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THE NEWS' OBJECTIVES FOR 1940:

- Establishment of a larger and better glass works.
- City beautification campaign—more trees, shrubs and flowers.
- More pay-roll industries.
- More paved streets and sidewalks while cost of construction is below normal.
- A new Grammar School worthy of the town.
- Fewer empty business houses and more modern residences, especially for rental purposes.
- More co-operation among the business elements.
- More entertainment features for our people, especially the younger generation.
- Commercialization of our scenic advantages.
- A strong American Legion Post with its own home and supporting entertainment or commercial features.
- A larger and better Santa Anna News.
- City Manager form of municipal government, with Manager acting as secretary of commercial body supported by a fractional tax.
- A public park maintained by the city.

This Week in Our Town

This Week in Our Town has been a busy one, a joyous one, and no particular act or comment stands out from what is usual or should be to merit a special paragraph this week. All Santa Anna has been imbued with the Christmas spirit, many who would otherwise have been without Christmas cheer were not forgotten by those better situated. A white Christmas, a greater mood of pleasure for those accustomed to snow during winter days and nights. The mountainside garnished in a robe of white where but a few days ago a colorful blanket, of pinks, tans, browns, bronzes and pastels. Cedar, fir and other trees, shrubs and bushes bearing a burden of white on every limb made lawns a fairland in cold light. By night winnows and doorways with lighted candles, some entwined, lent a cheery atmosphere to those passing in the cold outside. Memories of many must have turned back to other days and scenes. To us many scenes of the past paraded before our mind's vision, and all in all we enjoyed the day although only the little family of four sat down for the Christmas dinner. During bachelorhood four times we were away from the parental home on Christmas: 1905 in San Antonio, 1908 in Louise, Texas, 1918 at Camp Travis, 1919 at Lieser a. d. Moezel, Kris Bernkastel, in the Rhineland of Germany. Since becoming a family man, this is the first Christmas without relatives from one or both sides of the house present, or we their guests. Yet what had promised to be a sad Christmas for that reason became a merry Christmas because of the Christmas spirit that pervaded our city and her people. We hope you each and every one had a Merry Christmas, and we wish every one a Happy, Prosperous New Year 1940.

MENARD MAY SELL ITS MUNICIPAL GAS SYSTEM

Members of the city council of Menard have been given authority of city voters to sell the municipal gas system, installed about two years ago. In a special election, voters balloted, 69 to 24, to authorize the city council to dispose of the plant and city distribution system. Members of the council for several weeks have been contacting bondholders and other interested persons relative to a proposed sale, which last week's election sanctioned. It is understood bondholders will purchase the property, thereby relieving the city of its special obligations calling for maintenance.

SEASON CLOSES DEC. 29

State Game Warden John Wood said that hunters should note that the duck season will close December 29 at 4 p. m. Ducks on cold storage must be disposed of within ten days after the close of the season.

Bids Are Asked For Beautification Of Santa Anna Hiway

Sealed proposals for constructing 8.514 miles of roadside development (grading and planting) from 0.9 miles north of Coleman to the west city limits of Santa Anna on Highway 84, will be received by the State Highway Department at Austin on December 19, according to Resident Engineer Wesley Hall of Brownwood.

Native shrubs or plants that are suitable to this particular area will be used, it is believed. The highway beautification project is expected to cost the Federal and State governments approximately \$14,000.

COUNTY NYA PARTY DRAWS 550

National Youth Administration youths from seven counties gathered in Coleman for a party last week that was probably the first of its kind ever held in the nation.

Ben Jackson, San Angelo, NYA supervisor, described the event as an opportunity for underprivileged youth to compensate for a lack of social life.

Carl P. Hulsey, Taylor county judge, was principal speaker. Others on the program were the Rev. Robert F. Jones of Coleman, E. C. Grindstaff, Coleman county school superintendent; and two NYA clients, Loyd Daniel of Tye and Aubrey Wingert of San Angelo.

Climaxing the event, Taylor county NYA basketball team lost to Coleman county team, 39 to 15. In two boxing matches, J. R. Fannin and Ben Yridollen of Taylor county fought to a draw and Edgar Ellis of Taylor county decided, Edgar Morris of Taylor county.

Howell Cobb, McCulloch county judge, was "roundup foreman," or toastmaster.

Attended by 550 persons, the event was for NYA boys and girls from Mitchell, Taylor, Nolan, Tom Green, Coleman, Runnels and Brown counties.

Christmas Tree Given Children

Children of the town were invited guests at a Christmas tree given the Recreation department at the recreation building Friday afternoon immediately after the close of the show that was given for their entertainment at the Queen Theater.

Bags of candy and fruit were distributed from the large tree beautifully decorated. (Most of the trimmings for the tree were donated by Spencer Pharmacy.) After the gifts were received the children sang Christmas carols.

Everyone is invited to attend the musical program to be given at the Recreation building Friday evening at seven o'clock. Invitations have been extended to neighbor bands to participate in the program.

The red mulberry, which is a very important wildlife food, is rapidly becoming depleted in Texas.

District NYA Party Draws 550 Youths From Nine Counties

Unique was the party given at the WPA Recreation Hall in Coleman last Friday for the boys and girls employed in the National Youth Administration projects of this district.

With 550 youths coming from nine counties in the district, Coleman, Howard, Nolan, Tom Green, Mitchell, Coke, Taylor, Runnels and Brown, the festivities started with a parade at 4:30 in the afternoon. The Rev. Robert Jones of Coleman gave the welcome address which was followed by talks by Mr. Hulsey of Abilene and Mr. Grindstaff, county school superintendent of Runnels County. A representative boy and girl from the National Youth Administration each spoke on "What NYA Means to Me." Judge Cobb of Brady was "Round-up Foreman," or master of ceremonies.

A basketball game between the Coleman County all-stars and the Taylor County all-stars ending with a score of 39 for Coleman and 15 for Taylor, and two boxing matches were staged for the entertainment of the group. Supper was served at the recreation building.

