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Santa Claus Party At 2 P. M. Today

CONGRESSMAN C. L. SOUTH IS HONORED AT BANQUET GIVEN IN SAN ANGELO

Vice-President John L. Garner Telegraphs His Congratulations To His Representative

From Del Rio, Big Springs and many intermediate points in the 1st. Congressional District of Texas, 200 enthusiastic admirers of Congressman Chas. L. South assembled at a banquet in San Angelo last Saturday night.

Although the affair was sponsored by the postmasters of the district, a large number of postal employees and friends of Judge South were also on hand. One of the features of the program was a telegram from Vice-President John L. Garner. The following account is from the San Angelo Standard:

With the satisfying words of the ancient hymn, "Let Not Your Heart Be Troubled," ringing in their ears, 200 postmasters, postal employees and friends of Chas. L. South, congressman from the 1st district, closed an enthusiastic and sincere testimonial dinner at the St. Angelus Hotel last night. Congressman South spoke briefly but straightforwardly to the crowd.

He expressed his gratitude for the words of confidence and esteem that had been given at the meeting, told the postmasters that less than two dozen would be beholden to him or any congressman for their jobs and that he and paid them the same as the other men in the district.

He made good selections of these important offices. A few words he said that in the last few months to nations had been attacked for the reason they could not defend themselves, the session of Congress which would convene next month would have to deal with the problem of making America capable of defending itself against any nation or combination of nations.

He said he would vote for an air force, army and navy. He said recent history has shown to the fact that the best defense against war is strengthening the congressman said that all Americans had their rights and most were sympathetic with the same powers, the nation could serve itself best, but the rest of the world as well, by keeping the conflict. "I think we stay with the task of perfecting democracy at home," he said.

Telegram Highlight. A number of telegrams were read by the toastmaster, J. Ed Johnson, postmaster at Del Rio, but the most notable was one from John Nance Garner, Vice-President of the United States, and one of Judge South's constituents. It read as follows:

"I understand you and your friends are giving Congressman South a testimonial dinner. Permit me to wish his friends in wishing him health, happiness, long life and continuity of service to Congress. Theodore Herring, San Angelo Postmaster, gave the address of welcome. In the unavoidable absence of Mayor B. A. Carter. Mr. Herring kidded the postmasters but how easy it had been to get to attend the banquet and how he saw a hungry look on the faces which made him feel that they were craving re-entertainment.

White Postmaster Speaks. B. Reagan, postmaster at Del Rio, gave the response, and so many nice things about Del Rio he had to reassure them that he was from Del Rio still loyal to his town. The beautiful running (Page Four)

1940 Committeemen Are Elected

Members of the Mills county A. C. A. met Dec. 18, in the court house for the purpose of electing community committeemen for 1940, and for the purpose of electing delegates to the county convention who were to select the county committee.

After a general meeting in the district court room, members of Precinct 2 and Precinct 3, respectively, met in the home demonstration agent's office and the commissioner's court room. Members of the association from Precinct 1 and 4 remained in the district court room.

Precinct No. 1 and 4 elected the following community committeemen: J. H. Burnett, Chairman; M. H. Fletcher, Vice-Chairman; R. M. Haynes, Regular Member; E. A. Obenhaus, first alternate; L. H. Soules, second alternate.

Precinct No. 2 elected the following community committeemen: W. A. Hill, chairman; W. C. McNeil, vice-chairman; I. B. Cody, regular member; J. F. Soules, first alternate; J. M. Geeslin, second alternate.

Precinct No. 3 elected the following community committeemen: R. C. Duren, chairman; A. A. Downey, vice-chairman; W. W. Limmer, regular member; J. H. Priddy, first alternate; E. L. Burkett, second alternate.

J. H. Priddy, L. H. Soules, and I. B. Cody were elected as delegates to the county convention to elect the county committeemen for 1940.

Proclamation

"As America's answer to a blackout threatening the world, a blackout of freedom as well as the light, I, Hammond Bodkin, Mayor of Goldthwaite, proclaim Christmas Eve a Night of Light and call on citizens to keep every room in every home and building fully lighted, with blinds open from dusk to midnight, Dec. 24. "I believe this dramatic action will contrast America's freedom to the darkness which envelops not only Europe's cities but its democratic institutions and would recharge our determination to keep America beyond the reach of Dictatorship."

HAMMOND BODKIN, Mayor.

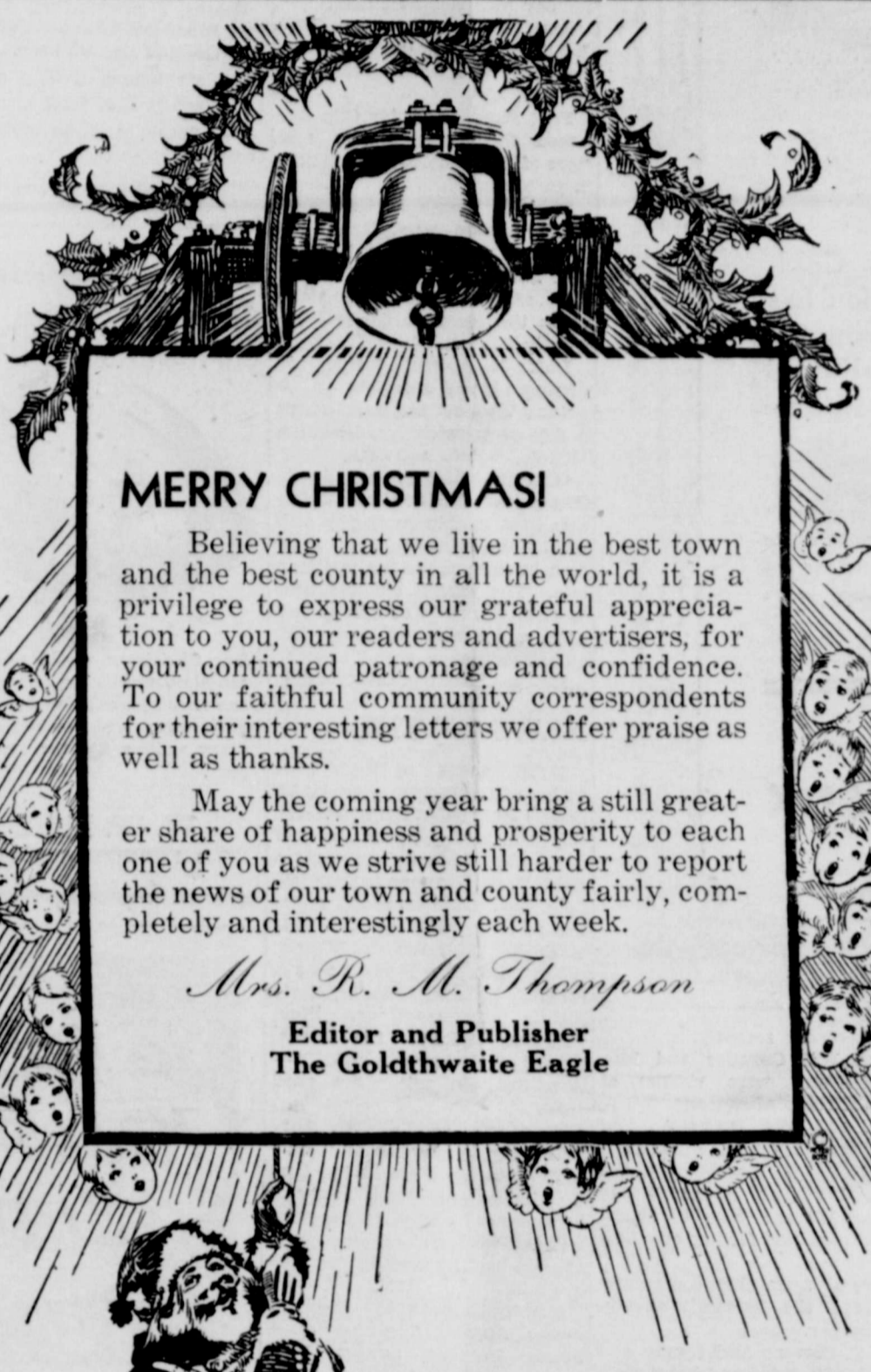
Christmas Party

Members of the Philathea Class of the Methodist church gathered at the residence of Mrs. L. R. Conro at 7:00 p. m. Monday night to celebrate the Christmas season, as is their custom each year.

A most delightful and enjoyable evening was spent by the 27 members present. A number were absent from unavoidable causes.

After a short business session, Santa Claus came in with a pack on his (her) back and at this time the Big Sisters names were revealed and nice gifts were called out by Santa.

Punch, cookies and delicious home-made candy were served. On leaving, all wished Mrs. Conro and Miss Lucille, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Believing that we live in the best town and the best county in all the world, it is a privilege to express our grateful appreciation to you, our readers and advertisers, for your continued patronage and confidence. To our faithful community correspondents for their interesting letters we offer praise as well as thanks.

May the coming year bring a still greater share of happiness and prosperity to each one of you as we strive still harder to report the news of our town and county fairly, completely and interestingly each week.

Mrs. R. M. Thompson

Editor and Publisher
The Goldthwaite Eagle

Christmas Church Services

Methodist Church

The Season's Greetings of a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year comes to each and every citizen of our community from the Goldthwaite Methodist church and its pastor.

We wish you as much happiness as your souls have capacity to receive. And we wish you as much prosperity as your wise heavenly Father knows you will properly use.

We join the other churches in extending to you a special invitation to come to church during this season when we celebrate the birth of Jesus the Christ.

