

MAN ARRESTED ON HIJACKING CHARGE LEGISLATORS THREATEN STRIKE AT LONG SESSION

Want The Raise In Pay That Was Voted

From Attorney General It Becomes Effective All Quiet Complaints.

GORDON K. SHEARER Press Staff Correspondent

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 13.—Re- that some legislators-elect threatening a strike against the 120-day session ending Jan. 13 because of pay raises, have reached Austin. The bill will be quieted with a for- provision from the attorney general's department, holding that the constitutional amendment which the \$5 a day paid former legislators could not be effective for this next session.

pay amendment, however, coupled with one creating the session and reducing the allowance for members. The fixes definite days and mil- requires no act. So the nature would face loss of mil- and no offsetting increase of they could not fix the new investigation has shown that the pay heretofore given legis- was fixed and received by the legislature that fixed it. It is also held that the consti- tutional duty put on the legis- lators as a specific duty pre- scribes the general provision at fixing a salary for a place when occupying it. The general provision also ap- pplies to positions for which no constitutional maximum is named. The for the general provision can be possible for legislators at \$10,000 a year places and hold them. The informal opinion that the legislature may legally be paid the day already has been issued. The departmental opinion a being prepared.

Man Confesses Killing A Doe 20 Years Ago

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 13.—Law observance and religion go hand, in hand as revealed in the confession of a former Texan now living in Portland, Oregon, who admitted in a letter to the game fish and oyster commis- sion that 20 years ago he killed a doe.

Cash Market For Farm Products Is Planned Here

A cash market in Eastland for anything grown on Eastland county farms is the aim of a group of Eastland business men who are working out the details of a plan for a corporation that will furnish such a market.

The men who are putting their money into the new concern have two primary purposes in doing so. One is to furnish a market in Eastland for the farmers' products and the other is to make money for the stockholders. Such corporations are now operating successfully in other towns in this section and certainly will work in Eastland, it is pointed out by those advocating the plan.

Boy, 14, Faces Electric Chair



NEA Cleveland Bureau Fourteen-year-old John Woods, above, of St. Clairville, Ohio, faces the possibility of life imprisonment in the Ohio penitentiary or death in the electric chair, if Judge W. W. Cowen, below, decides he must stand trial for the death of a farmer whom John and a 17-year-old companion shot in a brief bandit career. Originally, the boy was committed to a reformatory but later he was indicted for murder and returned to jail when the victim died.

Two Arrested At Mineral Wells After Gun Battle

MINERAL WELLS, Tex., Dec. 13.—Two men, arrested here Friday after a hail of bullets in which a third man escaped, were turned over to federal officers from Dallas this morning for investigation. Police here discovered \$1,105 in a car driven by the trio, most of which was believed to be bogus currency.

Pioneer Minister Dies Near Star

RISING STAR, Dec. 13.—The Rev. J. C. Watkins, aged 78, pioneer Methodist minister and one of the most prominent and useful citizens of this section for 50 years, passed away Sunday morning shortly after 8 o'clock at his home a few miles southeast of town. The Rev. Mr. Watkins had been ill only a few days, pneumonia being the immediate cause of his death. On Thanksgiving day he was honored with a celebration of his 78th birthday anniversary. A day or two later, he was taken ill never to rise from his bed again.

Jury Tries To Free Negro Who Pleaded Guilty

PALESTINE, Tex., Dec. 13.—Everybody except the judge tried to make things easy for Nelson Hancock, negro, who pleaded guilty here to murdering Levi Terry in May 1929. Prosecutors who had little evidence, agreed with defense counsel to ask a five-year sentence. Jurors were not satisfied and asked permission to free the negro. The judge refused on the grounds that the defendant had pleaded guilty. Jurors recommended a suspended sentence and this too was refused. Judge, jury, prosecutors and defense counsel finally agreed on the two-year minimum sentence which today was formally imposed.

CONTRIBUTE TO UNITED CHARITIES

Citizens of Eastland who have failed to make their contributions to the United Charities should come out of their seeming trance and do their part.

There is a loud call for those that have to contribute to those who are without financial resources, or without employment or are old and infirm, for the widows and orphans who face the rigors of winter time and welfare organizations to carry on the unselfish gifts from the pockets or the coffers of all who have been the favorites of Lady Luck in this vale of tears.

Those who are giving their time to soliciting funds for the local charity organization are busy men and women and it is unfair to have them call on you more often than is necessary. If you have something to contribute take it to one of the committees in charge, to one of the local pastors or send it to United Charities in care of the Texas State Bank.

