

LYRIC THEATRE FRIDAY, DEC. 15



Presents
Nance O'Neil
The world's most powerful and emotional actress in the great play
"The Witch"
A photo master piece of Sardou's great play, *The Sorceress*. A story of intrigue and romance that thrills and fascinates you.
Prices . . . 25c
Children . . . 10c
SHOW STARTS 7:45

BIG FEATURE COMING.

"Birth of a Nation" at Opera House Dec. 13-14th.

Brady citizens are looking forward with great anticipation to the coming of the "Birth of a Nation" at the Brady opera house on Wednesday and Thursday nights, with matinee on Thursday afternoon. Even those who have seen the picture before announce their intention of seeing it again, so profound an impression has the soul-stirring picture made upon them. Many citizens of neighboring points have already engaged their seats for the performance, and indications point to a record-breaking attendance at all three shows. To many of the older citizens this great picture will roll back the curtain and reveal the past as clearly as in the days through which they lived. The ultimate triumph of the South will make the blood course warm and fast through the veins of every true Texan, and the trials and the sufferings which the brave men and women underwent during the days of Reconstruction will make all appreciate more than ever the blessings they have bought for us. No one can possibly regret having seen the picture, and no one should miss this greatest of opportunities to see it.

For next Friday's feature Mr. Levy presents Nance O'Neil in "The Witch." Miss O'Neil is one of America's greatest emotional actresses and this play is based on Victorien Sardou's famous play, "The Sorceress." The story abounds in thrills that will appeal to all and set the heart a-thumping by its exciting scenes. Admission 10c, and 25c.

See us for furniture. We have a good stock, and the price is right. E. J. BROAD.

NEW BAKE OVEN.

White Kitchen Increasing Equipment and Facilities.

Ernest Sparks has just received and installed a new and modern bake oven at the White Kitchen, and will today place the new equipment in use for the first time. The new oven is of the latest design and pattern, having a double deck baking compartment accommodating 200 loaves. Mr. Sparks will bake a superior quality of bread from his own recipe for sale exclusively at the White Kitchen.

Since establishing the White Kitchen, Mr. Sparks has enhanced his previous fame for bakery goods of merit, by giving his customers pies, cakes and pastries of every description that take equal rank with the very highest class of home baked goods, and in equipping his establishment, he will not only be enabled to add bread to his lines of wares, but will be enabled to increase his output to meet the increasing demand for the same.

Conference Notice.

The First Quarterly conference for this year will convene at the Methodist tabernacle on next Saturday at 7:30 p. m.

The Rev. J. M. Perry, presiding elder of San Angelo district, will be here to hold the conference, and will preach Sunday morning at 11:00 a. m. Let all of the stewards and trustees of the Brady Methodist church, meet the elder at 7:30 p. m. Saturday. Matters of great importance will be discussed at this time.

J. G. Forester, Pastor.

Visit our Help Yourself Shoe sale, buy your shoes at half price and spend the other half for Christmas Gifts.

Beautiful Hands



are impossible without well kept nails. In order to keep the nails in good condition it is necessary to use the proper brushes. In our toilet goods department you will find every requisite for the proper care of the nails as well as Hair Brushes, Tooth Brushes and Brushes for every possible use.

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Suitable Christmas gifts—House Shoes for men, ladies' and children. C. H. VINCENT, South Side.

Another shipment of Dollar Pencil Sharpeners. Better than a jack knife for the boy or girl. Just the thing for the grown-ups, too. The Brady Standard.

Folding Card Tables can be used for a number of things—they are inexpensive, too. O. D. Mann & Sons.

Big assortment of Character Dolls at 25c up to \$7.00. C. H. VINCENT, South Side.

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Select Gifts that have a *REAL* as well as a *SENTIMENTAL* value. By that we do not mean expensive gifts—but something *USEFUL*—that will be of practical value to the recipient for years to come.

We Have Practical Gifts for Every Member of the Family That are Both Useful and Practical

South Side

C. H. Vincent
DRY GOODS

South Side

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Buy your flour from us and save money. We have just unloaded a car of flour bought before the great advance. Come to our store and see the many inducements we offer for your trade.