An interesting display was made of a large variety of articles made in the NYA workshop shop, metal works shop, the girls' residence project and the girls' arts and crafts projects.

For the event, which was a compliment to the underprivileged youth of our area the total expense to the government will probably be the cost of one hundred gallons of gasoline used in transporting the boys and girls according to NYA officials.

Cost for food was \$58.13 and decorations, orchestra, loud speaker, banners and other minor items amounted to \$31.90. Of this amount \$10.00 was donated by H. H. Jackson of Coleman, five by Paul Trimmier, and \$43.13 by cities, counties and NYA supervisory personnel.

Bus was donated by ten rural schools, with some of the expenses paid by the schools. Programs were printed free of charge by the Democrat-Voice, hall was donated by city and county, seats by Goat Roping Association of Coleman, athletic equipment by the Recreation department of the WPA and all exhibits were made on NYA projects.

War

When the historians write the story of this war, they will have many a knotty problem to unravel. One of the most interesting will deal with Italy's current policy. She is supporting the Finns against Germany's economic ally, Russia. At the same time she recently stated that she still stands firmly by the Rome-Berlin axis. The only way you can get much sense out of that is on the supposition that Mussolini has decided to keep his country out of war at all costs, while cementing her influence in the Balkans.

Also interesting is recent British-French policy toward Russia. For years Allied statesmen were kept awake nights by the fear of a Russo-German alliance—all tales were told of the supposedly indomitable Red Army. Today England and France are actively helping Finland so far as is possible, and have thrown all their moral weight behind the little nation. And, say correspondents abroad, it looks as if the Allies are no longer afraid of Russia joining Germany in military action. Some even say that the Allies might welcome this, as it would open a new front—the Allied command apparently thinks it would be suicidal to attempt to storm the Siefried Line.

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Gray foxes, formerly rarely observed except at night, are now frequently seen crossing Texas roads, Game Department biologists report.

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ALBERT BOENICKE, 84, RETIRED RANCHMAN SUCCUMBED WEDNESDAY

Albert Boenicke, 84, who presented to Howard Payne college one of the largest collections of horns and other curios in Texas, died at 9:45 a. m. Wednesday at the home of his daughters, Misses Pauline and Lydia Boenicke, 1704 Avenue E at Brownwood.

Born in New Ulm, Austin county, Texas, on July 10, 1855, Mr. Boenicke at the time of his death was the father of nine living children. He had resided in Brown county for 36 years, and for many years operated a ranch and farm in the Salt Branch community of Brown county.

Funeral services were held at Trickham church at 2 p. m. Thursday. Rev. Chester Wilkerson officiating with Louis Newman as song leader for the service. Interment was in the Trickham cemetery.

LIONS TO ENTERTAIN LOCAL BUSINESS MEN ON TUESDAY

Each member of the Santa Anna Lions Club will have as his guest next Tuesday noon at Luncheon some non-member in the business and professional line. A committee is lining up the attendance list this week.

Don't fail to be present at the next meeting. Meanwhile the committee will contact members and assign guests.

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Coleman Co. News Briefs

Thirteen Mozelle football players will receive letters, according to Coach Cullen Perry.

Bids for exterior painting and for making repairs at the Coleman post office will be received until two o'clock on the afternoon of January 9, 1940, according to an announcement from the post office in that city. Persons interested in the work should contact Postmaster Harry Thomson.

Alexander Perry Townsen, 83, for 60 years a political and religious leader of Coleman county, died Tuesday night at his home in Coleman. He moved to Coleman County in 1877. He was engaged in ranching for more than 20 years. Survivors include two of his five children, Gladys Townsen of Coleman and Mrs. Mildred Stobaugh of Weatherford. Mrs. Townsen preceded him in death by seven years.

Garland Abbey was reelected to the county conservation committee last week and was named its chairman. Brooks Peyton of Buffalo and Isaac Pate of Voss are other members, replacing Ozro Eubanks of Santa Anna and W. N. McCulloch of Coleman.

ANNUAL MEETING OF ELECTRIC CO-OP IS SCHEDULED

Annual board meeting of the Coleman County Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc., will be held at the Dixie Theatre in Coleman, Tuesday night, January 9, at 8 o'clock, according to an announcement made by S. R. Hale, superintendent of the project.

All paid-up members of the cooperative are invited to attend the meeting. One of the high points will be the election of directors and this year two will be added to the present seven-man board.

Present board members include C. W. Pitts, Coleman, J. W. Taylor, Santa Anna, J. C. Dibrell, Jr., Echo; M. K. Witt, Coleman, Will Matthews, Goldsboro, and Gene Bell, Fisk.

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GOODFELLOWS BRING CHEER TO UNFORTUNATES OF CITY

Santa Anna Goodfellows, represented by Revs. Womack and Bowman, two ladies and a representative of the WPA NYA, had sufficient contributions of both necessities and toys to bring old Santa Claus to every distressed family and individual in Santa Anna. For families big basket of staple groceries and other edibles, toys, etc., for the children, insured more than just a meal for Christmas and pleasure for the children. More than a dozen small children needing shoes were taken to the stores and fitted. A number of others are yet to be fitted out. At the Recreation hall Wednesday afternoon it was a heart-touching sight to see how proud and happy some of the little ones present were because people better off had shared a little.

Thirty-four baskets of groceries, meat, etc., were contributed by the committee from the trucks supplied them. The NYA supplied 98 toys and the Santa Anna firemen about 125 more, only a few being left over when the rounds were completed.

Insects destroy from one-fifth to one-tenth of all the crops planted in the United States.

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SANTA ANNA AND WEST TEXAS HAVE WHITE CHRISTMAS

The Santa Anna section experienced a nice rain last Friday, but the piece de resistance for wheat growers of West Texas and the Panhandle was the snowfall of Monday morning. The snowfall extended as far south as Santa Anna, Coleman and San Angelo, blanketing the Panhandle, the snowfall here being approximately two inches on the level.

First Woolen Mill For West Texas Is Given to Eldorado

Eldorado, in the heart of the fine-wool growing section of Texas is to be the home of the first woolen mill in the region.