Babson Says Advertising Will Bring Prosperity

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Advertising will start prosperity on its way back, Roger W. Babson, economist and statistician is quoted as saying in an interview published today in an edition of Editor and Publisher dedicated to the "power of newspaper advertising."

Goat Industry Worth \$1,000,000 To This County

The campaign launched in Eastland some weeks ago for the purpose of placing as many sheep and goats as possible on Eastland county farms, is gradually but surely going forward and today more people are sold on the idea than ever before.

Houston Man Claims Car Bandits Used

FRANKSTON, Tex., Dec. 13.—Roy Womack, Houston, today claimed the car abandoned by four bandits who robbed the Frankston State Bank of more than \$11,000 Wednesday. Womack said that the machine had been stolen from him on Dec. 4. The bandits abandoned the car when it became mired and continued their flight in a truck which also was abandoned later.

Goes On Trial As Slayer of Five



NEA Cleveland Bureau Charged with the murder of his family of five, Charles King, above, went on trial at Hamilton O. King disappeared a year ago, after prosecutors claim he turned on all the gas jets in his home as the family slept, believing they would be better off dead than alive because of his financial reverses. He was arrested recently in a Michigan city while working as a barber.

Speakers For C. of C. Banquet Are Announced

Chas. E. Coombes, of Stamford, president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce; and Hon. W. R. Ely of Abilene, chairman of the Texas Highway Commission, are to be the principal speakers at the Eastland Chamber of Commerce's annual banquet Monday night, Dec. 15th, at the Connellee Hotel.

Army Wins From Navy By 6 to 0

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 13.—Stecker's 56 yard run for a touchdown in the fourth quarter enabled the Army to defeat the Navy today by a score of 6 to 0.

Two More Wolves Caught By Trapper

Two more large wolves were brought in by F. B. Mathews, government wolf trapper. One of the pair was a very large male and the other a female also of large size.

CROW KILLER FAILS TO WORK AS THE CROWS FLY AWAY UNHARMED

ABILENE, Tex., Dec. 13.—Efforts to kill crows with gravel blown into the air by dynamite are impractical, county agents and farmer agreed here today. Six sticks of dynamite were exploded under gravel beneath trees where hundreds of crows roosted without killing a single crow.

Boy Scouts To Have Hospital For Broken Toys

Eastland Troop No. 6 Boy Scouts of America, will maintain a "toy hospital" at the Chamber of Commerce rooms this week where they will repair any and all kinds of toys brought to them. No charge will be made for the work, the only requirement being that the toys are to be for children who are not able to buy new toys.

"Shallow Water" Belts Of County Good Truck Area

Development of the "shallow water" belts of Eastland county, of such portions of it as is suitable, into a belt of truck farms of from five to 40 acres, is the aim of the business men of Eastland who are sponsoring a campaign having for its purpose the development of all section of the county and all industries which the county is capable of maintaining.

Pool Hall Closed By An Injunction

A temporary injunction restraining Mrs. S. D. Shaw from operating a pool hall at Rising Star in alleged violation of the law was granted by Judge Elzo Bean of the 8th district court. No date for a hearing on the injunction had been set Saturday.

United Charities Is In Need Of Old Clothing

United Charities, local organization through which most Eastland people give what they have for the needy, is in need of old clothing of all kinds. The organization began the season with a good supply of such goods, but the supply has been so great that the supply has been exhausted and we have not yet experienced much cold weather this season.

Memorial Services Conducted For Taft

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 13.—Memorial services were conducted in the supreme court here today in honor of the late William Howard Taft, chief justice and the late Edward T. Sanford, associate justice of the U. S. Supreme Court. Speakers were R. E. Curtis of Austin, M. M. Crane of Dallas and Chief Justice C. M. Cureton of the Texas Supreme Court.

Gives Constable Good Race As He Attempts Escape

R. L. Wilson Outruns Ingram In Foot Race And Catches Him Again.

Sheriff Virge Foster and Constable R. L. Wilson of Cisco Friday arrested Tim Ingram as a charge of robbery with firearms. The arrest was made near Ingram's home at Romney.

When the officers arrested Ingram they placed handcuffs on him. He persuaded them, however, to remove them and while Sheriff Foster was searching about Ingram's home for evidence that might connect Ingram with the hold up, Ingram made a dash for liberty. Constable Wilson gave chase, both men on foot, and after a long run Wilson overtook Ingram and brought him back. Ingram was brought to Eastland and lodged in jail.