You are not practicing economy unless you trade with us. We have big inducements on everything in our grocery and general merchandise stock.

ACOSTA BROS.

Phone 211

South Side

LOCAL BRIEFS.

The team attached to Keller's bus caused some excitement Sunday evening by departing from their sedate ways long enough to make a dash around the block. The team had been left standing at the Queen Hotel while the driver went in to call out the passengers. Starting north, the team circled about the H. P. Roddie & Co. warehouse and building, and returned to their original starting point in front of the hotel. In doing so, they struck the back end of an auto in front of the barber shop, breaking the bows to the top, which had been laid back. One of the horses injured its leg, and broken harness was the only other damage.

Following the extremely warm weather of last week, and the promise of a rain Thursday morning, a brisk norther has held sway, driving away any likelihood of rain, at least for the time being. The calm, brisk cold has proven really enjoyable. Today shows indications of a moderation, and the government weather man predicts rains the latter part of the week. Some times, West Texas weather does not agree with a weather prophet.

Kyle Biggs is able to be about town on crutches, following his accident on last Thanksgiving day, when his left foot was caught between the drive chain and sprocket wheel of a motor cycle and badly lacerated. The accident happened about eight miles from town on the Rochelle road. Biggs had accompanied Bill Hurd on a trip to Brownwood and returning was riding on the rumble seat. The car skidding around a corner caused him to lose his balance and resulted in the injury. Although the toes were mangled in a serious fashion, it is thought they will all be saved.

A leak in the gasoline pipe on

Broad Mercantile Co.'s delivery truck, caused a burst of flames to envelope the engine of the car Saturday shortly after John Woods, the driver, left the residence of F. W. Henderson upon his return to town. With rare presence of mind, Mr. Wood cut the gasoline tank off and succeeded in extinguishing the flames with a bucket of water from a nearby residence. The car was undamaged. An alarm was turned in and the fire boys responded, but the danger was averted before they could reach the scene.

See Anderson & Carrithers about that fire insurance policy today. Better be safe than sorry.

Notice of Annual Meeting. The regular annual meeting of the shareholders of the Commercial National bank of Brady, Texas, will be held in the office of their bank building on the second Tuesday in January, being January 9th, 1917, between the hours of 9:00 a. m. and 3:00 p. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and for the transacting of any other business that may legally be brought before it.
W. D. CROTHERS,
Cashier.

Baby Dead. Mr. and Mrs. Pat Acosta have the sympathy of friends in the loss of their baby, J. B., who died Friday morning, December 8th, at 11:30 o'clock, aged ten months. The death followed an illness of only a few days. Funeral services were held at the family residence at 3:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon, and interment was made in Brady cemetery.

"A dollar saved is a dollar made." Visit our Help Your Self Shoe sale.
C. H. VINCENT, South Side.

Our "Help Your Self" Shoe sale is a money saver.
C. H. Vincent, South Side.

Toys for the children—At C. H. VINCENT, South Side.

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Official Paper City of Brady.

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We have added the famous
Firestone line of casings and
tubes to our stock of automobile
accessories, and can supply
them in any size. Nothing bet-
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I am making shipments every
week, and am in the market for
your cattle and hogs. Abner
Hanson.

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For Sale—Wright piano, good
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FOR SALE—Slide trombone,
good condition, cheap. See Er-
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I have an organ to sell cheap
if taken at once. Address box
506, Brady, Texas.

FOR SALE—Good house with
well and windmill, in city of
Fredonia. Will sell at a bargain
and give terms. See S. R. Hays,
Brady.

FOR SALE—Two or three
good second hand autos—Fords,
a King 5-passenger, an Overland
and a Hupmobile. E. J. BROAD.

Mule Teams.
25 head young mules, two to
five years old. See us if you
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For Sale or Trade at a Bargain—
5-passenger Model 40
Buick; E. M. F. roadster; E. M.
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Still have a few second-hand
cars in good condition that we
are offering at bargain prices.
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FOR SALE—Small place of
127 1-2 acres, with about 38
acres in cultivation, within 1 1-4
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WANTED—Have two parties
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sections of land, located not over
25 miles from Brady. Price
must be right. Will make good
cash payment. See R. D. Dyer.

