





### Swiss Skii On Christmas Day

By United Press.  
GENEVA, Dec. 24.—Heavy snowfalls, especially on the mountain slopes, made it possible for Switzerland to celebrate Christmas as usual in spite of the economic depression.

With the steady development of winter sports, and especially of skiing, Christmas has become largely a day of winter sports here.

Santa Claus, or rather Pere Chanland, as he is known here, if he were rigged up now-to-date, would be equipped with a pair of skis, instead of with reindeers and

boils. Virtually everyone in Switzerland is now equipped for skiing, and all that is necessary is a winter holiday like Christmas to see a goodly portion enjoying the sport.

The weather population have their automobiles especially for carrying skis and the other necessary paraphernalia.

For those who do not have automobiles, the government provides special Christmas trains and reduces rates to the snowfields, so that from the earliest hours there is a steady flow towards the mountain sides.

While for Christmas Eve there is the usual Christmas tree and shoes under the mantlepiece, the real celebration comes on Christmas Day itself on the snow fields.

### Free at 83



W. A. "Dad" Warn, 83-year-old life-terminer at the Texas state penitentiary at Huntsville, is free. Governor Ross Sterling granted him a full parole as a Christmas present after the aged man had been a model prisoner for five years. His beard has not been cut in 50 years, he says.

### RANGER HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

MISS JEWELLE JUDD  
Editor

**Junior Band To Be Organized.**  
Plans for organizing a junior band after the Christmas holidays have been made by Director R. L. Maddox. Anyone who would be interested in joining this band see Mr. Maddox.

**Mr. and Mrs. Von Roeder To Visit Parents.**  
Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Von Roeder plan to visit their parents during the Christmas holidays.

**Final Chapel Program.**  
A very interesting program was given in the high school auditorium Wednesday. The program consisted of announcements by Principal Von Roeder; song by the student body, led by Superintendent Holloway, accompanied by Mr. Carl Brumbelew; short talk, Superintendent Holloway; prayer, Rev. Gid J. Bryan; reading, Miss Holmes; introduction of Randolph Clark, president of Randolph college, by Mr. Holloway; numbers by Boys' Glee club, accompanied by Mr. Brumbelew; talk by Rev. H. H. Stephens; prayer, Rev. Johnson. Among the guests present were Rev. Johnson, Mr. Clark, president of Randolph college, and Rev. H. H. Stephens.

This was the final chapel program before the Christmas holidays, which began Dec. 23 and will continue until Jan. 1.

**Band Sweaters Arrive.**  
The new 31-32 band sweaters arrived at high school Wednesday. These sweaters are maroon with a white "R." Every band member who received a sweater was very proud of them. The sweaters arrived just in time to make excellent Christmas gifts.

**Miss Gholson Christmas Guest Here.**  
Miss Martha Marie Gholson, popular graduate of Ranger high school and student in Georgetown university in Georgetown, Texas, will be the Christmas guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gholson.

**Mr. and Mrs. A. Neill Guests In Oklahoma City.**  
Mr. and Mrs. A. Neill will spend Christmas day in Oklahoma City, guests of Mrs. Neill's sister.

**All-Star Game Christmas Day.**  
The all-star Ranger-Breckenridge football game will be played today at Lillard field, Ranger. Many well known ex-Bulldogs are on the Ranger lineup and a few members of the lineup played on the Ranger team this season. Seventy-five per cent of the proceeds will go to the Ranger charity fund, while Breckenridge will receive 25 per cent. Programs will be sold at the game. Fire Chief Murphy will be in charge of this part of the program.

**Oklahoma U. Student Guest Here.**  
Roy Jameson Jr., student at Oklahoma university, will be the holiday guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jameson.

**Miss Wetzel Holiday Guest in Comanche.**  
Miss Martha Wetzel will spend the Christmas holidays with relatives in Comanche.

**Nick Crawford Returns For the Holidays.**  
Nick Crawford, student in Austin college, Sherman, will be the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Crawford, during the holidays.

**WEDS UNDER DIFFICULTIES.**  
By United Press.  
GENOA.—The wedding of the barber, Viviani Trabucco, with Rosa Ferretto, in the parish church of Valle Montanabuona, was interrupted by a noisy demonstration by the barber's former fiancée, Leonilda Rosaretti, and her relatives. The police restored quiet, but when the ceremony was proceeding, a shrill cry from Trabucco's allegedly illegitimate child was heard. The disturbers had to be ejected.

## SISTER MARY'S KITCHEN

BY SISTER MARY  
NEA Service Writer

THESE recipes for preparing every-day vegetables may be new to you and help you to add variety to your daily menus. Served with a plain green salad and dessert, each dish is a full meal in itself. The added material increases the number of calories and the food value of the vegetable substantially.

In order to give you a working basis of the calorie value, the calories of each recipe have been carefully calculated. With this knowledge you can plan the rest of your meal.

**Stuffed Onions**  
Four large mild onions, 1 cup finely chopped meat, 2 tablespoons minced mushrooms (optional), 1 tablespoon minced parsley, 1 egg, 1-4 teaspoon salt, 1-8 teaspoon pepper, 1 tablespoon butter, 2-4 cup coarse stale bread crumbs.

Spanish onions are preferred but any large onions can be used. Peel and cook in boiling salted water until tender, letting the water cook away. It will take about an hour. Drain and take out the center of onions without disturbing the outside layers. Mix meat, mushrooms, salt and pepper. Add egg without beating and mix very thoroughly. Fill onions with mixture. Melt butter and add bread crumbs. Mix well and cover the filling in the onions. Bake in a moderate oven twenty minutes until the crumbs are brown.

Save the centers of the onions to use in a cream sauce the following day.

Protein calories, 219; fat calories, 394; carbohydrate calories, 444. Total calories, 957.

**Mashed Parsnip Ring**  
Eight or ten parsnips of fair size, 4 tablespoons bacon drippings, 1-4 teaspoon paprika, 1-8 teaspoon white pepper, 1 egg, 2 tablespoons vinegar, 1-2 cup cracker crumbs, 1 cup flaked fish, 3 tablespoons butter, 3 tablespoons flour, 2 cups milk, parsley.

Scrub and scrape parsnips. Cut in halves lengthwise and cook in boiling salted water until tender. It will take about 20 minutes, depending on the age and size. Put

ture. Cook over the fire, stirring constantly until egg is set. Arrange on a hot platter in the form of a mound. Fill fish with cream sauce and garnish with parsley. To make the sauce, melt butter, stir in flour and when bubbling slowly add milk, stirring constantly. Bring to the boiling point, season with salt and pepper and add fish.

Protein calories, 296; fat calories, 1140; carbohydrate calories, 592. Total calories, 2928.

**Cheese and Potato Souffle**  
Two cups mashed potatoes, 1 cup grated cheese, 1 tablespoon minced parsley, 1 tablespoon tomato catsup, 1-2 teaspoon salt, 1-8 teaspoon pepper, 1-2 cup rich milk.

Beat yolk of eggs until thick and lemon colored and add with cheese and seasonings to mashed potato. Beat in enough milk to make the consistency of drop batter. Less than 1-2 cup may be enough. Fold in the whites of eggs beaten until stiff and dry, turn into a well buttered mold and place in a pan of hot water. Bake thirty to forty minutes in a moderate oven. When well puffed and rather firm remove from the oven and serve at once. Freshly mashed, hot potatoes can be used or left-over mashed potatoes can be put through a ricer and reheated before combining.

Protein calories, 211; fat calories, 791; carbohydrate calories, 246. Total calories, 1248.

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**Tomorrow's Menu**  
**BREAKFAST** Chilled cranberry sauce, cereal, cream, crisp broiled bacon, lyonnaise potatoes, toast, milk, coffee.

**LUNCHEON** Cream of saffron soup, corn sticks, hearts of lettuce with French dressing, rice souffle, grape juice.

**DINNER** Parsnip ring with creamed salmon, beef and cabbage salad, apple slump with cream, milk, coffee.

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### Austin Dam To Be Rebuilt After 16 Years Litigation

By United Press.  
AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—Lake Austin dam, twice crumpled by floods and held useless for 16 years by litigation, finally will be restored to public service.

Federal Judge Duval West of San Antonio, has approved an agreement between attorneys for the city and for Austin Dam, Inc., ending the long lawsuit that was booted about from court to court.

The Austin Dam Inc., granted a 40 year lease by the agreement, immediately will expend \$1,500,000 for rehabilitation of the structure. Its earthen embankments were swept aside in 1909 by the worst flood here in decades, and about 10 years later a swollen lake again burst its bond.

The dam and power plant will be re-constructed to a height of 60 feet, to be completed not later than November, 1935. Under the federal decree signed by Judge West, the Austin Dam Inc. must supply to the city without cost 4,000,000 kilowatt-hours of power each year.

This new source of power will enable the city's steam plant to shut down at night and during Sundays and holidays, saving Austin taxpayers approximately \$50,000 each year.

Four salient points in the agreement gave to the city the following equities:

1. Absolute title to the Austin

### Missoula Razed First Court

By United Press.  
MISSOULA, Mont.—The first court building in the city, razed, was one of the buildings, erected by McCormick, a founder of the city.

It was one of the buildings, erected by McCormick, a founder of the city, and its doors nailed up years ago.

In 1873 it was a mission here. The fathers established a mission here, and as a hospital, the first courthouse.

**BETTER WORLD FORECAST.**  
By United Press.  
ALBION, Mich.—Despite the serious world problem of unemployment, seething unrest in Germany, and threats of warfare in the Far East, Dr. Paul Hutchinson, editor of the Christian Century, believes we are approaching a new and better world.

### CHRISTMAS AGAIN.....

Wouldn't it be wonderful if everyone feel every day as the most of us feel Christmas comes around—with hearts full of gladness and peacefulness and tranquility!

We believe we know how you feel at this time, because that's the way we feel. Peace and happiness to you—on Christmas and EVERY DAY!

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through all the seasons of the year, because we supply in good measure at moderate prices commodities which make our friends and customers happier and happier.

We enjoy Christmas because it is a new opportunity for service.

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Ranger, Texas

**A Merry Christmas To All**  
and may the New Year bring much Happiness to our entire community

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In a little space but in a big way we say—

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
May all the Joy and Happiness of the Season be yours on this Glad Christmas Day!

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Right now we desire nothing more than to have our friends and customers know that we are thinking of them and wishing them a JOYOUS HOLIDAY season. We want you to know that we appreciate you and that we send this message, not as a matter of form or custom, but because WE MEAN EVERY WORD OF IT!

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## SEASON'S GREETINGS

And all Good Wishes for the Health, Happiness and Prosperity of every one of you throughout

### THE NEW YEAR TULLOS

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**Our Letter to SANTA CLAUS:**

Dear Santa Claus:

We know that you are the giver of good gifts and that your spirit is unselfish. But this letter is not in our own behalf, but is written for our friends and patrons. We want you to bring them a lot of happiness, a lot of good cheer and smiles of satisfaction. Please bring to each of them a sufficient quantity of these blessings to last them throughout the coming year.

WE EXTEND THE SEASON'S GREETINGS!

**OIL CITY PHARMACY**

May the Christmas Season bring a full measure of happiness and joy to our many friends, and may it last the entire year.