Eastland Has Ambition To Be "Farmer's Town"

What ever has been the reputation of Eastland as to being a "farmers town" the business men and citizens generally are determined that Eastland is to be the best town in this and adjoining counties for the farmer, stockman and dairyman to have for their headquarters and trading point.

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WEATHER section with a temperature chart and forecast for Texas and U.S. Mails information.

SHOPPING DAYS STILL MAS advertisement with a cartoon illustration of a man shopping.

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FIRE LOSS ON THE RISE.

The National Board of Fire Underwriters estimates that the fire loss in October totaled \$36,836,614—over \$5,186,229 more than in the same month last year.

The total loss for the first 10 months of 1930 amounted to \$387,300,260, as compared with \$353,426,921 in 1929. The United States is once more on its way toward a record waste.

TEXAS THE HOME OF THE YELLOW YAM. Never overlook the truck gardens of Texas, the yam patches or the onion fields. A potato weighing five pounds and measuring 12 inches in length was grown on the farm of C. S. Childs, near Medina City.

CLARK A DRY AMBASSADOR.

Dwight W. Morrow, recent ambassador to Mexico and now a dripping wet senator from the state of New Jersey, has a successor who is a dry.

There is a club house just around the corner where all brands of liquor known to the mind of a tank or an ex-tank may be obtained without an introduction to the bartender. Mexico City is not a dry Sahara.

Hidalgo County Charges Will Be Subject Of Probe

McALLEN, Tex., Dec. 13.—Judge J. E. Leslie of the 22nd district court today announced that he will call a special grand jury next month to investigate sensational charges in a petition filed in his court yesterday.

Special Venire For Thompson Sanity Hearing

A special venire of 100 men has been drawn from which to select a jury for the sanity hearing for Clyde Thompson, which has been set in the 88th district court for Dec. 29th.

A Pair of Blue Ribbon Dogs



NEA Los Angeles Bureau Prize-winners, both of them, even though they don't have much in common as far as size and looks are concerned, are Bluff, a Russian wolf-hound, and Otto Dachau, a German dachshund, shown here with their mistress, Mrs. Robert White of Los Angeles.

- Rising Star F. O. Tarver, Cisco; L. E. Askew, Desdemona; Geo. Travis, Cisco; M. C. Archer, Olden; Geo. Winston, Cisco; G. J. Williams, Gorman; J. B. Ray, Cisco; Ira L. Swift, Rising Star; Otto C. Arnold, Cisco; J. C. Tally, Cisco; J. A. Reynolds, Scranston; E. L. Tate, Pioneer; Geo. C. Tidwell, Ranger; E. J. Riddle, Pioneer; J. M. Senborn, Carbon; L. A. Tollos, Cisco; C. J. Yancey, Eastland; J. Warren, Gorman; Andy Anderson, Cisco; J. L. Seay, Gorman; E. L. Weed, Cisco; J. M. Ray, Cisco; S. B. Webb, Nimrod; W. J. Woods, Desdemona; E. J. Uhl, Desdemona; L. Walters, Cisco; J. A. Tollos, Ranger; J. M. Watkins, Desdemona; J. P. Westmoreland, Gorman; M. W. Whigham, Gorman; L. Snider, Gorman; J. C. Allison, Eastland; W. H. Taylor, Pioneer; S. H. Whittenburg, Eastland; J. M. Armstrong, Eastland; G. E. Wallace, Ranger; K. F. Ragan, Gorman; L. F. Trout, Eastland; H. O. Reed, Carbon; W. R. Avent, Ranger; W. D. Williams, Ranger; O. A. Rhoades, Ranger; J. W.

WASHINGTON LETTER

BY RODNEY BUTCHER

WASHINGTON—Senator George W. Norris of Nebraska is willing to lay aside considerations of personal pride in the famous "lame duck" amendment for which he has fought these last 10 years if that will help get "lame duck" legislation through this session of Congress.

The Norris constitutional amendment, as passed by the Senate of this Congress after passage on four previous occasions, has been ignored by the House in favor of an amendment which will abolish "lame duck" sessions and clear up points of presidential succession. It appears likely that this amendment will be passed in this session by the House, bearing the name of Congressman Charles L. Gifford of Massachusetts, chairman of the committee on elections which prepared it.

Essentially Alike Norris proposes different dates in January, but the two resolutions are essentially the same except for the presidential succession matter attached to the Gifford resolution.

