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Steel Laying Has Been Started on Denver Line

Angos Creek Bridge Finished and Steel Being Laid to Second Tunnel; Will Soon Be on Cap

The Fort Worth & Denver South Plains Railway steel gang resumed their work of laying steel last week. The bridge across Lingos Creek has been completed and steel will be laid through the Clarity Tunnel, and on to the Gowdy Tunnel immediately. A side track will be laid to A. B. Brown's gravel pit, near the first tunnel, so that the Denver can begin getting gravel out to ballast the track from the caprock to Estelline. The Lingos bridge which is the largest bridge on the line, is 1,000 feet long and the time required for driving the piles and laying the steel across the stream was about one month, the bridge being completed Monday of

The Clarity tunnel has been ready for the steel for several months but the steel gang was laid off until the little tunnel known as Gowdy Tunnel between the big tunnel and the caprock was nearer completion. It has been the intention of the Denver road to reach the caprock by the first of the year, but as the little tunnel has not been completed, a delay of at least several days will be occasioned. When the steel laying gang reaches the top of the caprock, they will be able to lay two miles of steel per day so we are informed, therefore it will not take many weeks for them to have all the steel laid upon the Plains According to information received the entire line will be ready for operation of trains by April of 1928, or several months ahead of the schedule as given out at the beginning of construction of the line.

Work trains are scheduled to begin hauling ballast for the tracks out of Brown's gravel pit by the first or January. The Denver has signed a contract with A. B. Brown of Lock ney for sufficient gravel to ballast all tracks on the Fort Worth and Denver South Plains lines, and the pit from which they are to receive the gravei is located in Floyd ty just south of the Goodnight school house on the Tibbetts ranch.

All the grade dumps on the line from Estelline to Lubbock have been completed and are ready for he steel. The grading gangs are now busy on the line from the junction to Dimmit and Silverton, getting them ready for the laying of steel.

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POSTMASTER HOWARD GIVES

SERVICE ON CHRISTMAS Uses Truck to Get Packages Here on Christmas Day for Patrons of

Office

Postmaster Homer Howard secured him, and Sunday afternoon he deliver ed the packages and letters to all the called for their mail. Mr. Howard is wishes to render.

FAY GUTHRIE IS CHOSEN AS SECRETARY OF C. OF C.

Camber of Commerce Directors Hire loss, nothing being saved. Guthrie for Another Year At Meeting Monday

in the Chamber of Commerce office, fire, it is not known how the blaze all classes of automobile purchasers. Abner Chambers of Redlands, Calif. tions. Monday morning, Fay Guthrie, who has been secretary of the organization for the past year, was again hired to continue his work during the year 1928. A budget of more than work for the coming year.

NELDA LOUISE MATTHEW DEAD FOGGY AND DRIZZLING

Nelda Louise Matthews, 2 years, 5 months and 29 days of age, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. W. Matthews, of Lockney, died at the family home in the north part of town, from the effects of dyptheria, on Friday afterneon, Dec. 23rd, after an illness of one y and night.

the funeral were Mrs. Roy Phillips and Mrs. V. D. McKiney of Plainview and Mrs. G. L. Phillips of Amarillo.



Mason Home Burned Christmas Eve Night

Fire of Unknown Origin Burns House And All Furnishings While Family is Away

a truck and went to unview Sunday The home of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. morning where he is the trains and Mason, in the southwest outskirts brought all Lockney Mail back with of Lockney was completely destroyed by fire about nine o'clock, Saturday night, December 24th. The origin of people of the town and country who the fire is unknown, no one being at home at the time the fire broke ginning of the last half, the Lockney Floydada cemetery.

> and the fire department and neight ours trying to quench the the blaze or trying to quench the the blaze or trying to quench the the blaze or trying and all their household modes are the first Baptist church when she was about 35 years of age. She was converted in her youth and the course of study will be based fort will be known as the "Early Diajoined the First Baptist church when she was about 35 years of age. She was about 35 years of age. She was about 35 years of age. goods and clothing were a complete LOCKNEY AUTO COMPANY

From neighbors, who were the first could have started.

ney Cotton Oil Company.

From Saturday to Wednesday of Brown and G H. Phenis. the past week has been drizzly and foggy weather in the Lockney country, and while the rain was light, a great amount of moisture was put into the ground, making it very muded into the ground. This wet spell The program rendered consisted of the building finished by the first of gainst the great White Plague, the Out-of-town relatives who attended which fell the forepart of last week ings and short talks, and a collection has done a great deal toward putting was taken for the Methodist Orphanorecasts, January is what would be sents for the Christmas tree. termed a wet month, as more than Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Baldwin of Lev- eight snows have been forecast for elland, Texas, spent the holidays here the month. With a good winter seavisiting Mr. Balwdin's parents, Mr. son and the large acreage that is and Mrs. S. J. Baldwin. Mr. Baldwin planted to wheat in this country a is the editor of the Hockley County bumper wheat crop will be in prospect for the coming spring.

LOCKNEY HIGH DEFEATS PETERSBURG HIGH SCHOOL

quarter ended, White of Lockney was ical treatment. burg's favor.

TAKING ORDERS FOR FORDS mother,

the fire broke out in the southeast er, advises us that the popularity of The sons are Elmer and Fieldon Roy sis Association, which also conducts third place among the states until corner of the house, and as there was the new Ford car which has just re- of Lakeview, and the daughters Mrs. the Annual Christmas Seal Sale thru today she stands seventh. the Lockney Chamber of Commerce in this part of the house to cause cently been announced is evidenced in J. J. Rhodes of Floydada and Mrs. its affiliated state and local organiza-The house was insured for \$1,500 gentlemen have placed orders with de-eral services, Mrs. Chambers reaching Public Health Association, which will cators and professional men join with and the furniture for \$500, and Mr. posits for new cars, H. F. Champion, Floydada Monday of this week. Mrs. direct the campaign in this state, to the farmers in studying the market-Mason estimates that the huose and W. W. Angel, Kelly Webster, T. A. Roy is an aunt of T. P. and Miss Ruth include among their new years resol- ing problem and its effect on the furnishings were worth about \$4,500. Bay, Douglas Watson, L. D. Oschner, Collins of Floydada and L. L. Collins utions a determination to have a farm income. Mr. Mason is manager of the Lock- H. B. Adams, Tom Patton, K. Terrell, of Joebailey. T. H. Orman, R. C. Haithcock, A. J. The Roy family moved to Floyd before March 1st. Applewhite, Johns Casey, Tom Ste- City. Mr. Roy died five years ago. DAYS MAKE MUDDY ROADS wart, Dr. H. H. Ball, A. J. White. T. B. Mitchell, J. A. Smalley, A. B. POST OFFICE AT PLAINVIEW

METHODIST CHRISTMAS TREE

on top of the two inches of snow music by the choir, piano, solos, read-the year.

VISITS OF THE STORK

Born to Mr. and Mrs: Luther Rhine, east of Lockney, Sat- in 1923 to \$51,539.31 in 1926. urday. December 17th, a boy. day, December 19th, a Boy.

MRS. G. L. ROY DIED AT

eal basicet ball girls defeated Peters- munity, Thursday afternoon of last Plains. ourg on the Petersburg court. From week, succumbed to an illness of a Mr. Ward is an experienced man in others seen arrived on the scene and beginning to end the game was fast few hours, dying at the age of 67 the Grain business and will be glad helped to care for the injured. Huckexciting and well played. Both teams years. Becoming ill about 10:30 in the Grain business and will be gain about about about a sparently to have his friends call at his new above and apparently were hard fighters, and the Peters- the forenoon of Thursday from a para-burg girls proved to be strong com- lytic condition, she rapidly weakened petitors. Just before the second and failed to rally in response to med-

hurt though not seriously. The score | Funeral services were held Friday for the first half was 11-15 in Peters- afternoon in Floydada at the First Baptist church, conducted by Rev. G.

was a devoted Christian and a lowing be to concentrate public attention on marketing activities.

Mr. A. P. Barker, local Ford deal- children, two sons and two daughters. be directed by the National Tubercolo- marketed co-operatively from twenty-He states that the following named The first three named were at the fun- All Texans are urged by the Texas sentatives of the country press, edu-

Cooper, Albert Bloxom, J. J. Placek, C county twelve years ago from Wolfe One of the watch words of the Panhandle have been invited to speak

Christmas tree at the Lockney Me- building shortly after January 1st, ac- is familiar with them. dy and slick, as all the moistue soak- thedist church Christmas eve night, cording to Speed, who plans to have In this well-planned onslaught a-

The new quarters will furnish more try will have the co-operation of many room for the post office which for organizations, including the Ameri-The little girl was laid to rest in the wheat in good shape for the next age. Santa Claus was present and many years has occupied the rear of can Public Health Association, state the Lockney cemetery Saturday after- thirty or forty days. According to took part in the distribution of prepostal authorities found it necessary insurance companies and others. The to seek new quarters to handle the American Medical Association has business of the office, the receipts of promised its complete co-operation. which have increased from \$31,414.46

GROWTH IN FEW MONTHS

By Fay Guthrie A period unprecedented in the history of the city is the report that has been made possible by the building Open Car Turns Turtle, Kills One And of a new railroad ,the industries that follow, and the adoption of a thorough program of farm diversification conpled with the untiring co-operation of a progressive citizenship.

A building program of more than \$700,000 has been instituted and carsewer system is practically completed and a large part of the new church building already finished.

The program consists of approximately 20 modern residences; one church building, a modern cotton oil tically every residence, business house and business enterprise in the city; a complete sewer system, a combined grain sorghum elevator and thresher Bank deposits of the two banks in the city have increased more than 50 percent in 1927 over 1926 and the postal receipts have made a 10 per cent gain. The business of the retail merchants has been above normal His injuries were about the head, this year over preceding years, however, on account of the small cotton acreage the fall receipts have been lower than usual.

During the cream season, cream sales in Lockney have averaged \$3,-500 per week, and other poultry receipts have been in proportion. Bankers are of the opinion that the cream and poultry business is the cause of them to live at home, thus relieving

arge production for the coming year A. Huckabay of this city and the farmers are realizing the Carl Huckabay and Charles

WARD WILL BE MANAGER OF LOCKNEY COAL & GRAIN CO.

LAKEVIEW THURSDAY Company, succeeding ,Gilbert Bean turned turtle and rolled over. The Friday night, December 15, the lo- Mrs. G. L. Roy, of Lakeview com- & Bean Grain Company at South to keep from hitting the overturned

LAUNCHED FOR MARCH

to announcement made today by the Association, will be held in the Round When the whistle blew for the be- W. Tubbs, and interment was made in Texas Public Health Association there Up room of the Amarillo Hotel, Jangirls entered the game determined to The deceased was born May 1, 1860, will be inauguarated in March, 1928 uary 2nd to 6th inclusive. Three sesto the patrons of this office and this was in keeping with the services he wishes to render.

The deceased was born May 1, 1860, one of the most important health cambain paigns ever carried on in the United and was married to G. I. Roy in Hunt wishes to render. return found the house the in flames did their best and at the end of the county, Texas, on November 23, 1882. States by national, state and local This school is open to the public

thorough health examinations on or

"You May Have Tubercolosis-Let | tainment feature has not been over-Your Doctor Decide." On tousands looked and music and other entertain WILL MOVE JANUARY 1ST of bill boards all over the country and by means of several millions of leaf- session of the school. Plainview, Dec. 25.—The Plainview lets the public will be urged to watch post office will probably move to its for the danger signals of tubercolo-There was a program rendered and new quarters in the Guy B. Speed which are easily recognized when one

tubercolosis associations of the coun-

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Jackson went to Lubbock this morning to attend the day. O. M. Gilcrease, near Aiken, Mon- FOR RENT-Furnished room,-Phone funeral of Mrs. Frank Roberson, who Everybody invited to any or all of Ite died of asthma in that city Tuesday, these services.

Child Killed in Accident At Floydada Saturday

Seriously Injures Another On Ralls Highway

Charley James Smith, 7, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Smith, eight miles south of Floydada, was killed instantly Saturday afternoon, and Carl ried out as the work on the city's Huckaby, 32, his uncle, is believed to be recovering from serious injures sus tained when an open car in which they were riding driven by the father of he child was ovreturned at one o' lock at the corner one mile south west of Floydada on the Ralls High mill, water extensions that cover prac | way. Anna Marie Smith, the forth occupant of the car and sister of the lad killed was only slightly injured and the driver Chas. Smith, has a dislocated shoulder. The car turned and many other civic improvements. turtle and rolled over according to Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Johnson who were

near by and first to reach the injured Huckaby's injuries were thought at first to be so serious that his death would only be a matter of a few hours fracture behind the ear being considered the most serious injury. He was continuing to show improvement late yesterday, however, and the outlook for his recovery was hopeful He is at the Smith & Smith sanitarium where he was brought immediatey following the accident and relatives iving away were notified of his con-

Funeral services for the little boy were held Monday afternoon at the First Baptist church in Floydada, conriew. Interment was made in Floydada age planted, the country is well stock- abay of Winslow, Arizona, Ben Huck tribution in the county, assuring a child is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J

dvantage of the purebred over the are brother-in-laws and live on the

Hiram Johnson said, ensued immediwho will have charge of the Thornton Johnson car had to go into the barpit dying and Charles James was dead when they picked his body up.