Location of the West Texas Woolen Mills in Eldorado is announced by J. M. Christian of Eldorado, son of J. B. Christian, Eldorado banker and ranchman for nearly half a century. He is to be in charge of operations.

The younger Mr. Christian was graduated from the textile engineering department of Texas Technological College, Lubbock and for several years has been assistant engineer for southern textile plants of the U. S. Rubber Co.

Machinery for the Eldorado mill has been purchased, Mr. Christian announced, for carding, spinning and weaving wool.

Earlier plans for a scouring plant have been dropped because of establishment of the Cen-Tex Wool and Mohair Co. at San Marcos, a fully equipped scouring plant.

The Eldorado plant, according to Mr. Christian, is to be equipped for making the finest type of 100 per cent virgin wool blankets as well as ordinary camp and army style. Highest grade woolen suiting, yarn and woolen batting also are to be manufactured at the plant.

CONSTRUCTION TO START ON COMANCHE COURTHOUSE SOON

WPA officials in Comanche have announced that actual construction work on the new \$185,000 court house there will begin within the next two weeks.

One hundred and fifteen WPA workers are already at work on the foundation of the building working at the stone quarry and facing rocks.

Stones for the exterior of the building is being obtained from the Gusting quarry. Largest single stone brought up for facing was eight feet long, 19 inches wide, 11½ inches thick and weighed 9,000 pounds.

The building is scheduled for completion within eighteen months.

ACCIDENTAL SHOT KILLS EDEN YOUTH

Billie Joe Persky, 17, of Eden, brother of Harold Dean Persky, Abilene, Christian college football player, was accidentally killed Sunday night by the discharge of a .25-30 rifle.

The youth was planning a hunting trip Christmas day and was examining the gun when the fatal shot was fired. Witnesses said at an inquest, The accident occurred at an Eden service station.

Besides his brother, the victim is survived by his mother, Mrs. Eli Persky, and a sister, Mrs. Forest Strentz of Ponca City, Okla.

COWS LIKE MUSIC

Bovine music lovers at the Scheid Guernsey farm near Whitesboro give more milk since a radio was installed in the milking sheds a few weeks ago. Provision of music for the herd during milking periods follows experiments made in classes by Van Scheid, Texas Tech graduate, who has been studying at the Michigan State College of Agriculture and Applied Arts.

Irrigation Possible In Coleman County, Says U. S. Engineer

That small scale irrigation might be done at several places in Coleman county is the belief of D. W. Bloodgood, irrigation engineer for the United States department of agriculture.

Bloodgood and A. D. Meador, engineer for the state board of water engineers, in company with Sam W. Cooper, secretary-treasurer of the Central Colorado River authority, last week made a tour of Coleman county lakes, creeks and other projects that have been completed by CCRA.

"Coleman county has done more than any other county in the state on soil and water problems," said Bloodgood.

He is investigating the irrigation angle and later other engineers may see what can be done about a water facilities program here.

METHODISTS HOLD WATCH-NIGHT SERVICES DEC. 31ST

By request of the Council of Bishops in their first council meeting since unification in the city of Chicago, the Santa Anna Methodist church announces a Watch Night Service for Sunday night, December 31. This is in addition to the regular Sunday night service, and will also be held at the church.

The objects of the Watch Night service are (1) to offer prayers of adoration and of Thanksgiving to God for all of His mercies, (2) to pray for restoration of world peace, (3) to pray for the church universal, (4) for the successful launching of the Methodist Advance program, and (5) for the deepening of the spiritual life of the Methodist church.

All Methodists are urged to co-operate so that this meeting shall be a great success. "Give your presence, influence and help," says Rev. H. C. Bowman, "and see what fine fellowship will be yours, and how much good you yourself may do."

"OLD HICKORY" DINNER TO BE HELD AT HOUSTON

The program for the "Old Hickory Dinner," which will be held at the Lamar Hotel, Saturday, January 6, and sponsored by the Andrew Jackson Democrats of Texas, has been completed.

Jerry Sadler, member of the Texas Railroad Commission, will be the principal speaker. Several others have been invited to participate and make short talks. One hour of the program will be broadcast over twenty-five Texas radio stations.

Andrew Jackson Democrats decided to hold the two dollar celebration in Houston on Saturday night, instead of Monday, January 8, believing that the "plain people Democrats" could better attend the celebration on Saturday night rather than on Monday night.

COLEMAN COUNTY BAPTISTS TO MEET AT BURKETT

Coleman County Baptist association quarterly meeting will be held at Burkett Baptist church on Friday, January 5, according to an announcement made the first of this week.

The program will get underway at 10 p. m., its theme being "Always Abounding."

Devotional, Mrs. S. R. Smith of Santa Anna; a 15 minute discussion and explanation of each of the following subjects will be given, "1940 Yearbook," Mrs. E. P. Watson of Burkett; "1940 Things We Should Know," Mrs. George Pauley of Valera; "Standard of Excellence and WMU Chart," Mrs. Audrey of Coleman and "The New Guide to Bible Study," Mrs. Floyd Chaffin of Coleman.

A message will be presented by the pastor of the Burkett Baptist church just before the noon hour. Immediately following the lunch Mrs. H. S. Langford of Noice will lead in a devotional. Reports will be heard in the afternoon.

Heart o' Texas News Briefs

December is a month of celebrating for Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Richards, of Brady, who last week observed their sixtieth wedding anniversary on Monday and who on Wednesday and Thursday respectively of this week observed their birthday anniversaries. Mr. Richards was 84 Wednesday and Mrs. Richards was 80 Thursday. Mr. Richards, in addition to owning one of the finest ranches and one of the best herds of Hereford cattle in the southwest is president of the Brady National Bank.

Stockholders in the Brady Building and Loan Association have received their Christmas gifts in the form of a 4 per cent annual dividend. The directors last week declared such a dividend for the last six months of the year and with a 3 per cent dividend having been declared the first six months of 1939, the total for the year amounts to 7 per cent.

