

The Big Spring Herald

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By T. E. Jordan

Development To Increase

Development up surrounding Roberts No. 1. A New 8 Miles South

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IF YOU KNOW OF A NEEDY FAMILY, REPORT IT AT ONCE

All persons knowing of any family in need are urged to call Mrs. Bud Brown. Mrs. Brown will make investigation will see that clothing, fuel and food are provided if after investigation, she finds the people really in need.

This Church does not propose to take care of persons who are able bodied and have the chance of work but are too lazy to do it. But those little tots who are barefooted in the cold because of the death of the father or long continued sickness or some great misfortune, these will be our pleasure to serve.

Those children who go to bed hungry because misfortune has made it impossible for them to have bread, these we want to feed. We want to see that every poor family has cover to keep them warm at night, clothing to hide nakedness and keep out cold, and some real substantial food. Do not hesitate to call Mrs. Brown 84 if you have reason to believe that a family might need help. Where there is a real need it is a pleasure to help meet that need.

Natural Gas for City By First of March

Contract Let for Pipe Line to Oil Field and For Distribution System Here. Work to be Rushed

The Consumers Natural Gas and Power Company on Monday awarded to the T. A. Tibey Construction Company the contract to lay a pipe line from the F. H. E. Oil Company's gas well in the Dora Roberts ranch, sixteen miles southeast of Big Spring to this city. The Tibey company was also awarded the contract to build the distribution system in the city. J. P. Kenney, formerly of San Antonio is now here in charge of the office of the distribution system, the Big Spring Public Service Company. So far he has not been able to secure office quarters and requests that those who wish to get in touch with him as to gas connections, etc., address him care Post Office Box 478, Big Spring Texas.

Mr. Kenney stated that three men were put to work Monday to make a house to house canvass to ascertain how many property owners desired gas connections and they are empowered to make contracts for gas and service lines at meter deposits. Mr. Kenney reports one carload of pipe for the pipe line was received Monday and other shipments are due to roll in regularly. While they have until March 15th to complete the pipe line and distribution system, they expect to complete same by March 1st.

The city franchise for gas was awarded to F. A. Hornaday of San Antonio but the business will be transacted under the management of the following companies: The distribution system in Big Spring will be known as the Big Spring Public Service Company and the pipe line from the city limits to the oil field will be known as the Consumers Natural Gas and Power Company.

Send the Herald to some friend in another city for Christmas. formations higher than found to the southwest. The big salt encountered at 875 feet, was not drilled thru until a depth of 1230 feet was reached.

Martin Well to be Drilled Deeper According to information we deem reliable, work on the Donnelly test on the W. S. Martin ranch 12 miles Northwest of Big Spring is to be resumed.

Oil men are of the opinion that a commercial well ought to be secured in that portion of our country.

At Marland Connally No. 1 Drilling is going forward steadily on the Marland Oil Company's test, four miles south of Big Spring. The drill is now pounding away around the 400 foot mark. It is believed the Marland Company plans to make this a through deep test for this territory.

At the California's Fisher No. 1 The task of underreaming to set 6 5-8 inch casing at 3800 feet in the California Company's well on the ranch of Bernard and Joe Fisher, six miles south of Big Spring, is still in progress.

Crowded Conditions of Our Schools Must Be Remedied

Crowded Conditions Injure Standard of Southern Ass'n. of Schools & Colleges; Big Spring Member

That the Big Spring High School ranks high among the schools of Texas, and also in the Southland, is evidenced by the letter received this week by Superintendent P. B. Bittle from A. M. Blackman, chairman of the State Committee, of the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges, who sent in a favorable report. We quote his letter as follows:

December 7, 1927
Supt. P. B. Bittle
Big Spring, Texas.

At the recent meeting of the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges held in Jacksonville, Florida, the Big Spring High School was retained on the list without comment since it met all standards of the association.

Sincerely yours,
A. M. Blackman, Chairman of State Committee.

Advised Reduce Crowded Conditions
The Texas Commission has not only advised the school board, but has even warned them to reduce the crowded conditions of the Big Spring Public schools. A school warned must correct deficiencies within one year or else they lose their affiliations and their names are dropped from the rolls. A school advised will be warned if deficiencies are not corrected within one year. Big Spring has been warned and advised, so it is time that something should be done. Not a year remains for this to be done in either so it will really be an emergency measure to remedy the crowded conditions of the Big Spring schools.

The crowded conditions of the city schools are becoming serious. Superintendent Bittle apprehends an overflow of the schools after the holidays, when the Compulsory Education law goes into effect. To help relieve the conditions in the High School and Junior High School, Superintendent Bittle plans to put on two more teachers after the holidays, one in the High School and one in the Junior High. The State Commission has further advised the school authorities to reduce their

classes of more than thirty pupils to this number. These extra teachers will enable this to be done to some extent. There are sixteen classes in high school with more than 30 pupils in them, and this condition also exists throughout the grades.

Compulsory School Law

The compulsory school law becomes effective January 2nd, and it is feared the schools will be overflowed when the law brings so many more children in to school. There are now 1350 pupils attending the City schools, and it is thought that the enrollment will reach the 1500 mark, after school takes up after the Christmas holidays. There are only 1289 names on the scholastic rolls of Big Spring, between the ages of 7 to 17 years, 404 of these students on the scholastic roll are not in school. Where are they? Some of them are sure to start to school when the Compulsory law becomes effective. The attendance requirements under the Compulsory Education laws read as follows: "Every child in this state who is eight years old and not more than fourteen years old shall be required to attend the public schools in the district of its residence, or in some other district, to which it may be transferred, provided by law, for a period of not less than one hundred days during each scholastic year."

New High School Needed

The crying need for a new High School building is already felt. There are now 343 students in the Big Spring high school the largest enrollment ever in the history of the school. Last year there were 315 pupils in the high school. The High School building is said to have been constructed to accommodate 250 students, so you can readily see that it is already filled to overflowing. With the compulsory school law becoming effective, and new students continuing to enroll each day, it is easy for the citizens to see how great a need a new High School building is.

In order for the Big Spring High School to retain the standard she now holds something must be done to modify the existing crowded conditions. We must think of these things.

50 More Rooms To Be Available

50 More Rooms Will Be Available at New Crawford Hotel When Sixth & Seventh Floors Are Completed

On last Friday, A. J. Crawford, owner of the Crawford Hotel, awarded to the J. M. Morgan Construction Company of Big Spring the contract to complete the sixth and seventh floors of the seven story hotel building. There was such a demand for hotel accommodations in Big Spring and such a pressure brought to bear on Mr. Crawford that he stopped short of completing the building on the original contract.

He decided to have the formal opening of the hotel when the first five stories were completed and furnished. It was thought that with the one hundred guest rooms thus made available the demand for hotel accommodations would have been met. This proved not to be the case however and there is rarely a night when the Crawford does not have to deny folks accommodations. So Mr. Crawford instead of waiting until some future time to complete the hotel has decided to go ahead with the work immediately.

J. M. Morgan, who will personally supervise the work, will use his efforts to complete the work of subdividing the sixth and seventh floors into fifty guest rooms. When this work is completed the Crawford hotel will have a total of 150 guest rooms.

The contract awarded to J. M. Morgan Construction Company will approximate \$50,000.

BUILDING FOR FEED MILL.
Good progress is now being made on the building in the East part of the city which is to house the feed mill which is to be established here by the Sweetwater Cotton Seed Oil Mill Co. This factory is to be located just West of the Planters Gin Co.

Poultry Raising Needs Cooperation

A Cold Storage Plant Should be Provided to Encourage Poultry Raising and Insure Better Prices

If we want to encourage poultry raising in Howard County we are going to be compelled to lend a hand. Its all well and good to talk poultry raising when eggs are selling for sixty and seventy cents per dozen, but how about it next summer when you would have to wear out a pair of shoes trying to peddle a dozen of eggs for fifteen cents or less.

One of the things the citizens of Big Spring must do to make poultry raising profitable is to assist those engaged in the industry to secure an all year market. If this is not possible, a cold storage plant must be provided so that eggs and dressed poultry may be stored during summer, and marketed when price are favorable.

Its just as unprofitable to raise poultry on a large scale if we fail to secure a market or provide a storage until the market is right. Farmers might just as well keep going along in the same old rut of producing too much cotton, as producing poultry without a market for poultry products.

Don't think for a minute we are opposed to encouraging poultry raising. We are merely attempting to emphasize the need of cooperation on the part of our citizens. See that cold storage facilities are available so that eggs and dressed poultry can be placed in storage until prices are right and you have a combination that will mean prosperity for the entire community.

Ben Goodgron, last week, purchased of J. M. McGettis three lots on the Bankhead Highway in the western part of the city where he plans to establish a modern tourist auto camp.

CITY COUNCIL TO AWARD PAVING CONTRACT

At the regular meeting of the City Commission, Tuesday night, Paving, waterworks, improvements and storm sewer were discussed. No special action was taken at this meeting as the date for awarding paving contracts had been set at 10 a. m. Tuesday, December 20th.

Bids on 40,000 square yards will be asked. Plans and specifications have been completed and four types of standard permanent paving are to be considered.

Separate bids will also be asked for the construction of a storm sewer on Fourth street to divert flood waters from Scurry Street to the western part of the city.

WORK PROGRESSING NICELY ON NEW DOUGLASS HOTEL

Material needed to complete the roof of the new Douglass Hotel has arrived and from now on the work of completing this hotel will be speeded up.

Fifty guest rooms and nine business spaces will be available when this building has been completed.

Office Building Is Greatest Need

Prominent Oil Man With the Marland Oil Company Says Office Building a Necessity.

Colonel H. B. Oursler of Ponca City, Oklahoma, with the Marland Oil Company, spent Monday in our city looking over the interests of his company in this section. He was agreeably surprised at the city's growth since his visit here last year and was especially pleased with our new hotel, The Crawford. Mr. Oursler said that our hotel was one such as all of our citizens should be proud of, as there is not a better hotel in a city this size in the state.

Colonel Oursler believes that our greatest need now is a modern office building. He said that if we did not secure an office building at once, we would find that it would be a loss to us. Like the hotel, if we had it, it would be full of oil companies, that are desiring to locate here now.

"I know a number of big oil companies that would like to make Big Spring their headquarters, if they could secure suitable office space," Colonel Oursler said. He feels certain that a wonderful era of building will soon be underway in Big Spring, and that the county is in for a big program of oil development. He stated that he could see our little city growing in population to 15,000 to 20,000 within the next few years.

His advice to Big Spring was to take advantage of our opportunities, if we keep abreast with other towns in this section, and that the need of securing an office building should be met right now.

The Herald is of the same opinion regarding an office building. We believe that if we had this building along with our modern hotel, when oil was first discovered in this territory, that some of the cities that are now boasting of being the Tulsa's of West Texas would not be known as oil towns. It is not too late for us to come to the front, and if some of our people with money would only see the crying need of this building and help to erect one, how much it would mean to Big Spring.

TANK FARM AND BOOSTER STATION

The work of building a tank farm and pipe line booster station by the Magnolia Petroleum Company in the eastern portion of Howard county is now going forward. Six of the 55,000 barrel storage tanks have been completed and more are to be erected. Just how many tanks the Magnolia will have placed in this tank farm is not known as the reports vary from 16 to 50 of these monster tanks.

A booster station to boost the oil in the Magnolia's pipe line from the Midland tank farm to Cisco is also to be arranged for at this farm.

The Magnolia bought 160 acres, 4 miles southwest of the former site of Old Iatan station on which to establish this tank farm.

F. F. Gary left Tuesday night for Fort Worth, where he was called by the serious illness of F. M. Burns, who is ill in a hospital there.

Development Program Is Proposed

Thirty Citizens Meet at Crawford Hotel to Outline Development Program for 1928

At an impromptu meeting held at the Crawford Hotel on Thursday night of last week a development program for Big Spring was discussed.

Edwin A. Kelley served as toastmaster and every one present took occasion to express his views on the various propositions which were proposed to forward the growth and prosperity of the Big Spring country, and everyone was most optimistic on the outlook for the future.

A constructive and conservative program necessary to keep our section building permanently and steadily will necessitate the raising of approximately \$20,000; to be spent through the regular channels of the Chamber of Commerce; with the addition of a publicity department provided for the purpose of advertising the agricultural possibilities of this section. It was pointed out that if some of the large ranch owners can be persuaded to cut up their lands, there will be available for development approximately 140,000 acres of land. It is said this land is just as fine land as that now in cultivation.

The wonderful opportunities which are now being offered in the Big Spring territory would attract thousands of homeseekers here if they but knew what our country could guarantee. The big job is to advertise these opportunities, and it is going to require a big round sum of money to get this information before the people we wish to interest.

Eight members of the City Federation present at this meeting expressed approval of the program outlined and promised the cooperation of the City Federation in putting over the development program.

Every citizen is going to be given an opportunity to help make possible this increased growth and prosperity of our city and county.

BIG SPRING TO HAVE A REAL POULTRY FARM

Two and one half acres of land have been purchased from B. P. Boydston in the east part of town and work is being rushed to get improvements built and incubators installed at the earliest possible date, for a real poultry farm.

The proposed plant calls for 2 1-2 acres land lying inside the city limits of Big Spring fenced with six foot poultry netting. Cedar posts are being used, these are 8 feet long with 30 inches in the ground, 12 foot apart. A small three room house with bath and built in closets. An incubator room built in the ground to house the 2400 egg incubator already on hand. A room dug into the side of the hill measuring 12x12 to be used as a brooder room, and a hen house 100 feet long. This concern is already contemplating adding another 10,000 egg incubator. Negotiations are under way for same. This will necessitate the building of another incubator house. White leghorn hens are to be put on the lot at the earliest possible date.

This concern proposes to hatch custom hatch chickens, hatch and sell blooded chicks, raise and sell broilers, friers, breeders and layers as well as sell the highest type egg for home use. This home poultry farm will be known as: Big Spring Poultry Farm, owned by Claude Wingo and operated by Clifford Haynes.

FIREWORKS BANNED

Fireworks must not be discharged in the fire limits of Big Spring. Most folks are aware that it is a violation of the law to set off firecrackers, roman candles, etc., within the fire limits and the officers will promptly arrest any aught violating this city ordinance.

If parents permit their children to have fire works at home they should warn them of the danger of fire.

LIGHTS FOR FIRST STREET

Provision for installing street lights along First Street have been completed and the Texas Electric Service Company has assured City Manager W. V. Montin they will be able to install the lights next week.

Some friend who has lived in Big Spring will appreciate The Herald.

PITMAN CHOSEN ALL TEXAS CONFERENCE CENTER



Abilene, Dec. 15th.—Here he is! Melvin Pitman, Big Spring product, who has been a shining light on the gridiron for the Simmons University Cowboys for the last four years. Pitman finished his career with the Cowboy gridder on Thanksgiving Day by kicking a field goal that meant 3-0 victory for the Cowboys against their rivals, the Howard Payne Yellow Jackets.

Chosen once as all Texas Conference center, Pitman has always been a feature of the Cowboy attack and defense and was co-captain with Herring Bounds, sensational end, this year.

COWDEN INSURANCE COMPANY HAS OFFICE IN CRAWFORD

The Cowden Insurance Company has opened a real estate and insurance office in the Crawford Hotel, with H. D. Cowden, agent. This company is now ready to serve the public and will be pleased to serve those interested in selling or buying real estate, as well as write any and all kinds of insurance, fire, tornado, property damage, workmen's compensation, accident, life automobile or any other insurance that one might want. This company represents the Colonial Building and Loan Association in Big Spring, which enables the home builder to build on a small payment plan. If interested in any line of this work, you are invited to visit the Cowden Insurance Company, and let them serve you.

MRS. HATTIE CROSSETT SOLD FOUR LOTS LAST WEEK

Mrs. Hattie Crossett last week sold to Shelby Hall two lots 9 and 10, in block 4. H. Reeves bought of Mrs. Crossett two lots in block 13, Cole and Strayhorn Addition.

Good farming land for sale on crop payment plan. See T. S. Currie.

BURR EXTRACTOR AT FAIRVIEW GIN

The Fairview Gin in charge of J. W. Ford, gin expert, has just installed a new Burr extractor which with the fine cleaners already in use is able to make a fine sample out of the roughest cotton. Best equipment, every courtesy. We appreciate our friends. Fairview Gin. 1-81

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ROOM 1
West Texas National Bank Building

SEES BIG DEVELOPMENT FOR THE BIG SPRING COUNTRY

Fletcher H. Ethridge, who has been in Big Spring oil fields the past two weeks, representing the Pan-American Oil Company, one of the largest in California, left Saturday night for Los Angeles, California. Mr. Ethridge was sent here by his company to look into the oil situation, and he was given an appropriation to invest. If he thought it was a good bet. Mr. Ethridge was so well pleased with the outlook of this section after a thorough investigation of same, that he returned to California to confer with his directors and to get them to grant him a much larger appropriation to spend in this section. He expects to return to Big Spring in a short time, and believes that by the first of the year his company will be in the Big Spring fields helping in the big oil development work.

Mr. Ethridge is enthusiastic over the outlook for big pay in this section and states that the day is not far distant when we will see one of the biggest oil fields in this section of the country, that the world has ever seen.

Like many others, Mr. Ethridge believes that Big Spring is in for big things and that by all means a first class office building should be secured so that big oil companies, desiring to locate in this territory, and make Big Spring their headquarters can receive accommodations here. If Big Spring cannot offer them suitable office space the oil men will go to the towns where good quarters can be secured.

R. C. Sanderson returned Sunday from a weeks visit in Chicago, and other points north and east.

We can now die happy—we have seen Henry's new Ford.

J. L. MAULDIN GETS WRITE UP IN SUNDAY'S DALLAS NEWS

A picture of J. L. Mauldin of Big Spring and his Buick car, appeared in the Sunday issue of the Dallas News, together with a complimentary write-up. Following is the clipping from the News:

"More than 100,000 miles in two years without any repairs is the record made by the Buick sedan of J. L. Mauldin of Big Spring and San Angelo, Texas. Mr. Mauldin purchased the car about two years ago for his bus service between the two West Texas towns. Despite daily runs over the unpaved roads through snow, ice, sleet rain and burning heat, the Buick covered 105,544 miles without any repairs. Nothing was done to the car but grease it, change the oil and tighten up nuts when any squeaks developed. The carbo was not cleaned out, the valves were not ground, the bearings were not tightened or replaced. In fact, no mechanical work was done on the car.

When the unusual mileage had been reached it was found necessary to replace the oil pump. The car since has traveled about 7,000 miles more without any other repairs.

In West Texas

The front page of the Big Spring Herald (which, by the way, contained 26 pages last week) is sprinkled with items concerning new buildings, clubhouses, oil developments, paving and a dozen other details that show how the Howard County capital is growing.—Abilene Reporter.

Big Spring is going to move forward and then some during 1928. If we will all join in and push the game will be easy. If we sit back and expect the other fellow to carry the load, it is going to be slow going.

OIL MAPS

Famous Zingery Abstract maps of the following counties:

CRANE	HOWARD	PECOS
WARD	GLASSCOCK	JONES
UPTON	ANDREWS	STONEWALL
LOVING	GAINES	MARTIN
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| Caps | Collar pins | Sweaters |
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| Suspenders | Key Tainers | Rain Coats |
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**WOMEN. GIVE EAR!
FORGET HARD LUCK**

By Olive Roberts Barton
People had their troubles when Samuel Butler wrote "The Way of All Flesh." Certainly poor Ernest Pontifax had his, as those who have seen the screen version of the book may remember.

And yet, "What a fool a person is to remember anything that happened a week ago," remarked Ernest, "unless it was pleasant or unless he wants to make some use of it!"

Methinks, Horatio, that this pretty good philosophy. Why not forget to remember... or remember to forget... all the unpleasant things that have happened to us?

Half the time we hang out crepe and look for mourners, not for present troubles but for something that has happened to us years ago.

Women are chief offenders, they say and I believe it is true. I have seldom had the misfortune to meet a man who howled calamity over his past.

Yet I can think right this minute of dozens of women who can cry to

order over a disappointment, a quarrel, a love affair, or an illness that happened to them years ago.

Even speaking of operations, I don't believe I ever heard a man except Irvin Cobb tell about his, unless he was asked.

It isn't that men are so reticent. To them goes not all glory of silence. They actually do forget. What is finished is finished and one day at a time is enough. Women are supposed to live in the future. They are supposed to be visionaries and dreamers. Well, I am here to say that for every thought many women have for tomorrow they have two for yesterday, particularly if yesterday was hamstrung for luck.

The language spoken by the Eskimos from Greenland to Siberia is so similar that widely separated tribes would not have much difficulty in understanding one another.

The police in certain portions of Japan, through fear of increasing robberies, have forbidden the habit of sleeping with the window open.



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Sheep Grower Gives Some Figures

The Leader editor met one of the smaller sheep raisers of the county in Lovington this week and inquired of him as to his earnings during the year. From him we obtained some very interesting figures:

He started into the sheep business the first of the year with an investment of about \$2,250 in sheep. These were run, mostly on a section of grass. No help was employed except during lambing time.

He sold wool to the amount of \$940, and received around \$1750 for his lambs. The original flock of

sheep was sold this fall for \$2460. This shows a profit of a little more than 100 per cent on his investment with no depreciation in his capital. It also shows more than \$2500 returns for a year's work.

Many a cotton farmer in the cotton belt would be glad to have as much from the labor of his whole family in the cotton fields during the whole year. Lovington (N. M.) Leader.

Where the Chinamen are getting the money to purchase gunpowder to carry on their wars is another crossword puzzle we can't solve.

As a means of advertising, W. E. Eato, in charge of the barber shop in the old Palmer House in Chicago, had 365 silver dollars placed in the tiles of the floor. Only ninety of the old coins have withstood the wear of the years.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Thompson arrived last week from California, to make their future home in this city.

During the Civil War there were 2,400 military engagements considered important enough to be identified by name.

Let's all spread good cheer, Santa Claus comes but once a year and there are only 7 more shopping days to get ready for his visit.



Will delight the heart of the lady, and make her eyes sparkle with pleasure. We are offering a wonderful collection of new styles for this Season in these fine

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at reduced prices for quick disposal. These will be wonderful for Christmas gifts, or for the lady who wants to purchase one to freshen up her wardrobe for the social activities of the Christmas holidays.

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\$2.59, \$3.19

Silk Underwear



Beautiful silk and rayon gowns and "underthings" make a most acceptable gift for Christmas, Acorn prices
89c, 95c, 98c, \$1.50
\$1.98, \$2.25, \$2.50
\$2.95, \$3.19 to \$5.95

GIVE SLIPPERS for Christmas

Brocaded satins all colors

FELTS WITH FUR TRIM



OR FANCY COLORED KID

Acorn quality; Acorn prices: 59c, 89c, 98c, \$1.29, \$1.39, \$1.98.

Many New Dresses Have Arrived in beautiful colors and lines



Just in time for the holiday when everyone is thinking of dressing themselves up.

You'll be pleased at their beauty and more than pleased at the prices.

\$4.95, \$7.95
\$9.95 and \$14.95

Toyland

is still a very live spot in our store. Many people have expressed their appreciation for such a place to choose the many toys necessary to make Christmas a success for the younger generation.

Come in and look thru. We have everything that Santa Claus makes articles from 4c to \$10.00.

Shop in Big Spring at the



Santa Claus

will arrive in Big Spring at 11:30 next Saturday--coming by

plane he will land at the old race track east of the High School, meet him there and join the parade from there to our store. He will spend the entire week with us.

NECKTIES

Just any pattern you can ask for--bows or four-in-hand, satin, satin crepe, magador or wool crepe.

Acorn Prices
29c, 39c, 49c
59c, 69c, 79c,
89c, 98c, \$1.19



Every man and boy in this community needs another belt and handkerchief, they never have too many of such articles. You'll like our selection and prices too.

Belts 49c, 69c, 79c, 95c
Handkerchiefs 4c to 45c



Lumberjacks and Sweaters

IN EVERY CONCEIVABLE



PATTERN AND COLOR

all sizes too
Priced:

\$1.19 to \$4.95



The **ACORN STORE** ALWAYS DEPENDABLE MERCHANDISE



GIVE GIFTS That Are Useful

Pretty
Handkerchief

At 50c

Georgette, Crepe—Embroidered and Lace Trimmed—
Many Shades

- And Buy It at -

THE FASHION

The Store Where Fashionable Women Shop

GOLD METAL and other good makes—fine gold and Silver

Metallic Hats

In One Low Price
\$7.85



Give Her A Coat or Dress

A coat makes an acceptable gift. 3 groups to select from, all specially priced---

21.50 26.50 32.50

Better Coats Too!

A glance through our dress section will convince you of our superiority in dress values—style, price and quality, many new spring creations are represented for your choosing—new blue, tans, rose and pinks, prices from—



First Showing of Spring Coats for Your Approval

24.50 - 27.50 - 37.50
Other new styles at - - 11.75 - 14.75 - 18.50

Give Silk Underwear

- Crepe de Chine Step-in ... \$3.85
- Crepe de Chine Step-in ... 3.65
- Glove Silk French Panties 3.45
- Glove Silk Bloomers 3.95
- Rayon Pajamas 4.95
- Rayon Pajamas 6.75
- Rayon Ted and Skirt Combination 2.95



Pretty Underwear

Makes Ideal Gifts

- Pantie and Skirt and Brassiere Combination 3.65
- Satin Slips 3.45
- Crepe de Chine Teds 4.35
- Glove Silk Gowns 7.85
- Glove Silk Teds 3.85

Fine Hosiery

Makes a Very Acceptable Gift



Beautiful Hosiery, in plain and Clox styles, plain and Pointex heel.

Fine Hosiery, in the newest of shades. Sheer Chiffon and Service Weights. Many Xmas boxed, price \$1.85, \$2.25, \$2.75 to \$3.50 Hosiery that are all-silk from top to toe.

LUXURIOUS FURS THE GIFT SUPREME

Big Selection of fine furs to choose from—this is a lasting and appreciated Gift—look through these real values

37.50 44.50 59.50 79.50 98.00 125.00

Pretty Purse in Leather

— and Metallic and Swede, Tan, Gray, and Black.

3.95 to 9.50



Hat Boxes and Cases

New Styles and Patterns

CASES - - 11.50
BOXES - - 13.50

Handsome Robes

To suit the most fastidious. Plain and Quilted styles. In very beautiful shades of rose, tan, pink, blue and dark shades and many combinations. Price

9.95 to 37.50



The Christmas Store for Stylish Women

THE FASHION

Women's Wear

Max S. Jacobs

Ready-to-wear Underwear
Purses
Millinery
Hosiery and Handkerchiefs

Oil News From Other WT Fields

Reeves County Oil News

One of the latest additions to list of oil wells in Reeves is the Grisham-Hunter well in northern Reeves, located a few miles north of the old Bell well. This company has drilled a number of tests in Reeves and Culberson counties with no real success in getting production. Still they continue their exploration of this area.

The World well is now trying to drill out a lead plug and attempt to get a real shut off before shooting the hole just above the Delaware in the black lime. It was at this formation that the Lockhart Allen well got its production so the operators of this company will also try that work though located several miles west of the other well.

The Exploration well in Reeves, about ten miles north of Pecos, is temporarily shut down waiting adjustments before continuing with the hole. The total depth of this well is 1,175 feet with the hole full of water which they have been unable to shut off. It is expected that operations will be resumed in the near future for a deep test of this virgin territory.

Roxana Gets Big Well in Winkler

Roxana Petroleum Corporation's No. 1 Grisham and Hunter which for some time has been one of the biggest gasers in Winkler county, averaged 215 barrels the first fifteen hours late in the week following a shot with 260 quarts of nitroglycerine from 3,013 to 2,910 feet. The well is in the north part of the Hendriks pool and is 2,310 feet from the north line and 1,650 feet from the west line of Section 45, block 26, public school land. At 2,809-01 feet gas struck higher up increased to sixty-five million cubic feet and later the tools were blown up in the hole.

Vacuum Company Preparing to Drill on Runnels Lease

Ballinger, Dec. 8.—The Vacuum Oil Company, which recently purchased a half interest in the Sillix et al McMullan No. 1 and the 3,100 acre block on which it is located, has sent George Luck here to take charge of production. The test is still making between 90 and 100 barrels of high gravity oil daily.

The Vacuum is preparing to sink another well on the block and materials are now being moved to location with prospects of spudding within the next week or so.

Cooperative Pipe Line Plan

Fort Worth, Dec. 12.—Decision to extend the term of cooperative allocation of pipe line facilities in the Yates pool in Pecos six months from January 1, 1928, and to change the basis of allocation from proportionate potential production to proportionate share of the proven acreage, was reached at a meeting of representatives of producers in Fort Worth today. The decision is subject to formal ratification of the companies between this date and January 1.

Crockett Co. Well Hits Gas

D. E. Simmons' No. 1 Half in Crockett county, less than a half mile southeast of the Gulf Thompson producers, was shut down at 854 feet after striking an estimated million cubic feet of gas daily. The wildcat is 150 feet east of the Pecos river and 150 feet from the north line of Section 69, Block 1, I. G. N. Ry. Co. survey, and is attracting considerable attention.

Yates Field Secures Another Gusher

Within three locations of the biggest oil well in the world in point of production, the Mid-Kansas Company's Yates 2C, the No. 3-C Yates of the same company came in Wednesday night with an initial production of 400 barrels an hour.

