table, and combination table and supply cabinet, and is complete even to the picture-adorned walls and draped windows.

105-YEAR-OLD NATIVE TEXAN

Sam Holloway, editor of the Deport Times, publishes this item about a 105-year-old native Texan who lives near Deport:

"Born in what is now Bell county, Texas, when the State was still a part of Mexico, Jasper M. Cook, who lives with his daughter, Mrs. Nettie Jones, and her husband, Tom Jones, on the Dillard farm southwest of Deport, has lived to see the State celebrate its Centennial year. Cook expects to celebrate his 106th birthday on April 17th, his birth being in 1831. He has resided during his entire life in Texas. "He served four years in the Confederate Army under General McCulie."

OLD-FASHIONED WATER WHEEL

Uvalde Leader-News prints the following: "What is believed to be the only plant of its type in operation in Texas—a water wheel which supplies power for all of the machinery on the farm—is owned by C. R. McManus of Vance. A fine spring of water located more than 300 feet from Mr. McManus' home, provides all of the necessary 'fuel'. Some years ago, McManus planned and built a water wheel 22 feet in diameter and which has top speed of nine revolutions per minute. Water is carried to the wheel from the spring by a flume, 320 feet in length. Off the wheel comes the necessary power for operating the machinery in a wood-work shop, an electric light plant and a grist mill."

THE "ACE OF CLUBS"

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such as wraps and shoes. A committee was appointed to find out who the needy ones were. Several pairs of shoes, a number of sweaters, a few dresses and stockings were bought and distributed to the needy ones. Two families needed groceries. They received some of the canned vegetables from the club room.

"The depression held on grimly, but we kept fighting it. At last we conceived the idea of exchanging work for food or clothing. Those who had more of one thing than they needed were induced to trade it to those who had more of one thing than they needed. We also arranged all the trades and exchanges. Some men cut wood for families and were paid in things they could use. Others were paid in clothes, dried fruit, meat, live hogs, quilts, canned goods and feed."

The Ace of Clubs is still an active force in the Milton community and its membership grows steadily.

TEXAS FEDERAL BUILDINGS COMPLETED

Treasury Department records show that seven Texas Federal buildings were completed at a cost of \$1,688,132 and contracts were let for a score more to cost \$6,000,000 with funds from congressional construction appropriations the last three years.

Completions listed were: Austin, \$46,467; El Paso, \$680,000; Galveston, quarantines station, \$6,000; Houston, \$75,000; Pecos, \$186,000; Sabine Pass, quarantines station, \$204,000; San Antonio, \$70,511.

LOOY DOT DOPE



A Strenuous Assignment



By Bernard Dibble



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Resourceful Man
 She—"What do you think of a man who deceives his wife constantly?"
 He—"I think he must be a genius."

Quite a Trick
 Teacher: "Now if I lay three eggs here and five eggs here, how many eggs will I have?"
 Johnny: "I don't think you can do it."

Don't Rush Me!
 Officer: "You've been doing 60 miles an hour. Don't you care anything about the law?"
 Lady: "Why, officer, how can I tell? I've only just met you."

Simple Definition
 Son—"Pa, what is the stamp of approval?"
 Pa—"Well, son, it is just the opposite of what it is when your Ma stamps her foot."

Farming by Correspondence
 "Is your boy Josh much help around the farm?"
 "Not yet."
 "He doesn't rise with the sun and go merrily singing into the fields?"
 "Not noticeably. I can't expect much early rising from Josh as long as he has to sit up till after midnight studying his lessons in agriculture from the correspondence school."

Historically Wrong
 Teacher—"Can you name a great explorer, William?"
 Willie—"Yes'm. Admiral Byrd."
 Teacher—"Good. Now name a famous air pilot."
 Willie—"Colonel Lindbergh."
 Teacher—"Fine. Now give me the name of a great general."
 Willie—"General Motors."

Too Many Z's
 Jimmie was very proud of the fact that he got 100 in spelling nearly every day. One day he came home quite disconsolate.
 "What is the matter?" asked the lad's mother.
 "I missed a word in spelling," returned Jimmie.
 "What was the trouble?"
 "Oh, I just put too many Zs in scissors."

Tapering Down
 "Dear Bill: We had a fat gobbler for our New Year dinner and turkey hash next day, but this week we are tapering down to a diet of spareribs, country sausage, pig's feet fried in batter, and hoghead cheese; a little hominy on the side and fried pies and sorghum to end up with. We think the fast is doing us good. We are going to have a mess of fried chittlins for supper."

Must Be Round
 Teacher—"How can you prove the world is round?"
 Tommy—"Cause my father says it ain't on the square, an' my uncle says it ain't on the level."

Financial Genius
 "Dad, it says here that a certain man was a financial genius. What does that mean?"
 "That he could earn money faster than his family could spend it."

"We Have With Us—"
 Toasts were in order. The toastmaster arose to introduce a prominent elderly speaker and said:
 "Gentlemen, you have just been giving your attention to a turkey stuffed with sage. Now you will give your attention to a sage stuffed with turkey."

Uncle Ezra's Ailments
 Neighbor—"Well, Uncle Ezra, how are you to-day?"
 Uncle Ezra—"Tolerable, thank ye. But I had a purty tough time. First I got tonsillitis, followed with appendicitis and pneumonia. After that I got erysipelas with lumbagotas. Following that I got neuritis and finally ended with sinusitis."

Odoriferous
 Two men were arguing as to which smelled worse, a tramp or a goat. They agreed to leave it to the judge.
 "All right," said the judge, "bring on your evidence."
 The goat was led in and the judge fainted.
 The tramp was led in and the goat fainted.

Just a Misunderstanding
 Harold had taken his girl friend to lunch and she had spoken to a nice-looking man at the next table.
 "Is that man a friend of yours?" asked Harold.
 "Yes," she replied.
 "Then I think I'll ask him to join us."
 "Oh, Harold, this is so sudden."
 "What's so sudden?"
 "Why, why, he's our minister."

His Difficulty
 There was a big religious revival going on among the colored folk. Many souls had been saved, but there was one hardened sinner who refused to answer the Lord's call.
 There was much singing and praying and exhorting but the old fellow wouldn't budge from his seat and join the prayer circle down before the pulpit.
 "Why won't you come?" demanded the preacher. "Why won't you?"
 "Well, brother, the sinner replied, "I see got a difficulty I can't quite see how I see gonna git mah nightgown on ovah my wings when I gits to Glory."
 "Don't you go worrying 'bout that," replied the evangelist. "Yo' difficulty is gonna be how is you gonna git yo' hat on ovah yo' horns."

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FROGS FOR FOOD

Raising frogs for food is becoming an important occupation in many sections of the country, according to the Department of Agriculture. Around New Orleans, La., frog farmers bring their frogs to a central market. There the frogs are killed and their legs canned for shipment to hotels and restaurants.

This is the time of year when all the big frogs travel to the ponds and streams to the accompaniment of a chorus of croaks. The singing all comes from the male frogs. The females say nothing but go about the yearly business of laying eggs.

Soon tiny tadpoles hatch like a fish, but as it gets larger two little hind legs appear. Then two front legs break through the skin.

Out it crawls onto the bank. It is no longer a tadpole, but a frog. In the water it ate small plants, but now it has to catch insects and worms. It does this by darting out its tongue. On the tongue is a sticky substance. When it touches the insect the victim is held fast.