A MARKETING SCHOOL

The annual director's school, con-Austin, Texas, Dec. 28 .- According ducted by the Texas Wheat Growers

the important facts about tubercolo- In the last five years Texas has The deceased is survived by four sis. This nation-wide campaign will advanced in the volume of farm crops

The directors in charge of he school urge that bankers, merchants, repre-

A number of men prominent in the business and professional ranks of the Early Diagnosis Campaign will be at the different sessions. The enterment have been provided for each

The committee in chrage has requested that farmers attending the school bring their wives for this is quesion in which the whole family a interested.

SERVICES ON LOCKNEY CIRCUIT

The services for Sunday on the ockney Circuit of which Rev. J. N. S. Webb is paster are as follows: Sunday school at Aiken at 10 a. m.

Preaching at Aiken Sunday mornng and Sunday night. Preaching at Irick at 5. p. m. Sun-

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IN THE INTEREST OF THOSE WHO PAY

We have been asked by various people of the town to write some editorials in reference to ordinances that should be passed and things that should be done in Lockney in refer- dearly ence to the gas, light, water and sewer connections and while we are not capable of inspecting these jobs ourselves, and have never had any experience as to what an inspector should know and do, we will confine our remarks to the things that we deem best for the people of the town. In other words the people that pay the bills in the way of taxes, rents and for the installation of these conveniences in their homes.

amount of money making your home comfortable and so you could have all the conveniences, you will not like for a state fire insurance inspector to come in and inspect the work you had already installed and paid for and tell you that you would either have to tear it out and change it or else your insurance rate would be raised; or a sanitary man along and condemn your connections with the sewer and put you to a great expense in order that you complied with the sanitary regulations of the city and state. All this can be avoided by having an inspect in the city that knows something about these things and how they should be installed and what the standard reuirements are in regard to the installation. These matters should not be left to any man or men who do not know what these requirements are, or how the installing of the materials should be made. Men with experience who know what is right in the premises who know how they should be done when they look at the work, should be given a job as inspectors and should be accountable to the city for any mistakes that they might make in relet any man or men who do not know ing in the home of R. L. Powell and beans about gas, electricity, sewer or her will be and Mrs. Ed Singleton visited on Friday afternoon, also. water connections hold the job as in- in the Ratiin home last week end.

City beautiful We'challs of their ignorance. A man who has ed the Christmas tree at Whitfield Entered April 14th, 1902, as second never lived where these things are Saturday night. class mail matter at the Post Office at with actual installation of these Willie D. Williams and Doris Bennett Lockney , tas, by act of Congress things is not fit to be an inspector attended church at Whitfield Sunday and the city is making a serious mistake and one that will prove costly to the city, the tax payer and the friends near Plainview Monday. user and such a mistake should not .75 the bill should register a complaint Whitfield Saturday night. 40 at once and avoid the exense that Mr. and Mrs. Powell attended sing-

> We do not intend to personate any day, January 2nd. particular person, nor in any way we believe hatt they have allowed in getting the right kind of inspector family Sunday. would be incurred in securing an efficient inspector but a little expense as we see it, would probably save the fell here Tuesday night. The farmers people of the town, who pay the bills, would appreciate a good rain as the many times the amount and lower wheat is badly in need of some moisrates and save fuel and repairs that ture. would cost the town and people very! The Christmas tree at the school

> discussed at the city council meeting one had an enjoyable time. last Monday night and is unfinished School will take up again next business with that body at this time Monday. We hope to have a larger and we trust they will give the mat- attendance than before Christmas. ter due consideration before they allow it to go on as it has gone in the dren left last week for a visit. past few months.

and installatios should be passed and church Saturday night. after passage enforced, for it will save the people of the city money to have Saturday morning for Scurry county If you are spending a considerable things done right to begin with and see that everything pertaining to the with relatives installation and use of the conveniences is in accordance with the rules and regulations and are efficient.

PROVIDENCE

Dec. 26 .- The Christmas tree at the school house was well attended and every one enjoyed the program given y the school children.

Mr. Horace Camp and Willie D. Williams are visiting in the Bennett home this week.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Doc Bennett Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Bennett and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bennett and family and Horace Camp and Willie D. Williams. Miss Exa Lovvorn spent the night with Mabel Viegel Saturday night and

in Plainview Sunday.

R. L. Powell and family visited

Mr. Wyatt McLaughlin, Nadine be allowed to continue for one min- White, Harold McLaughlin and Nela ute and the people who have to pay White attended the Christmas tree at

will come in the future if they allow ing at Lone Star Sunday, such to continue. School will start again next Mon-

Mr. and Mrs. Clark left for Oklatake ashot at the city council, for homa last Saturday to visit relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ratjin spent the such on account of the expense that day in the home of W J. Taylor and

Providence, Dec. 27.-A light snow

house Friday night was well attend-The question of an inspector was ed. Old Santa was present and every

Mr. and and Mrs. Clark and chil-

A few from here attended the Ordinances governing connections Christmas tree at the Lutheran

> Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Brock left last where they will spend the holidays

The party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Lovvorn Saturday nigh was well attended. All those wh were present report a good time. The Prairie Chapel boys and girl

ame over and played the Providence veek. Providence was defeated in

ty attended a Christmas tree at Plain home. view Christmas eve night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dameron and children took Christmas dinner with J. W. Gilbreath and family.

nas holidays with Miss Mable Vei- Q. Carpenter. gle of Plainview. Gladys and Roy Smith of the Sny-

Many from here attended Sunday chool at Whitfield Sunday morning.

FAIRMONT

Dec. 26th.-Everybody is happy a isters spent the day visiting relatives who left a generous supply of gifts T. J. Gill. for everyone at the Christmas tree Relatives from Newland are visit- last Saturday night at Carr's Chapel. from near Lubbock visiting her now. The school children enjoyed a little

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Trowbridge of

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Clubb of Floy.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Snodgrass and mily spent Christmas day with his

acher, Mr. C. Snodgrass of Floydada. Mr. and Mrs. David Battey vsited parents of Lakeview Sunday. Mrs. D. T. Scott and Miss Christine rowbridge have been on the sick list

or several days, but we are glad to port they are both improving. R. B. Gary and family are spending holidays with Mrs. Gary's mother

Mr. Ben F. Brooks is visiting in marillo this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Strickland of Ellis inty are spending the holidays with Strickland's parents, Mr. and drs. O. M. Tinnin.

Quite a number of people of this imunity enjoyed the musical at Mr. Cates' home in the Blanco community ast Monday night.

CENTER

Dec. 26.-Center had a nice pro gram and Christmas tree Saturday ight at the church. Santa was there o the joy of the small children and he remembered us all beyond our expectations.

Rev. Bost filled his regular appoint ent here Sunday, taking Christmas linner at the J. Q. Carpenter home, and leaving Monday morning for Peolia, to visit his parents for a few

Mrs. Montgomery and children took inner Christmas with Mrs. J. F. Coner and children.

Wedding bells at Center rang again ast Monday, when Mr. Marion Carenter and Miss Foy Bryant drove to Mainview and were married at the ple are well known here. Mr. Carpen er has been reared here any Miss Bry ant moved here three years ago. We rish for them all that is good in life. Mr. N .R. Austin and daughter Miss Nova, went to see the sick boy at the Sommers home west of Floyd

Miss Doris Spence spent Monday vith Miss Alma Montgomery. Mr. Cook is repairing the plaster on

his house on the Miller place today. Mr. Tivis has sold the farm he bought from J. H. Foster last year to some parties from McAdoo, but as the place was already leased for next year they will not move here before anoth er crop is gathered.

TELEPHONE-You could throw out the telephone and walk over to the neighbors and chat with them but you are not going to do

LIGHTS You could take out the electric lights and get along with the oil lamp as you did but I don't think you will.

AUTO—Yes, you can get along without them and walk, probably wouldn't get so far but it would be cheaper.

RADIO-We could wait for the dailies for the market, and so far as entertainment we could live without it.

THE DELIVERY-Yes it is one of the modern conveniences and as the telephone, lights, radios, etc, it has come to stay and why shouldn't you use it. You are entitled to all the conveniences of the age. Our wagon travels all day. We stop at your neighbor's and it is very little expense to stop at your door next.

OUR GROCERIES Are the best on the market. Compare prices with the so-called money savers. Its a part of our business to watch the market, hold down the overhead and meet any legitimate competition. We have no baits to get you in. Ours is a cordial invitation to come and investigate.

Baker Mercantile Co.

Mr. J. Z. Woolsey has bought the on their thirty-fifth wedding anniver- ing Christmas holidays with home nove to town this week.

The young people of this commun- ner Christmas at the A. L. Spence Hollums has a brother spending C. M. Meredith and family, Mr. and Christmas with her, so all the children

Christmas at the Noland home. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cone of Wichita Falls are spending Christmas with Miss Exa Lovvorn spent the Christ Mrs. Cone's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Easterling of Haskell holidays.

the community Christmas day visit- Christmas with relatives. ing relatives and friends.

Mrs. W. B. Jordan and families took Ranger. Mr. and Mrs. Willard Phillips and present over the visit of Santa Claus, Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs.

Mrs. C. O. Spence has two sisters ily The married children of Mr. and the holidays with home folks. tree of their own at the school house Mrs. Lindsay Hollums surprised them

bys and girls in basket ball last Lewis Cafe at Floydada, and will sary by bringing dinner and having folks it all on the table before Mrs. Hollums Mrs. McAvoy's brothers took dinner Mr. and Mrs. Tom Noland ate din- knew just what was happening. Mrs. with her.

> Mr. and Mrs. Paul Williams spent were with them again Christmas. AIKEN

and misty. We wish it would really in the Laddy home.

are visiting with Mr. Easterling's sis- had a very good Christmas. Old Santa Bro. Ashby and family took Sunder community attended the party at ter, Mrs. E. W. Lightfoot, during the didn't forget anyone. He sems to day dinner with Bro. Ashby's uncle, know just what everyone wanted. Lee and Byers Golightly were in Saturday for Rule, Texas, to spend

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Brown are Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Spence, Mr. and spending Christmas with relatives at ing gums, loose teeth, Foul breath, or

Christmas dinner with the Jones fam- orrhea Remedy and guarantee it t

Miss Eunice Rutherford is spend- Drug Company

Mrs. O. R. Golightly and daughter, ViVola, took dinner Christmas in the

Meredith home. Mr. Elam and family, Mr. McRey-Dec. 26 .- Today has been cloudy nolds and family spent Christmas day

Mr. Frank Rutherford is spending The people of this community have his vacation with home folks.

Mr. Dick Ashby.

HEAL THOSE SORE GUMS If you suffer from sore gums, bleed-

from Pyorrhea in even its worst form, Mr. Robert Self and family took we will sell you a bottle of Leto's Pyplease you or return money. This is Miss Avia Allen is at home to spend different from any other treatment, and results are certain.-Stewart

ANNOUNCEMENT

We wish to announce that orders for the new Ford car will be filled strictly in the order received. We do not like to see anyone be compelled to pay some one else a bonus in order to secure a new Ford on short notice, and the very thing has been done time and time again during Ford history. The only satisfactory method is to place your order with deposit right now then if you are not ready to take out your car when your turn comes your place will automatically be moved back to the next shipment and so on.

Also we wish to announce that we have just instaled a large shipment of K. R. Wilson shop equipment for servicing the new model A Fords as well as the old model T. This makes our repair shop as modern and efficient as any in the larger cities. Our shop foreman, T. H. Orman took a week of instruction last fall at the Ford Motor Company branch in Dallas and understands the operation of every unit perfectly. We invite you to visit our shop and will gladly explain the operation of this new equipment for motor overhauling and the use of our large assortment of percision tools.

Lockney Auto Co.



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contingencies.

Program Week Commencing

Monday, January 2

Monday and Tuesday-WALLACE BEERY AND

Firemen Save My Child"

RAYMOND HATTON

NEWS

Wednesday and Thursday-MONTE BLUE

Across the Pacific

MONTY OF THE MOUNTED'

Friday-

REGINALD DENNY

"Fast and Furious"

"LOTS OF GRIEF"

Saturday—

JACK HOXIE

"Red Hot Leather"

BUSTER BROWN COMEDY

PERSONAL MENTION

Temple Thornton of Amarillo spent Christmas here with relatives. Frank Griffith of Lubbock visited tives. relatives in Lockney during the holi-

Tech is here visiting her parents this bert. week

SUGAR

Christmas holidays in Dallas visiting week visiting here mother and other holidays visiting friends. friends. relatives. Barney Manning is spending the

holidays in Dallas visiting with reatives. Carter Thompson of Post was here Lockney.

are visiting their parents in Lockney Lee Bean. this week.