Wanted.
Mules from 14 hands to 16
hands high; good flesh, broke
to harness; from three to eight
years old; sound.
Will be in Brady until Tues-
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For Sale—160 acres, 7 or 8
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no improvements, but fenced.
This is a fine, level piece of land.
Will sell cheap and take small
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No hunting, trapping or other
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JESSE GLENN.

No Trespassing.
All hunting, trapping and other
trespassing upon my land is
forbidden under penalty of the
law.
MAX MARTIN,
Mason, Texas.

Notice.
Anybody finding dead dogs
or cats in street call Phone No.
384 and have them removed.
All persons having dead animals
of any kind, call Phone No. 384,
and have them hauled to the
dump ground and burned. All
dead carcasses, by law are re-
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Will arrange good terms. E. J.
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Makes washing a pleasure instead
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Because they heat quickly and remain hot a long time, consequently less fuel is needed to keep them hot.

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ly been infested with ticks and were supposed to be immune, suffered from tick fever and one cow actually died from the effects of the tick.

THE PEOPLE'S FORUM.

Effect of Spraying and Dipping.
Some of the cows in the experiment were kept free from ticks by spraying with an arsenical solution and the others by dipping in a similar solution in a dipping vat. The spraying caused a temporary falling off of 6.1 per cent in milk, but in from three to five days the bad effects from spraying disap- peared. Likewise, the shock of dipping caused the cows to lose an average of 10.6 per cent in milk for two days, but after several dippings they seemed to become accustomed to going through the vat and temporarily lost only 1 per cent in milk after the last few dippings. It should be remembered that while the dipping and spraying caused these temporary losses, they are very small, and it is by this means that the ticks are destroyed and a saving in milk effected in the long run.

While these experiments were conducted with comparatively small numbers the work was done with native cows on farms in the tick belt and are true indications of the great losses that occur annually with the thousands of cows exposed to the ravages of the cattle tick.

Tick Eradication.

Editor Brady Standard:
As you have opened the columns of The Standard for discussion on that dipping election, every farmer should be interested in his own welfare. I don't think it would be right for anyone to be forced to drive a few head of stock to a dipping vat several miles away every 21 days. Probably some of the cattle will die from poisoning; and who is going to pay the damage? A man with a few head of cattle can easily keep the ticks off by spraying them or giving them some sulphur.

It would be of no disadvantage to the stockman for they are already fixed for dipping and they will have to dip, whether this dipping law comes into force or not, to keep from losing too many stock from tick fever.

The trouble of driving a cow two or several miles to be dipped, whether they have any ticks or not, is not all. Who is going to pay four or five inspectors in the county with a salary of about \$1000.00 a year each? Please don't forget the election day, the 30th of December. Very respectfully,
C. J. Hendrickson.

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Phone your orders for 4 in 1 feed to 295. Hulls and meal mixed. Nothing better. Macey & Co.

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We do not split profits with the middle man. You get a good quality loaf of bread for 5c, 6 loaves for 25c, 26 loaves for \$1.00.

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BRADY, TEXAS

BUYS KING BLOCK.

F. W. Henderson Invests in Valuable Business Property.

F. W. Henderson last week closed a deal with R. A. King of Sonora, Texas, whereby he becomes the owner of the King buildings on the north side of the square. The property comprises two large store buildings, with a frontage of 110 feet and a depth of 90 feet, the first occupied by the Borschow Salvage Co. and fronting on both the public square and Bridge street, and the second occupied by the Murphy garage. The consideration totaled \$16,000.

The block is one of the best pieces of business property in Brady, and Mr. Henderson was not slow to recognize in it a splendid business investment.

Don't miss the Shoe sale at Vincents.

Don't sell your cattle and hogs before getting my bid. Abner Hanson.

Suitable Christmas Gifts for every member of the family. C. H. Vincent, South Side.

The Magic Washing Stick. "I received your Magic Washing Sticks and have tried them and think they are just fine. They make the clothes so clear and clean," writes Mrs. Fay Collins, Route 1, Box 20, Ponta, Texas. Washes clothes without rubbing. Guaranteed to please you. Ask the Jones Drug Co., Brady, Texas.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Sallie Nance is assisting in the jewelry department of Oscar T. Doell during the pre-holiday season.

