

## BINKLEY NO. 1 IN FOR 1,500 BBLS.

### GAS EXPLODES IN OIL FIELD TENT STEAM PIPES BEING USED IN ORDER TO KEEP OIL MOVING

#### HENRY PATE SEVERELY BURNED WHEN ESCAPING GAS EXPLODES

Cut Burning Clothing From Body With Pocket Knife And Walked Half Mile To Home Of Friend

#### WORK ON HOSPITAL TO BEGIN AT ONCE

#### New Building To Cost \$47,850 When Completed

The contract for the new hospital was awarded to the Sharp Construction Company Wednesday. The consideration was \$47,850, and the contract calls for completion within ninety working days.

The ground was broken by Mayor F. P. Reid at the corner of Kingsmill Ave. and Gillespie St. Friday afternoon. Members of the city council and many citizens witnessed the breaking of the ground.

The building will be constructed with brick. A stone facing will decorate the front of the building. Besides a large charity ward, the hospital will contain thirty-three private rooms and two hospital wards that will accommodate twenty patients.

Dr. A. Cole, Dr. W. Purviance, Dr. W. B. Wild, Henry Lubbock and M. R. Finley are promoting the project. Nothing will be spared to give Pampa one of the best hospitals in the Panhandle, according to Finley.

Subscriptions to the new enterprise are being received by Finley at his office in the Smith Building. The men named are financing the construction so that the hospital will be assured at the earliest possible date, but any one wishing to subscribe to the new hospital may do so at any time, according to Finley.

The building will be three stories and built on a plan that will make it perfectly arranged, and so that all of the rooms will be open to a maximum amount of sunlight.

#### Work On New Hotel Progressing Rapidly

Work on the new Schneider Hotel building is progressing rapidly, according to Alex Schneider. The contract for the building was let to the Sharp Construction Co. on Dec. 1, and the excavation work is now completed and the foundation is almost completed.

The contract calls for completion by May 1. The hotel will contain 110 rooms and will be strictly modern in every respect, according to Schneider.

#### Tuesday Is Final Chance To Place Your Holiday Ads

Tuesday is the final issue of The Pampa News to reach the large family of News readers with Christmas advertising this year. Merchants will find it to their interests to be amply represented in Tuesday's News.

The News can handle only a limited amount of advertising in this issue, and merchants should make their reservations at once.

Many firms will want to express their appreciation for the patronage given during the year in the issue of Friday, December 24th. You should place your order now for that issue, as only a limited amount can also be handled in the Christmas edition.

THE PAMPA NEWS  
Phone 100

Henry Pate was severely burned Tuesday night when the gas in the tent in which he was staying exploded. Pate was brought to the hospital of Doctors Cole and Purviance and given medical attention.

Pate cut the burning clothing from his body with a pocket knife, which probably saved his life. The tent and all of the contents were destroyed except a revolver.

After cutting the clothing from his body, Pate wrapped himself in a partially burned comfort and walked about a half mile to a tent where one of his friends was living and was brought to town.

Two gas stoves were burning in the tent, and as well as Pate can determine, the wind blew the fire out in one of the stoves. The result was that the tent filled with the gas in a minute and was exploded by the blaze from the other fire.

"It was the hottest place I was ever in," said Pate as he lay in the bed at the hospital with his face completely covered with bandages. "My home is in Alaska, but the cold up there is not comparable to the heat in that tent."

"I'm going to pull through all right," he said. "Some time I'm going back to Alaska, too." The tent in which Pate was staying was coated with paraffin. He says that the instant the explosion occurred the tent, bedding and his clothing all burst into flames.

Pate is employed by the Texas Oil Company as night watchman. He was in charge of one of the Texas wells the night that the explosion occurred.

#### CAR OWNERS MUST PRESENT RECEIPTS

#### New Licenses Not To Be Issued Until Lights Tested

At the present rate that the people are having the lights on their automobiles and trucks tested, there will be quite a congestion towards the last of the month, according to Sheriff E. S. Graves. "Persons who have not a light receipt that is less than thirty days old cannot obtain the 1927 license plates without going to LeFors later," says Graves.

"I will open offices in the White Deer Land Building on December 27, 28 and 29 so that the people will not have to go to LeFors to get their license plates. If they will have the lights on their cars tested now, they will have little or no trouble in obtaining the new license. There is only one authorized light testing station in Pampa, the Willard Service Station on Kingsmill Ave. just east of Caylor Street. If the majority of the car owners wait until the last minute, they cannot expect to get the receipts in time, and of course they will have to go to LeFors then."

"The new license plates are here, but none will be distributed until after Dec. 25," says Sheriff Graves.

Dr. and Mrs. Cole To Chicago  
Doctor and Mrs. A. Cole departed for Chicago Friday morning. Dr. Cole will undergo an operation for nose and throat trouble, and will have his tonsils removed at one of the hospitals there. They expect to return as soon as Dr. Cole recovers from the operation.

Mrs. T. E. Briley has departed for Denver, Colo. to spend the Christmas holidays.

#### Give News For Christmas Present At Present Rates

Give The Pampa News for a Christmas present. Hundreds of people want to know about Pampa, the heart of the Gray County oil field, and the banner wheat county of the North Plains.

The News recently became a semi-weekly newspaper. You may subscribe for only a short time at the old rates of \$2.00 a year in Texas or \$2.50 a year outside the state.

You can save money by subscribing at the present rates, for the subscription price will be raised in a short time on account of the increased service as a semi-weekly.

Many people will appreciate The News as a Christmas gift. A father can give a yearly subscription to each of his married children—and the gift will be appreciated.

If you are a subscriber and want to renew at the present rates, you should do so at once. Look at the label on your paper to see when your subscription expires, or call at the office and you will be told when your time is out.

THE PAMPA NEWS  
PUBLISHED TUESDAY AND FRIDAY

#### 1927 BUDGET FOR C. OF C. COMPLETED

#### Total Amount To Be Raised Fixed At \$20,000

About fifteen men attended the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night at the Legion Hall. A budget for the following year was presented by the committee appointed to draw it up. The members voted to adopt it.

The budget as presented is as follows: Office expense \$3,500, which includes part salary secretary \$1,200, stenographer \$1,500, stamps \$100, telephone and telegraph \$100, stationery \$100, emergencies \$500, and general expenses \$15,200, which includes highway department maps, etc. \$1,000; upkeep of oil fields roads \$2,000; West Texas Chamber of Commerce \$200, advertising \$5,000, conventions \$1,000, not appropriated \$1,000. The total amount to be raised for the organization is \$20,000, according to the budget.

The organization of the Community Chest that has been under consideration has been postponed until after the Christmas holidays. The members at the meeting endorsed the idea of organizing and maintaining a welfare society as soon as possible.

Mayor F. P. Reid suggested that all effort possible be made to have the road from Pampa to Berger made a state road. As it is, he explained, any and all improvements would have to be financed by the county, or more likely by the Chamber of Commerce.

Another meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held Tuesday, December 21, 1926.

#### CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The following Christmas Program will be rendered at the Rex Theatre Sunday, December 19th at 7:30 p.m.

- 1. Mark The Herald Angels Sing. 2. Prayer. 3. Calm On The Listening Ear. Reading, Mrs. E. E. Fisher. "The Lost Word" by L. W. Van Dyke. Part 1. (a) Birth, (b) Resurrection.

Solo, Oh Little Town Of Bethlehem, by Dorothy Doucette. Choir, Silent Night, Holy Night. "The Lost Word" Part 2. (a) Promises Fulfilled, (b) Tribulation and Redemption.

Choir, There's a Song In The Benediction, Rev. W. M. Baker.

#### TELEPHONE CO. TO MAKE EXPANSIONS

#### Already Spent \$10,000 In Pampa For Equipment

The unprecedented development of Pampa which has tripled the size of the city in the past two years has already resulted in the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company spending more than \$10,000 in adding to their equipment and facilities here. Mr. Geo. H. Hill, district manager of the company declared today.

On the first of last January the telephone company here had four employees who took ample care of the business. In the eleven months just passed the force has been increased to 12. The switchboard, which was one of three positions a year ago, has been enlarged to seven positions.

In January there were 387 telephones in the city, on November 1st there were 503 subscribers.

"This addition to our office in the way of employees and switchboard positions was necessary to take care of the increased business caused by the rapid growth of the city," Mr. Hill declared. "The Southwestern Bell Telephone Company believes in the future of Pampa and the Panhandle oil field, and realize that other additions will have to be made to our equipment in the near future."

"Plans are under way at the present time to install additional facilities and cable facilities which will amply take care of the increased business."

#### Pampa Man Owns Record Breaking Litter Of Pigs

There's something for hog raisers to compete with. Otto Hendrix is the owner of a sow with nine six-month-old pigs that have a combined weight of 2,873 pounds. The average weight of each pig is 319.27 pounds.

The pigs are of the Poland China variety. Hendrix is well known around Pampa for the superior quality of livestock he raises on his farm near here. The News would like to hear from anyone who can compete with these figures in livestock production.

Paul Martin of the Pure Oil Co. is in Pampa this week. He is scouting the local fields. His headquarters are in Amarillo.

#### Four Casinghead Gasoline Plants In Pampa Field To Have Daily Capacity Of 50,000 Gallons

The Humble Number 1 Binkley came in Tuesday and is drawing 1,500 barrels of high quality crude every twenty-four hours. The well is located in section 86, block 3.

The granite wash was hit between 3,065 and 3,119 feet. The well promises to maintain its present production, according to reports from the field.

The Humble Oil and Gas Company is making four new locations this week in the southwest quarter of section 82, block 3. The wells to be drilled on the new locations are the numbers 19, 20, 21 and 22. They are direct offsets to numbers 13, 14, 17 and 18 which are either drilling or completed.

There is a temporary delay in the production during the cold weather, due to the oil congealing. Steam pipes are being laid by the side of the gravity and flow lines so that the oil can be transferred from the wells to the tanks.

The production is estimated to be temporarily decreased fifty per cent until the flow lines are heated. Within a few days, however, the oil operators expect to continue without further delay on account of congealing oil in the lines.

Four casinghead gasoline plants are to be operating in the Pampa field within a short time. Two of the plants are practically completed now and the other two will be completed in the near future. The Wilcox Oil and Gas Company has a plant that is valued at approximately one million dollars. The Magnolia plant is estimated to have cost \$350,000; the Atlantic and Roxana plants will cost about \$150,000 each when completed.

The combined capacity of the four plants will be approximately 50,000 gallons a day. The superior quality of the Pampa products is said to have been inducement for the companies to locate here. Several hundred men will be employed to operate the plants.

#### JAIL NOT VACANT IN EIGHT MONTHS

#### Twenty-eight Locked Up At One Time Recently

The jail at Pampa has never been empty since it was moved here from LeFors about eight months ago, according to Sheriff Graves. Monday looked like a favorable day for an empty jail, but two prisoners were still in the jail.