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**SOCIAL AFFAIRS**  
**CLUB NEWS**  
BY ELIZABETH HARRIS  
Editor  
Phone 800 Eastland

**On Forty-Two**  
Wednesday Evening.  
Guy Parker and Mrs. Frank...  
entertained Wednesday...  
with an auction "42" par...  
the home of Mrs. Frank Cro...  
South Oak street. The rooms...  
beautifully decorated with...  
of holly and autumn...  
The red and green color...  
was further emphasized in...  
the appointments and re...  
ments.

**On Forty-Two**  
Wednesday Evening.  
The tables were covered in...  
two cloths with a spray of...  
at the corners.  
A Rose Marie fruit...  
was awarded Mr. and Mrs...  
Stephan. Consolation prize...  
a stick of candy was award...  
and Mrs. L. C. Brown.  
The green plate consisting of im...  
salad, open sandwiches in...  
shape of a Christmas tree, red...  
green mints and hot chocolate...  
whipped cream was served...  
enjoying the delightful...  
were Dr. and Mrs. L. C...  
Messrs. and Meses. J. C...  
Ernest Jones, Louis...  
Claude G. Stubblefield...  
Ilman, Guy Parker, and...  
Crowell.

**On Forty-Two**  
Wednesday Evening.  
The largest group of...  
assembled for a social oc...  
of the current season at...  
the Christmas dance, on the...  
garden of the Combel hotel...  
Friday evening, Dec. 23, from...  
11 o'clock.  
Holder and his 13-piece or...  
from Oklahoma furnished...  
for the dancers.  
The affair was spons...  
by Ray Morris of Eastland...  
couples from Ranger...  
enridge and Ciseo attend...  
ed.

**ASKS 30-CENT GAS**  
REDO, Dec. 23.—A. J. Neff,  
ser employed by the city in...  
for lower gas rates from...  
Texas Border Gas company,  
commended to the city coun...  
30-cent domestic gas rate in...  
of the present 75 cents per...  
foot gross.

o hundred and thirty work...  
the Katy shops at Waco...  
been put back to work.

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**SHOULD HAVE**  
**CRAZY**  
**CRYSTALS**

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had asthma for twenty-five...  
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Crystals I have been entire...  
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had a bladder for the past year...  
or so this condition has been...  
entirely cured. My complete...  
satisfaction. My family is...  
taking Crazy Crystals and I...  
cannot say too much for them...  
and that everyone in ill health...  
should at least try them regard...  
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**The Newfangles (Mom 'n' Pop)**

By Cowan

THERE SHE AM! I GUESS IT'S ALL SET.

CAN I TURN OFF THE LIGHTS?

WAIT JUST A SECOND, TILL I FIND THE SWITCH-THERE!

OH CHICK, IT'S A REALITY.

NOW LET'S GET OUR PRESENTS AND OPEN THEM.

BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO GO OUT OF THE ROOM WHILE I GET MINE.

AND I'LL HAVE TO GO OUT OF THE ROOM TO GET MINE.

I CAME AFTER THAT BIG PACKAGE I LEFT HERE.

WE BRANKE RIGHT IN DAD'S NEXT ROOM.

WAIT JUST A MINUTE—I'M NOT QUITE READY—THERE NOW—ALL RIGHT.

WHAT'S THAT?

YOUR CHRISTMAS PRESENT.

MINE! WOW, THE SAME RED LEATHER CHAIRS! WHAT IS THIS, A CHRISTMAS JOKE?

THE SAME PRESENTS! CAN YOU BEAT THAT?

**French Tables Groaning With Holiday Food**

By United Press.  
PARIS, Dec. 24.—Christmas will be celebrated in Paris and every city of France this year with all the traditional festivity and gaiety of yore.  
French children can be sure that Pere Noel—the French Santa Claus—will leave their shoes full of presents. All the toy-shops and department stores have been jammed with hordes of Christmas buyers. Business was as brisk as in previous years, due mainly to cheaper prices.  
All restaurants, cafes and cabarets here, from the Latin Quarter to the high-priced section of the Champs-Elysee have arranged elaborate programs. Dinners, made sparkling with silver buckets of champagne and musty bottles of

wine, will start any time after 10 p. m.  
Most of the Americans residing in France have already reserved tables for their families and friends. Special turkey dinners, advertised to be just like those back home, will be served in the American bars and restaurants.  
On Christmas afternoon, most of the theaters will offer a special program of appropriate plays.

To the poor children, it is a glorious occasion, for the President of the Republic receives them at a banquet in the stately halls of the Elysee Palace. As they munch their turkey and plum pudding, President Doumer will walk around the long table and personally distribute presents. A great Christmas tree will adorn the dining room.



AS the joyous Yuletide season rolls around once more, we take this opportunity to thank you for your patronage during the past year and to express our pleasure at prospect of serving you further during 1932. May your Holidays be happy days and your New Year bright with good things of life!

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**13th Month Special**  
**Men's All-Wool Shirts \$1.83**  
Our Best Coats  
\$12.23  
Just think, an all-wool shirt at this price. Both solid colors and patterns. Full cut and well made. Buy all you will need.

**13th Month Special**  
**All-Wool Lumberjacks \$1.83**  
Just the thing for the man who works outside. Plain colors and fancy patterns. A much higher quality than the price would indicate.

**13th Month Special**  
**Stetson Hats**  
Now—**\$4.33**  
A new low price for Stetson Hats—and every man knows the high quality of Stetson. Now is the time to buy.

**13th Month Special**  
**Boy's Suits with 2 pants \$4.93**  
Fine fabrics that have been tailored into stylish suits. One long trouser and one golf trouser. Formerly these suits were priced at \$7.98.

**13th Month Special**  
**Men's Dress Pants \$1.00**  
Men's Dress Pants of all-wool worsted. Neat patterns. Finely tailored. Some in the lot that were priced to sell for as much as \$5.90.

**13th Month Special**  
**Ladies' Shoes \$1.63**  
An extremely low price for such smartness of style and fine quality. Numerous styles and patterns to select from. Lots of sizes.

**13th Month Special**  
**Men's Dress Shoes \$2.43**  
These are finely constructed, all-leather shoes and Oxfords. They are good styles but in some cases sizes are incomplete—but your size in some style.

**13th Month Special**  
**Boy's Dress Shoes \$1.93**  
Whether you want shoes or Oxfords for the boy you can get them here at this exceptionally low price. Well-made of all leather. Sizes from 2 1/2 to 6.

**13th Month Special**  
**Non-Run Rayon Undies 29c**  
Fine quality, non-run Rayon Bloomers, Teds, Panties and Steppies. The tailoring is just as fine as the quality. In the soft pastel shades.

**13th Month Special**  
**House Frocks \$1.00 values 43c**  
Smart, good looking frocks in many neat patterns. Colors are guaranteed fast. Both long or short sleeves. Plenty of sizes to choose from.

**13th Month Special**  
**Ladies' Tams 22c**  
An almost unbelievable price—but there's no mistake. We are going to sell the remainder of these smart Tams for only 13c each.

**13th Month Special**  
**SMART DRESS MODES Greatly Reduced**  
Our Best Dresses **\$5.00**  
These are \$14.75 and \$16.75 dresses reduced for one week to only \$5.00. Smart styles. Good assortment of colors. Choose any fall or winter dress in stock at this price.

**13th Month Special**  
**Ladies' Chardonized Silk Hose 39c Pair**  
Full 320-needle count Chardonized Hose. The very best color. An unusual value.

**13th Month Special**  
**Children's Sweaters 43c**  
Slip-over or coat style. Fine quality. Part wool. Neat colors and patterns. Looks like a \$2.00 sweater.

**13th Month Special**  
**Children's Anklets 2 Pair 25c**  
Snappy looking. Fine quality. Bright colors. Now offered at 25c for the former price of one.

**13th Month Special**  
**Men's All-Wool Sweaters \$1.93**  
A real buy. Coat or slip-over styles. Good assortment of colors. Plenty of sizes. Buy now.

**13th Month Special**  
**Men's Part Wool Shirts 93c**  
The man who wants a good warm shirt but doesn't like all-wool will be pleased with these. Solids and patterns.

**13th Month Special**  
**Sheep-Lined Coats for Men \$6.33**  
Good Heavy Coats with full sheep lining. High quality. Full cut and well-made. Just a REAL Coat.

**13th Month Special**  
**Men's Genuine Horsehide Coats \$5.83**  
Genuine Horsehide Coat! Four pockets. All-wool lining for plenty of warmth. Well-made for long service.

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Mrs. Alice D. True, Secretary  
Ranger, Texas









## GREETINGS FRIENDS

Wherever you may be we hope this Christmas will be one continual round of happiness for you and that the hopes you have cherished in the past may be realized during 1932.

Whatever we can do to add to your pleasure and satisfaction during the coming year will be a genuine pleasure to us.

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## WE THANK YOU

At this Christmas season we take this occasion to thank our many friends and customers for their patronage and all courtesies of the passing year.

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We are hoping that he will dig down deep into his pack and drop you some of the choicest gifts he has ever found—enough to make you happy through the New Year.

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## NEA Camera With Rescue Party Brings Photos of Trapped Indians



Snowbound for days in the little Presbyterian mission at Ganado, Ariz., 300 Indians suffered intensely from cold and lack of food until rescue parties finally broke through the snowdrifts and brought them food and fuel. These pictures were made for NEA Service by a member of the rescue party which has just emerged from the district. Indians, whose wagon had upset as they were trying to make their way back with fuel, are shown at the top as they received their first food in days. Below is a photo taken of Indian boys in the basement of the mission.

## Spain Enjoying Big Christmas

MADRID, Dec. 24.—Spain's Christmas celebration was observed with as much intensity and enthusiasm as ever.

Thousands of families, who may not be able to pay their bills promptly, or even at all, found sufficient cash for the ingredients which every Spaniard considers consubstantial with the Christmas season, to-wit—a lottery ticket, plenty of food, sweets, wines and liquors, and toys galore for the children.

The Spanish festive season extends from Dec. 22, the day the Christmas lottery is drawn, to Jan. 6, the Day of the Three Wise Kings.

The season is quite a bit more democratic this year. The pomp and circumstance of the various court ceremonials is missed by many of the aristocrats, whose life hasn't been the same since the monarchy fell April 14; but the average citizen is today celebrating more joyfully than ever, regardless of the fact that the intensity of the economic depression has increased during the year.

The principal functions that did not take place this year are the celebration of the Day of Saint Victoria, on Dec. 23, when the ex-Queen Victoria Eugenia used to distribute clothing; the celebration of Christmas mass in the Royal Palace, and especially the mass of the Three Wise Kings Day, which was a gala occasion at the court.

Christmas Eve, or "Nochebuena," was essentially a festival of the home. There were no theater or cinema performances, even the cafes and bars closed down. Spaniards are reticent to make variations in their national customs, so that, as on the previous Christmas, millions of inhabitants sat down to a big repast of almond soup, sea-bream (besugo), cabbage, turkey, salad, fruits, nuts, raisins, and confections such as mazapan (marzipan) from Toledo, turrón (a sort of nougat) from Alicante.

Instead of Christmas trees, most homes have a display representing the birth of Christ, the adoration of the magi, with shepherds, animals, pastors, represented by little images, the display being known as a "Nacimiento."