Sam Stapleton of Bangs was given a one-year prison sentence by a 35th District court jury in Brownwood last Friday for assault to murder Jesse Minica with a knife.

The first checks to Brown county farmers of more than 2-300 checks aggregating around \$20,000 for 1939 conservation practices were received last week. Sixty-three checks for sums totalling \$6,577, or an average of more than \$100 each, were received at the offices of W. S. Batis, administrative assistant of the Brown county Agricultural Conservation association.

The illuminated cross located on round mountain, near Brownwood caused considerable favorable comment. It was placed there by the Brown County Water Improvement District No. 1. The cross, thirty feet high and twenty feet wide, was erected by O'Neal Archer, superintendent of the water supply plant and is visible for several miles.

Brownwood has become a "Gretina Green" for couples over a wide area who culminated romances with Yuletide marriage vows. Residents of many towns and cities in Texas and of points as far distant as California licenses issued this month at the county clerk office of Brown county. Thirty licenses have been issued during the month up to Christmas day and with a full week to go it was expected the total to reach a new high mark.

Don't argue with anybody at Daniel Baker College that there is no Santa Claus. The college received this week a cashier's check for \$10,400, according to an announcement by Dr. T. H. Hart, president of the college. The donor, whose name was not revealed specified that the money should be used for the college library, laboratory and to increase current salaries of teachers.

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Editorial

Christmas a White Christmas came to Santa Anna with all the appearance of happiness and joy. Old Santa was lavish to everyone even the most deprived child and adult, somehow found a pleasure in the day of days. On Christmas eve a cold norther was blowing. Christmas trees were alight in almost every home, a light of smekind gleamed from almost every window in the town. On Christmas morn a light snow began falling and Christmas Day, from the outward aspect, was perfect. Boys and girls played in the snow, older folks watched amused and reminiscent. Old Santa Claus seems to have been good to everyone. All Santa Anna merchants seem to have done a good holiday trade during the last few days before Christmas. A general spirit of gaiety and fellowship pervaded the town. It carried us back to a little German town on the Moxel river twenty-one years ago, when we watched German women shopping for the typical German toys for their kender. The countryside at Bernabed was like the pictures you see of Christmas time Germany. The fir trees laden with snow, the hills, the way-side shrines, children playing in the snow. Then back at home, the Christmas supper with Station Master Peckman and his wife and son. The questions from German women and children as to how Americans celebrated Christmas. A host of memories come before the mind. But that Christmas in Germany, no holiday, but Christmas at home, will never be forgotten, the scene of the city will never fade. Christmas here or there, anywhere is just what the heart makes it.

Santa Anna merchants apparently did a good business during the last few pre-Christmas days and evenings if one judges by depleted stocks of holiday goods. Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday saw fewer cars on the streets at a time - except on Saturday from 2 to 4 p. m. - but attendance was greater than parked cars indicated. Because of cold weather shoppers didn't linger - just made their purchases and hid homeward. W. L. Blackwell, travelling salesman and friend of the office force (Dad to part of it), reports that holiday trade from the Lower Rio Grande Valley north to Dallas was far in excess of the last few Christmas seasons. He expresses the opinion that the upward trend in holiday trade will be expressed in other lines all during the coming year of 1940. We sincerely hope he is right. Indications are better.

John Garner has announced his candidacy for the presidency of the United States in a terse, straightforward statement characteristic of the man. The writer, knowing John Garner over a period of many years, knows quite a bit of his fine character and ability. In a recent interview our congressman praised Mr. Garner for his many sterling qualities. Garner is not only honored and respected in Texas for his ability and familiarity with American problems, but throughout the nation he is respected and admired. Texans are probably the last to realize the strength of John Garner in

national politics. At home and in Texas he represents more or less in appearance, conversation, and in a good neighbor and friend. That alone is a compliment to Garner, but the everyday fellow American status is the outward semblance of a keen mind bent on his country's welfare. Garner has a mighty fine chance to become president. If he fails it will not be because of the necessary qualifications, but because of politics.

A peculiar situation exists in the United States a wait for retraining and economy and a howl if we get it. We rippe it our taxes seem high, forgetting that they must be high if our Congressmen secure all of the pork barrel projects that we can imagine. We want this and we want that, and we want the government to pay for them. And the government obliges us with all we demand, and pays for it with money we hand over in taxes. Our congressmen and representatives have to demand all of the projects from the government in order to keep the people of their district satisfied and keep their jobs. Were they selected because of the economy and was bills they put through not one of them would have a second term, the people demand extravagance, but kick at finding the bill. The system of filling a tank with a liquid, for instance is to have a tube through the intake pipe and the outlet either closed or reduced to less than the intake. We're unable to see through the New Deal method of filling the tank with a 1000 gallon an hour intake and a 2000 gallon an hour outlet. That's what we are up against with a rising demand for greater expenditures and an equally strong kick on paying for what we get.

Are railroads a financial success? We noticed a caption of more or less that import in a paper the other day. The answer, of course, is "not much". From every other standpoint the rails are a success. Many years ago they were held to be a monopoly, making excessive charges and paying their officials kings' ransoms. While this naturally called for a remedy, it seems the patient has been doctored so much by government that he can't recover from the cures he has been administered. Salaries have been reduced, rates have been reduced for political reasons, regardless of right or justice; the rails have been forced to not only pay their own costs but help pay the costs of maintaining highways for subsidized and favored competition; has been forced to pay the costs of being made to permit the competitor to earn at its expense. The railroads are indispensable to commerce, but government regulation seeks not only to enforce operation without profit, but goes a step farther and demands operation at a loss. The alternative is government confiscation (called government ownership). Well, once the federal government takes over the railroads, what's to prevent its taking over the trucking industry too? From any angle the big utilities are geese that lay golden eggs. From government standpoint the geese should be killed and the taxpayers pungle

up the money instead. Maybe government regulation of railroads was the father of the New Deal after all!