The maximum number that have been in the jail at the same time is 28. "And 25 at the same time makes a 'full house' according to the sheriff. Twenty-five of the twenty-eight prisoners were men and three were women."

Most of the arrests here are at night time, according to the officers. The probable reason for this, as explained by the sheriff, is that whiskey is more easily obtained.

Tuesday night of this week was about a record for one night's roundup. Sixteen were jailed in a few hours time. "When the men bring them in by bunches of 4, 5 or 8, you see it doesn't take long to get a 'full house.'"

#### Byrne Buys Business On West Foster Ave.

The Miller Drug Store on West Foster Avenue has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Byrne and the name of the store has been changed to the City Drug Store.

The business was formerly owned by Otto Hund. Mr. and Mrs. Byrne took charge of the store on Monday of this week. Both of the new owners have had extensive experience in the drug line.

#### Santa Finds Many Good Children In Survey Of Pampa

Santa Claus reports that he has found more good boys and girls in Pampa than he expected. He has been making trips around over town during the middle of night in order to determine just who is good and who is bad.

He read the letters that he were keeping for them, and he certainly was pleased as he smiled and told us of all the toys that he had to distribute next week. Anyone who has not written to Santa as yet should do so at once. Send his mail in care of the Pampa News and we will see that he gets every letter.

The following letters were read by Santa Claus this morning:

Dear Santa Claus:  
Bring me twin dolls, a black board and bell, some candy and nuts, and don't forget the other boys and girls your little friend Oai Mae Pinnell.

Santa Claus I want a teddy bear for Christmas and a wiff wotch Pauline Stewart.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want sum candy and I want sum things to play with. Bring me what you want to bring and I have been a gud girl. (There wasn't any name signed to this letter, but Santa Claus says that he knows who it is that wrote it.)

Pampa, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a tricycle and baby doll also a little chair. Don't forget John as he is sick.  
Your Little Friend,  
Janice Purviance.

Pampa, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please I want a little baby sister as I do not have any brothers or sisters to play with. Please Santa don't forget the poor and the sick little girls and boys. Thanking you very kindly.  
Your Friend,  
Billy Larson.

Pampa, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a good boy and I  
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### ONLY SIX MORE SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS



### Mother's Cook Book

Quaff ye the waters of Ramona's well, Good luck they bring and secrets tell, Blessed were they by sandaled Priar, So drink and wish for thy desire.

#### SEASONABLE DAINTIES

FOR those who enjoy all kinds of game, the following will be appreciated:

##### Jugged Hare.

Take one large hare, one-fourth pound of fat bacon, one and one-half teaspoonfuls of herbs, six small green onions, one tomato, a tablespoonful of jelly, the juice of half a lemon, two tablespoonfuls of flour, salt to taste, and one pint of stock. Cut the bacon into pieces and cut the hare at the joints. Fry the bacon, and fry the pieces of hare in the fat. Put hare, bacon and onion with half a tablespoonful of ham chopped, one-half tablespoonful of herbs, one tablespoonful of chopped parsley, half a grated lemon rind, one teaspoonful of salt, a quarter teaspoonful of pepper, a dash of cayenne, three chopped mushrooms and two eggs. Mix all well, lay inside the hare and sew up. Place strips of fat bacon over the back of the hare and roast one and one-half hours. Fifteen minutes before taking add the currant jelly. Take up the hare and make a sauce by thickening with flour and butter mixed.

##### Eggs Shirred With Sausages.

Prick six sausages all over and place around the edge of a baking dish and cook until crisp; pour off the fat and cut the sausages into inch pieces; break three eggs in the center of the dish, pour over two tablespoonfuls of the fat and set in the oven to cook the eggs. Serve from the baking dish.

##### Baked Apple Slices.

Core apples before peeling, then cut into thin slices one-half inch thick after the apples are peeled. Place in a well-greased baking dish, giving each slice plenty of room to be removed when baked. Sprinkle with sugar, a bit of butter and a thick grating of nutmeg. Bake and baste with a bit of hot water to start with, then with the juice of the apple. When tender serve one slice with the meat.

Apples as sauce, in salad, fresh as fruit, to be eaten from the hand, baked in pie and pudding, the apple is the best of all fruit.

Nellie Maxwell  
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### THE YOUNG LADY ACROSS THE WAY



The young lady across the way says she doesn't see how you can blame society for all the crimes when so many of them are committed by persons who aren't anybody at all.

F. N. Wakill reports the sale of radios to A. H. Doucette, Mrs. Welmar Tolbert and Mrs. C. Hunkapilla last Saturday.

### News Want Ads Pay

### The West Texas State Teachers College

CANYON, TEXAS

The winter quarter opens January 3, 1927. Students may enter on this date.

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A high school department offers excellent opportunities to students who do not have high schools near home.

11,000 ex-students and a record of sixteen years service convince of the standing of this college.

For information address  
President J. A. Hill  
CANYON, TEXAS

### What's Doing In West Texas

Quanah—The Hardeman County Poultry Show to be held December 21, 22 and 23 is getting good publicity through efforts of C. G. Wille, secretary of the local chamber of commerce. Each week Wille mails out circulars interestingly illustrated through drawings made by himself. The work is prepared on a plain mimeograph.

Sierra Blanca—E. H. Whitehead, Publicity Manager, and B. M. Whiteker, Exhibit Manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, were here this week on the first round of a service tour which is to cover towns in the Big Bend Country. Whitehead will get materials for feature stories to be published in "West Texas Today," magazine of the West Texas organization. Towns included in the tour are El Paso, Alpine, Marfa, Del Rio, Fredericksburg and Mason.

Plainview—A new addition to the Missouri Hotel here to cost \$5,200 has been planned by its proprietor, to consist of ten rooms of brick and tile construction. The improvement program will make the Missouri Hotel a first rate structure, fire-proof throughout.

Fort Stockton—Business men of the town have co-operated with the improvement of a stretch of road here leading from the old White-Baker Commissioners Court in securing im-headquarters ranch gate through the ranch to the Yates oil well. The road connects with the Old Spanish Trail.

Stamford—The Christmas issue of "West Texas Today," official organ of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, will be devoted largely to chambers of commerce affiliated with the organization. Resumes of work during 1926 and plans for 1927 will feature the number.

Tulla—A "Booster Club" whose membership is composed of country correspondents of the local paper was organized here recently, and it is thought to be the first organization of its kind in the state. Perfection of the club and complete

selection of officers will be made December 26.

Clarendon—Repairs have been made recently on the bridge here at the head of Kearney Street, new strips being laid on the floor of the structure.

Midland—To the West Texas Chamber of Commerce goes the credit of Midland's recent attainment in securing an ice plant, according to Paul T. Vickers, secretary of the chamber of commerce. For two years, Vickers and the Midland organization waged a campaign to get an ice factory for their town. Several weeks ago, aid of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce was solicited and when contract was signed in November with the Morgan Utilities, Inc., its representative said his company was attracted to Midland by publicity released through the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

Shamrock—Three-quarters of a mile of new sidewalk for Shamrock will be laid here as result of a campaign inaugurated by the local chamber of commerce. The pavement will extend from the business section on Main Street to the high school building.

### MANY STUDENTS EARN EXPENSES

### Girls As Well As Boys Work At Texas University

Austin, Texas, December 23—Although it is often considered much easier for boys to earn the expenses of a college education, some 350 co-eds of the University of Texas are earning all or part of their expenses. About 295 of this number are entirely self supporting. Positions, or jobs, as some of them must be called, which these girls hold range from keeping babies while the parents go to the movies to doing secretarial work either on the campus or down town.

Perhaps the work which employs the most girls is that of acting as students assistant in some course or department of the University. In

the science courses this entails taking charge of laboratory sections and grading papers, while in other departments the work is not so well defined. Another type of employment for girls is that of clerical work, as for instance, assisting either some professor in the University, the secretary to some University official, or in some state department at the capitol. Practically every University department or bureau uses student help in some way.

A fairly large number of girls do housework and serve in dining rooms at the various girls' dormitories and boarding houses. In several of the dormitories there are candy and notions stands, following out the "Help Yourself" idea, run by the girls who live there. In each of the large halls there are girls who operate the telephone switchboard and work in the office and in the package room.

As for occasional jobs, there

might be included acting as part-time companions for elderly persons, working at the downtown telephone exchange, and clerking in downtown stores, for there have been a few University girls who have done all these things. And, added to the list must be the task of coaching students in courses in which they are failing.

N. M. Hunt of Aobeette was here Thursday on business.

# DRESSES

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Who's Who TODAY



GOV. NELLIE ROSS

THERE IS NOTHING COMPULSORY ABOUT BANKING

Evidently, then, banks are rendering worth while service or no new ones would be organized nor would old ones be able to exist at all.

CREDIT and SERVICE are the stock in trade of banks—both are imperative needs and banking is the simplest, most practical means to the ends desired in the affairs of all who would succeed.

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GRAY COUNTY STATE BANK

C. L. THOMAS, President W. H. DOYLE, Cashier



Margaret Morris



Dainty Margaret Morris, featured "movie" player, was born in Minneapolis, Minn. She was a leader in school dramatics, later working with a stock company, from which she stepped into motion pictures.

The Hotel Stenographer



"KELLY," said the Hotel Stenographer, "I went automobilizing last night and came home minus one earring, one filling out of my eye tooth and one bangle from my bracelet."

"No, it was the rough roads, Kelly," answered the girl scornfully. "I have heard a lot about cavemen who get innocent little girls out on lonely roads and kiss them by force, but I never met one. Just like I hear about the good roads everywhere but seldom find a guy who likes to ride on them with me because they are too populous."

"My opinion is that such innocent little girls start something that the rough guy makes them finish. Kelly, life is a lot like a foot race. More than half of the luck is in getting the right start. These girls who come home with their hair nets on the button of some guy's coat-sleeve are girls who didn't start right."

"I have never yet had to tell a man I was a lady. I act so they believe it without telling them. I never got on a sled and half way down a hill wanted to get off and go back because I saw a snowbank at the bottom and was not dressed for a spill. I just didn't start. I never teased a pup in my life. If you do you are liable to get a dog bite, so never start. I never yet manicured my nails on a buzz saw because I used my fingers in my business, pounding the keys of this typewriter. When I see a saw I never start fooling with it. I never yet dived into a pool of water of which I did not know the depth. I do not swim any too good so I never start."

"That's the trouble with a lot of women. No girl needs to have anybody tell her the right from the wrong start. There is a little red light in the make-up of every woman in the world which flashes a red danger signal at the right time."

"Yes," agreed Kelly. "That such a lot of girls simply adore red."

As Told by Irvin S. Cobb

MADE HISTORY

IT WAS Charley Hoyt, the greatest of American satirical dramatists, who on receiving a wire from a rather business and self-sufficient comedian saying, "I desire to play the leading role in your new comedy," turned the message over and wrote on it the following reply to be sent by telegraph, collect: "You stand practically alone in your desire."