Owen Williams spent the holidays and relatives.

Little Miss Elsie Marshall spent Christmas here with Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Marshall.

Zoel Watson has been in Grayson county the past week, spending the holidays visiting.

Miss Lillian Powell who is a student at Texas Tech spent the holi- at this place. lays with her parents.

Wynne Riley has gone to Canyon relativse and friends.

Henry Stalcup and wife of Dimvisiting with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hill of

Floydada spent Christmas visiting home folks in Lockney. Miss Lorraine Still of Plainview spent the Christmas holidays in Lock- with her parents.

ney visiting her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Jno. T. O'Hearn spent Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Davis.

J. W. Lyles and family of Floydada Mrs. A. O. Beck and family. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Carruth of Floy-

dada spent Monday in Lockney visitng T. M. Johnson and family,

Miss Ermalee Rea and brother T. J. Jr., were here the first of the week Mrs. T. H. Orman. from Post City visiting friends. Miss Ruth Hartman spent Christ-

J. H. Hartman, near South Plains. Mrs. Lizzie Morgan of O'Donnell, Grover Freeman of Ringling, Okla- Carter and M. H. Ragle. oma has been here for two weeks

Mr. and Mrs. Dyer of Memphis, Christmas holidays with her parents, Texas have been here spending the Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fox. here visiting with friends and rela- Seaman and Larry Baker.

Miss Pauline Walters a student of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Gil-ter, Mrs. Earl Crawford.

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been living at Vernon, Texas for the ing the holidays visiting with the fampast several weeks have returned to ily of George W. Brewster.

was here Christmas Day visiting Miss Irene Bean of Dallas, Texas school at Follette, Texas spent the school at Miami, Texas, spent the Walter and Emma Hodel of Tech days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wells.

n Fort Worth visiting with friends week visiting their son, L. H. Gruver and Mrs. Lester Stinebaugh.

and family. mas Day in Lockney visiting the Ba- Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Ford. ker families:

holidays visiting relatives and friends Friday for her home in El Paso.

to spend several days visiting with idays in Lockney, visiting his brother band and father, Dr. N. E. Greer. Ralph Ashworth.

Mrs. T. J. Gilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Price spent the Christmas holidays visiting Mr. Prices spending the holidays with their Christmas day in Amarillo visiting parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Price in daughter, Mrs. G.S. Morris and fam-Hollis, Oklahoma.

Mrs. D. E. Sullivan has been here Mrs. R. G. Morgan.

Miss Louise McRee is here during the Christmas holidays visiting Mr. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bruce of Hooker,

Oklaoma have been here for several eaux. mas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. days spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Watson Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ragle of Roscoe

her son, J. H. Anderson and family, season visiting the families of D. P. Miss Iris Mae Fox came down from isiting Mr. and Mrs. Noah Smalley. Amarillo last week end to spend the

colidays with Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Riley Mrs. Alice Smith and son, France R. L. Orman who is a student in Baker, spent Christmas Day in Altus the Canyon Normal spent the holidays Oklahoma visiting Mr. and Mrs. Chris

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bennett and J. F. Gilbert of Lampasas, Texas daughter, Miss Laura spent the past spent the holidays here visiting his week in Dallas, visiting their daugh-

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Bill Mosley who is a student in Miss Tommie Merrick a student of the North Texas A & M. College at

Miss Mary Pope Walker spent the Texas Tech has been here the past Arlington has been here through the weeks came in Christmas Day and

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rogers who have family of Lubbock have been here dur Vernon Wednesday.

Miss Wanda Stinebaugh, who is at- northeast of Lockney. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gruver of Tex- tending school in Abilene spent the homa, Texas have been here the past holidays here visiting her parents Mr.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin McGavock and Lubbock spent the Christmas holi-Mrs. McGavock of Olton spent Christ- days in Lockney visiting their parents day morning for Mineral Wells to

Miss Floy Marshall who has been Mr. and Mrs. Lee Griffis and Bon- here for the past two months visiting nie Griffis have been spending the her parents and other relatives left Lockney the latter part of the week. Mrs. N. E. Greer and sons, Wayne

Delmar Ashworth, who is attending and Doyle have been here spending school at Canyon, is spending the hol- the Christmas holidays with their hus-

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Hicks and chil- Runningwater, Hale county, have mitt, Texas spent the holidays here dren, were here during the holidays been spending Christmas, with Mr. visiting, Mrs. Hick's parents, Mr. and and Mrs. J. M. Watson and family. Mr. and Mrs. Otis Harris of Mem-Miss Ineta Johnson who is a student phis, Texas were here during the

in the West Texas State Teachers Christmas holidays visiting the fam-College is spending the holidays here lies of E. R. Harris and Z. T. Riley Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ragland of Silverton have been here the past week

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hancock and spent Christmas here visiting Mr. and from Corpus Christi, Texas for sev- family of Lubbock have been here eral days spending the holidays with spending the holidays with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Alex New-

> Miss Evelyn, who is a student in and Mrs. Victor McRee and Mr. and the Abilene Christian College is here spending the holidays with her parents, Elder and Mrs. J. E. Arcen-

Miss Hazel Bybee who is attending Baylor College at Waco is here spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Texas spent Christmas here visiting Texas were here during the holiday George Traylor and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Brown

Mrs. A. R. Meriwether and daughters, Misses Maenon and Martha, and son, Duane are here from Lubbock spending the holidays with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Huls of Girard, PIANO RECITAL GIVEN AT Term spent the Christmas holidays in Lockney, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Miller. Mr. Huls is a Christian assisted by the pupils of brother of Mrs. Miller's.

here the latter part of the week visit day night of last week. About twenty ing his brother, Dr. H. H. Ball while numbers were included in the program en route to Fort Worth to spend the and an appreciative audience was i Christmas holidays.

Misses Hula and Eunice Coleman were here from the West Texas State FOR the convenience of users of Teachers College at Canyon spending Franco-American face creams, toilet the holidays with their parents Mr. water, perfumes, face powders, bath and Mrs. H. P. Coleman.

Wardlow, who are teaching school in of these products are not satisfied Ellis county, Texas are here spending with other lines .- Mrs. D. P. Carter the holidays with their sister, Mrs.

rs college at Canyon spent the hold days here visiting her parents, Mr. nd Mrs. F. L. Marble, near town. disses Maye, and Ada and Joe oster, who are students at Texas Tech spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Foster

in the Prairie Chapel community. Miss Pauline Stevenson, a student the West Texas State Teachers ollege at Canyon spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John tevenson of the Lone Star commun

Travis and Juanita Cowart who are attending Texas Tech at Lubbock, spent the Christmas holidays with heir parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Cowart in the Providence commun-

Mr. and Mrs. Howell of White Deer, Texas have been here the past week spending the Christmas holilays visiting Mrs. Howell's mother Mrs. W. T. Reeve and other rela-

Misses Nora and Dora Sams students in the West Texas State Teachers College at Canyon are here spending the holidays with their father W. R. Sams and other relatives and

John Stapleton, who is attending hool at the West Texas State Teachrs college spent the Christmas holilays here visiting his mother, Mrs. J. Stapleton and other relatives. nd friends.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Bryant of San Angelo, were here during the Christmas holidays, visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Rexrode in the Lone Star community. Mrs. Bryant and Mrs. Rexrode are sisters.

Miss Leota Shurbet and Lucy Ewing, who are students in West Texas; State Teacher's College at Canyon, spent the holidays visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Shurbet and Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Ewing. Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Boyd of Kansas are here spending the holidays A. C. GOEN with Mrs. Boyd's parents, Elder and Mrs. J. E. Arceneaux. While here the Boyd's are seeking out a new loation in which to make their home. Dr. J. O. Rogers has moved his

residence to the J. H. Henson home on West Locust street. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Henson have just moved in to the new home just recently built by Mr. Henson in southwest Lock-

Vernon, Texas for the past several Surginer Bldg. Floydada, Tex

spent until Wednesday with her hus-Mr. and Mrs. V. N. Dillard and band Dr. J. O. Rogers, returning to

Elmer Hartman, who is a student Special Attention to Diseases of Chiln the Tech College at Lubbock and Miss Nona Wells who is teaching Miss Ethel Hartman, who is teaching is here this week spending the holi- holidays visiting with her parents, Christmas holidays with their parents Office Mr. and Mr. J. H. Hartman who live

> Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Holland and family of Happy, Texas spent Christmas here visiting his sister, Mrs. T. Misses Dorothy and Ruth Ford of H. Stewart. The Hollands accompanied by Mr. T. H. Stewar left Monvisit relatives. Mr. Stewart will go from there to Denton, Texas where e will visit relatives, returning to Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Orman and

> family and Mr. and Mrs. Sid Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Victor McRee and Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Orman spent Christmas day in Mr. and Mrs. Young Veazey of near the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Casey. J. W. Jackson and Bud Jackson of Ralls were here Christmas visiting their sons and brothers. R. C. and E. D. Jackson.

TAX COLLECTORS NOTICE

The tax collector's force of Floyd county will be in Lockney with the county tax rolls on Tuesday, January 10th for the purpose of collecting all county and state taxes. They will be located at the Security State Bank where they will be glad to serve al those living in the north and western part of the county, who desire to pay their taxes at this time, and do not wish to make a trip to the county seat to pay same. At this time we will attend to all matters pertaining o taxes, as we will be able ta take care of all back taxes etc. All taxe must be paid before midnight Jan uary 31st in order to save the penalty which goes into effect on 1927 taxes on February 1st.

Remember the date and place: Tues lay, January 10th, at the Security State Bank

P. G. Stegall, Tax Collector Floyd County

HIGH SCHOOL FRIDAY EVE

The piano class of Miss Lauream Miss Martha Cox, violin, gave a reci-Dr. Sam W. Ball, of Amarillo, was tal at the high school auditorium Friattendance.

powders, etc., I have a supply at th Misses Nannie Lee and Nettie office of Baker Mercantile Co. User



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perfectly gentle for school children, and family. Good saddle horse, 5 years old for Mr. Jodie Attaway, who has been on spent Ch se's also-Mrs. C. H. Brown, 1 mile a San Angelo, returned home Wednes. ther at Ralls. east of Roseland.

horn hens and pullets, priced right .-

FOR SALE-Bed room furniture, two

STARKEY

FOR SALE or TRADE the Home Dec. 26,-Everyone around here Miss Moss Richardson, English received useful gifts.

The snow that fell Tuesday and

Mrs. J. W. Howard and children day. spent the Christmas holidays in White welded without pre-heating or pulling Deer, with her daughter, Mrs. Frank

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Howard and Mr. Charlie Atkinson took Christmas FR SALE-Small pony, five years old dinner with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Elmore with home folks.

4te day night.

We take this method of thanking one and all for the valued business you have given us during the past year, and since we have been here.

Saturday will be the last day for us to operate under this system, and will not be open for for Business until our PIGGLY-WIGGLY is ready to operate (Watch for opening date).

Wishing you all a Happy and Prosperous Ne wYear. Yours truly,

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more Sunday afternoon. mother in Matador.

their guests Christmas day Mr. and ing Christmas with her grandparents, Mrs. Charlie Finley and J. I. Finley at Goodnight. of Muleshoe, Mr. and Mrs. Clarance Smith of Allmon.

As Mr. Carl Huckabay and Charlie Smith and his two children, of this Mr. and Mrs. R. A. White and O. C. Saturday, about one o'clock, they had a very serious accident. As they were White returned with them. doubtful. Mr. Smith was slightly in- game. jured. The little girl escaped unin-

ANTELOPE

njoyed very much by the many peo- days. ple at Antelope Saturday night, Dec. 24th, ever one was remembered and all went away happy. Everyone showed much Christmas spirit, and went away

wishing a happy new year. iew spent Christmas with Mr. and nesday night. Mrs. W. D. Wisdom and Mr. and Mrs.

Mrs. Eva Cooper's son and family holidays with home folks. are spending Christmas with her. Mr. H. C .Aston of Spur spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. J. M.

Mr. H. W. Cross and Misses Thelma and Bell Cross have returned to their See J. H. Mann, Box 110, Lockney. 15 home near Commerce, to spent Christ-

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hinseny spent

LONE STAR

The Christmas tree at the school attended. A short program was rendered after which the gifts were distributed.

Laundry. For particulars call or seemed to enjoy the Christmas holi- teacher in the Canyon Teachers Colwrite J. R. Davis, Box 130, Lockney, days. The school had a Christmas lege spent part of the Christmas holitree Wednesday afternoon, each one days with her cousins, W. H. Wingo and family.

Bill Bobbitt is home from Baylor for the holidays. He came last Thurs- Monday morning.