OKRA Mr. and Mrs. Ed Tramp of Arizona visited Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Lewis recently.

LEGAL RECORDS Gertrude Dill, et vir, vs. West Texas Coaches Inc., et al, for damages.

NEA service writers members cannot sit in regular session until 13 months after election. This session has an unusually large contingent of defeated members in both houses and Gifford says probably 90 per cent of editorial comment in the country now favors eliminating the "lame duck" session.

Hoovers Visited By Grandchildren



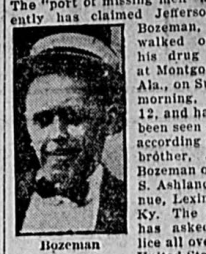
NEA Washington Bureau Come to make their home in the White House for several months, the three children of Herbert Hoover 2d, son of the president, are pictured above as they arrived in Washington from California.

Mrs. L. M. Harris, Cisco, guardian, made application for estate of Harold Paul Alderman minor, R. C. Winters, vs. Tom Harrett, et ux, cause of action debt.

SPORT SHOTS AUSTIN, Dec. 13—Miscues featured the erratic playing of quintets from Centenary at Shreveport and the University of Texas here Friday night.

DALLAS, Dec. 13—Southern Methodist University caecers opened their season with victory here Friday night, defeating the Dallas Athletic Club quintet 34 to 28.

Vanishes



The "port of missing men" apparently has claimed Jefferson R. Bozeman, who walked out of his drug store at Montgomery, Ala., on Sunday morning.

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 13—Intramural athletics at Texas A. & M. has given varsity sports another potential star in the person of Armand Doche, of Amarillo.

COMMITTEE TO Advertise Texas Is Announced LONGVIEW, Tex., Dec. 13—Complete personnel of the committee of 15 named by the three regional Texas chambers of commerce was announced here today by Hubert M. Harrison, secretary of the body which is to plan a five-year state advertising campaign for Texas.

Boy Is Killed In Car Cra

By UNITED PRESS FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 13—A cloud of dust down the road, all that J. C. Stapleton, 17, saw of the auto which today is his hunting companion, Wood Messick, 18, and injured him.

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It's THE First Freeze that catches you unprepared!

Investigate our newly installed radiator claming equipment—work done at one-fourth of the cost of old method. COME IN TODAY BIDA SUPERIOR PAINT, TOP AND BODY WORKS

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A check of your car today may not only save you time and discomfort but actual cash. Let us check your car's cooling system, water pump and radiator—these are very important—in fact necessary to avoid freezing or perhaps overheating, either of which will cost many times our small checking cost.

# Murder at Bridge

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by ANNE AUSTIN author of "THE BLACK PIGEON" "THE AVENGING PARROT" "MURDER BACKSTAIRS"

## IN HERE TODAY

Selim is murdered at Replaying the "death suspicion on nearly all sets and her maid. A special investigator, in a house with Lydia, the Nita's desk he finds checkbook that she paid her landlord, Judge that she deposited \$10. she came, indicating and that she paid Lydia. After finding her will, slope sealed and then asks the maid why she tell him that it was Nita who had her face so horribly. Nita was trying to commit suicide with carbolic Feb. 9, over a man, and she tried to stop her, she said in her face. She swears she did not hold. She tries to prove she who made every effort up for the accident, by Dundee presents she gave of these things a huge amp. The bulb is broken, Dundee thinks that the muffled into it, fleeing to back hall. They are in by the sound of a car ringing of the bell.

## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



## By Blosser

"But—I don't know! I don't believe she had it!" Dundee shrugged. Either this woman would perjure her soul to protect her mistress' name from scandal, or she really knew nothing.

"That is all of the will itself, Lydia," he went on finally, "except her command that her body be cremated without funeral services of any kind, and that nobody be allowed to accompany the remains to the crematory except yourself and Mrs. Peter Dunlap, in case her death takes place in Hamilton."

"She did love Mrs. Dunlap," Lydia sobbed. "Oh, my poor little girl!"

"And there is also a note for you, which I took the liberty of reading, in which Mrs. Selim minutely describes the clothes in which she wishes to be cremated, as well as the fashion in which her hair is to be dressed."

"Let me see it!" Lydia lunged forward on her knees and snatched at the papers he held. "For God's sake, let me see!"

(To Be Continued)

## Rum-Running Cut Down By Canadian Ban

DETROIT, Dec. 13.—The Canadian ban on exports of liquor to the United States has decreased rum-running in the Detroit district and cut bootlegging here by 75 per cent, a recent survey by the Detroit News showed.