Hoyt's wit operated like that—instantaneously and with emphasis. One night shortly before his death he was leaning against the counter in a cheap house when an actor who was notoriously stingy came in, accompanied by two friends. The slow-witted one and Hoyt were not on the best of terms, but the former was feeling a bit better himself and, moved by a sudden and almost unappreciated burst of generosity, he turned to the play-actor and said patronizingly: "Charley, will you join my 'Fifty Dollar Club'?"

"I certainly will," said Hoyt; "I'm always glad to enter in the celebration of any truly historic event."

Don't Waver

"What are we going to do?" "A musical comedy." "What is it about?" "What does that matter?"

In the JUNGLE With Cheerups and the Quixies by Grace Bliss Stewart

STRANGE PETS

"I AM going to tell you," said Daddy, "about a family who have all sorts of strange pets. The father of this family knows all about animals. Especially does he know about snakes."

"In fact, they say that snakes have no secrets from him. He also knows that kindness and care will make animals friendly and nice just as it will with children and even with grown-ups, too."

"I would be a horrid person, I know," Daddy went on, "if I were bullied about the way sometimes animals are on the stage when we're so far away that we can't see how they're being forced in to doing unnatural things."

"I never did like seeing performing animals on a theatrical stage—animals who aren't supposed to do the tricks they're made to do, tricks which aren't natural in the least."



Had Some Snakes for Pets.

"But I started in to tell you about the pets in this home. First of all, they had some Katy-dids there last summer. "Some of the eggs of the Katy-dids

had been stung the year before by some wretched enemies and these Katy-dids were being kept safe in a nice home box.

"They used to argue and have a fine old time, sometimes making so much noise that the people themselves could hardly hear their own talk."

"The man in whose home were these pets I'm telling you about also had some snakes there for awhile so as to take their pictures."

"Even wicked old King Cobra Snake was photographed. And Lancehead Viper had to give up some of his venom or poison so it would be fixed into the 'serum' as it is called, which saves people from serious harm when they have been poisoned by a bad kind of snake."

"He did a brave and splendid thing when he did this, for Lancehead Viper was a bad sort and had no conscience whatever!"

"Then there is a chameleon which they have as a pet. You know how he changes his colors? He is a kind of lizard, you know."

"Then another pet in this home is a chimpanzee and he is as friendly as he can be though he is full of mischief, too, and has a head which thinks up many and many a prank to play."

"Another pet is a South American opossum, and he is quite at home with this family though it is said that few of them are to be found in captivity."

"But he is as happy as happy can be. "These animals learn tricks by playing and watching those about them. They're never ill-treated and so they can really be called pets."

"For strange a collection as they may seem, they are all pets of this family."

"For the family work and write and play and talk and know about animals, and they love them and nothing is too much trouble to do for the creatures of this world who have their own strangely quiet language."

"If an animal is sick, one of the members of this family will sit up and nurse the sick animal and the animal's gratitude is always very great."

"Oh, yes, these creatures are all pets, but some of the members of the monkey family are the greatest pets of all!"

Message Of Christmas

(To the Citizenry of West Texas) The message of Christmas is just as vital today as when it was brought to us two thousand years ago, vital because founded on the divine, eternal law of life, the law of service. Prompted by the holy life of Him who lived but to serve, there is given to us a perfect illustration of this great law as a guide through the checkered pathways of human life.

He who would really live must be useful. "He that loseth his life for my sake shall find it" was the great message of the Christ, and it is proven to us in a thousand different ways. It is a truth which, like a golden thread, runs through all the good and beautiful literature of the earth's nations. It is an axiom verified in the lives of countless thousands and a motto set forth by many of the world's greatest institutions.

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce is an organization of service. Its one aim is to be of help and inspiration to the citizenry of this portion of the great state of Texas. It would form a bond of human brotherhood, linking together the ties of kindred interests and cementing more closely the mutual welfare of all, realizing that the greatest material accomplishments are made possible only through a larger increase of the moral and social relations of life.

Whosoever will be greatest among you shall be your minister, and whosoever of you will be chiefest shall be the servant of all, for even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto but to minister," these were the words of the Christ 1,926 years ago, and every time since that the sweet story of Christmas has been told and his life of sincere service has been repeated unto the world. So, in this spirit of worthy devotion to a noble cause, the West Texas Chamber of Commerce would be a servant toward greater accomplishment in life and more extended benefit to the citizenry of this territory to the end that the West may be a better place in which to live.

Hearts of officials of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce go out in sincerest appreciation to all fellow citizens who seek to emulate this great law of service, and to those laudable efforts and endeavors that

have contributed so largely during the past year toward the success of the organization, the greatest in its history. It is the sincere wish of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce that the Season may bring to each in its membership the greatest of blessings, and that the New Year may increase for each desire and opportunity for service, so that all may keep His Christmas and be joyful that He came once long ago with the message that stirs every heart and increases longings for greater achievement among fellowmen.

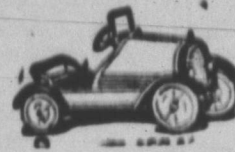
Willie Price of Canyon was in Pampa Wednesday on business.

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**OUR WHEAT CROP**

The year just closed was a second breaker for wheat in Gray county. Oil is going to ruin a few wheat farms in the Pampa section, but it seems that there will be plenty of acreage next year.

The slow rains of last week, coupled with some snow, means that the wheat has a good season in the ground. With plenty of moisture, the wheat should stool and form the basis for a big crop in 1927.

A reasonable amount of moisture next spring will enable Gray county to continue its record as the banner wheat country of the Panhandle—coupled with a heavy production of oil.

**BAD CHECK LAW**

The human parasites have various ways and means of living off of the people. One of the common methods is by passing "cold" checks. And do they get by with it? A survey of the stores here in Pampa reveals that the parasites are getting some easy picking. The more of them that succeed in beating their way means that more and more will resort to similar methods in the future.

A law was passed by the State of Texas on May 25,

1925, to protect the merchants or whoever might receive a "cold" check. The bogus check law, in full, reads:

"The obtaining by any person of any money or other thing of value with intent to defraud by the giving or drawing of any check, draft or order upon any bank, person, firm or corporation with which or with such person giving or drawing said draft or order, has not at the time when in the ordinary course of business such check, draft or order would be presented to the drawee for payment, sufficient funds to pay same, and no good reason to believe that such check, draft or order will be paid provided that if said check, draft or order is not paid on presentation the return of same shall be prima facie evidence of the fraudulently drawing or giving said check, and provided further, that if such check, draft or order is not paid within fifteen days after same is returned unpaid it shall be prima facie evidence that no good reason existed for believing that said check, draft or order would be paid and it shall also be prima facie evidence of intent to defraud and knowledge of insufficient funds with the drawee."

This law was passed to protect the persons who might suffer losses from such crooks. Notify the persons who give you the checks. After fifteen days let the law protect you.

**BUILD A VIADUCT**

The increasing traffic on Highway No. 33 emphasizes the need of a viaduct at the Santa Fe Railway crossing west of Pampa.

Traffic is becoming so heavy that there is real congestion when the main line is blocked for any considerable time by the railroad. Of course, the railroad does not intend to block the crossing, but it is necessary to do so several times a day with the movement of freight and passenger trains and switching crews.

A viaduct would enable traffic to move steadily and The News believes that this is an improvement that deserves

serious consideration by the city, county and railroad. Paving the highway is sure to come. The crossing is high and a viaduct could be built at a moderate cost.

**A YEAR AHEAD**

Just what is ahead for Pampa in 1927? That question has been asked many times during the past few weeks as people realize that the new year is just around the corner.

Pampa has had a tremendous building boom the past few months. And really it has not been a boom. It has just been a steady growth month after month to take care of the increased demands for business houses, hotels and residences.

The city has had building of possibly three-fourths of a million dollars this year. The News does not believe it is too optimistic when it predicts three million dollars for the new year.

**COLD BUT FINE**

The Panhandle has undergone some mighty cold weather the past few days, but Pampa has come up smiling.

Oil men, many of whom are spending their first winter in the Panhandle, find that the weather is not near so disagreeable as it has been advertised in other sections.

The high altitude does much to lessen the severity of the cold snaps. The dryness caused by the high altitude makes this a more enjoyable section than some other fields with lower altitude, oil men have declared to The News.

**Less Cotton Ginned in Gray County This Year**

The total amount of cotton ginned in Gray County up to Dec. 1, 1926 was 3,916 bales, according to the bureau of census of the State Department of Commerce. Up to the same date last year, 4,737 bales had been ginned in the County.

A report on all of the counties show that the amount of cotton ginned in some made a substantial increase, while in others a large decrease is shown.

The total for the state prior to Dec. 1 of this year was 4,649,205, a gain of 987, 040 bales over the same period of 1925.

**Cattle Are Higher As Hogs Take Drop**

The market report for this week shows that cattle are higher, lambs steady and hogs lower than last week. The price on cattle took a 25 cent jump which puts the cattle market into an attractive position.

Stockers and feeders are reported to be in moderate supply. The general impression of the market authorities is that receipts of thin cattle will not be large from now on, but some will be available at all times.

The drop in hogs this week is the first for some time. Trade in hogs was cleaned up early.

**Dunaway Official in Charge Here**

R. W. Riddell, general manager for the Dunaway Hardware Stores, is in Pampa overseeing the store here that the company opened recently. The store, which is located on West Foster Ave., will be rearranged and the stock increased even greater than it is, according to Riddell.

**Local Men Attend Annual Convention**

L. G. Murrell, agent for the Marland Refining Company in the Pampa territory, and John White, salesman, attended the annual convention of the Retail Marketing Department of the Company in Ponca City Wednesday and Thursday.

Among the speakers at the meeting were Harry N. Tolles of Chicago, W. M. Harrison, editor of the Daily Oklahoma, and Josh Lee of the University of Oklahoma.

About 500 employees of the company in the retail department attended the meeting. A banquet for all of the delegates and visitors was given on the closing evening.



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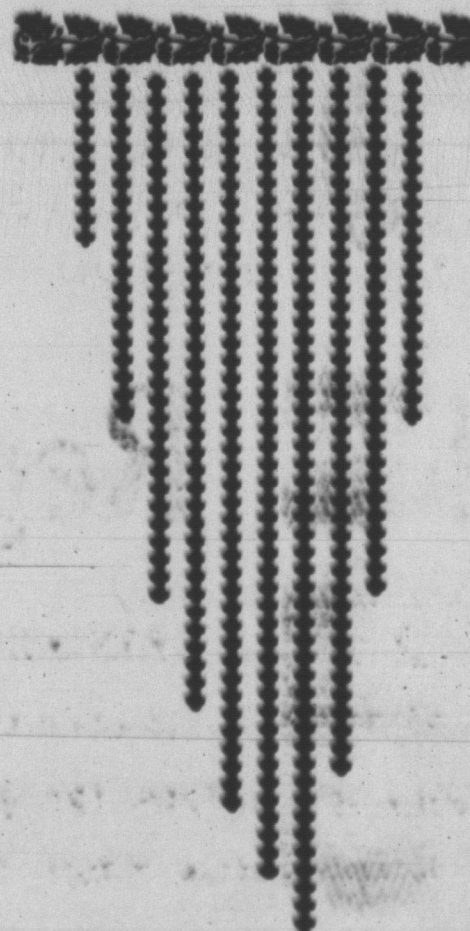
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Norman Kerry



Norman Kerry has been stealing hearts on and off the screen for some time, and recently the producing firm with which he has a contract decided to cast him in the lead in "The Love Thief," which title seems to fit him aptly. Kerry was born in New York and started in life as a bridge salesman.