All the doors of all the churches swing wide and bid you welcome. Go to your own church if possible, if not, select some other church and attend its services and take part in its worship.

Sunday morning the pastor will speak on the theme, "Making Room for Jesus in the Heart." There will be no services at the evening hour.

M. P. BURTON, Pastor.

First Baptist Church

E. E. DAWSON, Pastor

This wishes for you all a very happy holiday season! May the desires of the heart for fellowship of loved ones be realized, and all the letters of the boys and girls to Santa Claus be answered with the things requested! Now, that's wishing a whole lot, isn't it? It will be good to see the young people home from college, and the wanderers from the home-roof-tree back again.

Christmas eve is next Sunday and all the services will be in keeping with the day. But let's remember that the Sunday school begins at 10:00, the worship service at 11:00, the Training Union at 6:00 in the evening, and the Christmas service at 7:00. All are invited and will be given cordial welcome.

South Bennett Service. The South Bennett service will be held according to schedule next Sunday afternoon at 2:30. Let all the folks of the community gather in for a brief worship season.

Nazarene Church

"When they (the wise men) saw the star they rejoiced with exceeding great joy."

Will we rejoice throughout the Christmas holidays, because of the Saviour who was born, to save us from our sins?

This is the time when hearts beat high with the festive spirit, but why not attend church on Christmas eve and prove our love for the Christ child?

We are glad to report a good day last Sunday. Having the largest attendance in Sunday school since we have been here and had six conversions.

Rev. French brought a wonderful message on Phil. 3: 13-14. Next Sunday, Sunday school begins at usual time, 9:45.

Christmas message, by Pastor at 11:00.

N. Y. P. S. begins at 6:00 p. m. Message at 7:00.

Visit the friendly church.

MRS. PEARL KEETON, Pastor.

P.-T. A. Notes

The Goldthwaite P.-T. A. met Dec. 13, and the following program was rendered:

Leader: Mrs. Marsh Johnson. Christmas Carols: by group. Invocation: Rev. Dawson. Music: Rhythm Band. Reading: "Origin of Silent Night," Miss Freeland.

Song: "Silent Night," Mmes. Dickerson, Bowman, Sullivan, Johnson and Littlepage. Miss Lily Mae Ely's second grade room was awarded one dollar for best attendance

LUCKY BABY

Again in 1940 the first baby born in Mills county of Mills county parents will receive a shower of attractive gifts. See next week's Eagle for details.

To Readers

If you are not a subscriber to the EAGLE, we shall be glad to enter your subscription. Just phone or send us your order, and we will mail bill later.

W. M. U. Luncheon

The W. M. U. met with Mrs. E. E. Dawson on Dec. 18, for a luncheon and Christmas tree. A lovely turkey dinner was served to 18 members and guests.

Mrs. E. B. Anderson was the leader. Mrs. T. F. Sansom gave the devotional. Mrs. Anderson led in the singing of "Holy Night."

Mrs. L. B. Ashley gave a reading, after which Santa Claus came to see each member.

WILL BRING CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR MILLS COUNTY CHILDREN

At 2:00 o'clock this (Friday) afternoon, Santa Claus will make his appearance on the square in Goldthwaite. Every boy and girl in Mills county 12 years old and under is invited to receive an attractive Christmas package from the jolly old saint.

Huge Eagle Killed

A Mexican eagle that measured 6 feet from tip to tip of its outspread wings was shot in flight by Tom McCann on his Lazy B ranch south of Goldthwaite this week. He is having it mounted as a trophy for the Goldthwaite football team—the Eagles.

The gifts have been made possible by the generosity of members of the Lions Club and other businessmen and women of Goldthwaite, and enough have been prepared to make sure that no child will go away empty handed. Mayor H. G. Bodkin and Sam Sullivan are in charge of arrangements.

LONG & BERRY STORE DESTROYED BY FIRE WEDNESDAY EVENING

Splendid Work by Local Volunteer Fire Department Checks Flames and Saves Adjoining Buildings

Cotton Farmers Vote "Yes"

College Sta.—Cotton farmers of Texas and the rest of the South shouted a loud "yes" to the question whether they wanted cotton marketing quotas in 1940, George Slaughter, chairman of the state Agricultural Conservation Association committee, remarked after returns on the referendum Dec. 9, were virtually complete.

In Texas 154,575 cotton producers voted in favor of quotas, while 29,853 voted against them, a majority of 81.8 per cent. Slaughter announced, the total vote being 164,428. Only Carson county, in which the vote was very small, had not reported by the time this tabulation was released, while 3 other counties were incomplete.

In the 14 cotton-growing states in the country, 90 percent of the producers favored quotas, 803,095 voting "yes" and 79,928 voting "no."

"The jump in the percentage in Texas favoring quotas this year from 77 per cent to 81.8 per cent is adequate proof that farmers believe in the Triple A program," the farmer-chairman commented. "A similar increase in the South as a whole, from 84 per cent to 90 per cent, shows that Texas farmers are not alone in this faith in the program."

Out of twenty counties which last year did not give even a simple majority in favor of marketing quotas, 9 counties now favor them by more than the necessary two-thirds majority, Slaughter pointed out. Only two counties, Lavaca and Throckmorton, which did not vote as much as 50 per cent for quotas last year voted still less favorably this year, he declared.

"The most remarkable change of vote was in Cameron county," the chairman continued, "where only 17 per cent of the producers favored quotas last year but 74 per cent voted in favor of them this year."

Out of the 34 counties which last year gave a simple majority but not the necessary two-thirds, 32 counties now favor quotas by more than the two-thirds," Slaughter said.

In Mills county the vote was 82.7 per cent in favor of crop control. Vote by boxes in the county was as follows:

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| Goldthwaite | 121 | 17 |
| Priddy | 43 | 20 |
| Siar | 17 | 0 |
| Mullin | 26 | 10 |
| Caradan | 12 | 1 |
| Ebony | 11 | 0 |
| TOTAL | 230 | 48 |

For Against

Fire of undetermined origin was discovered in the Long & Berry grocery store at 7:00 Wednesday, and the whole building was a mass of flames by the time hose lines could be laid and the water turned on.

Unusually good work by the volunteer firemen under the direction of Fire Chief Claude Dickerson, checked the flames and brought the fire under control before it had spread to either of the adjoining buildings which are occupied by Ware's Bakery and Fairman Co. A number of men with fire extinguishers came near being trapped on the roof while the fire was at its height.

Fire departments from Brownwood, and Lometa quickly responded to calls for aid. They made record runs to Goldthwaite but fortunately were not required after their arrival.

The stock and fixtures of Long & Berry are a total loss and damage to the one-story stone building owned by Hammond Bodkin is considerable. Some smoke damage was suffered by Fairman Co.

Curtis Long states that their loss is partially covered by insurance.

Self Culture Club

Mmes. Jim Weatherby and Floyd Blair entertained the Self Culture Club at the Weatherby home on Fisher street on Thursday afternoon.

The rooms were festive with Christmas decorations. In the living room, the crimson and green scheme was used with roses and evergreens, while in the dining room a lovely atmosphere was achieved where a table was laid with a white linen and lace cloth centered by a miniature Christmas creche, with tall white tapers burning in silver holders at each end.

A splendid program was led by Mrs. J. J. Stephen. The subject was, "The Short Story" and Mrs. Kate Marshall discussed the place of the Short Story in present day literature. Mrs. R. E. Clements talked on "The Short Story Writers." Mrs. O. H. Yarborough told a most interesting Short Short Story.

At the conclusion of the study, delicious tea dainties were served. Mrs. Floyd Blair poured tea. Guests other than club members were: Mmes. Paul Mc Culough, Walter Fairman, Marvin Hodges, Baker and Marshall.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Arthur Schuman and Thelma Reinert.
A. J. Howard and Clydel Lane.
Raymond Booker and Bernice Fickel.

1939 BEST WISHES



To our Friends and Patrons in Goldthwaite and Vicinity. If our institution has been able to render you a service during the past year, we are glad to have been allowed the privilege. May our associations continue to be pleasant and of mutual benefit.

We have endeavored to fulfill our responsibility to this area by an alert and genuine interest in problems and programs which relate to its welfare and prosperity. Please accept our gratitude for the widespread trust and confidence which you have placed in us through the years.

The Trent State Bank

GOLDTHWAITE, TEXAS

Star

By Mrs. Dora Goode

It's Monday morning, cloudy and damp, but still warm.

Last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. E. P. McCrary and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wood of Alamogordo, N. M., visited relatives and friends.

Gene Webb and family of West Texas spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Webb.

Mr. and Mrs. Festus Teague of Brownwood and Glenn Teague and wife of Indian Creek spent Sunday with relations here.

James Witty and mother, Mrs. J. J. Witty have returned from a two week visit with relatives in Oklahoma.

Fred Piper of Center City has leased the filling station and store of Clair Sheldon and is now in possession.

The first game of basketball of the season was played last week end at the gym between Star and Lometa.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Horton visited in the Pleasant Grove community Sunday.

Dick Jeske and family are driving a brand new auto.

Tom Wooley and folks spent a day or so with his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Roe, last week.

Oats are looking fine and getting greener all the time. Christmas trees go shimmering by with blackbirds swirling high. Bundles, bundles, make the mailman late. The year is old and time to clear the state of grudge and hate, and discontent, and make our Christmas a grand event. Merry Christmas, everybody!