## Cornerstone For Woman's Club Building Ready

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—Plans for elaborate ceremonies for laying the cornerstone of the headquarters building of the Texas Federation of Women's clubs have been made here.

Speakers for the event will be former Governor Pat M. Neff, Mrs. R. F. Lindsay of Mount Pleasant, Mrs. J. W. Welder of Victoria, Dr. H. Y. Benedict, of the University of Texas, Governor Ross Sterling and Mrs. J. W. Fincher, federation president.

The ceremony will be held Jan. 11, according to present plans. Chairman of standing federation committees are:

Program, Mrs. J. U. Field, of Haskell; club institute, Mrs. Frank A. Tompkins of Corpus Christi; historical and continuation, Miss Kate Friend, Waco; credentials, badges and elections, Mrs. W. F. Wallace of Beaumont; federation extension, Mrs. Frank B. Slater, Dallas.

Federation pin, Mrs. H. W. Lusher, of Perryton; state headquarters, Mrs. James F. Welder, of Victoria; junior membership, Mrs. Paul Horton, of Greenville; policy, Mrs. Fincher; resolutions, Mrs. J. D. Finnigan, of Kingsville; rules and procedure, Mrs. Cecil Smith, of Sherman, and investments, Miss Marion Mullins, of Fort Worth.

## XMAS CAMP HAS RECORD OF LITTLE CRIME

By GEORGE D. CRISSEY, United Press Staff Correspondent. CHRISTMAS, Ariz., Dec. 24.—A jewel among mining camps is Christmas, Ariz., which has a record of being almost crimeless and viceless.

The first mine, in the head of a canyon above the roaring waters of the Gila river, was staked Christmas day, 1902, and later the community gathered around that original Christmas mine.

During its 29 years of existence Christmas never has had a crime problem, a saloon, gambling hall, or house of vice. It has had but one shooting.

The record of Christmas is in decided contrast to the usual conduct of Arizona mining camps, which generally are "open towns." But Christmas always has shunned wild ways, wild men and wild women. Seemingly, those living here have taken inspiration from the camp's name.

Grant Green, the Gila county deputy sheriff who is stationed here, has so little police work to do that he is worried over his job. Green's last arrest was in April, 1931, when he caught three Mexicans bringing in stolen beef. That one crime, and it was committed by outsiders, is the only black mark on the Christmas record for this year to date.

The one gunfight occurred in 1917, when a Mexican killed Deputy Sheriff Thomas Frank in a quarrel over sugar. The Mexican escaped.

That "Christmas Cheer" never has flowed in Christmas at Christmas, or any other time, is due to the policy of those controlling the lone mine here.

All of Christmas is owned by the Christmas Copper company. A private road, seven miles long, straggling upward along the lip of a canyon, is the only way of entering the camp. Therefore, it has been an easy matter for the company to keep vice merchants out.

Just now, of course, not much crime could be committed in Christmas. There aren't enough people there. The population has decreased from 1,000 to 100, due to the fact that copper now sells for less than the local cost of production.

## Several Donations To Good Cheer Fund Are Made This Week

The following donations have been made to the Christmas Good Cheer fund since the list was printed earlier this week. The proceeds from this fund were spent in providing baskets of food for the needy of Ranger:

- Ralph Herring ..... \$1.00
- Earl Payne ..... 1.00
- Frank Champion ..... 1.00
- C. E. Maddocks ..... 1.00
- James O'Neil ..... 1.00
- P. J. O'Donnell ..... 1.00
- Mrs. C. W. Donley ..... 1.00
- Dean Pulley ..... 1.00
- L. R. Herring ..... 1.00
- Fred Tibbels ..... 1.00
- W. C. Blackmond ..... 1.00

### Best Wishes

And, may we add a Merry Christmas, that the friends who have been constant will know that their patronage has been appreciated.

**RANGER Tire Shop**  
T. W. CHAMBERS, Manager  
Phone 9505

## Atheists Hold Yuletide Drive

MOSCOW, Dec. 24.—Christmas, like Easter, is the busy season for the Society of Godless, which is carrying on an intensive campaign against the holiday celebrations.

Atheist Russia had two Christmases, one on Dec. 25, as the rest of the Christian world, and the other 13 days later, on Jan. 7, in accordance with Greek Orthodox calendar. Both days will be utilized by the Godless Society to fortify atheism among the masses.

Indeed, the principal sign of Christmas is the strengthening of atheist activities. Elsewhere it may be Christmas trees and the like which indicate the holiday. Here it is indicated by additional anti-God placards and more atheist lectures.

To draw workers, and especially the youth, away from the churches, special theatrical performances, dances and other gatherings took place on Christmas Eve.

As usual, the annual Russian drama of worshippers inside the churches and mockers outside was staged. But unlike several years ago, the mocking was not done noisily at church doors. The worshippers were not disturbed.

The religious elements, especially in the country, are blamed here for everything that goes wrong. They are branded as henchmen or dupes of anti-Soviet groups. The anti-religious propaganda, therefore, has a serious political importance. It is directed not only against priests and deacons, but against all those who in any way oppose the policies of the Soviet regime.

## New Political Party Urged By Villard

DETROIT, Dec. 24.—Creation of a new political party is advocated by Oswald Garrison Villard, editor of the New York Nation, as the only way for America and the world to escape the current crisis.

Villard suggested the new party be based on the progressive platform laid down by Presidents Roosevelt and Wilson, and that the Constitution of the United States, be revised. Removal from politics of the "burden of tariff and disarmaments" also was advocated.

## APPRECIATION

We know we have our shortcomings, as most people do, but we have never been accused of lacking in appreciation. We honestly and conscientiously feel grateful to our patrons and while we have tried in the past to show that we do appreciate you, yet we want you to know that we are going to try even harder in the future.

In this connection we welcome the opportunity to send you the SEASON'S MOST CORDIAL GREETINGS and EVERY GOOD WISH, not only for CHRISTMAS but for 1932 as well.

### Panhandle Service Station

C. L. SYLVESTER, Manager  
Phone 391 201 South Marston Street  
Ranger, Texas

## Ranger Post Office To Be Closed All Day on Christmas

Joe Meroney, Ranger postmaster, announced Thursday that the post office would be closed up "tighter than a jug" all day Christmas.

In the announcement Meroney stated that no incoming mail would be worked except the special delivery letters and that it would be useless to call at the post office for these as the boy would deliver them just as fast as he could get to them.

Out-going mail will be worked and sent out on the trains, but all incoming mail, with the exception of the special delivery letters and packages, will be left sacked until Saturday morning.

## GOODBYE 1931

The old year is drawing to a close and the New Year is near at hand. The old year gave us much to be thankful for, chief among which was the LOYAL SUPPORT of our patrons.

We face the new year with plans to better serve you and to try in the future even harder than we have in the past to be worthy of your patronage and your continued confidence.

Happy New Year to one and all!

### City Tailors

J. A. SLOAN, Prop.  
112 N. Austin Phone 541  
Ranger, Texas

## The Time When We Think of Others

Christmas makes the world happier because it turns our minds from selfish pursuits and makes us think of OTHERS. It is so with us. We are glad of the season that magnifies friendship and fellowship. We appreciate our friends and want each of you to know that you have our best wishes for a very happy Christmas and a New Year of Peace, Health and plenty.

### GEORGE'S CAFE

South Rusk Street Ranger, Texas

## SEASON'S GREETINGS

May This Christmas Bring You the Greatest Happiness You Have Ever Known Before

## SHOPPE MODERNE

Gholson Hotel Building

## YULETIDE GREETINGS

At this glad season of the year we want to pause and wish every one a

Very Merry Christmas

May your lot be that of health, happiness and prosperity.

## RANGER TIRE & BATTERY CO.

Ranger, Texas

## THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON

Prompts us to express to you our thanks for the courtesies you have been kind enough to extend us through the year which is now coming to a close and to voice the wish that the merry season now upon us may find you and yours well, happy and in tune with the chimes of the holidays. May the morning of the New Year bring you added joys and carry you along in its passing to the islands of your heart's desire. And after the holiday season has passed we crave the opportunity to manifest in a more tangible form our deep and abiding appreciation of your patronage and your friendship during the past year.

## LEVEILLE-MAHER MOTOR CO.

Ranger, Texas



Merry Christmas!

We have booked today for you a special Christmas offering. LEW AYERS in "Heaven On Earth" It's a happiness picture that you will truly enjoy! MATINEE TODAY—1 p. m. COLUMBIA

SOCIETY and CLUB NEWS

ARRITTA DAVENPORT Editor Ranger

A Christmas Wish

From Society Editor. I wish to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone who has been so courteous in giving news during the year, making it possible for this column to be of more interest to its readers.

Miss Shirley Is Hostess At Lovely Affair

Miss Shirley is hostess at a lovely affair announcing approaching marriage. The Green Room of the Ghoulson hotel was in readiness Wednesday evening, presenting a setting perfect color hues, for the season's highly favored motif, when Miss Ruth Shirley entertained with bridge and dance, honoring guests with the surprise announcement of the approaching marriage of Miss Olga Mitchell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Mitchell to Mr. Arthur Vaughn of Eastland.

Miscellaneous Showers

Honors Miss Mitchell. A pretty compliment offered in the form of a miscellaneous shower was paid Miss Olga Mitchell recently when Mrs. Richard Jones of Eastland entertained with Mrs. Robert Farrell and Misses Margaret Hart and Eda Lindsey associate hostesses, at the home of the former hostess.

Mistletoe adorned the chandeliers where each light bulb was encased in red, forming red balls. A pirate suggestion was carried out in detail, with each table covered with red linens, and centered with ships loaded with confections. As guests filed through the doorway, an attractive young brunette, wearing a pirate's costume presented tallies, again sweating the carefully selected colors.

Throughout the games music was furnished from radio, topped with an artistically designed ship with the sails pointing in graceful angles.

After games of bridge, another young pirate, little Miss Cecelia McDowell, favored the party with an especially selected eccentric tap number. Her blond daintiness was enhanced by the chic pirate hat. After finishing an encore number the little pirate presented each guest with a bag of gold, with a note inscribed, "Olga and Arthur, December 25th, Central Baptist Church, 7:00 o'clock. Ye Are Summoned."

The hostess was assisted in serving a delicious plate of fruit salad arranged in the center of a banana forming a ship with a black sail, and bottle cocoa-cola with the wrapper tinted "rum," by her sister, Miss Maxwell Shirley, attired in pirate costume.

Guest list for the pretty honorary affair was composed of: Mrs. W. R. Clardy, Mrs. J. L. Reed, Mrs. J. B. Shirley and Misses Olga Mitchell, Charlotte Ratliff, Belva Dixon, Betty Davenport, Marguerite Adamson, Evelyn Long, Mary Lou Thrower, Mary Eldo Davenport, Ivy Payne, Maxine Henderson, Marjorie Maddocks, Kenneth Wier, and Arritta Davenport, and Mr. and Mrs. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Carley, of Lubbock, and Messrs. Arthur Vaughn, of Eastland, Lee Thompson, Jack Galloway, Carl Pratt, Jimmie Burrage, Gaston Dixon, Moorman Wagner, Floyd Killingsworth, Ebb Lagon, Russell Smith, Elton Mitchell, Douglas Lindsey, Bill Drienhofer, Mack Watson, Lewis Gregg, and Dr. D. T. Wier, of Dallas.