WHEN I WAS TWENTY-ONE

BY JOSEPH KAYS

At 21—Alfred C. Gilbert, inventor of Structural Toy, Paid Way Through Yale Literally by Magic.

AT TWENTY-ONE I entered Yale, paying my way in with savings from my earnings as a flagman on the Northern Pacific. "During the first few months at college I paid my expenses by waiting on the table and taking care of the freshmen. Then I earned enough to carry me through by giving entertainments of magical tricks, which I had taught myself early in life.

"The first money I made that way while at Yale was five dollars, the remuneration for entertaining at a children's party.—Alfred C. Gilbert."

TODAY—Mr. Gilbert is the inventor and manufacturer of the most popular boy's toy that has been devised, a toy consisting of metal cross-pieces which the boy can build into structures of various kinds. It is said to be the biggest selling toy for boys today, and has become a standard children's plaything. Mr. Gilbert got the idea for this toy while he was passing a signal tower, built of steel beams. From Yale Mr. Gilbert graduated as a doctor; he substituted the devising and manufacturing of accessories for professional magicians, stage magic being his first love, and dating from the day, when he was eleven, when he received a set of magical tricks for magazine subscriptions.

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SAWS

By Viola Brothers Shore

FOR THE GOOSE— IT'S all right helpin' your neighbor with her dishes. But not while your own are standin' in the sink.

NECESSITY may be the mother of invention, but it certainly is the step-mother of a good bargain.

Paint perfume might not win a gentleman. But it won't send him away, neither.

There's one girl no woman ever beats like throwin' stones at, and that's the girl in the rookin' game.

FOR THE BANDER— EXACT The time you spend really tryin' to make a woman happy is never lost.

If you're tired, no chair is high; if you're restless, none is easy.

It's better to leave a snake alone in the first place, than to only kill him.

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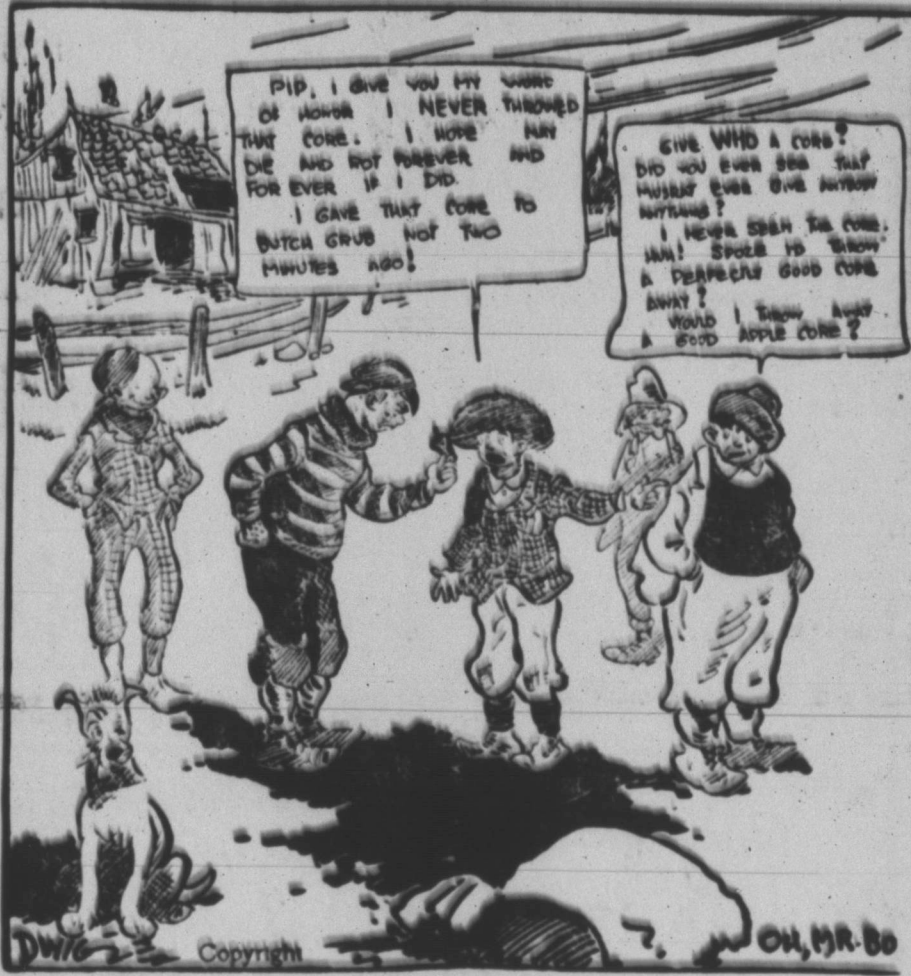
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Hold to Cheerfulness Cheerfulness is health; the opposite, melancholy, is disease.—Hallburton.

He Rules the Kingdom of Heart's Delight



SCHOOL DAYS



SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

(Continued from Page 1)

wish you would bring me a little Ford Coupe and a small Bible with my name printed on it. You will find my stocking hanging by the fire place. I am seven years old and I would like to have that Ford big enough for me to ride in.

Your Little Friend, Glen Twiford.

Pampa, Texas

Dear Santa Claus: I received your presents last Christmas and was glad to have them they are still good for this Christmas. I know some little girls and boys who did not receive a present last Christmas and if you don't mind please send what you have for me to them. I will feel much better to let my things go to them this Christmas. Send them lots of toys.

From your little friend, Stella Drake.

Pampa, Texas

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy 9 years old and in the third grade. Now do you get to the north pole and are there many Eskimons up there? I want a 22 rifle for Christmas and a box of shells some nuts, candy and apples. I have been just an average good boy. I like to tease the girls and I have three sisters.

Yours truly, C. C. Conaway.

Pampa, Texas

Dear Santa Claus: I am a girl nine years old and I live in Pampa, Texas. I am in the third grade in school. Please bring me a set of story books a nice pair of gloves some candy and nuts and fruit for Christmas. I hope you can go to all the little children homes this Christmas. I will thank you in advance if you will bring me what few things I ask for. And don't forget the poor children. Your friend Davis Hall. Christmas is near and Santa will soon be here.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a bicycle and a fire truck and foot ball. And please bring my brother that don't go to school a tricycle and a b c book, that is all. my mama will write and tell you you what to bring my little brother and baby sister wants. Your friend Paul Harrell.

Basketball Teams To Organize In January

The Basketball teams of the Pampa school will not participate in any games until after the examinations in the middle of Jan., according to R. C. Campbell, superintendent.

"We have had several invitations to play," says Campbell, "but I want the pupils to have all of the time they can to prepare for the examinations. After the middle of January a girls team as well as a boys team will be organized, then we can expect the challenges."

Dr. C. D. Hunter announces the removal of his office from 148 W. Foster Ave to the Duncan Building, Rooms 2 to 4. 43-2119

Freight receipts at Pampa for all of the year 1935 were \$3,603,390.00. Up to August 26, of this year they had climbed to the enormous total of \$110,592,976.00.

Miss Louise Miller has departed for her home in Sherman to spend Christmas with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Johns were in Amarillo Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Sanders were in Amarillo Tuesday on business.

Ben Gralapp who is with the Roxana Co. went to Amarillo Wednesday on business.

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A MESSAGE of GOOD WILL

By ALBERT ASH ALLEN

HARK! Now the bells, on Christmas Day, Bring back the joy of happy times—

Stark! Now the bells, on frosty air, Ring hope and comfort, love and peace—

Stark! Now the bells o'er vale and hill Reach to the islands of the sea

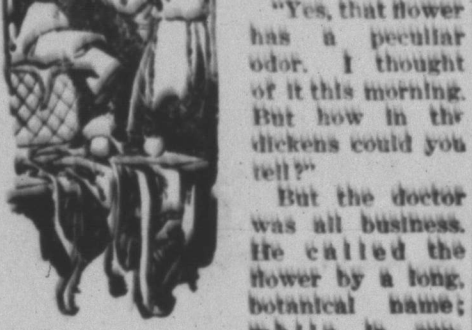
Christmas Courage



TOM WALTON was lonesome. It was Christmas Eve and he had no near relatives on earth.

Well, what had he been eating? "Nothing unusual," Tom tried bantering a little, but the doctor persisted.

Then Tom remembered that that morning he had received a letter from a friend of his in India with a pressed flower in it.



pressed excitement he told Tom of its strange death-bearing odor that within twenty-four hours from the time it was inhaled meant death.

Tom staggered out into the night as though condemned to the guillotine. His mind refused to act. His limbs seemed paralyzed.

He had money, but no relatives. He would close his life with a good deed. He would give his money because it was Christmas time and the season for giving.

They had spent their Christmas together until this year. But the old girl, who was Margaret's aunt, had passed away early in the year.

The really didn't love him, she called to Tom, but the man who thought she loved didn't pay much attention to her; so she would settle her heart and life that Christmas Eve.

U. S. URGES THAT LAND BE SAVED

Devastated Regions Make Rapid Increase

The United States is far behind most nations of the world in the matter of soil conservation, says H. H. Bennett, soil scientist of the United States department of agriculture.

J. Ditmore Dropped Dead Here Sunday

J. S. Ditmore, 84 years old, dropped dead at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. V. Pope, here Sunday night.

hodist Church at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Ditmore had just returned from church Sunday night and was removing his overcoat when he dropped dead.

He has lived in Pampa for the past seven years. Besides his daughter, Mrs. J. V. Pope, he is survived by one sister, Miss M. A. Ditmore of Murphy, N. C., one son, Fred Ditmore of Pampa; and two other daughter, Mrs. Joe Adair of Pampa and Mrs. S. O. Young of Hydro, Oklahoma.

Christmas The low gray walls of a little town, Were wrapped in splendor bright, While in a lowly manger A babe was borne one night.

Know Texas

Texas lumber industry produces about one and one-half billion board feet of lumber a year of which two hundred million feet are of hardwood.

Production of minerals in Texas amounts to about a quarter of a billion dollars a year, the state standing fifth in value of products of mines.

Mother's Cook Book

We may live without love—what is passion but pining? But where is the man that can live without dining?