Pauline and Albert Stevenson are home for the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Harris and

children spent Christmas in Abilene. Wesley Taylor spent Christmas Messers G. B., Jim, and Bill John-

n spent Christmas with their ma-Mr. and Mrs. T. S. McGebee enter-

Bro. Charley Watkins preached at

siting Vance Ray this week. Mrs. Maggie Tinnin and two children of Kress, Texas spent Christmas

with her father C. W. Smith. Misses Ruby and Rosa Tinnin gave a slumber party for a number of the young ladies Monday night.

FAIRVIEW

auditorium Saturday night, when Plainview are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A

his regular appointment here for the

Mr. and Mrs. S .L. Rushing are having a family reunion this week heir children, who have come from Miss Tommie Rushing of Abilene, and

GOODNIGHT

Dec. 26 .- Mr. Mayball and family have gone to Lone Oak "to spend Christmas with Mrs. Mayhall's moth-

brated their wedding andiversary Miss Sallie Rattan, our primary Christmas Eve with a splendid turteacher, spent Christmas with her key dinner. Several families were present to enjoy the feast. Among School will take up again Tuesday, them were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tibafter a few days vacation for Christ- etts of Silverton; Mrs. Ross and Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins of Quitaue.

Mr. and Mrs. Abbie Finley had as Miss Merrell of Silverton is spend-

Mr. W. F. Cook went to Plainview Saturday.

community, were on their way to town went to Flomot Saturday to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ben White. Anderson

turning a corner about one mile west. The primary room enjoyed a real of Floydada, their car overturned. Mr. pretty little Christmas tree at the Smith's 7 year old boy was instantly school Thursday afternon. Several killed, and Mr. Huckabay was serious- parents were present. After the tree ly injured. His recovery is very the larger boys had an interesting ball

> Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Merrell spent Sunday with Leonard's brother at

Miss Nellie Brown, who is teaching at Bridle Bitt, came home Thursday Dec. 26 .- The Christmas tree was to be with her parents during the holi-

PLEASANT HILL

Dec. 26.—The young people of this community enjoyed a surprise party Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cantrell of Plain at Mr. and Mrs. Fred Battey's Wed-

Miss Laura Mae Mayes left Saturday morning for Lorenzo, to spend the

A large crowd attended a surprise party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Y. Woolsey's last Friday night. All

reported a very enjoyable evening. The people of this community enjoyed a short program before the Christmas tree Saturday night. The little folks especially, seemed to en-

nice presents Santa brought them. Mr. and Mrs. L. Y. Woolsey and little daughter, Vonceil, took Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Brown

Sunday. building on Friday evening was well mas dinner at Mr. and Mrs. Blankenmas dinner a tMr. and Mrs. Blankenship's Sunday. Those present were: Elizabeth Woolsey, Winnie Rae Shelon, Abbie Lee Woolsey, Juanita Hart, Grace Shelton, Geraldine Morgan, Ob-

y Wilkes and Barney Williams. Lula Blankenship spent Sunday night with Juanita Hart. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan left for Ralls

Hazel Blankenship spent Sunday night with Abbie Lee Woolsey. We are having some very damp,

LAKEVIEW

cloudy weather, but no rain, yet.

Dec. 26 .- School turned out Thursafternoon for Christmas holidays In the afternoon Mrs. Gilpin, Miss the Christmas holidays Miss Chenney, Mrs. S. H. Wright of Floydada.

ject to items being sold out, the following

prices will be in effect

until next issue of the

Beacon.

All 10c Toilet Soap Lines	5c
White Swan & S. K. Corn, can	.15c
Pink Salmon Tall Can	.15c
½ Gallon Apple Butter	.45c
Lux Soap Chips Package	.10c
2 Post Bran Flakes	.25c
Rex Breakfast Bacon by side pound	.32c

Readhimer and Miss Wright had a her sister, from Canyon. Christmas tree in each of their rooms. Miss Hazel Jones arrived at home

School will begin again Jan. 2nd. Mr. and Mrs. Gracen Tate of Sand State University. Hill visited Mr. and Mrs. Gilpin a few Miss Opal Nelson and Mr. Joe Breed days ago.

ing his daughter, Mrs. Ollie Conway, holidays. was accompanied to Lubbock by his daughter and her husband, where he Friday to spend the holidays with his ook the train for South Texas. He parents, will spend the winter there.

Mrs. Lee Harry of Amarillo is vis- ant, Miss Mary Readhimer of Floyd ting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud ada.

The children seemed to enjoy their late Thursday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Jones. She has been attending the

who have been attending Simmons Mr. G. S. Price, who has been visit- University are at home for Christmas

Mr. J. A. Rucker left for Quitaque

Miss Vera Readhimer is visiting her

Miss Louise Wright will spend the Mrs. Kiker has as her guest during holidays with her parents, Mr. and

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Lesson for January 1

JOHN THE BAPTIST AND JESUS

LESSON TEXT-Mark 1:1-13. GOLDEN TEXT-He must increase, but I must decrease.

PRIMARY TOPIC-John Tells About JUNIOR TOPIC-John Welcomes and

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOP. ICS-John Prepares the Way for Jesus. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOP.

IC-John Heralds the Mighty One.

In order to understand the lessons for the first six months of the year it is necessary to grasp the central purpose of the Gospel according to Mark. In the Old Testament is set forth an august portrait of Jesus Christ. He is the Branch, the King (Jer. 23:5); the Branch, the Servant (Zech. 3:8); the Branch, the Man (Zech. 6:12); the Branch of the Lord (Isa. 4:2).

The fourfold account in the New Testament called the Gospels, placed alongside of the Old Testament predictions, fits exactly. Matthew presents Him as the King; Mark, the Servant of the Lord; Luke as the Kinsman Redeemer and John as the Son of God. The theme of Mark is the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God (ch. 1:1). The word gospel means "good news." Jesus keans "Savior." Christ means "Anointed." It is good news therefore because it is the good tidings that God has anointed Jesus Christ to be the Savior of the world. The key verse is Mark 10:45, "The Son of Man came not to be ministered unto but to minister and to give His life a ransom for man ?." The key words are, "straightway," "forthwith," "Immediately."

I. Who is Jesus Christ (1:1)? He is none other than God's Be-

loved Son. 11. The Forerunner of Jesus Christ (vv. 2-8)

1. Who he was (vv. 2,3). He was John, the Baptist, who was prophesied of more than five hundred

years before (Isa. 40:3). His mission was to prepare the way for Christ's coming. He represented himself as but a voice of one crying in the wilderness. He was therefore God's voice sounding forth the divine will and purpose. He was content to be but a voice.

John's message (vv. 3-8). (1). Prepare ye the way of the

Lord (v. 3).

It was customary for servants to go before distinguished personages and prepare the road over which they were to travel. In this preparation there was to be removal of stones, the leveling of the surface, etc. John's message meant therefore that the people should remove from their hearts everything which hindered the incoming of the Lord. (2) The baptism of repentance

(v. 4).

In freparation for the coming Christ the people were to repent of their sins. Those who repented were to be baptized. Baptism was to be administered to those who repented as an expression of penitence which led to forgiveness of sin.

(3) The coming of the Messiah (vv. 7, 8).

The coming one was to be much greater than himself; so great that John was unworthy to loose the latches of His shoes. The superior dignity of Christ was not only in His person but in the work He was to perform. 3. His success (v. 5).

People from all over Judea and Jerusalem went out and were baptized. His food and dress indicated that he had withdrawn from the world as a protest against its follies and sins. III. The Baptism of Jesus Christ (vv. 9-11).

Jesus was not baptized because He had sinned and therefore needed repentance, but because He was now about to accomplish a work which would constitute the basis of all righteousness. He was now dedicating Himself to the task of bringing in righteousness through His sacrificial death.

(1) The opened heavens. This indicated His connection with heaven. (2) The descent of the Spirit upon Him. This gave the divine seal to His

(3) The voice of approval from heaven. This made clear to John the fact that Jerus was the Messiah. IV. Jesus Christ Tempted by Satan

(vv. 12.13). This took place immediately after the heavenly recognition. This testing was to demonstrate the reality of the incarnation. Because of this demonstration believers can be assured that the Son of God has become incorporated with humanity for the

From Beginning to End

purpose of its salvation.

But the land, whither ye go to possess it, is a land of hills and valleys, and drinketh water of the rain of heaven; a land which the Lord thy God careth for; the eyes of the Lord thy God are always upon it. from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year.-Deut 11:11-12.

From God's Hand Whatever comes from God's hand bears good fruit,-Fenelon.



MUST FEED COWS FOR PRODUCTION

If the dairy industry of North Carolina is to profit most from the introduction of pure-bred cows and buils brought in by farmers in recent years, the offspring from these animals must be well fed.

"In the three dairy improvement campaigns conducted in this state during the last three years about 850 pure bred, well selected dairy buils have been placed on that many farms," says John A. Arey, dairy extension specialist at the North Carolina State college. "This does not include a number of other fine animals brought in through private sales. If the dairy industry is to derive any great benefit from the use of the animals, their offsprings must be well fed. This is true from the time the calf is dropped until it has passed its usefulness as a milk cow. Many heifers sired by good bulls have been disappointments and have been stunted in growth and production by underfeeding when they were young."

Mr. Arey states that good breeding is very important in building up the milk and cream production of a herd, but it is ineffective unless the good breeding is accompanied by good feeding. Underfeeding, he states, is largely responsible for dairy cows of this state averaging only about 150 pounds of butterfat a year. This quantity of butterfat selling for 45 cents a pound brings only \$67.50 which will not pay for the feed the cow eats In many cases, the production may be increased from 150 pounds to 225 pounds by liberal feeding. At 45 cents a pound the 225 pounds of fat will bring \$101.25 which is enough to give the farmer a good profit for all the feeds he produces on his farm and feeds to his cows.

These animals which will not produce as high as 225 pounds of fat when well fed, should be culled from the herd and sold to the butcher; but, no cow should be so condemned until she has had a chance under good feed ing and care, states Mr. Arey.

Winter Water Supply Is

Important for the Cows Dairy cows which are giving from 25 to 30 pounds of milk daily will need from nine to ten gallons of water daily, while cows that are giving only a small amount of milk can get along on half of this amount. This fact alone demonstrates that a good water

supply is a prerequisite of successful dairying. out into a cold nort shiver while they are trying to drink out of a trough partially covered with ice, it stands to reason that they will not drink a sufficient amount to produce efficiently. From a standpoint of feed alone, it is cheaper to heat the water with coal or oil than it is

use of high-priced feed. If the question of economy alone would not be so important. However, cows will not produce to their maximum capacity when they are forced to drink ice water. When such conditions exist, it is only natural that cows will drink only sufficient to keep up their body requirements.

Electricity Is Needed

to Operate Water Motor

It is easy to install a water system that will give a supply of water at all oned elevated tank in the attic or outlatest development is a little compact, automatic electric pump, a little pneuconnections. Set it at the pressure desired-when the pressure drops the tank helps to maintain a steady pressure, which means a uninform flow Of course electricity is necessary to operate the motor, but this is rapidly being made available almost every

Cream Separator

A cream separator properly installed, lubricated and operated under normal conditions from day to day should not have a wide variation in tests, but there are so many factors, such as temperature, speed of the machine, etc., that affect the tests that it is well to give all of these factors consideration before becoming suspicious of your cream buyer. When the cream screw is turned toward the center it will deliver a much richer

Modern Dairy Methods

The saving of time and labor which is possible with modern dairy-barn construction may easily make the difference between profit and loss. Handled by old methods, the management of a dairy herd was a hard grind which took all the strength a man had, and gave a basis for the assertion that dairying was a dog's life The newer methods and modern equipment make it possible to handle the job with much less labor and yet do it better.



BOARD BILL FOR HORSE REDUCED

The board bill for a horse on an Ohio farm was less last year then for any year in the past decade, farm records studied by economists of the Ohio agricultural experiment station now

An average of \$60.73 was enough to feed a horse last year, if 82 horses on 20 Putnam county farms are typica! of horses the state over. Their feed records were part of the complete farm records kept in co-operation with the agricultural extension service of the Ohio State university and the experiment station.

Lower prices for corn, oats and hay in 1926 were responsible for the lower cost of feeding horses last year, explains John F. Dowler, rural econo-

mist on the experiment station staff. During 1920-24, according to records of 22 Medina county farmers, the average annual feed cost for a horse was \$103.39. Part of the lower cost in Putnam county last year, however, Mr. Dowler points out, existed because the Putnam county men fed 800 pounds less grain per horse, and allowed them to pasture three months longer than did the Medina county farmers.

The menu on these Putnam county farms last year was 22 bushels of corn and 18 bushels of oats for the grain ration for each horse. This was supplemented with 3,200 pounds of hay, 2,600 pounds of corn stover and 206 pounds of ensilage per horse. Besides these feeds, the horses were allowed to graze on pasture after work hours for six months of the year.