Mrs. Walter Gallemore left Saturday for Weimar, where she will visit home folks for a week or two.

Mrs. Sim L. Fudge and daughter will arrive this afternoon from Nashville, Tenn., to join Mr. Fudge in making their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Moore drove to Millersview Monday to carry Mrs. B. W. Bigham home after a visit of several days with them.

E. W. Wood was in from Lohn this morning and made us happy by renewing both his own subscription and that of his mother, Mrs. Lucy Wood, at Pride, Texas.

Warren White believes that everyone ought to know all about the great McCulloch country, and to help disseminate the information, he orders The Standard sent to his brother, J. S. White, at Eckert, Texas.

M. P. Carroll and W. L. Ludwick were in from the Pear Valley neighborhood Monday and made us a call. Mr. Ludwick and family have just moved to McCulloch county from Blanco,

and will make their home in the Pear Valley community.

J. W. Kinsel made us a visit today---the first in several years and spent a few minutes in pleasant conversation. Mr. and Mrs. Kinsel were in town shopping in company with Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Harrison of Lohn, with whom they are making their home.

Henry Yoas and son, Cecil, arrived yesterday from Paxton, Mont., for a month's visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Yoas, and sister, Mrs. Lee King. This is the first visit he has had with his parents in fourteen years, and is, therefore, a most enjoyable one to all.

Capt. H. W. McGhee of Brady was in the city yesterday and left last night for El Paso where he will be for a week or ten days attending to business matters. Capt. McGhee stated that Brady was enjoying one of the most prosperous years in the history of the city and that the two banks there held individual deposits amounting to over \$1,600,000.---Brownwood Herald, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Vaughn of Brady arrived late yesterday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Homer Robertson. They were accompanied by Miss Inez Guthrie, who has been visiting in Brady for some time. Enroute to Brownwood Mr. Vaughn's automobile was overturned about five miles from the city, and Miss Guthrie sustained painful, but not serious bruises.---Brownwood Bulletin, Friday.

inner tubes. Murphy's accessories man. Standard office.

For school room---Boston Dollar Pencil Sharpener---an indispensable necessity. Brady Standard, sole selling agents. County Superintendent, E. L. White recommends the Boston Dollar Pencil sharpener for use in every school room. The Brady Standard.

Get your Boudoir Caps at VINCENT'S.

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Lax-Fos, A Mild, Effective Laxative & Liver Tonic Does Not Grip nor Disturb the Stomach. In addition to other properties, Lax-Fos contains Cascara in acceptable form, a stimulating Laxative and Tonic. Lax-Fos acts effectively and does not gripe nor disturb stomach. At the same time, it aids digestion, arouses the liver and secretions and restores the healthy functions. 50c.

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Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days. Your druggist will refund money if Pazo GINTEBY fails to cure any case of itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. The first application gives Ease and Rest. 50c.

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Propose New Hotel at San Saba.

From the Star

The destruction by fire of the old Park Hotel recently revives a project which has long been under consideration, but up to this time has not assumed tangible shape, though some steps have been taken toward its accomplishment---the erection of a commodious, modern fireproof hotel. It is now proposed to build a three-story, fireproof building faced with San Saba marble, at a cost of from \$20,000.00 to \$30,000.00 facing east on the public square, and running back west 140 feet on Commerce St., leaving leaving part of the back lots for storage purposes. A stock company duly chartered under the laws of the State with shares of \$100 each, is proposed and an invitation will be given to every citizen of the town and county to take stock in the hotel company. A local board of directors, who will be stockholders, will

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ing J. M. Page's second hand
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No Trespassing.
All hunting, trapping and oth-
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or cats in street call Phone No.
384 and have them removed.
All persons having dead animals
of any kind, call Phone No. 384,
and have them hauled to the
dump ground and burned. All
dead carcasses, by law are re-
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washes clothes without rubbing.
Makes washing a pleasure instead of
a drudgery. Call and let us tell you
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THE PEOPLE'S FORUM.
Eradication of the Cattle Tick
Necessary for Profitable Dairy-
ing.