SEASONABLE GOOD THINGS

A TASTY dessert which is always seasonable is:

Tapioca Pudding. Cook one tablespoonful of tapioca in a pint of milk, 15 minutes. Dissolve a tablespoonful of gelatin in one-half cupful of cold water.

Apple and Cranberry Reli. Make a rich biscuit dough, roll out, cover with one cupful of chopped apples sugared and flavored with nutmeg.

Frozen Fruit Salad. Cut into small bits the fruit from a can each of pineapple, white cherries, pears and peaches.

Belgian Mash. Take one-half cupful of prunes, one-half cupful of currants, one-half cupful of sugar, one-half grated nutmeg.

Corn Meal and Prune Pudding. Bring one quart of milk to the boiling point, sprinkle in three-fourths of a cupful of corn meal and cook until smooth and thick, stirring constantly.

Nellie Maxwell (© 1926, Western Newspaper Union.)



"If the labor turnover is an serious a problem as employers say it is," says Defatted Bruffs, "I should think they would furnish their employees with monthly alarm clocks."

Official Says Less Sleep Before Exmas

Austin, Texas, December 23.—A new idea for preparing for examinations was given study-weary students at the University of Texas by L. A. Jaffron, adjunct professor of psychology.

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sleep to three or four hours each night for the entire week, providing, of course, that they are in good physical condition. Instead of cramming for their "finals" during these extra working hours, students will do better to read fiction or something entirely different from the subject in which they are to be examined on the following day.

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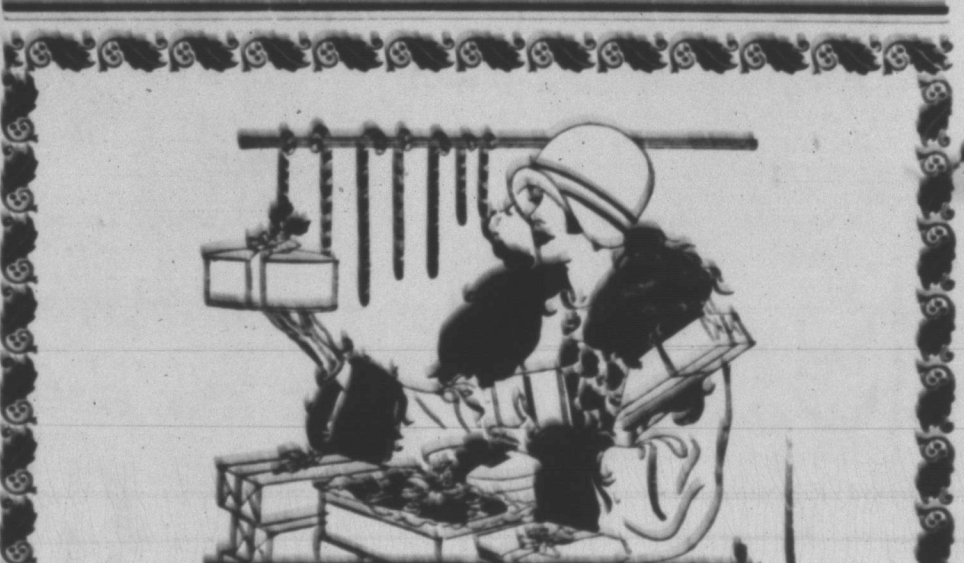
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**SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

By F. A. WALKER

**MAN'S SHORTCOMINGS**

Did you ever stop to think that with all man's boasts of his superiority he is, after all, a very incomplete and faulty creature, lacking in many of the qualities and accomplishments of those he looks down upon?

Do you realize that the squirrel can look much further into the future than the best educated man and forecast with measurable certainty events and conditions?

Do you know that the bear can voluntarily suspend animation and remain without food, with lowered heart action and diminished breathing for a period which would result in the death of any human being and suffer no bad result?

Did you know that the sense of smell is a thousand times more acute in the butterfly than in the human family?

You have observed that the ear of almost any animal is much more sensitive to noise than the ear of man.

The eagle, the house fly and the spider have eyes hundreds of times more efficient than the human optic and much more complicated in operation.

Did you know that a lobster which loses one of its claws can grow a new one just as good as the one he lost, but that man when he loses a hand or leg has to put up with an inferior substitute?

Did you know that an ant is capable of infinitely more exertion and continued labor than the man who with his heel ruthlessly destroys the work that the ant has done?

Did you know that in many of the lower forms of life when a tooth for any reason becomes worn or diseased and falls out another tooth grows to take its place?

Did you know that the bee is the most efficient architect in all the world of living things and that the beaver is a hydraulic engineer of surpassing intelligence and genius?

Do you realize that no one of the animal kingdom will voluntarily eat improper foods and no one of them ever acquires harmful habits.

The courage of the gamecock far surpasses that of man and the persistence of the spider totally eclipses that of his two-legged superior.

When we arise in the morning and, looking in the mirror, compliment ourselves on our superiority, and when at night we review with pride and self-appreciation the accomplishments of the day it would be well for us to compare what we are and what we have done with the day's work and individual qualifications of the beasts and birds, the insects and all the other forms of life which we consider so far beneath us.

Be not above learning from those below you. There is nothing in creation which has not its lesson, its sermon and its worthwhile example.

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**NOTE**

The regular annual meeting of the shareholders of the First National Bank of Pampa, Texas will be held in the banking rooms of said bank, Tuesday, January 11th, 1927 at 2:30 o'clock p. m.

Please take notice and govern yourself accordingly.

DELEA VICARS, Cashier  
42-77-c

**SOCIETY NOTES**

Mrs. McConnell Hostess To "Kingsmill Club"

The "Kingsmill Club" met with Mrs. Floyd McConnell last Thursday. The members answered roll call by telling how their families would observe Christmas Day.

Mrs. C. T. Nicholson gave a Bible reading pertaining to the birth of Christ. After the business meeting and program, the members were entertained by playing "42."

The hostess served refreshments consisting of sandwiches, salad, pickles, cake and coffee. Two visitors were present.

Mrs. Johns and Mrs. Powell Entertain With Bridge Party

Mrs. H. W. Johns and her sister, Mrs. A. C. Powell, entertained a host of friends Thursday afternoon at bridge. The entire house was artistically decorated in keeping with the Christmas spirit.

A novel method of distributing the tally cards to the visitors was employed. On a Christmas tree in one of the rooms were the cards arranged with various decorations. The visitors passed by the tree and each took off one of the tags which were numbered. The numbers determined the partners and six full tables of contestants enjoyed an hour of entertainment with Mrs. H. N. Allen winning first prize.

The following ladies were present: Mrs. P. O. Sanders, Mrs. Paul F. Stewart, Mrs. A. R. Pribble, Mrs. N. McCullough, Mrs. A. H. Doucette, Mrs. Lewis Miers, Mrs. Floyd McConnell, Mrs. Bert Isbell, Mrs. N. D. Lewis, Mrs. C. M. Creek, Mrs. J. P.

Malone, Mrs. C. R. Carter, Mrs. Phil Carlson, Mrs. R. W. Harrah, Mrs. W. R. Coffee, Mrs. C. P. Buckler, Mrs. Walstad, Mrs. L. C. McMarty, Mrs. Roger McConnell, Mrs. John Willis, Mrs. H. H. Allen and Mrs. J. D. Sugg.

Christmas candles illuminated each table as the games ended and dainty refreshments of cocoa, fruit cake, salad and sandwiches were served. The guests passed by the Christmas tree and received favors which were Santa Claus baskets filled with dainty Christmas candy.

Senior Class Is Entertained

The Senior Class met at Miss Frankie Barnhart's Friday evening, December 10, 1926 to make the first elimination of Christmas letters, written for the contest, conducted by the Pampa Drug Store. After the decision was made, the class enjoyed making candy. After the candy was made and eaten, the class played "42" and other games.

Those present were Miss Bernice Whiteley, W. R. Campbell, J. T. Glass, Clara Brown, Macie Lester, Elizabeth Carson, Rosie Baggerman, Lillian Mullinax, Willard Johns, Halie Gantz, Ward Hicks, Albert Lester, George Walstad, Jr., Ina Mickey, Eve Clemens, Minnie V. Haynes, Frankie Barnhart and Mrs. H. F. Barnhart.

Doyle's Go To Amarillo

W. H. Doyle, cashier of the Gray County Bank, and Mrs. Doyle went to Amarillo Wednesday.

Mrs. G. G. Rainouard departed for Lubbock Tuesday where she will spend several days visiting friends and relatives.

**MAIL INCREASING AT NEW QUARTERS**

**Most Of Packages Are Wrapped Very Securely**

Many Christmas packages are being mailed at the temporary quarters in the White Deer Land Building, according to W. A. Crawford, postmaster.

"The public understands the requirements of the postal department better than they used to and we seldom receive a package that is not properly wrapped for mailing," says Crawford.

"The volume of mail being sent as well as being received here is increasing daily. The separation of the mailing department and the distributing department is helping us to care for all of the mail without difficulty."

Most of the mail is sent from Pampa on the evening trains. The east-bound mail train is scheduled to arrive in Pampa at 4:52 p. m. and the west-bound train at 5:11. The government requires that all mail be in the bags and ready to be put on the train at least thirty minutes before the trains are scheduled to arrive.

"The Christmas mail will be unusually heavy here because many persons are here now, and will be here Christmas, who have not yet moved their families to Pampa," says Crawford.

**Vegetable Partnerships**

When it seems difficult to have a variety of vegetables, why not combine two or more and make them seem different? Carrots and peas, or carrots and string beans, are well-known combinations; other good ones are tomatoes, onions, and corn; tomatoes, onions and green peppers, celery and turnips; cabbage and kale, spinach and a little mustard greens; tomatoes, onions, and celery. Canned vegetables may be used for part of these combinations and many others, but the more fresh vegetable you can work into the winter diet the better for the family.

In the great open spaces legend grows rapidly. Years of adventure creates a romantic background for eager imagination to build upon.

**Hudson Bay Fur Shop**

"THE SIGN OF PERFECTION"

**CHRISTMAS FURS REDUCED TO JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE PRICES**

From Manufacturer to Wearer

Regular Price	Sale Price	
\$595.00	Hudson Seal Coats, Nat. Squirrel, Kolinsky, Jap Marten and Mink Collars and Cuffs	\$350.00
\$600.00	Kolinsky Coats	\$395.00
\$650.00	Mink Coats, dark skins	\$495.00
\$750.00	Dark Siberian Squirrel Coats, genuine platinum fox collars	\$495.00
\$495.00	Genuine Silver Muskrat Coats, Fox Collar and Cuffs	\$325.00
\$295.00	Belgium Buck Seals, Natural Squirrel, Cocoa, German Fitch, Marten Collar and Cuffs	\$175.00
\$395.00	Mendoza Beaver Coats, cocoa squirrel Collar and Cuffs	\$175.00
\$495.00	Scotch Mole Coat, fox collar and cuffs	\$325.00
\$395.00	Cocoa Caracul Coat, Fox Collar and Cuffs	\$195.00

**Buy Your Furs From a Furrier THE ONLY EXCLUSIVE FURRIER IN THE PANHANDLE**

Foxes, all the leading shades; Stone Martens and Baumartens reduced 25 per cent regular price. Our location is secured by a long lease. All our FURS carry OUR written guarantee.

