

SANTA ANNA NEWS
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THE NEW YEAR

Next to a Presidential election there is nothing that upsets the country's economic equilibrium like "waiting until after the first of the year." Of course the dawn of a new year has its benefits. It gives opportunity for taking a new lease on life—the starting of a new fiscal period for the pocket-book and a new moral term for the soul.

The danger of all special days, weeks and calendar division points is that all of us, more or less, are prone to perform the obligations imposed by custom or necessity only on the particular occasion. To "whoop up" saving, boosting, praying, working, spreading kindness, fighting bad habits and dealing scrupulously ONLY at popular periods is good. But reckoned on such basis the special events are like the North Carolina Governor's traditional drinks—"too long between." There are a considerable number of people who don't seem to last from one Sunday's sermon to the next, and all too many who never hear any sermons. How then can we expect one day in 365 keep the heart of man unspotted for a whole year?

New Year's Day is all right. In fact, we wouldn't want to see it abolished. But a better time for making resolutions is the morning of every day. New Year's is only a name—a mental mile-post in the span of a century. But the sunrise presents daily an astronomical change in nature, and physical and mental change in mankind that admits of a new life. On the theory that if one can keep a good resolution for 24 hours, he ought in all fairness to himself and others renew the resolution that often.

Never wait until "after the first of the year" to make that change for the better in your business, your home or your life. DO IT TODAY, or not later than TOMORROW!

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By Rev. P. B. Fitzwater, D. D.
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**Lesson for January 8
 JESUS AND THE SICK**

LESSON TEXT—Mark 1:21-45.
GOLDEN TEXT—He hath done all things well: He maketh both the deaf to hear and the dumb to speak.
PRIMARY TOPIC—Jesus Makes Sick People Well.
JUNIOR TOPIC—John, Welcomes and Baptizes Jesus.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Jesus Shows His Symathy and Power.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Jesus' Power to Make Whole.

The purpose of Mark in this section is to show Jesus Christ the Divine Servant bearing God's message and clothed with the power to save lost souls. Coupled with His superhuman strength is revealed His unwearied sympathy giving Himself out in helpful and saving service.

I. Jesus Teaching with Authority (vv. 21, 22)

1. The place (v. 21).
 It was in the synagogue in Capernaum where He with four disciples repaired "straightway" upon His entrance into the village. He availed himself of the regular channel of His action. Though many abuses had crept into the synagogue service, He chose to associate the new with the old order.

2. The time (v. 21).
 His faithfulness in observing the Sabbath brought Him to the place where the people assembled to worship and to hear the Scriptures expounded. He came not to destroy but to fulfill the law, even the law of the Sabbath.

3. The impression (v. 22).
 The people were astonished. Two things about His teaching impressed the hearers.

The substance of His message. The scribes, the professional teachers of the law, merely quoted the authorities, but Jesus with firsthand knowledge set forth the truth with the enthusiasm of freshness and personal conviction. This distinction was quickly detected by those who heard Him.

II. Jesus Conquering Demons (vv. 23-25)

1. The outcry of the demon-possessed man (v. 23).
 "Perhaps" he interrupted Jesus while He was teaching. When the power of God is manifested there is bound to be an outcry of the evil spirits.

2. The demon's confession (v. 24).
 "Thou art the Holy One of God." The one whose chief business it was to waste and destroy human life was in such miserable state as to desire to have nothing to do with Christ, and was now forced to confess Him as the Holy One.

3. Christ's attitude toward him (v. 25).
 He asked and accepted no testimony from him, but sternly rebuked and cast out the foul spirit. He not only is Himself pure, but is able to deliver others from impurity. Christ wants confession only from pure lips.

4. The obedience of the demon (v. 25).
 The spirit was reluctant to leave the man and malicious to the end, for he tore the man whom he had to leave. He had to acknowledge his defeat and went out in a howling rage.

5. The impression made upon the people (vv. 27, 28).
 The news of Christ's power spread rapidly over Galilee. The people were startled by two things:

(1) The new doctrine which He brought.
 (2) His authority over demons.

III. Jesus Heals Peter's Mother-in-Law of Fever (vv. 29-31)

This scene lies in the home of one of the disciples. He went home with Simon and Andrew, who told Him of the condition of Peter's mother-in-law. He came at once and lifted her up and the fever departed. She immediately ministered to Him.

IV. Jesus Ministering to Many (vv. 32-34)

Though the day was strenuous in His labors, He came unwearied even when the sun had set, to meet the needs of the multitudes who had gathered from all parts of the city. He healed many of their diseases, cast out demons, not allowing them to speak. The demons knew Him, but the poor, blind people knew Him not.