NEWS OF THE—

60,000 PEACH and PLUM trees to be sold at LESS than HALF price. Visit WOLFE'S NURSERY this week and get your share of trees sold as low as two cents a tree. Trees from one to four feet high. Such selected peach varieties as these listed in the BARGAIN lot; Fair Beauty, Elberta, South Haven, Hale Haven, FRANK, Hobson, Wheeler, Early Elberta and Mayflower. Plum varieties included the Bruce, Burket and Munson. AND—these bargain prices are good only in bundles of ten trees.

These trees were slightly scarred early in August and we'd rather not list them in the first class grade. See these trees and be convinced. Drive to the Nursery this week and get your share of good healthy trees before they are sold.

Our first class grade stock includes Apples, Apricots, Pears, Plums, Peaches, Grapes, Figs, Berries, Persimmons, Walnuts, PECANS, Shade Trees, Roses, Flowering Shrubs and Ornamentals. This stock is also reasonably priced.

Invite your friends and neighbors for a pleasant drive to WOLFE'S NURSERY. We will be glad to show you through the HOUSE THAT TIME BUILT. While you see this interesting house, your orders will be neatly packed so they will not scratch the car and you can take home an ORCHARD.

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Ross R. Wolfe, owner, WOLFE'S NURSERY, Stephenville, Texas

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Lake Merritt

By Mrs. Douglas Robertson

R. F. Daniel and family and J. D. Nix visited in the Harris home at Indian Gap Thursday night. J. D. seemed to be lucky; he was winner in all the different

games played.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Alldredge and children, Douglas Robertson and family visited in the Felton Waddell home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Brown had business in Brownwood Saturday. Miss Floy Massey visited school

one afternoon recently.

Mrs. Will Crowder and Mrs. Jake Brown were visitors at school Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robertson and daughters, Lounett, Nina Beth and Nelda were visitors in the John Patterson home Friday night. We are sorry to report Mr. Virden not feeling any better.

Several from this community attended the Fairman auction sale Friday.

V. T. Stevens and family and Mrs. Virdie Price and baby visited with Roy Alldredge and family Sunday night.

Buddie Robertson visited the Daniel boys Friday night. Virdie Price is visiting relatives in Oklahoma.

Why cook at home when you can buy it ready cooked in cartons. Bill's New Place.



Christmas makes us happy for a lot of reasons . . . particularly because it gives us an opportunity to greet our friends again and wish them the joys of the holiday season.

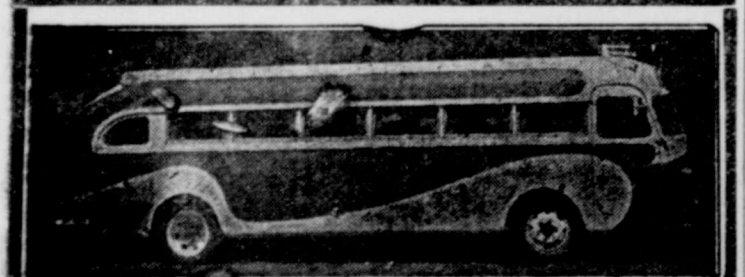
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Marvin Hodges
GULF AGENT

NOTICE

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Published By Students of Goldthwaite High School

FRESHMAN REPORT

It is Christmas already. School was dismissed yesterday noon and now all of the restless little Freshmen are popping firecrackers on their heads off. So goes the year.

Of course, all of us have been "Chillins" all year and we hope that Santa Claus is very good to us.

Maybe you are wondering if we still have lessons every day. The truth about the matter is that we still have them, but try not to think about them.

This is your Freshman reporter, who thinks that if it wasn't for Christmas and birthdays, the boys and girls would be bad all the year round.

Merry Christmas!

THREE-ARTS CLUB REPORT

The club met Thursday, Dec. 21, for its last meeting of the year 1939. A short business meeting was held, after which Aubrey played a few numbers on his accordion. Then gifts from the Christmas tree were distributed, and much laughter resulted.

Refreshments of baked apples with whipped cream, and cocoa with marshmallows were served to the members.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

For the benefit of those who made a habit of sending teacher a Christmas card or present, we publish the plans for each teacher's holidays, subject to change.

Home seems to be more attractive than any other place at this time of the year, so you'll find most teachers there, if you know where there is.

Mrs. Baker plans to visit her home in Meridian, while Miss Sivells will stay in Brownwood. Those whose plans also involve the old home place are Messrs. Crow, Peterson, and Layton, who will stay in Alvarado, Jacksboro, and Wimsborough, respectively; and Misses Adams and Ely, in Marshall and Bonham. Miss Freeland intends to return to her home in Dallas; Miss Kingsbury, to her home in Denton; and Miss Hill to Albany, Texas.

Mrs. Bigham is planning to visit her father-in-law in Belton during the holidays.

Mr. Onstot will spend Christmas in Austin.

Mrs. Marshall will be the hardest to find during the next week. Her itinerary includes Austin, Cleburne, Dallas, and Ft. Worth.

Those who are to eat turkey in Goldthwaite are Mmes. Barnett and Saylor; Messrs. Coffee, Cloninger, and Schulz; and Mr.

and Mrs. Stevens. Miss Gatlin's and the Misses Sumner's tentative plans are also for Christmas here.

NEWS NOTES

Miss Ely and the Misses Sumners spent the week end in Fort Worth, and report a very enjoyable trip.

Mrs. Saylor visited her daughter in John Tarleton College at Stevenville during the week end.

PEP SQUAD REPORT

Plans are under way for the annual football banquet, to be held this season on Tuesday, January 9. A decoration committee has been appointed to make all preparations possible before the Christmas holidays. A large number of the school patrons are expected to be in attendance. Tickets to the banquet will be 50 cents. Buy your tickets early, to be sure you get one.

LIGHT THRU A KEYHOLE

The music makers—pardon the GHS band, enjoyed an opus hunt Friday night; but instead of hunting, most of them just gossiped. Here are some of the choice morsels:

Are't Bobby and Mac darling together. And Bonnie Fern and Robert—what a cute couple! Wonder where Wilda and Aubrey are? Wish they were here.

We hear Charley, Eloise, Wanda and Pat lost their way. What a pity they had to be lost all that time, and away off by themselves, too. Just like the poor "Babes in the Woods."

Poor Boyd, guess he didn't enjoy it much, as his heart was elsewhere.

When they started singing love songs around the camp-fire, old Cowboy Porter just couldn't take it. He had to get off alone and sing, "Strawberry Roan."

A hint to the wise is sufficient, so here's one to Sam: that model T Ford you go by for your girl in isn't the appropriate thing. We have the word of its former owner for that.

We didn't know that Floyd Sansom had such pugnacious instincts. Said he to J. B. "you can't beat my time." If you're interested in unraveling this mix-up, Lacy Thompson is the cog.

Old Mother Kirby Put on his derby And stood up before the Speech Class.

Said he, "I've no bids On managing kids, For I'm not a mother, alas!

Turning to the realm of music, Mr. Crow has slightly changed the words, but the tune is the same: "I'll Pop-Eye That Saylor Man."

Pat Bohannon, to a freshman girl, "I'm Gonna Lock My Heart and Throw Away the Key."

Wanda to Pat: "Go Fly a Kite." Somebody to Anybody: "I Ain't Got Nobody."

Snooks the Snoop, Snoop, Jr. XXXX and Jr. Snoop are going to darken the keyhole next week to allow mamma's little darlings a nice, quiet Christmas week. However, we hope you won't let the candle of love go out, because we'll need a brighter light thru our keyhole when we come back. Till then, here's wishing you the very merriest of Christmases. (Perhaps we do have a heart, after all.)—S. S. S.

Big Valley 4-H Club

The Big Valley 4-H Club met Wednesday, Dec. 13. Our president, Harold D. Roberson was absent, so Mr. Weaver, who was pinch-hitting for Mr. Rosenburg, took charge. We discussed our record books and projects. Mr. Weaver gave us some valuable information and we are always glad to have him visit us.

The following members were present: Billy Dennard, Ralph Woods, D. J. McConal, Beryl Lee Robertson, Garland McConal, John Flores, Billy Hale, Edward Dennard, Jack Wells, Nickols Corona and Finley Bynum.

We are looking forward to the time when Mr. Rosenburg can meet with us.—Reporter.

Louise Ohlenbusch, home economics junior at Texas Technological college, has been initiated into Alpha Chi, national honorary fraternity. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Ohlenbusch of Goldthwaite. A student must be one of the upper ten per cent of the junior class scholastically to be eligible for membership in the fraternity. Selection is based on character and scholarship ability.

Charity Problem

We have a charity problem in Goldthwaite that does not come under the responsibility of any local institution. The churches do their own charity work in their own way. The work of the Red Cross is a local work so far as the local chapter is concerned. The city and county treasurers are not designed to be charity funds, so what shall we do with the people who are floating thru our town who make a house to house canvass gathering every dime they can? Shall we continue to be annoyed with this situation or shall we do something to eliminate this unpleasant and delicate situation? If people are worthy, we feel that they should be helped, but when they canvass every house in town they are making fair wages at this sort of a proposition.

The preachers of the town who are touched more frequently than any others have discussed this proposition and have come to the following conclusion: If every one in town would contribute a small amount to be used only for the assistance of the floaters to the next town, not giving them any cash, but in worthy cases buying gasoline, if hungry by food for one meal, and send them immediately to the next town. We have found three men who are located in the court house who would dispense this fund to those worthy, and by such means everyone would be helping and at the same time do away with this house-to-house donation, by such practice they may collect four or five dollars out of our town, by another method they would be helped to the next town and it would be up to them to handle the situation to suit themselves or put up with the menace.