"DEATH RAY" HERE?

Has the "death ray" already been invented? Trevor Kennard, an English journalist, recently hinted that it may have already been discovered.

"Some," he said, "claim that it has already been found—a ray which can reach out into the sky and pick airplanes from it like sprayed flies.

"The Germans," he continues, "are said to have a mystery ray which lays an invisible wall, solid as stone, across the sky. It penetrates four miles vertically. No bomber could avoid it.

"If Germany does not possess such a ray, at least she anticipates it, for German engineers are slaving to perfect the Diesel motor for military planes. No known ray could stop a Diesel."

Scientists think that a plane may be stopped in the sky by interfering with its ignition system or by burning it up with a heat ray. The former is already possible at short ranges, but less progress has been made with the heat ray.

RUBBER

IT'S THE STYLE

Two days are consumed in arranging milady's elaborate coiffure in Japan, but, once set, it stays put for a month. In contrast, the hair of American women requires almost daily attention. Realizing this, one enterprising American airline has just proposed carrying beauty operators on its planes.

Practically all people try to improve on nature by arranging their hair. Tibetan women hold their coiffures in place with yak's butter. Some African women do the same with lard.

Until recent years, men in the Society Islands went in for ornamental hair in a big way. Sometimes they shaved off one-half of their hair, and left the other half long. Sometimes they shaved a path down the middle and gathered the hair on both sides into knots.

But the Fijians took the prize for elaborate coiffures. One case is on record where a head of hair measured five feet in circumference. This great growth was dyed in every color of the rainbow.

New uses are being found almost daily for rubber. Some of the latest on the market are: Rubber boots for dogs, rubber building blocks for youngsters, music printed on rubber sheets, wheelbarrows with rubber tires and rubber pillows fitted with radio earphones.

Rubber is the hardened sap from over 300 varieties of tropical trees and vines. To these plants the sap is a weapon.

In the South American rubber forests a wood-boring beetle attacks the trees. But as soon as it bores through the outer bark, the sap fills the hole and hardens into rubber. The beetle is imprisoned in the rubber and dies.

One day the natives found some of this juice sticking on a rubber tree. They cut it off, rolled it into a ball. The ball bounced.

On his second voyage to America Columbus saw natives playing a game with these rubber balls. He took some back to Spain. But it was not until centuries later that a practical use was found for rubber.

DERELICTS

Derelicts of the sea often drift enormous distances and are a constant menace to shipping. It was recently estimated that the hulks of 20 abandoned vessels are constantly drifting about the North Atlantic.

Most are small vessels, but they are large enough to damage and sometimes sink any ship that strikes them at full speed.

The average life of a ship that has been disabled and abandoned by her crew is 30 days, but some derelicts float for months. The American schooner W. L. White, abandoned in March, 1888, off the coast of the United States, drifted about until she piled up on one of the Hebrides islands off Scotland the following January. She had been carried 6,000 miles in 10 months.

More remarkable, however, was the case of the Nova Scotian schooner Governor Parr. Loaded with lumber, this vessel drifted about the Atlantic for 11 months and defied every attempt to sink her.

Poultry News

Colds in the Flock

Colds in the flock are quite likely to make their appearance right now, particularly if the flock has been subjected to drafts in the poultry house. A cold at first may be nothing more than a simple eye cold; it may be indicated by watering eyes and perhaps a slight drop in egg production, if production has already started. If these colds are allowed to go on, or if the conditions that cause the colds are allowed to continue, something more serious may develop, such as roup, cancer, or other difficulties, due to the lowering of the bird's vitality. Upon the appearance of these colds, it is a good plan to give a dose of epsom salts to the entire flock, giving 1 pound per 100 birds, giving it in the drinking water for one day only. See to it that the birds are made as comfortable as possible by checking up on the drafts in the house, and using solid partitions, closing windows, or using insulation material on the walls. They may also be dusted with a special inhalant powder.

It is also a good plan to put some good disinfectant in the drinking water to help prevent the spread of these colds further.

Another step that is of advantage in fighting these colds is to try to keep the birds in the best possible condition of flesh by feeding them a little more heavily on grain.

Drops in Temperature

Sudden drops in temperature are extremely hard on pullets that have been in production for several months. It is really not so much the cold itself that may cause a slump in production as it is the cold temperature which causes inactivity, and a reduction in feed and water consumption.

For this reason, a warm moist mash aids greatly in holding up the mash intake, and the layers will drink a lot more lukewarm water than they will if it is ice cold.

It is always easy to get them to eat grain, no matter how cold. A good plan, especially for inexperienced feeders, is to band a few birds in the flock and weigh them once a week in order to keep a close check on body weight, as a loss in body weight is almost sure to be followed by a drop in egg production.

The Flock Must Eat

Very often, when feed prices are high, some folks get the idea that skimping on feed will save them money. Most everybody drives an automobile, and no one expects a car to give results without using gas; a hen can't give results without feed.

And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Eph. 6:17.

QUITS THRONE FOR WOMAN HE LOVED REMEMBERED AS "PRINCE CHARMING"

By RUSSELL B. PORTER
 (The New York Times)

ABDICATING after a reign of less than a year, King Edward VIII gave up not only his throne but his ambition to go down in history as a "poor man's King," for the sake of his love for the American-born Mrs. Wallis Simpson.

He would like to have played a royal role as a kingly benefactor to the toiling masses of his empire, raising the poorest of them out of their poverty and misery and carrying out a great program of social reform, especially in the slums.

But his ambition was wrecked against the massive power of the British Constitution, so powerful that even a "democratic King," immensely popular with the people, could not successfully defy it.

The 42-year-old "bachelor King," the first England had since 1660, had to choose between living his own life in his own way and conforming to the constitutional limitations of a British sovereign. He made his choice in characteristic fashion. It was typical of his life-long habit of independence—some of his critics have called it "stubbornness." It was what one might have expected of a ruler who had broken one time-honored tradition after another not only during his reign but also earlier as Prince of Wales.

Thus England's thirty-eighth sovereign will not be known historically as the leader of his empire in times of great social and economic changes, but as the King who did not remain on the throne for his coronation, which was to have been in May of 1937.

A Gay "Prince Charming"

Probably he will be recalled even better by the people of this generation not as a King at all, but as the Prince of Wales—the "prince charming" of the

gay post-war period whose boyish smile, charm of personality and carefree existence filled romantic hearts the world over with vicarious happiness.

The European princesses who were reported engaged to marry him as regularly as each social season came along, the American debutantes who enjoyed his company at Long Island parties, the girl reporters, shop clerks and others who danced with him, will keep their picture of him as a Prince and not as a King. And no doubt many will sympathize with his decision and agree that the world were well lost for love.

There were many who, knowing his fascinating and debonair temperament, felt a year ago that it was a personal tragedy for a man of his unbounded vitality and joy of life to submit to the restraints and responsibilities of kingship. There were some even then who believed he would abdicate before ascending the throne. They portrayed him as a Merry Prince Hal who would never be transformed into a stern Henry V.

If he mounted the throne, he would be "a new kind of King," they predicted, and in that they were right. During his short reign he would have none of

royal precedents, or as little as possible of them. He deeply disliked the whole business of being King, all its pomp and ceremony, all the bowing and scraping of court procedure, and all the pageantry of official life.

His abdication was no surprise to some of his intimates to whom he had confided long ago that he "hated" his formal duties as Prince of Wales and looked forward to his accession to the throne as "the saddest day of my life."