The new well is producing oil at a depth of 603 feet.

Oil Tests Abandoned

Jones County's abandonments were:

Sinclair Oil and Gas Company No. 1 Devise total depth 3,149 feet, plugged back to 3,110 feet; made 3 to 4 gallons of oil from 3,075-77 feet and had a hole full of sulphur water at 2,830-35 feet.

Marston Oil Company No. 1 J. B. Swan, total depth 3,503 feet, hole full of salt water at 3,015 feet, hole full of water at 3,368 feet.

Gilson & Johnson No. 1 Largest, total depth 3,067 feet, total depth 3,067 feet.

Goldrick and other's No. 1 Campbell total depth 2,598 feet.

In Upton County the Tulsa Oil Company abandoned its No. 1 Estep Chanoy at 2,435 feet with the hole full of sulphur water from 2,429,35

feet.
In Crane County R. S. Matthews abandoned No. 1-A Cowden at 4,100 feet.

Oil Production in Howard & Mitchell

Howard County	
Magnolia Pet. Co.	40 3,580
Marland Oil Co.	32 1,090
Pure Oil Co.	4 305
Lockhart & Co.	7 135
Sweeney & Henry et al.	1 105
F-H-E Oil Co.	2 110
Bristow & Herring	3 90
Godley Oil & Gas Co.	1 85
Frank M. Greene Corp.	2 75
Mid-West Expl. Co.	2 50
L. C. Harrison et al.	2 45
Tidal Oil Co.	2 45
Humble Oil & Ref. Co.	2 30
Owen-Soan Oil Co.	1 30

Comet Pet. Co.	2 25
Marland & Texas	1 25
Gulf Prod. Co.	2 10
Totals	106 6,116

Mitchell County

The California Oil Co.	98 2,435
Magnolia Pet. Co.	22 525
Atlantic Prod. Co.	8 205
Eastland Oil Co. et al.	9 175
Tidal Oil Co.	2 30
Fred Carey et al.	1 20
Totals	138 3,390

The heart of Kosciuszko, the Polish patriot who fought in the American Revolution, has recently been sent from Switzerland to the Polish capital to be placed in a museum.

Some folks would kick if they had both legs cut off. Its just a habit with them to grouch.

Flowers the Spirit of Christmas



All the beauty and purity that Christmas signifies is embodied in lovely Flowers. As a token of devotion to friends or relatives Flowers are unexcelled. In our Shop you'll find them freshest and most lovely. Place your order now.

Couch Greenhouse & Floral Co.

1206 Gregg St.

Phone 329

Special Christmas CAKES



Place your order for one now! We follow the good old-fashioned recipes in baking these dainties for Christmas, that's why they're so good. Everyone likes our cakes.

Fruit Cakes

Made from only the freshest and highest grade ingredients. Full of delicious fruits and nuts—try one!

Butter-Nut Cakes—resh at your grocer's, every morning.

We sell Sally Ann and Butter-Nut Bread.

HOME BAKERY

Phone 142



Ideal Xmas Gifts



Not only have we bought in anticipation of your Xmas needs, but we have maintained our protective policy toward our customers in buying dependable merchandise, and featuring

"Gifts That Last"

You can depend on a large showing of new ideas in our lines, and you can depend also on the quality of material, and workmanship, at a fair price.

Large and Varied Stocks of Gift Creations Featuring Choicest Designs in



Diamonds--

Mounted in the Very Latest Settings

MEN'S STANDARD WATCHES--Hamilton's, Elgins and Warwicks.

IVORY--New colors, stone set fancy cases.

MESH BAGS--Whiting and Davis.

COMPACTS--Latest variety.

Bracelet Watches--

Warwick's--nationally advertised



LEATHER GOODS--Purses, bill folds, handbags, and Military Sets.

CHINA--Fireproof china and Rochester ware.

TOILETRIES--Best Parisian and American creations



Silverware---

Sterling Community Plate 1847 Rogers

CANDIES--In attractive packages.

STATIONERY--In standard brands in newest styles.

NOVELTIES--All kinds and prices.

Clyde Fox

Jewelry and Drug Company

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

MARY GRAHAM BONNER

CABLE AND COW

Sometimes," said Uncle John, "you must be special wonders for me to see because he is a boy—like the Juvenile police when the boys helped policemen in keeping order. Yes, there are certain wonders which are naturally more interesting to him because he is a boy. Others more interesting to Dorothy than to him.

"Today I think it's quite fair for me to see a special 'sight' for Dorothy's eyes too," said Douglas enthusiastically, for he was a fine brother and Dorothy were each great believers in playing fair.

Dorothy was extremely fond of Douglas liked hot chocolate better than anything—except perhaps made in the summer when it was hot.

They went to a big creamery where milk was arriving from the farms. Dorothy had seen so many cans when they were shown the various pieces and the machinery which sterilized the bottles and rinsed them, everything absolutely clean.

They saw how the milk was poured into bottles held under a big tank. Dorothy quickly they work," said Dorothy as she watched bottles filled instantly. "They almost seem to be filled by magic, but it's really only invention for doing a great deal of work in a very short time."

But they saw the bottles covered with labels and then they watched

So Many Cans of Milk.

get into boxes ready to be sent to the people.

"They could never believe in the story," said Dorothy, "that so much milk is taken over milk. We just get it from the cows and then drink that's all! To think of all these people and all this machinery working in the city people's milk!"

"We have to be careful in such a big place, to have everything clean," said Uncle John, "for it's so important from the country when your family or your own men look after the milk." But Dorothy was laughing.

"What is it?" asked Douglas.

"What would our old Bossy Cow do in a creamery?" Dorothy asked. "She'd be frightened if she saw this wonderful way of treating milk."

After they had left the creamery Uncle John said,

"I am going to send a cable."

"That's a kind of an ocean telegram, isn't it Uncle John?" asked Douglas.

"Yes, it's a message which goes under the ocean on great, enormous cables, just as the telegraph wires carry telegrams through the air."

"Another wonder!" exclaimed Douglas. "Truly the cable is a wonder we know with which I'm sure we don't appreciate is such a wonder."

"The children went with Uncle John and they watched him write a few words just as if he were sending a telegram, but the address was the name of a place on the other side of the ocean!"

"The man who invented the cable," said Uncle John, "failed twice before he proved to be a success."

"There is nothing so hard as to be sure of, and to feel a failure, I think," said Douglas.

"The people told the inventor that he was absurd," Uncle John continued. "They said that a cable could not be made under the ocean so that messages could be sent to friends over the seas. When he failed, how they did!"

"What was his name?" asked Douglas.

"His name," answered Uncle John, "was Cyrus West Field. He tried different experiments, and no one thought the cable could be made to keep under the water."

"And doesn't the water ever get through?" asked Dorothy.

"No," said Uncle John, "the great cables are protected from the ocean water even all the water that is in contact with the messages now."

"The children watched Uncle John send another message, and a man explained the wonders of the cable to them as they looked on."

"I think that every day there are new wonders," said Douglas.

"That's true," said Uncle John, "this one is a special wonder for you to hear of. It has been perfect for fifty years and more."

"But I mean that the cable has been perfect and perfect since ever."

HUNDREDS VIEW NEW MODEL FORD HERE PAST WEEK END

It would have been a big man's job to keep count of the number of people who called at the Wolcott Motor Company last Friday and Saturday to see the new Ford car, a Sedan, on display. The one thing that everyone has been reading about for months and months and anxious to see, attracted folks for many miles, who came to Big Spring Saturday especially to see Henry Ford's new invention.

To say that everyone was pleased and delighted expresses it about right, for the new Ford is some improvement over the old Tin Lizzie. New body lines, new engines, new brakes, new upholstery and many other improvements put the new Ford car in a class to itself, and ahead of some of the other cars now on the market. All the comforts and conveniences of a high powered automobile have been combined in the new Ford car, and the price in the new car has been raised very little.

Nearly everyone can still afford a Ford, and the waiting list at the Wolcott Motor Company has increased since the new model has been displayed. It will be summer time before all of the orders for new Fords can be filled.

Following is a comparison of the old and new price of Ford cars:

Roadster, new price, \$385.00; old price \$360.00. —\$25.00.

Phaeton, \$395.00, old price—\$380.00; \$15.00.

Roadster, pick-up body, \$395.00; old price \$381.00, difference \$14.00.

Coupe, new price \$495.00; old price, \$485.00; difference \$10.00.

Tudor sedan, new price \$495.00; old price \$495.00, difference none.

Fordor sedan, new price \$570.00; old price \$545.00; difference \$25.00.

Truck (Chassis 1 1-2 ton) new price, \$460.00. old price \$325.00; difference \$135.00.

Sport coupe, price \$550.00.

ABILENE AND WACO TO CLASH

Abilene and Waco will battle for the High School football championship of Texas at Waco, Texas, Friday afternoon December 15th.

The game will be broadcast over W. B. A. P. at Fort Worth for the benefit of the radio and football fans.

Herald Want Ads Get Results

CEMETERY FUND AMOUNTS TO ONLY \$385.50

J. F. Wolcott, chairman of the committee to raise funds for the Cemetery Association, total receipts this week he deposited \$385.50 for the Cemetery Association, to total receipts collected since this committee started work. Mr. Wolcott was disappointed in this amount. He has made appeal after appeal to the citizens who understand very well the need of funds at the cemetery, and what the money will be used for. If the good work at the cemetery is to be kept up, more money is needed. If you have loved ones buried there, do you expect others to pay your part toward keeping the graves neat? Even those who have no loved ones there, should be willing to donate some to their up keep. Civic pride should make us all want to see the cemetery well kept, and not over run with weeds and trash.

Mr. Wolcott in behalf of his committee, wants to make another appeal to the citizenship to donate to this fund. If you have already contributed and can give some more, do so. If you have not sent in a donation, do so today.

Every cent will be gratefully received.

The Woodman Circle was the first to give a Christmas donation to the Cemetery fund. They donated \$12.00 to this worthy cause this week. It is hoped that others will follow their example, and send in a contribution at once. Who will be next?

We know of one big crop we are going to get next year and that is a crop of candidates. The political pot is beginning to simmer quite lively and we expect it to boil over shortly after January first. Many men are going to be stung by the political bee, and don't you doubt it.

The plan for lighting First street seems to have been lost somewhere in the shuffle during our last paving program, but we have hope that the present City Commission will remedy the matter. First street certainly needs street lights if any street in the business section does.

So far as the size of the mouth and throat is concerned many species of sharks could swallow a man with ease.

WARNING

A swindler is operating in your section of the country and is systematically defrauding business houses in the following manner:

A post office money order is purchased at one town for \$2.00 or \$4. The offender then raises the amount by inserting figure "0" following the figure "2" or "4" and alters the reading in the coupon to show "20" or "40" instead of "two" or "four." The marginal check is entirely torn off by the swindler. He then usually makes a small purchase from a merchant in another town and tenders the order, receiving the larger amount as change, receiving \$20.00 for an order issued for \$2.00 etc. The fraud is not disclosed until the order is presented at the post office and request made for separate advice.

The crook usually makes his purchase at a dry goods store, but may attempt the fraud on any business house or possibly try to pass such an order at your office. A Federal Statute makes it a felony to alter a post office money order and this service is anxious to cause the arrest of the person who is operating this scheme.

It will be appreciated if you will make a special effort to inform the business houses of the details of this scheme immediately upon receipt of this letter, and endeavor to secure co-operation in causing the arrest of the offender, should he attempt a swindle of this nature in your town. Local officers should be requested to arrest any person passing or attempting to pass one of these altered orders.

J. W. Ward, Postmaster.

If we can increase our poultry population from a few thousand to a few million, we will be inviting prosperity to our county. Poultry raising is a real business, but the man or woman who will study the business and give their time and attention to it they are almost certain to succeed.

Oil men are of the opinion that a big play is going to take place southwest of the Settles field and on across Glasscock County, beginning within ninety days.

Ray Willcox returned Sunday from a visit with relatives and friends in Dallas.

CHRISTMAS PLANTS

Plenty of Jerusalem Cherries, Begonias, Geraniums, Zeylanicas, Primroses, etc., will be found at the Couch Greenhouse and Floral Company, 1206 Gregg Street, Phone 329. —12-2t.

"You Cannot Be Optimistic With Misty Optics" Scientific Optical Service—the to good vision and eye comfort WILKE'S, Opticians. Glasses from \$1.00 to \$2.50 and all work guaranteed.

Santa Says



Have your cleaning and pressing done at Harry Lees Tailor Shop

where only expert workmen and modern machinery handles your clothes. Even the daintiest garment is returned to you as good as new.

Have your wardrobe put in shape now before the Christmas rush because you will want to look your best during the holidays.

We Call For And Deliver Harry Lees Anything in Tailoring

Phone 420



FOOD SPECIALS



For The Holidays

When planning for large holiday dinners, you can simplify preparations and reduce expense by taking advantage of our

Red Tag Sale Each Saturday for Cash Only

At Christmas-tide your table can hold none save the best.

For the holidays we have selected the freshest and best staple and fancy groceries the market affords. We offer these to you at special values. Phone your Christmas orders early.

Market Products

Always the tenderest and most savory meats and fowls. We have everything to be found in an up-to-date market.

Pool-Reed Co.

Grocery and Market PHONE 145

The State National Bank

Big Spring, Texas

Statement of Condition as Reported to the Comptroller of the Currency at the Close of Business Oct. 10, 1927

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts.....\$ 517,739.47	Capital.....\$ 50,000.00
Commercial Paper..... 242,028.95	Surplus Earned..... 50,000.00
Overdrafts..... NONE	Undivided Profits..... 48,779.64
U. S. Bonds..... 50,000.00	Circulation..... 50,000.00
5 per cent Redemption Fund... 2,500.00	Borrowed Money..... NONE
Banking House and Fixtures... 25,900.00	DEPOSITS..... 1,023,900.07
Federal Reserve Bank Stock... 3,000.00	
Cotton Acceptances..... 174,718.27	
CASH..... 206,793.02	
\$1,222,679.71	\$1,222,679.71

Deposit Your Money Where You Can Get Accommodations When You Need Them. We Are Prepared At All Times To Grant Our Customers Accommodations.

The confidence of the people in any Bank is shown by the patronage and said confidence is shown in our Bank as we have the largest number of depositors and customers, also largest amount of deposits and resources of any Bank in Howard County.

For Safety and Service Do Your Banking Business With Us

We Pay 4 Per Cent Interest on Time Deposits

Do Your Xmas Shopping Now

It's Christmas Time

Do Your Xmas Shopping Now

PLEASING THE HARD TO PLEASE---

You will find gifts here for every member of the family



YANKIBOY
PLAY CLOTHES
"Make the Children Happy"

How every real boy enjoys playing in Yankiboy Play Clothes! They keep him out in the air more and save costly wear and tear on his regular clothes. Let him dress the part of "Cowboy Bill," "Big Chief Rain-in-the-Face" or any character that appeals to him. Yankiboy comes in a wide range of styles. Sizes 2 to 14. And they cost but little.

1.50 to 12.50



Gifts for Him

- Neckwear, 50c to \$3.
- Gloves, \$1.50 to \$5.
- Lounge robes \$5 to \$32.50.
- Belts \$1.00 to \$2.50
- Belt sets \$3.50 to \$4.50.
- Leather wallets \$1 to \$5.00.
- Interwoven hose 50c to \$1.50
- Supporters 50c to 75c
- Handkerchiefs 10c to \$4.00
- Silk Scarfs \$3.50 to \$5
- House Shoes \$2 to \$4.50.
- Fancy Suspenders \$1. to \$2.00.
- Shirts \$1.50 to \$5.00

Gifts for Her

- House Shoes \$2.25 to \$7.50
- Gloves \$1.25 to \$2.50
- Hose, silk \$1.95 to \$3.
- Purses \$3.95 to \$7.50.
- Robes \$4.95 to \$47.50
- Floor lamps \$3.49
- What-not tables \$2.49
- Bridge tables \$2.85
- Stationery sets \$1 and \$3.00.



For His Xmas
a Kupenhimer or
Rico Rochester
Suit or Top
Coat

25.00 to 50.00

A TREASURE HOUSE OF GIFTS

Assortment's the thing

Albert M. Fisher Co.

WE DELIVER

PHONE 400

WE DELIVER

Building Program Increasing
Shortly after the first of the New Year the building program which continues at a steady pace is due for a big impetus.

The \$50,000 improvement on Crawford Hotel, the completion of the Douglass Hotel and the completion of the Lester Fisher building will keep many men at work.

Work on the new \$200,000 office building and equipment to be installed by the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. should be started soon.

C. W. Mitchell is planning a modern business block 100x140 foot

on the Bankhead Highway.

Work on the new \$100,000 theater for the R & R interests started shortly after January 1.

The Southern Ice and Utilities Co. is to erect a modern up-town retail station, and possibly make a number of big improvements at their plant.

A large furniture company is trying to interest some property owner to erect them a business building.

The Woolworth Company is also seeking a location in our city.

W. W. Inkman is planning on erecting a business building at the corner of East Third and Johnson Streets.

The contract for paving approximately forty blocks in the resident section is to be awarded by the City Commission December 30th.

We appreciate the pleasure of showing our Christmas presents. Let us wrap your packages free for you. Collins Bros. Drugs.

Use Herald Want Ads—They Pay

BUILDING PERMITS

The following building permits have been awarded by the City Secretary the past week.

Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. office building of brick and frame, two stories, at East Fourth and Runnels street, dimensions 49x53 feet. Estimated cost \$21,000. Contractor Robt. E. McKee of El Paso.

Claud Wingo, \$2000 improvements on lot at Sixth and Temperance St., were commercial hatchery will be operated. Buildings include 22x22 foot residence, 12x12 foot brooder, and 12x100 foot chicken house.

A fellow not onto the oil game just can't see through the ins and outs of the game. We used to think an abandoned well condemned a vast scope of country, but we see them come right back and pay big prices for leases around dry holes. Most of the wells drilled give the oil men valuable information we don't receive.

Mrs. W. E. Cantrike spent Sunday in Gordon, visiting her son Harry Wheelon.

It Pays to Read Herald Want Ads

The most practical way of opening the future City of Big Springs is to boost, not to knock. Strangers and tourists with deep pockets. All towns that follow the course are growing like wild fire. Folks or citizens of Big Springs, and keep on boosting.

We appreciate the pleasure of showing you our Christmas presents. Let us wrap your packages free for you. Collins Bros. Drugs.

W. F. Cushing and W. R. C. made a business trip to San Antonio Wednesday.

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Big Spring, Texas, Friday, December 16, 1927

By T. E. Jordan

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City Park and Federal Building

Set on Foot to Secure Park for Big Spring. A Federal Building by 1928

House marked this week's Wednesday Lunch and an especially "fine" membership in a good program to enjoy the program to

L. Wilke acted as chairman of the meeting and announced selected problems which would be solved by actions rather than words. He stated that the need of one or more City Parks is a present day problem and we will lose no time in acquiring one or two such as the Parrish east of Big Spring. Such park sites can be secured at reasonable price now, whereas it is impossible to secure them years from now. The larger city parks pay immense sums for park sites because they fall to make provisions therefor and was cheap and Big Spring would such a costly error by act-

announced a free for all dinner and invited anyone having suggestion to offer, to feel at liberty to state it.

favoring the proposition made by W. V. Montin, Clyde Thomas, B. Reagan, Burns, H. Shine Phillips and others, suggestion of a natorium in connection with the City Park and to make itself supporting was suggested. In addition to the Parrish land just south of the T. and W. and the tract on which the wells are located were also suggested as park sites.

Motion prevailed that Chairman Pickle appoint a committee to study the proposition and cooperate with the City Federation on the park question. Another motion on this committee be called on regularly each meeting to report progress and that a new committee be appointed when the first committee became inactive. The following were appointed as a Park committee: C. W. Cunningham, B. Reagan and Clyde E. Thomas.

A Federal building was suggested by Mr. Wilke as another building we need and should have.

A spirited discussion ensued in which the present inadequate postal facilities were scored. It was generally agreed that our chances of securing a Federal building were just what we need of new Federal buildings, and they have longer poles so the postmen are not going to do any of the smaller cities until the big fellows have their wants satisfied.

It was also pointed out that it is impossible to stretch the present quarters so the problem of how to remedy conditions is a difficult one. Although the present postal force is being called upon to do just double the work the same number of postal clerks were called upon to do in this office a few years ago. Postmaster Ward's request for more clerks has been denied.

A suggestion was made that business men write to the Assistant Postmaster General stating the need for larger quarters and more clerks in the local post office, giving date, length of time spent when buying stamps, securing or mailing out packages.

The number of persons desiring to use boxes should also be sent to the Assistant Postmaster General. The citizens should cooperate with Postmaster Ward in trying to improve the postal facilities, realizing he is working under a serious handicap due to crowded quarters and lack of needed clerks to handle the extra work.

Secretary Watson announced that the annual banquet of the Chamber of Commerce was all set for Thursday night, and urged everyone to purchase tickets to the banquet at once.

Chairman Pickle stated that the dinner in the C. of C. "More Feed on Five Acre Contest" should be the guests of the Luncheon Club on Wednesday. Fred Keating was named chairman for the next meeting and he was to be furnished with two sides to assist in arranging a program.

A special feature of this week's program that was very much enjoyed

C. OF C. ANNUAL BANQUET TONIGHT

Entertainment Being Held in First Methodist Church 300-Guests New Directors to be Announced

Places for 300 guests have been set at the banquet tables in the parlors of the First Methodist church, which is in progress this evening, Thursday, December 15th, beginning at 7 o'clock. Several Chamber of Commerce secretaries from neighboring towns are out of town guests, and other prominent visitors will also be present.

An interesting program has been arranged, with the principal speech of the evening to be made by Judge Chas. E. Coombes, former mayor of Abilene. Sam R. Weaver, president of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce, will act as Master of Ceremonies. The following program will be given:

Invocation—Clara Wingo, pastor First Christian Church.
Vocal solo—Miss Lillian Hancock.
President's address.
Quartet selection—Mrs. C. T. Watson, Zou Hardy, Buell Cardwell and H. G. Keaton.
Secretary's report.
Ladies' Chorus.
Announcement of election of directors—J. B. Pickle.
Address—Judge Chas. E. Coombes
Violin Solo—Miss Evelyn Jackson.
A Widening Horizon—Edwin A. Kelley.
Progress in Poetry—A Pantomime.

SETTLES AND COOTS TO LEAD STEERS IN 1928

Ed Settles and Red Coots were elected Captains of the Steers at a meeting of the football boys at the High School last Wednesday afternoon. Ed has the honor of leading the Steers next year, and "Red" will be co-captain. Settles has proven himself to be one of the best and surest tackles on the squad, and he has played football to the satisfaction of everyone. Coots is to help Ed lead the Steers next year. Red has certainly played good football this season and he is noted for his punts and passes. Both men are sure to be outstanding players on the team next year.

Great things may be expected of the Steers in '28, under the leadership of such fine young men. Their team mates have shown their confidence and admiration for them by electing them captains, and a successful season is expected.

Some of the best players will be lost this year through graduation, namely: Plush Yarbrough, Perry Johnson, Malcolm Patterson, Forrest Thorp, and Theo Ferguson. Johnson and Yarbrough have played four years successfully with the Steers, Patterson and Ferguson have played two years, and Thorpe one, but all of them have proven to be good athletes, and in for clean sports.

There will be plenty of men to carry on their good work next season, and who will show up in every game. Jesse Fugglaar, who is a fellow that can plunge any team line and make good gains; Frank Jones who can carry the ball around the end better than any other man on the team, and Luther Glover who can run interference with the best of them. Then Coots will be in the back field to do his share.

On the line, Ed will be there to tackle; Bug Fields will be another excellent player on the team next year, as he has already shown some fine work, as well as Ed Maxwell, who says that there will always be a hole for leaks when the play is called to go over him. Frank Griffith will be tackle which any team will be proud of, and Icky Manuel will also probably be a valuable man next year. Fisherman and Koberg are showing up fine, and they may have position on the first team before next season is over. Jack Flowers, Burma Barley and several others will be good material for next year.

The outlook for a successful season in 1928 is bright, and the Steers are anxiously waiting for another season to roll around.

If the citizens are not to have a voice in the type of paving to be installed or as to the width of the streets it is certain we are going to have checkerboard paving.

ed by the club members were several selections by Mrs. Chas. Morris, pianist and vocalist, and Miss Evelyn Jackson, violinist.

Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa Claus:
We are two little girls age 4-12 years and two and one half years old. Our papa went to God's house to live last year and our mama has been sick so we ask you to bring us something for Xmas. We would like to go to Sunday School but have no shoes or coats so please bring us some if you have any to spare. We are good little girls, stay home by ourselves while our mama goes to work and Santa please send us some coal so we can have a good fire and any thing else you can spare for us.
Emma and Nadine Hayne.
706 E. Third St.
Big Spring, Tex.
Dec. 16, 1927.

Dear Santa Claus:
We are two little boys two and four years old. Would you mind us writing you what we want for Christmas? We want two pair of little mittens, a Kiddie car, guns, books, some blocks so we can learn to count. Tooth brushes, small fire crackers and of course you will know to bring lots of fruit, candy and nuts. We will try to be good boys until Christmas any way. P. S. Please don't forget our grandma and grandpa.
Your little friends,
Carroll and R. J. Coates.
Big Spring, Tex.
December 9, 1927

Dearest Santa Claus:
I am a little girl in the second grade. I want you to bring me a doll, nursing a bottle and I want you to bring me a doll cart to pull my doll in, and I want you to bring me a set of dishes. I want you to bring a little stove and I can play with it. I want you to bring me a mop and an ironing board.
Be sure and remember all the little boys and girls with love,
Clemmie Ozelle Humphries.
Panther D. Draw School,
Big Spring, Texas.
December 11, 1927

Dear Santa:
I have tried to be a good little girl and take care of the nice toys you brought me last Christmas. This time dear Santa, please bring me a little car that I can ride in and a table.
Remember my little sister Billie. She can't talk but I know what she wants. She wants you to bring her a Kiddie car and a doll. Fill our stockings full and all the other little children also.
Your best friend,
Mary Alice Cain,
Big Spring, Texas
Dec. 9, 1927.

Dearest Santa Claus:
I am a little boy. I go to school. We have a new house so do not come to the old one. Please bring me a little car so I can ride to school. I want a set of carpenter's tools and an air gun. I would like to have a flashlight too. Be sure and remember all the poor little boys and girls.
With love,
Floyd Forest Phillips.
Panther Draw School.

Big Spring, Texas
204 Owen street
Dec. 13, 1927
Dear Santa Claus:
I want a small machine doll, one that has a bath in its hand. A little set of china dishes and a sewing machine.
My little sister wants a doll in a basket, a set of china dishes and a kiddie car.
With lots of love,
Lorita and Vida Mae Angel.
Fort Worth, Texas
Dec. 12, 1927.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am going to visit my grandmother in Big Spring this Xmas. Will you please come to see me there?
I want a gun, an elephant, modeling clay and some fruit.
Please remember all the other little boys and girls.
Your little friend,
Emmitt Ingram, Jr.
Big Spring, Tex.
Dec. 14, 1927

Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a real good girl this year, and I want you to bring a little doll and doll buggy and a little table and set of dishes, and I have two little friends. Their papa is dead I want you to come to see them too. With lots of love and kisses to Santa Claus.
Helen Louise McGee.
Big Spring, Texas
December 6, 1927

Dear Santa Claus:
I am writing you so I can tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a little table and some chairs, a pair of skates and a little set of dishes if you will bring me that I will be so happy.
Yours truly,
Lucille Limer.
Big Spring Texas
December 13, 1927

Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to send me a bicycle and a pair of boots, and that is all good by. When you come I will be glad. I am nine years.
T. G. Henry.
And my brother said he is three years old. He wants a gun and boots and a wagon.
Red.
Big Spring, Texas.
December 9, 1927.

Dearest Santa Claus:
I am a little boy. I go to school. I am in the second grade. Please Santa Claus, bring me a little car and bring me a ball and mask, mit. bat and glove so I can play baseball and I want a train. I want an air gun. With love,
Jeff Rankin.
Big Spring, Texas.
December 9, 1927.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me a dump truck and Tinker toys, and little car of some kind and please tell Bobby to let me play with his things.
Lots of love,
Lawrence Coleman.
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WORK STARTED ON TELEPHONE BUILDING

Work was started on the two story office building and exchange of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in this city.

The structure is to be of brick and frame, 48x53 feet, on the site at the corner of East Fourth and Runnels Street. Estimated cost \$21,000. Robt. E. McKee of El Paso was awarded the contract to construct this building.

The telephone company plans to have the new telephone equipment installed in the new home and ready for operation by next July.

AT WORK ON LESTER FISHER BUILDING

The first work on the Lester Fisher building was started this week. The plan of the building is a two-story frame building. The first of the work will be done by the first of February. The work on these plans will be available on the ground floor and six office rooms will be arranged on the second floor. Being on the Bankhead Highway, space in the building can be readily rented.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

We are glad to welcome Mrs. Rodgers and Harry from Alexandria, Louisiana. Mrs. Rodgers and Harry took membership with First Christian church December 4.

We are made sad at the news of the death of Mrs. A. M. Henry. Mr. and Mrs. Henry with their son moved to our town not long ago and have been living in the Cunningham cottage. Mrs. Henry has been sick for some time but not until recently was she unable to care for herself. Believing that she would do better in El Paso, Mr. Henry sent his wife to a friend in El Paso last Friday. She arrived O. K. and Sunday she wrote to her family that she was doing nicely but Monday a telegram came stating that she passed away at 12:45 p. m.