It was our aim to call for a donation at the Thanksgiving ser-

vice, but due to the weather, only a few came. Those who were there were impressed with our plan and insisted that on the fifth Sunday in this month those who wish to help us solve the problem make a contribution to the preacher where you attend church in Goldthwaite that day. As I say, no local institution is directly responsible for those who are here asking for help, yet we cannot say that all do not deserve our help. Will you think this over and make a contribution to this fund so you will not have to help at your door, yet at the same time you can help in a more systematic way.

"Texas Forever," with words and music especially written for Texas State College for Women by Fred Waring, popular orchestra leader, will be played for the first time on Waring's radio program at 6 p. m., December 20, over the reed network of the national Broadcasting Company.



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Christmas Best Wishes

Another year . . . another Christmas . . . may it be your happiest and most joyous!

R. J. GERALD
COUNTY JUDGE



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During the seven months we have been in business in Goldthwaite you have shown your appreciation for a store of this kind by your liberal patronage, for which we are sincerely thankful. May our honest, fair dealings merit your continued patronage during the coming year.

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TO BUYERS: Have 175 head of cattle in lot now for this Opening Sale.

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Regular sales every Saturday afternoon, beginning December 23rd.

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This Business is 100 percent Home-owned
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R. V. LITTLEPAGE

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How FHA Works In Home Building

Washington, D. C.—The FHA offers the inexperienced home buyer valuable protection and guidance, as well as favorable financing terms, which never before were available and today can be obtained nowhere else by the average family, Administrator Stewart McDonald said today.

Construction standards and preliminary review requirements set up by the FHA, to which all projects financed by private capital under its insured mortgage system must comply, minimize careless and faulty construction, according to Mr. McDonald. These construction requirements are a powerful weapon to discourage flagrant disregard of sound methods of home building.

The FHA makes at least three inspections during the course of construction of properties submitted for home mortgage insurance to ascertain that the work is done in accordance with the original plans and specifications.

The FHA's minimum standards of construction which the small house must meet have been far-reaching in improving the design, plan, and construction of virtually all small homes Mr. McDonald said. This is in contrast to the neglect of these factors in the building of small homes in the past. This insistence on careful planning, sound building practices, and good materials is playing an important role in the restoration of public confidence in residential building, he added.

"The purchase of a home is not only the largest but also the most involved transaction undertaken by the average family," Mr. McDonald stated. "Few persons have the technical specialized knowledge necessary for the completion of such a transaction. Few people know the difference in a new house between a well-built and a shoddy one; the evaluation of the character of a neighborhood is a technical problem; and every type of mortgage has particular advantages and disadvantages, none of which is evident to the layman."

"Now, under the FHA's insured mortgage system, the average family obtains the advice of technically trained valuers, appraisers, and architectural inspectors. When a mortgage for FHA insurance, the staff of the Administration's local office examines the property, the neighborhood, and the mortgage transaction. Many of the common mistakes in previous mortgage transactions are thus avoided."

"Furthermore, when operative builders wish to obtain commitments to insure mortgages on houses to be located in new developments, they are required to submit subdivision proposals for approval. This permits review of the arrangement of streets, lots, and blocks, of provision for playgrounds and other public areas, and of plans for building and financing the utilities and street improvements."

"More and more builders are submitting their plans to the FHA in order to obtain its approval, because more and more home buyers demand the protection and safeguards which the FHA offers. Builders wish to be certain of meeting the necessary requirements."

The FHA also undertakes a comprehensive review of each mortgage transaction to assure its soundness from various angles and attempts to place a fair valuation upon the home property.

These valuations tend to restrain sellers from asking prices too high or above the level at which the buyer may obtain the maximum financing terms under FHA, and to prevent undue or

South Honored

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streams which lend enchantment to visitors now as in time of old. "It was the camping ground of the Indians," he said, "and the beauties of its landscape held a charm for the earliest Texas explorers which has continued to this day."

Emmett D. Cox of San Angelo, M. Y. Stokes, Jr., of Goldthwaite,

temporary fluctuations in real estate values.

As an additional safeguard, the FHA operates to prevent buyers from purchasing houses beyond their means on the theory that the average American family should not pay much more than one-fifth of its income for shelter. Thus more than 97 per cent of all families financing homes in 1938 under FHA were using less than 20 per cent of their incomes for repayment of principal, interest, and mortgage insurance premium.

All of these factors, Mr. McDonald said, illustrate the FHA's concern for the welfare of families assuming indebtedness for the purchase of homes. He repeated that FHA is the only nationwide organization able to protect and advise families investing in homes.

Mayor E. P. Scarborough of Coleman, Judge E. J. Miller of Brownwood, and Scott Snodgrass, all paid tribute to Judge South as a distinguished citizen, resourceful and courageous statesman and a loyal friend.

W. A. Smith, postmaster at San Saba presented a gift for the postmasters to the congressman, consisting of a handsome toilet set. Mrs. John Tester sang a solo and Mrs. Will R. Ede and Curtis Fletcher sang a duet. Both were accompanied by Mrs. A. W. McMillan.

Old Showman to Resume Social Work From Masonic Home

"Doc Waddell," whose home has been in a circus tent since birth and who has been a showman for 67 years, retired recently and will spend his remaining days at the Masonic Home at Springfield, Ohio.

According to the Oelwein (Iowa) Register, Mr. Waddell closed his career with Crowley's United Shows which exhibited in that city in the summer of 1939. There, as in almost every place he has been, "Doc Waddell" made a host of friends. Characteristic of his activities when

"the Big Top" is closed or at opportune periods, he held church services on the show ground, and often found time to address Masonic lodges and Eastern Star chapters.

As a tribute to his mode of life and manner as a showman, the Oelwein Register says: "He has been a great credit and honor to the show world. His clean living, square dealing, and entertainment of the press as a Purveyor of Publicity abides." Crashing every newspaper of prominence in the world with his quaint, exclusive out-of-the-ordinary stories, including those about "lions," "Doc Waddell," says the Register, "preached in the largest churches and the smallest, and in almost every jail and state prison." His sermons, his writing, and his labor among prisoners and the criminal element will be continued from the Masonic Home. Dozens of the worst criminals have been saved through the profoundly human qualities of "Doc Waddell," said the Register.

Fight Fire With Sand

College Station.—With cold weather in prospect, rural families would do well to adopt measures which protect farm houses from fires. The major portion of farm house losses are caused

by faulty stove pipes and chimneys or by blazes started on roofs.

M. R. Bentley, agricultural engineer for the A&M College Extension Service, suggests inspection and repair of old chimneys on the farm and replacement of faulty stove pipes. Roof fires can be prevented by keeping out of stoves material which is so light that it can be carried out of the chimney before it is wholly burned; chimney screens will catch sparks.

Other hazards include the danger of spontaneous combustion in paper or rags soaked in linseed or soybean oil. Piles of paper near the stove may be ignited by sparks which fly out unnoticed when the doors are opened. Tractors and automobiles may start barn fires, for flame from the exhaust some times ignites litter on the barn floor or hay and dry feed stored in mows. Buckets of sandy soil are very helpful in extinguishing tractor fires.

As precautions, the agricultural engineer suggests piles of sand in or near buildings or chemical extinguishers for use in fighting fires caused by oil or gasoline. Buckets placed conveniently and kept filled with water will help extinguish small blazes if there is not sufficient water supply or fire fighting apparatus

Sheriff Harris Gets Cattle Thieves In Oklahoma

Sheriff Hern Harris made a flying trip to Fairfax, Oklahoma, last week, a distance of over 500 miles in search of some stolen cattle. His trip was well rewarded as he succeeded in arresting two cattle thieves and got three charges filed against them. Both

are from San Saba county. The search was made for cattle stolen from Mills and San Saba counties, but only one cow was found, the others having been butchered or disposed of.

BUYER MEETS SELLER IN OUR 7-D COLUMN.

TO OUR FRIENDS

We cannot express the gratitude we feel toward our loyal friends in Goldthwaite for their valiant efforts in assisting the fire department in fighting the blaze which destroyed our stock Wednesday night.

In our loss we are grateful that our neighboring business firms were saved from similar misfortune. We extend heart-felt thanks for your friendly spirit of co-operation, and wish each one a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

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Pound

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Pound Box

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Pound



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APRICOTS WHOLE No. 1 Tall Can 10c
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CORN Vacuum Pack 12 oz. Can 12 1/2c
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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS!

Joyous Holiday Priceless Assets

Our most priceless assets are your friendship and good will. We take this occasion to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and to hope for the continuance of pleasant relations with you.

Mrs. W. L. Burks
COUNTY TREASURER

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

W. H. Wood of Regency visited the Eagle office Saturday.

Albert Hereford and family moved last Thursday to Dublin, where they will make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Weatherby of Hampton spent Sunday with relatives here.

Bart Potter, who has been seriously ill for some days is very low as we go to press.

Mrs. Jim Weatherby and little Joan Stephen spent Monday in Brownwood seeing Santa Claus.

Mr. Sam Allen who has been quite sick at his home in Brady is able to sit up some.

J. N. Keese who was on a deer hunt in Llano county returned Monday empty handed.

Mrs. Lacy Thompson returned Sunday from a week's visit in Dallas.

Mrs. Marvin Rudd and Mrs. S. E. Cloninger spent Tuesday in Brownwood.

O. B. Townsen of Fort Worth was here Sunday visiting his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Townsen and his son, Billy Joe.

J. L. Cortis and family moved Monday from his farm, south of town to his mother's place in the South Bennett community.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Webb's grandson, Murrel Steel of San Angelo, stopped for a short visit Monday.