Miss Johnson Entertains Honoring School Friends

Miss Dorothy Johnson entertained her schoolmates at the home of her grandparents, Judge and Mrs. R. C. Roland, Tuesday night. Games were played and a general good time was had for all.

Those attending the party were:

Misses Madell Walker, Helen Collier, Margerite Sanders, Messrs. Dean Walch, Aaron Anderson, Ruby Lee, Arrie Anderson, Katherine Lemmon, Bray, Rayburn Bunton, Billie Arnie, and Lynne Hammett.

Co-Hostesses Entertain With Christmas Bridge

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The many lovely and well chosen gifts presented in wrappings marking time and rare consideration of color tones, were opened and admired by the party of guests. A dainty refreshment plate was served at tea time to the honoree and a number of lady friends.

Ranger Couple Honored With Lovely Dinner At Abilene

Numbered among honorary affairs naming Miss Olga Mitchell and Mr. Arthur Vaughn of Eastland special guests, Mrs. G. G. Harding of Abilene, sister of Mr. Vaughn, entertained with a lovely dinner at her home in Abilene this week, prior to the wedding which was announced to take place this evening at the Central Baptist church at 7 o'clock.

The hostess chose hues of the season's color theme intermingled with white for the appointments and decorations.

The dining table was covered with runners of the combined shades and centered with a small miniature Christmas tree, flanked on either side with red tapers, helping to shed a soft color over the beautifully arranged table, where four courses were served, with silver and crystal service used to a pretty advantage.

The host was graciously assisted during the evening by her sister, Mrs. D. L. White of Ranger. Gifts were presented the honor guests wrapped in white and tied bits of red ribbon.

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winners and other members forming the party. A refreshment plate, repeating the colors of red and green, was served to the following: Messrs. and Mrs. W. A. Huffman, D. S. Morgan, Erving Cole, W. W. Mitchell, Frank Pearsall, R. C. Stridham and Mrs. Pearl Smith and Mr. Carman Wright.

Boys Glee Club Big Success

The Ranger High school Boys Glee Club is doing wonderful work under the direction of Carl Brumbelow. This is the third successful year for a boys glee club in Ranger high school.

The club sang last Tuesday evening at Merriam, Wednesday afternoon at the high school and on Wednesday at Colony, making six public performances for this season thus far.

Many programs have been planned to be given during the holidays, including programs to be given over radio stations.

Personal

Harry F. Wheatley was the guest of Albany relatives, yesterday.

Carl Brumbelow is a visitor in DeLeon during the holidays, guest of his mother, Mrs. Lewis Brumbelow.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Donley have as holiday guests Mr. and Mrs. Jack Avery and children of Heavener, Okla. Mr. Avery holds the position of editor of the Heavener paper.

Miss Alice D. True is the guest of relatives of Decatur during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Robinson are visitors in Hamilton, guests of friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Huffman and children are spending the holidays with relatives of Fredericksburg, Texas.

H. E. Snyder is ill at his home, Strawn highway.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McDowell and small daughter, Cecelia, are Fort Worth visitors today.

Mrs. J. A. Lowmire and daughters of Perry, Okla., are

guests of Mrs. Lowmire's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Thrower, and daughter Mary Lou.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wheatley and family have as guests today, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Blackburn of Breckenridge.

Mrs. Gladys Kletcher is convalescing at her home, North Austin street, after having undergone an operation at a local hospital.

Bob Hamrick of Seymour, who is associated with a bank of that city, has arrived to spend the holidays with his wife and young daughter. On his return Mr. Hamrick will be accompanied by his wife and daughter where they will make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Conway of Mineral Wells are Ranger visitors, guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Conway.

Mr. and Mr. Lingle of Henderson are Ranger visitors during the holidays.

Miss Kate Kramer is visiting her parents in Thurber over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Johnson of Commerce are spending the Christmas holidays here, guests in the home of Mr. Johnson's parents, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Cannon of Arlington are guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Jones and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Dotson and Bobbie Gayle are visiting as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Griffith.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Jones have as guests their daughter, Mrs. J. R. Summerson and husband of Breckenridge.

Alton Davenport is spending Christmas with relatives of Springtown, where he was joined by his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Davenport of St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Palmer and sons of Dallas, accompanied by Mr. Woodruff of California, are house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. Stafford and family over the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Palmer are formerly of Ranger, where Mr. Palmer was owner of the Lamb Theatre.

Changs Waxed Fat On Profits

MURDEN, Dec. 24.—Chinese officials, under Japanese protection, have discovered for the first time the amazing extent of the profits reaped by Manchurian military governors during the past few years.

Private accounts in Chinese

banks, which were examined by Japanese, are alleged to show profits for the two Changs—father and son—and their favorites of something like \$500,000,000 (silver).

Coming from Japanese sources, such estimates must be taken with reserve, but independent foreign observers agree that the figures cannot be far wrong.

For 19 years the two Changs and their satellites have had control of the revenues of Manchuria, more constant and abundant than of any other section of China. During that time, they have never had to account for receipts or ex-

penditures. And the two Changs held the traditional Chinese idea that an official's first duty is to enrich himself, his family, and his friends.

An investigation of the salt monopoly, for example, has shown that salt was sold for 16 times what it cost to produce. A small part of the profits went to the central government in recent years, to repay foreign loans, but most of it stayed in Manchuria to enrich officials. At least half these huge revenues are alleged to have gone into individual Chinese accounts.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

May all the joys of Merry Christmas and Happy New Year be yours this season!

Let's Make 1932 Our Best Year!

HASSEN CO.

The Spirit of the Season Prompts this Message

Prompted, not only by the spirit of the season, but out of a sense of deep gratitude, we send this message of cheer and good wishes to our friends everywhere. We hope it will find you happy in your present surroundings and with a future bright with good promises which will materialize to your complete satisfaction.

With you we welcome this happy season when hearts are gladdened and we may have some part in lightening the burdens of one another with kind words and thoughtful acts. It is good that we have this season when friendship and fellowship and good-will are manifested at every hand.

Certainly the year has not been all you could wish for, nor all that we could wish for. But even so we can each have much to be thankful for. Among other things, we are thankful for the loyalty of the friends who have made this business what it is. We are thankful for the old friends who have been with us through the years and for the new ones whose friendship we have claimed this year and the opportunity the future holds for making new friends.

We thank each of you sincerely—not only for your patronage, but for your good-will as well and for every consideration shown us. May Christmas be rich in happiness and the New Year bountiful in prosperity for you and yours.

THIS STORE HAS AN INTEREST IN YOUR HAPPINESS

And this holiday message has a greater meaning than we are able to express in mere words. It is our honest intent to impress you with our sincerity in sending broadcast this Christmas message bearing our good wishes for our patrons.

We have a desire to give tangible evidence of our interest in your welfare and happiness and in each business transaction, large or small, in the future, we will endeavor faithfully to add to your happiness.

In the glorious spirit of the season we extend greetings and cordial good wishes.

JOSEPH DRY GOODS CO. Ranger's Foremost Department Store

J.C. PENNEY CO. INC. Ranger, Texas



ZANE GREY'S RIDER of the PURPLE SAGE. For Full Story SEE GEORGE O'NEILL. Marguerite Duff Noah Keen. VENGEANCE HIM ON—UNTIL LASSOED HIM trigger action in a romance of the South.

"TWO BARKS COME" in "The Gallant Ghost" ARCA... From \$4.00 inside seed, a Dickens can reaped a harvest of canned vegetables.



### Many of Our Patrons Have Made Us Happy By What They Have Said About Us!

And now we want to try to make all of our patrons happy because of what we say about you. We think we are singularly blessed with the kind of patrons we have to serve. We like you and enjoy doing business with you.

But the main cause of this message is to Wish You an unlimited portion of Happiness during this Christmas season and to thank you most sincerely for your favors of the past.

**Bankhead Highway Garage**  
R. H. WEST      MARVIN E. WILLIAMS

### Home Again



Here is the newest picture of Evangeline Booth, commander of the Salvation Army in the United States, who is back on the job after a trip to Europe. The picture was taken as she arrived in New York.

### DEER FAILED TO ROAM

LANSING, Mich.—Four deer, "tagged" by state officers to learn their migratory habits, were killed by hunters during the past season. The deer had not roamed far from the scene of their first capture, officials of the state conservation department said. One buck was killed less than one mile from the point where he was released.

### STATE TO GO IN NEW YEAR WITH LARGE DEFICIT

AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—Texas will start the new year with a deficit, just like the national government and most of the other states, but it faces a year with an outlook far less discouraging than might be the case.

Its deficit on Jan. 1 will be around \$4,000,000.

But it will be remembered that this year's payments of taxes were in effect postponed until January.

And that two years' taxes will be paid together after the start of the year.

Some of the factors of solvency in the state's financial outlook are: A new cigarette tax which will bring the government \$4,200,000 to \$4,800,000 during the year.

A penalty remission law that may encourage considerable delinquent tax payments for previous years.

The gasoline tax, whose payment continues.

Oil royalties, rising with increased prices; and the promise of royalties and leases on prison lands and general revenue land as well as university and school lands.

Prospective revenues from streambed lands.

Production tax more than doubled by recent increases in the price of oil.

A new natural gas production tax, a higher sulphur production tax, and taxes on a few other commodities.

Authority for a "revolving fund" loan of \$3,000,000 from the highway fund to the general revenue, to cut by \$2,000,000 the deficiency in general revenues and \$1,000,000 in the pension fund.

Exemption of \$3,000 assessed valuation in homesteads to be voted on next fall and adoption assured.

Oil Industry is Facing Problems Geographer Says

AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—"One of the good forecasts of the future of the present depression in America is that it has resulted in a less uncritical acceptance of the view that, if only the problem of economical production is solved, the other problems of civilization may be left to solve themselves."

Elmer H. Johnson, industrial geographer in the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research, said in his monthly survey of the petroleum industry. This statement was made quoting Prof. T. E. Gregory of the London School of Economics.

Mr. Johnson himself went on to say: "This reaction applies most specifically to the oil industry at the present. It is becoming apparent that more and more oil men see clearly that the immediate problem of the oil industry is that of being able to adjust its output more closely to the limits of market demand."

"Even if much remains to be done in the development of a constructive program, it must be emphasized that considerable has already been accomplished in the oil industry as a whole concerning stabilized production."

"Since the beginning of the third week of October, 1931, daily average production of crude oil in the United States has been stabilized about the average of 2,430,000 barrels. This amount is somewhat under the average of daily production which prevailed during the summer of 1931 from the first of May to the close of the third week of August. The average of this latter period is somewhat less than the average daily production which prevailed during the first half of 1930.

"A cause of apprehension, however, lies in the fact that the daily average production of oil since the third week of October, 1931, has been somewhat higher than that which prevailed during the corresponding period of 1930 and during the first quarter of 1931.

"Daily crude runs to stills at refineries during the first half of 1931 were somewhat lower than they were during the corresponding period of 1930; also daily crude runs to stills during the second half of 1931, although trending slightly downward, parallel fairly closely daily runs to stills of the second half of 1930. Gasoline stocks at refineries in the United States, though lower by some 14 to 16 per cent than they were at corresponding periods of a year ago, have been gradually rising since the beginning of the third week of October this year.