King Born at White Lodge
 King Edward was born on June 23,

1894, at White Lodge, Richmond Park, the home of the Duke and Duchess of Teck, his maternal grandparents, and once a hunting lodge of George II. Coming at the turn of the century, his birth was also the eve of a new era. Within a quarter of a century a Kaiser, a Czar and an Emperor who sent official messages of felicitation to his royal parents had lost their thrones and were either dead or in exile, while new forms of government were developing.

The future King was christened on July 16 of the year of his birth by the Archbishop of Canterbury. A golden bowl which had been used as a royal font for three centuries was filled with water from the River Jordan. Queen Victoria, his great grandmother, gave him his seven names—Edward Albert Christian George Andrew Patrick David.

King Edward's childhood was spent mostly at York Cottage, Sandringham, and York House in St. James's Palace. His father, who later became King George V, was then Duke of Cornwall. When Edward was 7 years old, Queen Victoria died and the then Prince of Wales became King Edward VII.

Wherever he went, in the most so-

phisticated, or in the most primitive groups, he made lasting friends and admirers by his gay manner, his boyish smile and his unaffected and modest demeanor. He was a great social favorite in New York, as well as in London and other world capitals, where he danced and made merry with gay young people.

His first visit to the United States was in 1919, en route to a visit in Canada. New York gave him one of its typical Broadway welcomes with showers of ticker tape. On the same trip he bought a ranch in the foothills of the Canadian Rockies, where he spent much time on subsequent visits to this hemisphere.

He told his intimate friends that he enjoyed himself in America better than anywhere else in the world.

On his first visit to the United States, the Prince visited Washington and was admitted to the sick-room of President Wilson for a brief talk. Then he planted a cedar by the tomb of Washington. In New York he attended a gala performance at the opera house. While in this country he visited West Point, and also placed wreaths on the graves of President Grant and Theodore Roosevelt.

In giving up the throne because the English Constitution forbade him to marry Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson, a divorced American woman, the former King said, in his farewell address to the English people:

"But you must believe me when I tell you that I have found it impossible to carry the heavy burden of responsibility and to discharge my duties as King as I would wish to do without the help and support of the woman I love."

"And I want you to know that the decision I have made has been mine and mine alone."

The former King Edward's brother, George, who was Duke of York, succeeds him on the throne as George VI.



The former King Edward VIII, of England, and Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson, the American woman, for the love of whom he renounced his throne.

"CRIME HOLLYWOOD"

G-men are now testing a method of identifying criminals by means of sound pictures, and if it proves successful every major police station and prison in the country may become a "crime Hollywood."

In ancient times, when no other means of identification was known, criminals and slaves were branded. The Romans improved on this by using various forms of tattooing.

With the advent of photography, "rogues' galleries" containing the photographs of thousands of criminals were established. It was not accurate means of identification because a person's face changes with the years.

The Bertillon system, which depends on the measurements of certain bones, also had to be discarded because it was established that two persons can have bones identical in length.

The last method adopted, that of fingerprinting, is the only infallible system known, and is universally employed by police throughout the world.

"HUMANE" WEAPONS

Gas, according to a high authority in the British army, is the most humane weapon used in war. Statistics would seem to back him up. There were 180,983 British gas casualties in the war, but only 6,062 deaths—less than 1 per cent. While casualties from bullets and shells ran up to 25 per cent.

Most people look upon gas warfare as a new thing. It is really as old as organized warfare. The Greeks used sulphur fumes in the Peloponnesian War, and the fumes were frequently resorted to in medieval times.

There are five main types of gas used in war today. One type "burns out" the lungs, another causes blindness and a third brings death by paralyzing the nervous system. Mustard gas blisters the skin and the sensory gases cause vomiting.

Gas is liberated either from cylinders as gas clouds, from shells, from airplane bombs, or as a spray from containers carried in airplanes and tanks.

DETECTIVE DOGS

In Germany the police dog is either an "executive" or a "sleuth hound." If an "executive," he accompanies the police officer on his rounds at night, scouting in lonely roads, in the gardens of suburban homes or in parks.

The efficiency of these dogs was tested last year by a Spanish railway. The year before thieves stole hundreds of dollars worth of property from the company. Three police dogs were imported from Germany. According to a recent report, they have now almost put an end to the robberies. The dogs trot along the tops of moving cars, jump through windows and track down thieves by scent, holding on to them until officers arrive.

If a police dog has exceptional scenting powers, he becomes a "sleuth hound" instead of an "executive," and is used to track down criminals the same as bloodhounds are in this country.

Texas Cotton Association directors have endorsed plans of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce to establish a cotton research laboratory in Texas to promote an improved quality of cotton. A committee to handle the matter is headed by Burris C. Jackson, of Hillsboro.

TEXAS FARM NEWS REPORTS

Maverick county has shipped spinach this year 30 days earlier than last year.

James W. McCowan, county agent of Henderson county, says that almost every farmer can have milk every day in the year by having a trench silo for feed for milch cows.

Colt work mules are in good demand, according to G. W. Murray, Austin mule buyer. The market is for broken mules, farmers being unwilling to break their own stock at this time. Demand for ranch mules is low.

Texas onions of the 1936 crop brought small return in money, due to heavy carry over of 3,252,000 sacks. Average price was 73c per 100 pounds, against \$2.75 in 1935 and an average from 1928 to 1932 of \$1.83.

With eyes and ears located under its body, a one-day-old lamb, properly stuffed for preservation, was presented to and is on exhibition at the Federal Secondary School at Piedras Negras, near Eagle Pass.

Seven calves in less than three years is the record of a Jersey cow on the farm of J. A. Lynch, Key community, near Lamesa, including three sets of twins. The mother, 9 years old, a good milch cow, produces around 5 gallons of milk a day.

12,628 acres of land in Tom Green county, submitted to the Federal government for rental under the farm grant plan, will be turned back to owners because of excess quantities of land rented, according to W. I. Marschall, county agent.

Grapefruit syrup is a new product now manufactured in the Valley, at Harlingen. It is called Grapefruit Brand Pancake Syrup. Its formula was developed in 1931 by A. L. Brooks, former secretary of the Harlingen Chamber of Commerce. Already the product has been shipped to three foreign countries.

A Hereford calf fed by Franz Belitz, Winters high school pupil, gained 6 3/7 pounds daily in 7 days feeding, under direction of J. M. Williams, director of vocational agriculture. Total weight gained in the 7 days was 45 pounds from a weight of 635 pounds to 680. Ration was ground maize heads 9 parts, oats 1 part, and cotton seed meal 2 parts.

W. D. Simms, pecan specialist of the State Department of Agriculture, tells of a visit to Georgia where he saw pecan growers polish pecans for market. This work brings the nuts to about the color of English walnuts. He brought several specimens back with him to show growers here the possibility of dressing up the nuts and widening the market for unshelled pecans.

Ranchmen are to be paid benefits under the soil conservation plans of the Federal government for deferred grazing, cleaning brush from pastures, pasture contouring, reseeding pastures which have been overstocked, prairie dog and rabbit control and other measures important to conservation, it was announced at a joint meeting of several county agents at Odessa.

Secretary Wallace has put three full and parts of two Texas counties in quarantine against pink boll worms.

A naval orange weighing 2 1/4 pounds and 17 3/4 inches around has been exhibited by W. C. Deke, grower, Mercedes.