Horse Appreciates Big,

Deep-Bedded Box Stall Night is the chief time of sleep for domestic animals other than the dog and cat. Many people have not seen a horse sleeping, the reason being that the poor, weary creature often is kept disturbed. He is the most nervous and wakeful of the farm animals. Not a wink of sleep will be take when mice and rats run about him in the stable, and if his stall is near the door he may be kept awake by constantly watching for the entrance of the man to whom he looks for feed and whose grooming and harnessing he dreads.

When allowed the luxury of a box stall, the work horse usually lies down and sleeps for five or six hours at night, but when tied in a narrow single stall, where he cannot comfortably recline, or when the floor is wet and filthy, he may stand persistently. Sin-When dairy cows are forced to go gle horse stalls commonly are much too narrow. When narrower than the horse is tall, stretching out is impossible, and the tired horse in conse quence has to lie in a cramped position, writes Dr. A. S. Alexander in the Farm and Fireside.

A double stall for two horses often is as objectionable. If one horse lies to heat it in the cow's body by the down in a somewhat crosswise position there is no room for the other to do so, and he is forced to stand. In were the only point to consider, it that position he may doze now and then, but he gets little refreshing sleep. When a horse that stands habitually is turned in a roomy, deeply bedded box stall, and left alone, be will usually sigh with relief, lie down, and go peacefully to sleep.

Spoil Grade Holsteins

by Introducing Jersey

In every community with which we are familiar, there are mep who have dissipated promising breeding ventures times under pressure. The old-fash- by crossing high-grade stock with a sire of some entirely different type side on a tower will work, but the and breed. For instance, one man spoiled a herd of grade Holsteins by self-contained automatic pump that introducing as his fourth sire, a Jercosts less than \$75. I' consists of an sey buil "to add richness to the milk." A sheep raiser who had made some matic tank and the necessary pipe real progress in developing a herd of fine wools, one day succumbed to the idea of increasing the size by changpump starts working and keeps on ing to an Oxford ram. This habit of until the pressure is up again. The switching from one breed to another is the best way to develop a sort of live stock menagerie for the farm. While an occasional individual from these crosses is a good producer of live stock products, progress stops at the first cross.

In Cold Weather Lambs Become Chilled Easily

Ewes which lamb in January or February require more attention than those which lamb in April or May. In cold weather lambs become chilled quickly at birth, and many young are lost through neglect at this time. Lambs should be dried off immediately after birth and given artificial warmth if needed. As soon as possible the new-born should suckle the ewe. Before lambing the ewe should be separated from the rest of the flock.

Houses for Farrowing

Pigs should be farrowed in a clean ouse, nursed by clean sows and not allowed to run in muddy pens. They should be removed from the house to a clean pasture field where they should be held for four months, when they will be quite safe from further danger. Fields that have been cropped and not used by hogs for two years are safe and clean. Some temporary sheds may be required for use in the spring when the pigs are moved to the

FEED REQUIRED FOR CHICKENS

From time to time we receive inquiries asking how much feed is required for producing chickens, says the Iowa Homestead. These people appreciate that the feed cost is one of the important considerations in raising poultry. Too often people believe that it is the whole cost, for some do not make allowance for other costs, such as mortality, depreciation on

buildings, labor, etc. The Connecticut experiment station determined the amount of feed which was required to grow White Leghorn and Rhode Island Red chicks till they were 24 weeks of age. At that age Leghorns had consumed 22.13 pounds per bird and the Red 25.77 pounds. The Leghorns weighed 3.28 pounds and the Reds 4.3 pounds per bird.

The Indiana station reports that it took approximately 30 pounds of feed to raise White Rock pullets to 28 weeks of age. From these two reports it would seem likely that average amounts of feed needed to reach maturity would be approximately 25 pounds for Leghorns and from 30 to 35 pounds for the heavy breeds.

Some figures are also available on the amount of feed that will be consumed by hens in a year. The smaller breeds require less than the larger breeds and hens that do not lay heavily will consume less than those that are heavy layers. Heavy taying Leghorns will consume approximately 75 pounds of feed yearly per ken, while the heavier breeds will need about 85 pounds.

Skim Milk Recognized

Feed for All Poultry

Skim milk is a recognized feed for poultry from the baby chick on up to the laying pullet, and as a supplement to either home-grown feeds or the commercial product, it is recommended by successful poultrymen and specialists the world over.

Those engaged in the poultry business must necessarily have high production. Unless they have an abundance and a variety of feeds and know how properly to mix them, the com mercial feed must be used. This is also the case with every farmer who seeks high production.

Commercial poultry feeds, in most cases, are the result of scientific relower the cost of production by pro- desires. all the skim milk available.

Preventing Egg Losses

Is Not Difficult Task of the eggs shipped to wholesale mar kets have no commercial value beshrunken, rotten or moldy. The fol- silo filling. lowing conditions will almost entirely eliminate losses from these sources: Eggs for market should weigh from one and one-half to two pounds per dozen; be uniform in size; be free from dirt, but not washed; be strong shelled, fresh and infertile. They should be laid in clean nests, gathered often, never taken from an incubator nor from stolen nests; they should be kept in a cool, dry place until delivered at the market.

No Difficulty Is Met

in Picking Out Layers

No difficulty should be met in picking out the best-laying or the poorestlaying bens in the farm flock. With some birds, however, the distinguishing marks are not so distinct and may sometimes be rather contradictory. Thus one hen may be an early molter and yet show good body apth. Another bird may molt late and at the same time show poor quality. Birds of this type are usually medium producers, and the owner must decide whether they should be kept or sold.

Affects Egg Size

It is possible in forcing feeding when the hen lays day after day for a week or two that the egg will gradually lose in size, depending on the ben and the kind of food eaten. If the hen bas inherited capacity to lay many eggs, and she gets the right kind of foods. she will lay normal-sized eggs even though laying heavily. To lay many normal eggs the hen must be fed plenty of protein foods, such as are found in the mash, especially during the winter.

Avoid All Drafts

There should be no drafts in the conitry house in fall and winter. The sides of the house should be as nearly air-tight as it is possible to make them. This applies also to the roof. This is one reason why shingle roofs are not satisfactory. The air sifts through and considerable beat is allowed to escape. Drafts are responsible for the birds contracting colds. Cracks should be completely closed so that comfort will be afforded to the laying flock.

Test Dairy Herd Every Two Months

Owners May Obtain Many Benefits of Association Work at Lower Cost.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Dairymen owning small herds may btain many of the benefits of association testing at a lower cost per cow than would be obtained by the regular dairy herd improvement association method. This fact is brought out in Circular 1-C entitled "Testing Cows for Production Every Other Month," by Dr. J. C. McDowell, dairy husbandman of the United States Department of Agriculture. As the title suggests, the method involves testing every other month, or six times a year, instead of every month or 12 times a year, as in the regular association. In other respects the two methods are alike.

Figures Used in Study.

The figures used in the study on which the circular is based were those frem a herd of 70 cows at the Minnesota agricultural experiment station, and included the day-to-day milking records for the year. With these figures as a basis, the feed, production and income records were calculated for six test days, and the errors were computed by comparison with the actual figures for the year. The average error due to testing one day In two months was 3.8 per cent as compared with an average error of 2.91 per cent in monthly tests. In 24 cases out of 70 the error was 5 per cent or more, as compared with 16 cases out of 70 in the monthly method. The greatest error was 12.5 per cent, as against 8.3 per cent on the monthly basis.

Where Herds Are Small.

The circular concludes: "It is not expected that the method of testing every other month will take the place of the regular dairy herd improvement association method, but that it may find its own place in those districts where the dairy herds are small."

The circular may be obtained by writing to the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington,

Mounting Corn Shellers

on Automobile Trucks

Custom corn-sheller owners are mounting their shellers on automobile trucks. The sheller is operated by a power take-off arrangement from the search. Their efficiency has been dem- transmission of the truck. With this onstrated so many times that there is combination of equipment, the sheller no room for argument, but no farmer owner increases his radius of operawill make a mistake if he seeks to tion by ten or fifteen miles, if he so

ducing his own grains and by utilizing | Traveling from job to job at a rate | floor joists is completely closed at the of eight or ten miles per hour, the wait between shelling jobs when a number of farmers wish to shell at the same time is greatly reduced, a great advantage when the price of The season is near at hand for con- corn takes a sudden jump or seems verting feed crops into eggs. No one in danger of declining. The outfit is wants to put labor into the produc easily set at the crib and requires tion of feeds and then lose their value. much less space than a tractor or

It is estimated that about 17 per cent steam engine and a 40 or 50-foot belt. The days of work of custom shellers can thus be increased materially cause of their being dirty, broken, or each year, as they can shell before having chick development, or being and after harvest and again following

Creosote Is Practical

Preservative for Wood

Since many farmers de not have an implement shed, and will continue to get along without one, it may be well to suggest other methods of protecting the machinery. On many implements the tongue, neckyoke and eveners are the only wooden parts. These parts may be taken off and stored in the barn or in other sheltered places; of they may be protected by paint. Paint protects wood only by keeping moisture and insects out, so it is neces sary that the wood be kept thoroughly covered with paint. Coal tar creosote s the most practical wood preservaive. It must penetrate the pores of the wood to protect It. Ordinary paint cannot be used over creosote,

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Concrete should be placed in the forms as soon as possible after it has been mixed.

By the use of septic tank, a farmer can have the benefits of modern plumbing in his home.

A small farm smokehouse can be built of concrete staves which are used in silo construction. . . .

metal lath, will prevent fire from penetrating the walls of a farmhouse. Many farmers build small feeding

Portland cement plaster, applied on

floors for their hogs, with a view to adding to them as the herd increases Put away all machinery not in use, after oiling and greasing to prevent

rust. Make note of all needed re-

Portland cement is sold in sacks containing one cubic foot. By counting the number of sacks in his storeroom, the farmer can tell exactly what volume of cement he has on

Must Prepare Early for Spring Garden

First Thing Is to Secure the Necessary Amount of Seed.

Those who plan to have a garden next sprin; bould begin to think of it now. First, a decision must be made as to whether a garden is wanted sufficiently to give it attention. Next, the garden plans need to be made, for when the spring weather comes, the gardener who is prepared to plant is the one who will get the early vegetables.

"To make plans for the garden, look first to the seed supply," says Robert Schmidt, vegetable specialist for the department of horticulture at the North Carolina State college. "Seedsmen are now getting out their spring seed catalogues, which may be had for the asking. Place an order so that sufficient seeds of the right varieties will be on hand when they are needed for planting. If any seeds are left over from last year, they should be tested for germination to see if they are still viable. This can be done by placing a few seeds between moist blotting paper or cloths and keeping them in a warm place for a few days.

"For an early garden pick out a light, sandy piece of ground. A clay loam soil will be best for summer and fail. It is not to be supposed that good vegetables can be raised on a poor soil. Well-rotted stable manure is the best fertilizer for a vegetable garden. If the soil is in good condition and contains plenty of humus, high-grade commercial fertilizers may be substituted for the manure. Get the manure or fertilizer at once; be prepared."

Rats Annually Destroy Big Amount of Property

Rats destroy \$200,000,000 worth of property in the United States every year. In order to cut down this waste, it is necessary to build out these destructive animals. New buildings are constructed with continuous concrete foundations two feet below the ground level. In order to prevent the pests from gnawing, the foundations are extended one foot above the

When posts and plers are used for supports, they are made high enough to raise the building at least 18 inches above the earth, if the building is not more than 30 feet wide. The height is increased six inches for each additional ten feet in width. This prac tice discourages the rats from using the place below buildings for shelter.

When the space between the piers is walled up, windows or screened openings as large as practicable are provided to admit light from at least three sides. The space between the wall with two-inch plank wide er to lap over the lower edge of the sill. The boxed space thus built is filled with concrete.

Concrete floors are used whenever possible. These are laid directly upon well drained, well packed soil, or upon a base of well packed cinders, gravel or stone.

All necessary openings are protected with 14-inch mesh, 12-gauge wire screen. Doors are provided with spring hinges to insure their automatic closing.

Give Extra Protection

to Bees During Winter

Bees should get extra protection during the winter months. It should be applied as soon as frost destroys the food supply. It is well to make sure that the bees have plenty of honey to carry them until the next sea-

Excepting where winters are severe no particularly elaborate precautions need be taken, writes C. W. Rapp of Arkansas in Capper's Farmer. In an extra super, set on top of the stores, a sack full of leaves or straw should be placed. Care should be taken to leave plenty of room for the bees to pass from comb to comb from above. Reducing the size of the front entrance also will tend to make the hive warmer.

Protection for the hive proper may be obtained by fencing around all but the front of the hive with low chicken wire. The space between the hive and the wire should be filled with leaves, straw or hay. Protection from the north is desirable, and the hive should be facing some other way.