"Gasoline consumption in the United States for the first nine months of 1931 increased by four and a half million barrels over that of the corresponding period in 1930. However, there occurred a decline in the same period in 1931 of 15 million barrels of our gasoline exports under that for the corresponding 1930 period; it has been asserted that this drop in our exports was due to the successful competition of an unexpected increased over-seas supply due to increased production and refining activities abroad. This decreased export is a factor in our accumulating refinery stocks.

"Another factor to be reckoned with is the gradual growth of exploration activity in the United States and the consequent effects upon the extension of production. In Texas continued activity goes on in the Gulf Coast fields and some in West Texas. The East Texas field had 3,407 wells Dec. 17, but effective at 7 a. m. Friday, Dec. 18, the East Texas allowance was cut from 125 to 100 barrels daily by executive order of Governor Eterling. Observance of this order will keep East Texas production slightly below 340,000 barrels daily."

### Town's Mayor In Office 28 Years

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Dec. 24.—Charles Sumner Ashley, on Jan. 1, begins his twenty-eighth year as mayor of New Bedford.

He is now serving his twenty-fifth term and is expected to be a candidate for another term in December, 1932, despite the fact that he is 73.

Ashley, tall, dignified and an immaculate dresser, is a native of this textile city, whose chief executive he has been, on and off, since 1899.

After first being elected mayor in 1890, Ashley held office until 1894, when he resigned to become postmaster. Two years later he left the postmaster's chair for the mayor's.

In 1905 he retired, was re-elected in 1910, was defeated in 1914 and again in 1915, held office from 1916 to 1920, and refused to run in 1921.

Nineteen-twenty-six found Ashley near death in a Boston hospital. Friends started a sticker campaign in his behalf. He was elected mayor by an overwhelming margin. Restored to health, he was re-elected in 1928 and again in 1930.

In 1918, the city's business men presented him with \$12,317 in appreciation of his services.

### COW LEADS HORSE TO DEATH

NEWBERN, Tenn.—A cow led a horse to death in a fire here recently. When the barn on the Lawrence Mullins farm caught fire the three animals pastured in the barnyard became infuriated. Both the horse and the mule began attacking the cow, and to escape their flying hoofs and snapping teeth, the cow raced into the barn. The building collapsed before they could be chased out.

### JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS GAIN

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Junior colleges are the most rapidly growing educational institutions in California. A survey shows that in these two-year school attendance in the last decade has increased from 173 to 15,120 pupils.

### BEAR SOLD FOR \$15.

NEWPORT, R. I.—"John," bear at Wauwapa reservation, Joseph Olajnak, of this city, California. A survey shows that in these two-year school attendance in the last decade has increased from 173 to 15,120 pupils.

**A SIMPLE WISH**  
in Just a Simple Way—  
**A MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
and a  
**HAPPY NEW YEAR DAY**  
In All Sincerity  
We Thank You!  
**CLYDE H. DAVIS**  
Jeweler

**The Greatest Happiness Comes From Doing For Others!**  
We therefore express the hope that this Christmas season will afford you many opportunities for happiness by making those about you happy.  
We owe a debt of gratitude to the people of this community that we can never pay in full, but believe us when we say that we are going to give you the best we have each day of the coming year.  
**SIMMONS SERVICE STATION**  
127 South Austin Street Phone 14



## May The Richest Christmas Joys Be Yours

At this season of Universal Happiness, we wish to thank our friends for their patronage. Ours has been the privilege, the opportunity for a service which we sincerely hope has accomplished its mission in bringing unqualified satisfaction.

We appreciate the confidence which has been placed in us, and now, on the threshold of the New Year, we dedicate ourselves anew to the continuance of this service, which we trust will continue to grow more inclusive and helpful.

# Wolf's

Half Block of Bargains  
Next Door to Post Office  
Eastland

**In the Simplest Words—**  
**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
When we were little children the Christmas spirit came into our hearts, the hearts of all of us. And since all of us are only children who have grown up, we still have that same warm, glowing spirit.  
Somehow or other, the world just seems different at Christmas. We find ourselves mysteriously free of the worries and petty grievances of other days. The spirit of Christmas speaks with a voice of love, and we say to you and to the whole world, what you and the whole world are saying to each other—  
**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**  
**STAFFORD DRUG CO.**

**1931 - 1932**  
During 1931 it was our good fortune to make many new friends for this business and we do not know of any of the highly prized old friends that we have lost. We hope we have lost none. We appreciate each of you, OLD and NEW and WISH YOU EVERY HAPPINESS for the coming year, and we want all of you to know that we greatly appreciate your patronage of the past and that we want you to continue with us in the future.  
**Gulf Service Station**  
L. D. RIPLEY, Operator  
319 Hunt St. Ranger

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Dry Cleaning for any School Child who is not able to pay the HALF-PRICE!  
**HALF-PRICE!**  
We will Dry Clean the clothing of any school child in Ranger and trade territory at **HALF-PRICE!**  
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Certain other officials paid by the state, notably district attorneys throughout the 120-odd districts, are paid \$4000 a year apiece, but allowed, by lack of either legal or ethical restrictions, to engage in private employment while holding office.

Some of the district attorneys in Texas have larger staffs of assistants than has the attorney general. The assistants are paid from the state treasury the same as the governor and attorney general. These assistants, with full sanction of law and precedent, have the privilege of devoting part of their time to private employment.

In theory, the state pays for the full time of both officials and assistants. If their official duties occupy all their time, the state has a right to expect full-time service. If not, here is room for trimming the list.

This applies equally to all upon the public payroll, whatever their type of official service.

**McADOO THROWS DOWN THE GAUNTLET.**

William Gibbs McAdoo of California, in his Dallas address, said the United States was simply deceiving itself if it believed that a reduction in armaments, "unless accompanied by profound economic adjustments," would end wars.

He declared that 12 years after the signing of the Versailles treaty, "the obligations of this treaty not only remain unfulfilled but the leading nations of Europe are maintaining greater armaments and a more staggering burden of waste and taxation than that which preceded the World war." Has McAdoo a remedy? No, but he has advice to give. Read it: "To abolish war effectively, we must contrive to lessen the intense economic tension which is, in this era, one of the outstanding characteristics of our civilization." All he said is Gospel truth.

**FESS AS A PROPHET.**

Chairman Fess of the republican national committee aroused the enthusiasm of an audience when he concluded his speech with an assurance that President Hoover "will steer the ship of state safely to port."

There was no prohibition discussion at the meeting of the republican committee when it selected Chicago as the place of the national convention in the coming month of June.

As for the leaders, they ran true to form. To a man, wet or dry, they declared that they were ready for the battle next year and that the republican party would sweep the country. As for the republican directors of political campaigns they know how to organize for victory, they know how to finance for victory, and they never blacklist a republican brother whether he is as dry as the Sahara desert or as wet as the Atlantic ocean.

A majority of the delegates nominate candidates. A majority of the delegates adopt the platform and when the date is passed around for campaign contributions the boys all chip in. They are never fighting shadows. In this they are very different from the democrats in their methods and their practices.

**SALES TAX.**

The taxation committee of the National Retail Dry Goods association of America has warned their national lawmakers that they have a taxing program that will maintain the long established principle of collecting taxes on the basis of the ability to pay and they are raising vigorous opposition to the imposition of any form of a general retail sales tax, turnover tax, so-called luxury taxes to meet the present governmental emergency for the following reasons:

Any form of sales tax is contrary to the fundamental principle of taxation in as much as it is not based on ability to pay. Any form of sales tax legislation will increase the cost of living to the American people and will effect most severely those in the lower income classes because of a greater percentage of their income, if not all, is spent entirely in living cost.

They declared that a sales tax is a tax on consumption which inevitably will lead to a falling off of consumers demand which will affect adversely the commerce and industry of our nation. Lastly, any forms of sales tax are based on volume and not on profit, they are troublesome and expensive to administer and they represent distinctly class legislation. Thus it is that the retail merchants have thrown down the gauntlet to the Hoover-Mellon-Mills plan. Where will Senator Joseph Taylor Robinson and Speaker John N. Garner, spokesmen of congressional democrats, stand in the coming battle?

**Living Cost Montana Farmer Only \$50**

By United Press.

BOZEMAN, Mont.—A family living on a farm near Bozeman lived well for 10 months on a cash outlay of \$50. Their farm produced the rest.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Holmes, of Jenchland, Judith Basin county, are not troubled by the fluctuation of the grain market. They make their farm produce their living.

Up to Nov. 1 of this year their cash living expenses totaled \$50.83. They live well, too. For six months they have stored 43 quarts of canned vegetables, 26 quarts of canned fruit, a good supply of canned meat and a quantity of root crops.

Holmes is a wheat farmer on a fairly large scale. He farms entirely with machinery. But in addition, he has a large garden and many chickens.

The flock of chickens, in addition to supplying the family with eggs and meat, brought in \$10.61 from eggs.

The fruit and meat, which was canned, was bought when prices were low and quality high.

Even the wheat, which was a high price on the market this year, played a part in the Holmes' living. When the scoop in the flour

bin at the Holmes home began to scrape the bottom, Holmes loaded a truck with wheat and drove to a nearby mill, where he exchanged it at the rate of three bushels for 100 pounds of flour.

**Exquisite Hosiery . . .**  
 You will find the sheer variety—the new shades at  
**COHN'S SHOPPE**  
 Ranger, Texas

**Next Door to Post Office**  
**WOLF'S**  
 For the Woman Who Cares!  
 Eastland

**Frigidaire and Electrical Appliances**  
**Texas Electric Service Co.**

**"These Are My Jewels"**



**ABOUT THIS AND THAT**

By W. H. MAYES Jr.

Gripping Gus of Eastland went completely haywire yesterday, filled with Christmas spirit—or perhaps Christmas spirits—and inflicted some alleged poetry upon an unsuspecting public. He calls it blank verse, which may or may not be true. Our knowledge of poetry is limited. However, it seems to have some sort of rhyme to it if not reason.

One reason we call attention to it is that we thought it rather clever, which reminds us of a story we heard recently. It goes like this:

A man was always complaining about prayer meeting being uninteresting and dull. He complained so regularly that his wife soon paid no attention to him. One night, when she was unable to attend, he returned home whistling and singing. "We had a fine meeting to-night," he volunteered. "Yes, sir, one of the best prayer meetings I ever attended." His wife made the necessary inquiries and he replied: "Well, the preacher made a short talk, as usual, and then called on me to make a few remarks. Yes, sir, it was the best meeting I ever attended."

All of which goes to prove that when we take part in a thing it immediately has more meaning to us and we take more interest in it. It was probably that way about Gus' column today.

We started out to write something along the usual line about wishing all the clients of this column, if any, a Christmas greeting, garbed in all the sentimental and more sounding phrases we could think up. After plugging away at the old writing machine for almost an hour and destroying over half a wastepaper basket full of copy paper we finally had the inspiration sought and hammered out this highly original masterpiece in the form of a Christmas greeting: Merry Christmas to all.

And now that we have that off our minds all we have to do is get out the rest of the paper so we can go home in time to sew up the holes in our socks so we can hang them up for Santa to fill. The last time we hung up a stocking was long ago when we were about 12 or 13 years old and thought we could fool Santa for another year and make him think we were eligible. All we got in the stocking was a big stick of stove wood.