Rio Grande Valley cabbage plantings are placed at 22,000 acres, as against 17,000 last year.

A cow's head sent from the farm of H. G. Gillock, near De Leon, to Austin for test showed positive signs of rabies.

Nueces county led in Texas cotton production with ginnings up to November 1 of 83,245 running bales. Second is Ellis with 74,962.

Paul Reckaway, Vienna, near Hallettsville, exhibited a turnip which weighed 8 pounds and measured 24 inches in circumference. It was grown in his garden.

Celery in the hot-bed of Mrs. Frank Hastings, Bovina, near Wellington, reached a height of 28 to 30 inches, according to Margaret St. Clair, Parmer county home demonstration agent.

Shipment of turkeys from Cuero reached a total of 65,000. Sales and shipments were accelerated when the offered price reached 12c per pound, after growers had held back on lower offers.

Nearly 22,000 acres of Sabine county land has been put under the soil conservation program, according to measurements made by County Agent P. S. Goen. Estimates place this at 60% of the land and 40% of the farmers.

Four varieties of yellow corn seed are available to farmers through seed-growers and seedmen, according to Dr. P. C. Mangelsdorf, of the Texas Experiment Station, at College Station. Difference in these varieties are suitable for different areas.

\$18,340.00 has been paid to growers of Texas grapefruit by the Surplus Commodities Corporation. The average price was 29c for each of 63,242 boxes. Purchases are given to relief clients between the Mississippi River and the Rocky Mountains as needed.

Characterizing soil conservation as "fundamental and outstanding work of agriculture" and that "every possible effort must be made to maintain soil fertility," Congressman Maury Maverick said, "I think the time will come when we will have to work out laws to compel soil conservation."

With Brownsville Chamber of Commerce backing, Lower Rio Grande Valley growers plan to double Valley production of cotton. The aim is a 200,000-bale crop, which would be more than double the production for 1935. The record so far is 160,000 bales in 1926. The purpose is to have this additional cash money crop for the Valley.

A five-ounce egg containing a double yolk has been exhibited by A. Kleb, a farmer, at Spring, near Houston. Inside the hard outer shell was a second yolk covered with membrane. The egg was from a White Leghorn hen.

Three hundred and fifteen farms in Mason county planted 32 per cent of acreage to soil conservation crops, chiefly cowpeas, in co-operation with the government program, according to Frank Newsom, county agent. Two-thirds of the cultivated acreage of the county is controlled by co-operation of farmers.

Byron Eckert, age 15, of Art, near Big Spring, is this season's Texas 4-H baby beef champion. In five years he has fed out 19 calves. He has taken \$510.53 in prizes at Fort Worth, San Antonio, San Angelo, and the Mason County Fair. Sales proceeds on his calves has been certified at \$3,833.19. He got the Armour \$120.00 all-expense trip to Chicago for the National Club Congress. He is one of Texas' 25 winners out of 3900 contestants.

T. J. Glass, route 1, Temple, has exhibited an egg which measured 8 1/3 inches long and 8 inches around the middle, laid by a White Leghorn hen. Its weight, 5 ounces, was equal to that of 5 ordinary eggs. Cracked open, it had a good egg of normal size and shape. C. W. Eberhardt, route 5, displayed an egg 7 1/2 inches long and 7 inches around the middle. It weighed 4 1/4 ounces.

Seventy-five bushels of corn on one acre was made by Clarence McMinn, a Smith county boy, near Tyler, according to Assistant County Agent W. M. Young. Land used was black bottom land. It was prepared for planting by bedding with a two-horse plow, then cut back with a disc harrow. Seeds were planted in water furrows. The crop was cultivated four times, once with a turning plow, then a sweep, and twice more with the turning plow. All work was done by the boy. He paid \$5.75 for a peck of seed corn and 300 pounds for cotton seed fertilizer. Valuing his corn at 80c per bushel, Clarence figures his net at \$54.25.

Hard tests in Hopkins county, reported by County Agent Mark Buckingham, show that in herds of more than three cows, the herds which consumed the most feed per cow returned the greatest profit per cow. The herd second in profits also was second in feed consumption. In the most uniform herd, a difference between cows of ten pounds of butter-fat made a difference in profit of \$5.00. Average butter fat production of 146 cows was 19 pounds. One cow produced 44.7 pounds. Three were above 40 pounds; 12 over 35 pounds. The 12 cows that produced over 35 pounds of butter fat showed a profit of \$121.71 above feed costs, an average of \$10.14.

The State Department of Agriculture, at Austin, has received inquiries on pecan culture from England, Nicaragua, the Transvaal, Paraguay, Argentine, Japan, Chili, Australia, Brazil and Smyrna. Texas supplies about one-half of the world's crop.

H. L. Lee, of Houston, tung tree expert, predicts that 250,000 acres of East Texas land will be set eventually to tung tree culture. Buna, Jasper county, is looked upon as the center of tung culture in Texas.

Three thousand and one hundred and twenty quarts of vegetables, 225 quarts pickles, 600 containers of meat, 165 quarts of jellies, 1200 pounds cured meat and 1450 pounds dried vegetables and fruits was the production of ten demonstrators in home food supply in Gregg county, according to Veda Holt, home demonstration agent.

A three-cow dairy is advocated by J. R. Kidwell, of the Nixon News, on so-called poor land. Says Kidwell: "It seems to me that it would be a good idea for many farmers to have at least three or four good cows. They could bring a can of cream to town once or twice a week. The Saturday groceries could be paid for from the cream. It would mean a few calves to sell every year, besides the butter, skim milk, etc. I believe it is better to sell cream than whole milk. By doing so you have less labor, you can sell better calves and have milk for the chickens and pigs."

Twelve-year-old G. C. Blalock, Jr., Sylvan, near Tyler, produced 92 bushels of sweet potatoes on one acre. The average in that area was 45 bushels. More than 50 per cent of his 92 bushels graded No. 1. Land was bedded twice, subsoiled and fertilized and bedded again. 300 pounds 4-8-6 fertilizer was used. Slips set out May 14. First cultivation was by harrow, and 9 days later crop was hoed. Soon afterward the middles were run. Crop was gathered in October. Cash outlay was \$5.25 for fertilizer, but in his report to County Agent Elbert Gentry, young Blalock included cost of labor, rent and seed, or a total of \$23.00, which left him a profit of \$69.00 and seed for his next crop.

Pasture furrowing has been established as the best method by which to store rainfall on Plains pastures. Furrows usually are about 6 inches deep and run in pairs across pastures at intervals of 12 to 100 feet. All furrows are on the contour instead of up and down. Grass clipped as close as a horse would eat on 20 one-rod square plots yielded 106 pounds from furrowed land and 41.6 pounds from unfurrowed. Other tests showed moist earth 108 inches below surface and 32 to 84 inches penetration between furrows. On the furrowed farm of C. V. Burgess, near Hereford, blue gamma and buffalo grass is 7 inches high, while on adjoining land there is no grass.

GOLD

Gold has been taken from the earth since the time of the cave man who punched holes in nuggets of gold and wore them as ornaments.

King Solomon had so much gold that he used it to ornament temples, and great treasures were often buried with the Egyptian pharaohs in their mighty tombs.

During the Dark Ages gold was so much in demand that men tried to make it from silver and other less precious metals. They made thousands of evil-smelling mixtures, but never gold. They were the alchemists, fathers of modern chemistry.