V. Jesus Cleansing a Leper (vv. 35-45)

As Jesus preached in the synagogues of Galilee and cast out demons, His power became known. A leper came to Him, saying, "If Thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean." Jesus put forth His hand and touched him, saying, "I will be thou clean," and immediately the leprosy departed and he was cleansed.

NO. 1946
 THE STATE OF TEXAS,
 To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Coleman County, Greeting:

Whereas, oath has been made before me by R. T. Rountree, that E. L. Henderson, a Transient, whose residence is not known so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him.


You are hereby commanded that you by making publication of this Writ in some newspaper printed in Coleman county for four successive weeks previous to return day hereof, summon the said E. L. Henderson to be and appear before me at a regular term of the Justice Court for Precinct No. 7, in said county to be held in my office in the town of Santa Anna, Texas, on the 16th day of Jan. 1928, to answer the suit of R. T. Rountree,

Plaintiff, against E. L. Henderson, Defendant, the Plaintiff's demand being for the sum of Forty Five and 55-100 Dollars, (\$45.55), due upon a promisory note executed by said Defendant to said Plaintiff, dated March 3, 1924, and payable the First day of Oct. 1924, with interest at the rate of 10 per cent from date of issue, and all cost of this suit.

Herein Fail Not and of this writ make due return at the regular term of the Justice Court, Precinct No. 7, in said county, to be held in Santa Anna, Texas, on the 16th day of Jan. 1928, next as the law directs.

Given under my hand this 21st day of Dec., 1927.

J. S. JONES, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 7, Coleman county. 51-4tc



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And to extend our wishes for a joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year



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The Last Call

C. B. GUYGER

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FREE—Every afternoon at 3 o'clock we have some fine gifts for our customers and friends. No obligation to buy—just be here.

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Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl five years old. I have tried to be good, and I want a real pretty sleepy doll in a little buggy. I want the doll to be holding a bottle. I also want a big doll that says "mama". And I want a little red chair and lots and lots of candy, nuts and fruit.
Your loving little girl,
Mary Jo Gregg.
P. S. Be good to everybody, especially to my Mother and Daddy.

Santa Anna, Texas,
December 17, 1928.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a baby doll, a story-book, a drum, some candy and apples.
One of your little girls,
Pauline Eubanks.

Santa Anna, Texas,
December 17, 1928.

Dear Santa Claus:
Christmas is almost here, and I want a wrist watch, a ball, a fountain pen, and doll bed for I have a doll.
Ethelgia Simmons.

Santa Anna, Texas,
December 17, 1928.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a football, a pencil box, a wagon, a fountain pen and a football suit.
Julian Kelley.

Santa Anna, Texas,
December 17, 1928.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll with curly hair and blue eyes that will go to sleep.
Please bring me a little doll buggy and a fountain pen.
Thanks,
Juanita West.

Dear Santa Claus:
How are you? This is what I want for Christmas, a scooter, an air rifle and two boxes of shots. My sister wants a doll, an old bull dog and two puppies.
Bye, bye, your friend,
Raymond Lightfoot.

Santa Anna, Texas,
December 16, 1928.

My Dear Santa,
I am a little lady in getting my letter off to you, but I am sure you will get it in plenty of time. These are the things I want:
I am very anxious for a pony, but if you cannot bring me one, please bring me a wagon, a cow boy suit, and everything that goes with it, a pair of pajamas and garters, this will be all for me. Thank you very much Santa, I am trying to be a good little boy. Please, Santa, bring my little brother something, and all the little children.
I can't hardly wait until you come.
Your little friend,
Robert P. Gilbert.
P. S. Santa please bring my little brother, a ball, doll, and a little wagon.

Santa Anna, Texas,
December 17, 1928.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a coozer, an air gun and some shot, lots of fire works, a skogter and a little car.
Your little friend,
David Watterson.

Santa Anna, Texas,
December 17, 1928.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl in the 3rd grade. I'm anxious to see you. I hope you will visit our town and I've been wondering if I've been good-enough a girl for you to come to see. Santa I forgot to tell you that I'm going to have you a great big cake that I cooked myself. I have been good because I obey my mother and wash dishes and now I'm going to tell you what I want for my sister. A story book and a fountain pen for my brother. I want a doll, a fountain pen and some story books.
Santa, that is all. Your best friend forever,
Edith Marvel Donaldson.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a pretty doll, and a buggy, and bring my little brother a tricycle and lots of candy, fruits and nuts.
Your friends,
Kathleen and Billy McCormick.