The News said that smuggling of liquor across the Detroit river and the business done by blind pigs here have been decreased to 25 per cent of the amount done before the export ban became effective.

## Fire Destroys Small Village

DUNCAN, Okla., Dec. 12.—A fire which raged four hours as helpless villagers stood by, swept the business district of County Line an oil settlement about 25 miles east of here late last night.

The fire destroyed a grocery and damaged a drug store main business establishments of the village. The city has no fire department. None of the loss was covered by insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Couch, who live near the grocery store, narrowly escaped death when the flames destroyed their home.

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## ON WITH THE STORY CHAPTER XXI

Dundee! Awfully glad I see you before you left." A familiar voice called as he opened the front door. Lydia still here?"

"In, Mr. Miles," Dundee searching with a puzzled round, blond face of Miles. "Yes, Lydia is still here."

"I'm in luck, and I think too—poor old girl! Dundee, Miles began to as he took off his new hat to mop his perspiring forehead. "The crowd all ganged our various cars reached Road, and by unanimous elected to drive over to try Club for a meal in one small private dining room. I hope the questions of the curious, you know."

## By Cowan

Dundee grinned. He had no doubt that Flora Miles had emphatically refused the possibility of another grueling interview.

"What do you and Mrs. Miles want to take Lydia home with you?" he asked.

"To give her a home and a job," Miles answered promptly. "She knows us, and she's a poor old scared face, and the young Tracey, Tam and Betty, are not a bit afraid of her. In fact, Betty pats that scared cheek and says, over and over, 'Poo Lyddy! Poo Lyddy! Betty loves Lyddy!' and Tam—he's T. A. Miles, junior, you know, and we call him Tam, from the initials, because he hates being called Junior and two Traceys are a nuisance."

"I gather that you want to hire Lydia as a nurse for the children?" Dundee interrupted the fond father's verbose explanations.

"Right, old man! You see, our nurse left us yesterday."

"Wait here, Miles. I'll speak to Lydia. She's in Mrs. Selim's bedroom. . . . By the way, Miles, since you and your wife are kind enough to want to take Lydia in and give her a home and a job, I think it only fair to tell you that it is highly improbable that Lydia Carr will take any job at all."

"You mean—" Miles gasped, his ruddy face turning pale. "I say, Dundee, it's absurd to think for a minute that good old faith-

ful Lydia had a thing to do with Nita's murder—"

"I rather think you're right about that, Miles," Dundee interrupted. "Now will you excuse me?"

He found Lydia where he had left her—in her dead mistress' bedroom. The tall, gaunt woman was crouching beside the chaise longue, her arms outstretched to encircle a little pile of gifts she claimed to have given Nita Selim to prove that she bore no grudge for the terrible injury her mistress had done her. At Dundee's entrance she flung up her head.

Taking his seat on the chaise longue, Dundee explained gently but briefly the offer which Tracey Miles had just made.

"They want—ME?" she gasped, brokenly, incredulously, and her fingers faltered to her horrible cheek. "I don't think anybody but my poor girl would have me around."

"It is true they want you," Dundee assured her. "But you don't have to take a job now unless you wish, Lydia."

"What do you mean?" the maid demanded harshly, her good eye hardening with suspicion.

"Lydia," the young detective began slowly, and almost praying that he was doing the right thing, "when I woke you up tonight to question, I said that Nita herself had just told me that it was she who had burned your face. . . .

And you asked me if she had also given you a message—"

"Yes, sir!" the maid interrupted with pitiful eagerness. "And you will tell me now? You don't still think I killed her, do you?"

"No, I don't think you killed your mistress, Lydia, but I think, if you would, you could help me find out who did," Dundee assured her gravely. "No, wait!" and he drew from his pocket the envelope inscribed: "To Be Opened in Case of My Death—Juanita Leigh Selim."

"Do you recognize this handwriting, Lydia?"

"It was wrote by her own hand," the maid answered, her voice husky with tears. "Is that the message, sir?"

"You never saw it before?" Dundee asked sharply.

"No, no! I didn't know my poor girl was thinking about death," Lydia moaned. "I thought she was happy here. She was tickled to see me over being taken up by all them society people, and on the go day and night."