Many homes in Ranger were made more cheerful today and many families were thankful that there was such a thing as Christmas spirit and good fellowship on earth. These families are the ones which were given baskets provided by the Good Cheer fund, sponsored by the Elks lodge of Ranger and aided in every way by the other organizations of the town.

The firemen have weighed up all the groceries, filled all the baskets possible and have distributed them with the aid of a number of neighboring happy families of the town. Many a family will have a good Christmas dinner because you and your neighbor came to the front and donated one dollar, that will never be missed, toward making others happy this Christmas day and keeping many a youngster and many an older person from going hungry.

Not as many baskets were provided as could have been used and some were forced to do without—some who could have used the groceries to good advantage—but those who did receive their Good Cheer gifts are, no doubt, thankful to those who made it possible for them to get more enjoyment out of Christmas.

And everyone should remember the big charity football game that is to be played this afternoon at 2:30. All the proceeds of this game will go to the Elks charity fund, with a small percentage taken out to pay the expenses of the Breckenridge team on their trip to Ranger.

Practically all the famous stars of former Bulldog teams will be on hand to take part in the game and the team will probably be composed of more real material than has ever been seen on a Ranger football gridiron.

**Markets**

By United Press.

Closing selected New York stocks:		
American Can	61 1/2	
Am P & L	15 1/2	
Am Smelt	18 1/2	
Am T & T	115 1/2	
Anaconda	10 1/4	
Auburn Auto	130	
Aviation Corp Del.	2 1/4	
Beth Steel	18 1/4	
Byers A M	12	
Canada Dry	11 1/2	
Case J I	40	
Chrysler	13 1/4	
Curtiss Wright	1 1/2	
Elect Au L	29 1/2	
Elco St Bat	26	
Foster Wheel	8 1/2	
Fox Films	3 1/2	
Gen Elec	24 1/2	
Gen Mot	22 1/2	
Gillette S R	13 1/2	
Goodyear	14 1/2	
Houston Oil	18	
Int Cement	17 1/2	
Int Harvester	24	
Johns Manville	17 1/2	
Kroger G & B	13 1/2	
Montg Ward	7 1/2	
Nat Dairy	23	
Para Publix	6 1/2	
Phillips P	4 1/2	
Prairie O & G	5	
Pure Oil	3 1/2	
Purity Bak	11 1/2	
Radio	6 1/2	
Sears Roebuck	32 1/2	
Shell Union Oil	3 1/2	
Southern Pac	28 1/2	
Stan Oil N J	26 1/2	
Socony Vac	9	
Studebaker	11	
Texas Corp	11	
Texas Gulf Sul	22 1/2	
Und Elliott	15	
U S Gypsum	18 1/2	
U S Ind Ale	26	
U S Steel	37 1/2	
Vanadium	12 1/2	
Westing Elec	25	
Worthington	17 1/2	

Curb Stocks.		
Cities Service	5 1/2	
Ford M Ltd	4 1/2	
Gulf Oil Pa	26 1/2	
Humble Oil	45 1/2	
Niag Hud Pwr	6	
Star Oil Ind	14 1/2	

**TO EVERYBODY**

We wish to express our appreciation of your loyalty and wish you not only a **MERRY CHRISTMAS** but a **HAPPY and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR**

**EAT Banner ICE CREAM**

"It tastes better"

**CORDIAL GREETINGS**  
 and the Season's **BEST WISHES**  
 To Our Friends Everywhere!

As we come into the season when our thoughts are turned from the cares of business we rejoice in the recollection of happy relations we have had with our patrons.

As we recount the accomplishments of the past we find chief among our assets the good-will and friendship of those with whom it has been our pleasure to deal.

It is, therefore, with genuine pleasure and in all sincerity that we broadcast our best Christmas wishes to you.

**May It Be A Happy Yuletide For You and Yours!**

Accept our thanks for your loyalty and patronage. We shall look forward in pleasant anticipation of a continuation during 1932 of our past happy relations.

**GLOBE**  
 CORRECT DRESS FOR MEN  
 220 MAIN STREET  
 Ranger, Texas

TRY A WANT AD—IT ALWAYS PAYS

**AMONG OUR ASSETS**

We are proud to claim the good-will of our many friends, as by far, **THE GREATEST**

We are wishing for all our friends and customers and the people generally of our community a rich outpouring of the blessings of the Yuletide season.

May you have the blessing of health, prosperity, love, contentment and may your lines during the New Year fall in pleasant places.

Make a Clothes Line Out of Our Phone—236

**RANGER STEAM LAUNDRY**

San Angelo municipal turnip patch played people are given the turnips are used for purposes.

**ALL THE LATEST RECORD HIT**  
**Clyde H. De**  
 Jewelry—Music—Next Door to Hanger

**VALVES GROUN**  
 If the valves in your grinding we can do it WORK GUARANTEED  
 Quick Service Call Phone 23

—taste the difference  
**Betty Jane B**  
**Speed's Bake**  
 Ranger

**Golden, Fl**  
 Arcadia Theatre Bldg.  
 Cut Flowers, Pot Plants, Seeds and Bulbs, Green Plants, Stock

**Helpful Service—**  
 If you cannot get your property adjusted call us will send a man out to you. There is no charge service.  
**TEXAS-LA. POWER**

Specialized **RADIO SERVICE**  
 Batteries, Tubes, Accidents Phone 60—Ranger

**EXIDE BATTERY**

**PIGGLY WIGG**  
 "All Over the World"

**All Jewelry Here**  
 Regular Prices  
**C. H. DUNLAP**  
 OPTOMETRIST  
 Main Street



### GREETINGS OF THE SEASON.....

Straight from the heart and in a way we hope you'll understand that we mean it:

**WE WISH YOU A MOST JOYOUS CHRISTMAS**

—and a bright, happy, prosperous New Year!

### TEXAS DRUG STORE

J. T. HARNESS, Prop.

### MAY

THESE THREE CHOICE BLESSINGS BE YOURS:

- HEALTH
- HAPPINESS
- PROSPERITY

AND EVEN MORE!

And we promise you here and now that we are going to do all within our power to add to your happiness and satisfaction during the coming year.

**Ranger Dry Cleaning Plant**

S. B. BOON, Prop.

### CHRISTMAS GREETINGS....

From  
**REV. G. W. THOMAS,**  
Pastor  
First Baptist Church  
Ranger

For my own church whose devotion to their undershepherd and his family has been so beautiful, and whose labors for Christ have been so noble; for those noble Christians of other churches who have faithfully endeavored to exalt our common Savior; for my brother ministers of Christ, of whatever name; for all who are my friends, and those I hope to have, I wish a joyous Christmas.

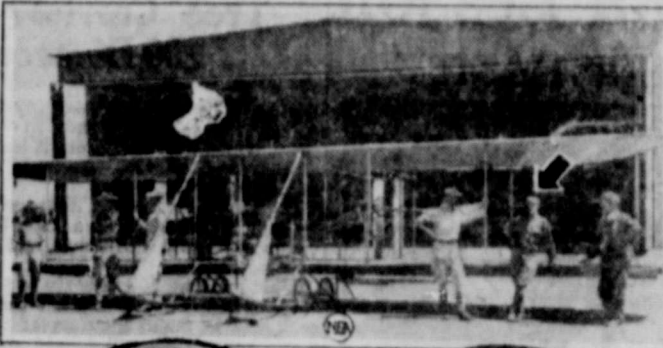
May the light of Christ's blessed star which shines upon your pathway and mine during this joyous season be so heightened as to reach throughout the coming year, driving out from our lives all that is unlike Him and unfolding the new beauty of His image within us, that many to whom Christ now means nothing may by the testimony of our lives come to know Him.

REV. G. W. THOMAS.

### YOSEMITE CREW'S REUNION.

By United Press.  
DETROIT.—A group of the surviving members of the crew of the U. S. S. Yosemite, veterans of the Spanish-American war, assembled here and refought the battle of San Juan. The crew's survivors include 30 Michigan veterans. Only 110 members of the crew of 289 are still living.

### New Chief Was First Army Flyer



Brigadier General Benjamin D. Foulois, who becomes chief of the U. S. Army Air Corps this month, flew the first and only plane the government owned when he joined the air division 'way back in 1908. The upper picture shows General Foulois (indicated by arrow) standing beside the crate-like plane with which he broke records two decades ago. It is a far cry from the army's sturdy, compact fighting ships of today like the one shown below. In the center is the general, left, as he appeared when war-time chief of the American war birds in France, and, right, as he is today.

## WE DIDN'T WAIT 'TIL CHRISTMAS

—to begin doing good turns to our neighbors and friends. We try to make it a part of our everyday business all during the year to scatter a little sunshine along with our regular occupation of helping the people of this community onward to better conveniences and comforts.

But when Christmas does come we rejoice as much as anybody at the added incentive to hand out a word of cheer. And so we are wishing for you all a joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## EXIDE BATTERY CO.

J. S. "SPUD" REYNOLDS

PHONE 224 FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THAT WANT AD

WE GREET YOU AND WE THANK YOU!

May this Christmas be all that you could hope it to be and may the year 1932 be one of continued happiness, peace and prosperity for each of you.

Post Office Confectionery  
ROY STOKES, Prop.  
Post Office Building

# Christmas--

*the pause signal for the whole wide world*

**H**OW JOYFULLY we obey the impulse of the Christmas signs all about us to pause for a moment to consider the bright side of life. It is a joyous season—a beautiful custom. We submit to it willingly, whole-heartedly and surrender our thoughts, our wishes and our desires about our friends. Of you, whose friendship we have long cherished, we are thinking—of what you have meant to us and how strongly indebted we are to you. And while we realize that we cannot discharge the debt of gratitude we owe to our patrons with good wishes, yet we would have you know that no Christmas card, or cheery word, or smile, or warm hand-clasp could possibly be more sincere than this message we broadcast to you.

MAY ABUNDANT CHRISTMAS JOYS BE YOURS AND THE NEW YEAR BRING FULFILMENT OF EVERY BRIGHT PROMISE FOR YOUR HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY!

After all, the greatest reward in business is the friends we are enabled to make. So, it is in the spirit of friendship and good-will that we greet you and thank you cordially for your patronage and all favors of the past.

## CHRISTMAS IS MORE THAN A HOLIDAY

It is a heritage of happiness in the hearts of men.

Down through the ages it has brought the beautiful benediction of

"Peace on Earth; Goodwill to men!"

And each year it brings us anew the pleasures of wishing you a "Merry Christmas and abiding Happiness throughout the New Year."

For the Year of 1932

It will be our pleasure to serve you. We will feature in a better and bigger way our lines, especially

WALLPAPER AND TRUE'S PAINT

Come to see us often in '32!

PICKERING LUMBER SALES CO.