Orchard Sanitation Is

Very Important Factor

It is very difficult to control brown rot of peaches and worms that get into peaches on trees that may be located near wild plum thickets or other peach trees not well cared for in the way of spraying. In other words, general orchard sanitation is a very important factor in the control of insects and diseases in any peach orchard.

One can do a great deal toward reducing brown rot by watching for the cankers or diseased spots on the small twigs and cutting them out when the trees are being pruned in the winter. It is also important to remove and destroy all decayed or mummied fruit from the trees and from the ground

near the trees. If there are any wild plum thickets near your peach trees you will find it very difficult to control the curculio which causes wormy peaches as this insect breeds in wild plums as well

NEW CHEVROLETS WILL

Dyer Motor Co., Will Unload Several sembly plants since December 15 so bear on the new product, officials 1. I will not whine, growl, or com-Models on Monday Morning January 2nd

bile of all time, the Chevrolet Motor let sales officials who have been mill- by Chevrolet. a complete new line of motor cars will of the new line.



W. S. KNUDSEN President & General Manager Chevrolet Motor Co

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will be simultaneous exhibitions of dustry. the new car that has caused so much dicussion in the last few months.

This gigantic distribution achievement of supplying thousands of dealorganization and the tremendous re- ing 1928. ources and production facilities of the Chevrolet Motor Company, Never uch a limited space of time.

Cars will be ready for the boule- praise and worship. vards and highways immediately after the first of the year. Production at

in design and construction. New raise neraly a hundred dollars to pay dry goods store at Lamesa spent the let would very shortly introduce a standards of beauty are promised. the interest this year. We can't af- Christmas holidays here visiting their new car of surpassing interest, W. S. Easier handling and smoother riding ford to fail. Our prayer is that God parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Ayres. Knudson president of the Chevrolet qualities are heralded as ome of the will not let us fail. Have you done Motor Company declared that the of- outstanding features of the new Che- your best? For the Master's sake family left Friday of last week to

tails of Chevrolet's sensational new Many unlooked for changes have and clear our church of all debt! All Mrs. Hohlaus' mother, Mrs. J. A. Abproduct would come Sunday, January been made in the appearance of the who have subscribed are asked to pay ney and other relatives at Texline. 1st. No details will be available un- car, according to reports, providing as soon as possible as we would like They will return home the latter part the new Chevrolet with a beauty and to pay off the notes by January 1. of this week.

to make motor car history ing of low priced transportation, Les- tions? It is better to aim high and visiting her uncle and aunt Mr. and

sons learned from millions of miles miss your goal than to aim nowhere BE HERE JANUARY 1ST | Shipments of the new cars to deal- of testing on the General Motors prov and get there. Don't you think the ers have been leaving the various as- ing prounds have been wrought to following worthy of your best efforts that the vast country-wide dealer or- declare. In fact all the resources of plain, but will encourage, pull, and ganization may be prepared for the General Motors have been employed push. introductory showing next Sunday, for months to design and build the | 2. I will endeavor to minimize the Detroit, Dec. 28.—Promising the Unbridled enthusiasm is being display- car that is heralded by a wide margin faults of others and strive to magnimost spectacular low priced automo- ed over the new cars by the Chevro- the greatest automobile ever offered fy their virtues.

Company announced here today that ing into Detroit for private showings More than 5,500 newspapers across and a brother and try never to cause the entire country will assit through strife, friction, or division. be introduced to the public January | Practically every Chevrolet dealer their advertising columns in broad- 4. I will strive to see less of your in the United States will have cars casting the announcement, which will duty and to do more of mine. In confirming reports that Chevro- ready for public inspection January take the form of one of the most 5. My motto shall be, "Do nothing From Bangor, Mo., to San Diego comprehensive advertising campaigns you would be ashamed to for Jesus and from Miami to Vancouver there ever attempted in the automobile in- to stand by and watch you do, say and \$1,800 from the First National

BAPTIST CHURCH

ers with cars in such a brief space of on time for Sunday School and church of others, and let it be said that for time was made possible only through next Sunday. Strive to be present me to live is Christ living among the intention of going on toward Fort giving prompt, efficient service. This the farseeing policy of the Chevrolet on time every Sunday morning dur- men.

Song Sermon

The Debt Payment

the various assembly plants through- the payment of the notes on the pas- ing his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. out the United States is racing along tors home. We must have \$100.30 F. M. Light. Mrs. Crager who has as fast as precision manufacturing more if this debt is paid by January been visiting in Altus for the past Unofficial reports from the Che- with the understanding that the notes Crager. vrolet offices here say that the new were to be paid in full. If the entire Mr. and Mrs. Madison Ayres and car will embody many improvements amount is not paid we will have to Carlie Ayres who are conducting a let's raise this other hundred dollars spend the Christmas holidays with

New Year's Resolutions

3. I will try to be a comrade friend

nothing you would be ashamed to bank here at 2:40 Saturday afternoon for him to stand by and hear you after locking three bank officials in

6. May daily prayer shall be "Lord Start the new year right by being help me to think less of self and more wood. It was believed that the men

My sincere wish for the new year is that whether you are young or At 7 p. m. next Sunday we expect old, saint or sinner, God will from in the history of the industry will so to have another sermon in song. Mu- His unwasted fullness send you every many new models of one make have sic is the gift of God. It should be thing that will be for your good and been placed in the dealer's hands in used for His Glory. You are invited for His glory! May his very best to come and join us in a service of blesings be yours during 1928-C. J.

Grady Crager spont the forepart We have \$865 subscribed toward of the week in Altus, Oklahoma visit-These subscriptions were made two weeks will return home with Mr.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hohlaus and

Chevrolet Company assembly plants style appeal, unexampled in the low and stop the interest. Hand your Miss Celia Whitt who is teaching money to either E. E. Dyer or the school at Uvalde, Texas has been here car since December 1. factories in Without disclosing details, Chevro- pastor. Let's each of us do his best spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Whitt, Miss Aline Showalter of Abilene, Texas Do you make New Year's Resolu- was here the latter part of last week

Mrs. W. L. Whitt. Miss Roy Riley who is attending

view spent Christmas day here, visiting Mrs. Nichols' parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Cox.

TWO UNMASKED MEN ESCAPE WITH LOOT OF ZEPHYR BANK

Zephyr, Texas, Dec. 25.-Two unnasked men obtained between \$1,500 the vault and escaped in a touring car reported stolen at noon in Brownwere headed toward Commanche with are evidently intending to continue

bank, W. L. Johnson, and C. A. John-dealers. It will be worth your time son assistant cashier, were alone in to drop in and let them explain the the institution, preparing to close the use of their percision tools and new day's business, when two robbers ap- motor overhauling machinery. peared with drawn pistols. The three men were ordered in the vault and the bandits set the combination on the holidays in Corpus Christi visiting them, but citizens were able to effect with Mrs. Childer's relatives and then the rescue of the bankers shortly af- went to San Antonio where Mr. Chil-

was missed by the robbers.

Skipping said the bandits were nice school at West Texas State Teachers ly dresed in gray suits. They had college at Canyon this year is here been in the town for more than an this week spending the holidays with hour, according to business men, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Riley. purchased food and cigarets here.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Nichols of Plain Merchants said they seemed nervous. Sheriff White of Brown county was at Cisco when the car was stolen in Brownwood and was returning because of that incident, when the bank

here was raided. Zephyr is 14 miles east of Brownwood on the Santa Fe.

INSTALLING NEW MACHIN. ERY AT LOCKNEY AUTO CO.

The Lockney Auto Co., local Ford dealers, are installing new machinery to service the new Model A. Ford, and machinery is the very latest along W. M. Skipping, president of the modern as those of any of the largest

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Childers spent ders attended the State Convention of A considerable sum in silver money Southwestern Life Insurance Agents



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COW TESTING RECORDS SHOW | Ten High Herds in Butter Fat Comparison of October and November, '27 BANDITS HOLD UP CISCO GAIN IN AVERAGE NET PROFIT

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The second month of cow testing work has been completed by J. A Stark and the results while not startling show that the testing has already begun to prove profitable. The ten high herds last month showed a net profit of 76 cents per head over the previous mont. These ten herds showed an average net profit of \$12. 7 for October and 47.8 in November. His profit per cow increased from \$3.95 to \$9.32. Mr. Potts attributes the increase to the fact that he chang ed the feed giving more roughage and less concentrator.

L. B. Hendricks cut is herd down from 13 to 10 cows raising both his fat production and net profit.

Fritz Pychs was called away from home last month and failed to give proper attention to his herd of si jerseys. Both his fat production and net profit consequently droped con siderably.

J. E. Rigler added a cow to his herd of nineteen jerseys, cut down his fat production of an inch, bu raised his average profit more tha two dollars a head by a change feed.

Stansell, who dropped off on bot fat average and net profit sold elever nead of grade Jersey cows and re placed them with some animals tha were dry.

These are some of the reasons tha are given that will account for par of the comparative showings las month. Another factor that lowered the November average was that one less day was figured in this mont than last.

A comparative record of the ter high herds and twenty-two high cow

LOCKNEY PUBLIC SCHOOL

The Lockney Public school holidays children he did not forget to visit presented with a hankerchief. In an-enjoyable occasion was had by all. the high school study hall. It is pro- other contest which was very amusbable that Santa Claus was offended ing the boys were required to design KNOX FAMILY HOLDS Thursday for this reason. As he was a paper dress for their partners. Mr. climbing the stairs, he met a girl of D. V. Biggers and Miss Helen Marie the Junior class. He spoke and said Upton were the winners. They were "Betcha' don't know who I am!"

touched a soft spot in some of their occasion of the year. hearts and made them wish they were

cial geography, civics and history classes in the persons of Supt. Bigers and Mr. Burson. Each class was hocolates by these teachers.

pils exchanged greetings of "Merry Ayres of Lamesa; Waller Ayres of Christmas" and then the pupils bound Kress, Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Montgomed away with the thought of "No ery of White Deer, Texas and Lee and longing to the A. L. Rains family more books, no more pencils for ten Robert of Lockney. An enjoyable all gathered at the parental home

SENIORS CELEBRATE YULE-TIDE AT THOMAS HOME

December 20, the Seniors were entertained at the home of Miss Carma Thomas, senior sponsor with a Christmas party. The house was artisti- A. J. Crager spent the holidays in cally decorated in the holiday colors, Lockney at the parental home, outside but surpassing all other decorations of the children living in Lockney, sister, Mrs. Buck Sams.

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	J. B. Potts		4	39.2	47.8	\$ 3.95	\$ 9.32	Cream
	L. B. Hendricks		10	39.2	40.7	10.71	14.29	Milk
ij	Fritz Fuchs		6	41.5	33.9	10.76	10.76	Cream
1	Tech College	15	16	31.2	33.9	30.58	33.54	Milk
d	J. E. Rigler			33.2	32.3	13.18	15.67	Butter
	E. E. Presser	4	5	34.8	31.9	7.45	8.20	Cream
	Joe Vaughn		11	31.6	31.6	13.39	12.25	Butter
9	J. R. May			29.3	29.3	6.58	6.58	Cream
	The same and a second second second second			32.1	27.4	18.78	14.56	Milk
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J. B. Potts	Muley	1,113.	5.6	62.3	Jersey
Tech College	Sylvia	2,154	2.7	57.2	Holstein
Tech College		2,109	2.6	54.8	Holstein
J. B. Potts	Baker	1,057	5.1	53.9	Jersey
reen coneke	Veeman	1,625	3.3	53.6	Holstein
Tech College	Al Cartra	2,289	2.3	52.6	Holstein
L. B. Hendrick	Fern	1,353	3.8	51.4	Jersey
J. E. Rigler	Maggie	948	5.4	51,2	Jersey
J. E. Rigler	Randel	1,038	4.6	47.7	Jersey
J. E. Rigler	Winnie	1,014	4.7	47.7	Jersey
L. B. Hendrick	Sansom	1,098	4.1	45.0	Jersey
J. E. Rigler	Ruby	. 828	5.2	43.1	Jersey
J. E. Rigler	Minnie	780	5.5	42.9	Jersey
A. M. Griffin	Morehead	621	5.4	42.1	Jersey
Joe Vaughn		780	2.7	42.0	Holstein
Tech College	Snead	1,554	5.1	40.7	Jersey
Fritz Fuchs		798	4.7	40.3	Jersey
J. E. Rigler	Jewell	858	4.8	39.5	Jersey
L. B. Hendrick	Muzzle	822	5.0	39.5	Jersey
	Buttercups	789	6.3	39.5	Jersey
Joe Vaughn		627	6.3	39.5	Jersey
W. A. King	Dora Dell	774	5.1	39,5	Jersey
AVERAE		1,144	5.1	51.7	
NOV. AV.					
12 Cows		1,142	5.0	53.9	

was the customary Christmas tree, those present were: Mr. and Mrs. DISMISSED FOR HOLIDAYS It was loaded with presents, tinsel and J. M. Johnson and family of Plain-

"Well, no I don't" the Junior replied As the night were on the merri- Lockney at the homes of their daugh-Why was Santa Claus of course! ment increased. At a rather late ters, Mrs. R. E. Patterson and Mrs. But that's the way of those Juniors. hour refreshments consisting of sand- Ralph Ashworth, during the holidays. Excue this incident Santa, and we wiches, pickles, olives, coca and mints Those present on this occasion were hope you don't feel hurt. Call again were served to all the Seniors, except Miss Ruth Knox who is attending C. I. two for whom it was impossible to A. at Denton, Miss Margie Knox Many of the ex-seniors of Lockney be present. Soon afterward the who is attending school at T. W. C. High visited school Thursday. The guests departed after expressing their Fort Worth; Hal Knox of Sherman old scenes and the old daily routine appreciation of the most enjoyable Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Knox. of Krum,

CHILDREN OF MR. AND MRS

Ayres all gathered here to be present experienced by all. presented with a box of delicious at the parental home Christmas Day. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ma- A. L. RAINS FAMILY When 3:15 came teachers and pu- dison Ayres, Carlie and Frederick Christmas was enjoyed by all. Those home here Christmas day. Those living at Lamesa returned to that present were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sam place Monday morning.