"Lydia, this is Mrs. Selim's last will and testament," Dundee interrupted, withdrawing the sheets slowly and unfolding them. "It was written yesterday, and it begins:—

"Knowing that any of us may die any time, and that I, Juanita Leigh Selim, have good cause to fear that my own life hangs by a thread that may break any minute—

"What did my poor girl mean?" Lydia Carr cried out vehemently. "She wasn't sick, ever—"

"I think, Lydia, that she feared exactly what happened today—murder! And I want you to tell me who it was she feared for I believe you know!"

The woman shrank from him. For a long minute she did not attempt to answer.

"I—don't—know," she said dully. Then, with vehement emphasis: "I don't know! If I did, I'd kill him with my own hands!"

Dundee had no choice but to take her word. There was no use, either, in torturing this woman now with his earlier conviction: that Nita Selim had lived in terror of Lydia Carr's smoldering hatred for the injury she had done her.

"You said there was a message for me," Lydia reminded him.

"This is the 'message,'" Dundee said quietly, lifting the sheets again. "It is herewith setting down my last will and testament, in my own handwriting. I do here and now solemnly will and bequeath to my faithful and beloved maid, Lydia Carr, all property, including all moneys, stocks and personal belongings of which I die possessed."

"To—ME?" Lydia whispered. "To me?"

"To you, Lydia," Dundee assured her gravely, watching her intently.

"Then I can have all her pretty clothes to keep always?"

"And her money, to do as you like with, if the court accepts this will for probate—as I think it will, regardless of the fact that it is very informal and was not witnessed."

"But—she didn't have any money," Lydia protested. "Nothing but what Mrs. Dunlap paid her in advance for the work she was going to do."

"Lydia, your mistress died possessed of nearly \$10,000! Ten thousand dollars! All of which she left right here in Hamilton! And I want you to tell me how she got it!"

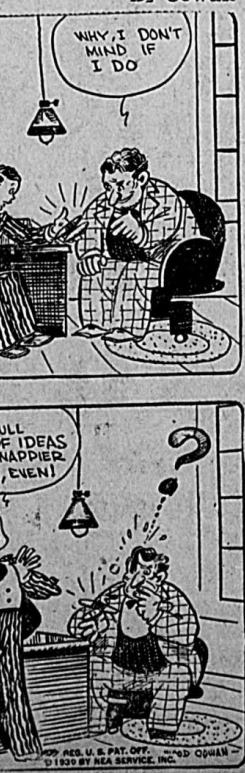
## POP



## By Cowan



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### Useful Gifts For The Whole Family

Mother Sister Dad Brother

"Make Them Happy with Things Electrical"

The whole family is looking forward to this Christmas. Each one is depending on the other to do away with frivolous gifts and give them something they really want and need—a commendable thought for this time of the year. Useful electrical gifts are sure to please, and we have something appropriate for every member of the family. "Make Them Happy With Things Electrical."

- Xmas Tree Lights \$1.95 Up
- Table Stoves \$3.00 Up
- Boudoir Lamps \$2.00 Up
- Toasters \$4.95 Up
- Floor Lamps \$9.95 Up
- Electric Irons \$3.95 Up
- Corn Poppers \$3.95 Up
- Urn Sets \$18.50 Up
- Table Lamps \$10.00 Up
- Heaters \$7.50 Up
- Electric Ranges \$152.50 and Up Installed
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# Just Three Days Left You Must Hurry!!

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SOCIETY, CLUB and CHURCH NEWS

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CALENDAR MONDAY

Circles 1, 2, and 4 of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Society will meet at the church at 2:30 p. m.

TUESDAY

West Ward P. T. A. will meet at the school house at 2:00 p. m.

WEDNESDAY

Circle 3, of Methodist Woman's Missionary Society will have a 42 party at the home of Mrs. J. Frank Sparks, at 2:30 p. m.

THURSDAY

Thursday Study Club and Music Study Club will meet in a joint program, at the clubhouse, at 2:00 p. m.

FRIDAY

Baptist church choir practice, at the church, at 7:30 p. m.

SATURDAY

Scale Runners Club will have a Xmas party at the home of Mrs. A. F. Taylor, at 2:30 p. m.

Sunbeam Band, Royal Ambassadors, Girls Auxiliary, at the Baptist Church, at 9:30 a. m.

ROLL CALL MEETING WAS HELD THURSDAY

The Roll Call meeting was held Thursday evening for the Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters at the Pythian Castle Hall.

BETHANY CLASS XMAS PARTY TO BE WED.

The Club Cafe, and was presented to the Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters. The cake was auctioned off and the proceeds are to go to the Knights of Pythian home in Weatherford.