CLEANING, REPAIRING AND REMODELING, SPECIAL ORDERS



**HUDSON BAY FUR SHOP**

509 POLK ST.

AMARILLO, TEXAS

**ANNOUNCING - -**

The opening of the City Drug Store, formerly The Miller Drug Store next door to The Pampa News office.

New and fresh stock has been added and more will be added regularly.

Whipped Cream is served with all milk drinks at the City Drug Store.

Real Chili and Coney Island Specials. We are specialists in preparing and serving light lunches. Try our fountain service.

**City Drug Store**

Smith Building

Phone 230

**Hundreds of Gifts to Add Charm to Your Home**

**BUY NOW**  
**Pay Next Year**



We can't begin to tell you of the immense stock of practical useful gifts we are offering this Christmas, but we know that a visit to our store will solve your gift problem. Gifts that make life easier for Mother—Gifts that bring a smile of satisfaction to Father's face—Gifts that are the connecting link between mere existence and real happiness—They're for the Home. And there's a price for every purse.

"QUANTITY BUYERS OF QUALITY STOCK"

**G. C. MALONE FURNITURE & UNDERTAKING CO.**



# CLASSIFIED ADS

Rates for Classified Ads: One and one-half cents per word per week. Minimum—twenty-five cents. Strictly cash in advance.

### FOR SALE

**FOR SALE**—Coal range cook stoves at bargain prices, \$5.00 to \$35.00. All in good condition. G. C. Malone Furniture and Undertaking Co. 3-4fc

**FOR SALE**—Good Round Oak reeater. See T. W. Johnson, just back of Rex Theatre. 42-4fc

**FOR SALE**—Singer Machines bought and sold. New singers sold on easy terms. Eldridge, the Singer Man, at Thornton's Store. 42-4fc

**FOR SALE**—Large Truck with house 7x22. Finest house on wheels. Will sacrifice at less than cost. W. A. Delano, Amarillo, Texas, Gen. Del. 43-11-p

**FOR SALE**—At a bargain, desirable lots in Wilcox Addition. Will trade for car, truck, tractor, cows or what you have. See Bennett at Horn and Coffee Grocery. 43-31-p

**FOR SALE**—2 school buildings, floor space 24x33 and 24x30, frame buildings, sealed, band better flooring. Grandview Consolidated District No. 17, located 15 miles south and 2 miles west of Pampa, 8 miles north and 4 miles east of Groom. Send bids to R. G. Davis or Guy Lawrence, Groom, Texas Rt. 1. 43-31-p

### FOR RENT

**FOR RENT**—Sleeping room for men, with privilege of shower bath. Also large sleeping room next to bath. Second house north Pampa Laundry. Mrs. Geo. Walstead. 40-4fc

**FOR RENT**—2 furnished rooms, modern, next door south Tillman Rooms. 43-11-p

**FOR RENT**—Nicely furnished bedroom. Strickland Apartments. See V. A. Cuning at Fatherson Drug Store. 43-21-p

**FOR RENT**—2 room apartment, modern, one on first floor, one on second floor, phone 135. 43-11-p

**FOR RENT**—Bed room or light house keeping room cheap. Mrs. Roberts, two doors east of Cotton Gin. 43-11-p

### LOST AND FOUND

**LOST**—17 Jewel South Bend open face watch, plain case. Return to News office and receive reward. 42-4fc

### WANTED

**WANTED**—To buy used furniture and oil stoves. G. C. Malone Furniture and Undertaking Co. 3-4fc

**Wanted**—Clean, Cotton Bags, Pampa News.

**HELP WANTED**—Girl for general work in modern home for family of three. Good home for young girl. Call or write A. G. Post in care of Magnolia Petroleum Co., Pampa, Texas. 40-4tp

**WANTED**—Two good salesmen. Will pay liberal commission. An opportunity for the right men to get in on a worthwhile proposition. Apply Field Office, Kingsmill Development Co., North Kingsmill. 43-1tc

**Want to lease or buy small rooming house.** L. Wear, Roslyn Hotel, El Paso, Texas. 43-11-p

**HELP WANTED**—Girl to do light house work and care for 3-year old girl. Address C. E. Gould, P. O. Box 1143. 43-11-p

### MISCELLANEOUS

**FOR QUICK ACTION LIST YOUR** will leases, farm and city property with Rice and Park. Located just across street from Magnolia Paving Station. 44fc

We are glad to assist you in planning that new home you have been contemplating building. Our motto, "Service that Satisfies." White House Lumber Co., Pampa, Texas. 11-4fc

**NOTICE**—All persons answering the Jones Farms Advertisement relative to oranges, appearing in the Pampa News recently, are invited to call the Pampa News office. 43-2c

## GRAY-PAMPA HOTEL

"In the Heart of Pampa"

112 S. Main St.  
A. E. SHAW, Mgr.

**SOME GUYS NOW CURIOUS**  
You won't be interested to smile again, after you use Loto's Pepsin-Lax Remedy. This preparation is used and recommended by leading doctors and cannot fail to benefit you. Strategic stores everywhere if you call. H. B. K. Drug Co. 3-4c

## Room for Christmas

By Frank L. Stanton, in *Atlanta Constitution*

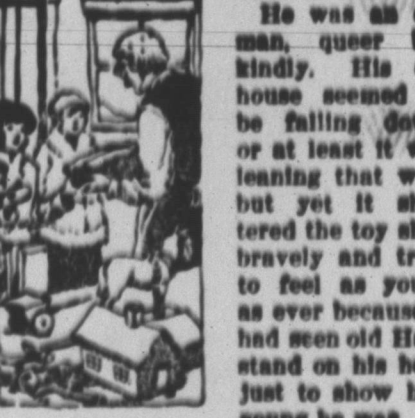
**WELCOME, Mister Christmas!**  
Here is where we live,  
With room for you, and always  
Just all you have to give.  
Come in! The fire's burning  
And fine the table's set,  
And hear us sing the old song:  
"This life's worth living yet!"

**Welcome, Mister Christmas!**  
We love you more and more  
When we see you on the threshold  
Of the dwellings of the poor.  
You bring the weary wanderers  
From where their feet may roam  
To the light, and cheer and comfort  
Of all our hearts at home!



"MR. JONES has been makin' pies," observed Ruth. "Mince pies?" replied her sister. "No, Jones pies," answered Ruth. It was promising for somebody, for Keturah Jones never made pies without making one over. The batch might be mince, apple or pumpkin, but there was always an extra pie for good nature and good luck.

This time it was a Christmas pie and destined for the old toy maker. It was his only chance of holiday joy, for, while he could whittle out barks, carve dogs that could almost bark and cats that seemed afraid of them, and make doll houses, he could not cook, and he lived alone.



He was an old man, queer but kindly. His old house seemed to be falling down, or at least it was leaning that way, but yet it sheltered the toy shop bravely and tried to feel as young as ever because it had seen old Hans stand on his head just to show how young he was. On the way to him with the pie the children wondered if he would sing for them again as he had done the last time they watched him at his work. It was the song about the miller's dog that they wanted, but they found him working on a toy horse, and when they noticed that there was something wrong about the horse they forgot about the dog. "You haven't got that right, Mr. Hans," said Ruth; "you shouldn't put a necklace of silver bells around his stomach." "Well, well," said the old man, "I have to see about that; but perhaps I was thinking about something to eat when I put the bells in the wrong place." "Well, here it is," said Ruth, uncovering the pie, "and we wish you a Merry Christmas." "Sure," said Mr. Hans, "sure it will be merry, and you shall be merry, too," and he took down a bundle as he put the pie upon the shelf.

It was a very interesting bundle, but the children suddenly remembered the song and forgot the bundle. This was the song:

The miller's big dog lay on the mill floor,  
And Hanso was his name, oh,  
A wondering what he lay there for,  
And why he was so lame, oh,  
P-e-t-e-o-o  
O Hanso was his name.

The miller he said if the dog was dead,  
Why that would be the end, oh,  
But since he only lay there,  
Oh Hanso would soon be mended, oh,  
P-e-t-e-o-o  
O Hanso was his name.

The special fun of it was when they spelled the dog's name around the circle, each singer taking one letter, and then all joining in on the last line.

Then the children forgot the song and remembered the bundle. It was well wrapped, for they took off paper after paper, like peeling an onion, until they came to the girl doll that could call for mother and the boy doll that could play on a mouth organ. Then, with both the presents gone, they also went, leaving a plumcake smile on the old man's face and at the tops looking happily at each other.

Mr. Jones welcomed the travelers back with a taste of her cooking for themselves, and was so happy, as if good Christmas visits are. She said, "You can't make chocolate almonds out of horse chestnuts, but these plumcakes surely did get in their bundle and pull out plums!"  
—Ed. With, Western Newspaper Union

### Lamps Detect Criminals

Tracking down offenders by the bulbs they leave in their victims is a new branch of police practice. The use of electric lamps for order and camera studies of each bullet makes possible some accurate guesses as to the gun which fired the shot. It is said that every gun leaves its own peculiar set of marks upon the bullet if discharges and that experts can trace bullets back to particular guns. These lamps help to "finger-print" criminals by their bullets.

## 73,474 Chevrolet Cars Sold During November

During the November sales contest conducted by the Chevrolet Motor Co., 73,474 cars and trucks were sold. "If you could read the letters we are still receiving," says J. E. Grimm, manager of the advertising division, "you could better appreciate the important part the newspapers played in making this splendid record."

Other than the sales made in May of this year, the sales in November passed all preceding records.

## Pampa Company Sells Sheet Iron Building

White Deer, Texas—Russell Motor No. 2, purchased the sheet-iron building in which they are running their garage business at this time from the Pampa Ice Company, and will move the building from its present location to lots west on Highway 33, where they will continue their business until their new brick and

tile building is completed. The Pampa Ice Company are having the old building moved from their lots to make ready for their ice plant building program which will get under way within the next few days.—The White Deer Review.

Dr. Roy A. Webb announces the removal of his office from Main St. to the Duncan Building, Rooms 3 to 4. 43-21-p

## News Want Ads Pay

**Complete Line R C A RADIOLAS**  
Loud Speakers, Etc.  
**ODEN MUSIC SHOPPE**  
At Miller Drug Store

## The First National Bank

Pampa, Texas

Better Secure a Safety Deposit Box Now for Your Valuable Papers

H. E. FINLEY  
President

DE LEA VICARS  
Cashier

## Sensational Bargains in Our

# GIANT \$1.00 SALE

We are conducting this remarkable sale at the former location of the Johnson Hardware Co. which we recently bought and, after adding more stock to the already large stock of hardware on hand, we are offering these bargains that we may become better acquainted with the trade of this territory. And we want the people to become familiar with the quality, quantity and price of our merchandise.