We, as Americans, object to foreign isms. We believe in the American principle of things in our country. We tolerate the efforts of communists and nazibanders and socialists in their desire to foment a civil war, destroy liberty and our courts, destroy the property owners, as they did in Russia, and give the laboring class everything in the country. If the ismists want to try to put over some other ism in Russia, or in Texas, as a test of the brotherhood idea before trying it here, that would be satisfactory. And should they do so, Russian secret police would kill them off instantly, so establishing an un-American ism in this country would make it a death sentence for anyone afterward to discover that the ism in power was a mistake and should be changed or corrected. Imagine what would happen to one urging the government be ousted or even investigated. If any American wants that kind of government, he should be sent over there to live, where he could have his precious communism and leave America to Americans. Big Bill Haywood and Emma Goldman were so set on having bolshevism here that they were sent to Russia - and they didn't like it - they wanted to return to a human country where people were free and not in continuous fear of private execution for anything or nothing without trial or even a word in their defense. Having no rights, it is perfectly proper to execute them so. We think it would be the best thing if we executed the un-American ismists. The rights they would have in Russia - the same treatment, same pay, same labor, same slavery, the same arrest and executions they would get in Russia for the same causes. The advocate of Russianism certainly would be tickled to death if our government would treat them like Stalin's treats his people!

As the year draws to its end, agriculture, like industry, takes stock of what happened in 1939. From the farmer's point of view the year brought many problems. In many cases prices were too low to give him an adequate return for his work and investment. "Political farm relief" as usual, largely failed to realize its promises. At the same time, conditions generally were better than in the years immediately preceding. One phase of agricultural activity deserves special mention. That is the sustained growth of the agricultural cooperative marketing movement. More and more farmers joined such organizations, which brought a rising volume of production. This method of selling farm crops has become an integral phase of rural life in America. That is progress achieved by agriculture itself and not by subsidies or outside aid.

WITNESS my hand at Temple, Texas, this 18 day of December, A. D. 1939. H. C. GLENN, as Receiver for Temple Trust Company, Temple, Texas. (Pub Dec 22 29 1939)

Legal Notices

NO. 236 - IN EQUITY (Coleman)

In the United States District Court in and for the Western District of Texas, Waco Division.

J. M. HUBBERT vs. TEMPLE TRUST COMPANY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has filed his application with the Clerk of the United States District Court in and for the Western District of Texas, Waco Division, for an order authorizing him to sell and convey to J. T. Coleman a part of the Northeast one-fourth (NE 1/4) of Block Ten (10) of Hassard's Subdivision of Farm Block Three (3) of Clow's Second Addition to the city of Coleman, Coleman County, Texas, together with all improvements thereon situated, and better more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows: BEGINNING at the N. E. corner of said Block No. 10.

THENCE W 62 1/2 feet a stake THENCE S 125 feet a stake THENCE E 62 1/2 feet a stake on the E line of said Block No. 10 THENCE N 125 feet to the

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place of beginning: and for a consideration of \$750.00, and of which amount \$50.00 will be paid in cash, and the balance, \$700.00, to be evidenced by one note in said sum, to be executed by said purchasers payable to the order of the Receiver at his office in the city of Temple, Bell County, Texas, and said note to become due and payable in monthly installments of \$10.00 each, the first installment to become due and payable January 1, 1940, and one each on the first day of each succeeding month thereafter until said note has been fully paid off and discharged, both principal and accrued interest, to bear interest from December 1, 1939, at the rate of seven per cent per annum, the interest to become due and payable monthly, and each payment when made to be applied first to the accrued interest on said note and the balance to the principal, and to provide that failure to pay any monthly installment of principal or interest thereon when due shall at the option of the holder mature said note; to stipulate for ten per cent additional as attorney's fees, and said note to be secured by a vendor's lien and deed of trust lien on the property and premises above described.

Said application will be heard by the Honorable Charles A. Boynton, Judge of said Court, after this notice shall have been published for a period of ten days, and any person interested in said Receivership Estate may contest this application. WITNESS my hand at Temple, Texas, this 18 day of December, A. D. 1939.

H. C. GLENN, as Receiver for Temple Trust Company, Temple, Texas. (Pub. Dec. 22-29)

NO. 236 - IN EQUITY (Caskey)

In the United States District Court in and for the Western District of Texas, Waco Division.

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THENCE NORTH 62 1/2 feet for the S. W. corner of this lot; THENCE East 125 feet; THENCE North 62 1/2 feet; THENCE WEST 125 feet; THENCE South 62 1/2 feet to the place of beginning; and for a consideration of \$1350.00, and of which amount \$357.00 will be paid in cash, and the balance, \$993.00, to be evidenced by a series of seven notes to be executed by said purchasers payable to the order of the undersigned at his office in the city of Temple, Bell County, Texas, and said notes to be in amounts and to mature as shown below:

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TOTAL \$993.00

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Classified

WANTED—Someone to do nice cabinet work reasonably. See Jeffreys at News office.

Stockholders' Meeting The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Santa Anna National Bank, Santa Anna, Texas, will be held at the offices of the bank, Tuesday, January 5th, 1940, at 2:00 p. m. for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any business that may properly come before it.

Free Swap Ads

WILL SWAP—14 foot wagon for turkeys, pigs or chickens. Ernest England.

SWAP—Half dozen nice young Canaries to swap for chickens or what have you. V. L. GRADY, Santa Anna.

WILL SWAP a Cabinet Radio, Windcharger and lights, A1 condition, for cow and calf or what have you. JIM DANIELL, City.

WILL SWAP trailer house 7X17 for livestock—cows or sheep L. P. Jennings, Box 343, Santa Anna, Texas.

ATTENTION MR. CARPENTER: Have Speedomatic Saw, 8" table saw, 6" jointer and new 16 gauge shotgun to swap for a saddle, saddle horse or live stock. A. C. ROBERTSON, 1 mi. W. of Whon.

Will swap 25 gal. churn, De Laval separator, 1/2 h. p. Elector motor, attached on 1/2 ft. line shaft. H. J. PARKER, Santa Anna.

WILL SWAP double row J. I. Case planter and cultivator in good condition and a cream separator for anything of equal value. BLUE VINSON, Route 2.