CALVIN BROWN, Manager

True's Paints

Home Builders

# Texas Electric Service Company



ELKS MEET POSTPONED

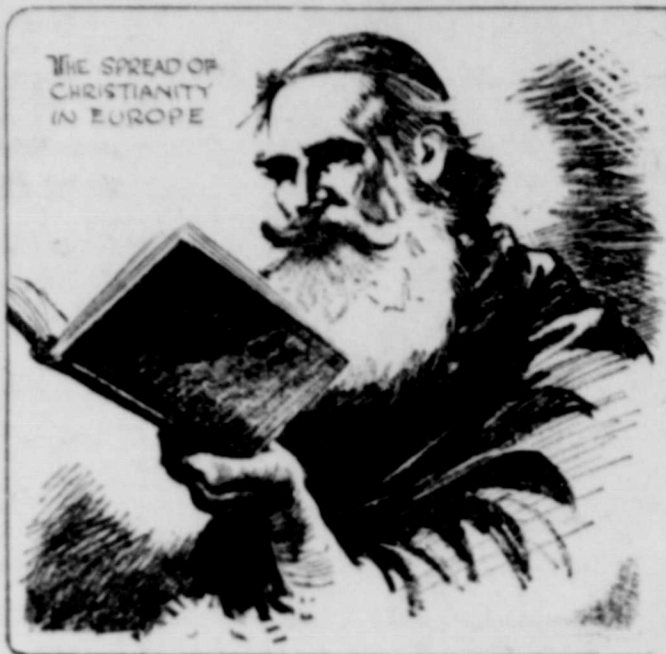
The regular weekly meeting of the Ranger lodge of the B. P. O. Elks, scheduled to be held tonight, has been postponed on account of the Christmas holiday, it was announced Saturday.

# Weekly Sunday School Lesson

## SPREAD OF CHRISTIANITY

Golden Text: Rev. 11:15. The International Uniform Sunday School Lesson for Dec. 27. The Spread of Christianity in Europe. Golden Text: Rev. 11:15.

By WM. E. GILROY, D. D., Editor of The Congressionalist. The lessons for the final quarter of the year have continued the story of the spread of Christianity. These lessons began with the Cædemonian call and the story of how Paul began his eventful



preaching in Europe in response to the vision that he had seen by night. Early in the quarter we have studied the stirring events at Philippi, where at midnight in the darkness of the inner dungeon, Paul and Silas prayed and sang hymns of praise to God and an earthquake opened the doors of the prison and events happened which led to the conversion of the Philippian jailer. Next we see Paul in Thessalonica and Berea; the course of his journey shaped by persecution. We have observed something of his ministry in Corinth, where he was destined to spend one of the longest periods that he spent in any one place. We see Paul in Ephesus, the center of a tremendous uproar. He and his companion are assailed by those whose business of making silver shrines for the goddess Diana was seriously endangered. From these scenes of excitement and danger Paul bids farewell to the elders of the church at Ephesus and makes his way to Jerusalem. There in Jerusalem he is arrested at the instance of certain hostile Jews, and on a strange charge that he is disloyal to Caesar, Paul might have found release had he had to deal only with the Roman authorities. In despair of getting justice in Judea he appeals, as it was his privilege as a Roman citizen, to Rome. To Rome, therefore, he makes the journey fraught with great danger and privation and the violence of shipwreck. In Rome we find him in the course of one lesson, a prisoner, but living in his own house with a soldier-keeper and accorded large liberties by the Roman authorities who evidently were strongly impressed with the prestige and character of the apostle. During this period we see Paul's activity in the writing of the various epistles known as "the epistles of the imprisonment." Then we have had Paul's last testimony transmitted in a letter to Timothy, whom he called his son in the faith, marvelously preserved and treasured through countless thousands may enter into the inspiration and beauty of that last message today. From the triumphant life and ministry of Paul we have turned to the wonderful vision of the Book of the Revelation given to the world in days of tragedy and persecution, touched with grandeur and beauty of moral and spiritual faith. Associated with this we have had the practical message of John appropriately assigned as the lesson for Christmas, keen, clear, and vital in its application of the meaning and power of the Christmas story in the present daily relationships of men.

### Reno Christmas Tree Carries 200 Divorces

RENO, Nev. Dec. 24.—A mythical Christmas tree stands in the court house here and from it hang 200 divorce decrees—presents to be issued by Dec. 25. At the present rate, there will be 200 divorces granted here between now and Christmas, attorneys estimate. There will be 200 "liberty bond" seekers happy for Christmas time, and just to make the rest of the world happy they will donate some \$800 to Washoe county in fees, and some \$40,000 to attorneys. Then, with those legal phasers taken care of, the "cure seekers" will continue to donate some \$4,000 a day to hotel, apartment house, and rooming house proprietors, not to mention dude ranch owners. Others, who will come in for their share of the "Christmas fund," will be speakeasy proprietors, bootleggers, and gambling house proprietors. In the meantime, while those 200 are telling their troubles to the

judge and gaining their freedom, next year's crop will be pouring into Reno and the start of the late winter, early spring season will be on. Business is slow in the divorce mill city right now, but judges and others connected with the trade say that it is just a seasonal slump. Even though business is admittedly dull now, less than 70 divorces being granted on the busiest day recently, it is far better than it was last year under the old law, and it looks as though Reno would weather the storm.

**MULE REVEALS LIQUOR STILL**  
By United Press.  
OSCEOLA, Ark.—When several deputy sheriffs got into an argument while hunting near here recently, one suggested they investigate to determine whether the animal was a mule or a deer. They did, and after discovering a mule, investigated a little further and found a 200-gallon whiskey still. The mule was hitched to a rock-boat used to haul supplies to the operators. The operators fled. LAMPASAS is the market place for 25 carloads of pecans grown this year, the largest crop on record for the section.

### School Children Get Half Price On Dry Cleaning

In keeping with a custom established several years ago, the Ranger Dry Cleaners, Bill's Dry Cleaning Plant and the Modern Dry Cleaners will clean school children's clothing at half price from Dec. 24 to Dec. 27. All who cannot afford their clothing cleaned may get the work done free of charge during the holiday. This offer is made only for school children.

### AN OPEN LETTER:

Dear Friends and Patrons:— We take this means of sending a message of thanks to each of you and to tell you that we are thinking of you and wishing you a lot of happiness during this Christmas season. We appreciate your patronage of the past and respectfully solicit your patronage in 1932.

**GULF SERVICE STATION**  
J. A. HAMILTON, Operator  
Commerce at Elm Street

## CHRISTMAS CHEER

—And Best Wishes for the New Year!

May this be the best Christmas you ever spent. Our wish for you and yours is one of everything good, that you would wish for yourself.

We thank you for the many courtesies of 1931.

**COHN'S SHOPPE**  
Ready-to-Wear and Millinery

## IT MAY BE A LITTLE DIFFERENT

To extend a wish like this, but there are so many needs and so many conditions and so many desires that it is difficult to send out a Christmas wish that will meet the various requirements of all our friends, so we are just wishing for you all you could wish for yourself.

Give us the pleasure of seeing you often during the NEW YEAR!

**GHOLSON HOTEL BARBER SHOP**  
L. E. Gray William A. Lewis J. M. Lindsey N. W. Reed

## TO OUR FRIENDS EVERYWHERE

This firm is composed of those of us whose pleasure it is to serve and of those whose desire it is to be courteously and adequately served. It is the good pleasure of the serving personnel at this glad holiday season to extend a sincere expression of gratitude and wishes for all the best things of Christmas to those whose patronage makes the services of our firm possible. May the New Year continue to bring you joys like Christmas time.

**E. H. & E. P. MILLS**  
GROCERY and MARKET

We Wish Everybody A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year!

**DEFFEBACH GARAGE**  
211 N. Commerce St.

SEASON'S GREETINGS WISHING YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS L. R. PEARSON



Accept Our Best Wishes for a MERRY MERRY CHRISTMAS

—Though 1931 has been a trying year, thanks to good friends like you it has been a successful year, general conditions considered. We thank you sincerely for your confidence in us and for all of your courtesies. —We greet the New Year with a spirit of optimism. As a people, we have mastered difficulties no less unsolved or discouraging than those of the present, and we will do it again! We will emerge from our present difficulties stronger, hardier and more resourceful. —We hope that you will enjoy a Christmas untrammelled with care....a day of happiness and rejoicing.... and that in the New Year you may share to the utmost in the good things which we are fully confident lie ahead.

**Commercial State Bank**

We Never Sacrifice QUALITY for a LOW PRICE! Montgomery Ward & Co. Ranger, Texas

Wash and Grease Job, both for \$1 Let Us Call and Get Your Car! Panhandle Service Station C. L. Sylvester, Mgr. South Marston St., Ranger Phone 391

WE BUY PRODUCE! 'M' SYSTEM GROCERY & MARKET Ranger, Texas

SPECIAL PRICE ON Children's Haircuts 25c (High school students included) GHOLSON HOTEL BARBER SHOP Basement of the Gholson

OUR OWN Patterns, 15c Every Pattern Guaranteed HASSEN COMPANY Ranger, Texas

KILLINGSWORTH-COX & CO. AMBULANCE Phone 129-J—302, Day 29 Funerals—Directors—Embalmers Years of Experience 120 Main St. Ranger

TRUE'S PAINTS For every paint need! Pickering Lumber Sales Co. Ranger

STORAGE Washing and Greasing Marathon Gas and Oils SIMMONS Pine and Austin Sts.



# THREE KINDS OF LOVE

BY KAY CLEAVER STRAHAN



## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS By Blosser

**IN THE MIDDLE OF THE OODLES DISCUSSION OF THEIR CLUB HOUSE, OSCAR SUDDENLY REMEMBERS THAT HE HAS TO GO TO THE COBBLER, TO HAVE A RIP IN HIS SHOE SEWED...**

OSCAR: "I'LL BE WITH YOU IN JUST A MINUTE. SOON I FINISH THIS SHOE AND THE ONE OVER THERE ON THE COUNTER."

COBBLER: "ALL RIGHT. NO REMINDER. I'LL GET IT FOR YOU—AND HERE'S MINE, TOO!"

**IS THIS THE ONE? I NOTICED THOSE RINGS ON THE SOLE—PRETTY FANCY SHOES FOR A FELLA TO BE WEARIN'—WHOSE SHOE IS IT, MR. HEMINGER?**

OSCAR: "OH, LET'S SEE NOW—I OUGHT TO REMEMBER WHOSE SHOE THAT IS—IT JUST CAME IN THIS MORNING—SEEMS IT WAS ONE OF THE ANGLEMYER BOYS, FROM OVER THE TRACKS!"

**FROM OVER THE TRACKS? GEE! WHAT WAS HIS FIRST NAME?**

OSCAR: "I GOT IT NOW—HIS NAME WAS ANZY... AND HE WORE A SWEATER!"

FRECKLES: "WAIT! FRECKLES HEARS THIS NEWS!"

**WHILE I WAS WAITING TO HAVE MY SHOE SEWED, I SAW A RUBBER SOLE SHOE WITH RINGS ON THE SOLE, JUST LIKE THE FOOTPRINTS WE FOUND FROM OVER THE TRACKS.**

OSCAR: "ANY ANGLEMYER AN HIS SHANS? WELL, FIX HIM—TO MORROW WE'LL GET THAT BACK!"

**THAT'S THE BEST CHRISTMAS PRESENT WE COULD HAVE— FINDING OUT WHO TOOK OUR CLUB HOUSE!**

OSCAR: "BY GOLLY, THEY CAN'T SLIP ANYTHING OVER ON THE OODLES, CAN THEY, OSSIE?"