Man has always lusted for gold. Spain sent soldiers to the New World, where they plundered the golden cities of the Aztecs and the Incas and carried the loot back to Spain.

Other countries wanted a share of this great wealth. One was England. She sent out bold sea rovers who captured many of the Spanish galleons and emptied their holds. But many others sank to the bottom of the sea under the pounding guns of the pirates rather than give up their gold, and to this day divers still search the rotting hulks for the loot of the Spaniards.

Many years later, in 1849, a man named Marshall discovered gold in California. The news of the discovery brought tens of thousands of gold seekers trekking over the plains in covered wagons. They braved oceans of mud and deserts of sand, lofty mountains and arid plateaus. Many died, a few found great wealth, but the majority did not.

This great gold find encouraged men to look in other places for the precious metal. One day a lump of gold—the biggest ever found—was dug up in a road in Australia. It weighed 150 pounds. News of the strike brought thousands of people to the arid Australian plains from all parts of the world.

Then an Indian found gold in the Klondike. Crowds rushed to the new field. They had to trudge over hundreds of miles of snow-covered trail in the bitter Arctic cold. There was untold suffering. Some grew weary and turned back. Others died on the trail. A few found gold and became very rich.

Man has dug untold billions of dollars worth of gold from the ground, has lost incredible amounts of it, yet there is much more to be had.

Gold is mined from two types of deposits—veins and placers. The placer miner just dips up some mud and sand from a stream where there is gold and washes it by a peculiar rotary motion until the gold settles to the bottom of his pan. Where there is much gold in a stream, a dredge is used.

Gold found in veins requires a different treatment. The rock which surrounds the metal is crushed so the gold can be washed out.

The greatest gold mines in the world today are in the Transvaal, South Africa. There black men dig as deep as 8,500 feet, where the temperature of the earth stands at 105 degrees.

Canada has the next richest field, and much has been done in recent years to exploit her great deposits of gold in the Arctic by airplane.

Another rich gold field is

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on the island of New Guinea, north of Australia. There where big snakes crawl over the ground and monkeys chatter in the jungles, men toil under a brazen tropic sun to extract the golden treasure. The only way they can reach the gold field is by airplane. Even heavy mining machinery is carried in by plane.

The first use of gold was for ornaments, and that use has continued to this day. But the principal use of gold for many centuries has been for money.

Ancient kings kept their gold in treasure houses, but today gold is stored deep underground in steel and concrete vaults. A billion dollars in gold is kept in one vault in New York and the Bank of France has vaults cut out of solid rock.

MUSHROOMS

The French are so fond of mushrooms that a large part of Paris is undermined with a maze of subterranean chambers where the fungi are grown. Miles of corridors run through these mushroom beds. Stalls where the mushrooms are sold flank the dimly lighted tunnels.

Mushrooms are also cultivated in the United States and hundreds of varieties grow wild. But the amateur had better buy his mushrooms rather than pick them himself. In a warning by the Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, Ill., it is pointed out that some of the poisonous mushrooms resemble the edible ones so closely that only an expert can tell them apart.

The deadly white amanita, for example, may easily be mistaken for the edible mushroom. And another variety of amanita is so poisonous that even one of the fungi in a closed room is enough to cause acute discomfort.

INTO THE AIR

Are dreams of passenger-carrying substratosphere planes nearing fulfillment? Recent events would indicate it.

Three government agencies, the Commerce Department, the Postoffice Department and the Weather Bureau, are co-operating with plane manufacturers to solve the problems of flying in the rarefied atmosphere 30,000 feet up. Here are two devices to combat the "thin air," which affects airplane motors:

Superchargers for engines—These, already in use, make the air which is mixed with gasoline in carburetors the same density as sea level air. Heating devices for engines—In ordinary flying, the problem is to cool a motor. In the substratosphere, to warm it. Temperatures usually drop to around 70 degrees below zero. Engine warmers aren't yet fully developed.

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NOT UNTIL I FIGURE OUT WHAT'S SO FUNNY ABOUT THIS HAT.



ROGUE ELEPHANTS

A rogue elephant nearly killed a South African hunter in the Limpopo river not long ago, but when one meets a rogue it's a case of his life or yours, and the hunter triumphed.

Rogue elephants are the chief public enemies of the animal kingdom. Generally, they are old males which, because of surly tempers and downright meanness, are driven out of the herds.

Loneliness leads to madness and despair. They attack anything in their paths with indescribable fury. Murder seems to be the only motive of their lives.

Even circuses and zoos have had rogue elephants. After years of captivity and good nature, an old male will suddenly go on a rampage. He will attack his keeper, roar with fury, smash to kindling any wood in sight, and try to wrest himself free from his chains.

A bullet is the only thing that will stop him.

And thus it was with the wild rogue in South Africa. The hunter, attacked by the maddened beast, sought safety in the river.

Waist deep in water, he turned to see the giant bull splashing toward him.

The hunter then unslung his rifle, but it took three shots to bring down the old rogue.

PLUNDERED TOMB

A tomb believed to date back 7,200 years was discovered a few days ago only 10 miles from Cairo, Egypt, by W. B. Emery, an Englishman. The grave contained only a few arrows and a row of jars which once held food and drink for the spirit of the departed person. It had been rifled by robbers thousands of years ago.

Man, according to the ancient Egyptians, was three separate beings—the mortal man who died, the soul which went to heaven and the spirit which often returned to the body.

Because of the latter belief, they took great care to preserve the body in a spacious tomb. Food, clothing, jewelry, and many other luxuries were placed near the corpse so the returning spirit would want for nothing.

The tombs, many of which contained huge fortunes in gold and precious stones, made "fine pickings" for grave robbers of a later day. Nearly all of the tombs so far discovered by archeologists were robbed centuries ago.

SARDINE FISHING

The lowly sardine goes around and around the Japanese current. He is first off the shores of California. Because of restrictive legislation, the Californians claim they are not getting their share of the tiny fish. Meantime, however, the Japanese are raking them in in ever-increasing quantities on their side of the "pond."

Sardine fishing, California brand, is full of romance and color. The fishing vessel usually arrives at the fishing grounds after dark. The schools of sardines are easily spotted because the tiny animals on which they feed called dinoflagellates give off a phosphorescent light when disturbed. It is visible for 5 miles on a dark night.

Next morning the ship returns to port, piled to the gunwales with sardines. But the beauty and color of the fish the night before is gone. Instead, they are just a mass of sardines, usually with several pelicans walking around the deck stuffing the fish down their necks.

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Our Boys and Girls
AUNT MARY, Editor, Route 5, Box 179-B, Fort Worth, Texas.

HAPPY NEW YEAR GREETINGS, Friends:

Here we are with a glorious New Year, greeting us full of promise and hope. The rumbling war clouds in Europe are little more than a passing thought to us. In this great and wonderful country we should be so thankful and happy for all the privileges and good things that are ours.

There is a duty, too, that every patriotic boy and girl has. Within the borders of our fair land are thousands of people (both men and women) that would love to tear our Stars and Stripes from the Capital and supplant it with another flag. As the citizens of tomorrow you must be watchful and careful not to let them plant the wrong seeds in your hearts. Be an American, proud of America; a person that will do everything in one's power to keep this a fine and worthwhile country in which to live. What tomorrow will be like is up to the youngsters of today.