The cotton marketing quota of a farm is the producer's share under the law of the market available for American cotton and is calculated for an individual farm on the basis of normal or actual production level is greater, of the cotton allotment, plus any hand from a previous year would not have been penalty if it had been 39.

Use date after your name paper. It tells when it is paid up to.

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MILL PRODUCTS Fresh Mill Products for Sale at Saving Prices, or will exchange for any other grain.

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CLEANING AND PRESSING: high grade work, reasonable prices. Stock of hats, shoes, shirts, ties, underwear, etc. Parker Tailor Shop, near P.O.

Leedy News

By Dorothy McClure

Mrs. Z. W. Box Sr. visited Mrs. A. J. McClure last Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. W. J. McClure and Dorothy visited Mrs. Ross Martin last Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McClure and Dorothy visited in the J. M. Rouse home last Tuesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Will Fletcher and family are spending the Christmas holidays in East Texas visiting relatives.

Misses Jimmie Lou and Billie Ray Basket spent Friday night with Miss Bertha Fae McClure. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McClure and Dorothy visited last Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Upchurch and son of Elliott.

Sunday night visitors in the J. E. and W. J. McClure home were Mr. and Mrs. Noble Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Upchurch and son; and Mr. and Ray Bledsoe and Reseda Idell, and Miss Bertha McClure.

Miss Bertha McClure is spending this week with Miss Dorothy McClure.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thigpen's children were home for Christmas.

Forty-two took dinner with Mr. J. E. and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McClure and Dorothy Monday.

Deaths

DEMERE KNOX

Demere Knox, born June 4, 1913, near Charley, Texas, in Clay County, was killed in a gas explosion in Sugar Land, Texas, Dec. 19. Services were held at the Trichham church at one o'clock Thursday, Dec. 21 with Rev. Ed Wilson of Comanche officiating. Interment at the Trichham cemetery was in charge of Hosch Funeral directors.

Knox was reared in the Trichham community, having moved to Coleman County with parents when he was only nine months old. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Knox, one sister, Mrs. C. C. Gilbert and three brothers, Jack, Bob and Karl Knox.

Pallbearers were Ed Simmons, Doug Mitchell, B. G. Brown, Cecil Avants, Alfred Bible and Ronald Winn.

S. W. CHILDERS

Funeral services for S. W. Childers, 61, prominent Santa Anna citizen and former city mayor were held at 3:30, Dec. 21, from the family residence with the Rev. E. H. Wylie and Rev. H. C. Bowman of Santa Anna and Rev. Wilson of Comanche officiating. Interment was made in the city cemetery. Born near Waxahachie, Texas Nov. 23, 1878, Mr. Childers moved to Comanche with his parents when a baby. He attended school there, later graduating from Draughon's Business College at Fort Worth.

He was associated with his father, J. M. Childers, in the mercantile business until his father retired and after that was connected with other firms in Comanche. He served as city marshal and water works superintendent for several years there and was prominent in Masonic work, having served as worshipful master of the Comanche Hope Lodge when the Masonic Temple was built in that city.

Mr. Childers and Miss Annie Jacobs, daughter of C. F. and Mattie Jacobs, were married September 6, 1903. To that

union were born two children, Clara Pearl and Aubrey, the latter having died a little more than a year ago.

On March 9, 1911 he and his family moved to Santa Anna where he has engaged in the mercantile business and cotton and grain business. He was director of one of the banks for a number of years and was a member of the school board at one time. He was a member of the Baptist church.

Survivors include his widow, a daughter, Mrs. W. P. Gipson; three grandsons, Geo. William Childers, W. P. Gipson, Jr. and James Richard Gipson of Coleman; one brother, J. H. Childers of Presidio and two sisters, Mrs. T. D. Moore and Mrs. J. H. Kemp of Comanche.

Active pallbearers were Curtis Collins, W. H. Thale, F. K. Redding, W. R. Mulroy, A. R. Brown and E. W. Marshall. Honorary pallbearers included Arthur Turner, Ben Parker, Will Parker, Jack Mobley, Dr. L. O. Garrett, Dr. E. D. McDonald, Ed Baxter, Jim Riley, S. D. Harper, Dr. J. P. Board, Parker Bond, E. R. Purdy, J. W. Johnson, Ed Bartlett, and J. O. Martin.

Flowers were in charge of Mrs. Henry Beall, Mrs. R. B. Renfro, Mrs. E. L. Sellers, Mrs. Henry Varner, Mrs. Garland Zimmernan and Mrs. Alton Beach all of Coleman; Mrs. W. R. Mulroy, Mrs. Hubert Speck, Mrs. Tom Simpson, Mrs. Mildred Simpson and Miss Louise Purdy.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the Hosch Funeral Directors.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to all of our friends, relatives and to Dr. McDonald, who were with us during the illness and bereavement of our beloved husband, father, and brother.

Mrs. S. W. Childers Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Gipson Mrs. Aubrey Childers and Bill Mrs. T. D. Moore Mrs. J. H. Kemp

CARD OF THANKS

We express our sincere thanks to our friends who assisted us in the death of our dear son and brother, Demere Knox. We appreciate the nice floral offerings and your assistance at the funeral parlor.

May God's richest blessings rest upon each one of you. Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Knox Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Gilbert Mr. and Mrs. Jack Knox Bob Knox Karl Knox

CARD OF THANKS

To our friends who performed so many acts of kindness and who offered sympathy during our sadness caused by the illness and death of our father, J. R. Daniell, we express our sincere gratitude.

His Children

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this method to express our gratitude to our friends, who helped to secure a much needed wheel chair and for other gifts and kind deeds, to make our Christmas a very merry one.

May God bless each one of you and make us worthy of your kindness. Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Fulton and Family.

H. D. C. News

SANTA ANNA H. D. CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AND PARTY

Climaxing the Christmas party of the Santa Anna Home Demonstration Club, Friday afternoon, December 22, Miss Ruth Vanderford supervised the exchange of gifts among members, with Mrs. W. E. Vanderford, club mother as hostess to the group.

A yule tide theme was emphagically decorated tree, the attraction in the living room.