VICTORY S. S. CLASS WAS ENTERTAINED FRIDAY

Members of the Victory Sunday School Class of the Church of Christ enjoyed a pleasant evening at the I. O. O. F. Hall, Friday evening at 8:00 o'clock.

Refreshments of sandwiches, cookies, chocolate drops and coffee were served to the following: Mmes. J. B. Matlock, E. R. O'Rourke, V. L. Thompson, Ira L. Hanna, and John Hatten, Bad Harris, Jack King, Jo Woods, Alene Hittson, Hassie Graham, A. G. Gary, Allen Williams, Thelma Pierce, Irene Williams, Inez Hearn, Dixie Miller, B. Y. Graves, Allan D. Dabney, Earl Pussell, Mrs. D. L. Childress, LaNell Hanks, Clara B. Simer, Tina Mae Self, H. C. Duke, Norman Reachan, Clifford Cook, Thelma Harris, W. B. Crossley, Zona Self, L. Roy McGhee, Harry Watson, Hazel Tilley, Beth Judkins, Jim Watson, Clara Miller, LaVerne Lowe, Porter McGee, Lee Tucker, A. C. Williams, Maxine Francis, Pauline Walters, Dorothy Key, J. L. Reid, D. L. Childress, Jr., Myrl Self, Jewel Downing, Sam Allread, Cleo Ray, and Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Moore and daughter, Marjorie Merio Moore.

DRAGOO ENSEMBLE WILL PRESENT PROGRAM TONIGHT

A very interesting program will be presented this evening at 7:00 o'clock at the Methodist Church by the Dragoo Junior Ensemble, under the direction of Miss Wilda Dragoo. The Ensemble is composed of fifteen members and Clara June Kimble is the pianist.

BETHANY CLASS XMAS PARTY TO BE WED.

The annual Xmas party of the Bethany Class of the Presbyterian Church will be held at the church Wednesday afternoon, December 17, at 2:30 p. m. The present officers will be hostesses for the party. All members are urged to be present.

OUT OUR WAY



XMAS CANTATA TO BE REHEARSED TODAY

For the past two months the Methodist Church Choir have been having two rehearsals each week on the Christmas Cantata, under the direction of Miss Wilda Dragoo. The cantata promises to be the best that has ever been given.

"SAY IT WITH MUSIC" IS A SUCCESS

The musical comedy "Say It With Music" which was presented Friday evening, December 12, in the High School auditorium by the Marine Band, Rhythm Band, and Glee Club of South Ward School under the direction of Miss Katie Cellum, Miss McCoy and Mrs. A. F. Taylor was attended by a large and appreciative audience.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM TO BE GIVEN TUESDAY

A musical Christmas program will be presented Tuesday evening, December 17, at 7:30 o'clock in the High School auditorium by the piano pupils of Mrs. P. O. Hunter, assisted by the Junior High and West Ward Police Clubs. Along with songs, readings and a chorus of fifty voices will be heard in Christmas carols.

PLANS COMPLETED FOR XMAS PARTY

Plans for the Xmas party of the Young Peoples Department of the Methodist Sunday School will be announced this morning at the regular Sunday school hour, at 9:45 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

SCALE RUNNERS RECITAL TO BE MONDAY

Mrs. A. F. Taylor will present the Scale Runners recital in a recital, assisted by the Rhythm Band and Glee Club of South Ward, and the expression pupils of Miss Oneida Russell, Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock, in the High School auditorium.

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Guests in addition to those mentioned were: Mmes. O. C. Punderbark, Theodore Ferguson, Donald Kinard, W. H. Taylor, George Davenport, J. M. Ferrell, Oscar Chastain, Shelby, W. E. Stallter, Frank Day, Scott Key, B. M. Collie, George Taggart, E. R. Townsend, Allep Dabney, W. Z. Outward, Galbraith, J. E. Hickman, T. J. Pitts, and Mrs. T. J. Harv.

LADIES AID SOCIETY TO HAVE PARCEL POST SALE

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Christian Church will meet Monday afternoon, December 15, at 3:00 o'clock, at the church. At the close of the business meeting a social hour will be enjoyed, and a parcel post sale will be held. Each member of the church is requested to bring one or more packages for the sale. All members are urged to attend.

MARATHA DORCAS CLASS TO HAVE PARTY WED.