The following is a contribu-
tion from the United States Bu-
reau of Animal Industry under
date of December 19, 1914:

The cattle tick is a great hin-
drance to the development of
cattle-raising industry in the
South. The sight of ticks on
cattle is so common that many
farmers do not regard them as
harmful, and it is well known
that a few ticks may remain on
cattle quite a long time without
doing any noticeable damage.
The ticks, nevertheless, are car-
riers of Texas fever, and even
in so-called immune cattle they
irritate the flesh and skin and
draw blood that otherwise
would produce milk or flesh.
The actual amount of harm
which ticks do to these so-called
immune cattle has been a mat-
ter of conjecture. The need of
some definite information on
this subject led the Department
of Agriculture to conduct some
experiments on the effect of the
tick on milk production and
body weights of dairy cattle.

The work was done by the Bu-
reau of Animal Industry in the
summers of 1912 and 1913 in
cooperation with Mr. E. J.
Thornhill, at Summerville, S. C.,
and Mr. E. C. Beuchler, vice-
president and manager of the
farm of the Anthony Farms Co.,
Anthony, Fla.

Results of Experiments.
Forty cows were divided into
two lots of 20, each of which
was producing practically the
same amount of milk and was
given the same feed and care
for an average of 152 days dur-
ing the season favorable to the
development of ticks. One of
the lots in each experiment was
allowed to become infested with
ticks, while another was kept
free from them in one case by
spraying and in the other by
dipping. The main results of
the experiments were as fol-
lows:

1. Cows carrying ticks did
not hold up so well in milk flow
as the cows kept free from ticks
and did not increase their flow
of milk when the feed was in-
creased, as did the tick-free
cows.
2. At the close of the ex-
periment the cows lightly infes-
ted with ticks were producing
18.6 per cent less milk than the
cows kept free from ticks, prac-
tically 1 1/2 pints less per cow
per day.
3. At the end of the experi-
ments the cows heavily infested
with ticks were producing 42.4
per cent less milk than the tick-
free cows, or nearly one-half
gallon less per head per day.
4. During the experimental
period of one of the tests, which
included 20 cows, the heavily in-
fested cows lost an average of
9.3 pounds in weight, while the
tick-free cows gained an aver-
age of 44.2 pounds, although
both lots were fed alike.
5. Cows which had previous-

ly been infested with ticks and
were supposed to be immune,
suffered from tick fever and
one cow actually died from the
effects of the tick.

Effect of Spraying and Dipping.
Some of the cows in the ex-
periment were kept free from
ticks by spraying with an arsenic
solution and the others by
dipping in a similar solution in
a dipping vat. The spraying
caused a temporary falling off
of 6.1 per cent in milk, but in
from three to five days the bad
effects from spraying disap-
peared. Likewise, the shock of
dipping caused the cows to lose
an average of 10.6 per cent in
milk for two days, but after
several dippings they seemed to
become accustomed to going
through the vat and temporar-
ily lost only 1 per cent in milk
after the last few dippings. It
should be remembered that
while the dipping and spraying
caused these temporary losses,
they are very small, and it is
by this means that the ticks are
destroyed and a saving in milk
effected in the long run.

While these experiments were
conducted with comparatively
small numbers the work
was done with native cows on
farms in the tick belt and are
true indications of the great
losses that occur annually with
the thousands of cows exposed
to the ravages of the cattle tick.

Tick Eradication.

Editor Brady Standard:

As you have opened the col-
umns of The Standard for dis-
cussion on that dipping election,
every farmer should be interest-
ed in his own welfare. I don't
think it would be right for any-
one to be forced to drive a few
head of stock to a dipping vat
several miles away every 21
days. Probably some of the cat-
tle will die from poisoning; and
who is going to pay the dam-
age? A man with a few head of
cattle can easily keep the ticks
off by spraying them or giving
them some sulphur.

It would be of no disadvan-
tage to the stockman for they
are already fixed for dipping and
they will have to dip, whether
this dipping law comes into force
or not, to keep from losing too
many stock from tick fever.