Mr. Henry and son left for El Paso Monday night.

Services Sunday night were well attended. We were pleased to have a number of the Methodist folks with us although we regretted that Bro. Bailey was ill.

Arranged on the platform instead of the regular pulpit furniture, were five separate settings, each representing a shrine at which men worship.

The first was a boy seated in a cushioned rocking chair reading the Sunday Star Telegram. This represented the people who stayed at home and read the funny paper instead of attending services. The pastor asked for a showing of hands on the following proposition, "How many people in this audience spend as much time each day reading the Bible as you do reading the daily newspaper? There were less than half dozen hands raised.

The second setting was a boy seated at a card table playing dominoes. This fellow had his golf club handy and tried a stroke or two. This fellow represented the people who have time for the pleasures of life but when called upon to do some service for the church they do not have time.

The third was a business man working at his desk. No time for mid-week services, no time to serve on special committees for the church not even time to quit long enough to attend services on the Lord's day.

The fourth man had his hands full of silver dollars. My how people jumped when the pastor took a handful of this stuff and dropped some of it. Easy to tell where most of the interest was so far. The last setting was the forgotten cross. Crowded out of the real places on the platform, stuck back behind and far to one side, representing the small place some people give the Cross of Christ.

These sermons will help you. They make an impression. Don't miss one. Next Sunday night the world's Most Beautiful Picture.

NOT BUILDING 3 NEW HOMES IN MIDLAND

Sheriff Frank House has requested the Herald to make correction of the statement appearing in Midland newspaper that he was building three new homes in Midland. He said he was having an old house torn down and the material used in building one new residence. Mr. House states that if he was able to build three new homes he certainly would build them in Big Spring.

C. of C. Directors Regular Meeting

Announcement of Result of Ballot for New Directors, Viaduct, Highway, and Paving Discussed

The directors of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce held their regular monthly meeting at their new headquarters in the Crawford Hotel and despite the fact that threatening weather held sway, a good attendance marked this session and a number of important matters came up for consideration.

A report from the Chamber of Commerce was given by the secretary, J. B. Pickle, who stated that the Chamber of Commerce had received a number of proposals for a viaduct and highway. The Chamber of Commerce would submit these proposals to the county and city officials and then we would have a tangible proposition to submit to the voters of the city and county.

Secretary Watson reported he had been in conference with County Judge H. R. Debenport who assured him that he and the members of the Commissioners Court would be back of the movement to provide a viaduct at this danger spot in our county.

T. H. Johnson, being present, was given an opportunity to talk on good roads. He stressed the importance of paved highways and thought that Howard County should join other progressive counties in building better roads while we can get two dollars for every one we invest in building paved roads. He pointed out that many counties along Highway No. 9 were getting ready to pave this highway through their section and some counties were now busy on the proposition and Howard County should get busy so this could be a fine highway from end to end, and attract ten times the traffic it was now getting. He declared it was one of the most important highways in Texas and we are making a big mistake in postponing the task of paving our section of the highway.

J. M. Fisher reported that work on the highway to Garden City was to be started soon and this highway put in good shape. The work is to be done on that stretch of 10 to 15 miles south of Big Spring.

J. B. Pickle, E. O. Ellington and J. F. Wolcott were appointed to canvass the returns of the election for directors. Upon the completion of their task it was decided not to announce the names of those selected to be directors for 1928 until the night of the Annual Banquet.

The following were named winners in the More Feed on Five Acre Contest, conducted by the Chamber of Commerce, but just what prize each won will not be announced until Wednesday, December 21st:

Elizabeth Pace, Danzel Hanks, Dewie Hanks, Clarence Campbell, W. D. Caldwell of Vealmore, Ralph Ham-mack of Moore, Buren Edwards, R. B. Davidson, Earl Hollis of Center Point, Cecil Miller of R. Bar, J. J. Jones, Knott, A. F. Roberts, Gay Hill.

The \$210 in prizes, ranging from \$50 for first to \$5.00 will be awarded at the meeting of the Wednesday Luncheon club, Wednesday, December 21st, and the twelve winners are invited to be guests at this luncheon.

It was ordered that each of the 18 directors be given 13 banquet tickets to sell for the annual banquet. E. A. Kelley, chairman of the Membership Expansion Committee made a brief report of the meeting held Thursday night of last week to talk over plans for 1928. He was very enthusiastic over the future outlook for Big Spring if all our citizens would only co-operate so that sufficient funds could be raised to put on an advertising campaign which would let the world know of the wonderful agricultural possibilities of this section. He said he had the real foundation and every needed resource to make a real city of Big Spring, and we could do so if team work was accorded.

Col. H. B. Oursler of Ponca City, Oklahoma, an official of the Marland Oil Company, made a brief talk on the oil situation in our county and said he felt sure we were in for considerable development. He said it seemed practically assured that an

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BY T. E. JORDAN

\$2.00 A YEAR IN COUNTY
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Entered as second class matter at the Postoffice, Big Spring, Texas, under Act of Congress, May 8, 1897.

Big Spring, Friday, Dec. 16, 1927.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC: Any erroneous reflection up the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm, or corporation, which may appear in the columns of this paper, will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to attention of the editor.

On November 9 a traveling grocery salesman came through Mitchell county taking orders for a grocery company in Kansas City. At Westbrook he took some orders, collected the money and has not been heard from since. W. A. Bandy says the firm he was representing is not listed in Dunne's and doubtless the fellow was a grafter, and warns people not to order from these traveling salesmen. Colorado Record.

These swindlers know there are certain folks who are always looking for something for nothing and they have easy picking when they find them. The poor dupes usually get what the little boy shot at.

It does seem that property owners who are being offered thousands of dollars for property which only cost them hundreds of dollars, ought to contribute a few dollars to the support of the Chamber of Commerce. The greater the growth of the city, the more valuable will property become. The greater the growth the more competition for those engaged in business. So when owners get greater benefits from the work of a Chamber of Commerce than to the businessmen. Think this over, Mr. Property Owner, and help the organization which is enriching you.

Big Spring needs a magician more than a publicity man. Big Spring citizens must be sold on Big Spring before we attempt to sell our city to others. A publicity man can't do much until we learn to do our part. Better build office buildings and apartments for those here and needing accommodations before you try to attract others.

With no business property for sale, no business buildings to rent, no homes or modern apartments for rent, with no office building to afford accommodations for oil companies now operating here—it seems we need a building spell before our city needs much advertising. Why try to get more people than we can accommodate.

We need some new blood and some new money to start the march of progress in our city. The majority of us have lived here so long that we know of but one plan of procedure. That is to buy a piece of property and then hang onto it like grim death. We are afraid some one will make a profit on the property after we dispose of it.

The cotton crop is going to be 4,000,000 or more bales less than the crop of 1926 and yet the cotton gamblers have been able to hold the price down to the twenty cent mark most of the season. If you have time to do a little figuring, you can easily estimate what cotton will be worth next year if a normal crop is made. Better plant less cotton in 1928.

The members of the City Federation are going to show the men of Big Spring how to accomplish something. They are going to build a beautiful community club house on the courthouse square—and they won't be forever completing the undertaking. It might be well to turn over to them the task of securing an office building for Big Spring.

The adventurous spirit and daring enterprise of the commercial and financial leaders of New York City are given as the main reason that that city has become the greatest city in the world. Even from the earliest times the New York financial and commercial interests have been adventurous and enterprising. They take advantages of the breaks.

An Englishman has invented a machine which will pick the feathers from a chicken in one minute. Pin feathers are removed as well as the other feathers—a good clean job being possible. The feathers are pulled from the fowl by suction a revolving fan can be regulated to take care of trying size or older birds.

The fellow who plants much cotton next year is going to get very little for his labor if anything like a normal crop is harvested. It was no fault of those who planted the cotton that we did no harvest 17,000,000 bales this year. And suppose we had, what would cotton be bringing today.

Bootleggers are giving many a poor fellow a quick shift to that other shore. A man who will sell another poisoned alcohol just to make a few dollars profit is as much a murderer as if he shot his victim through the heart. Better think twice before you risk drinking bootleg liquor—and make the bootlegger drink some his stuff first.

It won't bankrupt many of us if we donate five or ten dollars toward a fund to be used to bring Christmas cheer to the homes of the needy in our city. You will spend many times this amount on gifts to well-to-do folks, which will not occasion near as much pleasure. Be unselfish send in a donation.

It wouldn't be a bad idea to turn the management of the Chamber of Commerce over to the women of Big Spring. They have ever shown themselves more progressive, and they are able to secure a more united force to accomplish the things they set out to do.

Many banks are planning on equipping bank buildings with tear gas and special electrical alarm systems in order to foil bank robbers. You rarely hear of robbers attempting to rob a bank which is equipped with burglar alarm or other protective system.

We are not going to waste any more space advising you to shop early. If you have not progressed with your Christmas by this time, you are hopeless and we expect to see you madly rushing around on the last hour of the last day trying to find something suitable.

W. R. Hearst is getting ready to tell the Republicans how to run the party. He is now picking Andy Mellon for president. "Andy" has already indicated he does not choose to run for he is strong for Herb Hoover for president.

BALCONY GIFT SHOP AD IN THIS PAPER. CUNNINGHAM & PHILIPS.

DON'T OVERLOOK OUR BEST BET

Just now we are all excited about oil and are counting on oil development to double the population of our city. While oil may be responsible for just such a growth, we have other resources which must not be overlooked.

While oil is a wonderful resource—it is not a circumstance compared to good agricultural land. The liquid gold makes a few rich in a hurry, but the land supports the nation throughout the ages. Howard County has a greater asset in her hundreds of thousands of acres of fertile agricultural lands than she has in her oil pools—even though they surpass the famed Spindle Top. The oil play cannot last for many years. Agriculture will last forever. It would pay Big Spring and Howard County to give the major portion of their time and effort to make farming in our county profitable by encouraging poultry raising, dairying and other lines which will bring in a cash income throughout the year. A building and loan association, with the sole object of building up the poultry and dairy business in our county would be worth more to Big Spring than any enterprise we can land. When agriculture prospers, every other line enjoys prosperity and we can well afford to aid those who are responsible for the future growth and prosperity of our city.

HOWARD CO. MAN SHOWS VALUE OF HOME GROWN FEED

John Guitar, ranchman and capitalist who owns several sections of good agricultural and ranching land in Howard County, is showing by actual practice that West Texas white face calves can be finished for market on home grown feed.

Two hundred Hereford calves raised on his ranch are being fed a ration of ground milo cotton seed meal and ground sorghum bundles. These calves are making remarkable gains, according to Joe Stokes, who is superintending the feeding.

Guitar owns and operates his own feed grinder and gets his cotton seed meal from his own mill.

This demonstration is being watched with interest by cattlemen and stock farmers of West Texas. The results may open up a new avenue to market for cattlemen and farmers who grow feed for sale. Scurry County Times.

NIGHT DEPOSITORY NEEDED

At least one of the banks in Big Spring should install a Night Depository for the safety and convenience of customers who accumulate large sums of money after banking hours and on holidays. A person does not care to risk keeping any considerable amount of money in the ordinary store or office space.

Most of our folks would be glad to pay for this added convenience and safety.

We hope at least one of our banks gets busy on this proposition.

SILVERWARE

The most wonderful line ever seen in Big Spring, and so very reasonably priced at..... WILKE'S

VERTERAN T. & P. EMPLOYEE RETIRES AFTER 37 YEARS

On the first day of December, T. S. Haynie retired from service with the T. & P. Railway Company as section foreman. He had seen thirty-seven years service with the company, thirty of which has been at Stanton.

The life of a railway section foreman is not an easy one. He may be called to a wreck or to other work at all hours of day or night, and in good or bad weather, but Mr. Haynie was always faithful, and so well did he keep up his track that only one minor accident occurred on his track during the thirty years service.

He has worked under a number of superintendents during these 30 years, and has seen many changes.

Mr. Haynie is retiring on a pension from the company, and his son, Warner, who has been foreman at Mopita for a number of years, has taken his place at Stanton. Stanton Reporter.

T. AND P. SHOPMEN GET 9-HOUR DAY

Marshall, Dec. 11.—Effective Monday morning, Dec. 12, the motive power department of the Texas and Pacific shops here will go on a nine-hour working day.

The shops have heretofore been working eight hours.

The shops here are crowded with locomotive work brought to Marshall from Fort Worth and Big Spring, since the shops burned in the latter city. The capacity of the shops is now taxed to get the big locomotive out as fast as possible.

Approximately 900 men in the motive power department are affected. Fort Worth Star Telegram.

THE RADIO AND WINTER RECEPTION

Go over the old radio as carefully as you look over the car in the spring.

See that both A and B batteries are fully charged. Tighten connections that may have come loose. Coat your A battery with a touch of vaseline to keep it from corroding.

Disconnect your B battery for half an hour or so, and peevy your tubes with an injection of A power.

Then wait for a clear, frosty evening and bring in the radio world from Alpha to Omega.

TEXAS COMPANY BUYS OIL PROPERTIES FROM PURE OIL

New York, Dec. 9. (AP)—The Texas Corporation is reported in Chicago dispatches to Wall Street to be closing negotiations with Pure Oil Company to take over part of its properties in West Texas, consisting of 3,100 acres in Winkler County, 407 acres in Pecos County and 2,000 acres in Crane and Upton Counties, in addition to equipment valued at \$300,000. Dallas News.

CHILDREN'S FATAL DISEASES

Worms and parasites in the intestines of children undermine health and so weaken their vitality that they are unable to resist the diseases so fatal to child life. The safe course is to give a few doses of White's Cream Vermifuge. It destroys and expels the worms without the slightest injury to the health or activity of the child. Price 35c. Sold by CUNNINGHAM & PHILIPS.

BUS MAN WOULD MAKE BAGGAGE REGULATION

San Angelo, Dec. 11.—J. B. Lee, local bus man, thinks some regulation should be adopted by the buses in the State requiring persons with trunks and other baggage to declare the contents so that in case any liquor or other contraband were in these receptacles the driver of the bus would not be held liable. This would apply to persons not accom-

CHRISTMAS PLANTS

Plenty of Jerusalem Cherries, geraniums, Zoya's roses, etc., will be found at Couch Greenhouse and Florist, 1208 Gregg Street, Phone 12-21.

READ CUNNINGHAM & PHILIPS XMAS AD IN THIS PAPER.

panying their trunks or baggage.



A BLEND THAT HAS HELPED TO MAKE New Orleans world-famous FOR ITS COFFEE

TRAVELERS, who have sailed the seven seas, have for generations praised the good things they have found to eat and drink in New Orleans—seafoods, pastries and all of the fascinating creations of noted French chefs.

Above all, they talk about the wonderful coffee to be obtained in the restaurants of the Old French Quarter. Here they have found exquisitely-different coffee—full, rich, and satisfying; with a delicious, haunting fragrance, and a flavor that once tasted is seldom forgotten.

Today this pure coffee, blended to perfection, is being roasted and packed in air-tight vacuum cans, and sold over grocers' counters in hundreds of cities.

Lovers of good coffee who know and appreciate the best, will find Morning Joy Coffee a real treat. You can get it from your grocer.

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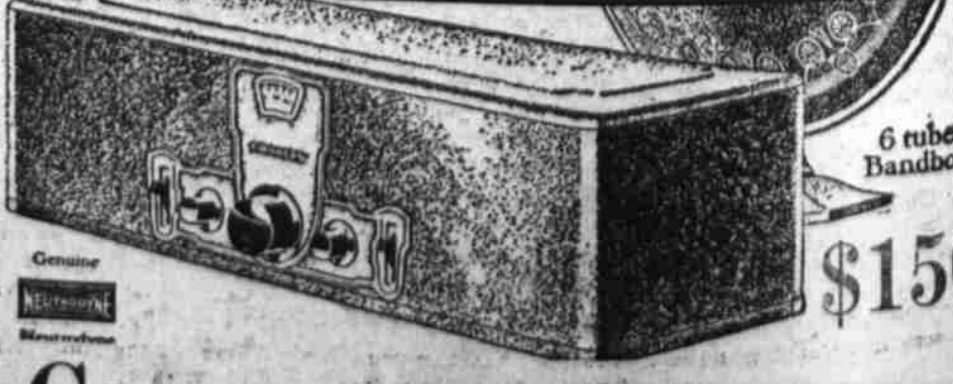
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6 tube Bandbox \$150

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Christmas Cards!

Those desiring personal Christmas cards, printed, may order them at The Herald office. A new sample book—just received.

Come Early!

No orders will be taken after Thursday, December 15th.

Those who come first will be served first

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

Mary Graham Bonner

NIP'S DIRT

Nip was a little fox terrier dog, with the sweetest of expressions and the most friendly of natures. He had been teased when he was a puppy and it is only when a fox terrier is teased as a puppy that he becomes mean when he is older.

Nip was still a little dog and he was almost a puppy. He was getting a little more grown-up each day, but he was still apt to have times when he felt just like the silliest and most playful of puppies and would think of the most absurd things to do.

Now every so often Nip was given a bath. He did not mind his bath as he was bathed without any roughness and he always enjoyed the beautiful feeling he was given. It made him feel so pleasantly after it was all over that if people took the time to bathe him he took the time letting himself be bathed. Sometimes they would say such a sad, almost worn-out tone: "Oh, Nip, there you are all dirty and I only took the time yesterday to bathe you."

It was right after one of these most beautiful baths, though, that Nip had an idea.

It was not the idea to have at just that time. But Nip was not one to consider the right time. He thought he was made to be enjoyed as one might think of things to do.

He would not say to himself: "Now tomorrow at four-thirty in the afternoon I will take a walk and then for a bone, I have hidden and will take a sleep."

He would do things right away at times as they came to his little dog.

After the most perfect of baths he was just as clean as clean. He had been dried off with a heavy towel and then had been in a sun bath, he decided he would go to play.

He had a number of different playmates and some of them were grander than others.

Nip was not fussy. He was anything foolish such as snobbery.

He had a friend down the street. This friend was always finding mud when no one else could find mud. Somehow or other that friend could get out muddy places even after many days when there had been no rain.

It was just an accomplishment of friend.

"Think I'll go and see that friend," Nip had thought, and off he bounded through the yard, through the next few yards until he reached his friend.

The other dog was already dirty and muddy, but Nip did not object. He was not critical. Nip would never



He did not mind.

to show by bark or look that it was strange his friend did not seem presentable.

Nip was not like that. He went to play with all the rest and none of his little dog snobbery.

"Come to play," said Nip. And he did! Oh, how dirty Nip got after his bath, too. He had been hours and hours until his thought he was lost and went to the motor car to hunt the town.

With a little way down the street he found him, his legs all covered in mud. His face was as muddy as he. And he was holding a bone in his mouth which he had hidden once before in his life.

He jumped right in and landed on the back seat, wagging his tail and said: "I'm here."

He could be, he rode home, and so cunning did he look when he passed face in spite of the fact that no one could really

He daily given another bath. Following day Nip got dirty and was sleep the night before and then longer than usual!

Her Him

was, wishing to arouse the teacher's attention, school class, and to write the names of the boys.

They had their heads over the paper for a few minutes, and then they all

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The Twentieth Time

By ETHEL H. GIBBS

AT PETER'S look of seriousness Annie's mirth, always so near the surface, bubbled over.

"Oh, Peter, dear," she laughed, "you are too sweet for anything. Why, what shall I do if you don't propose to me again?"

"No," declared Peter emphatically. "I'm done. I've asked you over and over."

"Only nineteen times, dear," she supplied, mischievously.

"Well, every time you just laugh and put off answering my question. So hereafter, if there's any proposing you will be the one to do it."

"Oh, listen to the darling," shrieked Annie, "asking the lady to propose. But, Peter," she coaxed confidently, "you must ask me just once more, you know. That will be only twenty times, and I really think I should be able to answer you by that time."

But in spite of alluring lips so near his own, and two eloquent eyes daring him to refuse, Peter turned away, his own lips set in a hard, straight line. "If you need me, let me know. Good night."

In genuine amazement Annie stood and stared after him.

"Am I dreaming?" she asked, pinching herself to make sure. "Well, of all things—Peter going off in a huff. That's a new one on me."

Then with a rush came thoughts of how Peter, serious in his but recently attained manhood, had asked her so many times to become his wife and the mistress of his lovely home, but she, so fond of teasing, had kept him guessing. Of course he would ask her again.

At first Annie laughed, feeling sure that he would relent. Then she became serious, and wondered, then she grew alarmed. Peter must be sick, yet why didn't his mother send word to her? "Oh, I know that he is all right," she sighed.

So, quickly donning her wraps and slipping out a side door, she started toward Peter's house, resolved to learn how he was.

The old colonial house where Peter lived with his mother stood well from the street, with a broad, smooth lawn in front, and bordered by a thick hedge. As Annie approached the driveway she could look across the top of the hedge and see that the house was well lighted, as usual, and the curtains were up, but she could not see into the rooms.

Although she would not have admitted it even to herself, there was a fear in her subconscious mind that Peter might possibly have meant what he said. In that event she did not want him to see her near his house, for never would she propose to him.

So looking stealthily about to make sure that no one was watching her, she walked across the lawn in the shadow of trees and shrubbery until she was near enough to look into the room. There was Peter's mother and a man, and the man was Doctor Black.

For a moment Annie's heart stood still, then it raced wildly. What could be the matter with Peter? She pressed her hands tightly over her heart as if to stop the pain. She couldn't let pride keep her from finding out how Peter was. No thought of the doctor's coming to see anyone but Peter entered her mind.

"Peter," she choked as she started toward the steps.

As her foot touched the bottom step, she stopped in her tracks. What was that? Peter's whistle. No one else in the whole town whistled like that, and he was coming along the sidewalk.

Annie's mind grappled with the situation. It must be that one of the servants was sick. Anyhow, it wasn't Peter. In the seconds that she hesitated, there flashed across her mind the fact that Peter had meant when he had said he was done with her. Her temper flared. He needn't think she would propose to him, and she wasn't sure that she would say yes if he asked her again.

Turning about, she quickly sped off across the lawn, keeping in the shadow as much as possible. The whistling had ceased. Someone called, "Hello, there!" and there was the sound of hurrying footsteps behind her. He must have seen her. She ran faster and faster, intent now only on reaching the rear gate in the hedge. Her pursuer was gaining. A twist of her ankle, a sharp pain, and she dropped without a sound to the ground.

Before she could rise, a voice, very close to her ear, exclaimed, "Well, you are certainly some sprinter. Hurt your ankle?" He helped her to her feet, at the same time drawing her protectively close in his arms. "Now I want to know why you stand looking in my windows, and then run when I approach."

He held her face so that the moonlight fell full upon it.

"When I looked up and saw you standing there, I thought that you had come to tell me you would marry me."

"Do you still want me?" whispered Annie.

"Want you?" he asked, tenderly. "Shall I ever cease to want you? When are you going to say yes, dear?"

Relieved to find Peter safe and still in love with her, Annie began to feel like her old self again. Regularly she smiled up at him. "Are you proposing to me—again, dear?"

"Confound it, yes," he laughed, "but this is absolutely the last time. Will you marry me?" he demanded.

Reaching up, Annie put both arms around his neck as she whispered into

WHO PAYS?

Our leading editorial this morning discusses advertising from somewhat of a new angle—to-wit: that the non-advertiser pays the advertising bill of the advertising competitor. We found it credited to the Sheldon (Iowa) Sun, but its origin is unknown. It happens to be a first class argument, all the same, so here it is:

"The merchant who does not advertise pays the advertising bill for the advertiser."

"Every merchant in business pays for advertising. Whether he uses it or not. If a competitor's advertising takes any business away from him

the profit would have made on the lost sale is what his competitor's advertising cost him.

"You have perhaps wondered how some stores can afford to spend such enormous sums for advertising. That is easy to fathom. Their competitors who don't advertise, and whose business they take, pay for their advertising."

"Say the Smith family is a customer of yours. They have \$60 they intend to spend with you. They read the advertising of your competitor and are induced to spend it with him instead of spending it with you. The stores make 20 per cent, or \$12 on the sale. They deduct, we will

say, the one dollar advertising cost and have eleven dollars profit left. The advertising has cost them nothing. They got back its cost and eleven dollars profit they would not have had only for their advertising."

"Who paid for this advertising?"

"Did the advertiser pay? He got the cost back and profit besides."

"Did the purchaser pay. No. He paid only the regular price."

"Then who did pay?"

"The merchant that did not advertise paid for his competitor's advertising. He not only paid for the other fellow's advertising but he paid out of his cash drawer the high overhead and unit sale cost that

sale. The merchant that doesn't advertise pays the advertising bill for he cannot possibly sell goods as cheaply as the store that increases its sales and reduces its cost with advertising."

"The merchant that loses business through not advertising has such profit his competitor made on the one that does. He pays in loss of sale and loss of profits."

The boats used by the ancient Egyptians were large enough to carry four thousand rowers, four hundred sailors, and three thousand soldiers.

Use Herald Want Ads—They Pay

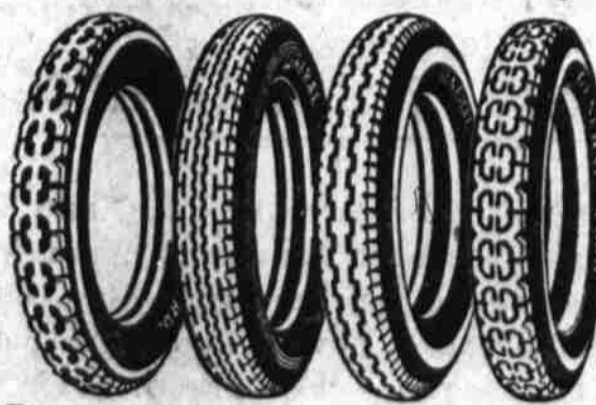
Daily, more car owners by the score are realizing this--

The present level of tire prices makes it possible to enjoy General's quality at a cost lower than they paid last year for tires of ordinary value.

As tire prices have come down, the percentage of extra cost for Generals has meant less and less in dollars and cents, until now, the difference in the more popular sizes is only a dollar or so.

This is the Thrifty Tire Buyers' Market

Top quality has always been the first essential to tire economy. With General's quality at its topmost peak and prices low to the other extreme, now, more than ever, you can afford the pleasure of riding on Generals.



You can save money and at the same time enjoy all the advantages of General's personal comfort, car protection and gasoline saving, and remember that on top of all these special features, it's the second 10,000 miles that makes the big hit.

The GENERAL TIRE

EXCLUSIVE DISTRIBUTORS

Bankhead Garage
East Third St. Phone 244

OPEN A CHARGE ACCOUNT
If you have an account in the leading stores, we offer you the same convenience. Just tell us to "charge it."

RODEO AND ROUND-UP AT ACKERLY, DEC. 24TH

J. M. McDougle will stage at Ackery, Texas, on Saturday afternoon, December 24th at 2:30 o'clock, one of the biggest and best rodeos ever held in this part of the country. The countryside is invited to attend this big celebration.

A bunch of fine bronc and outlaw horses and steers will be used in the thrilling feats during the afternoon performance, and a prize will be given the best bucking horse or mule that is entered in the contest during the afternoon. The program will consist of the following events:

Grand entry and introduction, cow steer riding, goat roping, Bronc riding, Lady Steer riding, novelty race, bull-dogging, cowboy riding bucking horses and steers, cowboys saddle horse race.

Everyone is invited to attend this thrilling exhibition. Begins at 2:30 o'clock, Saturday afternoon, December 24th, at Ackery, Texas.

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING IN HIS AIRPLANE, SAT.

Santa Claus will arrive in Big Spring next Saturday morning, December 17th, at 11:30 o'clock. Santa is coming in his airplane, and will land at the old race track in the Cole and Strayhorn Addition, Saturday morning. Immediately, he will come to the Acorn Store, where he will come to bring joy to the children. He will spend the Christmas week in Big Spring, in Toyland at the Acorn Store, where he wants to meet all of the children of this city.

Santa extends a most cordial invitation to all of the children and grown ups to meet him at the Acorn Store, Saturday morning. He will have souvenirs for the children, and will show everyone a good time. If you are unable to meet him Saturday morning, come and visit him in Toyland throughout Christmas week. Everyone is invited to come.

"What caused the uproarious laughter?"

"Oh, Gertie Giddigad pulled another boner."

"What was it all about?"

"Someone asked her who was the energetic boy she was dancing with and she said, 'Oh, its just a young osteopath who is trying to gain a foothold.'"

—Youngstown Telegram.

Herald Want Ads Get Results

Marland Oil Co. Employee Resigns

W. H. Winn, who has had charge of the land department of the Marland Oil Company at San Angelo for the past two years, has resigned, effective January 1, according to announcements from the Fort Worth office Friday by ice President M. H. Goode.

Winn is leaving the company to open an independent office at San Angelo.

He has been with the Marland company for four years. During the time he was in charge of the San Angelo land office the company leased several hundred thousand acres of land and made its "big play" in West Texas oil development during that time.—Fort Worth Star Telegram.

Vinol Gives Girl Appetite and Strength

"My 10-year-old daughter was weak and had no appetite. Since giving her Vinol, she has an amazing appetite and strength." Mrs. W. Joosten. The very FIRST week they take Vinol, children begin to feel stronger, eat and sleep better. A simple strengthening iron and cod liver compound in use for over 25 years for run-down men and women and weak children. J. D. Biles, Druggist.