RE-UNION OF CRAGER

All the children of Mr. and Mrs.

view; Mrs. H. E. Haygood of Amaril-Each guest brought with him or her lo; Mrs. John Tucker of Wortham, began December 22nd and will con- that happy Christmas spirit and not and Mrs. Ray Light of Kendrick, Okla tinue until January 2, 1928. Santa a gloomy face was present. Contests Others present were Ray Light of Claus visited down in the grades furnished the greatest amount of Kendrick, Oklahoma; Mrs. Johnson, Thursday bringing the little boys and amusement among which was a poe- mother of J. M. Johnson of Plainview girls many presents. Altho' most of try composing contest which was and Mrs. R. D. Hatchell and daughter his time was spent with the grade won by Miss Ruth Stapleton who was Miss Edith of Plainview. A most

RE-UNION HERE CHRISTMAS

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Knox of Sherpresented with a set of toy blocks. man enjoyed a family re-union in Texas; Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Knox of return. Olton, Mr. and Mrs. R. E Patterson E. L. AYRES HERE CHRISTMAS Lockey, and with the children and grandchildren there were twenty-four the thigh by The children of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. present. An enjoyable occasion wa

The children and their families be man of Kress, Texas; Ross Carthe and family of near Plainview, Mil ford Carthel and family and J. J. FAMILY HELD HERE Frizzell and family north of Lockney A most enjoyable occasion was had.

> Dick Thompson of Clovis, N. M. ent the holidays here visiting his

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Half Dozen Persons Hit by Bullets During Gun Fight

CISCO, Texas, Dec. 23.-Mob rumors following the death Friday night of Chief of Police G. E. Bedford, wounded in persuing robbers who held up the First National Bank here Friday, caused the removal of Louis E. Davis, also wounded in the \$12,000 robbery, to Eastland.

Chief Bedford died at 8 p. m.

A large crowd incensed at the death of the Chief of Police and at the use of children as a screen by the robbers, had gathered about the hospital in which Davis was under guard To forestall possible violence he was removed in an ambulance.

In answer to questions of officers after a physician had told him he would probably die, Davis said he ived in Wichita Falls where he had three children, a father and a brother. he had worked there six years in a glass factory he said.

Names One of Men

Davis gave the name of one of the escaped robbers as Henry Crockett of Ardmore, Okla., saying that Crockett came from Wichita Falls late Thursday and joined the others at a point near South Bend, Stephens county, where they camped on the creek during the night.

Half a dozen persons in addition to Chief Bedford and Davis were wounded during the holdup which was staged by a robber wearing a Santa Claus costume and four others. Marion Olson, a Harvard University student home for the holidays, was shot in the general firing possibly by a citi-zen firing at the robbers. Olson was one of the customers in the bank whom the robbers ordered into the car as a screen. He told the robbers he was wounded and got out of the

car in defiance of their weapons. Laverne Comer, 12, and Emma Mae Robinson, 10, were the children forced into the car and later abandoned in with orders to lie down so they ould not see which way the robbers

All of the money was recovered ashier Alex Spears, who received a illet in the jaw, reported Thursday ight. Its recovery due to the fact hat the Comer child ordered to hand ver the sack passed over a sack currency and \$150,000 in non-ne-

Chief Shot During Fight

Chief Bedfrod was shot while exas shot in the head as he ran to nswers the alarm. R. L. Day cafe man, walked up to the rear of one VICTIM SLAIN BY BLOW ON of the robbers cars and attempted to fire into it, but the pistol snapped

ENJOYS RE-UNION HERE found in the vicinity of the spot where

MAN IS COERCED INTO CAR BY TWO ARMED MEN

Kidnapers Told Carl Wylie They needed Car to Take Injured Woman To Hospital

BAIRD, Dec. 26 .- A twenty-four search by Sheriff Everett Hughes and large possee had failed to uncover clue in the kidnaping of Carl Wylie 22. forced into a motor car at a pis ols point at his home 15 miles north everal unidentified men.

Asserting that their automobile had cen in a wreck and that they wanted o take an injured woman to the hossital, two men appeared at the home of R. C. Wylie, grandfather of Cari and asked for the loan of a motor car and a driver. A small brother accompanied Carl to the family car.

One Ran Away Just as the party reached the auto nobile, several other men stepped out from behnd a number of bee hives and with pistols ordered Carl Wylie and the younger brother into the machine. The younger brother broke and ran back into the house calling for his grandfather, who fired a shot after he party as Carl was forced into the automobile and diven away.

A 30 pound sack of ammunition and an automatic pistol of German make were found this morning behind the

Relays of men searched the surcounding country for a trace of the cidnapers No motive was assigned for the

Link Kidnaping With Cisco Bank Bandits

Cisco, Texas, Dec. 26 .- A chain of evidence seeming to indicate that three bandits who robbed a Cisco bank here Friday and escaped after gunfight in which one of their numper was fatally wounded, Police Chief G. E. Bedford fatally wounded, are n Throckmorton county was reported pere tonight. Report of kidnaping 1 Wylie, 23, at his home near Mobe the escaped robbers, arrest of the second ran at 3 a. m. by three men believed

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three men and two women suspected! He is survived by his wife and two medical attention and temporary hid- can be found, as he appeared to be ing were highlights in Monday's de- in a normal frame of mind Christmas velopments.

The three men and two women are cording to his wife. g held in Albany for investigation out not the one containing \$12,200 has been made for the kidnaped youth and a wide search thus far in vain, boro for interment. Of the suspects held at Albany, BODY OF BABY BOY

three are said to have given medical attention to the escaped bandits. One the men is a doctor from Wichita hanging fire with the robbers from Falls. The two wemen are thought bout four months old according to ne corner of an alley near-by. He to have assisted him in dressing the the report of Dr. B. M. Puckett after shot through the arms and body. wounds of the bandits, while they examination was found still warm of Moran Sunday.

HEAD WITH WRENCH

Brady Boggs was shot and fell and by sheriff John Hart of Eastland inch commented to his friend here.

The men asked the party if they the head with a lug wrench, break- a residence, ng two vertebrae at the base of the

FARMER HANGS HIMSELF NO REASONS KNOWN

ast of here last Monday night by miles from Plainview, hanged him- munition for the gun are busk shot self Christmas Day. Stevenson left loaded shells, which carry effectively the house about 8 o'clock in the morn- for one hundred yards. The gun is ing to go to the barn to feed his stock automatic. The department also add-

When he did not return in a rea- than the 30-30. ing by the neck in the barn. He had heavier weapons," Sheriff Stegall said mped off a feed trough.

y, and had rented a farm in another with which to carry out the job. ection of the county to move to next

of having given the three bandits children. No motive for the suicide eve and early Christmas morning, ac

The body was shipped to Golds-

FOUND ON POLK STREET

Amarillo, Dec. 26 .- A baby boy a-

eorge Carmichael, a police officer were at a farm house, six miles west where it had been laid by three men in a big closed car in the 1500 block on North Polk street about 5:50 o' clock yesterday afternoon Two witnesses living in the neigh-

Police Detective W. M. McGough was on the case last night and renen informed they were not in- ported the details. The body was in ested, one of the men struck Pugh a shallow hollow and it was not near

RIOT GUN LATE ADDITION. TO SHERIFF'S EQUIPMENT

The latest equipment to be added by the sheriff's department is a riot Plainview, Dec. 26 .- J. S. Steven- gun received by Sheriff P. G. Stegall on, 52, a farmer living in the north- last week, which in appearance is a east part of Hale county, about 12 shortbarrelled shot gun. Special amafter he and his family had enjoyed ed a high-powered rifle recently, a e annual Christmas giving affair. 30 which is said to be more powerful

enable time, his wife went to look | "With increasing banditry over the or him and found his body hang- country, we begin to fell the need of asted a tie rope around his neck and A man doesn't know how foolish it makes a person feel to get a call in He had been a resident of Hale the dead of night to block a highway County since early last year, moving and head off a high powered car, and here from Goldsboro in Coleman coun- have nothing more than a little pistol

Two hundred rounds of ammunition were bought for the gun .- Hesperian

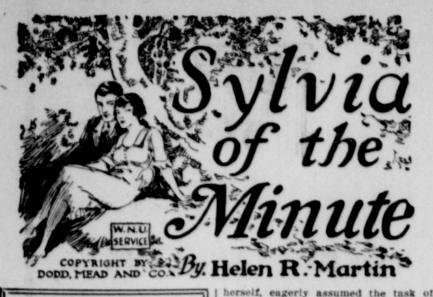
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explaining her poor father's unfortu-

"What gets me pupplexed," said Mr. Schwenckton amazedly, "is that me

and you, Mr. Creighton, neighbors

since you was born a'ready, though

five miles apart and not seeing each

other often (I ain't really laid eyes

on you since you was a college boy.

except to pass each other in our cars)

-but that us we could ride together

near eight miles yet and not rekonize

"I'd have known you in your farm

He did not explain how unnatural

've Been Held Up on the Road and

Robbed," He Announced, His Voice

"It's a good thing we're neighbors

that know each other or this here

serious!" Mr. Schwenckton gravely

"I didn't know," St. Croix said sud-

denly, when Mr. Schwenckton's abject

apologies had been accepted, "that

you had three daughters, Mr.

Schwenckton; I thought you had only

young lady isn't your daughter?" His

nod indicated Nettle, but as she and

"No, she's only a distant cousin

"Teach? Why, she looks too young!

with which the children of the dis-

Nettie was delighted that no one

but herself, as she supposed, per-

ceived his mistake, for it was won-

derful to have Mr. St. Croix Creigh-

ton think her old enough and "smart"

enough to be a school teacher! Thank-

ful she was indeed that Meely didn't

It was obvious to Meely that St.

should by look or word reveal to this

family the relation in which they

Mr. Schwenckton offered, now, to

get out his car again and take Mr.

Creighton home, but the young man

Meely were standing together, Mr.

Schwenckton misunderstood him.

come to school to teach here."

how old girls are?"

stood.

trict must be instructed!

to him in his "store suit" with a col-

Weak With Fatigue.

lar and necktie on,

opined.

and unlike himself the farmer looked

clothes, I suppose, but-"

was feebly smiling.

each other-"

STORY FROM THE START

fastidious and Handsome, wealthy-young St. Croix Creighton awaits his sweetheart their trysting place. She is late, this ordinary little Pennsylvania Dutch girl, Meely Schwenckton. Despite her seeming innocence and ignorance, she succeeds in keeping him at a distance, to Meely, in chagrin. Schwenckton home, where she is boarding, is altogether unlike the girl who meets St. Croix clandestinely. She is the teacher the neighborhood school, of hich Marvin Creighton, St. Croix' brother, is superintendent. Meely learns that Marvin was to have married his cousin, a titled English lady, but, believing she was attracted by the Creighton wealth, had refused the alliance It is the rumor that St. Croix is take Marvin's place and marry the English girl. St. Croix' jealousy is aroused by Meely's report of an aged suitor for her hand. The girl cleverly decoys him into admitting he has no intention of marrying her. Marvin visits school in his official capacity as superintendent and discovers how shockingly little Meely knows about school teaching. Mr. chwenckton, coming home from town, picks up a stranger, and the stranger get out and turn

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"I've been held up on the road and robbed!" he announced, his voice weak with fatigue. "May I use your phone to report to the police?"

A stunned silence on the part of the four occupants of the kitchen met this statement and request-Meely staring with wide-open eyes, her hand pressed to her fast-beating heart; Nettie's face going first red, then pale; Mr. Schwenckton trembling and pallid; Susie unmoved.

But it was Susle who broke their stupid silençe. "So you see, Sam, he ain't still runnin' !"