The trouble of driving a cow
two or several miles to be dip-
ped, whether they have any
ticks or not, is not all. Who is
going to pay four or five inspec-
tors in the county with a salary
of about \$1000.00 a year each?

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BUYS KING BLOCK.

F. W. Henderson Invests in Valuable Business Property.

F. W. Henderson last week closed a deal with R. A. King of Sonora, Texas, whereby he becomes the owner of the King buildings on the north side of the square. The property comprises two large store buildings, with a frontage of 110 feet and a depth of 90 feet, the first occupied by the Borschow Salvage Co. and fronting on both the public square and Bridge street, and the second occupied by the Murphy garage. The consideration totaled \$16,000.

The block is one of the best pieces of business property in Brady, and Mr. Henderson was not slow to recognize in it a splendid business investment.

Don't miss the Shoe sale at Vincents.

Don't sell your cattle and hogs before getting my bid. Abner Hanson.

Suitable Christmas Gifts for every member of the family
C. H. Vincent, South Side.

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"I received your Magic Washing Sticks and have tried them and think they are just fine. They make the clothes so clear and clean," writes Mrs. Fay Collins, Route 1, Box 20, Ponta, Texas. Washes clothes without rubbing. Guaranteed to please you. Ask the Jones Drug Co., Brady, Texas.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Sallie Nance is assisting in the jewelry department of Oscar T. Doell during the pre-holiday season.

Mrs. Walter Gallemore left Saturday for Weimar, where she will visit home folks for a week or two.

Mrs. Sim L. Fudge and daughter will arrive this afternoon from Nashville, Tenn., to join Mr. Fudge in making their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Moore drove to Millersview Monday to carry Mrs. B. W. Bigham home after a visit of several days with them.

E. W. Wood was in from Lohn this morning and made us happy by renewing both his own subscription and that of his mother, Mrs. Lucy Wood, at Pride, Texas.

Warren White believes that everyone ought to know all about the great McCulloch country, and to help disseminate the information, he orders The Standard sent to his brother, J. S. White, at Eckert, Texas.

M. P. Carroll and W. L. Ludwick were in from the Pear Valley neighborhood Monday and made us a call. Mr. Ludwick and family have just moved to McCulloch county from Blanco,

and will make their home in the Pear Valley community.

J. W. Kinsel made us a visit today—the first in several years and spent a few minutes in pleasant conversation. Mr. and Mrs. Kinsel were in town shopping in company with Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Harrison of Lohn, with whom they are making their home.

Henry Yoas and son, Cecil, arrived yesterday from Paxton, Mont., for a month's visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Yoas, and sister, Mrs. Lee King. This is the first visit he has had with his parents in fourteen years, and is, therefore, a most enjoyable one to all.

Capt. H. W. McGhee of Brady was in the city yesterday and left last night for El Paso where he will be for a week or ten days attending to business matters. Capt. McGhee stated that Brady was enjoying one of the most prosperous years in the history of the city and that the two banks there held individual deposits amounting to over \$1,600,000.—Brownwood Herald, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Vaughn of Brady arrived late yesterday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Homer Robertson. They were accompanied by Miss Inez Guthrie, who has been visiting in Brady for some time. Enroute to Brownwood Mr. Vaughn's automobile was overturned about five miles from the city, and Miss Guthrie sustained painful, but not serious bruises.—Brownwood Bulletin, Friday.

Tires and inner tubes. Murphy, the auto accessories man. Next to Standard office.

For the school room—Boston Dollar Pencil Sharpener—an indispensable necessity. Brady Standard, sole selling agents.

County Superintendent, E. L. White recommends the Boston Dollar Pencil sharpener for use in every school room.

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Brady Auto Co. Complete line of gasoline, oils and supplies.

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Your druggist sells and recommends Black-Draught only 25c. Get a package to-day.

Propose New Hotel at San Saba. From the Star

The destruction by fire of the old Park Hotel recently revives a project which has long been under consideration, but up to this time has not assumed tangible shape, though some steps have been taken toward its accomplishment—the erection of a commodious, modern fireproof hotel. It is now proposed to build a three-story, fireproof building faced with San Saba marble, at a cost of from \$20,000.00 to \$30,000.00 facing east on the public square, and running back west 140 feet on Commerce St., leaving leaving part of the back lots for storage purposes. A stock company duly chartered under the laws of the State with shares of \$100 each, is proposed and an invitation will be given to every citizen of the town and county to take stock in the hotel company. A local board of directors, who will be stockholders, will

have direct control of the renting and general care of the property.