Miss Irene Baber from Pleasant Grove, spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. F. D. Reynolds and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul McCullough attended the funeral of her grandfather, Mr. Simpson at Iredell Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Willie Johnson from Weatherford spent the latter part of last week with her sister, Mrs. G. H. Frizzell and family.

Mrs. W. T. Johnson of San Saba spent Sunday and Monday in the home of her son, Marsh Johnson.

Dr. C. L. O'Quin and Alvin Myers of Weesatche spent Saturday and Sunday with Dr. O'Quin's sister, Mrs. Walter Weatherby and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Newton Walton of Lubbock are the proud parents of a son, William Hicks, who arrived to make his home with them on Tuesday, Dec. 19.

Mrs. Dan Westerman, who has been spending the winter with a niece in Fort Worth, spent Sunday in Goldthwaite, visiting friends.

Mohler Simpson and family moved to his farm Friday. The Carl Featherston family have moved into the Mohler Simpson house.

Mrs. M. E. Archer and Mrs. Millard Cockrum went to Anson Monday to visit the Leonard Archer twins and their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Archer.

**The SNAPSHOT GUILD
PICTURING CHRISTMAS**



The light was placed behind the tree to obtain this Christmas silhouette.

CHRISTMAS always calls for a full picture record. At this season of happiness and cheer, everyone feels the need of snapshots which will preserve the occasion and keep its memory fresh.

Most Christmas activities center about the tree, bright with lights, ornaments, and tinsel. Naturally you want the tree to show up well in your pictures. But it's a rather dark subject, and unless you take a few special precautions in lighting, it may come out too black in the prints.

To picture the tree most effectively, use three photo lights instead of two. Concentrate the light from two bulbs on the front of the tree. Then place the third bulb behind the tree, with the reflector turned so that all the light shines on the wall. This back light outlines the tree clearly, while the front lights help show detail and decorations.

Sometimes a silhouette of the tree is interesting. To obtain this, place all the light behind the tree, with a reflector to direct it on the wall. The picture above was taken with a short "time" exposure, the camera being placed on a firm support, with an ordinary 100-watt bulb concealed behind the tree. If a large photo bulb is used, snapshot exposures can be made, even with an inexpensive camera.

Small Christmas tree lights may be left on when the picture is taken, to add to the effect. But never allow brilliant, "raw" light from a photo bulb to shine into the lens. Turn the photo light or move the camera so that the lens is properly shaded.

Of course, your Christmas pictures should include more than just the tree. Show the folks wrapping gifts, decorating the doorway, putting ornaments on the tree. Picture the children hanging their stockings, writing letters to Santa Claus, and peering out the window on Christmas Eve to see if he is coming. Make sure, too, that you get pictures as they find the gifts Christmas morning. . . and picture older members of the family as gifts are unwrapped.

Take your Christmas pictures as if you were filming a movie—try to make them tell the complete story of Christmas. A full record of this sort is far more satisfying, and adds greatly to the family album or "picture history book."

John van Gulder

**Fairman Sale
Attracts Big Crowd**

Fairman Company's annual auction sale drew big crowds all day last Friday and a huge quantity of merchandise changed hands.

As advertised in the EAGLE, horses, mules and other unusual prizes were given away, and the auctioneer kept the crowd in high good humor all day.

Methodist Cantata

The Cantata given the Choir at the Methodist Church last Sunday night, was enjoyed by a large and very appreciative congregation including many from out of town.

Mrs. John G. Berry and Mrs. S. P. Sullivan deserve much credit for the careful preparation of the program.

Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Jones left Monday for the Yuletide visit with Mr. and Mrs. Heyland at Port Lavaca. The evening before they left they were agreeably surprised by a brief visit from their daughter, Mrs. Happy Shelton, Miss Jackie Shelton, Don Wood and Miss Hesta of Fort Worth.

Tolbert Patterson of Bryan was here for a brief visit Saturday, meeting old friends.

Mrs. Eula Harkey, Mrs. Katie Pyburn and Misses Frances McCown, Dorothy Rhodes and Marsalete Summy attended the Cantata at the Methodist church in Goldthwaite Sunday night.

Miss Loraine Duey, who is supervisor of Bradford Memorial Hospital in Dallas, will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Duey of Big Valley. They will also have with them their two sons and wives, Mr. and Mrs. Hardin Duey and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Duey all of Eagle Pass.

New mid-season Hats in pastel felts. Also new fabric and ribbon hats.

GRACE WOODEN 2 blocks north of Bank on Fisher Street



May the spirit of Christmas remain with you throughout the coming year. We pledge ourselves to strive harder than ever before to merit your confidence and patronage.

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May the joys of a season noted for its happiness be multiplied for you this Christmas.

J. HERN HARRIS



In the Still of the Night ...

When the world is hushed in anticipation of the morrow's joyous observance of Christmas, may you hear through the frosty Yuletide air the voice of our thoughts, "A Very Merry Christmas—our wish for you and yours."

—if there's something you've forgotten, or couldn't find time for—

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May this glorious Christmas season bring you contentment, happiness and good cheer.

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FROM GOLDTHWAITE'S FRIENDLY STORE OF CLOTHING VALUES

We have enjoyed serving you this year, and we are glad if we have helped solve your Christmas shopping problem. Please remember The Economy Store is the Value Leader!

THE ECONOMY STORE



The Southwestern States Telephone Company employee's hopes heartily that you enjoy a season of merriment and your New Year dawns with every promise of PEACE, health and happiness.

The Southwestern States Telephone Company

Elvis Morris who spent two months in the hospital at Kerrville, after undergoing several operations, returned home Wednesday and is looking quite well.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Yarborough spent Thursday in Austin visiting their new grandson, Joe Michael, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Yarborough, who made his arrival Wednesday.

L. A. Moon received a message Wednesday that his sister, Iva Lee Cullither was married to Rowland Suggett, Dec. 16 at Dewitt, Ark., where they will make their home.

Joe Bill Johnson, who is seriously ill at the Seton Hospital at Austin, is some what better. The nurses have been dismissed, but his mother, Mrs. H. B. Johnson is still with him.

Miss Lou Ella Patterson of Waco was here Sunday evening. She attended the Cantata at the Methodist Church. She was accompanied by a friend from Waco.

Mrs. John Fifer and daughter, Mrs. E. P. McCrary and husband, all of Alamogordo, N. M., came through Goldthwaite Monday morning and visited for a few hours with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Wright. This family will be remembered as having lived here and in Mills county 20 years ago. This is their first visit since they left. They are visiting in the home of E. K. and W. H. Wood at Regency.

The new motion picture featuring Kay Kyser's orchestra, "That's Right You're Wrong," was shown in Brownwood last Saturday night. Among those from Goldthwaite who attended its initial showing in this part of the state were Mrs. E. B. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Gilliam, Jr., and Sonny Gilliam. Miss Ginny Simms, well known vocalist with the Kyser orchestra, has a leading part in the picture. Miss Simms is a niece of Mrs. Anderson and the daughter of Dorner Simms, who lived in the Anderson home here in his youth and who is well known to many Goldthwaite people.

Barbecue, stew, chili, lunch meats, baked ham, dressed chickens. Bill's New Place.

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—President Roosevelt.
(Address to the Nation, Sept. 3, 1939)

MY PEACE I GIVE UNTO YOU

There is tragic irony in the coming of Christmas, 1939. Instead of the traditional "peace on earth, good will toward men," of which the angels sang more than nineteen centuries ago, war with all of its attendant evils stalks abroad throughout the earth. Never before in the history of mankind have so many men been under arms, and never before have so many dread engines of destruction threatened civilization itself with annihilation.

Already the skeptics are pointing the finger of scorn at Christianity and blaming it with the madness of the world.

Actually, however, while the prophets and the angels envisioned a peaceful world, Christ Himself forecast the opposite, although his life on earth coincided with the Pax Romanorum, or Roman peace, when outward peace prevailed because all peoples had been brought under the Roman yoke. Yet His parents had to flee with Him to Egypt to escape the bloody sword of Herod, and it was a Roman soldier's spear that pierced His side when life had ebbed away. His entire ministry was carried on in the shadow of threatened violence.

Christ did not even promise his own apostles a peaceful life, and all but one of them met a violent death. He warned them, in fact, that "In the world ye shall have tribulation," but He did promise that "In Me ye may have peace," and "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

The peace that the world gives is transient, often illusory. More often than not it rests solely upon brute force. But the "peace of God which passeth all understanding," being of divine origin is above and beyond material limitations.

With that peace in their hearts men have endured martyrdom smiling and unafraid. It has led them safely through fire and tempest and through the hands of untamed savage tribes. With it the most unfortunate can conquer adversity and reverses before which other equally brave men would quail and retreat. Even modern war, no matter how terrible or cruel, cannot destroy that inner peace.

It is this peace which not only sustains and soothes in time of sorrow or of trial, but which gives a purpose and meaning to life when its pathway seems pleasant and secure.

Happy indeed are those men and women of today who, despite the clamor and confusion of the world about them, have His peace in their hearts. For them there is no irony in this Christmastide. There is instead the challenge of a greater call to service, even though it may lead to the laying down of life itself for their friends.

It is such as they who, in God's own good time, will eventually lead the nations to "beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks." Then, at last, the prophet's dream will come true, and "nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." Then men will join the angel chorus to proclaim "peace on earth, good will toward men," and His peace will abide in every heart forevermore.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D.
Dean of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.
(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

Lesson for December 24

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THE CHILD AND THE KINGDOM

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 1:18-25; 18:1-6; 19:13-15.
GOLDEN TEXT—A little child shall lead them.—Isaiah 11:6.