Santa Anna, Texas,
December 15, 1928.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am so anxious to see you. Are you coming to visit our town? I have been wondering if I have been good enough for you to come to see me. If I have I wish you would bring me the following things. I want a doll, a doll buggy, and a doll bed and a scooter and some dishes and a blackboard.
Thanking you I am your friend
Alene Hardy.

Santa Anna, Texas,
December 5, 1928.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am so anxious to see you. Are you coming to visit our town? I have been wondering if I have been good enough for you to come to see me. If I have, I wish you would bring me the following things: Fountain pen, truck, basketball.
I am in the third grade. There are 23 children in our room, but I guess there will be more after Christmas.
Your friend,
Atwell Parsons.

Dear Santa:
I am so anxious to see you. I wonder if I've been good enough for you to come to see me. If so I wish you'd bring me a doll, a ball, and a story book and an Ivory set some fruits and nuts.
Your friend,
Maurine Daniels.

Dear Santa Claus:
I'm anxious to see you. Are you coming to our town? I hope I've been good-enough. Wish you would bring the following things: I'm in the 3 grade and have 21 in our room. I want a bicycle, croquet set, and fountain pen. Thanking you, your friend,
Birdett Brown.

Will you please send me a few things for Christmas. I'll be very glad.
I'd like a baby doll with eyes that go to sleep, a book, nuts, fruits and candies.
One of your friends,
Caroline Ashmore.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me an embroidery set, a doll parlor set, a bathroom set and a dining room set, and a fountain pen.
Love, your girl,
Lela Ruth Traylor.

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Relieves the congestion, prevents complications, and hastens recovery.

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AND A SUCCESSFUL JOYFUL NEW YEAR

1928

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1929

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GREETINGS AND GOOD WISHES

for Christmas and 1929

Inspired by the spirit of good-will and friendliness of the Christmas season we greet you and give you our thanks for 1928 patronage. We will appreciate your 1929 business.

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For Ladies	Toilet Goods	For Gentlemen
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Bloomers 69c to \$1.98	Bath Salts 98c	Underwear, all kinds low prices
Mesh Bags, \$8.00 values \$4.00	Vicks Salve 33c	Sweaters, heavy \$1.50 value 98c
Handkerchiefs all kinds, 2 for 15c up	Mentholatum 23c	Mufflers, silk, \$2.50 values \$1.79
Slipper Ornaments 73c	Bayers Aspirin 19c	Gloves, all kinds, low prices.
Fancy Garters 23c	Shaving Sets 98c	Belts, fancy 39c to \$1.49
Hand Painted Scarfs \$2.98	Tooth Paste 23c	Socks, silk 33c to 63c
Gloves, all kinds, 96c up	Toilet Sets 69c	Ties, a beautiful line 25c to \$1.29
Powder Puffs 10c and up	Mavis Talcum Powder 24c	Shirts, Broadcloth, white and colors 98c - \$3.98
Fancy Silk Dresses \$10 values \$6.49	Woodburys Facial Soap 23c	Hats, new an stylish \$2.69
Coats, only a few left at cost.		Caps, new styles \$1.95
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care of all your fresh meat wants. We invite you to call
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Coleman County Workers Hold Good Meeting At Santa Anna

The monthly meeting of the Workers Conference of the Coleman County Baptist Association met with the Santa Anna church Monday. It was a great meeting everywhere. The attendance was good, the program excellent, interest high, fellowship delightful and the superb.

Missionary J. M. McCorkle of Coleman persisted over the meeting and kept things going so that there was not a dull moment, but yet with due orderliness. This missionary knows almost every man, woman and child in Coleman county. He has been missionary of the Coleman Association at various times and has been pastor of many of the churches of the county and

known and loved all over this section of the West but whose residence is now in Dallas, was present through a part of the morning session and made glad the hearts of all with his kindly words of greetings, and good cheer and encouragement.

The good ladies of this fine old church maintained the good names of the ladies of the congregation as providers of elegant lunches. Hence all were invited into the basement of the church where a delicious lunch was served which was relished by all who partook.

First in the afternoon was the board meeting of the executive Board of the Association, which was fraternal and interesting and showed things going well in the Association.

After the Board meeting the program was taken up by the women in their work.