\$2.50, \$2 and \$1.50  
**VALUES FOR \$1.00**

An unequalled offer of merchandise in variety, desirability and values.



Every item offered on this sale is very practical for use in the home, and make excellent Christmas Gifts.

## ARTICLES SELLING FOR \$1.00

Pure Aluminum Percolators, Icy Hot Vacuum Bottles, Cooking Kettles, Junior Electric Stoves and Toasters, Pie Plates and Metal Servers, Tea Kettles, Thrift Alarm Clocks, Gold Encrusted Tumblers and Ice Tea Glasses, 26 Piece Table Ware Sets and 25 other articles, all high quality merchandise.

And in addition you will find many articles in our stock, not included on this sale, which make practical gifts for the home. Our prices are always right.

# Pampa Hardware and Implement Co.

PHONE NO. 4

PAMPA, TEXAS



## High School Breezes

### LEAVING CHRIST OUT OF CHRISTMAS (By Macle Lester)

At first you might wonder what is meant by leaving Christ out of Christmas in writing. Sometimes we see Christmas written X-m-a-s. This leaves Christ out and He is the greatest part of the word. Christmas is Christ's birthday, and therefore this day is called Christmas in memory of His birth. We all like for Christmas to come, but still we leave Christ out of our writing, and often we leave Him out of our thoughts.

Many people leave Christ out of the spirit of Christmas. They do not think of Christmas as the birthday of the Savior of the world. They only think of Christmas as a time of vacation and good times. They do not remember that the giving of gifts symbolizes the gift of God's son, and that we give gifts as a token of friendship and good will. These people care only for the happiness and good cheer it brings to them.

Children look forward to Christmas more than older people do. They think of the things Santa Claus is going to bring them. They do not realize that he is only the Christmas spirit. After Santa Claus has no more charm, the boy or girl loses much of the spirit of Christmas. I think that a child should be taught of Christ and told the story of His birth every Christmas; then when Santa Claus loses his charm, the child can remember the gift of God and can hold on to the Christmas spirit.

Some older people never think of Christmas in the right way. Some think of it as a time of giving and of receiving gifts; some as the time when all the children are at home, which is a very happy thought; and some never think of Christmas at all. One of the best ways of keeping the spirit of Christmas is to make other people happy. There is nothing else that gives so much pleasure to many people as this does. People who do not have children of their own do not realize how much children look forward to Christmas, unless they associate with other people's children. One of the best ways to keep the Christmas spirit is to give presents to the poor people children. Their joy is reflected in their faces until they fairly radiate with happiness. You may not have been happy when you started giving gifts to these unfortunate children, but you can not help catching the smile from their lips and the sparkle of their eyes until you yourself are happy in their happiness.

We should not leave Christ out of Christmas, for if everyone left Him out, Christmas would lose its original meaning. Christ was a great and perfect gift, and we can make our gifts mean something by keeping the Christmas spirit. We must remember that Christ said, "As you do unto the least of these, my brethren, so do you even so to me." So if we make other people happy and lend a helping hand, we are making Him happy and are helping Him make the world better and happier.

### A CHRISTMAS ADVENTURE (By Ina Mickey)

"Marilou, it is time you were in bed. Go on to bed, dear, and Old

Santa will come during the night." Mrs. Butler was speaking to her little daughter, who, of course, believed in Santa Claus, but always wanted to see him.

"No, no, I want to see Santa," said Marilou, "and I am not a bit sleepy."

"Just leave her alone Mary. You know she is already sleepy and can't stay awake long," spoke up Mr. Butler, and he winked at his wife, for it was his plan to leave Marilou there until she went to sleep, and then to carry her off to bed.

"No, I won't go to sleep," responded Marilou airily. "I'm just going to stay awake until Santa comes, so that I can see him."

So she was left in the big chair in front of the fire place to await the coming of Santa Claus.

She had not been alone long until she was startled by a small, shrill voice, and turned to see a small elf standing near the fireplace. He said, "Marilou, would you like to go with me to visit Santa Claus? My name is Bumpo, and I am one of Santa's toybuilders."

"Oh! Yes, I'd like to go with you. When do you want to leave?"

"Right now!" replied Bumpo, who was a tiny little fellow, dressed in green. Marilou wondered how they were going, but did not wander long, for she felt herself being lifted upwards and far, far across the sky, which was lighted with beautiful multi-colored lights.

"Are we going to see Santa Claus?" asked Marilou anxiously, for she was just a wee bit frightened and was beginning to get cold.

"Yes, and then maybe he will let us ride with him in his sleigh," answered Bumpo.

After traveling what seemed to be a long distance to Marilou, over billowy, fleecy, white clouds and miniature snow-covered forests, the whole lit up with beautiful colored lights, she at length saw a white, glistening frost-covered castle, with many windows, from which twinkled cheery lights. Bumpo, after giving her instructions to follow him, said, "I'll show you lots of pretty things when we get inside."

Marilou followed him happily, and was not at all sleepy. But when she got inside, a kind of drowsy warmth pervaded her whole body, and she just began to realize how cold she had been. She sat down in a big, soft chair by the fire, and wanted very much to go to sleep. But Bumpo pulled at her hand and said, "Come on! I had so much that I wanted to show you."

But Marilou was so sleepy that she couldn't even speak, and just sat where she was. Bumpo took a small whistle out of his pocket and blew three shrill blasts. Little elves just like himself, dressed in red and green, came running in from all directions. At Bumpo's orders, they began to pull and drag Marilou out of the chair to the door. They gave her a big push. She felt herself falling down, down, down! And how cold she was!

"Marilou, don't you want to get up and look at your presents?" called a voice outside her door.

Marilou sat up and rubbed her eyes. The sunlight was streaming in at the window. It was Christmas morning.

### THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT (By Alma Pennington)

Over the nations far and wide  
Goes the Christmas Spirit with stately stride;

Scattering sunshine here and there,  
Making joy everywhere.

Into the mansions of the richest squire,  
Into the huts of the poorest hire,  
Into the hearts of everyone—  
The Christmas Spirit is out for fun.

This Spirit comes but once a year,  
To give to everyone comfort and cheer;  
He brings hope to every heart;  
Of every sorrow he takes part.

So put away your worries,  
And be of good cheer;  
For Christmas is approaching,  
And the great Christmas Spirit is here.

### BILLY'S SURPRISE (By Lillie McMillen)

Billy was a wee boy, weak and frail,  
Trodding along on a snowy trail,  
The wind was howling that wintry day,  
But weather doesn't matter if one be gay.

Under one arm was seen a pack,  
Securely tied, a card on the back  
Which read, "Merry Christmas, Mother Dear,"  
The boy was happiest of all the year.

Gripping the bundle, he plodded on,  
Thinking of the surprise he had planned so long;  
A surprise for mother, a warm hood and shawl;  
Giving mother joy, himself most of all.

At last beside a small hut he stood,  
He planned to creep softly inside  
If he could,

And place the package on the floor  
Where her eyes would fall as she entered the door.

Into the room his mother did glide,  
Resting her eyes on the package tied;

Unwrapping the bundle, she exclaimed with joy,  
"Not so much the gift, as the giver,  
my boy!"

### Kingsmill Enjoying Rapid Development

Since the recent oil storage and shipping activities in the Kingsmill area, railroad employees report enormously increased business at this point, both incoming and out-

going freight. On one day alone last week it is reported that over \$30,000 worth of freight business was transacted through the Kingsmill station. Indications are that Kingsmill is becoming an overnight immense railroad point similar to the condition experienced by Pampa several months ago when its

freight receipts were the second largest on the entire Santa Fe system.

Along with the greatly increased freight business, much building activity is in progress. At North Kingsmill, directly opposite the railroad station, where much of this activity is taking place, more than

ten buildings have been completed in the past two weeks and dozens in addition are planned for immediate construction.

Contract has just been let for a large, permanent brick and tile mercantile building for North Kingsmill.

# SPECIALS for SATURDAY

Every Article Purchased From PIGGLY WIGGLY Is Absolutely Guaranteed

2 Pound Box Fancy Assorted Chocolates -- 58c

Pecans, 5 pounds or more, per pound ----- 15c

One gallon jar Rainbow Mayonaise Dressing ----- \$1.59

Two and half pound Wapco sliced yellow  
Cling Peaches ----- 26c

Ten Bar of P & G Soap for ----- 38c

# PIGGLY WIGGLY



We will continue, until Christmas, the many reductions as announced last week on servicable items which make very practical gifts for Christmas. And in Addition we have a stor ebrim full of other ideal gifts for any person of any age. Gifts from all over the country are assembled here for your approval. Let us offer as suggestions:

### FOR HIM

- A Suit
- Neckwear
- Gloves
- Overcoat
- A Lumberjack

### FOR HER

- A Dress
- A Coat
- Lingerie
- Hosiery
- Silk Kimona

We Give Green Trading Stamps With Each Purchase

## Announcement

We will open Saturday, December 18th, with an exclusive line of Ladies Ready-To-wear, Millinery and Novelties. Our line is very complete in high quality merchandise with a wide range of prices. We invite your inspection.

### CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

\$2.50 Silk Chiffon Hose ----- \$1.95

## The Texas Store

Hotel Pampa Building  
North of Ledbetter Drug Store

**J. E. Murfee & Co.**  
Outfitters to the Whole Family



**NOTICE OF ROAD BOND ELECTION**

**COUNTY OF GRAY.**

To the resident property taxpaying voters of Gray County, Texas:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held on the 29th day of December A. D. 1926, within Gray County, Texas, to determine if said county shall issue bonds and if a tax shall be levied in payment therefor, in obedience to an election order entered by the commissioners court on the 29th day of November 1926, which is as follows:

On this, the 29th day of November, A. D. 1926, the commissioners court of Gray County, Texas, convened in a special session, at the regular meeting place thereof in the court house at LeFors, Texas, the following members of the court, to-wit:

T. M. Wolf, County Judge.  
C. W. Bowers, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1.

W. A. Taylor, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2.

M. M. Newman, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4.

being present, came on to be considered the petition of E. B. Hedrick and one hundred and twenty-four (124) other persons, praying that bonds be issued by said Gray County in the sum of \$1,200,000.00 bearing a rate of interest to be fixed by the commissioners court not exceeding five and one half (5 1-2) per cent and maturing at such times, as may be fixed by the commissioners court, serially or otherwise, not to exceed 30 years from date thereof, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating macadamized, gravelled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in said thereof, and whether or not a tax shall be levied upon the property of said county, subject to taxation, for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity, and praying that the funds derived from the sale of said bonds shall be expended according to the following schedule:

Highway No. 33, otherwise known as the Southwest Trail, 14 miles at \$16,500.00 per mile, or \$231,000.00.