The children's holiday! Yes, Christmas is the children's day of days, and it is also the day for those who have been "converted and become as little children" (Matt. 18:3). It is quite proper that it should be so, for Christmas really means nothing very significant except as we gather at Bethlehem's manger and there we find a child, the Christ-child. Those who come on the morrow to do homage to Him in the spirit of childlike faith will truly keep Christmas. In that spirit the writer of these notes wishes for you who read these lines just that kind of a holy day of joy and gladness.

Let us then go first of all to Bethlehem, and there having seen the One who "became flesh and dwelt among us" as a little child, we shall be ready to go on and learn from Him what a blessed example, responsibility, and opportunity there is in the childhood which we see all around us.

I. The Child—Jesus Our Saviour (Matt. 1:18-25).

The virgin mother Mary "brought forth her firstborn son" and "called his name Jesus"—the one who should "save his people from their sins" (vv. 21, 25). In order that He might be the Saviour, He had to be both God and man. This could only be true as God sent His own only-begotten Son into the world by giving to Him a human mother in whom He as the eternal Son of God was "conceived by the Holy Ghost" (as we express it in the creed) and became the Son of Man.

For anyone who believes that God has all power and all wisdom to do what He wills and as He wills, and who further believes that Christ was pre-existent as the Son of God before His incarnation, there is no difficulty in believing in the virgin birth. In fact, no other manner of incarnation would have been possible. It necessarily follows that the one who denies the virgin birth of Christ thereby declares that He does not believe in the God of the Scriptures and in Jesus Christ His Son our Lord.

II. The Child—Our Example (18:1-4).

The disciples had been having a discussion about who was to be the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. This was not because they desired their brothers' advancement, for each one wanted to be the greatest (Luke 9:46).

Jesus frankly told them that they needed a real change of heart, a conversion. True greatness is not a matter of worldly position or ambition, but of a childlike humility. Such an idea was absolutely revolutionary in the day of Jesus, and in fact sounds unbelievable to the worldly man today. But it is nonetheless true that the great man or woman is the one who knows and recognizes himself to be utterly dependent on God in every moment, every circumstance, every trial, and in every opportunity of life. We need to learn of our children.

III. The Child—Our Responsibility (18:5, 6).

These awful, solemn words should be considered with great care. What a terrible judgment awaits those who cause little ones to stumble by reason of their false teaching, their failure to bring God's Word to bear upon their lives, improper discipline in the home, or the influence of a bad example. There are probably preachers, teachers in the Sunday School, grandparents, uncles, aunts, mothers, fathers, yes, even friends of little children who need to reread these verses and then cry out to God in repentance before it is too late.

IV. The Child—Our Opportunity (19:13-15).

Jesus knew the real value of a child and His loving heart reached out to invite the children to come unto Him in love, in obedience, and in trust. When they came, He never failed to bless them.

The glorious thing is that we are privileged to thus bring little children to Him. Someone may say, "Jesus is no longer on earth, I cannot take my child to him." Jesus is not here in the flesh, but He is here ever present with His children. You can bring your child to Him, for the coming which He has in mind in these verses is not in any physical sense but rather spiritual. The parents who teach their little ones about the birth of Christ on this Christmas day have brought them to Him. Every word of instruction, every encouragement to pray, every example of devotion to Christ which the child may follow is the true bringing of that child to Him.

Will you do it this Christmas—in the home, in the Sunday School, in the church, anywhere? If you do, there will be blessing beyond your ability to contain it and you will have

A Blessed Christmas!

NEIGHBORING NEWS

ITEMS FROM LOCAL PAPERS OF TOWNS MENTIONED

Hamilton

Hamilton County is included in a membership campaign being conducted by the Electric Cooperative Association throughout the nation, which means that any member on a line who secures a new member residing within 1,000 feet of an existing line will receive a prize of \$245 to be applied as credit on any electrical equipment bought by the old member.

In a triple wedding in Granbury Wednesday evening, December 6, at 10 o'clock at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. Cowan, Miss Oleta Thompson became the bride of Garland Cole; Miss Corinne Busby wedded James Cowan; and Miss Marguerite McAnelly became the bride of Morris Busby.

Mrs. Viola Robertson, wife of Homer Robertson, died Saturday, Dec. 2, at 11:30 o'clock at her home in the Altman community after an illness of eight weeks. She was 53 years old at the time of her death.

Produce dealers and hundreds of people working for them have been busy this week moving the biggest turkey crop on record in Hamilton county. More than 12 cars of dressed turkeys were marketed by Thursday night, and there are many more left in the county, dealers report. Quite a few from this county were moved out by truck, and many were marketed in Hico.—News.

San Saba

A group of business men headed by Mayor Floyd Jones of Breckenridge and Tom Sawyer, secretary of the Breckenridge Chamber of Commerce, met with County Judge J. B. Harrell and members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce here Tuesday relative to the hearing before the state highway commission on the federal designation of a route reaching from Waurika, Okla., to Brownsville.

The Richland Springs school board has approved for filing the long-discussed auditorium-gymnasium project, for which bonds were voted two years ago for a WPA project. John G. Becker, San Angelo architect, and Mr. Aiken, district project engineer of the Austin WPA office, attended the meeting and discussed the project, plans and specifications with the school board.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Kirkpatrick and son spent Sunday in Austin visiting her nephew, Joe Eilly Johnson, who is seriously ill following a major operation.

Lometa

On last Saturday night, Dec. 12, at home in San Saba, Elder Hulen Jackson spoke the words that united in marriage Mr. Curtis Goodman and Miss Frankye Scott.

Charles Hurdle of Houston, spent the week-end here with his father, B. P. Hurdle.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stallings and Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Lee of Brownwood, visited Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Stephens here Sunday afternoon. This is Mr. Stallings' first visit here since his recent illness.

Lucas (El) Robinson died at the family home in Lometa Wednesday morning about four o'clock after an illness of several weeks duration.

The best news we have had in a long time is that actual drilling was started Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock and barring providential hindrance, will continue until the well is finished.

We realize that drilling for oil is just like punching a punch-board. You just got to punch the right number to win, and somehow we feel mighty optimistic about the Tiger Lily Cub being the lucky punch.

Clyde Lane was in town Tuesday and reported that he had resumed drilling on the "Pecan."
—Reporter

Miss Gertrude Johnson of Goldthwaite accompanied them.—Star.

Barbecue, stew, chili, lunch meats, baked ham, dressed chickens. BEI's New Place.



CHRISTMAS PEACE ON EARTH 1939 * 1939

We are taking this opportunity to wish each of you a very Merry Christmas and to express our appreciation of your patronage during the past year.

Farest Frazier
HIGHWAY GARAGE

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Friendly Greetings and Best Wishes, to the people of Mills County, for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

EMMA SCOTT

County Home Demonstration Agent



HERES WISHING YOU ALL THE HAPPIEST HOLIDAY SEASON
From the bottom of our hearts we wish each and every one of you a right Merry Christmas! May it mean the continuation of a valued friendship.

MELBA CAFE

RAYMOND BLEDSOE, Prop.

Lampasas

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon at 1:00 for William Thomas Hicks at Senterfitt Cemetery near Lometa where interment followed. Rev. J. R. Forrester, pastor of the Lometa Baptist Church, conducted the services.

Mrs. J. M. Skaggs, who has been visiting with Mrs. R. B. Senterfitt and daughter, Miss Pauline, during the Thanksgiving period, returned Thursday afternoon to her home in Winters.—Leader.

Not as a candidate and with no thought to promoting his candidacy for re-election, Congressman Chas. L. South of this district, will speak in the district court room in Lampasas Tuesday, December 19, at 1:30 p. m.

H. B. Casbeer, 72, and a native of Lampasas, died at his home in the east part of town Monday, December 11, at 8:20 p. m. He had not been ill till that morning when he suffered a light stroke just after milking his cow. He recovered sufficient to go to the house and a physician was called. He went to sleep and seemed to be doing very well, but died suddenly in his sleep at the hour mentioned above. His death was a distinct shock to the entire town.—Record.

Candies, Fruits, Nuts, Groceries, Tobacco, Cigarettes. BEI's New Place.

Just before the opening of hostilities in Europe in 1914, cotton prices were about 11.9 cents a pound. When the exchanges were closed (August 1-November 17, 1914), prices dropped with the diminished market to nearly half this level. It was two full years after the war began before domestic prices recovered to the levels existing immediately before the war.

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CONOCO AGENT



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DRIVE IN TODAY

Your CONOCO Mileage Merchant

Is Easy—
 To resolve to go on a diet just after a hearty meal.
 To be a Pacifist until your country calls for you in war.
 To oppose capital punishment until one of your flesh and blood has been slain.
 To want to drive recklessly in

a great new motor car until you hit an innocent man, woman or child and see them writhing before your own eyes in the death agony of their own blood.

To think you are the most unfortunate creature under God's heaven until you see a blind person groping along in total darkness.
 To bemoan that you have to work for a living until you are taken ill and while bedridden know that you cannot work.

To join with the crowd to mob some fiendish brute until you take an oath to uphold and defend the constitution and courts.

To rally jubilantly behind your own team in its hour of triumph and to taunt the unfortunate losers until your own team itself loses.

To determine to be careful just after you are in accident.—Ex.



HAPPIEST HOLIDAY SEASON

May every joy, every happiness be yours during this glorious Christmas season and during the year to come.