Mrs. C. E. Lancaster, in well-chosen and beautiful words, introduced Miss Mellie Hamilton of Brownwood, who brought a wonderful message with reference to the work of the women. Mrs. Lancaster introduced Miss Hamilton as "our daughter." She explained that Miss Hamilton was one who the women of the Brownwood district had given assistance when she was preparing herself for her work.

Miss Hamilton brought out in a splendid and forceful way the program the women have before them and the greatness of their task; likewise she stressed the needs of the workers now and closed with an appeal that reached every heart.

While all present had a most delightful day, yet none was happier than Pastor and Mrs. Sidney F. Martin and their fine members who gave every attention to the visitors and saw to it that all were made to feel perfectly at home.

We do not believe, however, that anyone got more real delight out of the happy fellowship of the day than Rev. W. B. Holland, pastor at Norton and The Central Messenger editor. They were old-time pastors who returned to live over again, in a measure, at least, the days that are gone forever. When they were pastor of this fine congregation of devout men and women.

Pastor Holland led the devotional for the afternoon session in which he brought to memory some of the happy experiences of the relation he had with the

church.

Then it was the writer's privilege to speak and bring greetings to old time friends and to the many strangers present as well. It was twenty-six years ago that the writer closed his pastorate with this church. It was our first full-time pastorate. We were young then. We stated to them Monday that if we were not the kind of a preacher they want us to be, they have only themselves to blame, for they very largely made us what we are as a preacher, as they were the first people whose pastor we were, of a full-time pastorate. And, indeed, after the sweep of a quarter of a century and we take under advisement anew what we are as a preacher and our conception of a pastor and the sacredness of the relations between a church and a pastor, there was more truth than just in our remark. Really, the statement holds true of every preacher who is a pastor in any greater than some church in the past or present life as a preacher had made him to be. Every church is either the maker or unmaker of preachers and pastors. Some churches become known as pastor-killers. The Santa Anna church, thank God, is not the kind of a church. And to the pastors present there Monday it was a delight to them to observe the cordial relations between the church and their present pastor. For that fact revealed to the pastors that the church is still "carrying on" the same old-fashioned way. God's blessings always attend church in its work where their relations between the church and pastor are what they should be.

Only once during the twenty-six years had we been privileged to return and worship with this congregation, and that was at a general meeting, like that of Monday, which was nearly ten years ago. Since that time the congregation has erected a beautiful and commodious house of worship, a brick structure with basement and gallery. It is sufficient as a work shop to take care of the needs for years.

A beautiful thing we observed and that was the most prominent beautiful stained glass window in the building was placed by the Sunday School and dedicated to Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Grady. Ed. twenty years in the life of the church. Mr. Grady was superintendent of the Sunday school. Though he was a business man, and most of the time was

engaged in directing the affairs of the bank with which he was associated, yet he put his church and Sunday school first. And during the long years, through sunshine and rain, winter and summer, he and dear Mrs. Grady who last year went home to the Father's house let nothing take them away from the church, either the worship, the Sunday school or the mid-week prayer service. We have often said that we would rather be V. L. Grady the churchman, than to be V. L. Grady the banker. And it provoked our deepest joy when we saw the memorial placed by those whom they had served so long, and so unselfishly. And through the sweep of their ears, long after V. L. Grady shall sleep beside his dear companion, those yet unborn will hear of these two faithful ones who gave the very strength and beauty of their lives to that beautiful town, nesting hard by the foot of the majestic old Santa Anna mountains. Besides those of the Santa Anna church whom we had been associated as pastor, we met others from other churches in Coleman county about whom we have memories as tender and as beautiful far as faithfulness to beautiful for as faithfulness to concerned, as we have cherished with reference to the folks at Santa Anna. The space to name them, one by one would be too much and hence we will not do so.

Another impressive thing we observed was that those who were little children twenty-six years ago when we went away, are now grown and married and have homes of their own and we found them, many of them, active workers in the church, taking the places that their parents and even their grand parents held in the long ago. We were made to thank God for the beautiful scenes we looked upon, and from our hearts went up a prayer for the Father's blessings upon them that they might serve as faithfully as did their parents and grand parents in their day.

We greatly appreciate the many kindly things said about The Central Messenger, both by the brethren privately and by Missionary McCorkle publicly. And we also greatly appreciate the subscriptions we received, come on brethren rally to us. And both editors of The Central Messenger will do their best to give this section of the state a readable denominational paper.

have their local denominational papers; there being some five or six such papers throughout the state. Let's keep the Central Messenger going and growing. Also brethren, please do please give us the news from your fields. Thank you.