I would love to hear from the readers of this page real often. I like to know the problems which beset you and if possible help you to solve those problems. Your newspaper is one of your closest friends. Here the news from around the world and from just around the corner, so to speak, is brought to your door for just a few pennies. Think of the thousands of persons who work day and night to make all of this possible. The list is almost endless. Give thanks for the great newspapers of our land.

It is with sincerity that I wish all readers of this page a very, very Happy New Year. I hope that each of you can see a brighter and happier path stretching into the future than the one traveled in the past. Life should grow lovelier, happier and sweeter as the years go by. We should all grow into finer, better people. My best wishes to all our readers.

Thank you for making this page of special interest through your kind letters. I sincerely hope that some little neglect on my part has caused you no inconvenience; on the other hand I hope that life has been a little better because we have met.

With kindest regard to all my friends. I am,
With love, your friend,
(Signed) AUNT MARY.

CONTEST ANNOUNCEMENT

Thank all of you for the interesting letters you have written me. I am glad that so many are interested in forming a club and hope that we can make the membership a large one. The complete plans of the club are not entirely formed at this time due to the fact that I wish to go over each letter carefully to incorporate into the plan the best suggestions offered. In February we will announce the full plan and print the coupons for membership. There will be an award for the first ten members who send in the names of five friends for membership. Watch the February issue of the Boys' and Girls' Page for details if you want to win an interesting prize.

CONTEST WINNERS

First prize—J. W. Tomlin, Route 5, Tyler, Texas.
Second prize—Vincent Burroughs, Sheldon, Texas.
Third prize—Susan Brown, Fort Worth, Tex.
Thanks to the many who entered. Better luck next time. Watch for future contests—YOU may win one.

NEWS, BOYS AND GIRLS

Here is the outline for the new club for the Boys' and Girls' Page as suggested by letters you have written me:

First, the club will be divided into groups for different kinds of work. In other words, there will be more than one kind of thing a member may do—either take part in all activities, or just the parts that each one likes.

Second, the membership will not be limited to age. A large majority of letters voted that club membership be open to all ages. However, contestants will have stated age limits.

Third, the club will be divided into "Writers Corner," which will be for those who like to write original stories and poems. The next will be "Letter Writing" to "Shut-Ins" (ninety per cent of the writers wanted to continue the Shut-Ins work). The last will be a "Good Citizens" division in which prizes will be given for the best work in "American Citizenship."

CLUB NAME

For this club we need an interesting name. One which will cover the points we shall try to make worthwhile. It must not be too long. It must look good in print. In order to have the best name possible, we offer a real prize for it.

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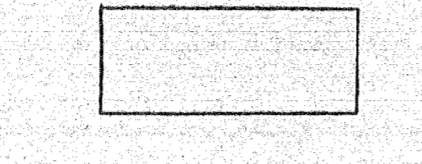
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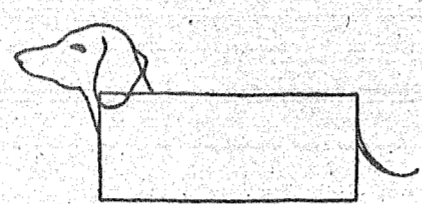
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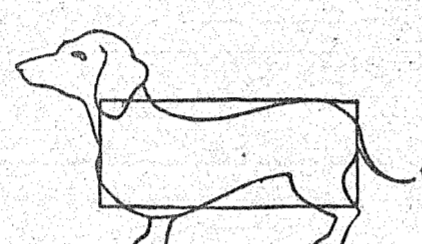
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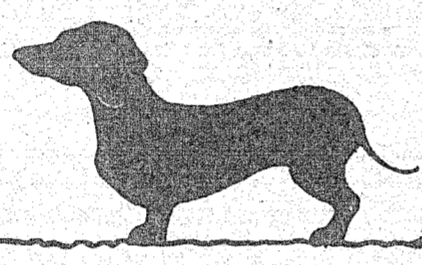
Why look! we have fashioned



A cunning brown dachshund--



Let's ask him to come out and play!



Er she laid down to rest by my dear father's side;

But with love in her eyes she looked up to the sky,
Bidding me meet her there, as she whispered "Goodbye."
And I'll do it, God helping! Your smile I let pass,

For I've drunk my last glass, boys,
I've drunk my last glass.

Ah! I reeled home last night; it was not very late,
For I'd spent my last six-pence, and landlords won't wait.
On a fellow who's left every cent in their till,
And has pawned his last bed, their coffers to fill.

Oh! the torments I felt, and the pangs I endured!
And I begged for one glass—just one would have cured!
But they kicked me out doors. I let that, too, pass,

For I've drunk my last glass, boys,
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At home, my pet, Susie, with her rich, golden hair,
I saw through the window, just kneeling in prayer.
From her pale, bony hands her torn sleeves hung down,
While her feet, cold and bare, shrank beneath her scant gown;

And she prayed, prayed for bread, just a mere crust of bread,
And I heard with no penny to buy one, alas!
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Though fainting with hunger and shivering with cold,
There on the bare floor, asked God to bless to me!
And she said, "Don't cry, mamma! He will, for you see
I believe what I ask for!" Then sobered I crept
Away from the house; and that night when I slept
Next my heart lay the pledge. You smile, let it pass,
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And sobered I'll go to my last resting place;
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Criticism

He who fears criticism is hopeless. Only those who do things are criticized. The idler is lost sight of in the march of events, but the doer is watched and criticized. To hesitate for fear of criticism loses the battle while the doers march on to victory and triumph. Indecision is a great harbinger; but to hesitate for fear of criticism is cowardly. If your cause is right, be not afraid of criticism; advocate it, expound it, and, if need be, fight for it. Critics always have been and always will be, but to the strong-minded they are a help rather than a hindrance. As the horse spurts forward when prodded with the lash, so the doer forges ahead under the lash of criticism. Take your part on life's stage and play your part to the end, stand for that which is good by a deed, not a dream; look the world in the face and let the critics criticize.

Stories in a Poem

The following poem was taken from a book published in 1902 by "Homewood Publishing Co." This book has been in the possession of Aunt Mary since she was a very small child.

I HAVE DRUNK MY LAST GLASS

No, comrades, I thank you, not any for me: My last chain is riven, henceforth I'm free; I will go to my home and my children to-night. With no fumes of liquor their spirits to blight; And with tears in my eyes I will beg my poor wife

To forgive me the wreck I have made of her life. "I have never refused you before"—let that pass

For I've drunk my last glass, boys,
I've drunk my last glass.

Just look at me now, boys, in rags and disgrace,
With my bleared haggard eyes, and my red bloated face;

Mark my faltering step, and my weak palsied hand.
And the mark on my brow that is worse than Cain's brand; See my crownless old hat, and my elbows and knees

Alike warmed by the sun, or chilled by the breeze.
Why, even the children will hoot as I pass;

But I've drunk my last glass, boys,
I've drunk my last glass.

You would scarce believe, boys, to look at me now

That a mother's soft hand was pressed on my brow
When she kissed me and blessed me, her dear, her dear, her dear,

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THE PROCESS OF MAKING AN AUTO

The land transport history of this country can be painted in a single picture. In the distance, just vanishing over the hill, is an Indian family departing with its poor goods and beaten gods. A tiny pony strains between two poles, across which is a laden platform. The poles drag on the ground. In the middle distance is the pioneer's covered wagon, drawn by strong oxen or horses. Next comes the puffing locomotive. And in the foreground is a modern automobile.