A little hysterical squeal of laughter from Meely brought the young man's eyes around to where she stood by the table-clad in a kimono, her hair down her back in a braid. She was glad she was not dressed normaily, for in her tailored school suit with her hair done up around her head, she was so transformed from the country bumpkin of her voile frock trimmed with artificial flowers and streaming ribbons that the extreme contrast would have betrayed her hopelessly as a masquerader.

For the man leaning exhausted against the kitchen door was St. Croix Creighton.

"How did you get here so soon?" quavered Mr. Schwenckton, too absorbed in his own quandary to see two." the flash of startled recognition with which his visitor's eyes met Meely's. She had succeeded, at an instant's notice, in assuming the look of bovine duliness which had so effectually disguised her ever since she had known

"Am I-Is this Sam Schwenckton's farm?" exclaimed the amazed young man. "I'd no idea where I was, the You can't tell, these days, can you, road's so pitch dark! I've been groping my way for a half hour to find a house where I could telephone. That," pointing to the lamp, "was the first light I saw in five miles!"

"No, not five-not more'n two," Mr. Schwenckton's shaking voice correct-

"How do you know? Is this Mr. Schwenckton?" asked St. Croix, for the farmer, without his coat and hat and necktie, did not suggest to him his automobile companion of an hour

"It is." Mr. Schwenckton heavily adspeak in and claim the honor. mitted. "And you, now that I see you in the light, I rekonize as the younger Croix was even more concerned than Mr. Creighton! Yl, yi, yi, yi!" she was that neither he nor she

"Yes, I am in a mess!" responded St. Croix, interpreting the farmer's exclamation as an expression of sympathy for his plight. "May I use your-"

"If it's only your watch you want. It ain't no need to phone. Here it is!" Mr. Schwenckton, with shamed, averted face, held it out to its owner.

St. Croix, amazed, took it. "You caught the thief? But how? Do tell me! I never was more taken in! He seemed the most harmless, kindly old simpleton-"

This time it was Nettle who gave a little hysterical squeal which brought the young man's eyes, for an instant, to her rosy, eager face.

"Meely!" Mr. Schwenckton appealed, "you tell him how it was! Me, I couldn't get the words together for to explain such a bewilderment!" Meely was appalled. The Schwenck-

tons were accustomed to hear her speak good English; St. Croix had of course never heard her talk anything but the Pennsylvania Datch dialect!

"Nettia" she murmured, "you tell

him:" Nettie, shy, but all too willing to lands chauffeurs would be here in a short time with a runabout. While he was telephoning, Mr.

Schwenckton ordered Nettie to make some strong hot coffee and get out some doughnuts and ple.

protested that if they would allow him to telephone home, one of the Beech-

But what, Meely wondered, would St. Croix think of the teacher's being asked to do this instead of the daughter of the house? She considered swiftly what would be her best course to avert suspicion on both sides. To get across the kitchen to the stairway and run up to her room? Mr. Schwencken would be bound to stop her and insist that she stay and have coffee and doughnuts with them, and if he spoke to her at all, St. Croix would notice how differently he addressed her and Nettle. To remain here, however, was more certain to invite exposure. And yet, she was nate mistake and before she was half afraid to go away for fear of what through her narrative, they were all might come out in her absence. laughing except Susie; and even she

Nettie, as she bustled about making coffee and setting out cups and saucers, saw, with keen chagrin, how Mr. Creighton's eyes kept turning toward Meely and never in her direction. And the expression on his face-furtive, hungry, infatuated! Was this, Nettle wondered, a case of love on sight? She was greatly puzzled, for in her opinion Meely "looked a mess" in that sloppy kimono and with a "plait" down her back.

As Mr. Creighton hung up the receiver, there was a quick movement in the room-Meely making for the stairs.

"Ach, Meely-" began Mr. Schwenck-

"Good night," she interrupted, rushing up the steps before he could stop her-but not before she caught in St. Croix' eyes the evidence of the conflict in his mind-a passionate protest against her going, mingled with a fear of her presence.

Upstairs in her own room, while she prepared for bed, she had the exciting suspense of wondering whether they were talking about her; whether St. Croix had noticed the kimono she had on, a Japanese embroidered silk thing that a county school teacher would hardly own if she were what she should be! Yes, this kimono could be a "give-away."

"Well, when this sort of thing could happen it was evident that she could not much longer keep up her farce. She must bring things to a climax as soon as possible; beguite St. Croix to lay his cards on the table; force his hand for a show-down.

The sound of the cabinet organ in the parlor below her bedroom, and Nettie's shrill voice singing, interrupted her thoughts. Nettle was invariably called upon by her father to entertain "company" with her musical accomplishments of organ and voice, and of course such distinguished company as Mr. St. Croix Creighton would have to be favored. Through Nettie's lungs and fingers the entire family found their one and only ar tistic expression.

CHAPTER V

At breakfast next morning Meely warily watched the faces around the thing mightn't look so funny, but wery table for signs of newly awakened suspicions of herself. But she found nothing unusual in the demeanor of the family.

Nettle chattered excitedly about the Creighton's stylish clothes, his wonderful white hands, the way he said his words-"He says 'hoff' for half! "You thought right-I got only two." It sounds awful pretty and genteel "Oh," St. Croix nodded, "then this that way! And, ach, the manners he's got! The way he held my chair for me to set! Say!"-it beggared words.

"But I always say," her father important."

"Gimme manners!" Nettie defiantly affirmed her choice.

"Morals and manners," said Meely, Meely realized that his look of "can go hand in hand-they're not amazement, almost of consternation, mutually exclusive!" was not at all for Nettle's youth as

Meely had often noticed that her a teacher, but for the awful English ise of a word of more than two syllables invariably awed the family into a prolonged silence.

She broke the present lull by broaching a subject to Mr. Schwenckton that was weighing on her mind. "How often do county superintendents visit a school, Mr. Schwenckton?"

"Ach, about once in so often." "Yes, but how ofter?"

"Not so wery often. Now and then." "But I mean," Meely patiently explained, "how far apart are 'now and then.'?"

"Well, pretty far apart. You see, he's got too many to wisit to come often. And the schools is spread over so much area that it takes up time to go to and from." (TO BE CONTINUED)

In Splendor, Venice Surpassed All Cities

In Venice of the Sixteenth century | carpets spread for the feet of the luxury and spiendor surpassed all bounds; never before at any time nor in any city were religious ceremonies, victories, the conclusion of peace, the visits of foreigners, or the marriages of illustrious persons, celebrated with greater pomp and magnificence. Those in the occupations of cloth makers and drapers reaped huge fortunes, for on nearly every gala occasion miles of rich new fabric were used and visitors to the city were rendered speechless by the matchless spectacle. There was a great rivalry among the nobles to see who could appear in the processions in the most expensive robe of gold and velvet, while the richness sheld the young god's attention upon | and the hangings from balcony and | pie.-Brooklyn Eagle.

hour's here strove to make themselves seen among the profusion of flowers, the countless flashing candles and the play of color. When some magnificent occasion of this sort was not in progress Venice was not permitted to be dull for a moment-there was always some carnival of merrymakers on the streets and masquerades were so common they became a nuisance and met with decrees forbidding them. - Detroit

Bess Liked Peacock Pie It is recorded by historians of the day that Queen Elizabeth's favorite dish on festal occasions was peacock



a New Year's Conscience by Wartha Banning Thomas =

Some of us were born in New England and have that kind of conscience. Why New England should produce a particular conscience different from any other's conscience seems a little difficult to explain. However, there seems to be a tradition about it. If you possess a New England conscience you are supposed to be responsible to the last degree. You go one point further than actually neccessity and worry for fear you won't think up all the possible things you might have done under a certain set of circumstances.

Well, then-We all rather like to think we obey our conscience: it gives us a faint glow of saintliness. (Though, of course, to admit this publicly would elegance and "swellness" of Mr. ruin us for life!) Whatever conscience is-"a still, small voice," unbroken habits of right thinking, an instinct that urges us toward the bestmost of us possess an inner law of some sort or another: and we either follow this law, or push it off irritably,

At New Year's we take stock of our affairs. And very often conscience spoke in, "that I don't think so much sits as judge. And let us never forof manners-morals is so much more get that we are responsible. Not to



ities, then just so far should we use them for the finest development. To do less is sheer waste of invaluable material. To do less is being false to ourselves. To do less is sinning against truth.

Convictions may change from year to year: we should keep stride with them as strong men-not take it out in thinking but demonstrating them by doing. If we are good workmen-be it in the woods or in the shop, country or town-and do not do that work for the glory of doing it weil, then we never should have been trusted with ability. For ability is a twoedged sword-if not sharpened for the gallant battle of life, it turns to rend

the owner. Let this year's conscience be hourished by that higher, unwritten responsibility which answers the quiet, inner knowledge of life carried forward with the utmost strength and

Happy New Year to our consciencer:

A Good Resolution

One of the New Year resolutions that would mean increase of happiness in many a family is this: Not to speak of mistakes which make no difference. How arguing over nothings mars the home harmony. An erroneous opinion may need correction, but what possible difference does it make whether Aunt Jane came to dinner Tuesday or Wednesday, or whether it rached Friday or Saturday.-Advent Christian Missions.

It cannot be made fruitful till it die. O good New Year, we clasp

door:

and three score;

Even as seed the sower.

and passes by;

This warm shut hand of thine, Loosing forever, with half sigh, half gasp. That which from ours falls

A PSALM FOR NEW

YEAR'S EVE

By Dinah Muloch Craik

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In either tight-closed hand

Hiding rich gifts, three hundred

Each drop, he treads 4t in,

FRIEND stands at the

like dead fingers' twine: Ay, whether fierce its grasp Has been, or gentle, having been, we know That it was blessed: let the Old Year go.

O New Year, teach us faith! The road of life is hard: When our feet bleed, and scourging winds us scathe, Point thou to Him whose vis age was more marred Than any man's; who saith,

"Make straight paths for your feet," and to the opprest, "Come ye to Me, and I will give you rest."

Yet hang some lamp-like hope Above this unknown way, Kind year, to give our spirits freer scope And our bands strength to

work while it is day. But if that way must slope Tombward, oh, bring before our fading eyes The lamp of life, the Hope that never dies.

Comfort our souls with love-Love of all human kind: Love special, close-in which, like sheltered dove. Each weary heart its own safe nest may find;

And love that turns above Adoringly, contented to resign All loves, if need be, for the

Love Divine.

Friend, come thou like a friend. And whether bright thy face, Or dim with clouds we cannot comprehend.

We'll hold out patient hands, each in his place, And trust thee to the end. Knowing thou leadest onwards to those spheres Where there are neither days, nor months, nor years,

Every Year a Milestone

Every year is a milestone. A stepping-stone or a stumbling block? Your life is a part of many lives and these many lives are a part of yours. Character is the estimation of your conduct in life by those who dwell about

1928 Greeting

The Lord bless thee and keep thee. The Lord make His face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.-Numbers



HE window frame shivered. creaked and gave way under the prying force of the jimmy. The flat palm of a massive hand finished the raising process. A foot thrust over the casement was firmly planted on the floor of the darkened room. After a hasty survey of the apartment, the man called out the window, "Pard!" then whistled softly.

.In due time "Pard" arrived via the window route. A systematic search of the house was instituted, and the valuables deposited in the living room, "New Year's means lots of parties. and a party for us, uh, Sam?"

"Pard!" Sam painfully exclaimed from the depths of one of the bedrooms, "you bozo, drop every last thing in your hands."



"Sam, you sap," growled the other disgustedly, "you ain't gone sentimental again? I thought if I got you through Christmas all right, you'd come out all O. K. Sam walked over

to him and put his hand on his friend's shoulder. "You have been a friend to me. See this picture? It was there

on the chifforobe. That's her, 'Pard'! I'd do anything on earth for that," and he slapped the picture vehemently, only to meet his "Pard's" sour looks. "There ain't no time like tonight to begin all over again. Tonight starts a New Year, an' a start with this in my possession means sure-enough success. I'm young. She don't know I went to the dogs, 'Pard.' She never will-if you're a friend. I'll pay you fifty dollars to leave that stuff right where it is an' beat it. This is all I'm taking, and her father will never miss that." Sam gazed into the eyes of one who meant so much to him, then into "Pard's" glowering ones.

"To think my year's work was to turn out like this. A softy, a sap what thinks a New Year says a new start-and after that thing, too,"

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var

His laughter subsided as the scraping of a key and the tumbiers of the lock gave a warning note. Four feet found their way over the window sill into the darkness of the night.

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As the Old Year Dies

To most people the passing of the year, even though the new period holds hope of advance and greater happiness, has its sad aspect. There lies behind neglected oportunities, wasted hours and days, chances for worthy endeavor ignored. The retrespect is in many cases not pleasant. But it is well to look back, to review that which has just passed, and to note the things left undone as well as those that have been done as a guide and a warning for the year to