"A quiz test" and singing of Christmas carols were diversions for the afternoon.

Mrs. L. V. Stockard, president, led the program and business

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session. The committees appointed for 1940 were, finance: Ellen Richards, Mrs. Joe Harvey; membership: Mrs. Hallie Blissett, Mrs. John Ray, Mrs. W. A. Standley; recreation: Mrs. S. K. Moredock, Mrs. B. F. Smith; expansion: Mrs. G. F. Goen, Mrs. John Lowe; flowers and card: Mrs. Eva Conley, Mrs. John Newman; yearbook: Mrs. R. F. Watson; publicity: Mrs. Fred Rollins, Mrs. J. K. Harrison; club mother: Mrs. W. E. Vanderford.

After the business meeting, Mrs. Vanderford gave a demonstration on crocheted bed slippers and Mrs. Harrison displayed pot holders made from bonnet patterns and applied tea towels made from sacks.

Members honored the club mother, Mrs. Vanderford with a picture in appreciation of her loyalty.

A refreshment plate of cake and hot cocoa and "popcorn" with miniature Santas as favors were served after the exchange of gifts to the following: Mesdames L. V. Stockard, J. K. Harrison, Fred Rollins, Homer Bouchillon, R. F. Watson, Miss Ruth Vanderford and the hostess.

The next meeting of the club will be the area meeting on January 10 from 2 to 4 p. m. at the City Hall. Miss Chrystene Trombridge will give the first area demonstration at this time. "Three meals a day" will be the program, illustrating greater rural people by better diets from home filled pantries. The clubs in area one, are especially urged to attend. They are, Live-at-Home, Liberty, Buffalo and Santa Anna. Santa Anna club will be hostess to the group. Visitors have a cordial greeting.

W. B. BROWN DESCENDENTS HAVE CHRISTMAS REUNION

As has been the custom for many years, the children, grandchildren and their families gathered at the home of Mrs. W. B. Brown for Christmas dinner and a Christmas tree in the afternoon.

Those present this year were Mr. and Mrs. Emzy Brown, Mr. and Mrs. William Brown, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ferguson and children, Eugene and Merle, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schraeder and children, Douglas, Edwina, Billy Gene, Darwin and Garland, and Mrs. M. M. Ferguson all of Santa Anna; Jessie Brown, Santo, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. McClure of Shields; Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Smith, Millersview; Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Polk, Mr. and Mrs. Otho Polk, daughter Betsy Ann, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy York and son Dale of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Phillips of Dalhart; Mr. and Mrs. James K. Polk and daughter Edleweiss of Colorado City; Mr. and Mrs. Audis Smith and son, Dickie of Odessa and Jim Brown and daughter, Mary of Novice.

East Texas is one of the few places in the United States where the eastern wild turkey is still found, the Texas Game Department reports.

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SOCIETY-CLUBS

Social Notes

RUTH VANDERFORD ENTERTAINS CLASSMATES

Miss Ruth Vanderford a graduate of '39 entertained her classmates with a party at the home of her parents Saturday evening.

Christmas decorations were used in the party room and guests received bags of brightly Christmas candies from a beautifully trimmed tree. Games and conversation furnished amusement during the party hours.

The hostess served popcorn balls, fruit cake, and hot chocolate to the following young people: Joyce Hensley, Alice Jane Lovelady, Ina Niell, Ara Belle Ragsdale, Billie Bob Stewart, Oran Henderson, Jake Barnes, Bartlett's Lamb, and Talmadge Turner.

MRS. PEARCE LUNCHEON HOSTESS

Mrs. John R. Pearce was hostess to the Needlecraft Club at a one o'clock luncheon at her lovely country home Thursday.

The menu consisted of turkey dressing, cranberries, salad, peas, pie and coffee.

Members and guests present were Mrs. Moss and Mrs. Quinn of Coleman; Mesdames D. R. Hill, Ed Baxter, Perry C. W. Hamilton, Luther Abernathy, E. W. Marshall, Ed Wallace, J. E. Watkins, T. T. McCreary, Preston Bailey, C. A. Crump, W. E. Brown, J. R. Bannister, W. R. Kelley, H. W. Kinsberry, T. M. Caughan, Misses Jettie and Dora Kirkpatrick, Patsy and Peggy Crump and Tommy Bailey.

SELF CULTURE CLUB

The Self Culture Club met with Mrs. Tom Hayes Jr. Friday, December 22, at 3 p. m. The study theme was, "Palestine and Syria," with Mrs. Eleanor Shields giving an interesting review of "The Political Outlook of Palestine Today." Mrs. A. L. Oder ably reviewed "Bethlehem, Nazareth and the Shores of Galilee." Mrs. Clinton Lowe ably discussed "Jerusalem, the Holy City and Damascus, the oldest city in the World."

An exchange of Christmas gifts was enjoyed amid a lovely Christmas setting.

Mrs. Hays served a pretty and delicious refreshment plate to the following members: Mesdames John R. Bannister, W. R. Kelley, Hardy Blue, S. L. Weaver, Elgean Shields, R. A. Jeffreys, Ed Bartlett, Clinton Lowe, Glenn Williamson, Preston Bailey, A. L. Oder and J. L. Harris.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Holt of Sanderson spent the Christmas holidays with the John Pearce and J. D. Holt families.

Mr. and Mrs. Chet Holcomb of Wink visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Harvey here Christmas.

Dosh T. McCreary of Hempstead and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Routh of Joinerville arrived last Friday for a holiday visit with their mother and sister, Mrs. T. T. McCreary and Miss Mattie Ella McCreary, Near Stephenville, while enroute here, Mr. and Mrs. Routh had a wreck in which Mrs. Routh received two cuts on her face requiring some stitches, but Mr. Routh was uninjured.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Niell of Lubbock, Miss Ruth Niell of Copperas Cove, and Rev. and Mrs. Cecil Strickland of Fort Worth came to spend Christmas

with Mrs. Ola Niell. Mr. and Mrs. Niell returned home Monday but the others will be here the remainder of the week.