The raw materials for the automobile come from 57 foreign lands and every State in the Union. From the cattle ranges of South America comes leather upholstery. Malay rubber cushions the bumps in the road. The spark is conducted to the engine through Nevada copper. The cork gaskets come from bark stripped from Spanish oak trees. But most of the automobile is made from the crumbling red iron ore of Minnesota and Michigan.

Hauled to the smelters by train and lake steamers, the iron ore, which is nothing but rust, is piled in great heaps beside blast furnaces. Only 3 hours later it may be running over the roads as part of a finished automobile.

This miracle begins when a workman dumps a great pile of the iron ore, mixed with limestone and coke, into the top of a blast furnace. Then he forces a strong draft of air through the tower and the mixture burns.

Six hours later a yellow-hot pool of molten iron has settled at the bottom of the tower. This is drawn off and poured into sand molds, forming "pig iron" ingots.

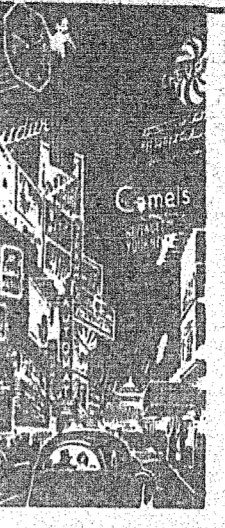
Later the iron is again cooked, along with special ingredients such as manganese, in great open-hearth furnaces. When it leaves these furnaces it is no longer iron but steel. It is now ready for the rolling mills, where ingots of the glowing metal are made into long bars and flats suitable for manufacture.

All of the iron is not made into steel, however. The motor blocks are molded in the foundry from molten iron direct from the blast furnace. From the foundry the motor blocks travel to the machine shop. There successive machines perform their operations. One cuts off certain faces of the block to shiny smoothness. Another bores the cylinder holes and another the valve holes. Then the block goes to a special machine which threads 79 holes in it in a single operation.

From the machine shop the block travels to the motor assembly line. There camshafts, crankshafts and other moving parts are bolted on. At the end of this line the engine is complete.

While the engine is being assembled, other parts of the automobile are being fabricated. Frames, axles, springs, steering wheels and such units are being assembled, each in its own part of the factory. Some are even made in factories hundreds of miles away.

All these parts finally con-



WHERE THE WORLD MEETS BROADWAY

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verge, like small streams into a river, on the final assembly line. At the start of this line are only gaunt frames without engines, wheels, or bodies. But gradually as they move along they take the form of automobiles.

First the wheels are put on. Then the engine is lowered into place. After that the steering wheel and post are put in. Further on a body is slung down over the auto. Workmen with wrenches, power screwdrivers and special tools do their own little jobs until finally, at the end of the assembly line, the automobile stands completed. One workman puts in gasoline, another climbs in and starts the motor, and what was only red rust the day before rolls out of the factory under its own power.

A few days later the car is delivered to some purchaser perhaps hundreds of miles away and begins its span of life on the highways.

At last the car will run no more and is sold to a junk dealer. He salvages all the parts he can sell and places the rest of the automobile in a huge machine which crushes it into a twisted ball of metal. It is then shipped to the blast furnaces, and a week later may again be rolling along the highways as part of a shiny new automobile.

SPEED SCARE

The majority of humans still believe that extreme speed would injure or kill them. Yet, even while they make the statement, they are traveling at a speed 20 times that of a rifle bullet, or about 12 miles per second.

That, according to a recent bulletin of the Hayden Planetarium, New York City, is the speed of the sun through space. Each year it travels 378,000,000 miles toward the constellation Hercules, dragging the planets along with it.

Until the coming of the railways, the greatest sus-

tained speed ever attained by man was established by the Roman Emperor, Tiberius. Using relays of chariots, he sped to his dying brother, Drusus, at the rate of 200 miles a day. For centuries man shook his head dubiously at every new proposal to increase the speed of land travel. When the locomotive was invented it was predicted that speeds of 30 miles an hour would prove fatal to human beings. Today airplanes travel at 250 miles and more an hour. Yet, there persists the same haunting fear that at some still greater speed the human system will suddenly collapse.

SNAKE FARM

Enough antivenom to immunize 7,000 people was extracted from 25,000 snakes last year at the famous Brazilian snake farm, located near Sao Paulo, a report from Rio de Janeiro states.

Known officially as the Instituto Butantan, the snake farm keeps the deadliest reptiles of Brazil in little concrete igloos on a hill overlooking the city.

The snakes are "milked" of their venom every two weeks. A negro attendant approaches, prods the reptile with a stick, and makes it strike. Before it can recoil, he pins its head to the ground with an iron fork, picks it up, and extracts its venom. This is done by opening the snake's mouth, forcing its fangs through a cheese cloth covering on a bowl, and squeezing the poison glands. The venom runs through the fangs into the dish.

Most of the snakes kept are jararacas cousins of the rattlesnake. They will not eat in captivity and die in about six months. About 20 arrive each day to take the place of the ones that die. A national law requires anyone who catches a poisonous snake to ship it to the snake farm.

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STAR SIZES

The diameter of a star 100 times larger than the sun has just been measured with an ingenious device called an interferometer at Mount Wilson Observatory by astronomers. The star is Epsilon Pegasus, 360 light years or 2,160,000,000,000,000 miles from the earth, it is said. Its diameter, as measured by the interferometer, is 86,000,000 miles.

Mount Wilson has now measured the diameter of eight stars with the interferometer. Latest observations show that Gamma Aquilae 180 light years from earth, is 50 times as large as the sun. A re-check of Antares, which was once thought to have a diameter of 400,000,000 miles, placed its diameter as 233 times that of the sun, or about 200,000,000 miles.

If our own sun were as big as Antares, the earth would

be buried about 7,000,000 miles within its flaming mass.

TOOTH CENSUS

It has long been claimed, but never proved, that primitive people have better teeth than civilized people. Now the Carnegie Institution, of Washington, is able to give the facts.

In a study just completed, it is shown that about 97 per cent of civilized people have decayed teeth as against about 35 per cent for the Navajo and Maya Indians.

The reason, says the institution, is because the Mayas and the Navajos use their teeth grinding half cooked foods such as parched corn while much of our foods are already "chewed" for us by machines.

BOILING BILLS

Old money now is "boiled" instead of being burned in Canada as was the method of disposal in the past. Recently, \$50,000,000 in common bank notes were dumped into a huge vat and boiled to a pulp. The pulp then was sent to papermakers to be converted into paper for new bills.

Burning of old bills was abandoned as "wasteful" and because scraps of notes, partially burned, might be carried outdoors through chimneys. In the United States old bills are ground to a pulp in a macerator, a machine which can chew up millions of dollars at a single "bite."

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FEEDING THE SICK—SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

It was with a great deal of pleasure I noted the interest taken by young women readers of this page in the care and feeding of the sick. Thank you for your letters. In this article I shall try to answer all the questions raised without replying directly to individual letters.

As stated in a previous article on feeding the sick, "a good nurse never will exceed or depart from the physician's instructions." Of course, this means not only the trained or practical nurse, but the mother-nurse as well.

In order to avoid mistakes insist that the physician give full WRITTEN instructions stating how much food should be given, its form, preparation and time of serving. Then follow these instructions very carefully. In acute diseases a complete written record should be kept by the person caring for the sick as to the treatments, medicine, and food records.