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LETTERS TO SANTA

Likes Choo-Choo Cars. Brady, Dec. 10, 1916. Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a train that will run on a track. Your friend, Billie Lovelace.

A Modest Youngster. Brady, Texas, Dec. 9. Dear Santa: Please send me a set of erectors and some fire works. From T. C. Yantis.

Little Sewing Machine. Cow Gap, December 11. Dear Santa: Will you please bring me a lavalliere and a little sewing machine, and anything else you have to spare, and some nuts and fruit. Jewel McShan.

Fire Wagon and Fire Works. Brady, Texas, Dec. 9. Dear Santa: Please send me a set of erectors and fire wagon and some fire works. From James Robenett Yantis.

Soldiers Sail on Ships, Santa. Brady, Dec. 11, 1916. Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me some little soldiers and a ship to go with them. Your friend, Thurston Ray Lovelace.

Tool Chest, Santa. Voca, Texas, Dec. 11. My Dear Mr. Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a sand carrier, tool chest, picture slate, and some Roman candles. With best wishes and a happy Christmas, your little friend, W. J. Jordan.

A Good Boy. Voca, Texas, Dec. 11. My Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a tool chest, picture slate, sand carrier, bear in cage, some Roman candles. Please be sure and don't forget to come to see me. Have tried to be a good boy. With love, Charlie L. Jordan.

Wants Red House Shoes. Lohn, Texas. Dear Santa Clause: I want you to bring me a doll, oranges, candy, one apple and a pair of house shoes—want them to be red. I sure would like to have a teddy bear and doll buggy, too. Bring me anything else you want to. Ethyl Newton.

A Christmas Tree. Brady, Texas, Dec. 11. Dear Old Santa: Will you bring me a doll swing, a pair of skates, some kid gloves, and some nuts. I would also appreciate a Christmas tree. Now Santa, do not disappoint me Christmas eve, because I am looking for you. From your friend, Norma Wegner.

A Bible for Sunday School. Brady, Dec. 10, 1916. Dear Santa Claus: I will tell you what I would like to have you bring me. A bible for Sunday school and a doll and a buggy and some hair ribbons. I guess you think I want too much, but I don't think so. Hoping to see you at the Methodist Christmas tree. Irene Baker.

A Good Girl—a Whole Year. Cow Gap, December 11. Dear Santa Claus: I thought I would write and let you know what to bring me. I would like to have an unbreakable doll and doll buggy, and some painting pencils, candy and some fruit, and I will be a good little girl a whole year. Cloe Ideil McShan.

A Future Hunter. Cow Gap, December 11. Dear Old Santa: Please bring me an air gun and a watch and some marbles. Curtis McShan.

A Winding Street Car. Brady, Dec. 11, 1916. Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a little winding street car. Your friend, Wallace Lovelace.

Just received a nice assortment of combination beading and lac. edges. C. H. Vincent South Side

Stockholders Meeting. The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Brady National bank of Brady, Texas, will be held at its banking house in Brady, Texas, on the second Tuesday in January, the same being the 9th day of January, 1917, at 2:30 p. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year, and for the transacting of such other business as may be legally brought before it. E. L. OGDEN, Cashier.

A "Structo" outfit is a gift any boy will appreciate. O. D. Mann & Sons.

Rain—Maybe So. The U. S. Weather Bureau sends out the following forecast for the week beginning Sunday, December 10th: For West Gulf States—Fair weather will prevail until about Wednesday or Thursday, when rain is probable. The temperature will average considerably below the seasonal normal during the first half of the week and warmer during the latter half.

Children's Coats at 1-4 off at Vincents. Any printing today? Phone 163, and our young man will be on the way.

Notice. Complaints will be filed against all persons having Sanitary accounts appearing in a delinquent condition on the 1st day of January, 1917. Come in and pay your account now and save further trouble. F. Y. JACKSON, Sanitary Collector.