Highway No. 75, otherwise known as the Postal Highway, 22 miles at \$14,000.00 per mile, or \$308,000.00.

Highway No. 88, otherwise known as the Clarendon Highway, 12 miles from Pampa, South, at \$16,500.00 per mile, or \$198,000.00.

Highway No. 33-A, otherwise known as the Fort Elliott Highway, 8 miles from Pampa, east, at \$15,000.00 per mile, or \$128,000.00.

Highway No. 88, otherwise known as the Clarendon Highway, 16 miles beginning at the end of the section mentioned above, at \$7,500.00 per mile, or \$120,000.00.

Highway No. 33-A, otherwise known as the Fort Elliott Highway 20 miles, beginning at the end of the 8 mile section mentioned above, at \$7,500.00 per mile, or \$150,000.00.

The sum of \$65,000.00 to be used for the construction of lateral county roads; in addition thereto, any premium or premiums derived from the sale of said bonds to be used for the construction of lateral county roads;

It appearing to the court that said petition is signed by more than fifty of the resident property taxpaying voters of said Gray County; and

It is further appearing that the amount of bonds to be issued will not exceed one fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of said Gray County; and

IT IS THEREFORE CONSIDERED AND ORDERED by the court that an election be held in said county, on the 29th day of December, 1926, which is not less than thirty days from the date of this order, to determine whether or not the bonds of said county shall be issued in the amount of \$1,200,000.00 bearing interest at the rate of five percent (5 per cent) per annum, interest payable semi-annually, and maturing at such times as may be fixed by the commissioners court, serially or otherwise, not to exceed thirty years from date thereof; and whether or not a tax shall be levied upon the property of said county, subject to taxation, for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity; and whether or not the funds derived from the sale of said bonds shall be expended according to the following schedule:

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The said election shall be held under the provisions of Senate Bill Number Two Hundred Eighty-seven (287), passed by the First Called Session of the 39th Legislature, of the State of Texas, and the Constitution of the State of Texas, as provided by and authorized by Section 52 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

Said election is to be held in Gray County to determine whether or not the bonds of such county shall be issued for the purpose of construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, gravelled, or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof, and whether or not taxes shall be levied on all taxable property of said county, subject to taxation, for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity, and said bonds shall be in the total amount of One Million, Two Hundred Thousand (1,200,000.00) Dollars, and shall bear interest at the rate of five per cent (5 per cent) per annum, interest payable semi-annually, and that an ad valorem tax to be levied annually on all taxable property within said county sufficient to pay the annual interest and provide a sinking fund to pay the bonds at maturity.

All persons who are legally qualified voters of this State and of this county, and who are resident property taxpayers in this county, shall be entitled to vote at said election, and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue the bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"For the issuance of bonds and the levying of the tax in payment thereof."

And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"Against the issuance of bonds and the levying of the tax in payment thereof."

The polling places and the presiding officers of said Election shall be respectively as follows:

Precinct No. 1 at LeFors, the regular polling place of which is the court house, with Mr. M. B. Davis, as presiding officer;

Precinct No. 2, at Pampa, the regular polling place of which is at the Office of the White Deer Land Co., in the White Deer Land Co. building, with Mr. J. E. Murfee, Jr., as presiding officer;

Precinct No. 3, at Steed, the regular polling place of which is the Grandview School house, with Mr. Lee Fortenberry as presiding officer;

Precinct No. 4, at Alanreed, the regular polling place of which is the S. L. Ball Building, next door to the Post Office, on the South, with Mr. S. R. Loftin as presiding officer;

Precinct No. 5, at McLean, the regular polling place of which is the office of M. D. Bentley in the West end of the Montgomery Drug Co., building, across from the Post Office with Mr. A. A. Callahan as presiding officer;

Precinct No. 6, at Laketon, the regular polling place of which is the Laketon School house, with Mr. W. S. Faris, as presiding officer;

Precinct No. 7, at Farrington, the regular polling place of which is the Farrington School house, with Mr. C. G. Gillis as presiding officer;

Precinct No. 8, at Hopkins, the regular polling place of which is the Hopkins School house, with Mr. W. E. Ginn, as presiding officer.

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the general laws of the State of Texas, regulating general elections, when not in conflict with the provisions of the Statutes hereinabove referred to.

Notice of said election shall be given by publication of a copy of this order in The Pampa News and in The McLean News, newspapers published in the county, for three successive weeks before the date of said election, and, in addition thereto, there shall be posted four other copies of this order, at four public places in the county, one of which shall be at the court house door, for three weeks prior to said election.

The county judge is hereby directed to cause said notices to be published and posted as hereinabove directed, and said notices shall be posted by the county clerk at four public places in the county, one of

which shall be the court house door, as hereinabove directed, and further orders are reserved until the returns of said election are made by the duly authorized election officers and received by this court.

Given under my hand, with the seal of the commissioners Court affixed, this the 29th, day of November, A. D. 1926.

T. M. WOLF,  
(SEAL) County Judge.

STATE OF TEXAS,  
COUNTY OF GRAY,

I, Charlie Thut, Clerk of the County Court of Gray County, Texas do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Original Notice of Road Bond Election, as same appears on record in Volume 2, pages 278-279, Commissioner's Court Minutes, Gray County, Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court at my office in LeFors, Texas, this the 29th day of November A. D. 1926.

CHARLIE THUT,  
(SEAL) County Clerk.  
39-41-43-c

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Gray County—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED publication of this citation in some newspaper published in the County of Gray, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 31st Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 31st Judicial District, for four weeks previous to the return day hereof, J. O. Nelson, whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for Gray County, at a regular term of the Justice's Court for Precinct No. 2 of said County, to be begun and holden at my office in Pampa, Texas, on the 27th day of December, 1926, at ten o'clock A. M., to answer the complaint of Acme Lumber Company, a corporation in a certain suit therein pending, in which Acme Lumber Company, a corporation in a certain suit therein pending in which Acme Lumber Co., a corporation, is plaintiff, and J. O. Nelson, is Defendant.

Filed on the 26th day of November, A. D. 1926, and numbered on the Docket of said Court No. 117, the nature of the Plaintiff's demand being in substance as follows: Suit to foreclose materialman's lien, alleging that plaintiff furnished material to defendant, J. O. Nelson, as per itemized account, duly filed with the County Clerk of Gray County, Texas, according to law, amounting to \$181.20. Said material being furnished by virtue of a contract between plaintiff and defendant, that due notice was given according to materialman's lien statute and plaintiff prays for foreclosure of his lien on the building on Lot No. 10, Block No. 1 of the 10-acre Addition to the city of Pampa.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have you then and there before said Court, at said regular term, this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

GIVEN under my hand, this 26th day of November, A. D. 1926.

J. S. JAMESON,  
Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 2, Gray County, Texas.  
37-39-41-43-c

NOTICE  
Notice is hereby given that the partnership between R. S. Dunbar and W. C. Montgomery, and operating as "The Pampa Abstract Company," was dissolved on the 8th day of December A. D. 1926. All debts due to the said partnership are to be paid and those due from the same discharged at Rooms 6 and 7, Smith Building, Pampa, Texas, where the business will be continued by W. C. Montgomery under the firm name of "The Panhandle Abstract Company."

W. C. Montgomery.  
39-41-43-45

Miss Ruth Williams is ill at her home with tonsillitis. She has a position as nurse at the office of Dr. Purviance.

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NOTICE  
Pampa Lodge No. 908, A. F. & A. M. Regular Meeting, Fourth Saturday in each month.  
Nasonic Hall in White Deer Land Building.

C. P. BUCKLER, Secretary

**Worth Remembering**

When two aces of spades, or of any other denomination, show up in one deck of cards, it is folly to expect them to stay there and act real nice with everybody.

When times are hard and money scarce, how it would help out if a fellow could only take the shine off his pants and put it on his shoes.

Only two often it happens that when striving to attain the mark set by ambition in the world of achievement, we halt too long at the dollar mark.

In politics some men learn the wisdom of keeping silent although knowing much that is worth saying. Still there are others who just will not listen to Clark Adams' advice to the effect:

"When a hawk is flying over in a diplomatic hush, Let the other fellow chatter like a chicken in the brush. Did you ever see the chicken, with its chatter, get the hawk? No, you bet your life you didn't. So let the other fellow talk."

Crooks in public office are like rotten apples in a barrel. Unless culled out they are apt to taint the whole batch.

Truthfulness, fair dealing, decency and integrity exalt the souls of men rather than drag them down. Upon the other hand, lust, cupidity, callousness and duplicity snare our feet and hold us prisoners to the baser elements.

It is not so much the way in which we see ourselves as it is the light in which others see us, that counts in this world of thought and action.

It makes little difference what makes the heart grow fonder. It is the sense of joy that counts,—not so much the cause of it.

**News Want Ads Pay**

**AN HONEST DEAL**

There is basis for real pride in the fact that customers seldom ask us to guarantee our Used Cars. It indicates that our efforts to build up public confidence were well directed. Our reputation is ample assurance of honest deals and honest values.

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A USED CAR IS ONLY AS DEPENDABLE AS THE DEALER WHO SELLS IT



"WHERE THE WEALTH OF THE FIELD IS BEING STORED"

**A GREAT NEW OIL TOWN!**

On the main line of the Santa Fe, seven miles southwest of Pampa at the western edge of Gray County.

**TEN WEEKS OLD—AND TEN SUBSTANTIAL BUILDINGS ALREADY UP!**

Practically all of the scores of lots which have been purchased in North Kingsmill in the short time since the opening are for quick improvement—already more than ten buildings are completed—and dozens more are planned to start before the first of the year!

**BIG COMPANIES OPENING YARDS AND OFFICES**

The Panhandle Lumber Co., has already opened its yard adjacent to the three-quarters of a mile of track available at North-Kingsmill; the Champlin Refining Co., is building its new loading racks; and the Texas Co., has moved its general field office for the Panhandle to the Kingsmill area. And the merchants who are locating here find a quick, thriving market among the hundreds of oil field workers and prosperous farmers located in the vicinity. More restaurants, filling stations, garages, barber shops, rooming houses, etc., are needed immediately.

**TREMENDOUS CITY DEVELOPMENT CERTAIN**

North Kingsmill is the logical location for supply houses; refineries; oil field equipment manufacturers; merchants and business men. For this new oil city is midway between the two great Panhandle oil fields and near to important new production. It is the Panhandle terminal for the great Prairie Pipeline from Ringling, Okla., it is a trunk line railroad station with ample trackage and shipping facilities; and it is surrounded by four immense tank farms!

<b>GET IN EARLY</b>	Industrial and Business Lots at Remarkably Low Prices— Only \$145 Up! Valuable 1-32 Royalty Rights Given With Each Building Site!	<b>DRIVE OUT TODAY</b>
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Owners and Developers  
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PAMPA Gray Co. Bank Bldg. Phone 342