DEATH IN BOOTLEG LIQUOR

New York, Dec. 8.—The death from poison liquor of a 25-year-old girl and her fiance were on the record of the medical examiner today as the closing chapter of a party where they had drunk toasts to future happiness in marriage.

A draught of the same liquor that caused the death Monday of Miss Catherine Gray McDonald, former Columbia University student, took the life Tuesday of S. Petton Sleckinger, 28, a salesman and investigation by the chief medical examiner showed blindness preceded death in both cases.

AUNTIE AS GUEST

"My wife's aunt is staying with us this week."

"She's your house guest?"

"Sure; did you think we were keeping her in the garage?"—Detroit News.

Guaranteed Toilet sets for Christmas presents.—Collins Bros. Drugs.

W. F. Cuhling and W. B. Currie made a business trip to San Angelo.

EPWORTH LEAGUE PROGRAM

Subject—The Home Base and the Firing.

Time: Every Christian in the Missionary Enterprise.

Leader—Nellie Prickett.

Song.

Song.

Prayer.

Scripture reading—Eph. 4: 10-20 Edith Shive.

Where is the Home Base—Mary Bailey.

Is America Christian—Russell Crane.

Shall we Call Home the Missionaries?—Joe Popejoy.

What Can We Do At Home?—T. B. Reeves.

What Can a League Do?—Jessie Sluener.

Special—Louise Mauldin.

Announcements.

Benediction.

EAST THIRD FIRST R. Y. P. U. PROGRAM FOR SUNDAY

Doctrinal meeting—"Am I keeping myself from idols?"

Leader—Harmon Morrison.

Scripture—Luke 12: 15-21; Philippians 3:17, 19; 1 John: 21.

What do our texts teach? By Doris Walker.

Paul's Life and Example of Devotion—Miss Cowan.

What is an Idol?—Thelma Smith.

Popular American Idols—M. H. Morrison.

How to be an Idol Breaker?—Mr. Jackson.

Come at 8 p. m. to our union B. Y. P. U.—Reporter.

P. S. Wilkins, Rube Martin, and Dewey Martin returned the early part of this week from Mason county where they enjoyed a hunting trip.

They failed to get any deer, but report that they were successful in bagging plenty of wild quail and wild turkeys.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Fryar of Cuervo arrived the latter part of last week in Big Spring. Mr. Fryar is a cotton buyer, and will remain in this city about a week, buying cotton in this section.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hurt announce the arrival of a fine baby boy on Tuesday, December 13th. Harry spent this week in Abilene with his wife and new son.

SAYS PUBLICITY KEEPS COUNTRY PROSPEROUS

Newspaper and magazine advertising has been the greatest single factor in making the United States the most prosperous nation in the world the last twelve years. H. D. Crippen of New York said at the annual convention of the American Grocery Specialty Manufacturers Association in Atlantic City recently.

"Liberty Loan bonds floated during the war brought into circulation billions of America's latent wealth and it has been advertising that has kept it in use," said Mr. Crippen.

Genuine Pyralin toilet sets, guaranteed.....Collins Bros. Drugs.

It Pays to Read Herald Want Ads.

MICKIE SAYS—

"THE MOST AD FOR 'M' MONEY" SET ONE READER, "IS YOUR LIL' WANT ADS FOR A FEW QUARTERS, I FOUND A HOUSE TO RENT AND LOCATED A HOUSEMAID, FOUND OUR LOST AIREDALE, SOLD A STOVE, AN ICEBOX, A HIVE OF BEES AND A TOWN LOT AND FOUND MYSELF A FINE JOB-TALK ABOUT YOUR BARGAINS!"



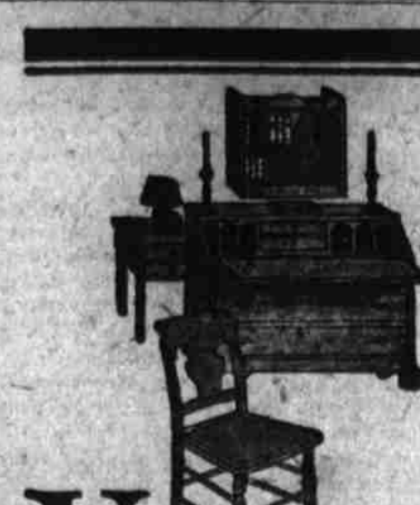
AN EXHILARATING EFFECT

A bottle of Herbine on the shelf at home is like having a doctor in the house all the time. It gives instant relief when the digestion gets out of order or the bowels fail to act. One or two doses is all that is necessary to start things moving and restore that fine feeling of exhilaration and buoyancy of spirits which belongs only to perfect health. Price 60c. Sold by CUNNINGHAM & PHILIPS.

Star Parasite Remover

Given in water or food kills children and destroy of intestinal worms, thread worms, pinworms, roundworms, tapeworms, hookworms, etc. It is a powerful medicine, but it is safe for all ages. It is a powerful medicine, but it is safe for all ages.

Sold by J. D. BILES DRUG STORE Big Spring, Texas



Yes! We Have "it"

Cook's Armorcote The "Fool-Proof" Lacquer

It is the only practical lacquer for brush application over any surface by amateur painter or skilled craftsman. It will not "set" or "pull"—it dries, quick drying and durable. It works like an enamel—levels up perfectly—and gives a hard, porcelain finish that is like tile. Take your choice of twenty-one shades and close-match any shade you want through lacquer to match a large piece of furniture costs only a few cents. Cook's Armorcote is a fine good finish on furniture, floors, woodwork, porch furniture.

H. H. HARDIN Lumber

Buy something that is useful for Christmas. Collins Bros. Drugs.

Guaranteed Toilet Sets for Christmas presents.—Collins Bros. Drugs.

AUTHORIZED Nash Service
Nash Parts Carried in Stock
RUEBECKART BROTHERS GARAGE
Phone 479 - 311 Post St. BIG SPRING, TEXAS

IF YOU INTEND TO BUILD
Let me make an estimate on the job I can build; all kinds of cabinet work, etc. Satisfaction Guaranteed
Phone 437
B. A. REAGAN
BIG SPRING, TEXAS

Don't Be Embarrassed By Skin Diseases
Use Blue Star Soap to clean the affected parts, then apply Blue Star Remedy. It penetrates the skin, kills out the germs, stops the itching at once, and restores the skin to a healthy condition. It cures: Itch, Cracked Hands, Poison Oak, Ringworms, Sore Blistered Feet, Sunburns, Old Skin Sores—all of these have yielded to its wonderful healing power. 6c and 12c a Jar. Soap 25c, at J. D. BILES

Big Spring Transfer
In McNew & Eason Barber Shop
OFFICE PHONE 611
FOR LOCAL AND LONG DISTANCE HAULING
B. H. SETTLES, R.R. Phone 411

Home Decorator and Paperhanging
SEE **LESTER RICHEY**
408 RUNNELS STREET
LET ME ESTIMATE YOUR WORK

Gifts For Every Man!

From the Store of His Choice

Shirts
Neckwear
Mufflers
Pajamas
Sweaters
Hosiery
Handkerchiefs

Gifts that are Really Appreciated

For Holiday Smartness!

The coming weeks will be festive ones and naturally emphasize the need for smart apparel, to be in the lead of mode. Let the Smart Man invest in a new suit of clothes, a new overcoat, shoes and harmonizing accessories. We have them all.

The Smart Woman will need entrancing styles for afternoon and evening wear. We have them in a generous selection, and in all sizes. Black predominates in footwear. All shades of hosiery to harmonize.

To bring happiness to loved ones and friends on Christmas morning, select something lovely and useful. Shop with us.

Toyland Is Open

Santa has unloaded his pack in our Toy Department and here, we have gifts for children of all ages.

Toys that will bring delight to the children on Christmas morning, at prices that you can afford to pay. Bring the kiddies in and let them see what Santa is offering them this Christmas. Special clerks in our toy department to serve you. Pay an early Visit

In the ready-to-wear Department

PRICES SLASHED on all Coats and Dresses. Real bargains, worth the money Now is the opportune time to buy. Feel festive during the holidays in a pretty new fall frock and coat! Either would make an ideal Christmas gift, one that would be appreciated.

Virginia Hart Dresses 1.69
Still Offered at

STARTING AUTOMOBILE HEALTER

Maryland is conducting a round-up of all its automobiles for clinical inspection. During the first week 3,000 cars were inspected and a third of them found defective in one of the essential attributes of a healthy machine. Blakes in many instances, were found out of adjustment or in need of relining. Lights on steering gear in other instances were found far from perfect.

Maryland's experience follows closely that of New York, which was able to entice only approximately half of its automobile owners into service stations and garages in which the inspection service was rendered free. Of motor cars examined 39 per cent were found to be defective in one particular or another. Nearly 30 per cent of the defective cars required brake adjustment, and 18 per cent the brakes had to be lined. Nearly 50 per cent of the defective vehicles stood in need of slight adjustment, 6 per cent had defective warning devices and 10 per cent had faulty steering equipment. Officials in charge of the campaign, subsequently issued a statement to the effect that in many cases repairs were made just in time to avoid accidents and that in practically every case owners were unaware of the need of adjustment.

The word "seaworthy" as applied to ships, or "air worthy" as applied to aircraft, should have the counterpart "roadworthy" for application to motor vehicles. If only one man were involved in an accident the condition of the automobile would be a matter of public concern. Generally takes two, however to cause an accident and the careful driver whose equipment is always in top notch order is at the mercy of the careless driver or the one whose automobile is not "roadworthy."

There is growing concern over the type of driver. Various jurisdictions have adopted or are considering the adoption of regulatory measures. In Pennsylvania, for instance, a new automobile code which goes into effect January 1, besides providing that brakes must be kept in good condition, and that all closed vehicles must be equipped with a windshield wiper, empowers the secretary of highways to "suspend the operation of any vehicle deemed unsafe or unfit to be operated, or equipped as required by this code." This provision, according to those who have studied it carefully, drive from the highways hundreds of decrepit and outworn cars and trucks.

New York City, in which 940 individuals were killed by motor cars last year, has a record for the first six months of this year of 147 motor car killings. Similar conditions exist elsewhere. The rate on the automobile casualty continues to bend upward at an alarming rate. Carelessness and recklessness, of course, are primarily responsible, and this factor is true in those States, like Texas, which have no drivers license laws. Make efficient and effective punishment of reckless drivers, but defective equipment plays a considerable part in connection with street and highway deaths, for the careless driver is usually also the most offender in the matter of defective equipment. The time is ripe for a general automobile clinic under police jurisdiction throughout the country. Unfit motor cars should be condemned, and only those in acceptable mechanical condition permitted the use of the

MORE MILK PER COW

The average production of milk per cow in Texas, according to the last farm census, is 2,584 pounds. And the value of Texas dairy products averaged \$39.40 per cow. In California, the average production, according to the same census, is 5,040 pounds, and the average value per cow is \$108.10.

Readers will not that while the average production in California is not twice as large as that in Texas, the average production value is nearly three times as much. In other words, all production above cost is profit and value increases more rapidly than increase in production.

Why milk three cows to get three gallons when one good cow will produce that much and more? True, the one good cow will probably require a little more feed and attention than one poor cow, but not nearly as much as the three cows.

With the dairy industry attracting so much attention in Texas, it is fortunate that information regarding the subject of feeding is available. Most farmers understand these days that the modern cow has been developed for the purpose of giving milk and lots of it. The cow in its native and wild state produced just enough milk to feed her calf. We demand more of her today, and in order to permit her to meet this unnatural demand, she has to have the material with which to make the milk and butter fat. If she is not provided with that material in right proportions, milk is not forthcoming. There are many capable cows today that do not produce their capacity in milk because their owners have the idea that if a cow's belly is full of hay, it is all sufficient.

Texas and all Southwestern States have enough cows, if they were United States average producers, to supply home demand and leave some for export. We do not really need more cows, but we do need better cows owned by men who know how to feed and care for them.—Farm and Ranch.

The president of Czechoslovakia is elected for life.

streets and highways, where traffic conditions are such as to demand perfect operation of all safety devices.—Star Telegram.

"SAVE YOUR BATTERY IN COLD WEATHER"

When a car sits in a cold garage over night during cold weather, the heavy fluid grease in the transmission becomes very stiff. Thus to drag the gears through it as the starter must do if the clutch is engaged, the battery has a double task on it, besides it generally has much more turning to do to start the motor than in warmer weather because the gas in the cylinders will not ignite rapidly.

Many drivers complain that they cannot keep their batteries charged during the winter weather. A little care on their part would save them a lot of trouble.

If drivers would form the habit of pressing the clutch pedal down while the starter is at work their battery trouble would disappear, for then the transmission gears do not turn with the motor, and the motor turns easily.

If you are ever forced to start your motor with the crank just try taking a piece of lath and blocking the clutch out, or better still, have someone sit at the wheel and hold the clutch pedal down, only make sure that it is out of gear. You will find that now a cold motor turns almost as easily as a warm one, and it will be easily started.

Pressing down on the clutch pedal at the same time you step on the starter is a good habit for a driver to form. If you do this, and your battery is in fair condition your starting trouble will be very slight in cold weather.

There is nothing harder on a battery than to overload it, and that is just what you do every time you start your motor with the clutch engaged.

SHAMPOOED

Cop: "Whats the idea of stalling on the main street?"

Fair One (absently): "I just washed my car, and I can't do a thing with it!"

Why not buy your pure Anton Cotton Seed for planting. Gin run and sacked for \$1.00 per bu. Get them at Planter's gin.—E. E. Mason—13-11.pd.

Seven hundred tons of water are required during the growing period of an acre of potatoes.

THE CREED OF GREED

"Every man for himself," is the creed of the hog, who fattens on other men's woes. He sends a wreath for the dead man's coffin, and next week forecloses the mortgage on the widow. He says "what a pity" when he hears his neighbor is in a hole, and puts the sheriff in to get his claim covered before the collapse comes. "Get all you can," and he pinches and squeezes everyone to the last copper cent. Dirty water or clean it makes no difference so long as his mill wheel is kept turning. He would sell his soul for a dime if the shrivelled thing had any marketable value, but the only one likely to make a bid on it is the Devil, who is so sure of possession that he would not go the figure. The greedy man is his own worst enemy for "Greed taketh away the life of the owner thereof." There was a man in this city who was worth a quarter of a million a few years ago, with whom greed was a consuming passion. His hunger for gold led him to starve his body, garrot his soul and scandalize his friends. He lost most of his hoarded gains through risks taken at high interest and finally died at fifty, a physical, mental and spiritual wreck. If his friends, or those who knew him were to provide a suitable epitaph they could not choose a more appropriate passage than "He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house."—The Battery Man.

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LEO FORREST ELECTED TO PLACE ON STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Canyon, December 15.—Leo Forrest, a sophomore at the West Texas State Teachers College and a Big Spring boy, was recently elected Student Council representative for a club organized by the student secretaries and assistants at the College. There are twenty-three young men and women, 12 men and 11 women, who are employed by the College three hours or more per day. This number includes those who do stenographic work in the administrative office, work as student assistants in departments where this is feasible, caretakers of the buildings, etc.

Forrest is also student business manager for Le Mirage, College yearbook, and for The Prairie, student weekly newspaper.

About one in every seven hundred tortoise shell cats is a male.

FEDERAL COURT RULES AGAINST RAILROAD IN EXCESS PROFITS

St. Louis, Dec. 10.—The Interstate Commerce Commission system of valuing railroad properties was up held today in a decision handed down by Federal District Judge Charles B. Farris in the St. Louis and O'Fallon case.

The decision, if it is upheld by the United States Supreme Court, will set a precedent for deciding cases involving \$15,000,000,000.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Robbins left Tuesday on a visit to Los Angeles and San Francisco, Calif. They expect to extend their visit into the New Year, after which they will return to a good town, Big Spring.

England spent more money on golf during the past season than on all other games combined.

Big Spring Planing Mill

Manufacturers:
SASHES AND DOORS
and SPECIAL MILL WORK
PHONE 434
508 East Second Street

Courteous Service FOR 37 YEARS

STATEMENT OCTOBER 10, 1927

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$ 748,400.74
U. S. and Other Bonds	114,500.00
Banking House, Furn. and Fixtures	20,000.00
Other Real Estate	6,924.70
Redemption Fund	2,500.00
Federal Reserve Bank Stock	4,500.00
CASH	351,155.14
TOTAL	\$1,247,980.58

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus and Profits	130,880.71
Circulation	49,400.00
DEPOSITS	1,017,699.87
TOTAL	\$1,247,980.58

RESOURCES MORE THAN \$1,200,000.00

PROGRESSIVE SAFE LIBERAL
The First National Bank
OF BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS.

HOME LOANS

SMALL MONTHLY PAYMENT PLAN

Build or buy a home in Big Spring. We furnish the money at a low rate of interest and you can pay it off at any time.

NO STOCK TO BUY --- no red tape---no delay---loans closed at once.

Commitments made on plans and specifications. Local inspection and appraisal.

Come In And Let's Talk It Over.

E. J. BERRY

A House Full of Rent Receipts
Will Never Buy a Home

PHONE 205

Room 8, West Texas Nat'l. Bank Bldg.

**ANNOUNCING
CICERO-SMITH LUMBER COMPANY**

Has purchased The Berry Lumber Company's yard at Big Spring, Texas. We shall keep at all times a complete stock of High Grade long and short leaf yellow pine and fir timber, builders hardware, wire, rails, posts, cement and lime.

We specialize on Oil Field Material. We solicit the business of the good people of Big Spring and Howard County.

Cicero-Smith Lumber Company
EAST SECOND AND AUSTIN STREETS

PUBLIC RECORD OF WARRANTY DEEDS

B. P. Boydston sold to Claud Wingo 10 acres of land in the eastern part of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McGhee sold to Ben Goodston lots 10, 11 and 12 in block 20 in Jones Valley Addition. A 4 room dwelling five camp houses, garage and filling station are included in the sale.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mason sold to M. E. Byerley the South one half of Lots 12, 13 and 14 in block 8, McDowell Heights Addition.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. T. Brooks sold to B. Reagan lot 12 and north half of lot No. 11 in block 39 in the city of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Fisher sold to D. C. Maupin lot 8 in block 61 in Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Christian sold to J. D. Cunningham all of the North half of the Northwest quarter of section No. 4 in block 32 Tsp. 1 S.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Read sold to Mrs. Ida May Maxfield lots 5 and 6 in sub-division "B" in block 26 in Fairview Heights Addition.

L. S. McDowell sold to Mary E. Mauldin lot 14 in block 17 in McDowell Addition.

L. S. McDowell sold to Ava Louise Mauldin lot 13 in block 17 in McDowell Addition.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hyden sold to Mrs. Hattie Crosssett lots 1 and 2 block 12, Cole and Strayhorn Addition.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Griffice sold to Laura Glascock lots 5 and 6 in block 17, Cole and Strayhorn Addition.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Vance sold to A. W. Dougherty lot 10 in block 1 in Highland Addition.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cook sold to E. D. Carroll lots 5 and 6 block 5 in Boydston Addition.

Mr. and Mrs. Halsey E. Sturtevant sold to I. J. and J. Y. Robb the South 318 of the East half of section 24, block 35, Tsp. 1 S.

COTTON CROP NOT ALL GATHERED

Coolish snaps and the brief spell of rainy weather have combined to cut down the cotton receipts the past week. Public Weigher J. W. Carpenter gives 12,626 bales as the total received at the Big Spring bonded warehouse with 4100 round bales ginned in Big Spring and about 4090 bales of cotton received at Coahoma, the total number of 500 bales for the county is now about 18,676 bales. If conditions ever get right an additional 2000 or 2500 bales will be harvested.

Most of the cotton yet to be gathered will have to be snapped. A killing frost is needed to make it easier to pull and gin this grade of cotton.

SNOWWHITE CREAMERY IN OPERATION

The Snowwhite Creamery has purchased the ice cream department from Rutledge Bros. and is now operating this department.

T. W. Long, local manager announces the plant will be operated at the same stand. He also announces they will purchase cream and milk from the farmers of this county.

We appreciate you calling on us to see our array of Christmas goods, whether you buy or not. Collins Bros. Drugs.

Frequent Bilious Attacks

"I suffered with severe bilious attacks which came on me two or three times every month," says Mr. Ollie Miller, of Murray, Ky. "I would become dizzy. My head would ache terribly, feeling as if it would almost burst. It felt exactly like a tight band was being drawn closer and closer around my temples.

"My stomach would be so upset I could not retain any kind of nourishment for hours. I would have to quit work and go to bed.

"My color was awful. I was yellow and my skin was drawn and dry. I did not have any energy—no ambition to work. I was just about half sick most of the time because of these spells.

"One day one of my neighbors, who has used Theford's Black-Draught for years, said he had noticed how bad my color was and thought it would help me.

"I got some Black-Draught immediately and began to take it regularly until I got my system clear of the poison I had been absorbing. I soon began to feel better and developed a fine appetite. I had no more bad headaches or bilious spells."



BUY BANKHEAD RESTAURANT

J. W. Middleton and Frank Ater have purchased the Bankhead Restaurant from Mr. and Mrs. Arnett and are now in charge of this finely equipped eating place.

The name of the business has been changed to the Bankhead Cafe, and Mr. Middleton and Ater will give their full time to making this the most popular cafe in West Texas.

Mr. Ater was formerly in charge of the T. and P. Dining Hall at the T. and P. depot.

Messrs. Middleton and Ater have a host of friends here and will make the Bankhead Cafe a place where you can take your folk anytime, with the assurance that you are going to get the best of everything to eat and be treated with every courtesy. "The Patrons Must be Satisfied," is going to be the motto of this cafe.

Alfred Collins, manager of the Collins Bros. Drugs, perfumed the Lyric theatre on Monday night with Joncaire perfume, at the showing of "Camille," Norma Talmadge's greatest screen success.

Amity purses that last a life time. Collins Bros. Drugs.

Fruits, nuts and Candies—The White House.

W. H. Cardwell has purchased the J. W. Bradley home on East Third Street. Mr. Bradley is to have a new home erected on Main Street in McDowell Heights and will move his family there just as soon as the new residence is completed.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Frallic of 204 West 10th Street, left this week for Snyder, where they will make their home. Mr. Frallic is a valued employee of the Marland Oil Company and has been in charge of one of the deep test wells in Howard county.

Genuine Pyralin toilet sets, guaranteed. Collins Bros. Drugs.

Miss Nellie Puckett has accepted a position with Mann and Freel, real estate office in the Crawford hotel.

Norris candy can't be beat for a Christmas gift. Collins Bros. Drugs.

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 - LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS**—Nothing is more useful or appropriate as a gift. One can never have too many.
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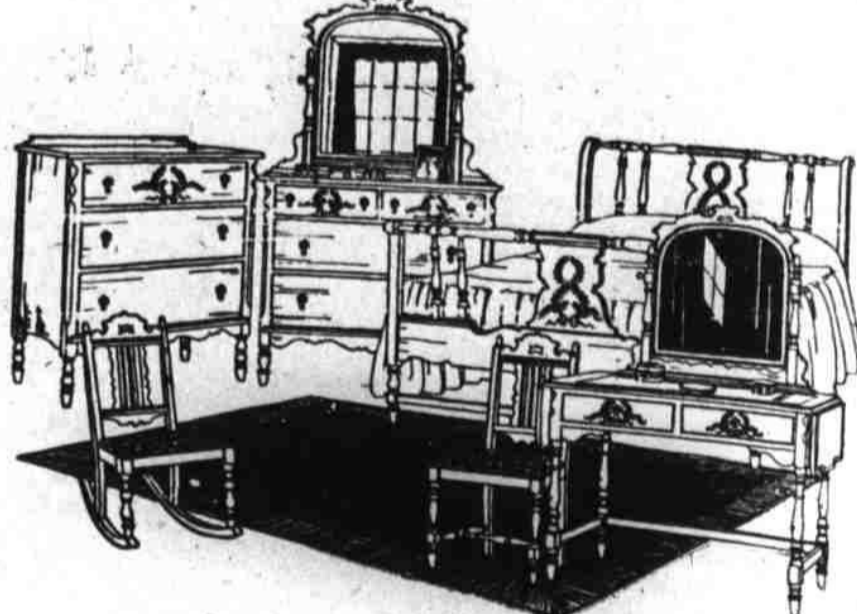
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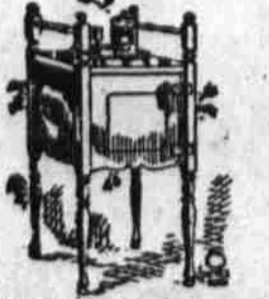


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LEASE AND PRO-PRITY SALES RECORDED

T. Hall assigned to Empire Gas Fuel company a lease on the S. quarter of section 16, block 35 and T. C. survey.

T. Hall assigned to Empire Gas Fuel company a lease on the southeast quarter of section 17, in block 25 H. and T. C. survey.

T. Hall assigned to Empire Gas Fuel company a lease on the north one half of N. E. one fourth of the East one half of the NW fourth of section 56, block 27 and T. C. survey.

T. Hall assigns to Empire Gas Fuel company a lease on the northwest quarter of section 27 in block 25 H. and T. C. survey.

E. and J. Fisher leased to the United Oil Co. the east one half of section 25, block 23 Tsp. 1 S.

E. P. Ricker and Floyd C. Dodson sold to the Atlantic Oil and Producing Co. an undivided quarter interest in the royalty on tract 12 and west in Kennebec Heights.

E. P. Ricker and Floyd C. Dodson sold to the Atlantic Oil Producing Co. an undivided 3-16 interest in the royalty to the South half of section 9, block 33 township 18.

The Taylor-Link Oil company assigned to the Delman Oil Co. a lease on the Southeast 160 acres of section 8, block 33, township 1 N.

The Magnolia Petroleum Co. and the Magnolia Pipe Line Co. have been granted a right-of-way for a telegraph and telephone line across sections 47 and 48 block 30, Tsp. 1 N. in the C. D. Read ranch in the western part of Howard County.

The J. K. Hughes Developing Co. sold to the E. L. Smith Oil company, Inc. the certain oil lease held by that corporation in Howard County.

Pete Johnson leased to John O'Neil the South half of section 38 and the Southeast quarter of section 36, in block 32, Tsp. 1 North; also the north 151 acres out of section 37, block 32.

Joseph T. Hayden of Kansas City sold to A. M. Calhoun an undivided 1/12th interest in the royalty on section 32 H and T. Ry. Co. survey, block 27.

The Midwest Exploration Co. leased from Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Chapman the North one half of the South West quarter of section 11 and 3 acres out of the South half of the southwest quarter of section 11, Tsp. 1 N., block 33.

G. T. Hall assigned to the Midwest Exploration Co. a lease on the North one half of the Southeast quarter of section 12, block 33 township 1 N.

G. T. Hall assigned to the Midwest Exploration Co. a lease on the Southeast quarter of section 12, block 33, Tsp. 1 N.

J. E. Redburn sold to the Adams Royalty Co. an undivided one eighth interest in the royalty on section 14 and the East one half of section 143 in block 29, Waco and Northwestern Ry. C. survey in Glasscock County.

W. O. Baird assigned to J. R. Duval an undivided one half interest in the lease on the Southeast quarter of section No. 1 in block 33, Tsp. 1 N.

W. O. Baird assigned to J. R. Duval an undivided one half interest in the lease on the north half of the Southeast quarter of section 13, block 32, Tsp. 1 N.

Guy R. Holcomb has filed a prospect application for all of the excess area within and extending the entire length of the East side of the West side of survey 140, block 29 W. and N. W. survey.

Mrs. Dora Roberts leased to the Magnolia Petroleum Co. the South half of section 165 and the West half of the Southeast quarter of section 114, block 39, W. and N. W. survey.

Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Powell leased to R. P. Ricker and Floyd Dodson all of tracts 12 and 13 in Kennebec Heights addition to Big Spring.

R. P. Ricker and Floyd Dodson assigned to the Atlantic Oil Petroleum Co. a lease on 30 acres in Kennebec Heights.

A. D. Neal assigned to Midwest Exploration Co. a lease on the South half of the Southwest one fourth of section 11, block 33, Tsp. 1 N.

NITRO SHOTS INCREASE THE PRODUCTION

In Howard County Magnolia Petroleum Company completed its No. S. G. O. Chalk for thirtyfive barrels a day with a shot with forty quarts from 1,605-25 feet. Before the shot the well made only five barrels.

Marland No. 2E Chalk, Howard County's other producer, increased from 79 to 90 barrels daily when shot with ten quarts from 1,744-49 feet.

James Davis has been elected City Secretary and he is kept busy in the discharge of his duties in this position.

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MIRA THE WONDERFUL

Out in the southern sky in the evenings of winter months, can be seen the constellation of Cetus the Whale. As it appears to observers in the United States, there are not very many bright stars in it, but there is one, known to the astronomer as Omicron Ceti, which is one of the most interesting objects in the sky.

Omicron Ceti is also known as Mira the Wonderful, a name which dates back many centuries, and which does not surprise us if we watch the star regularly.

The star was a variable! That is, instead of maintaining the same brilliancy all the time, as a well-behaved star ought to, it changed brightness regularly, sometimes being bright enough to be easily visible to the unaided eye, while at other times it faded to nearly the tenth magnitude, visible only with a large telescope. It reached its maximum last year in November. By the middle of May when however, it will be too near the sun to be seen any more, it will be at its minimum brightness, and then, next October, it will be bright again, for its period of variation is about 330 days.