MAY YOUR HAPPINESS BE UNMARRED—

It is our wish that nothing will happen to disturb your happiness during this glad Christmas season and that you will take with you into the New Year a liberal portion of the joys of this season

Permit us to express to each of you our thanks for your patronage of the past. We sincerely trust that you will feel we have merited a continuation of your favors.

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Trustees... The dinner was presided over by the Home Economics girls... The table was decorated with... The room those trustees were...

THE SENIOR CLASS

Senior class received some beautiful stationery... The class met immediately after school Monday afternoon...

AT SUNRISE IN SANTA ANNA THERE MAY BE FOUND... Mrs. Pieratt crawling out of bed at her husband's command...

JOHNNY'S PA Wilbur D. Nesbit... My pa, he always went to school...

3 A ROOM NEWS... Merry Christmas to Everybody... We are glad Christmas will soon be here...

FIRST GRADE NEWS... Everyone is being just as nice as can be...

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS... holidays are almost over... Christmas shopping...

LEARN TO THINK AND KEEP THINKING... But once will we travel this life's journey...

JOKES... Mrs. Scarborough: Give the principal parts of the verb swim...

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dim. John E.: 'I'd rather not, Mrs. Scarborough... Joe: 'You'll keep our engagement a secret, won't you dear?'

Mr. Scarborough and Mr. Oliver... Mrs. Scarborough wants Santa Claus to bring her some good English IV. Students for Christmas...

My pa, he always got the prize for never being late... For when he's just as big as me he knew thing by the yard!

My pa, he never missed a day... An' never played no hooky, nor forgot the teachers rule...

My grandma says 'at boys is boys... The same as pas is pas...

Mr. Binion, a city visitor from one of the wind swept states... gaged intently at the spiral fire escape...

Mr. Scarborough: 'Car! you prove two right triangles are congruent, when they have two sides equal?'

The money-raising contest between English II-B and English II-A closed Tuesday...

Students are smart these days but most of them flunk in their civics examinations...

Well, many think the steering wheel of a car does most of the driving...

Ward School News

7th GRADE NEWS... Last Thursday afternoon the Seventh grade went for a picnic on the mountain...

6 A NEWS... We haven't had many pupils here on account of the weather...

5 A NEWS... We are getting ready for Christmas, decorating our rooms and making presents...

4 B... We, like the other grades, are planning to have a Christmas tree with the usual amount of fun, presents, and good things to eat...

3 A ROOM NEWS... Merry Christmas to Everybody... We are glad Christmas will soon be here...

FIRST GRADE NEWS... Everyone is being just as nice as can be...

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To You Whose Interest We Have Striven Earnestly TO SERVE

We come in this season of great joy and happiness to express our warm appreciation for your patronage and for the friendly interest you have manifested in this business...

Christmas Happiness

And enough, we hope to last you throughout the New Year. We assure you that during 1929 we will be found working earnestly to express our appreciation in a tangible way.

Santa Anna Merc. Co.

As We Link Our Thoughts With Days of 1928

We Have a Feeling of Gratitude and Thanksgiving

We cannot refrain from giving public acknowledgment of the feeling of deep appreciation we hold for those who have had a part in making our business what it has been for the past year.

With eager eyes we look forward to the New Year with its rich promises and vast opportunities for service. We would lack in appreciation should we do anything less than our very best during 1929.

Accept our best wishes for the holidays with the hope that many wholesome pleasures will be yours and that the New Year will be generous in dealing out to you and yours a full measure of life's richest treasures in health, happiness and prosperity.

Queen Theatre

Letters To Santa Claus



At Home

Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a good boy this year or at least I have tried to be and have been. I have run the electric sweeper for mother and I want a round gun to shoot birds, with. I want a tool chest and I want a little airplane to run on the ground.
Harper has been a good boy. Harper wants a little doll and he wants a little rocking chair and some dishes.
Mother has been good, too, and will you bring her a pair of stockings and a little trash basket, I guess, and for me give her some beads.
Daddy has been as good as he can be and works down at the store like he ought to. Bring him a hat and a butcher apron and a pair of pants.
Good bye and be sure to come and I'll still be a good boy and mind mother.
With love,
Archie Dean Hunter.
As dictated by Archie Dean Hunter, a pretty big order Santa Claus!

Dear Santa:
I'm anxious to see you. Are you going to visit our town? I have been wondering if I've been good enough for you to come to see me. If so, I'd like to have a pair of shoes, a pair of strings, a ring, a doll, a buggy, some fruit, a chair, and a box of powder, and lots of candy.
Edythe Helen Ratliff.