The preparation of food is of vital importance for the life of the patient often depends either upon the maintenance of strength during the acute period, or on recovery of power during convalescence.

In acute diseases the body loses weight, with natural resistance greatly lowered. Digestive juices in the body are less efficient or diminished in amount and, therefore, digestion is slower and less strengthening.

In such severe diseases as typhoid the amount of food is of great importance as overfeeding may cause death. In every case of high fever the diet should be in liquid form and practically predigested.

The attention of the nurse should be devoted not only to what is put into the alimentary canal, but also to what goes out. The condition of the stool should be carefully observed and recorded for the doctor's information. For instance, if curds of undigested milk are found the quantity of milk should be diminished or it should be diluted. Other characteristics should be carefully observed.

Many patients have starved to death because of want of attention to small details such as: When a patient has fever with remissions or intermissions the most nourishing portions of the food should be given at these intermissions. Food is more readily digested when fever is lowest.

It must be borne in mind that emaciation in severe illness is largely due to inability to digest food.

Liquid food should be given the very sick because it is digested with the smallest amount of labor. Predigested milk, lime water, and other substances, play a large part in the diet of the sick. This is one of the most important facts to be kept in mind by an inexperienced mother-nurse.

Other important points to remember: Do not give more than can be digested nor less than can be assimilated; when dilution of milk, stimulants and gruels is too great, the patient does not get enough nourishment. Patient's appetite requires that the greatest pains be taken in the preparation of food. See that food is completely cooked, but never burned or scorched. Do not insist on serving any food that is violently disliked by the patient except under the strictest orders from the physician.

Serve meals punctually. The desire for food is largely a matter of habit. Cooking time of food should be carefully observed so as to have it ready at the regular time and not allow it to stand. The amount of food to be given should be directed by the doctor. In most cases it is advisable to serve food often in small quantities.

When a patient rejects any substantial food before eleven in the morning (as many do),

a spoonful or two of some nourishing liquid should be given every hour or two.

The noise of preparation or the smell of cooking should be kept from the patient if possible. Never taste the patient's food in his presence. Have a cheerful manner and neat, tidy appearance; they greatly affect the patient's appetite.

It always is advisable to bathe the patient's face and hands and rinse the mouth before and after eating. Where the patient is very weak the mouth may be cleansed with a swab of sterilized cotton fastened to a small flexible stick (sticks may be purchased very cheaply) dipped in warm borax water.

When the patient is very weak it is advisable for the nurse to feed him. By placing a hand beneath the pillow and raising both together gently the patient easily can drink liquids. In case the patient is not permitted to raise his head he may be fed by means of a glass tube (can be purchased at all drug stores).

When the patient is permitted to sit up for a portion of the day it is advisable to use this time for the main meal of the day.

Where nasal, forced, or rectal feeding is necessary this should be done by a trained nurse or under the direct attention of the doctor.

Arrange patient's tray as attractively as possible. A single flower or a small lovely picture or some unusual thing often pleases the patient and diverts his attention from his ailment.

Following are some recipes for liquid drinks for invalids:

Beverages for the Sick

Lactose Lemonade (480 Calories).
4 ounces milk sugar (about 8 tablespoons)
7 ounces of cold water (14 tablespoons)
2 tablespoons of lemon juice.

Boil sugar and water for two minutes, add lemon juice to taste. Strain and cool. If not sweet enough add 1 or 2 tablespoons cane-sugar.

Lemon Whey

1 cup hot milk
2 teaspoons sugar
2 tablespoons lemon juice.
Heat milk in small saucepan over hot water, or in double boiler. Add lemon juice. Cook without stirring until whey separates. Strain through cheese-cloth and add sugar. Serve hot or cold.

Grape Water (135 calories)

4 tablespoons grape jelly
1/4 cup boiling water
1/2 cup cold water
Lemon juice and sugar.
Dissolve jelly in boiling water; add cold water; season with lemon and sugar to taste. Serve ice cold. Very refreshing where patient has high fever.

Beef Egg-nog (200 calories)

1 egg
Speck salt
1 tablespoon sugar
1/4 cup hot beef broth.
Beat egg slightly; add sugar and salt; add very slowly, stirring constantly the hot broth; strain and serve hot.

Rice Water (160 calories)

3 tablespoons rice
1 pint boiling water
1 tablespoon mixed salt
Wash rice, put into saucepan with water and salt; boil gently (covered) for one

hour. Strain. Serve cold. Sugar or salt may be added to taste.

Note—Do not use raisins in bowel trouble.

(Editor's Note: The above article is intended to be of practical help where the mother must act as nurse in cases of family illness. Where serious or prolonged sickness must of necessity be taken care of at home, the services of a trained nurse should be employed if possible. Double duty for mother often is too much of a strain on her health; also, in cases of serious illness specific training is necessary for proper care. But points in this article can be of great help in cases of emergency nursing.)

Windows

In poetry and prose windows have played a great part. There are windows that look over the sea—windows that look upon a ing garden; those that look upon love, and those that look out to hate.

But of all windows in the world there are two that are most important to YOU. Perhaps they are blue—perhaps they are brown or just gray or in between. They have been called the windows of the soul—but to you, perhaps they are just your EYES.

You possess nothing that is of greater value than these two wonderful windows. You can get artificial limbs that will in some manner be of practical use. You can get along without too great inconvenience without a nose or ear. But, alas—there never has been made an artificial eye that can "see." Yet how very careless we are with this most precious possession.

In recent years it has been found that rural children suffer with poor eye sight more often than city cousins. No doubt this has been due in large measure to poor lighting systems. The old fashioned kerosene lamp was a great improvement over the candle, but a vaster stride was made when Edison first invented the electric light. A great benefit from the government electrification of rural districts will be saving eye-sight both for young and old.

Elementary schools today teach children correct principles of lighting and proper ways to hold books. To assist teachers in this service, parents have both a privilege and a duty.

Even slight eye irritation should have the benefit of competent medical attention. So much for looking OUT of the window.

As you know, there are two sides to every window. This is

true also with our soul windows. While it is ours to enjoy use of our windows, yet we must remember that others look INTO our windows. Consciously or unconsciously they look beyond the blue or brown or gray and see reflected there the character and thoughts of ourselves. How carefully we should paint the picture they may see!

Look around at these you know. There is the narrow squinting eyes of the schemer—the petulant eyes of the selfish—the cold, calculating eyes of the greedy—and the warm open expression of one who loves and gives all to life.

What ever life we have painted on the canvas of our souls is reflected in our eyes for all the world to read until the angel of death shall send them to await that last great judging of the pictures.

FRIENDSHIP

We should never let a friend go out of our lives if we can by any possibility help it. If slights are given, let them be overlooked. If misunderstandings arise, let them be quickly set aright.

Friendship is too rare and sacred a treasure to be thrown away lightly. And yet many people are not careful to retain friends. Some lose them through inattention, failing to maintain those little amenities, courtesies, kindnesses which cost so little and yet are hooks of steel to grapple and hold our friends. Some drop old friends for new ones. Some take offense easily at imagined slights and ruthlessly cut the most sacred ties. Some become impatient of little faults and disregard even truest friends.

Some are incapable of any deep or permanent affection, and fly from friendship to friendship, like birds from bough to bough, but make no rest for their hearts in any.

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