Rosebud Millinery and Beauty Shop

QUICK RELIEF FROM Symptoms of Distress Arising from STOMACH ULCERS DUE TO EXCESS ACID

Free Book Tells of Home Treatment that Must Help or it Will Cost You Nothing
 Over one million bottles of the WILLARD TREATMENT have been sold for relief of symptoms of distress arising from Stomach and Duodenal Ulcers due to Excess Acid—Poor Digestion, Sour or Upset Stomach, Gasiness, Heartburn, Sleeplessness, etc., due to Excess Acid. Sold on 15 days' trial! Ask for "Willard's Message" which fully explains this treatment—free—at

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May the joy and happiness of this Christmas season stay with you throughout the coming year. It is our earnest desire to serve you even better than we have in the past.

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Between All points in Texas and Louisiana

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—what finer Christmas present could the family have than a complete Butane Gas Unit this week? Let our Goldthwaite Agent plan with you today!

Call him at No. 212. We are anxious to serve you with Butane Gas for cooking, heating, and refrigeration.

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CLAUDE COWAN, Agent
 Phone 212

A Christmas Message to Youth

By **ARTHUR H. COMPTON**

Nobel Prize Winner for Physics

(Reprinted from the December Good Housekeeping)

CHRISTMAS comes again, with its age-old story of shepherds watching their flocks by night, of herald angels singing, and of Wise Men following a star to the birthplace of a King.

As these words are written, there seems little hope of peace on earth for many months to come. Yet, despite the rumble of guns abroad, I have a Christmas message to offer to my own countrymen. And I wish to offer it primarily to the twenty-five million young Americans between fifteen and twenty-five years of age.

To you young people what Christmas symbolizes is of the greatest importance. You are on the threshold of opportunity. By your own leadership and by the ideals you instill in your children, you will determine what our country, and, indeed, the world, will be half a century from now.

Six million of you are in high school; more than one million in college; twelve million are employed; six million are jobless. Whether you are in the fortunate group still pursuing your education, or have found your place in industry, commerce, or a profession, or are unfortunate in not yet having found your place, Christmas still makes you the most favored youth group in all the world.

Thank God this Christmas for the freedom that is yours and that the spirit of Christmas gives you—the freedom to think as you please, to do as you will; to get an education, to plan a career; to marry and build a family; to share in government, to criticize public servants, to run for any office; to seek your fortune in high or low places; to have a home that is your castle; to worship or not as you desire; to rise or fall by your own efforts; to speak unhesitatingly what you think, without fear of reprisal; to have complete liberty of conscience, to be the ruler of your own destiny, the sovereign of your own personality.

These are some of the liberties in our land, the oldest of the world's great democracies—paradoxically, and significantly, located in the "new world." We have taken our liberties for granted, like the air we breathe, the telephone we use, the radio to which we listen. They seem automatic, as matter-of-fact as if they had always been ours. Yet these very liberties have been acquired, and can be taken away.

Because Christianity has emphasized the importance of the human spirit, it is the basis of the modern democratic idea of the rights of man, out of which in turn has come the best in modern science and social advancement. Conversely, with the departure of religious faith go democracy, science, freedom of thought, and the sacredness of human personality. We have seen it happen wherever totalitarianism preaches the absolutism of the state over man's mind and soul.

Christmas is the symbol of human progress, the keenest desire for which is manifest in youth. It stresses charity to the poor, care of the underprivileged, a chance for all. The Yule season is electric with the spirit of good will. It sometimes conquers even the hate of war. There are instances on record in the Civil War and in the First World War of enemy soldiers fraternizing on Christmas Eve.

It is this spirit of good will, of charity, of sacrifice, of service, of search for truth, born of Christianity, that has given to the world the chain of hospitals and universities, the old people's homes, the orphanages, and the vast program of education and social welfare. In no field has science done more for the benefit of man than in the battle against ignorance, superstition, disease, poverty, and underprivilege. It is in these practical human effects that modern science is most clearly distinguished from the earlier eras of science.

There is no room for cynicism, for defeatism, for frustration in the message of Christmas to youth. It stimulates visions of a better world. It gives to life a purpose and to every personality a destiny. Its resistance is that everyone should go forward. In spite of the turbulence in the world today, a tremendous program of advancement is under way, born primarily of missionary endeavor. To produce such an effect there must be an adequate cause. That is an elementary rule of science. Since Christianity produces such results, it is itself of vast intrinsic worth. Put it in the test tube, and it proves its value.

I can wish for youth today nothing better than a vital Christian attitude. I stress no doctrine, for that is for the individual to determine for himself. But I do urge the scientific-mindedness of the Christian faith. Let fellowship with God be intimate; let the beauty of the teachings, of the example, of the sacrifice of Christ grow upon you; let the relentless search for truth guide you; let the spirit of good will possess you.

I would like to stress the fact that there is no real conflict between science and religion. Many people have the mistaken idea that science is purely abstract investigation, utterly removed from the affairs of everyday life. Yet science in its laboratories, in its study of the stars, in its theories and laws, has but one objective: an understanding of the world that will add value to life.

Ebony

By **Clementine Wilmet Briley**

Bro. Green preached for us Sunday. A good audience was present, and the day was beautiful.

Stanley Reeves, who was taken to Memorial Hospital at Brownwood Sunday of last week, was able to leave the hospital Thursday, but will remain in Brownwood until he is fully recovered. He and Mrs. Reeves have rooms at 1218 Austin Ave.

Mrs. Earl Day spent Tuesday with her friend, Mrs. Henry, at Elkins. In the afternoon they attended the neighborhood needle club which met that afternoon with Mrs. Johanson.

Bro. Green was accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Mary Jo Green. Sister Green and the children were gone to Temple to see her mother, who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Crowder and their charming little daughter, Iris Jo, were out at church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Holder and baby, who have been staying at the Frank Crowder home for sometime, left Sunday afternoon for Burkett where they have a place for next year.

Donnie Kay, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Boulware, who has been sick most of her life, is reported to be doing fine now.

Ed Crowder spent several days last week with his son, Ray, in Fort Worth.

Hubert Reeves and Wallace Perkins are working almost day and night putting in grain.

Mrs. Austin Cawyer and Mrs. Bob Norman brought Oil Dwyer home from San Angelo Monday. He seems to be getting along as well as usual.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood Roberts took Mrs. Billie McNurien and her children to Brownwood Saturday to see the Christmas parade.

The school bus from Indian Creek took most of the school children to see the parade. Indian Creek won first place in the parade with their display of Indians.

Neuma Crowder has gone to San Angelo where he has a job.

Mrs. Charles Roberts says, unless there comes some severe change in the weather, she will have plenty of roses for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wilmet and baby, Lucy Gale, of Dulin visited Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wilmet Thursday.

MRS. F. BROGDON DEAD

Mrs. Myrtle Francis Brogdon of Mission, Texas, died last Saturday at the Mauney Tourist Camp. She and her family were on business here, when she took sick, seven weeks ago. She was laid to rest by the side of her little three-hour-old daughter,

Sunday afternoon in the Odd Fellows Cemetery. Mrs. Brogdon leaves a husband, and a six-year old son, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Askew, several brothers and a number of other relatives to mourn her death.

It's sure good. Real smoked Pit Barbecue. Bill's New Place.



May this Christmas season bless you and yours with all the good things in life; may success, happiness and health be yours in full measure.

W. H. LINKENHOGER
 MACHINE SHOP
 GOLDTHWAITE, TEXAS



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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Duty is a pleasure when it is seasoned with good will and performed among friends. That is why we enjoy the daily routine of our business. It is a joy and a pleasure to be able to thank you for your kindnesses during the closing season and to wish for you a Merry Christmas and a bright New Year.

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To our many customers and good friends we say "Merry Christmas." And may our friendships continue to grow even stronger as the years go by.

THURMAN BIRD
 MAGNOLIA SERVICE STA.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS!
 The old-time wish for a joy that never ends.

KEY JOHNSON



YES—
 We wish you much Joy and Happiness this Christmas and remember your loyal patronage has made us Happy. May we serve you again in 1940.

Faulkner & Rudd
BARBER SHOP

Big Valley

Mrs. Rufus Mitchell entertained several of Oma Jean's friends Sunday with a birthday dinner for Oma Jean. Everyone reported a very enjoyable visit and a most delicious dinner.

The Sunday school Training Class finished its work Sunday afternoon which entitles our Sunday school for 1940 standardization.

A group of people gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Dennard Saturday night to make candy and play games. Everyone reported a good time with lots of candy to eat.

Mrs. J. J. Cockrell dined with Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Long Sunday.

L. D. Campbell, enroute to San Antonio from Oklahoma City, visited several days with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Long and Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Long.

The Junior B. T. U. Class with their parents went to Mr. and Mrs. Erie D. Roberson's home Thursday night, where they were entertained royally.

On Saturday night the Intermediate B. T. U. Class was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Erie D. Roberson.

Hoyt Cockrell and Melvin Doak made a trip to the Rio Grande Valley last week. While they were gone, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Cockrell stayed with Mrs. J. J. Cockrell.

Last Sunday, a group of girls and boys ate birthday dinner with Carolyn Oglesby. All reported a splendid time.

Mr. and Mrs. Ishmel Long visited Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Long Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Loy Long, Bennie Bob Long, Billie Joe Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. D. Hartman, and Woodrow Long visited Mr. and Mrs. Ben Long.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Long visited Mr. and Mrs. Vance Cockrell Sunday night.

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Merry Christmas

--from
Yarborough's!

Merry Christmas to you—our friends, neighbors and customers. We gladly join with others whose privilege it has been to serve you, in sending our heartiest holiday greetings!

For a lovely Gift—
Dresses
Coats

Soft downy fleeces and beautiful tweeds are used in this smart collection of warm, serviceable coats. Well-made, rakishly styled, to give you up-to-the-minute smartness all winter long.



