

## The Kerrville Advance.

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How Not to Celebrate (Orange Judd Farmer)
Cold weather is now at hand; practically all of the crops have been harvested and housed; cotton and other crops have brought a good price, and in many sections money is more plentiful than it has
been in a good while. Christmas will soon be with been in a good while. Christmas will soon be with
us and we sincerely hope that all of us may enter us and we sincerely hope that all of us may enter
imto the spirit of the occasion. Just now the whisky mail order houses are more active than usual. They realize there is quite a bit of money in the country, and they are putting forth especial forts to sell as much of their dàmnable products as possible. They are sending to every farmer, and every other person whose name they can ob-
tain, their literature, making special offers for the tain, their literature, making special offers for the
Christmas season. What a pitiful thing it is to Chistmas season. What a pitiful thing it is to
think that there are a great many people in the world who still celebrate the birth of Christ hy getting drunk, these drunken orgies often eading in murder or other crime!
ple were ever guilty of? We concur in the followple were ever guilty of? We concur in the follow.
ing statement made recently by F. W. La Baume of Virginia: Alcohol cuts down youth in its vigor, manhood in its strength and age in its weakness. It is
breaking the father's heart; bereaves the doting mother; blights parental hope. It
countenances the liar, hates love, scorns virtue, slanders innocence. It brings shame, not honor:; people, ruins homes, blights confidence, slays re
per mill people, ruins homes, blights contidence, slays re-
putation and wipes out national honor. It finally curses the woild and laughis at the ruins. It does all this and, more-it murders the soul. Could anything be more awful?"

## Going Home for Christmas

Pretty soon you'll be going home. You'll stop.
off the train expecting the town band to be ready,
and instead will find that the train gets there at night, like as not, and that the little depot platform is untenanted save for a sleepy station agent. and a livery stable "hand" who takes the mail uptown. If you can't induce the latter to let you
ride up to the house in his "hack" you strike out afoot, across vacant lots around the lumber yards and tinner's shop, lugging the while a suit case guaranteed to be extra light but belying the guarantee pound upon pound as you get further on
your way. By the light of a sickly street lamp your way. By the light of a sickly street lamp,
which sags drunkenly from an overhead post arm, you observe in the business part of town that Jenkins has tioved his harness shop and that Dad's All Night Joint is a very sleepy looking restaurant at $2 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Of course, the folks will be expecting you on the next day, and of course you will have trouble
with the new gate fastener that they have put on with the new gate fastener that they have put on
bince you left, and, of course, too, the pup now
rown to twice his size last fall-will muiddy up vince you left, and, of course, too, the pup now
rown to twice his size last fall-will muddy up
pur new cight dollar trousers while you're skin-
mother that it is nothing but the pup scratching
himself, and until mother says it's you, and until
father says it isn't, and mother says she is going
to see, But the door does open, just a erack at
first, and then it opens wide, and your hat is knock-
ed off and you get kissed on your eye and get
hugged and asked forty questions then you're
home.
But doh't you swell up. Don't you put on airs.
A man with a home like that ought to feel humble.
He ought to feel very humble because, you see,
it's so very hard to be worthy of it.- Daily Texan,
State University.
Commissioners and Williamson
At a special session of the Commissioners court At a special session of the Commissioners court
on the 19th inst. the controversy between county adjusted to the shamson and the old count Williamson had waived his commissions road bond issue and only claimed commissions on
money borrowed by the court. The new coun money borrowed by the court. The new court
allowed him $\$ 174.96$, the amount received by the tax assessor for assessing the proceeds of the loonds, and $21_{2}$ per cent. commissions from Aprit
20th last on all county funds reecived and disher ed other than the proceeds of the bond issue.
After a thorough diseussion of the matter James Crotty of the Center Point precinct made motion for a settlement as above stated, and i
was unanimiously carried and Mr. Williamson ae


Doesn't Hurt North Carolina
Gratifying effects are noticeable in every trad and amongst all classes of toilers throughout the abroad in the land, education and morality have become he pleasing hoast of a happy and prosper
ous people. Whisk distilleries hare been displaced with industrial plants and over the remains
the saloon have been erected splendid sehool build ings and magnificent chureh edifices. In Gast county alone twenty-six distilleries were in opera
tion under former conditions. It now boasts iorty-seven textile plants, employing more than
7 ing one of the finest systems of public schools i the state-By M. I. Shipman, Commissioner
Latbor for North Carolina.

Canal Zone Dry Col. George W. Goethals, governor of the Pan--
ama Canal Zone, has signed an order placing all atma consal engaged is canal transportation on
persons
striety temperancen basis. The order provide that all persons employed on the canal who have
marine licenses must abstain absolutely from
lienor licquor. This includes pilots taking ships through
$\qquad$ ieants. The order signed today extends the ,
hibition to those employed in the Zone, and
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## A PRE-INVENTORY SALE

(I In order to reduce my stock before invoicing, I am going to put on a Reduction Sale

Beginning Dec. Ilth and Ending Dec. 24th
I Here are some of the prices but ererything goes:

| 81.25 Concord Hames | 81.00 | 16.00 | 5.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.25 Feed Rags | 1.00 | 11.00 Team Harness | 10.00 |
| 1.50 Buggy Whip | 1.25 | 20.00 | 18.50 |
| 1.25 | 1.00 | 12.50 Leggins |  |
| 1.00 | 85 | 1.50 Saddie Pads | 1.23 |
| 75 | 65 | 1.25 | 1.06 |
| ${ }^{50 \mathrm{c}}$ - | 40 | 5,90 Indian Blanketo |  |
| 2.00 Gloves | ${ }^{1.50}$ | 8.on Navajo blanket |  |
| 1.50 Gloves | ${ }^{3} \mathrm{~T}$ |  |  |
| 20c Cow Bells | 15 c | eather Covered |  |
| 17.00 Rugry Harness | 16.00 | -3.1.C. Bits |  |

I These prices are strictly cash. I will save you money. Come in and inspect my stock and see for yourself. Sale only lasts till December 24th. Buy now.

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yrie, on your oun terms, withoun
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## Christmas

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${ }^{N}$ Hoosier Cabinets, Globe Wernicke
Dressers, Chifforobes, Chiffoniers, Chi

- Cedar Chests, Extension Tables, Li "efenter Tables, Leather Davenpor:- B
Ciany other nice Giffs for every) mily, too numerous to mention $h$




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the news from TEXAS and the


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