But its variability is not the only interesting feature of Mira for it is the second largest star known. Measures have been made at the Mt. Wilson Observatory in California with the great hundred-inch telescope, the largest in the world, and with an attachment called the interferometer, have shown that it consists of a globe of glowing gases 250,000,000 miles in diameter, so vast that if the sun were placed at its center, there would be sufficient room for the earth to revolve in its accustomed orbit within it. Only one other star, Antares, in the constellation of the Scorpion, is known to be larger—it is almost 400,000,000 miles in diameter.—Dearborn Independent.

Under the new paving program it is planned to divert flood waters from Scurry Street to the western part of the city. If the water coming down this street can be controlled, the flooded conditions along Scurry, Runnels and East First Street will be eliminated.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Howard County—Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED. That you summon, by making Publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Howard if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in a newspaper published in the nearest County to said Howard County, for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, C. J. Crouse, whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the County of Howard, at the Court House thereof, in Big Spring, Texas, on the first Monday in February being the 6th day of February, A. D. 1928, then and there to answer a Petition filed in said Court, on the 6th day of December A. D. 1927, in a suit numbered on the Docket of said Court, No. 1161, wherein Dovie Crouse, plaintiff, and C. J. Crouse, defendant.

The nature of plaintiffs' demand being as follows, to-wit:

That on the 30th day of June, A. D. 1922, plaintiff was married to defendant in Howard County, Texas; that there was born from said marriage two children, a boy, named Thomas Joshua, age four years and a girl, named Margaret, age three years.

That on the first day of December A. D. 1924, defendant without cause or provocation, abandoned plaintiff and since said time has not in any degree supported plaintiff or her said children.

Plaintiff alleges that she has been an actual bona fide inhabitant of the State for more than twelve months and has been an actual resident of Howard County for more than six months next preceding the filing of this petition and that the residence of defendant is to plaintiff unknown.

Wherefore plaintiff prays that defendant be cited to answer this petition and upon final hearing she be awarded the care and custody of the children and that the bonds of matrimony existing be dissolved and for such other and further relief, both in law and in equity, as she may show herself entitled to and for costs of suit.

HEREIN FAIL NOT. And have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Big Spring, Texas, this, the 6th day of December, A. D. 1927.

J. I. Prichard, Clerk District Court Howard County, Texas.—12-4.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Commissioner's Court of Howard County, Texas, will receive bids at Big Spring, Texas, on December 19th, 1927, for the purchase of one or more Ten Ton Track Type road tractors, and one or more Twelve-foot road graders.

H. R. Debenport, County Judge, Howard County, Texas, At Big Spring, Texas, Nov. 16th, 1927.

LAND FOR SALE. Good farming land for sale. Easy payments. See T. S. Currie. 8-4

A SUGGESTION TO SOUTHERN CONGRESSMEN

There is a grain futures division in the Bureau of Economics of the United States Department of Agriculture which is empowered to regulate, in some measure, the speculation in grain on the grain exchanges. These exchanges must make reports of various kinds to the Grain Future Administration, and among these reports is one that calls for the number of bushels of grain bought and sold in the future markets and the number of bushels delivered on those contracts.

When Farm and Ranch asked for this information regarding cotton, it was informed that there was no law governing the case and that the cotton exchanges at New Orleans and New York would not give out the information.

The cotton producers of the South should demand of their congressmen the passage of a law that would create a Cotton Futures Administration with powers equal to those conferred upon the Grain Futures Administration. Producers of cotton have a right to know just to what extent gambling is going on in their product, and if it is right and legal to require the grain exchanges to give out this information, then it is proper that a demand be made upon the cotton exchanges for the same thing. It might not be worth very much to the producers, but certainly it would be interesting and farmers ought to get a little pleasure out of producing a commodity that is so extensively used in the two greatest gambling houses in the country.

ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THE MARKET

At one time Texas was seventh in the number of hogs on farms. Today Texas is so far down the line that it will take several seasons to regain its old rank. But, Texas and other Southwestern States will again become producers of pork, for the increased production of feed-stuffs and the interest manifested in dairying will demand more hogs if farmers are to profit by their other ventures.

The trouble with the hog business in Texas is that farmers have generally been on the wrong side of the market. Farmers are disposed to hold their products if the market is good, expecting it to go higher, therefore they hold or buy on an advance and sell on a decline. It is true with cotton and has always been true with hogs. With an advancing hog market many farmers hesitate until the demand has reached its peak, and then get into the business just as the market starts going down on the other side. About the time hogs reach the low point, they become discouraged and sell every-start to advance.

Those who make money with hogs keep an eye on the hog cycle. When hogs are way down, they buy and go into the business, and when hogs are going up they unload all but their foundation stock. Those who do this make a profit, taking the average of a number of years, and those who do not invariably sustain a loss.

FRAUDS IN BUILDING

During the last five years there have been approximately 1,475,000 one-family houses built in the United States at a cost of \$5,500,000,000. Scarcely any sizeable city in the country has been free from a certain amount of intensive suburban home building.

Now the unfolding of another story is beginning. Complaints are being heard that many of these little houses were flimsily constructed. Enormous repair bills are necessary. In some cases the houses are now in a tumble down condition even after these few years. In some areas these rows upon rows of frame houses of store-box construction, standing close together, constitute a serious fire hazard.

It would indeed be nothing short of a national calamity if it should develop that millions of American families, seeking to realize their cherished dreams for homes of their own and actuated by motives of splendid thrift, have been defrauded in their investments.

When you strike at the home you strike at the heart of the Nation. When you defraud a man out of his home you rob him of one of the things most dear in life.—Thrift Magazine.

THE EGG FARMER SAYS:

A pen of pullets kept without a male produced eggs at about 30 per cent less cost than an exactly similar pen with a male.

The heavier the egg the heavier the yolk.

The heavier the egg the smaller total percentage of egg that is yolk.

Eggs and yolks from wheat-fed fowls average somewhat heavier than eggs and yolks from corn-fed hens.

Generally, hens lay steadily in the winter, but not so regularly during the summer time.

Extremes in either heat or cold, as well as sudden changes of weather, have a detrimental effect on egg production.

The poultry man must furnish the needed elements for making eggs. Tonics may increase the appetite and stimulants may force the system to more activity, but the gain will be only temporary unless augmented with the right kind of food.

In winter, successful egg farmers always have something in the coops for the hens to pick at, such as scattered grain, a cabbage hung up, and even bones with a little meat adhering to them, always something to find in order that the flock shall not contract lazy habits. A hen running at large is always hunting, picking, and scratching, first a blade of grass then a bug, then a worm, and finally a seed.

Mrs. Frank Wynn left Tuesday for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Owen M. Jones, other relatives and friends in Fort Worth.

Hogs, dairy cows and chickens together should form one division of the well balanced farm. Not every farmer can be a good hog man, or make good with a large number of cows or chickens, but every farmer should have cows, hogs and chickens as a side line.—Farm and Ranch

SMOKING ROOM STORIES

As the suburban train left Kansas City, Editor "Deak" Moorehead of the Hopkins (Mo) Journal, entered the smoker, stood his new golf case up against the wall and puffed this wise:

"Golf is what letter carrying, ditch digging and carpet beating would be if those three tasks had to be performed on the same hot afternoon in short pants and colored socks, by gouty gentlemen who require a different implement for every mood.

"It is probably the only known game a man can play as long as a quarter century and then discover that it was too deep for him in the first place.

"The game is played on carefully selected grass with little white balls and as many clubs as the player can afford. These balls cost from 75c to \$5.00 and it is possible to support a family of 10 people (all adults) for five months on the money represented by the balls lost in a single afternoon.

"A golf course has 18 holes, 17 of which are unnecessary."

RUNAWAY GIRLS

Today's runaway girl runs away, not for romance, but for a good job according to the head of a large city's policewomen's bureau, who has just completed a survey of runaway girls, why they do it, how many, and with what results. The chief motive she finds, is the desire to escape squalid home surroundings. September is the biggest runaway month, and June, which one would expect to be first, comes around second. "Missing girls" are rarely heard of any more, she says, and the "white slave" is only a myth today. If a girl is "led astray" its with her eyes wide open. For every one of these there are 99 snappy young things who battle a typewriter and make their \$18 to \$30 a week. Blab as we may about the nice old-fashioned girls, somehow I much prefer these modern girls who go out after what they want instead of waiting for a man to marry them.—Ablene Summons.

It won't be long now until we can hang up the warning, "Don't blow out the gas."

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HASTY MARRIAGES

Justice Morschauer of the New York state supreme court is of opinion that we are having too many hasty marriages, with an equally hasty attempt to get out of them after a day or two—or after the principals sober up.

What this country needs is not more or fewer divorce laws, but regulations making it more difficult to get married. Not all hasty marriages result disastrously, but most of the 24-hour variety do. If the states had a law making it compulsory to give thirty or sixty days notice of an intent to marry, it would materially reduce the hasty marriage disasters that are largely responsible for cluttering up the divorce records of the country.

The effort of young folks to get out of hasty marriages is "all

wrong," according to the New York justice, who has presided at the celebrated divorce trials. "I am going to see that the courts tighten on this kind of cases," he added. "Wed in haste, repent at leisure has as much meaning today as it has and more."—Ablene Reporter.

THE WORLD'S LONGEST CONCRETE BRIDGE

Across the waters of Lake Pontchartrain and following the shore to the gates of New Orleans they are fast bringing to completion the longest concrete highway bridge in the world. The structure has two concrete draws and is 14.4 miles long. For the first time in two centuries the city will be an outlet to the north and west without vehicular traffic.



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Public Sale!

Having decided to leave the farm, I will put on a Public Sale at my place 14 miles north of Big Spring, at what is known as Bisco school house.

Sale consisting of mules, horses, cattle, hogs, farming implements, and many other things too numerous to mention.

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Date of Sale:

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 ...plan for the new year...
 ...the Chamber of Commerce...
 ...taken place during the...
 ...days, but we would like...
 ...to read this short circular...
 ...night of this week...
 ...December 15, our AN...
 ...BANGUET will be held in the...
 ...of the Methodist church...
 ...wire" program has been...
 ...and you just can't afford...
 ...this affair. You will not be...
 ...long dry speeches, but...
 ...entertained...
 ...Big things are in store for...
 ...Big Spring will do big...
 ...1928. Attend the banquet...
 ...a report of the accomplish...
 ...of this year and suggestions...
 ...of next year's program. These...
 ...are coming from our...
 ...citizens who have both...
 ...and vision. Lets back em up...
 ...all the Hotels in town full...
 ...and people turned away...
 ...as if both Mr. Crawford...
 ...Douglas have made a very...
 ...what the City needed...
 ...street has been let for the...
 ...of the sixth and seventh...
 ...of the Crawford...
 ...business says he expects to...
 ...official opening in January...
 ...Kelley has been made Gen...
 ...man for the Big Expan...
 ...of the Chamber of...
 ...He will need fifty loyal...
 ...to assist him in putting this...
 ...over...
 ...West Texas Druggists' As...
 ...in Big Spring March...
 ...hundred strong, Shine says...
 ...building, viaduct, more...
 ...homes, more school...
 ...and similar improvements...
 ...help sell Big Spring to...
 ...then to others...
 ...not pave Highway Number...
 ...what can be gain...

 ...has been informed through...
 ...Judge that Howard Coun...
 ...save approximately ten...
 ...dollars if we will pay our...
 ...tax after January 1st...
 ...of paying before that date...
 ...waiting. This would help...
 ...fund of Howard County...
 ...Annual Report of the Cham...

THE TWO SIDES

Two boys went to gather grapes. One was happy because they found grapes. The other was unhappy because the grapes had seeds in them. Two men, being convalescent, were asked how they were. One said "I am better today." The other said, "I was worse yesterday." When it rains, one man says, "This will lay the dust"; the other, "This will make mud." Two girls looking at a bush, one observes that it has a thorn; the other, that it has a rose. Two children looking through colored glasses, one says, "The world is blue"; the other, "It is beautiful." Two boys having a bee, one gets honey, the other gets stung. "I am glad that I live," says one man "I am sorry I must die," says another. "I am glad," says one, "that it is no worse," "I am sorry," says another, "that it is no better." Says one, "Our good is mixed with evil." Says another, "Our evil is mixed with good."—The Chaser, Carlsbad, Texas.

If the boll weevils could be pitted against the all worms in a war of extermination we would have some hopes for the cotton raiser. But with all the women and most of the men wearing cotton apparel for it is but natural the demand for cotton continues to dwindle. If the South would not plant a stalk of cotton for four or five years and the price of the staple go to one dollar per pound, cotton garments would return to favor.

Twenty of the sixty-two airplane records officially recognized by the International Aeronautic Federation of Paris are held by the United States.

Buy something that is useful for Christmas. Collins Bros. Drugs.

ber of Commerce for 1927 is being printed. Get a copy at the Annual Banquet Thursday night.

Judge Chas. E. Coombs known throughout West Texas as a most humorous and entertaining speaker will give the principal address at the Banquet Thursday night. If you have ever heard him take this opportunity. If you have heard him before we know you'll be there.

A HAPPY CHRISTMAS

In order that the joyousness of the Yuletide season may not be diminished by any untoward accidents or preventable sickness Dr. J. C. Anderson, state health officer urges the citizens of the state to use every precaution in avoiding accidents, and not to go to excess in eating or drinking.

"Every year at Christmas time, numbers of people are killed and injured through sheer carelessness," Dr. Anderson stated, and that such accidents as well as preventable sickness be kept at a minimum this year attention of the people of the state is called to the following:

The Christmas season is the very worst time of the year to indulge in careless driving of automobiles, as the increased number of people on the streets and roads may make even careful driving hazardous. For this reason, drivers of cars should ever be on the alert to prevent accidents.

"Hurrying" is often the cause of accidents. It is best to get to your destination a little later than not to get there at all.

"It is well to remember that bootleg liquor may contain poisonous ingredients which carries with it death blindness or serious illness.

"Over indulgence in food is as injurious to adults as it is to children. An overloaded stomach may cause serious intestinal trouble, and is also a predisposing factor in "catching" cold or other infectious diseases, due to lowered bodily resistance.

"Do not use lighted candles in the decoration of Christmas trees as this is a dangerous practice. Every gas stove and fireplace should be fitted with substantial wire screens to prevent injury or loss of life through accidental burns.

"Children should not be permitted to handle giant crackers or other explosives. Such practice is very dangerous.

"Let's all be thankful on Christmas Day for good health. For without good health, we could have no happiness."

One of the wars we are expecting during 1928 is an automobile war. General Motors and Henry Ford are going to tangle up or some of us are going to miss our guess.

RESTRAINING SPEED FIENDS

Every time the officials are off the street the speed maniacs want to get smart and the lives of our citizens are in jeopardy. Better soak the guilty with a heavy fine before they kill or maim some one. The following from the Coleman paper indicated they are having trouble with this class of unsafe drivers:

The accident on Commercial Avenue last Friday night that resulted in the death of a good man should cause citizens, the city commission the school board and Kiwanis club to renew efforts to stop speeding in the business section by premature drivers and rigidly enforce a speed limit. Unless it is done some "careful" driver" making 60 miles will run into a flock of school children that must pass the street four times every day. Most of the reckless driving in Coleman is done by young men and girls with heavy feet. Some of them turn corners so fast that only two of the 4 wheels remain on the street. Others like to apply the brakes suddenly. Since the accident everybody has volunteered information about what should be done. But will anything be done. Every person exceeding a reasonable speed limit should be prosecuted. Especially those in a hurry to get nowhere to do nothing should be dealt with severely. If necessary a night traffic cop should be employed. It is, as a rule, after dark that the paved streets are made race tracks.

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH NOTICE FOR SUNDAY
 There will be no preaching at St. Mary's church Sunday. The rector will conduct services at St. Stephen's church in Sweetwater both Sunday morning and evening.
 Regular church school 9:45 a. m. Please remember that there will be midnight services at St. Mary's church, Christmas eve. All of the members are expected to be present. Friends of the church are welcome.

Business during the first six months of 1928 is going to be the best for many years according to the captains of industry. We can all hope they are right.

Herald Want Ads Get Results

Conditions in Howard County are so much better than they are in most any other spot in the United States, that it is out of order to do much whining. Some of those who are complaining about slack business should be sentenced to make a trip through other portions of our state. Such a journey would certainly cure them.

Leavenworth, a village in Suffolk, England, has eighty bachelors out of a total population of about one hundred.

AN INVITATION TO ALL
WE HAVE CHRISTMAS PAPER, BOXES, AND STAMPS FOR YOUR SERVICE. IT WILL BE OUR PLEASURE TO WRAP ALL OF YOUR CHRISTMAS BOXES FOR MAILING, FREE OF CHARGE, WE WILL BE GLAD TO WRAP THEM FOR EVERYBODY.
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IF THERE AINT ENUF NEWS IN OUR PAPER, SEND IN SOME!

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Christmas Goods

For the Baby—The Child—The Grown-Up

OLD SANTA HAS HIS MAIN DISPLAY OF

TOYS AND PRESENTS

AT OUR STORE

IN THE USEFUL GIFTS WE HAVE

The many modern household helps—the needed, the ornamental and the something the household has intended to buy "sometime." Make her happy by having Santa put it on the Christmas tree for her.

Our Great Christmas Display Is Now Ready!

Come and see—what you want is here—for all members of your family and your friends!

Big Spring Hardware Co.

DADDY'S EVENING FAIRY TALE



Mary Graham Bonner
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WONDER OF WIRELESS

"Do you know," said Douglas one day to Uncle John, "I've never been in a big telegraph office and I'd love to go."

"All right," agreed Uncle John.

"We've seen telegraph boys hurrying with messages that later, I suppose, are carried over the telegraph wires."

So Uncle John took Douglas and Dorothy, too, to a big telegraph office. It was a very, very fine and enormous one and there were a great many men and girls sitting at desks and tables and all the time there was a constant clicking, clicking, clicking.

Hurrying With Messages.

"Here is a telegram," said Uncle John, "and it happens to be an answer to one I sent out West just a little over an hour ago."

"You have an answer to a message from way, way off in so short a time?" asked Dorothy.

Uncle John showed them the few words on the telegram.

"Oh," exclaimed Dorothy, "I should think the messages would be longer when they can go so quickly."

But Uncle John explained to them all the ways of sending and receiving telegrams, and they watched the messages coming in and going out clicking, clicking over the wires.

"I never thought before when I've seen telegraph poles and wires," said Douglas, "of all the messages that were being constantly sent over them. But of course, I know now, that there is hardly anything too amazing to be real."

Uncle John sent another message, and Douglas and Dorothy heard the words being made into little signal clicks so they could reach a person far away on the telegraph blank.

"I think I'll show you another invention, or the result of another invention before the day is over," Uncle John said.

"I think it would be nice to see a message sent by wireless."

"Oh, yes," shouted Douglas. "That would be exciting."

"It's a great invention assuredly," answered Uncle John, "and when you see it working you will think it is even more strange. There are no wires upon which the message can travel."

"No wires?" shouted both the children at once. "It always seems wonderful to send a telegram—but a message to be sent on—nothing! Well!"

"It is sent on something," explained Uncle John, "but not on wires. Come and we shall see."

So the children went with Uncle John down to a wireless station by the Battery. They went into the little office from where the messages were sent. All around were strange-looking wires and lights and great steel backgrounds.

A man was sitting by a small desk and was pressing on stops and keys with his fingers. He looked up as Uncle John and the children came in and took from off his head a steel band and a small instrument at one ear such as telephone operators often wear.

"I would like to send a message," said Uncle John.

"To where is it going?" asked the man.

"To a ship out at sea," answered Uncle John.

For he wanted to send a few words of greeting to a great friend of his who was sailing across the ocean. The man took the message down on paper. Then he began to start the machinery. At first Douglas and Dorothy heard such spluttering and sparking that they were rather frightened. It almost seemed as if the machine had grown wild and was going to explode.



Uncle John Showed Them.

But no, nothing like that happened. The man was simply getting connected with the ship upon which was Uncle John's friend. And then he sent the message, pressing with his fingers upon various letters and signs, while all the time the noise from the excited machinery kept up.

"I can understand now that the name wireless means these messages are sent without wires," said Douglas. "But just how are they sent?" he asked, looking very much puzzled.

"They are sent on waves of electricity shot through the air," said the man. "The messages really travel on these waves and with the aid of the machinery reach a definite spot."

"This seems almost more than a wonder," remarked Douglas in a very grave voice.

DON'T FORGOT COLD

Dr. J. C. Hastings

Don't sit at work in an overheated room. Sixty eight degrees Fahrenheit is quite sufficient for any office, and 65 degrees if you are moving around. Insist on there being a slight current in the air in the room you occupy and proper humidity.

Don't use spray or douches for your nose unless under the doctor's orders and instructions. Much more harm than good results from the use of sprays. If the spray is strong enough to destroy the germs it would be more likely to produce irritation in the mucous membrane that will lower its resisting powers and make it more susceptible to germ activity.

Don't sneeze or cough unless into a handkerchief or a piece of cheese cloth. These are frequent means of spreading the germs of colds or influenza, pneumonia, tuberculosis, measles and whooping cough.

Don't allow anyone else to sneeze or cough towards you.

Don't allow any member of the family who has an acute cold to come in close contact with other members of the household, or to use the same towels or utensils for eating or drinking.

Don't go to any public meeting if you have a cold. Better stay at home until your cold is better. You will save time by doing so and probably save others from contracting your disease.

Don't talk into anyone's face if you have a cold, and don't under any circumstances, shake hands with anyone while you have an acute cold. Through the frequent use of your handkerchief your hands are sure to contain the germs of the disease. In fact the race would not suffer much by allowing the hand-shaking custom to gradually fall into disuse. Have you ever catichised your hands and fingers as regards everything they have been in contact with in the previous twenty-four hours? Don't neglect or treat lightly a cold. It may be beginning of influenza, pneumonia, measles, tuberculosis, whooping cough. Germs that cause the common cold frequently prepare the soil for other more dangerous germs that we may be carrying.

Hundreds of lives could be saved and thousands of cases of sickness prevented if people were as afraid of

REMEMBER TO BUY HEALTH SEALS. FIGHT TUBERCULOSIS

The school children of Big Spring are buying and selling Christmas health seals, and in this way are becoming salesmen and shareholders in this the largest co-operative welfare enterprises in the world. Children all over the state participate each year in the annual Seal Sale and it is of educational value to them in that they obtain a large measure of what the Great White Plague is. Most school children today understand the meaning of the double-barred cross the symbol of the world wide campaign against tuberculosis.

Everyone is urged to buy a share of stock in this huge health movement. By buying health seals, each one helps in the fight against tuberculosis. The penny stickers can be used in wrapping Christmas packages and on Christmas letters, and these familiar little stickers with the double-barred cross carry the health message to all parts of the world.

Those who have not bought seals, are urged to do so. The sale closes Christmas. If you have not bought any seals, do your part before it is too late. You are expected to help in raising Howard County's quota, \$500.00.

Fights 18 Years to Get Rid of Gas

"I had stomach trouble for 18 years. Since taking Adlerika I feel better than for years and have not been bothered with gas." — L. A. Champion.

Even the FIRST spoonful of Adlerika relieves gas and often removes astonishing amount of old waste matter from the system. Makes you enjoy your meals and sleep better. No matter what you have tried for your stomach and bowels, Adlerika will surprise you. J. D. Biles, Druggist, and Cunningham & Phillips.

CATHOLIC CHURCH NOTICE

There will be midnight mass at St. Thomas Catholic Church, Christmas eve. Our Protestant friends are invited.

A giant cypress tree in Santa Maria de Tula, near Oaxaca in southern Mexico, believed to be two thousand years old, rises to a height of 140 feet and is 110 feet around.

colds as they are of smallpox. The XRay—The Chaser, Carlsbad, Tex.

ATTENDED SAFETY MEETING IN SWEETWATER MONDAY

Employees of the Texas Electric Service in this city attended a safety meeting held at the District office in Sweetwater, Monday evening. Besides the interesting program given, the employees were guests at a supper and dance given in their honor Monday evening. Those going

from the Big Spring office were: Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Hopper, Mr. and Mrs. H. Weisman, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Werin, and Miss Nell Hatch. They report an interesting meeting and an enjoyable time.

READ GUNNINGHAM & PHILLIPS XMAS AD IN THIS PAPER.

Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Miller drove, after a visit to the Wednesday morning for Mrs. M., where they will make their home.

The bird piper of Seattle with a leg spread of seven inches, is the largest in the world.

Screen's Bird of Paradise

AT



TWO DAYS

Monday and Tuesday
 December 19th and 20th



BILLIE DOVE

The magnificence of a full-blown rose; the richness of the harvest moon; the tenderness of twilight are not half as gorgeously beautiful, richly captivating and tenderly rare as Billie Dove

IN

THE STOLEN BRIDE

with

LLOYD HUGHES



She was a Countess, proud and beautiful daughter of aristocracy. He was an orderly son of a peasant. But he stole her from under the altar and made her like it!

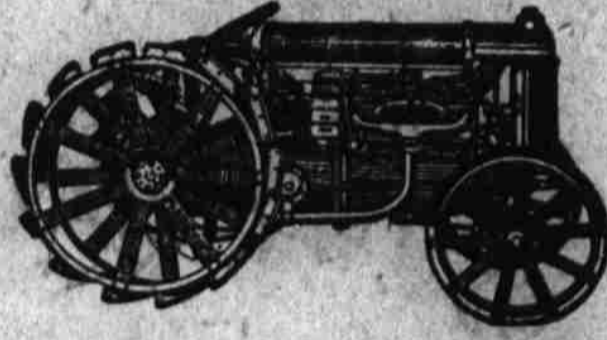
She had promised to wait for him now she was the bride of another! Was he too poor? Was she too rich? Must love be sacrificed on the altar of aristocracy? The law of royalty said, "Yes," He said, "No," and risked his life to steal her from the man everybody feared. Love fighting for life against the pomp and relentless pride of Old World Aristocracy.

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'Twas the Night Before Christmas

Father Said to Mother

Oh Gee! We forgot to send a present to Aunt Martha. Something must be done....and that right quickly.

"Well, it can be done and quickly, too," said Mother. "All you have to do is go down to the drug store. I never saw such a wide selection of suitable Christmas gifts—for every member of the family. I did half our Christmas shopping there this year. You will get just what she wants and they will wrap it and deliver it for you immediately."

Visit
Our
GIFT
SHOP
in
Balcony



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Why wait till the night before Christmas?

FOR MOTHER

- Perfume Spray
- Perfume
- Ivory Toilet Ware
- Stationery
- Handbag
- Bridge Sets
- Manicure Set
- Vacuum Bottle
- Powder and Rouge Compact
- Bath Towels
- Radio
- Urn Percolator
- Waffle Iron
- Electric Grill

FOR FATHER

- Cigars, Cigarettes
- Cigarette Lighter
- Pipe
- Ash Tray
- Cigarette Case
- Humidor
- Shaving Set
- Traveling Set
- Razor Stroppler
- Watch
- Fountain Pen
- Golf Bags
- Golf Sticks
- Poker Set

FOR SISTER

- Fountain Pen Set
- Camera
- Photo Album

Convenient to your home is your drug store where you can do your Christmas shopping comfortably, quickly and economically. None of the mad pulling and hauling of the usual Christmas crowd. Hundreds of gift selections await you --- useful, inexpensive---appropriate for every age.

There is no waiting. Everything is spread out before you on one floor--your drug store opens early and remains open late ---no loss of time to ride down town---you will receive courteous and appreciative service.

Do your Christmas shopping early and let your drug store help you. Regular year-round prices.

Check your Christmas list from the gifts named here. Hundreds of others on display at our drug store.

FOR BROTHER

- Diary
- Curling Iron
- Bureau Set
- Powder, Rouge, etc.
- Fancy Soap
- Bath Salts
- Drawing Book
- Card Games
- Handbag
- Handkerchiefs
- Vanity Case
- Wrist Watch
- Candy

- Flashlight
- Baseball Glove
- Football
- Desk Set
- Pipe and Cigarette Set

- Memo Book
- Pen and Pencil Set
- Harmonica
- Shaving Set
- Military Brushes
- Watch
- Hoyle Rule Book
- Golf Clubs

- Golf Bag
- Golf Balls
- Handkerchiefs
- Knife

FOR BABY

- Rattle
- Scales
- Teething Ring
- Powder Box
- Soap Dish
- Set of Pins
- Bath Toys
- Pin Cushions

- Comb and Brush Set
- Novelty Dolls
- Fancy Cup
- Tray

FOR SWEETHEART

- Powder and Sachet
- Bath Salts
- Soaps
- Vanity Case
- Handbag
- Handkerchiefs
- Perfume
- Watch
- Pen and Pencil Sets
- Bureau Set
- Candy
- Kodak
- Writing Paper
- Playing Cards
- Manicure Set

FOR FRIENDS

- Pipe
- Tobacco Pouch
- Cigarette Case
- Percolator
- Electric Grill
- Thermos Bottle
- Candy
- Cigars, Cigarettes
- Brushes
- Bureau Sets
- Playing Cards
- Books
- Beads
- Novelty Jewelry

Balcony Gift Shop

Cunningham & Philips

Two Friendly Drug Stores



Special Sale for Xmas Baking

Glase Fruit, Pineapple and Cherries, per jar	50c
Can Baker's Coconut, 2 cans for	35c
Package Citron, orange, lemon peel, per package	18c
1 oz. Shelled Pecans	10c
4 oz. Shelled Pecans	35c
4 oz. Shelled Pecans, glass	40c
Sunmaid Raisins, 15 oz.	20c
2 for	35c
Sunmaid Seeded Raisins, 11 oz., per package	18c
4 oz. Seedless Raisins	50c
2 oz. Seedless Raisins	30c
Mince Meat, 2 for	25c
Plum Pudding, 1 lb.	40c
Swan Down Cake Flour, pkg.	50c

Can Vegetable Dept.