Santa Anna, Texas,
December 17, 1928.
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll, some candy, fruit, a little cook stove, and some dishes.
Your little friend,
Lenora Mell Powers,
Santa Anna, Texas, Whon Rt.

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy four years old and I will soon be five. I want a little car, a little horse, a drum, a bugle, a firewagon, firecrackers, and some candy. Please remember the other boys and girls and bring them nice things.
Your little friend,
Joe Bruton Flores.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy two years old. Please bring me a scooter, a hammer, a bucking mule and a tricycle. Don't forget all the poor boys and girls.
Your little friend,
Jerald Dean Pruitt.

Santa Anna, Texas,
December 5, 1928.
Dear Santa Claus:
I am anxious to see you. Are you coming to our town? I have been wondering if I have been good enough for you to come to see me. If I have I wish you would bring me the following things. I want a gun, coaster, ball and a fountain pen and I think that's all I want this Christmas, obliging you.
I am your friend,
Carl Creame.

Santa Anna, Texas,
December 15, 1928.
Mr. Santa Claus:
"Dear Santa":—
Please bring me a doll and a buggy, some dishes and some candy, apples and oranges. Don't forget the little orphans who have no father and mother.
Your little friend,
Doris Huggins,
Santa Anna, Texas, Rockwood Rt.

Santa Anna, Texas,
December 17, 1928.

Dear Santa-Claus:
I am so anxious to see you. Are you coming to visit our town? I have been wondering if I have been good enough for you to see me. If I have I wish you would bring me the following things. I live in Santa Anna and am in the third grade. I want lots and lots of fruit and nuts and candy. I want a doll, doll buggy, fountain pen, victrola, dishes, ring and chair.
Thanking you I am your friend
Doris Evelyn Rollins.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please come to see all of us boys and girls. I sure do wish you would bring me that big mail car that has doors that opens in the back that is down at Baxters store. And I want some more toys and fruit and bring grandmother some pretty things. Remember all the poor little children too.
Merry Christmas to you Santa,
Tom Robin.

Trickham, Texas,
December 16, 1928.

Dear Santa Claus:
We are a little boy 7 years old and a little girl 5 years old. We both go to school. I Bill want a "scooter", and a cap pistol, a little wagon, a candy walking cane, also lots of oranges, apples candy and nuts.
I mary Jo, want a doll, named "smiles", a doll buggy, a purse, a bottle of perfume, also lots of candy, nuts, apples and oranges.
We are trying to be good but it is pretty hard to do.
Good bye Santa,
Billy and Mary Jo Shield,
Trickham, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:
I hope you get to come to see me. I wish you to bring me some roller skates, a bicycle, a doll with long hair, a doll buggy, lots of bananas, oranges and apples, some firecrackers, I guess that is all, so will close with lots of love.
Oneta Wilson

Santa Anna, Texas,
December 17, 1928.
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a box of candy a table and two chairs, a doll dresser and a doll bed, a pencil box, and the other children something.
Marjorie Christine Pope

A Real Christmas

Is the spirit of good fellowship which we carry in our hearts during this merry season. It does not depend so much on what we have as it does on our willingness to be happy and to help others to be happy.

Cherishing nothing but good will toward all the people of this community and section, this firm joins with all bearers of good tidings in wishing to every person a genuinely happy Christmas.

Parker Brothers

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The yuletide season reminds us that our lives are built to a very great extent as we choose to have them built. The raw material lies before us and we can select the faulty and bad or we may, with a little more effort and care, erect for ourselves characters which will be strong in time of misfortune and give satisfaction through every season of the year.

We have made it our purpose to build up our business as a man builds his character — by means of honest, conscientious service, fair dealings and rigid adherence to high standards of business ethics.

We greatly appreciate the good-will of our many friends; and now that it is Christmas time again we are wishing for you one and all the gladdest joys of the season and the brightest prospects for the New Year.

Accept, if you please, our sincere thanks for the privilege of having served you during the past year.

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horse mule, about 14 hands, smooth
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whole country. Whereas the total
wealth of Texas in 1910 was only
about \$3,000,000,000 it now exceeds
\$10,000,000,000."

Texas is generally known as a
great agricultural and livestock
state. As a matter of fact, manu-
facturing interests of Texas just
about equal in size, as measured in
dollars, agriculture and livestock
combined. The latest statistics
credit manufacturing with a value
of \$1,300,000,000 a year.