The Maratha Dorcas Class of the Methodist Sunday School will have a Xmas party, Wednesday afternoon, December 16, at 2:30 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. W. A. Martin. Mrs. Martin will be house hostess with Mrs. W. E. Coleman, Mrs. P. R. Cook, and Mrs. Mack O'Neill co-hostesses. All members are invited to be present.

WEST WARD P. T. A. TO MEET TUESDAY

The West Ward P. T. A. will meet Tuesday afternoon, December 16, at 3:00 o'clock, in the West Ward cafeteria, for a social meeting. Each person is asked to bring an article of food for the good cheer box which will be presented to a needy family. All members are urged to attend the meeting.

MRS. J. M. PERKINS IS HONOREE AT PARTY

A delightful affair Thursday afternoon, by Mrs. W. K. Jackson at her home on South Seaman street. Guests were welcomed at the door by Mrs. Joseph C. Stephenson and Mrs. W. G. Doughtie and received by Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. J. M. Perkins, B. B. B. Bickerstaff, Mrs. R. D. Mahon and Mrs. John M. Mouser in the large living room. A charming musical moment was presented by Mrs. Bickerstaff in "Song of India." In response to the encore the singer rendered a selection of recent publication. Mrs. R. D. Mahon read two selections of her original verse, and as encore, a poem that interprets the Christmas spirit, "Carolers." The musicale arranged in honor of Mrs. Perkins was concluded by Mrs. Bickerstaff, with a group of three voice solos. Guests who attended the recital were Mrs. H. P. Brelsford Sr., Mrs. Gordon Brelsford and mother Mrs. McLeod who is visiting her from Palestine and Mrs. A. J. Campbell.

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Dear Old Santa Claus: Will you please bring me some candy and chewing gum, a dolly and little buggy and some cover for little dolly, and I want a little wrist watch. Sonny is too little to write but please bring him a little train and football. We saw you down to the store last Saturday and I wasn't afraid of you this time but Dan was some. Old Santa Claus be sure and stop and see all the little boys and girls because we sure do love you. And please bring Sonny a little black Sambo book like mine, and me a little blanket and sheet for my dolly, and be sure to bring mother and daddy something and we are going to hang up our stockings for you.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus: I have a little baby brother 16 months old. Bring him a ball, airplane, chinner and bank, and fill his stocking too. Love to you, Helen Lucile Lucas.

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Dear Santa Claus: I have listened to you talk over the radio and it sure did make me want to see you. I am glad you are now in U. S. A. I want a box of puzzles, black board, and a basket or a doll buggy and dishes. Some fruits and some fire works. Love RAE JUNE STUBBLEFIELD

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Advertisement for Marlene Dietrich in 'MOROCCO' with 'Please Him' slogan. Includes text: 'Desire Piercing Their Hearts Like A Dagger!', 'Paramount Offers Gary Cooper', 'Excotic Continental actress making her American debut!', 'Now Playing LYRIC Pictures'.

HOLIDAY SPECIAL PERMANENT WAVE \$3.50. Includes text: 'Our Regular \$5.00 Wave Shampoo and finger wave 75c Hair cut and finger wave 75c Hot oil shampoo and finger wave \$1' and 'SAMUELS BEAUTY PARLOR'.

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Advertisement for 'Personal' featuring a portrait of a woman. Includes text: 'Mrs. Scott W. Key, Mrs. J. C. Stephen and Miss Verna Johnson left Saturday for Fort Worth where they attended Gene O'Neill's "Strange Interlude." Mrs. W. H. Mays Jr. and Miss Johnnie Hightower are spending the week-end in Dallas.

Advertisement for 'Kokomo' featuring a portrait of a man. Includes text: 'KOKOMO, Dec. 3-A large crowd attended the singing at the home of S. F. Hendricks, Sunday night. The musical at the home of Fin Johnson, Wednesday night was well attended and enjoyed by all. Jess and Aunt Hagan and Mr.

Advertisement for 'Grapevine' featuring a portrait of a man. Includes text: 'GRAPE VINE, Dec. 13.-Rev. Mr. Akard of near Cisco preached at Grape Vine Sunday. Mrs. R. H. Walker had as her guest Sunday her mother from near Bedford and her sister, Mrs. Dave Fambrough and little boys of near Breckenridge.

Advertisement for 'Bedford' featuring a portrait of a woman. Includes text: 'BEDFORD, Dec. 13.-Bedford school, with Miss Lillian Smith of Sanger as teacher, is progressing nicely. The trustees are figuring on installing natural gas in the building for heat.