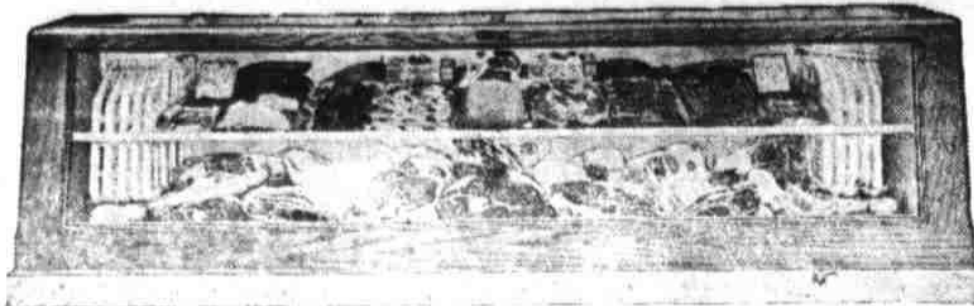
No. 2 can Baby Lima Beans	10c
No. 1 can Small English Peas	18c
No. 2 can English Peas per can	20c
No. 2 can Spinach	17c
No. 2 can Turnip Greens	17c
No. 2 can Brown Beauty Beans	14c
No. 2 1-2 Lge. Spinach	22c
No. 2 1-2 can Sweet Potatoes	22c
No. 1 can Dm. Asparagus tips	23c
Lge. can Pork & Beans	11c
No. 1 can Campbell Soups	10c
Del Monte Red Salmon	35c
No 1 Pacific Pack Pink Salmon	20c
Fresh Mackerel, each	18c
Sardines, 2 flats for	15c

Nall & Lamar Specials for One Week

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Our "Silent Salesman" Will Aid You in Selecting Your Menus

FRESH - WHOLESOME - MEATS

Meat Specials for Christmas Holidays

Call 236	POSITIVELY CASH	We Deliver	
Beef Roasts per lb	22 1-2c	Veal Loin Steak per lb	27c
Pork Roast per lb	.30c	Veal T Bone Steak per lb	27c
Rib Roast per lb	22 1-2c	Veal T Bone Steak per lb	25c
Rump Roast per lb	22 1-2c	Fresh Sweet Milk per quart	15c
Sliced Cured Ham	45c	Fresh Sweet Milk per pint	10c
Sliced Boiled Ham	57 1-2c	Fresh Kraft Cheese per 1-2 lb.	25c
Sliced Breakfast Bacon	47 1-2c	Barbecue Fresh daily pound	25c
Pure Pork Sausage pound	30c	Fresh Brick Chili per pound	27 1-2c
Veal Round Steak per lb	27c		

We keep fresh thick cream for whipping and to serve at all times. When in need of good cream for your party or dinners, Call us. It is kept ice cold in our electrically equipped frigidaire at an even temperature at all times.

FRUIT CAKES

5 lb. Superior	\$5.00
2 lb. Superior	\$2.00

Guaranteed to be pure and wholesome or money cheerfully refunded.

SUPERIOR CAKES

Sponge Cake	10c
2 Layer Cake Coconut	10c
Chocolate 2 Tone	15c
Coconut Cake	25c
Long Sponge	30c
Square Two Layer	25c

Candy! Candy!

Candy, Candy, Candy
We have a full line of Broch's Best Xmas, assorted, pure and wholesome. Call us for our prices before you buy. Cheaper in quantity lots. 1 pound, 2 pound, 5 pound and 7 pound boxes.

Fruit and Nuts

Bananas, per pound	12 1-2c
Apples, per doz. from	40c to 70c
Oranges per doz from	40c to \$1.00
Lemons per doz.	45c
Almonds per pound	30c
Walnuts per lb. soft shells lge.	35c
Pecans per lb.	30c
Filberts	30c
Shelled Pecans in bulk, lb.	\$1.00

Canned Fruit Dept.

No. 2 1-2 can Dm. Peaches Sliced	27c
Yellow Clings	25c
Melba Halves	27c
No. 1 Sliced Peaches	18c
No. 2 1-2 DM Apricots	35c
No. 1 can Apricots	18c
No. 1 can DM Fruit Salad	32c
No. 2 can Del Monte Sliced pineapple, per can	25c
No. 2 can Del Monte Crushed Pineapple, per can	23c
Red Pitted Cherries, No. 2 can	29c
No. 2 1-2 Broken Sliced Pineapple	30c

Gallon Red Pitted Cherries \$1.25
Gallon Quality Peaches .58
Gal. East Texas Blackberries 58c
Gallon Crushed Pineapple .76
Gallon Apples .58
The very thing for pies on Xmas
Every can guaranteed to please.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Continued from page 1, this section.

Big Spring, Tex.
December 9, 1927.

Dearest Santa Claus:

I am a little boy. I go to school. Please bring me a ball and a bat and an air gun, and a flashlight. I want a little car and a little train that will go around the track. With love,

Billie Humphries.

Garden City, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you? I am writing you a few lines.

I want a doll with a bottle and a nipple and a ring and a box of candy and apples and oranges. I will close Come Xmas. Margaret Myne Calverley, Garden City, Texas, 1927, grade 2.

Big Spring, Texas.
December 10, 1927

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring my toys to the Christmas tree at Elbow. Most of all I want a steam engine and lots of other toys. Please be good to my teacher and all my school mates.

With love,

Robert L. Coleman.

Big Spring, Texas.
Dec. 14, 1927

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little girl this year and I want you to bring me a little comb and brush set, and a big doll with lots of love and kisses, to Santa Claus.

Ruby McGee.

Big Spring, Texas
December 14, 1927

Dear Santa Claus:

Please send me a train and most of all a car, nuts fruit and candy.

L. F. Beard.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a sweater and a sewing machine and a piano and a pencil box and a bed and a doll.

Lorina Pederson, Big Spring, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish you would bring me a rubber ball and a toy dog and a little rocking chair and a little doll. I am a little boy a year old. Raymen Lee Pederson, Big Spring, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a well drill and a car and a tractor and a train. I am a little boy 7 years old. Bud Pederson, Big Spring, Texas.

SHOWING RESPECT FOR DEAD

A traffic cop is needed in Big Spring to teach some of our automobile drivers to respect the dead.

Any auto driver who will deliberately cut through a funeral procession is densely ignorant, or a person who needs to be handed a few stiff lines to teach him to respect the rights of others.

None of us are in such a hurry that we cannot slow down long enough to permit a funeral procession to pass; yet you will see our thoughtless or ignorant drivers violate this rule. Its getting so that some of our folks show no respect to the living or the dead—and mainly for the reason they are dead from the neck up.

CHURCH OF CHRIST CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The following program will be given at the Church of Christ, on Friday evening, December 23rd, and a cordial invitation is extended to everyone to attend.

- 1 Male quartet.
- 2 Merry Christmas Drill, by 14 children.
- 3 Pantomime, A Christmas Ballad—by all the children.
- 4 Telephone Message, Junia Johnson and Ruth Arnold.
- 5 Reading—Mary Dallas Collins.
- 6 Pantomime, The Infant Jesus—Several girls.
- 7 The Spelling Lesson, Gordon Buffington.
- 8 The Angel and the Shepherds—Mrs. Raymond Smith and Chorus of Angels, Shepherds and Wise men.

AN INVITATION TO ALL WE HAVE CHRISTMAS PAPERS, BOXES, AND STAMPS FOR YOUR SERVICE. IT WILL BE OUR PLEASURE TO WRAP ALL OF YOUR CHRISTMAS BOXES FOR MAILING, FREE OF CHARGE. WE WILL BE GLAD TO WRAP THEM FOR EVERYBODY.

COLLINS BROS. DRUGS
The Modern Drug Store

W. B. Currie and S. R. Weaver have closed a deal this week for the sale of eighteen lots in the South western part of the city to Fox Stripling.

CHURCH OF CHRIST NOTES

Brother J. D. Boren will conduct services at the church both Sunday morning and evening. He will preach at Knott, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Bible school at 9:45 a. m. Special Christmas program at the church, Friday evening, December 23. Everyone is invited to come and worship with us.

To hear men and boys cursing in public and in the presence of ladies, to be gassed with rotten cigarette smoke on every side, disregarding the annoyance or offense to others are signs that parents have quit teaching their boys to be gentlemen or to treat others as they would like to be treated. The "brass" rule has certainly displaced the Golden Rule these days and times. Everyone seems to feel that everybody you can get away with is O. K. and let the other fellow look out for himself.

J. B. Shockley and J. D. Boren, who have been visitors in Bay City the past week, will return home this week end.

Santa Claus dolls with candy at The White House.

Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Gaunce returned Sunday from a visit in Fort Worth where they had been on business the past three weeks. Mrs. Gaunce was ill while in Fort Worth but is much improved now. They are now on the Clay lease at Ross City.

WHITE HOUSE HAS COFFEE DAY

Last week the White House ran a little advertisement in the Herald inviting folks to call and taste the delicious Folger's Golden Gate coffee which was to be dispensed on Friday and Saturday.

The response was wonderful and the folks must have decided Folger's Golden Gate Coffee was real coffee, for more than 300 pounds were sold during the demonstration.

Mr. Welch of El Paso who conducted the demonstration stated that this was the largest sale of coffee ever resulting from a similar demonstration in Texas. In order to meet the big demand created for Folger's Golden Gate coffee, Mr. Pickle ordered the biggest single shipment of coffee ever brought to Big Spring.

Christmas candies from 20c to 30c per pound—The White House.

BUY STANDARD MERCHANDISE

In buying your Christmas presents always buy merchandise that is nationally advertised and nationally sold. It is always good. They always have a guarantee behind each article that they place on the market.

Could you afford to buy a Ford without the Ford stamp on it?

Would you buy Sterling Silver without the stamp Sterling Silver on it? It would simply mean that without this stamp, you do not know what you are buying. With the stamp on the article you know that the company is behind it.

In buying your Christmas presents always ask for the stamp. If it is backed by a real company, they will stamp it. Come to Collins Bros. Drugs to do your Christmas shopping. We have Christmas gifts with a guarantee—It.

Norris candy can't be beat for a Christmas gift . . . Collins Bros. Drugs.

We are told that if we fail to carry the road bonds Highway No. 9 will probably be detoured around Sterling. In that case our gasoline and automobile tax money will be used in building the detour around us. We are up against the proposition of helping to build a road that leaves us out in the cold or building our own road. In other words, shall we dig up to pay for the other fellow's road or shall we put our money in our own roads? We are going to vote for the bonds in order to build our own road. If we were to vote against them, we would vote to help build the detour which would leave the county high and dry. —Sterling City Record.

If our streets throughout the city were surfaced, as Third and Scurry streets are, we would be fortunate. These streets when not cut up to permit the laying of water mains, are standing up exceptionally well and are easy to keep in good repair.

We won't be satisfied until the Texas Electric company gives Big Spring a home office like unto the one they have erected at Sweetwater. It might be a good idea to invite John Carpenter and L. J. Geer to Big Spring and let them know our city would appreciate such an office building.

You'll Want to be Tanned Up at Christmas Time

Drive around to us and let us fix up your car for the Christmas holidays.

Crawford Parking Station

Sells gas, oil, and automobile accessories. We have plenty of parking space. Let your car with us. We repair tires. Road service in town. Let us give your car a good greasing.

Crawford Parking Station

NORTH OF CRAWFORD HOTEL

Jay Johnson and Hilo Hatch, Prop.

Rubber flappers cautioning motorists to slow down near school and to drive carefully at street intersections are being installed at street intersections to warn auto drivers to comply with traffic regulations. It is hoped the majority will abide by the laws so it will not be necessary to employ traffic officers.

Oysters and Fresh Meats—The White House.

A number of lots in Big Spring and Coahoma are to be sold at public sale in January for delinquent taxes.

7 bars Swift's Naphtha Soap for 25c—The White House.

Miss Etta Rows returned Saturday night from Eastland where she had been the past several days visiting her sister and brother.

We appreciate you calling on us to see our array of Christmas goods, whether you buy or not . . . Collins Bros. Drugs.

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REGULATIONS

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oil field of considerable long lived field was operations up to date shallow oil fields had it is possible that the bigger oil wells in the stated that the oil take care of itself oil. He said he was body of men going to try which would be oil has been forgotten, agriculture, and it along this line he the little city would be

OIL PAINTINGS

Arthur Edson painting pictures in paints at Corralton Shop says that Big right as his pictures hot cakes. They will same price until and frame priced at

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Big Spring, Texas, Friday, December 16, 1927

By T. E. Jordan

WOMEN'S PAGE

FOOTBALL BANQUET

The football season of the Big Spring was officially brought to a close last Thursday evening. The members of the High School Football Association met with a banquet in their parlors at the First Baptist Church. The football squad young lady escorts assembled at 7 o'clock. A splendid Christmas dinner was arranged, with mince pies, Christmas bells and a truly holly setting. The banquet was arranged in a "U" shape for "us" meaning the football boys during the past year. The tables were beautifully decorated with the Christmas trees and the Christmas trees were carried out by the football boys for each guest, and for each one. Tall, burnished silver placed at intervals along the tables cast a pretty glow over the scene, as the guests were following delectable menu items:

- Roast Turkey
- Stuffed Peas in Timbales
- Jelly, Tomato Salad, Celery Jello with Whipped Cream

Higgins, principal of the school, acted as toastmaster on the occasion and a brief and peppy program was given. The welcome was given by Ferguson, with Lucille Ferguson, responding. Dr. Hinton, president of the school, gave a brief talk on "The Future" after which the superintendent, told of the needs of the Big Spring school. Little talked on the future of the school, outlining the possibilities for immediate demands for building and equipment. Mr. Hinton stated that the congestion was more serious due to the fast growth of Big Spring and in many new citizens.

Gentry, Steer manager of the school, talked on the financial side of the Athletic association. A short talk by Alfred Gentry, former coach at the Big Spring High School, made an impression on the Steers. G. S. Harris, talked on "The Future" and Gentry gave a short talk on "The Future." In addition to the program, short speeches were given by Captain Harold Yarborough, Ed Settles and Red Settles and all the Steers who will be in the school this year through the year. The Steers who are to carry on the traditions of the High School.

On this occasion were: Hinton, Superintendent; Little, Mr. and Mrs. George; Mrs. and Mrs. George Gentry; Mrs. Clara Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Higgins, Miss Estelle Hutto, Ed Settles, Ed Settles, Yarborough, Perry Johnson, Ferguson, Book Fields, Forrest, Barley, Carlton, Flowers, Frank Jones, Rawleigh Mims, Chas. Pasty-Burns, Jesse Ferguson, Yarborough, Vernon Mims, "Red" Coots, Griffith, Joe Pickle, Malcolm, Val Williams, Freeman, Eddy Maxwell, Cecil Neal, Finnerman; Girls: Lois Co-wins, Frances Taylor, Mabel Eddy, Lucile Rogers, Dorothy, Frances Crawford, Nora, Cora, Carmen Compton, Gail, Orelle Orr, Evelyn Mer-cer, Taylor, Anita Musgrove, Betty, Mildred Patterson, Vera Robinson, Anna, Lola Belle Stewart, Dorothy D'Armon, Eida, Fannie Underwood, Maxine Thomas, Pauline.

ST. MARY'S AUXILIARY MET

The members of St. Mary's Auxiliary of the Episcopal church were guests of Mrs. F. H. Stedman, Monday afternoon, when they met in regular business session. The election of officers for the new year resulted as follows: President—Mrs. Shine Phillips. Vice-President—Mrs. R. V. Middleton. Treasurer—Mrs. H. Markham. Secretary and Reporter—Mrs. A. M. Ripps.

WINTERMAN AUX. NOTES

The auxiliary will not meet again until the first Monday in January. The reports of the first meeting of the year will be made later.

BENEFIT P. T. A. ENTERTAINMENTS TO BE GIVEN AT LYRIC

Two entertainments will be given at the R. and R. Lyric theatre next week, on Wednesday night, December 21st, and Thursday afternoon, December 22nd, under the auspices of the Parent Teachers Association of the Central Ward and Junior High Schools. This will be a double bill entertainment, and everyone is urged to come and help the P. T. A. Following is the program for both days:

"How the Story Grew"
This is a short play of several different settings. Women like to talk (and so do men) and you will surely laugh at and enjoy the gossiping of these eight women, who represent different types of women and have something confidential to tell another, etc. The complications grow as the play proceeds and comes to an entertaining climax at the close.

- Cast of Characters**
- Mrs. Brown Opal Lovren
 - Mrs. Green Ruby Majors
 - Mrs. Bean Claudine Miller
 - Mrs. Doolittle Reba Simmons
 - Mrs. Taylor Cholle Stuteville
 - Mrs. Snow Faye Runyan
 - Mrs. Rice Mary Lou James
 - Mrs. White Joyce Anne Jones

Vera's Vacation
This is a drama in three acts. It is an absorbing story of a summer vacation and the marvelous transformation of a grouchy father into a genial friend. There is plenty of comedy mixed along; a touch of romance develops toward the close there is plenty of action from the beginning to the end, and is really a play which you will appreciate seeing.

- Cast of Characters**
- Josiah Blake, an irascible farmer, C. T. Hollabaugh.
 - Elyira Blake, his patient wife—Pearl Richbourg.
 - Alice Blake, his college daughter, Nina Thigpen.
 - Tony Blake, his overworked son—Willis King.
 - Vera Verrington, a college chum of Alice's—Marguerite Tucker.
 - Alonso Bundy, a specialist in Lepidoptera—William Dehlinger.
 - Elise Bundy, his giggling wife—Estelle Gaines.
 - Roy Throckmorton, M. D. a young fisherman—Truman Shaw.
 - Anna Throckmorton, his mother—Eleanor Rix.
 - Farm hands, neighbors, etc.

These plays have been well prepared, and are well worth your going to see. You will enjoy the two and half hours, and will appreciate the fact that the performers were pupils of your home school. There will be two performances, the first will be December 21st, Wednesday night, Curtain 7:30 p. m. Admission 25c, everybody, 25c. On the following afternoon Thursday, December 22nd, a bargain Matinee will be given beginning at 2 p. m. School children from the wards will be admitted for 10c, and those from the other schools for 15c. All others will be charged 25c. This will be the same show as of the night before.

Under auspices of Parent-Teacher Association of the Central School Also Junior High Association is to receive one half of Matinee proceeds. R. & R. Lyric theatre.

"THE PRINCE OF PEACE" CHRISTMAS CANTATA

"The Prince of Peace," a Christmas cantata, will be given at the First Baptist Church, Sunday evening, December 18th, beginning at 7 o'clock. This musical program will give way to the regular Sunday evening service, and a cordial invitation is extended everyone to attend. The personnel of the cantata is as follows:

- Soprano, Mrs. Travis
- Read, Mrs. H. McNew, Mrs. Roy Green, Miss Lou Cardwell, Miss Ruby Bell, Miss Maurine Weatherby.
- Tenors, H. G. Keaton and H. F. Williamson, Baritone, Buell Cardwell.
- Quartette—Mrs. Roy Lay, Mrs. George Gentry, Roy Cornelson and Roy Lay.
- Male Quartette—H. G. Keaton, Roy Lay, Roy Cornelson and Buell Cardwell.
- Soprano Obligato—Miss Lillian Hancock.
- Pianist—James F. Wilson.
- Violinist—Miss Evelyn Jackson.

This Christmas cantata is given under the direction of Miss Lillian Hancock, director of the Baptist choir. Miss Hancock has worked up one of the best choirs in town and the special musical features at the services Sunday morning and evening bring large crowds to each service. Everyone is invited to attend the "Prince of Peace," on Sunday evening.

CLUBHOUSE NOTES

The women of the City Federation are being congratulated on securing the southwest corner of the Court-house lawn, on which to locate the Community Clubhouse. The women who want \$10 memberships, to become charter members, are sending in their names and money rapidly. We want to remind everyone again, not to wait until approached by a committee to donate, but phone any officer or member of the Federation the amount you wish to contribute. The four teams, headed by Mrs. C. D. Baxley, Mrs. Shine Phillips, Mrs. W. N. Paulson and Mrs. J. M. Fisher will start to raise their allotted sum of \$250.00, after the first of the year.

The executive committee of the Federation will meet the latter part of the week to discuss in detail the plans for the clubhouse, a report of which will be given later.

GIRLS HIKING CLUB ENJOY OUTING SATURDAY

Carrying kodaks, bacon, eggs, skillets, knives and other implements, the girls Hiking Club enjoyed an outing Saturday morning. They took a long walk, south of town, where they spent the day. They prepared their meals and a jolly time taking pictures and playing games.

Those going on the hike were: Misses Clara Cox, Vesta Mosteller, and Brown, sponsors and President Zillah Mae Ford, Kathryn Bittle, Marguerite Wood, Gertrude Laney, Jennie Dorine Rogers, Hazel Jordan and Ruby Smith.

STATE PRESIDENT REBEKKAHS GUEST IN OUR CITY

Mrs. Ada Ramsey of Wichita Falls State President of the Rebekkah Lodge, arrived in Big Spring Wednesday evening for an official visit to the local chapter. The Big Spring members are indeed delighted to have Mrs. Ramsey as their guest, and deem it an honor and a privilege to entertain her while in the city. She will be honor guest at a reception to be held at the I. O. O. F. Hall this evening, Thursday, December 15th.

RECEPTION FOR REVEREND BAILEY WAS POSTPONED

The reception in honor of Reverend and Mrs. W. G. Bailey to have been held in the First Methodist church last Tuesday evening was postponed on account of the illness of Reverend Bailey.

Some friend who has lived in Big Spring will appreciate The Herald.

MISS CLIFFORD EDWARDS MARRIES RALPH E. WOLFE

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Edwards of Abilene are announcing to their many friends in Big Spring the secret marriage of their daughter, Clifford Martha, to Ralph Edward Wolfe on June 15th, 1927, at Ballinger, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe are now at home to their friends in Snyder, Texas.

The bride is a former Big Spring girl, having attended the Big Spring schools, graduated with the class of 1926. She attended Abilene Christian College the past year, where she was a popular member of her set, and also a popular student on the campus. Because of her winning ways and may sweet mannerisms she was loved by all who knew her, and her many friends in this city wish to extend sincerest best wishes for her happiness.

The groom, formerly salesman at the Hudson-Exxon Motor Company, in Abilene has resigned his position and has gone to Snyder where he will be associated in business with his father. He is said to be a member of a prominent West Texas family and is a young man possessing many sterling qualities. Congratulations are extended the happy young couple by their Big Spring friends.

PIONEER BRIDGE CLUB GUESTS OF MRS. FISHER

A pretty Christmas motif was expressed at this week's meeting of the Pioneer Bridge club, at which time the club members were guests in the home of Mrs. A. M. Fisher. Green and red very effectively carried out a holiday motif in the Christmas wreaths, and other attractive decorations used. In the series of interesting bridge game, Mrs. John Clarke was successful in making high score among the club members, and Mrs. C. D. Baxley made visitors high score.

Following the play, the guests were invited into the dining room, where they gathered around a prettily decorated Christmas tree. A tiny package for each guest was taken from the tree and passed to each one. Delectable refreshments in two courses was a pleasant aftermath to the play.

EASTERN STARS TO HAVE BANQUET TUESDAY NIGHT

A Christmas program and banquet will be given in the Masonic Lodge, next Tuesday evening, December 20, beginning at 7:30 o'clock, when members of the Order of Eastern Stars will entertain the members of their families. Plans for a delightful affair are completed, and everyone is urged to come and have a good time. An interesting Christmas program is being arranged. Those wishing to attend the banquet are urged to please call Mrs. Chas. Eberley, Worthy Matron, by noon, Monday, December 19th, and tell her the number of places to reserve.

ENTRE NOUS BRIDGE CLUB ENTERTAINED BY MRS. HAIR

The members of the Entre Nous Bridge club were delightfully entertained in the home of Mrs. J. J. Hair, last Wednesday afternoon. Two tables of players found diversion in the afternoon games of bridge, and to Mrs. H. G. Whitney went the honor of club high score.

At the refreshment hour a delectable two course luncheon was served in a dainty manner.

Mrs. G. L. Brown returned last Friday night from Hot Springs, New Mexico, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. B. Jones and family. While in Hot Springs she attended the wedding of her niece, Miss Adah Jones to Mr. Claud Heffernan, who were married on Thanksgiving Day, November 25th, 1927. Miss Jones formerly was a Big Spring girl, and her many friends will read with interest, of her marriage. Mr. Heffernan is a brother of our townsman, Jess Heffernan.

Send the Herald to some friend in another city for Christmas.

"TRIP AROUND THE WORLD" TAKEN BY A LARGE CROWD

Two big steamers loaded with parents, students and friends of the Junior High School set sail on a Trip Around the World last Friday evening, and the passengers were privileged to visit many foreign lands on this tour. This entertainment was sponsored by the Junior High P. T. A. and about fifty dollars were cleared, this money to be used to buy equipment for the school.

The crowd assembled in the big room in Junior High, where A. J. Sparks, principal, gave a few words of welcome before the travelers started on their journey of foreign lands. Each room in the school building was tastily decorated to represent some foreign country. Flags, flowers and other symbols emblematic of that nation, and eats characteristic of the country further carried out the national atmosphere.

In Japan, Japanese scenes, lanterns, chimes and other oriental symbols provided an alluring setting, where the guests listened to an interesting story written by a Texas missionary, now in Japan. After the program, the guests were served dainty waters and tea, by Japanese women, attired in pretty Japanese kimonos. Mrs. W. A. Miller and Mrs. Cecion Smith were in charge of Japan.

Mexican flags and pretty Mexican music gave Mexico a realistic setting where in romantic senors and senoritas entertained the guests by singing and dancing. Mexican candy was served the guests here. Mrs. L. L. Freeman was in charge of Mexico.

In Holland, pretty tulips bloomed dutch windmills went round and other typical decorations were used to make a pretty setting. Following the dutch dance by little girls in wooden shoes, the travelers were served cheese and crackers. Mrs. Lawrence Simpson was in charge of Holland.

Sunny Spain was appealing because of the beautiful pot plants, palms and other greenery which formed a bow for the flashing senorita with her stringed instrument to play pretty music. Beneath pretty lights, the Spanish maidens and their escorts gave a Spanish quadrille, followed by singing of a Spanish song, and more dancing and singing. Grapes and oranges were served in Spain. Mrs. D. L. Barnes was in charge of that country.

In Ireland, where shamrocks and other greenery gave a realistic setting, the guests were entertained with a delightful program. Potato Salad and refreshing punch was served to the travelers here. Mrs. Fox Stripling and Mrs. H. Markham were in charge of Ireland.

America our homeland was naturally the prettiest of all with the American flag and streamers of red, white and blue, providing patriotic decorations. A delightful program was given by the boys and girls emphasizing a patriotic note. Dainty sandwiches were served here. Mrs. Leslie Dahme was in charge of America.

The tour ended in Hawaii, the guests were entertained by Hula dancers, ukule music and singing. Homemade cake was served to the travelers here. Mrs. Chas. Koberg, Mrs. Ira Driver and Mrs. H. C. Henley presided at Hawaii.

This was a uniquely planned entertainment, under the leadership of Mrs. J. D. Boren, chairman, sponsored by the Junior High P. T. A. Everything would have gone beautifully, had not the crowded condition and noise been disturbing. This was the fault of no one in particular, but it only emphasizes the fact more and more that we need an auditorium, or larger quarters, where similar entertainments for the school can be held.

The members of the P. T. A. and the teachers of Junior High are to be commended for the splendid entertainment given.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

- Joe Myers and Miss Lola Tunnel—Dec. 9th.
- J. S. Austin of Westbrook and Miss Vondale Chubbuck—Dec. 13th.

FORMAL OPENING OF THE MEN'S STORE, INC.

The formal opening of the Men's Store, Inc., located in the new Elliot building on the corner of East Third and Runnels street will be held this evening Friday, December 16th, between the hours of 7 and 9 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended the general public to come and inspect this new store for men.

Prizes will be given to those attending. Five prizes will be given to the men and their friends. Another interesting feature of the opening will be a guessing contest. A \$5.00 shirt will go to the man, and a pair of silk chiffon hose will go to the ladies winning in the guessing contest, featured on Friday night. Everyone is invited to come and take part. The manager, R. E. Burnham is anxious to become acquainted in Big Spring and wants everyone to come and get acquainted on the opening night.

SCHOOLS WILL CLOSE FOR THE HOLIDAYS, DEC. 21

The City Schools will close Wednesday afternoon, December 21st for the Christmas and New Year holidays, according to P. B. Bittle, superintendent. The students will enjoy ten holidays with school taking up again on January 2nd.