YARBOROUGH'S
At Goldthwaite

Where Money Goes At a Girls' School

Belton.—College girls may not have a grudge against the proverbial "doctor," but if their buying of apples is any indication of their feelings, they are not courting his favor.

For apples are sold as quickly as they are brought to the Mary Hardin-Baylor College campus, Mrs. Etta Praneuf, manager of the campus book store, says. Crates of apples go as quickly as if the boxes were thrown in the fire, she laughingly explains. Sales receipts show that the girls also buy a great deal of other fruits. But the greatest single item of expense on the college girl's budget is hose, with stationery and birthday cards running a close second. A third of the students average allowance is spent on stationery and birthday cards, the manager of the book store who has held that position for twenty years, estimates. Mrs. Praneuf came to

OLD LANDMARK RAZED

The dwelling and contents of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cobb and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Cobb was destroyed by fire Sunday morning about ten thirty, while the family was at Sunday school.

It is supposed a defective flue was the cause. It caught fire in the kitchen.

The Cobb family has the sympathy of their many friends in the loss of practically all their furniture and their home.

—Mullin Enterprise.

Belton from Boston, Mass.

When girls feel frivolous, she explains, they buy a new shade of nail polish; this year, however, they are avoiding the brighter shades and buying the subdued tones. To decorate beds and corners of their rooms, freshman and sophomore students, especially, like to buy fuzzy stuffed animals. Jeeps in black and white are most popular, with other animals such as bunnies, stuffed Negro dolls, brown Teddy bears, pink and white dolls and spotty Pandas coming close in popularity.

Special gifts of money to the girls are often spent on silver and gold-plated vanity cases, slave bracelets with the college crest, but most popular are the heart-shaped lockets with the crest. Gold and silver metal evening bags with the college crest are the latest fad, said Mrs. Praneuf.

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CHRISTMAS WISHES

I am glad to take this opportunity to wish you a Merry Christmas and much joy and happiness in 1940.

MRS. CORA KEESE
DISTRICT CLERK



Most sincere and hearty wishes to you and yours for a Merry Christmas and another year of prosperity.

L. B. PORTER
COUNTY CLERK
Goldthwaite, Texas



Ours is the simple, old-fashioned wish for you:

"MERRY CHRISTMAS"
C. M. BURCH
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Melba Theatre
Goldthwaite, Texas

FRI.-SAT. MATINEE
"THE RAINS CAME"
Myrna Loy-Tyrone Power

SATURDAY NIGHT
"SPOILERS OF THE RANGE"
Charles Stanett

SAT. PREVUE-SUN.-MON.
"BLACKMAIL"
Edward G. Robinson

TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY
"THE ADVENTURES OF SHERLOCK HOLMES"
Basil Rathbone-Nigel Bruce
\$40.00 Pay Night

THURSDAY
"BAD LITTLE ANGELS"
Virginia Weidler-Guy Kibbe

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One and one half cents per word for first insertion. One cent per word each subsequent insertion. With 25c minimum. Notices of church entertainments where a charge of admission is made, obituaries, cards of thanks, resolutions of respect, and all matter not news, will be charged for at the regular rates.

Miscellaneous

Good used cars to trade for all kinds of livestock. You can see them at Fox Service Station, east side of square.—Key Johnson.

PLAN YOUR ORCHARD NOW—Early set trees do best. Complete line of fruit, pecan and ornamentals. Riverside Nursery, Call 1643F12, H. H. Cockrell. 12-1-4tc

FOR SALE—Two hundred head of sheep from 1 to 4. About 50 percent will lamb right away. Z. A. Kirkland, Hamilton, Route 3. 12-22-1tp

FOR SALE—Extra good Barley Seed, 65c per bushel, as long as it lasts. Albert Schumann, Priddy, Texas. 12-22-1tp

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\$5.00 to \$100.00
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WE BUY AND SELL USED CARS AND PARTS
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11-3-1tc

Tragic Death

Friday evening, Melvin Crawford was found dead in his home, on the Dixon place from gun shot wounds. His ten-year-old son Otho Lloyd, returned from school and found the body of his father on the bed, a gun was by his side.

He was buried at Pleasant Grove, Sunday morning and services were conducted by Edgar Furr of Goldthwaite and Rev. Jack Hester of Star, together with the Center City Masonic lodge of which he was a member.

Mrs. S. L. McCasland

Grandmother McCasland died at her home north of Center City last Wednesday evening after a lingering illness. Her remains were laid to rest beside her husband, who preceded her in death a number of years ago.

Mrs. McCasland lived a useful Christian life and made friends with all whom she met.

She leaves six sons, and two daughters, a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren, beside a host of friends who lament her passing.

CARD OF THANKS

Friends, we wish to thank each and all who assisted us so faithfully in our time of need by caring for our mother. For your expressions of sympathy, the beautiful flowers and sweet songs you sang that our dear mother loved so well, we'll never forget. May God bless each of you in our prayer.

THE McCASLAND FAMILIES

The **EAGLE** advertisements will save you the cost of a year's subscription many times over if you read them carefully each week. It pays to know what's on sale.

Thanking you for your friendly patronage and wishing you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ALLEN ROSS
TEXACO SERVICE STATION

YULETIDE JOY
1939



May this glorious Christmas season usher in a year abundant with every joy and every happiness for you.

Mrs. W. O. Holland
MILLINERY

PRACTICAL



Give Practical Gifts this Christmas. Gifts that the whole family can use and enjoy throughout the year. We list a few suggestions. Call and see our store full of Christmas goods.

Sheaffer Pens, Pencils, Sets, Toilet Sets, Shaving Sets, Body Powder, Candies, Cigars, Desk Lights, Book Ends, Chinker Chex Boards, Dominoes, Bridge Cards, Bill Folds, Cigarette Cases, Coin Cases, Watches, Rings, Cross and Chains, Locket and Chain, Stationery, Crosley Radios, Christmas Cards, Tree Decorations, Candid Cameras, Kodaks, Tissue and Cellophane Paper Christmas Wrappings.

CLEMENTS
DRUG & JEWELRY STORE
Goldthwaite, Texas

Seasons Greetings FOR A HAPPY YEAR

Each year we realize more fully that our friendships are what make life worth living, and we like to feel that there is a spirit of friendship underlying all business relations with our customers. At this season we want to extend to you our sincere good wishes as an expression of our genuine appreciation of your friendships.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Full bushel sack, half Oranges Extra large Apples and Bananas, Mixed Nuts and Candies. Bushel 98c All kinds of Cakes. See them.

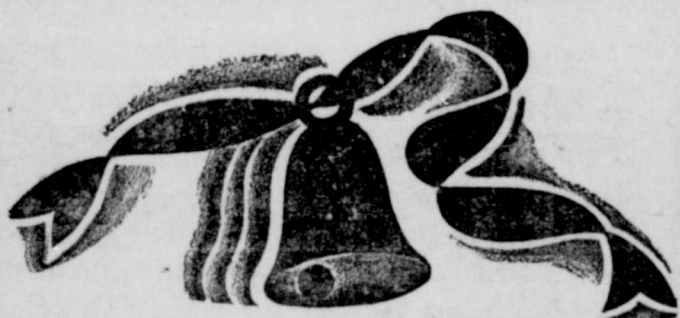
- APPLES, Winesap, small but sound and good, dozen 11c
- LEMONS, nice size and juicy, dozen 16c
- CELERY, well-bleached stalks, each 9c
- TURNIPS & TOPS, lots of greens, 2 bunches 5c
- CARROTS, large bunches, 2 for 5c
- CRUSHED PINEAPPLE, Del Monte, buffet size, 2 for 15c
- CRANBERRY SAUCE, ready to serve, can 14c
- COCOANUT, in bulk and not mixed 15c
- BROWN SUGAR, in bulk, 2 lb. cello bag 14c
- POWDERED SUGAR, in bulk, 2 lb. cello bag 14c
- SNO SHEEN CAKE FLOUR, regular size package 26c
- WHITE KARO, 1/2 gal. size, 33c; gallon size 61c
- COCOA, large 2 lb. size 16c
- SUGAR, 25 lb. cloth bag \$1.23
- RAISINS, fresh stock every week, 2 lb. package 17c

MARKET SPECIALS

- Extra Choice fed baby beef in our Market this week at extra cost to you.
- PICNIC HAMS, extra nice, lb.
- PURE PORK SAUSAGE, country style, lb.
- PORK CHOPS, nice and lean, 2 lbs.
- CHOICE VEAL STEAK, 2 lbs. 35c
- ROAST, Fresh Pork Roast, lb. 20c
- ARMOUR STAR HAMS, half or whole.
- DRESSED FRYERS, from Joe Long's, nuff said.

WE EXTEND SYMPATHY TO LONG & BERRY

BRIM GROCERY
INDIVIDUALLY OWNED & HOME GROWN



GLAD TIDINGS

When Christmas bells ring out their message of rejoicing, may your share of Yuletide happiness be bounteous, and may you and yours bask in the warming glow of a contented hearthside.

MELBA THEATER



Best wishes for the Christmas season! Your continued patronage will be appreciated, and we shall endeavor to serve you to the best of our ability.

Fox Gulf Service Station



May this Christmas season be twice as happy as any you have had before, and may good cheer and happiness be yours throughout the coming year.

GERALD-WORLEY CO.



May boundless holiday cheer be yours during this glorious Christmas season. To our friends and customers, whose numbers are ever-increasing, we express our appreciation for your loyalty.

R. L. STEEN & SON