Electrical production in Texas in
October increased 18 percent over
the same period last year. The
average increase for the entire

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Only two states, California and
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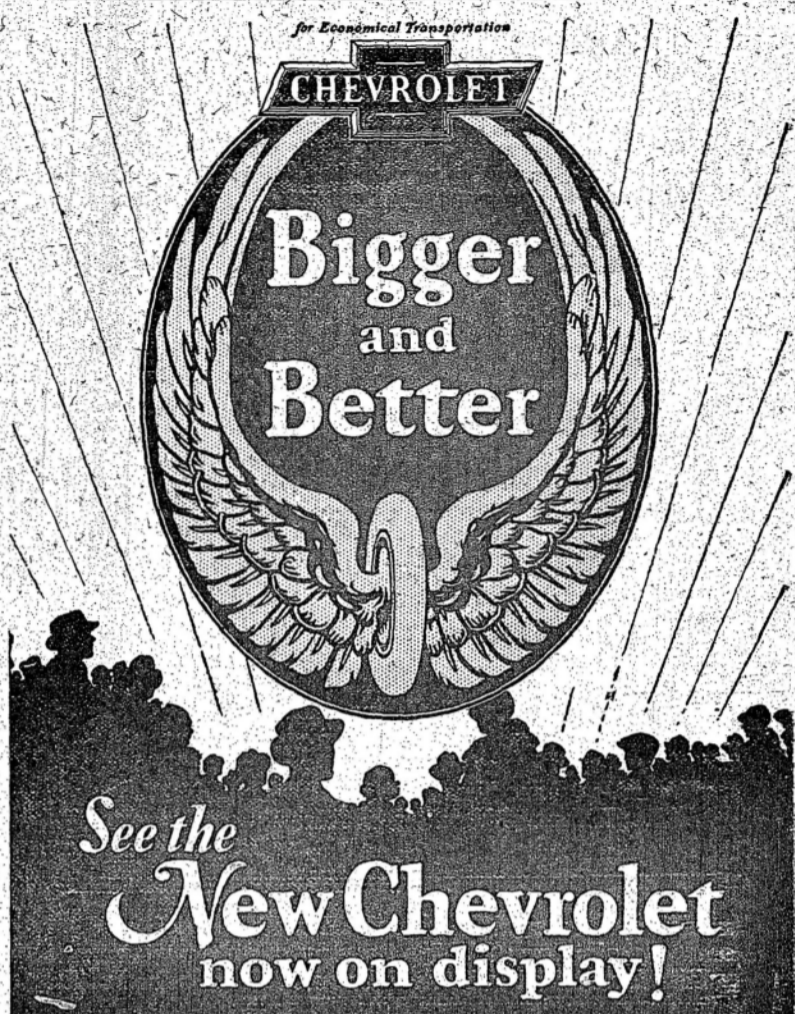
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safety of four-wheel brakes—the
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from a ball bearing worm and gear
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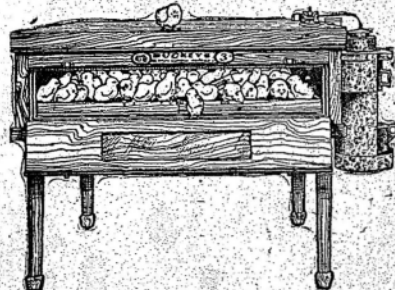
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The Roadster	\$495	The Sport Cabriolet	\$665
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Miss Maggie Mills visited relatives in Ovallo part of last week. Mr. and Mrs. Rex Herring are the proud parents of a fine baby boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Shield of Coleman spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Brown.

Misses Alene Barnes and Mary Harriett Simpson spent last week-end with relatives in Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Davidson of Echo visited in the J. W. Lewis home Sunday night.

Hob Hunter of Abilene was a guest of his mother, Mrs. J. W. Hunter here last week.

Miss Clara Polk visited her sister Mrs. P. L. Hayes in Novice last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Gassiot were here from Winters, to spend Christmas in the home of relatives.

W. C. McHorse, wife and baby of Slaton visited in the H. L. Lackey home first of the week.

Marion Close of Kirkland was a guest of his mother and other relatives in this city last week.

Miss Bernice McMillian of Balinger visited Miss Aletha Blewett in this city last week.

Mrs. Gus Nabours and daughter Miss Mondean of Brownwood visited friends in this city last week.

Miss Johnnie Sue Lupton was a guest of Miss Nell Sue Nabours in Brownwood last week.

Mrs. J. V. Ledford and daughter are guests of Mrs. Roy Chinn in Brownwood this week.

Miss Vivian Glover spent last week-end with her parents in Brownwood.