It is expected that many new pupils will be enrolled after the holidays since the compulsory education law becomes effective for all boys and girls between the ages of 8 and 17 years.

SEND IN NAMES OF COLLEGE BOYS AND GIRLS

Will you please phone the names of the boys and girls who are away attending college, and who will be home to spend the Christmas holidays, in to the Herald office. We would like to have a complete list, so phone them in early in the week and tell what day you expect them to arrive home. If you are going to have company during the holidays we would like to have that news, too.

W. R. DAWES HAS SUNDAY SCHOOL MEDAL SINCE 1880

That W. R. Dawes has been attending Sunday School a good many years can be proven by a medal that he now has in his possession, which he received at Sunday School in England in 1880. Robert Raikes founded the First Sunday School in 1780, and the centennial was held in 1880. Mr. Dawes was attending Sunday School at that time in England, and he has in his possession a medal which was passed to every member on the Sunday of the commemoration. The medal has a picture of Robert Raikes, with the date of the founding of Sunday Schools, 1780.

HERALD WILL BE PUBLISHED WED. NEXT WEEK

We wish to announce to the readers of the Herald that our paper will be published on Wednesday next week. We make this announcement so that those wishing to have ads in next week's paper, or who wish to report news items, church announcements or locals, can do so the early part of the week, and be sure to get them in the paper. Getting the paper out early will also give the advertisers more benefit from their ads, as the Christmas shoppers can see what bargains they offer before they finish up their Christmas shopping.

If you will get your news and ads in early, we will appreciate your cooperation. Tell your friends about this, so that they will not be disappointed, if they want to get news in next week's paper. Thank you.

The Editor.

**WHAT'S DOING
IN
WEST TEXAS**
By
West Texas Chamber Commerce

Brady.—An article giving publicity to Texas and West Texas' Turkey Industry in general and to Brady's Turkey Trot in particular, released by the publicity department of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce was given good play in the December issue of the "National Republic" magazine, a Washington, D. C., publication. Two pages were devoted to reading matter and illustrations, besides editorial mention made of the article, and besides two pictures on other pages directing attention to the story.

Galveston.—The Jean Lafitte Hotel has opened for business here, and was built by a plan thought to unique by local construction. Instead of rolling shores, rooms in the building were sold at \$1,000 each to various citizens.

Olton.—The Olton Chamber of Commerce was recently host to a Father and Son Banquet, honoring the local stock judging team of Olton High School which won premier honors in stock judging at Texas Technological College in a recent competition.

Lubbock.—Representatives from fifteen South Plains towns attended the secretaries association meeting here December 6. Manager Wade of the West Texas Chamber, Joseph Leopold, manager of the Southern Central Division of the United States Chamber of Commerce, and John Boswell, manager of the Extension Bureau of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce, were principal speakers. Ralls won the prize for having the largest delegation of chamber officials present.

Copperas Cove.—Small grain

around this place is thriving. The cotton crop was completely picked by the last of November as there was no "top-crop" this year. Turkeys in the section have been particularly profitable and the holiday markets are being supplied with many birds from here.

Big Lake.—A systematic tree-planting program has been underway here by the commissioners court. Much improvement on the Reagan County courthouse lawn has been made by sodding grass, setting evergreen and flower-p.

Marfa.—Movements of cattle to the Corn Belt and other sections are being made daily from Marfa and adjoining towns of the Big Bend district. Record shipments are underway all over the west.

Plainview.—A two hundred thousand dollar paving program in this city for 1927 was completed December 1, which gives the city twenty additional blocks of high type brick on concrete pavement, making a total of seventy-five blocks of brick in the city at this time.

Stamford.—Tribute to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce for a "Banner Year of Service," especially as reflected on the South Plains and Lubbock County, is paid in the initial issue of the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce magazine, termed "The Hub." The magazine will make its appearance the tenth of each month.

Midland.—The six-story Thomas oil office building here was filled one week after it was opened and now has a waiting list. Midland now has 29 oil companies with either offices or representatives in this city. A second petroleum building of 12 stories is to be erected especially for oil companies using Midland as operating headquarters. T. S. Hogan, wealthy operator who recently bought over \$450,000 worth of property in Midland, will erect the building. Wyatt C. Hendrick, prominent Fort Worth designer, will draw plans for the structure.

FARM JINGLES BY MACK

I am living in the country now, I've quit the city cold after learning well the lesson, "All that glitters is not gold." For many years I did my best to earn a living there but each year the harder was my lot, and no one seemed to care. To tell the truth, I nearly starved, was always in dire need, although I worked both day and night to earn my daily feed. But out here in the country—you ought to see my home—of course it is no palace, but its a cheerful place to come. There are roses in the front yard, in the back are flowers galore, and all receive a hearty welcome who come within my door. My family all are healthy, they are a jolly lot to see. The garden and the orchard furnish food that's hard to buy, but they furnish you a plenty, if you will only try. From the cows, we get the sweet milk, the butter and the cheese. Say mister, did you ever see finer cows than these? And then while we are talking, you surely will allow, that a paying proposition is a fine young Jersey cow. See that flock of purebred chickens the frilers and the hens? I raised the feed to feed them, its already in the bins. The surplus eggs and chicks are sold. Gee, I raise the pork to season all the vegetables we eat, and I will tell the whole world that home-cured hams are hard to beat. But, mister, do not take my word, go in the house with me and peep in to the pantry at the canned stuff you will see. Yes, sir, I raise some cotton, but I raise my living too; it seems to me that is the way that all who farm should do. Say, mister, do you blame me for coming here to live, when you think of all the good things that a well worked farm can give?—Farm and Ranch.

CUT FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS

Scotland Yard is seeking the Cut flowers in season for Christmas. Place your orders at Couch Greenhouse and Floral Company, Phone 329. Your home Florist will appreciate your trade.—12-21.

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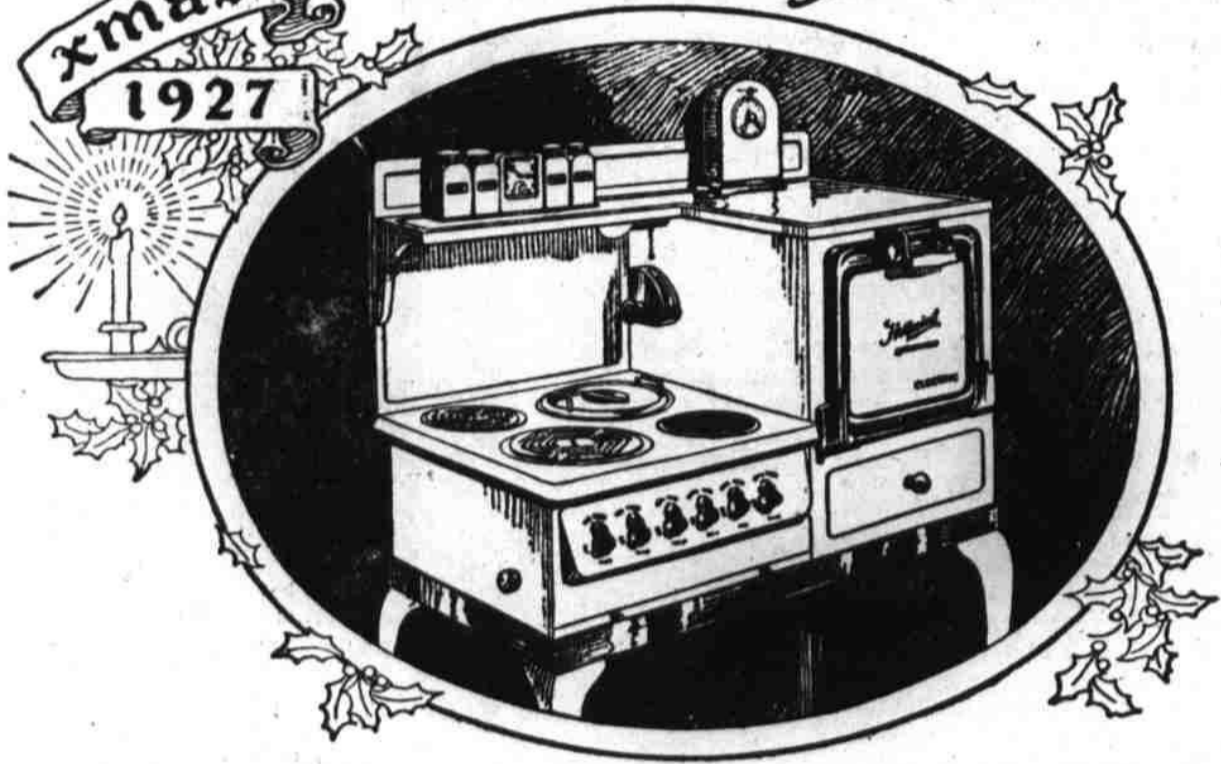
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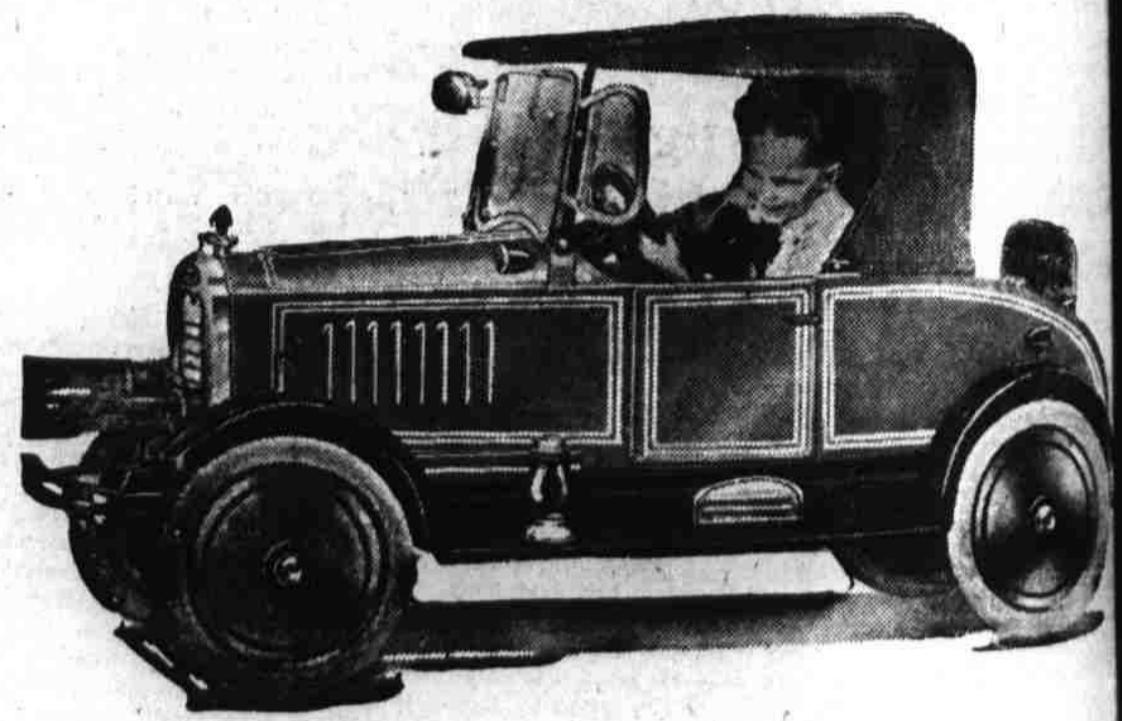
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for some boy or girl in this territory. Call at Biles Drug Store—the beautiful car—and learn how you may become the possessor same.

This wonderful car for the little fellows, is easy to control, has no complicated mechanism, and is simple to start and stop. It will make five miles an hour.

The juvenile motor car is electrically equipped with a specially designed motor that is sure to give satisfactory service. Two road lamps and a tail light equip the car and it has a wet storage battery that furnishes the current. Since every home has a radio battery charging outfit it will be a simple matter to keep the battery up.

The little red automobile is now on display at our store and is attracting the attention of both young and old! It's a wonder—come and look it over.

J. D. BILES
Phone 87 DRUGGIST Phone 87

QUESTION BOX

ON HEALTH Subjects Edited By
STATE DEPARTMENT of
HEALTH
J C Anderson M.D. State H O

THIS column will be given to discussion of matters pertaining to public health. Any questions regarding public health administration, prevention of diseases, child care, sanitation, etc., will be answered in succeeding issues of this paper. Questions in regard to cure of diseases will not be answered, as the scope of this Department includes only disease prevention. Address Question Box, State Department of Health, Austin.

ME ANOTHER
A wart on my neck that has been giving me some trouble of irritation and soreness. Do not seem to get any better. Is there any danger of this developing into a cancer?
(La Grange)

ANSWERS
The most malignant types of cancer develop from pigmented warts. Warts located on the face are likely to become trouble through the wearing of tight collars, and when soreness or eruptions, one should immediately consult his family physician. Warts can be cured in the beginning. As a rule, if a suspected cancer, consult a physician until the harm has all been done, for as rule suffices elapsed by then for cells to be distributed in the body, making a cure of the disease certain. If

you have any reason to think that you have a cancer, go to your physician at once, as he who hesitates is lost. Every person after reaching the age of 40 should have a medical examination once each year. Cancer and other diseases can then be discovered in incipency with a chance for cure.

3 The window method is the most practical way of ventilating a school room. The windows should be lowered from the top on one side of the room, and raised from the bottom of the windows on the other side, with deflectors placed at the bottom of the windows to keep the cold air from blowing directly upon the children.

4 The rat is a carrier of bubonic plague. This disease is not transmitted by the rat itself, but through the medium of infected fleas that may infest the rat. Rats may transmit other diseases, but this has not been definitely proven on them. Rats live in filth and are infested with loathsome vermin, and in addition to being a health menace, are the cause of large financial loss to householders.

5 Scarlet fever is transmitted directly by personal contact with an infected person. Indirectly by articles freshly soiled with discharges of an infected person, and by contaminated milk or milk products.

IN COURT OR IN JAIL?

The American Petroleum Institute like the United States Congress, is the final judge of its own membership. It has re-elected Edward L. Doheny and Harry F. Sinclair as directors.

Which it had a perfect right to do. But it should not give the reason that it does for its action. The reason given as that the men should not be condemned until they have had their day in court.

Of Doheny, the United States Supreme Court has said "the consummation of the transaction was brought about by means of collusion and corrupt conspiracy between Fall and Doheny."

Of Sinclair, the United States Supreme Court has said: "The lease and agreement (Teapot Dome) were made fraudulently by means of collusion and conspiracy."

What the institute means, perhaps, is that Doheny and Sinclair should not be condemned until they have had their day in jail. Or even then? Fort Worth Press.

FOKLS AND ME

It's a funny thing, but true. Folks you don't like don't like you. I don't know why this should be so, but just the same I always know. If I'm some friends are few. If I'm friendly, folks are too. Sometimes I get up in morn, wishing I was never born; Make of cross remarks a few, Then my family wish too. That I'd gone some other place. Stead of showing them my face. But just let me change my tune, Sing and smile, then pretty soon, Folks around me sing and smile, Sure, its catching all the while. Yes, its funny but its true, Folks you like will sure like you. —Anon.

CHRISTMAS TREES

Spruce and Pine Christmas trees. Order one for the kiddies. It will make mother and father think that they are home again. Put your orders in early as only a few will be kept in stock.

Couch Greenhouse and Floral Company, 1206 Gregg Street, Phone 329-12-21.

She that putteth her hand to the steering wheel and straightway taketh away to powder her nose shall make up in heaven or a hospital.

REFORM MEASURES TO PREVENT CRIME

William H. Taft
Chief Justice of the United States
States Supreme Court

The whole country has been aroused to the necessity of bettering our legal machinery for the prosecution of crime, and this has led to the organization of commissions of study what can be done in regard to the matter. The movements thus inaugurated has focused attention on the responsibility of Legislatures of the States for the improvement of criminal procedure and the importance of adapting it to present needs.

Public opinion as manifested in the public press has created a demand for investigation. Elected members of Legislatures have become aware of the obligation they are under to see to it that measures of reform are adopted to protect society.

The general interests of the people have been forgotten in failing to make our procedure such that accused persons may be promptly tried.

We are an easy-going people. We allow abuses to creep in until they become so objectionable that we rouse ourselves, and then work radical reforms.

I hope such a time is at hand now. The country at large is ripe for measures of this kind.

Without examining closely the statutes proposed and partly carried through by Senator Baumes and his associates, it seems to me that they indicate that the forgotten man, the victim of the murderer and the robber, and the criminal, as well as society at large, is being remembered in the new legislation in New York.

We are all in favor, of course, of measures which will induce criminals to become law-abiding citizens but we must never forget that the chief and first object of prosecution of crime is its deterrent effect upon future would-be criminals in the protection of society. We must not allow our interest in criminals to go to the point of making effective prosecution of crime and its punishment subordinate to schemes for reform of criminals, however admirable they may be. —Dallas Times Herald.

READ OUR FULL PAGE AD IN THIS PAPER... CUNNINGHAM & PHILIPS.

Lets Be Lenient

It has been said that at twenty years of age the will reigns; at 30, the wit; and at forty, judgment. Not true. We who have passed forty know how complicated life's problems often are. We know how frequently judgment does not prevail with us—but rather will and desire.

That knowledge ought to make us tolerant of youth. Most of us who have lived twice as many years as the youngsters know how badly we have done. That ought to make us both thoughtful and considerate when we lay down our lessons. —Odessa News.

Herald Want Ads Get Results



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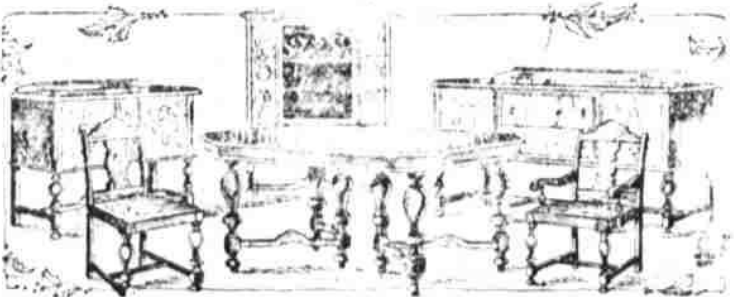
The Herald

Christmas Gifts For The Home

We have received two carloads of new furniture this week that we are going to offer you at sale prices---wonderful values, direct from the northern factories, at prices that are surprisingly low! Hundreds have already taken advantage of our furniture bargains at this big sale--and we invite everyone to come in and make selections that will mean great savings for you.

A beautiful bed room suite and a dining room suite WILL be GIVEN AWAY
At Our Store
Saturday, December 24th

Call at our store and see the beautiful Articles to be GIVEN Away. Be sure to attend this sale and share in the bargains we are offering you.



- Living Room Suites, mahogany frame, jacquard cover, 3 pieces . . . \$74.95 to \$189.95
- Dining Room Suites, 6 to 9 pieces . . . \$84.95 to \$279.85
- Bed Room Suites, 4 to 8 pieces . . . \$89.95 to \$189.95
- Woolen Axminster and Wilton Velvet Rugs . . . \$33.95 to \$79.85
- Congoleum Rugs, 9x12 . . . \$9.85 to \$11.95

- Linoleum Rugs, 9x12 . . . \$16.95
- Dressers---oak, walnut, ivory . . . \$16.95 to \$48.65
- Stoves! Stoves . . . \$1.95 to \$69.85
- Congoleum . . . 65c to 85c yard
- Linoleum . . . \$1.05 yard
- Rockers---oak and wicker . . . \$3.65 to \$14.95
- Beds---Simons and American . . . \$6.95-\$24.85

- Springs . . . \$2.95 to \$14.95
- Mattresses---Haynes and Sealy's . . . \$6.95 to \$39.85
- End Tables . . . \$4.95 up
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- Bridge lamps, Junior lamps, Bed lamps . . . \$3.95 to \$18.95
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MICKIE SAYS—

RUNNING A NEWSPAPER IS QUITE A JOB SEZ TH BOSS "YOU CAN PLEASE SOME OF TH PEOPLE ALL OF TH TIME, AND ALL OF TH PEOPLE SOME OF TH TIME, BUT NO EDITOR EVER PLEASED ALL OF TH PEOPLE ALL OF TH TIME!" SO TH BOSS DOES THE BEST HE KIN AND LETS IT GO AT THAT



BILL BOOSTER SAYS:

ALL CREDIT TO THE MAN WHO KEEPS HIS MOUTH SHUT WHEN EVERYBODY AROUND HIM IS BUSY MAKING ANVIL MUSIC—HE SURE SHINES BY CONTRAST WITH THE BIRD WHO IS FOND OF PREFACING DISAGREEABLE REMARKS WITH "I ALWAYS SAY WHAT I THINK!"



BILL BOOSTER SAYS:

THE BOOSTER SPIRIT IS A WINNING FRAME OF MIND—EVER THINK OF THAT?—THE CHEERFUL, CONFIDENT ATTITUDE OF THE BOOSTER MAKES DIFFICULTIES FADE AWAY LIKE FOG BEFORE THE SUN—BE A BOOSTER AND A WINNER.



MICKIE SAYS—

PUBLISHING THIS NEWSPAPER AINT ALL THAT GOES ON IN OUR PRINTING PLANT, NOT BY A HULL LOT. OUR SHOP ALSO TURNS OUT GOBS OF FINE PRINTING, COMBINING TYPE, INK AND PAPER, WITH MUCH ARTISTIC ABILITY AND PLENTY OF SPEED. JEST TELL US WHAT YOU WANT AND WHEN YOU WANT IT—THAT'S ALL



BILL BOOSTER SAYS:

IF YOUR BOY WANTS A DOG, MADAM, BUY HIM ONE—WHEN HE TEACHES THE DOG OBEDIENCE AND TO REFRAIN FROM RUNNING ALL OVER TOWN, THE BOY WILL BE TEACHING HIMSELF TOO—THE BOY WILL LEARN RESPONSIBILITY IN TAKING CARE OF HIS CANINE FRIEND, WHOSE QUICK FORGIVENESS OF ALL WRONGS WILL GIVE THE BOY SOMETHING TO THINK OVER



BANK AT SAN ANGELO SCENE OF FATAL SHOOTING William Schneemann, Jr., president of the Guaranty State Bank of San Angelo, Karl Word, former state bank examiner and cashier of Guaranty State Bank, are dead. Ira Swope assistant cashier and Earl Gibson and Mrs. Selma Walling, customers, are all in San Angelo hospitals following a shooting in the bank at 11:45 Friday mornng, December 9th. Temporary insanity is given as the

cause of the shooting by T. N. Robins, former president of the bank, who retired from that office owing to ill health. Mr. Robins and Mr. Schneemann had talked to Mr. Word in the bank a few minutes before. The matter of making Mr. Swope cashier had been taken up at a directors meeting the day before and a definite decision to change cashiers was made at that time.

Mr. Word went to J. M. Shannon, vice president and B. H. Yancy, director, and learned from them that the directors had decided to make a change. It is believed that Mr. Word thought that Mr. Schneemann was the most active of the directors in seeking to make a change and that Mr. Swope was being favored by Mr. Schneemann as cashier.

There were no eye witnesses. Swope, Schneemann and Word were all talking at Schneemann's desk in the front of the bank and the dozen

other employes heard no sounds to indicate that anything unusual was happening until the four shots rang out in quick succession.

The first persons to enter the bank found Schneemann lying under his desk, and Word sitting in his chair at his desk a few feet away.

Funeral services for both men were held Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Currie, John Currie and Robert Currie went to San Angelo Sunday to attend the funeral services of Mr. Word.

YATES FIELD ADDS ANOTHER SENSATION Will the Yates field in Pecos county add another to its lengthening list of sensations by developing a petroleum volcano or crude oil geyser? The oil world was loath to believe the initial report of a 100-barrel an hour gusher from so shallow a depth as 1,000 feet. Now, Mid-Kansas &

Transcontinental's No. 8-C Yates, 350 feet from No. 2-C Yates, the biggest well in the field and the second or third largest in the world's history, comes in for 300 barrels an hour from only 602 feet.

Oil men in that section are quoted as saying they cannot determine whether the shallower well is producing from an entirely new sand or whether it is in a crevice blown upward from the main pool by the tremendous gas pressure. Wells drilled to 20 to 50 feet above to 1,000-foot producing formation blow themselves in after being allowed to stand for a few days, sometimes just a few hours.

Now oil men are prepared to see this new field develop any sort of

new wrinkle. It would some of them if some awoke to find the Pecos river bank full in oil. Incidentally oil being the Yates field sells for \$1.25 per barrel. Drinking water is everywhere and no place to shortage of tank and facilities. They also have water and not very much since the Pecos river is strong in alkali to be used for purposes. Fresh water hauled to fire the rig though the river water the drilling holes.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Late 1927 Model Chevrolet Coach for sale or trade. Phone 723 W.—13-1tpd.

FOR SALE—Farm, team, tools See J. M. Choate.—13-2tpd.

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FOR SALE—Yellow canary singers. Make good Christmas presents. Call 695 and ask for Mrs. McAllister. 13-2tpd.

HOUSE FOR SALE—Four room house with sleeping porch and front porch. Cheap for cash. Small store building and a practically new Stinson Scale. Call at 103 Locust Street 13-1tpd.

BEAUTIFUL IRISH LACES The Mrs. Arendall's will be in Big Spring, Wednesday afternoon, December 21st with an assortment of beautiful Irish lace bed spreads, shams, lunch-on sets and Irish crochet. If you would like anything in their line, please call at 302 Gregg Street, at the above date or phone 312. 13-1tpd.

FOR SALE—Electric heater and water tank, both as good as new. Phone 312 or call at 302 Gregg street. 13-1tpd.

FOR SALE—12 lots in College Heights Addition; desirable property. If interested phone 435 J. 10-4tpd.

DEPENDABLE TREES AND PLANTS Finest trees in fifty two years. Sure-bearing peach, plum, apple, apricot, fig, nectarine, jujube, persimmon, grape, blackberries, hauptberries, dewberries, pecans. We pay express and can tell you the best sorts for your location. Shades, evergreens, climate-proof shrubs, roses, bulbs. We make modern landscape plans. Ask for free catalogue. RAMSEY'S AUSTIN NURSERY. AUSTIN, TEXAS. 10-12 times.

FOR SALE—Store building and lot in Fairview addition. On account of sickness I will sell at a bargain. Address Mrs. John E. Patterson, Big Spring, Texas. 104pd

FOR SALE—160 acres, very fine unimproved land, 1 1-2 miles west of Ackery. No down payment, if purchaser can improve. Cotton payment plan. No interest the first year. Write C. W. Logsdon, owner, 825 Victoria Street, Abilene, Texas. 13-2t.

FOR SALE—Lots and houses, 6 lots Fairview Heights, six lots in College Heights, \$1,500.00; 8 lots East Third Street. One house close in on East Third Street. See C. E. Read at Sam Fisherman's Store. 13-1t.

FOR SALE—One four burner gas range, oven at side. Been used a short time. In good condition. Also small gas heater. Write Jno. DuVal c-o Big Spring Herald, Big Spring, Tex. 13-1t.

FOR SALE—All kinds of kindling wood for sale cheap. Call at Big Spring Planing Mill, on East Second street. 48-1t

LAND FOR SALE—Good farming and for sale on long time easy payments. See T. S. Currie. 2-1t

FOR SALE—Lot No. 6, Block 39 Cole and Saryhofn Addition. Also Lot No. 3 Block 2, Bowser Addition. Address Mrs. W. Bogan Dunn, 1636 W. Moreland Place, Fort Worth, Texas. 12-4t.

FOR SALE—New Dixola circulator heater. Sells for \$85.00; also new Franklin Fireplace type of heater. Sells for \$65. Will take \$57.50 and \$37.50, delivered at Big Spring. Address Box 96, Stanton, Texas. 12-2t.

FOR RENT FOR RENT—Farm for rent, 150 acres in cultivation. See R. C. Oliver, basement of Biles Drug Store. 13-1tpd.

OFFICES FOR RENT—Will arrange offices to suit tenants in building formerly used by Elk's Lodge. See T. S. Currie. 132t.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms for lighthousekeeping. Call at 800 Johnson St. 13-1t.

FOR RENT—Large room, furnished for light housekeeping. Call at 805 Lancaster Street or phone 102. 131t.

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished bedroom with bath. Call at 807 Runnels Street or phone 414. 13-1t.

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Phone 654 or call at 410 West Houston Street. 13-1tpd.

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished bedroom, furnace heat. Call at 700 Nolan Street. 12-1t.

WANTED

WANTED TO RENT—Three or 4 room modern apartment furnished or unfurnished or furnished house. Write ABC, c-o Herald, Big Spring, Texas. 13-1t.

WANTED—Laundry work. Silk and woollens and blankets given special care. Phone 814 J or call at 101 Deming Street. 13-1t.

TO RENT—Two room house with garage, close in. J. D. Cunningham, Phone 335 or 94. 131t.

WANTED—Men and women to sell Panner's shoes. Phone 513 W. or write Mrs. J. T. Parrish, General Delivery, Big Spring, Texas. 13-4t.

WANTED—Mattress reupholstering, all kinds of furniture repairing and upholstery, new mattresses made. All work guaranteed. One day service. Hawes Mattress and Upholstering Company, Third and Owen Street, Big Spring, Texas. Phone 763. 10-4tpd.

WANTED—Will trade a 1926 Essex coach for town property in Big Spring. Prefer a house, or lot near Big Spring. See or write, L. J. Harrison, Stanton, Texas. 10-4tpd.