Miss Frances Gregg, student nurse in Robert Greene Hospital in San Antonio, and John Gregg of Ranger spent Christmas with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Myrick of Weinert and Glenn Smith of Brownwood are visiting with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. S. R. Smith during their Christmas vacations.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Goen and children of Lubbock spent Christmas with relatives in Santa Anna.

Mrs. S. P. Jones and children, Jimmy and Alene, of Dallas came Sunday to spend a few days with Mrs. S. A. Niell and other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Pittard of the Gouldskus community have as visitors this week, their son Howard and Mrs. Pittard's brother of Pittsburg, Pa.

Miss Beth Barnes, teacher in the Port Arthur schools, and Jake Barnes of Howard Payne College are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Ford Barnes.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lacy and Miss Mary Lee Ford of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Seth Ford of Honey Grove spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. Audis Smith and baby son of Odessa are visiting relatives in and near Santa Anna.

Miss Margaret Jones of Austin spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Jones.

Out of town relatives and friends here last week to attend the funeral of S. W. Childers included, Mrs. W. M. Cheaney, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Owen, Electra; Mrs. P. H. Roberts and daughter, Brownwood; Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kemp and Dorothy, Mrs. John Jacobs, Mrs. Frank Pfifer and Mr. Hollis Dewitt all of Comanche; Mrs. Northcut, Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Childers Fillette; and Mrs. L. F. Fillette of McCamey; Mrs. Aubrey Childers and Bill, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Gipson and sons of Coleman; Mrs. P. P. Bond of Abilene; Rev. and Mrs. A. Edwin Wilson of Comanche; Mrs. Leman Brown, Monahans; Clifford and Harry Oder, Brownwood; Mrs. J. E. Seay, Jr., and Mrs. Henry Varner, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Renfro, Mrs. B. E. Davis, Mrs. Garland Marshall, Mrs. Coe Cross, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Beall, Rev. S. F. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Redding, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Beach, Mrs. Garland Zimmerman and Gene Brushingham all of Coleman and Mrs. E. L. Sellers of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Whetstone of Breckenridge were holiday guests in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Whetstone.

Miss Billie Grimes student in TSCW, visited Miss Jean Trick Saturday.

Miss Althea Ragsdale, librarian in the state college at Flagstaff, Ariz., Miss Armenta Rags-

dale, teacher in Sanderson, and Miss Ara Belle Ragsdale, T. C. U. student, are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ragsdale. Mr. and Mrs. William Ragsdale were here a few days the first of the week, but have returned to their home in Pecos.

J. L. Harris who is employed in Longview is spending his Christmas vacation with his wife and daughter here.

Miss Ellen Richards returned home Friday after an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. R. P. Barnard, and her family at O'Brien. Mr. and Mrs. Barnard and son returned with her to spend Christmas here with the C. H. Richards family. Other visitors in the home were Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Butcher and son and daughter of Ackerly and Arnold Richards of Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pritchard and children of Lubbock visited relatives and friends here the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Aldridge and children of Goldsboro spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Vanderford. Miss Ruth Vanderford returned home with them for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Dempsey and Robert Dempsey of Lubbock and the Louie Dempseys of Brownwood were visitors of their mother, Mrs. John Byrd, during the week-end.

Robert Hunter of Austin and Russell Hale of Palo Alto, Calif., spent Christmas with Robert's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hunter.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sealy of Midland visited his mother, Mrs. T. R. Sealy during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Steward and daughters, Billie Bob, Neva Jo, Winnie Jean of Eldorado were Christmas visitors in the T. T. Perry home.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Wheeler will return to Colorado, Texas, today after spending the holidays with his mother and sister, Mrs. Taylor Wheeler and Miss Eunice Wheeler.

Visitors in the Fred Turner home this week are Mrs. H. V.

Kimmel and children and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Turner of Lubbock, Mrs. Ross Mitchell and son of El Paso, Euster Turner of McTune, Ill., Misses Fay and Gay Turner of Austin and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Griffin of Fort Worth.

Misses Josey and Catherine Baxter spent Sunday with their brother and his family in San Saba.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Newman and their son Kirk of Alpine visited relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Singleton of Waco and Fort Davis spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Newman.

Mr. Herman Gerick, John Tarleton student, spent Christmas in the Stafford Baxter home.

Mr. and Mrs. Norville Wylie and daughter of Lubbock spent the first of the week with relatives here.

College Station, Miss Ara Belle Ragsdale, the bridesmaids and members of the bride's family.

In the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Reid left for a short wedding trip. They will make their home in Merkel where Mr. Reid will work with his father in a store.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Reid of Merkel. Both are graduates of the Santa Anna High School.

LIBRARY NOTICE

Saturday morning, December 30, and each Saturday that the library is open, Mrs. Fulton, custodian, will conduct a Story Hour from ten to eleven o'clock for children between the ages of four and ten years. Interesting books by noted authors will be read.

The library will be closed Monday, January 1, 1940.

IS THIS A RECORD FOR CHURCH ATTENDANCE?

It comes to our attention that the Blue family of Santa Anna has attended a Santa Anna church for 50 consecutive Christmases. That is a record for any family, and something to be extremely proud of. Santa Anna is a town of surprises. Perhaps some one can beat that record. If so, let's hear from them.

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The bride, attired in a wine velvet dress with black accessories, was attended by Miss Jo Mae Payne and Miss June Kirkpatrick. Her brother, A. D. Pettit served as best man to the groom.

Guests for the wedding and the luncheon which followed were Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Barrett of Comanche, Cleburne, Willingham of Gustine, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stevens of Dublin, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Greenlee of

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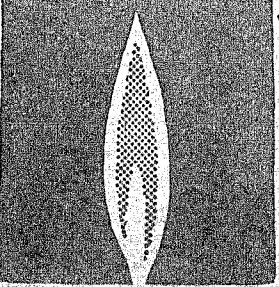
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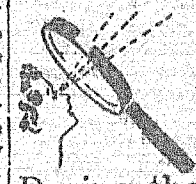
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