Miss Lucile Cartwright returned to Melvin Sunday after visiting home folks during the Yuletide.

Mr. and Mrs. Herndon of Pampa visited his sister, Mrs. W. J. Hunter a few days last week.

Miss Sadie Bell Spears of Coleman visited Miss Helen Hall last week.

Mrs. A. L. Bays and son spent last week with relatives in San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Menthol of Best visited Mrs. Marvin Bowers who is a patient in the Sealy hospital this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Shield Brown of Austin were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Brown last week.

Miss Annetta Tyson of Eldorado and Miss Edrine Tyson of Breckenridge returned to their homes Sunday after visiting relatives here.

Miss Marion Polk returned to her home in Abilene Sunday after a visit with relatives and friends in this city.

Clegg Gassiot, who is teaching school at Herring, returned Sunday after a visit with home folks in this city.

A wonderful New Year's gift to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Easley was a handsome baby boy, born January 3. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

Miss Thesalonie Eubanks, file clerk of Weakley, Watson and Miller in Brownwood, visited her parents in this city last week-end.

Miss Inez Marshall returned to Lubbeck this week after visiting home folks here through Christmas.

Senior B. Y. U. Program

Subject: The Book With a Wonderful Story.

Introduction—Ora Lee Niell.

Bible Background—Jas. Harvey.

Some mountain peaks in the story—Marguerite Perdon.

Printing the Bible—Grady Lowe.

Seniors, wake up—you have been sleeping too long already. Let's give Jesus our very best during 1928. Now is the time to begin—Group Captain.

Baptist W. M. U. Program
Monday, Jan. 9

Subject: World Missionary Movements.

Leader—Mrs. Watkins.

Place—Mrs. Dennis Kelley.

Apostolic period—Mrs. S. F. Martin.

The conversion of Europe—Mrs. Burt Sparkman.

Missions and the Protestant movement—Mrs. McCreary.

The uttermost parts—Mrs. H. L. Lackey.

Some results of modern Missions—Mrs. Tom Newman.

The challenge to our generation—Mrs. J. J. Boggus.

First Presbyterian Church

Sunday School, 10 a. m., J. T. Oakes, Supt.

Morning service 11 a. m., by Pastor.

Evening service 7:00 p. m., C. E. 6:15 p. m.

Mid-week prayer meeting 7:00.

If you were handed a check for \$5,000 would you go to church? It's worth more than that to you—why not come and be getting the value?

J. W. Brown, Pastor.

Henry Close and two daughters, Maurine and Lovine, returned to their home in Phoenix, Ariz., Saturday after visiting his mother and other relatives in this city.

PROGRAM

of Workers Meeting of Coleman County Baptist Association to Meet at Coleman Junction Monday, January 9th.

10:00—Devotional—Rev. J. R. Davis.

10:20—The Center of the Church—Rev. Sidney F. Martin.

10:45—The Effects of Sunday School on Church Life—Mr. Mot-singer.

11:15—Sermon—Rev. B. M. David.

LUNCH.

1:00—Devotional—Frank Adian.

1:20—The Mexican in our Midst—Rev. A. W. Fletcher.

1:40—The Woman's Work—Program arranged by Mrs. T. P. Sumner.

2:00—Board Meeting.

ABOUT RIGHTS

It's a great thing to have rights, but there is no particular satisfaction in having rights which nobody respects. The pedestrian who takes it for granted that the automobile driver will respect the pedestrian's superior right at the crossing may wake up in a hospital, or he may not wake up at all. He is a prudent man if he takes no chances.

Ellis and Javan Oder and Wilbur and Morris Nabours returned to Cisco Sunday where they are attending Randolph College.

Loyalty A Characteristic

When a friend or relative a far off community visits says his town is the best earth, agree with him. That for him it is so, him for standing up for in the face of what ought reversed judgment on. If there were not many people in every village, hamlet or rural who think their community garden spot of the earth, try could not progress would go business of Santa to see that Santa full share of it from among making it one of the best cities on earth, as well as to the rest of the world. Santa Anna prospers if man aspiration continues upward. It prospers when people develop it to the extent that it is of the world from loyalty precedes egoism. Civic apathy wrong public result.

Mrs. R. J. Boardman of is here visiting her and Mrs. W. C. Burden an relatives.

Mrs. Frank Adams and daughter, Frances Louise, Tuesday with relative wood.

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Rice Blue Rose 5 pounds for only 34c	Potatoes clean, smooth Idaho, limit 10-lb 19c
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