LAUNDRY WANTED—Bring us your laundry. 7c and 8c per pound, or 35c per dozen. Satisfaction guaranteed. We call for and deliver. Phone 377. 11-4tpd.

WANTED—Room and board, preferably in private home, by young man, permanently located in Big Spring. Write XYZ, c-o Herald, 12-2tpd.

MISCELLANEOUS

Don't overlook your Musical Education and home comforts. Our line of Pianos are Chickering, Marshall and Wendell, Jesse French, Ivers and Pond, Celebrated Gulbransen line. Write Hall Music Company, Abilene Texas. 12-2td.

Nice Home in Abilene to Trade For Big Spring Property

Nice, five room bath, English style bungalow, hardwood floors throughout, all built in features, well constructed and arranged, has back nicely fenced in, well terraced lawn trees. This property is located in choicest residential section of Abilene, on paved street, and within 5 blocks of McMurry College and close to High School. Will trade for Big Spring property worth the money. Write full particulars about your property to J. B. Collins, Room 1, Radford Bldg. Abilene, Texas.—13-4t.

FOR TRADE—Four room house with sleeping porch in Abilene for trade for vacant lots in Big Spring. Apply at Cicero-Smith Lumber Co. W. J. May. 13-2tpd.

"BACK AGAIN"—Beautiful fluffy rugs, woven from old carpets, rugs and old clothes. If interested phone 317 at once. Over 100 local, satisfied patrons. 131tpd.

MARCELLING—Marcel's, 50c. Retraces 35c. Phone 812 J for appointment. Mrs. C. R. Andrews, 110 West Howard street. 13-1tpd.

FOR LEASE—Eighty acres; good fence; good dwelling, plenty of water. Lot and barn for fifteen cows. Chicken barn for two hundred chickens. See J. D. Cunningham. 12-1t.

MARCELLING—Marcel's 50c, Retraces 35c. Phone 812 J for appointment. Mrs. C. R. Andrews, 109 West Howard Street.—12-2tpd.

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Man's watch near the courthouse. Prove same and owner can secure property by paying for this notice. A. McPhail, Garden City Texas. 12-4tpd.

STRAYED—A pair of mules, 1 sorrel, one brown; strayed from my pasture, Saturday night. Sorrel mule about 15 hands high. Brown mule, 15 1-2 hands high, branded J on left thigh. Any information leading to their recovery will be appreciated. D. W. Christian, Jr., Rt. 1, Big Spring Texas. 13-1tpd.

EXTRA

Saturday, December 17

- 7 Bars Swift's Naptha Soap
1 lb. Seeded Puffed Raisins
2 lb. Chief Coffee and Aluminum Kettle
1 Gallon Prepared Mustard
A No. 2 1-2 Armour's Peaches
3 Pink Salmon
One lot 10c Toilet Soap, per bar
Irish Potatoes 100 lb. and up, per lb.

CHRISTMAS CANDIES

We have the largest line of candies for holidays we have ever handled, prices bulk from 20c to 30c lb. Also have a boxes high grade chocolate, 2 1-2, 3 and pound.

The White House

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Come and see for yourself.

R. C. OLIVER
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Real Estate

House and corner lot on East Third Street to sell cheap. Two corner lots close in East Third Street. Make me a bid. 3 one a corner one, on Scurry Street. Will be at a bargain. Business corner lot, two paid for.

One lot in Cole and Strayhorn Addition Part cash, part on time.

Rube S. Martin
Room 8, West Texas National Bank
Phone 205

Christmas Offering!



JANET GAYNOR. WILLIAM FOX presents

7th HEAVEN



R. & R. LYRIC
2 Days Starting
MONDAY
December 26



R. M. BURNAM
MANAGER

FORMAL OPENING!

OF

THE MEN'S STORE, Inc.

Friday Night, Dec. 16th

7:00 P. M. TO 9:00 P. M.

EVERYBODY COME

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FLOWERS FOR LADIES

CAN YOU GUESS! Some man is going to win a \$5.00 Shirt absolutely free, and a lady is going to win a pair of Silk Chiffon Hose free. Employees and members of the firm will not be permitted to enter the guessing contest.

Remember the date--come--and let us enjoy a couple of hours and get acquainted.
INSPECT OUR STORE AND MERCHANDISE

The Men's Store, Inc.

Elliott Building

Corner 3rd and Runnels

Phone 39

VINCENT ITEMS

Monday, Dec. 12, 1927
John Whitaker of Big Spring and relatives here the latter part of the week.
Archie Bishop left Saturday for home in Abilene.
Robert Laster of Panhandle, visited here with his brother, Edgar Laster, last week.
Van Bates and Robert Neigh of Tahoka spent several days here with Mr. W. N. Irvin.
Fairy Shafer returned home last week after several weeks visit to the north.
The new Methodist pastor, Rev. [Name], filled his first appointment Sunday. Everyone who attended the services were impressed by the sermon.
The revival will begin at the Baptist church Monday night, Dec. 12. Preaching will be done by Rev. [Name].
Winter time has arrived at last. Christmas near at hand. In fact Santa Claus almost caught us.
Reporter.

MARLAND OFFICIAL RESIGNS MAY OPEN OFFICE HERE

M. H. Goode, vice president of the Marland Oil Company resigned his position, Wednesday of this week and plans on opening an office in Fort Worth in the Waggoner Building.
Mr. Goode is also contemplating opening an office in Big Spring. He has been in the employ of the Marland Oil Company many years and is one of the best known oil men in the country. He has been identified with the oil development in Howard County ever since the Marland Oil Company has been in the field.
Dr. Alexander Denssen, vice-president of the Marland Co., in the Gulf Coast region, has also resigned. He has not made a statement in regard to his future plans.
Deep Test on Section 150
Good progress is now being made on the Texon Oil Company's deep test on the W. R. Settles No. 1, section 150, block 29, W. and N. W. survey.
A depth of 1575 feet had been reached Wednesday. This test is about two miles southwest of the Magnolia Oil Co.'s big producer.
At the Flowers Well
The rotary drill is now operating 24 hours per day on the Flowers test well, four miles East of Big Spring.
A depth in excess of 1100 feet had been reached in this test at our last report from the well.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals addressed to the City Commission of Big Spring, received at the office of the City Secretary up to 10 o'clock a. m., on the 20th day of December, 1927, for furnishing all material, labor and machinery for constructing certain street improvements in the City of Big Spring, Texas.
Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check for 5 per cent of the amount of the bid, payable without recourse to R. D. Matthews, mayor, as a guarantee that they will enter into a contract within ten days from notice of award to him.
Proposals shall be submitted in sealed envelopes, marked, "Bids for paving and other improvements in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas."
Instructions to bidders, proposal forms, specifications and plans are on file with the City Secretary, Big Spring, Texas.
Bids are requested for constructing approximately 40,000 square yards of the following types of pavements:
1-2 inch Uvalde Rock Asphalt (Cold Mix) Top, on 9 inch (after compression) native rock base.
1-2 inch Bituminous Top on 9 inch (after compression) native rock base.
6 inch before compression Vibrolithic Concrete.
6 inch Portland Cement Concrete Pavement of 1: 2: 3 1-2 mix.
Approximately 17500 lineal feet combined curb and gutter.
Approximately 1300 lineal feet Concrete Header.
Separate bids will be considered for the construction of a storm sewer along 10th street.
The City Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
The City will pay 1-4 the total cost of the work exclusive of curbs.
The City's part will be paid in cash.
Property owners' certificates will be in six equal installments as follows:

RAILROAD OFFICIALS ON AN INSPECTION TRIP

J. L. Lancaster, president of the Texas and Pacific railway company and other officials of the Texas and Pacific Railway, one or two Missouri Pacific Railway and representatives of New York financial interests were here Monday enroute for an inspection trip to Pyote.
They were traveling in a special train of three cars and spent about four days at Pyote and the Winkler county oil fields.
This trip is supposed to have been for the purpose of securing data on the proposed branch line from the Texas and Pacific to the Winkler County oil fields.
The undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Jennie Everly, deceased, late of Howard County, Texas, by H. R. Debenport, Judge of the County Court of said County on the 8th day of December, 1927, during a regular term thereof, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement and those having claims against said estate to present them to him or to Morrison & Morrison at their office in Big Spring, Howard County, Texas this 9th day of December, A. D., 1927.
Jesse Ryan, Administrator of the estate of Jennie Everly, Deceased, 13-11.

Harold Parks, who has been in the T. & P. hospital at Marshall the past six weeks, receiving treatment for an injured foot, received while discharging his duties as brakeman on the T. & P. railway, near Pyote, was able to come home Sunday. Harold is able to be up and his friends are glad to see him about.

MICKIE SAYS—

IT TAKES ALL KINDS OF NEWS TO MAKE A NEWSPAPER, AND WE TRY TO PRINT SOME OF EACH KIND, FROM BASKET BALL TO CHURCH NEWS, SO THERE'LL BE SOMETHING TO INTEREST EVERYBODY. SO SKIP WHAT YOU DONT CARE TO READ, AND DONT DO LIKE AN OCCASIONAL OL' GROUCH DOES, WHEN HE COMES IN AND HOLLERS THAT EVERYTHING WE PRINT DONT INTEREST HIM!
HEH! HEH! HEH!

GOOD PORK SAUSAGE

If you want to eat something that is really good, you ought to get T. F. Nabors to bring you a taste of his home made sausage. It was hog killing time at Mr. Nabors place last week, when the cold spell came, and consequently Mr. Nabors made some sausage. He remembered the Herald family with a sack, and we are here to say that it was surely fine eating.
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl nearly three years old and I am a good little girl and I want you to bring me a doll buggy, a tricycle, doll and some dishes please.
Yours truly,
Billie Bob Phillips.
We appreciate the pleasure of showing you our Christmas presents. Let us wrap your packages free for you. Collins Bros. Drugs.
Miss Agnes Currie arrived this morning from St. Charles, Mo., where she has been attending Lindenwood College, to spend the Christmas holidays in this city with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Currie. Enroute home she visited friends at C. I. A. at Denton.
The City cannot force the home owner to pave in front of a homestead and some of our folks feel they ought to have some rights when it comes to paving.
Amity purses that last a life time
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OUR FIRST SHIPMENT HAS BEEN SOLD BUT WE WISH TO STATE THAT WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED ANOTHER OF THIS WONDERFUL BABY DOLL

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BELIEVES THIS PLAN IS GOOD FOR COTTON MARKET

In the interest of the cotton farmer of the South I wish to submit a few words that, if worked out, may be of much benefit to the cotton planter. In the first place, it is the worst kind of business for the Southern banker to force the cotton planter to rush his cotton to market and glut the market, thereby forcing down the price. I submit the better plan would be to fix a stipulated price and make the cotton bring it.

The plan I wish to submit is this: Let every county in the South adopt the same form of marketing its cotton and it will be seen that the price stipulated will be had. To illustrate: Suppose the price fixed is 25c. Now to maintain this price, organize warehouses in every county at as many accessible points as needed and let it be known that when the open market is less than the price named (25c) the farmer will immediately take his cotton to the warehouse get his receipt and take it to his bank. The banker, holding the receipt, could make satisfactory arrangements with the farmer and as soon as the market reached the price stipulated with the banker as to when to sell but never below the price fixed. In this way the market would never be overrun or glutted. If this plan was adopted the buyer would at once realize that he could not force the price down by any kind of manipulation.

Pay no attention to the dealings of the speculators or future dealers. They would soon learn that they could not change the price. So would the manufacturer. The consequence would be that the planter would get his 25c, if not more. In other words, let the cotton go on the market just as needed.

In order to make this work out satisfactorily and beneficially to the cotton planter, there are certain things he must do. In the first place he must make it an invariable rule to live at home. He must use his car as little as possible, thereby saving the \$50 per month it costs to have a car. He must raise all his feed for his stock at home. His table must

be supplied from his garden and hen house. He can not live on canned goods that he could raise at home. In other words, he must make his cotton as near as possible an independent crop.

I realize a paper farmer has no standing with a dirt farmer. I am not giving any advice. I am merely suggesting how you can fix your price and maintain it, if the Southern banker will be as good to you as the Northern banker is to the buyer of your cotton. The Northern banker not only carries the raw material, but the manufactured stuff, also. In this instance the Southern banker would only have to carry the raw material.

The cotton planter has as much right to make his price on his cotton as the manufacturer has to make his price on his goods. I fancy something worked out along the line here suggested will enable the South to make its own price on its principal money crop. It may come late, but better than never to come at all.

Will anyone take this idea up and carry it to a successful conclusion? W. T. Atkins—Dallas News.

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TOUGH ON MIKE

Pat: "They buried Mike yesterday."
O'Brien: "Was he dead?"
Pat: "Well if he wasn't, they played a dirty trick on him."

THE WEATHER FOR DECEMBER

Washington, Dec. 8.—A storm wave of moderate intensity will be expected to cross the continent during the week centering on Dec. 10; this storm wave will occur during a period of above normal temperatures and decreasing precipitation as a general average for continent; a moderately severe cold wave will follow this storm center and reach lowest average temperatures near Dec. 15; most precipitation during first half of December was expected to fall on Pacific slope and in Central and Northern Atlantic Coast sections, with moderate but increasing precipitations in the western half of the cotton belt. A period of moderately severe storms is expected to cross continent during the week centering on Dec. 17 and to probably extend through ten-day period to December 27, with principal force centering on Dec. 17 and 24; this period, Dec. 17 to 27, will be expected to be one of the stormiest of the season to date, reaching great extremes, but averaging below normal temperatures. A cold, stormy, wet Christmas period will be the general average for the Eastern half of the continent, and all of Canada, with more than usual snow from Eastern great central valleys and eastward, principally in sections 2 and 4 and in eastern part of 3.

Winter will be officially ushered in on Dec. 22 at 20 hours and 18 minutes, Greenwich civil time, in Northern hemisphere, but, like the eclipse of the sun, which will occur on Dec. 24, will not be noticeable. Cold wave expected to move far to the southward and will probably make Southern states feel that win-

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PHONE 718

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Uniform International Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for December 18
THE EARLY PROPHETS
OF ISRAEL

TEXT—God, who at sundry
times and in divers manners spake in
past to the fathers by the prophets
in these last days spoken by

TOPIC—Great Men and
Teachings of the Quarter's Les-
sons.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOP-
ICS—From the Early Prophets
TO THE PEOPLE AND ADULT TOP-
ICS—The Mission of the Prophets.

Method of review must always
be determined by the genius of the
teacher, the aptitude of the pupils
and the particular grade in the school.

In the adult classes three methods
are suggested.

In the quarter six great
men have been under review.
Elijah, Elisha, Amos, Hosea,
Isaiah. Assignments of
characters to representative
members of the class should be made
before so that they may
be prepared to present the vital
principles of these men.

Application of the Prophetic
Messages to Modern Life.

Assignments should be made the
Sunday so that the members
of the class may come prepared to
apply the vital mes-
sages of the prophets to the affairs
of modern life. The following ques-
tions may be considered as represent-

Application can be made of
the prophets' teachings as to: (1)
the question in the United
States of the problem of pauperism,
(2) the problem of capital and labor,
(3) the theological contro-
versy of the present time, (4) a
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the question of prohibition, (6) modern
socialism, (7) modern church life,
(8) a Summary of Facts and

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LEGION TO VOTE ON PROHIBITION

New York, Dec. 9. (AP)—A poll to ascertain the attitude of the membership of the American Legion and its Women's Auxiliary toward prohibition is to be made, Edward E. Spafford, national commander of the American Legion, announced Thursday night. He made the announcement at the annual dinner of the Legion's Department of New York, prefacing it with the statement that "in a democracy, no law should be enforced except such a one as has the approval of the majority."

The Legion, he said, is neither "wet" nor "dry" and the meeting halls of all legion posts from now until May 15, when the poll will be taken, will be thrown open for a discussion of the question.

"No government can long exist which does not enforce its laws," he declared, "or which resorts to a breach of the fundamental principle of liberty in order to enforce some law which has not the sanction of the best thought of the community."

Commander Spafford pointed out that the eighteenth amendment was adopted by the acts of State Legislatures and that a popular vote by the people never was held on the question.

The prohibition law, he said, seeks to govern individuals, not States, and "inasmuch as the strength of any law rests upon the strength of the governed," it should have the unqualified consent of the people.

"We fought for this Government of the United States," Commander Spafford said, "and are willing to fight for it again. If the will of the people is for the retention of the eighteenth amendment and the Volstead act, every effort of the Government should be bent toward its enforcement. If, on the other hand, these provisions have not the approval of the majority of our citizenry, they should not remain a dead letter, which permits people to scoff at our institutions, but should be removed from our public records.

Questions to be submitted are: "Shall the eighteenth amendment and the Volstead act be approved and continued?" "Shall the eighteenth amendment be continued?" "Shall the Volstead act be amended so as to permit the use of light wine and beers, with the usual natural percentage of alcohol?"

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LITTLE SATISFACTION ON R. R. BLOCKING CROSSINGS

The Chamber of Commerce has received advices from the Texas & Pacific railway that protests against the blocking of street crossings in Colorado should be specific, giving date, hour, engine number and direction train is traveling, and whether the offending train is freight, passenger or switch engine. It seems that this is the only way to get any action on this from the railroad officials, and citizens who are kept waiting at crossings longer than the law permits, should get this information and report to the Chamber of Commerce or to the divisional superintendent at Big Spring.—Colorado Record.

HE KNEW HOW TO RAILROAD

Ole Olson, trackwalker, was testifying after a head-on collision. "You say," thundered the attorney, "at 10 that night you were walking up toward Seven Mile Crossing and saw No. 8 coming down the track at 60 miles an hour?"

"Yah," said Ole.
"And when you looked behind you saw No. 5 coming up the track at 60 miles an hour?"

"Yah," said Ole.
"Well, what did you do then?"
"Aye got off track."

"Well, but what did you do then?"
"Well, Aye said to myself 'Dis hell of a way to run a railroad.'"
—Bindery Talk.

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The results of the poll will be registered by States.—Dallas News.

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Amarillo Hasn't Stopped Growing

The physical assets of the city of Amarillo increased in value \$12,187,120 during the past year. Amarillo's new tax roll has the stupendous total of \$51,925,929 worth of property of which the city will levy a tax of 35 cents per hundred.—Amarillo News.

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THE IDEAL DIET

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TRAIN NO. 4 leaves Big Spring 6:30 A. M., arrives Fort Worth 3:45 P. M., connecting with "Sunshine Special" and "Louisiana Limited" leaving Fort Worth 4:15 P. M. for St. Louis, Memphis, Shreveport and New Orleans.

TRAIN NO. 10, new, fast, over-night train for Fort Worth and Dallas, leaves Big Spring 10:30 P. M., arrives Fort Worth 6:55 A. M., Dallas 8:10 A. M.

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TRAIN NO. 1, The Famous "SUNSHINE SPECIAL," leaves Big Spring 11:15 P. M., arriving El Paso 9:30 A. M., carrying Observation Lounge Club Car to El Paso ad through sleepers to California.


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TRAIN NO. 9, leaves Big Spring 9:25 A. M., for Pecos and intermediate points.


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The Girl of Flower Mountain

By ROSE MEREDITH

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WHEN Dick Wayland came home from a flying trip to Europe, it was partly in response to a summons from his lawyer. His only living relative, Uncle Cecil Wayland, had died suddenly and left everything he possessed to the young man. That was quite a good bit of money, as well as real estate and securities, as Dick discovered when he talked it over with Mr. Lord, the lawyer, who told him about Flower Mountain.

"Flower Mountain?" echoed the heir blankly. "Do you mean to say that there is a mountain included in my possessions?"

"Flower Mountain is a pretty big hill—perhaps you can sell it—or sell the timber," he suggested.

Dick shook his head. "I don't believe in cutting down trees—takes too long to grow them, and if the wood is all taken from Flower Mountain, why it will spoil the mountain. Better leave it as it is. I will go over and look at it—perhaps we can convert it into something that will pay, and leave the trees standing."

So the following week, Dick Wayland started for Flower Mountain.

He arrived at Flower Mountain after dark, and meeting the young minister, was invited to stay at the rectory. After a good night's rest, he awoke about seven o'clock the next morning and looked out of his window into the light of another beautiful day, and saw the shadowy blue of Flower Mountain. On this side it was wooded clear to the summit; over to the left he saw something scarlet that seemed to move here and there.

"Must be some one up there," he told Mr. MacIntae, the minister, when he met him at the breakfast table. "Very likely," returned the rector calmly. "Our people here almost believe that Flower Mountain belongs to them! They do not cut the trees, nor harm the mountain in any way, but they picnic or camp there, go berrying or pick wild flowers—it is a playground for Flower Mountain, Mr. Wayland."

"No harm in that," agreed Dick generously. "When the meal was over he took a lunch and, with a stout stick in hand, proceeded to climb the rather steep trail that wound first through the woods and finally led him around to the southern barren side where a flash of scarlet had aroused his curiosity.

Within another hour, Dick had covered the entire mountain, and then he sat down in the woods under a great oak tree to eat his lunch. He sat a nicker, huddling little brook. Once he thought he heard a dog bark nearby, but it was not repeated. There was nothing about him save the tall brown tree trunks and the little stream, and overhead the green leaves—and what was that in the branches overhead, in his own tree? It was something red! And he side it he made out a large dog which suddenly barked at him. He got upon his feet and stared up at that red—a coat.

There was a girl in the tree! A girl and a dog, high up there, where there was a wooden platform built among the topmost strong branches. On the platform was a tiny house—a mere shack! And on closer inspection he saw a narrow rope ladder that swung close to the trunk and was probably now hauled to a safe height. As for the girl, she stared down at him, her face white and scared looking. Even at the foot of the tree he could see that her eyes were blue, that in her right hand was a shining gun.

Promptly he lifted his hands high over his head. "Will you come down here and talk to me?" he asked. "In a minute," was her answer in the finest voice he had ever heard. Then he saw works of magic, for she ordered the dog to enter a little box that swung from the tree and as she came down the ladder, he could see that the box was descending slowly from a pulley line, the girl handling the rope which she released little by little so that both she and her dog reached the ground at the same moment.

"Please forgive my intrusion," he said plainly, "but it may disarm your suspicions if I explain that I am Richard Wayland, the owner of this mountain. This is my first glimpse of it, and the rector did not tell me that there were any residents here."

"I am Stella Chase," she said. "My home is in the East, in New Hampshire. I have been very sick—our doctor advised immediate change of air, and because Dad was having money troubles I just had to find a place to go without his aid. One of my school friends had married a minister—yes, this Mr. MacIntae, at Flower Mountain. And she invited me to come and see them. And in seeing them, I saw the mountain! I knew I could get well up here. Once every day I go down to the rectory and dine with them. Don goes, too, and loves it! If it proves to be a stormy day why I usually have enough canned things to eat for us both, and if there is a thunderstorm, why we both scuffle down there and spend the night. So you see that we are very secure."

Dick told his own story, and then he settled down at the village hotel. But scarcely a day passed that he did not go to his mountain to see the girl who finally became his wife.

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

MARY GRAHAM BONNER

MASQUERADE BALL

You know a masquerade ball is a very special kind of ball, for at it everyone dresses up in fancy costume so that no one will know who is who. The fairies thought it would be such fun to have a masquerade ball.

They spoke to the Fairy Queen about it, and she was just as enthusiastic.

"I think it would be splendid," she said. "Let's have it tomorrow evening at eight sharp."

The next night promptly at eight all the fairies gathered together.

And such costumes as there were! There were witches, wisecracks, dunces, dominoes, Japs, kings and queens, jesters, milkmaids, mermaids, clowns, cowboys, princes, dancing girls, dolls, animals.

They were to wear masks till supper time.

But one fairy seemed to be the center of admiration.

She was a little Scotch lassie. She wore a velvet jacket and a plaid plaid skirt.

Her little legs were bare, and on her feet were black velvet slippers with shiny buckles on them.

The fairies talked to one another in queer disguised voices, so no one would be able to recognize them by their voices.

The little Scotch lassie didn't speak at all, but she danced the highland



Such Costumes as There Were.

fling, and it completely fascinated all the fairies.

At last supper time came, and they all eagerly watched to see who every one was, and especially the little Scotch lassie.

Whom do you suppose it was?

None other than the Fairy Queen.

They all said at once:

"Fairy Queen, you have taken the prize."

"But I can't accept my own prize," said she.

"You must," said all the fairies, "for you are perfectly marvelous."

"Well, that's a funny thing to offer a prize and then to keep it," she said.

"But, anyway, I can divide it, as it is a box of sugar plums."

"Goodie!" they all cried.

Would Shrink to Meet Him

This morning on my way to the office I met Janie with her two-year-old brother toddling along beside her. Brother had on a pair of new blue coveralls fully two sizes too large for him.

"Well, honey," I remarked sociably, "I see Bud has some new clothes. Aren't they a bit big?"

"Yes, sir, I guess they is," replied Janie earnestly, "but when they're washed I think they'll shrink to meet him."

The Bible as a Foundation

I have always found in my scientific studies that when I could get the Bible to say anything upon a subject it afforded me a firm platform to stand upon, and a round in the ladder by which I could safely ascend.—Lieutenant Maury.

God's Giants

All God's giants have been weak men, who did great things for God because they reckoned on His aid, not with them.—Hudson Taylor.

MICKIE SAYS—

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MRS. ED C. TUCKER DEAD

It was with deep sorrow that news of the death of Mrs. Tennie Tucker, wife of Ed C. Tucker, who passed away in Eastland, Texas, at 11:20 o'clock, Sunday night, was received in this city. Mrs. Tucker who has been ill in health the past several months, had gone to Eastland Sunday morning, to undergo treatment, but her death came as a great shock to her family and friends. The body was brought to this city Monday night for burial. Funeral services were held at the First Methodist church, Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and the remains were laid to rest in the Mt. Olive cemetery.

Deceased, aged 61 years, 9 months 7 days, had always lived a consistent Christian life, having joined the Methodist church when a girl and had always been a devoted and faithful member. She practised the teachings of the Golden Rule in her daily life, and was ever ready and willing to administer to those in need. She had spent her life in service for others, and the many thoughtful deeds that she has done for others have been recorded in Heaven. Her last request and hope was to meet her husband and children in Heaven, where they would again be united to live in eternal bliss.

Deceased is survived by her husband, and five sons and three daughters, John, Charles and Andy Tucker of this city, Will Tucker of San Angelo, Jim Tucker of Fort Worth, Mrs. Chas. Simmons of Eastland, Mrs. Will Sikes of San Angelo and Miss Emma Tucker, of this city, all of whom were here to attend the funeral services of their loved one. A sister, Mrs. Wimberley of Eastland was also here to attend the funeral.

The Herald joins a host of friends in extending deepest sympathy to the bereaved ones in this dark hour.

John Wolcott, Jr., is convinced that a jinx is now on his trail. He had the misfortune to stumble and fall Monday, resulting in his left arm being broken near the wrist. This was near the place the same arm was broken not long since; but both bones were snapped this time.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Williams are rejoicing over the arrival of a 12-pound baby boy, who arrived at their home on Friday, December 9th.

FALL FROM HORSE FATAL TO HARRY NIX

Harry Lafayette, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Nix of the Centerpoint community, died at 1:45 o'clock, Sunday, December 11th, from injuries received when he fell from a horse, last Thursday, Harry, with other classmates, was hunting coyotes when his horse stepped in a prairie dog hole, and he fell, receiving serious injuries which proved to be fatal.

Funeral services were conducted at the Centerpoint church, Monday afternoon, at two o'clock, by Rev. D. H. Heard, pastor of the First Baptist church. Burial in the Mt. Olive cemetery.

Harry was a student of the Big Spring High School, a member of the Freshman class. In respect to their beloved classmate, the Freshmen attended the funeral services in a body, and many other students and members of the High School were also present at the funeral. Deceased was a bright pupil, a likeable young man, and was loved by all who knew him. His untimely death is mourned by everyone.

To the grief-stricken parents and other relatives, heart felt sympathy is extended them in this hour of sorrow.

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EDWIN BRYAN KING DIES FROM POISONED WHISKEY

Edwin Bryan King, 26, an employee on the power line of the Texas Power and Light Company, was found dead in his room at the Wyoming Hotel last Friday morning. An inquest was held by Justice of the Peace M. W. Harwell, who reports that death was due to heart failure induced by stimulants. It is said that King was drinking on Thursday, and it is thought that the bootleg whiskey he drank contained poisonous alcohol, which caused his death.

King's body was prepared for shipment by the Eberley Undertaking Company and was shipped to Houston, Saturday for burial. His brother, S. S. King of Houston, arrived in this city Saturday morning to take charge of the body.

It is said that King, who was part Indian, was heir to valuable oil lands in Oklahoma, which had not yet been turned over to him because

he was under age. King was a likeable young man and was held in esteem by his low workmen, and by all who knew him. His untimely death is mourned by his many friends.

AUTO WRECK ON SCURRY

The Ford car of W. B. Allen smashed up considerably Wednesday morning due to a collision with another auto, at the intersection of Ninth and Scurry St. Deceased was driving West, on Ninth St., a car was moving along Scurry St. It was impossible for him to stop time to avoid a collision. The car was hurled into the ditch and landed bottom side up. The driver of the car was Dece of the and strange to say he didn't scratch.

Mrs. Christine Hall, after a visit in this city with Mrs. McNew and other friends in city left Saturday for her home in

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