If it is ammunition, we can supply you. O. D. Mann & Sons. See the new Collars for ladies at Vincent's.

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THE BARRIER

It was a funny thing about Tom Barrow and Martha Brooks, and it was just because everyone in town had known them since they were babies that not even the most conventional or the most prudish really took exception to their housekeeping arrangements. Martha Brooks was old Mrs. Barrow's niece and Tom Barrow was Mr. Barrow's nephew, and both having been left orphans in their childhood, they had been brought up with all the intimacy of brother and sister. Both had become fixtures in the old Barrow homestead. By the will left by Mrs. Barrow the house was left as joint property so long as both resided there. In case of the failure of either to live there, the property was to pass to the other. Neither was so well off as to be able lightly to renounce the part ownership of this shelter, so neither had taken the step.

It was nearly a year after the death of Mrs. Barrow had left them the sole tenants of the house, save for an old family servant, that Tom first discussed the subject with Martha.

"If we both hadn't acquired such a strong reputation for hundred propriety and conventionality," he said, "I think someone might take exception to the arrangement."

Martha raised her graceful eyebrows over a pair of fine, dark eyes, and looked at Tom with an air of mild surprise. "How perfectly ridiculous! As if a woman of thirty-two and a man of thirty-five who have known each other since babyhood and have been brought up in the same house for twenty years couldn't live together without settling people's tongues wagging. And every one knows that I don't really care twopence for you."

"That is very kind, I am sure," Tom re-established the paper in front of his place and went on reading. "But you are right. No one can help see that we are not of the mold of which affinities are made."

Tom went off to his business and Molly went directly to her own room, the only room in the entire house, in fact, which she ever frequented more than was necessary. The old drawing-room, with its clumsy mahogany furniture and red plush hangings, was a nightmare to her. The library, with its shelves of antiquated law books that had belonged to Uncle Tom, appealed no more to her.

Martha donned her hat and cloak and, telling the old servant she would not be home for dinner, started for the town, then through a field and then down a country lane, through an orchard and finally to a little woody retreat in the middle of which was a sunny clearing and a tiny house that might almost have been mistaken for a child's playhouse. In fact, it was a two-room cottage—the secret retreat of Martha.

Once inside this house, Martha's entire manner changed. Donning a bright colored smock in place of her coat and hat, she began to set the small place, to rights. She built a cozy open fire and arranged the late chrysanthemums she had gathered from the old-fashioned garden at home. Here Martha spent most of her days.

At two o'clock she thought first of luncheon and, although she was to be alone, she opened a gate-leg table before the open fire, spread a lunchcloth over it and arranged her tempting luncheon of toasted bread and cheese, hot chocolate and late autumn fruit.

Then it was that she heard Tom's knock at the door, for Tom it proved to be—Tom who had gone out for a country tramp and had stopped on the pretext of getting a drink of water.

"I think I felt that there was something suspicious about this cottage," he told her after Martha's hurried, half apologetic, confused explanations. "I've passed this dovecot several times and somehow it fitted so thoroughly into my own ideas of happiness and comfort that I decided I'd become acquainted with the owner. Then today I could no longer wait to know, and I trumped up that excuse about wanting a drink of water."

Meantime Martha had opened the little gate-legged table to accommodate two and was spreading an extra place for her uninvited guest.

"You see," Tom went on, "I've taken a sort of dislike to that house of ours with its heavy vines and its hideous red plush hangings. So I rented a wing of an old farmhouse up the road and, manlike and fool that I was, I thought I'd fix it up satisfactory as a sort of bachelor's paradise, where I could spend my leisure time reading and smoking, alone or with my friends. If I'd only known you didn't care for the old things, I might have—"

"Might have what," Martha came to the rescue.

"Might have suggested doing the old house over and making a real home. What I really mean, Martha, is that I might have asked you long ago to be my wife. But here—Martha won't you forgive me for not understanding you before and won't you make me happy always?"

Martha's expression was one of archness mingled with newly awakened sympathy and understanding. "Still," she added, "in spite of those red plush barriers I think I have been just a little bit in love with you for ever so long." (Copyright, 1916, by the McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)

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