**WHY! WE COULD HAVE HIM PUT IN JAIL FOR STEALIN' OUR CLUB HOUSE!**

OSCAR: "D'YA WANTA KNOW WHO TOOK OUR CLUB HOUSE, DOODLE? I FOUND OUT AT THE SHOE COBBLER'S!"

FRECKLES: "COBBLER'S? HOW COULD YOU FIND OUT THERE—WHO WAS IT, DOODLE?"

her the vanilla parfait instead of the pineapple one she had ordered. Mr. Hill wouldn't let her send it back, because she had eaten the whipped cream off the top before she had discovered the mistake. Vanilla in place of pineapple is disappointing.

"Stinky" he rebuked. "You aren't going to be a little stinky, cold baby, are you sweetness?"

Mary-Frances said, "Don't," and stood on her heels to ease her toes for a moment. "I guess," she added, "I'd better go back now."

"Say! You got a date with the ice trust or something?"

"No. I just kind of thought I'd better go on now."

"Cripes! You can't go rushing off now. What was the use of me coming all the way up here? You give it another think, baby. Don't you do it. Don't you go in now."

He was beseeching her to stay. It was thrilling. "And then he beseeched me to stay," she could tell Ermintrude. Nonchalance savored with winsomeness. It sounded easy, but how exactly should she go about it? Why was it that you want me to stay?"

"I—as just telling you, wasn't I, that I was crazy about you and all? Wasn't I, baby? And then you get stinky and go rushing off on me for nothing? Just treat about you, sweetness, that's make 'em."

"Will you love me forever and ever?" she asked. She thought that he had told her that he loved her. Things were not disappointing so far. She was missing her first try, and it was Life and Love and Living and everything.

"And how!" he vowed, and tried to kiss her again.

"Don't," said Mary-Frances. "Aw, gee, baby," he complained.

"If we kiss all the time, Mary-Frances elucidated, "we can't make friends like you said, nor get acquainted nor anything."

"Snap out of it," he urged.

"Say, listen, baby. We wouldn't be kissing if we weren't friends already, would we?"

Mary-Frances pondered that for a moment. "Well—no," she admitted. "I guess what I mean is that so many things are so much more interesting than kissing."

It was Earl's turn to ponder, and he did so for a moment before he produced his first sincerity of the evening. "Cripes" he said, "if you aren't the darndest funny little kid!"

Ermintrude must never know. No one must ever know. It must be kept as a secret smattering in her breast like that old Spartan (or Dignity) softened with coyness? Mary-Frances had no pre-disposition for coyness.

"Well, Mr. DeArmount, I must say! If that's what you think about me, I'm glad you told me before it was too late, and you'll part four right here. I'll be straight into the house. But I will add, Mr. DeArmount, that I don't think that is a very nice way to talk to a girl who is 18 years old, and you know how old I was, because I told you this afternoon in the dining room, and now I'll say goodbye."

He took her by the shoulders and held her, gently enough. "Leave me explain, hon," he said.

"I didn't go to make you sore. On the square I didn't—see? Wait a minute. I mean me."

"Funny little kid," mocked Mary-Frances. "Well, it may be yours, but it isn't my idea of a nice way to talk."

"Say, listen, hon. I'm sorry, honest. I didn't mean anything like you think. I like you. On the square I do. I like you a lot better than I thought I was going to—see? I mean to say, you being so—so, well different and innocent seeming and all, you've kinda got me going in a way. See?"

"Different?" she asked, questioned, with a note of hope.

"I'll tell the world you're different. Say, listen, hon, and I'm talking on the square to you now—see? No line or anything like that—see? I'm talking like a pal, straight goods. You're as different from the run of girls as—as—well, say, if you'll excuse me getting kind of flowery, you're as different as a little innocent violet from one of these here big gaudy cabbage roses—see?"

"You are as different as is a modest violet from a flaunting crimson rose!" Perfect material for Ermintrude.

"Howsomsoever," said Earl, and from where in the world he dragged all that word it is hard to tell. "I got to say, in justice to myself, Frankie, that I ain't altogether to blame for kind of getting off on the wrong foot, as the saying goes. Listen, hon, I'm a man of the world, myself—see?" (A man of the world! Mary-Frances breathed deeply over that.)

"And—well, that's what I kind of think this world is. Now, now, there's a lot of things you wouldn't understand. I know that now—see? But I wasn't sure of it before, and that's why I'm going to say something to you. I may not get thanked, but just the same I think the world is kind of getting off on the wrong foot, as the saying goes. Listen, hon, I'm a man of the world, myself—see?"

"(The world and all! My! Ermintrude, he said, "—and I'm going to tell you that you're taking chances when you make dates with strangers and all like that. Course, in my case, it was all right—see? Absolutely. I'm a good judge of character and all—see? But the next guy might be a bad one or anything. It sure gets me going, Frankie, a girl of your type and all taking such chances."

"Oh, but, Earl, I don't! I never did before. You are the very first one I ever did speak to or anything."

CHAPTER XV

"Well, anyways," said Earl, "I want to tell you that girls of your type are sometimes the very worst enemies—see? Ask, more-

over, the majority of men are just sheep in wolves' clothes."

Perhaps he knew that he was entirely right about that; but Mary-Frances, though she said, "I know, I know lots about men," had no such wisdom.

"Oh, yeah?" There was a smile in his voice, and he did something to her chin, rather like chucking it, though Mary-Frances decided that it could be interpreted as a lover's caress. "Well, anyways," he continued, "I want you to cut out this dating up—see? I—on the square, I got a feeling like I kind of want to protect you or something—see? I want you to promise me, for your own good, that you'll cut it, and cut it clean—see?"

"Promises! As it should be. Protection and promises and everything!"

"No kidding," he admonished. "It's just absolutely for your own good, little girl. See?"

"Our first promise," said Mary-Frances. "I s'pose we should seal it with a kiss, shouldn't we? I mean, since this had not sounded quite ladylike, 'people most generally do, don't they?"

He kissed her quickly. "I guess," he said, almost at once, "that it all comes from your being of such a good family and like that."

"What does?" questioned Mary-Frances.

With honesty he answered, "I don't know, say," he began again, "are you sure you aren't kidding me about being 18 years old? It don't hardly seem possible."

"I don't," said Mary-Frances, and there was an opportunity for the neglected coyness, "think it is so very kind of you to doubt my word, Earl. I wouldn't doubt your word for anything."

"Cripes," he said, "I didn't go to doubt your word, hon, honest. Course, I come of a good family myself, and all like that, but being all, I haven't contacted many girls like you—see? You'll have to excuse me."

"Certainly," said Mary-Frances politely. "And sometime, Earl, I want you to tell me all about your family, and your mother and father and grandparents and brothers and sisters and all your relatives. Will you?"

"Well—sure," said Earl, but doubtfully.

"And all about your wonderful professional career," said Mary-Frances.

"Well, that's kind of lousy right now," he confessed. "I was in vaudeville—doing pretty good, too, until the bottom dropped out, and another guy had a swell little hoofing act—see? Well—well, anyways, the bottom dropped out. Then this other guy, he got a bug about being a salesman till things picked up—fellow talked him into

it—see? Selling," Earl brought the words out with virulence, "educational desks!"

Mary-Frances asked, "Weren't they good desks?" and tried standing on the sides of her feet.

"I guess they was all right, far as those kinds of things go; but nobody wants them—see? Much chance of selling those desks at a we'd have selling peanuts at a prayer meeting. Well, anyways, we was in Denver when we started, and this other guy—name was Clarence Butt—well, he—well, he got sick—see? He had to go to the hospital—see? He figured he'd be there about 60 days. So he says for me to light out with the car (Butt, he'd made a kind of deal for it with another guy) and come on out to the Pacific coast like we'd been kind of figuring on do-ing—see? Well, the damn—pardon me—desks wouldn't go any better out here than they did in Denver. No more culture nor anything—bum steer. I hung around for a while, and then I got a chance to book up with these lousy barns, and I took it. I didn't have to—see? I wasn't stoney, I ain't yet. I got a piece of change put away in the bank, but I am going to keep it there—see? I got a use for it. So I'm sticking with this gang, and maybe I'm lucky at that, until things open up. Soon as they do, I got an idea for a swell act. That's what I'm saving my dough for."

Mary-Frances' feet were two burning lumps of torture. The backdrop was to be made of wide stripes of gold cloth and black velvet, and the partner (feminine) who was to feed Earl in front of it was to be dressed in stripes of gold and black. Finding the partner for his act was going to be most difficult. Sometimes he feared that it was going to be impossible. He stayed awake at night, often, worrying about it. He knew what he wanted: he would have nothing else. He wanted an angel-nay type—very much. Mary-Frances' own type; precisely her type, come to think of it, who wouldn't hog the act if she got a chance. Look at Dolly and Dicky Diamonds. Dicky had the goods—gold and black. Finding the partner for his act was going to be most difficult. Nothing but a shape and a swelled head.

"Earl," Mary-Frances interrupted, "it is perfectly fascinating to listen to your professional conversation and everything, but I've just got to go in. My sister's out with her boy friend, and she's sure to be coming home now, and if she should find me out here, I—well, I just can't bear to think of what might happen."

"Say, hon," he demanded, "your folks are all right to you ain't they? They ain't mean to you or anything—are they?"

"Oh, well—," said Mary-Frances resignedly, with a shock, that she had forgotten all during the evening to use any term of endearment while addressing Earl. It was a regrettable oversight, but not an irreparable one. "They mean all right, I think. Don't worry about it, 'Goodnight, hon,' he said. "You're a sweet—an awful sweet little girlie."

The instant he left she'd pull her slippers off and not take one step in them. "Good night, heart's beloved," she suggested.

"Won't you give me a teeny-bitty kiss for good night," he asked.

She should, she supposed. People always did. She lifted her lips to his and winced as she went up on her suffering toes, he said. "And don't forget the little promise about dates, will you?"

"I won't, dearest," agonized Mary-Frances. That last tip-toeing had turned the final intolerable screw. "Dearest, please go!"

He turned and walked quickly away. Mary-Frances stood stock still. One does not wittingly step out on red-hot knives. She would wait until he was on the sidewalk, and then she'd take off those slippers, and she didn't care if she pinched her best stockings and—But why didn't he go on? Couldn't he hurry even a little?

He had glanced over his shoulder, had stopped. He came back to her. "You'd ought to go in, baby," he said almost tenderly.

A small, strained, "Yes, dear," as the best she could do.

"Listen, sweetness," he asked oddly, "would you like to meet me here again tomorrow night?"

If she said yes she'd be rid of him at once. But Frank's speech, delivered during dinner that evening, remained strong in her mind. "I can't tomorrow," he said. "But day after tomorrow, heart's dearest, I can. Goodbye."

"All right," he said, and if magnanimity were that Mary-Frances did not notice it. "You're on. Same time, same place, and same little sweetie."

At the first clip of his heels on the cement sidewalk Mary-Frances pried off the slippers and said, "Duck! Duck!" and when her feet flattened and spread on the cool grass she moaned aloud with the felicity of her relief before she yawned, picked up the slippers, and went padding toward the house, composing "He said" and "I said" for the unplanned depths of Ermintrude's ears.

Cecily half opened her eyes and said, "Um-um-um—Smatter" to Ann, who was stealing across the bedroom toward the bureau.

"Nothing," Ann answered, and picked up Cecily's alarm clock and pushed the indicator to the "Silent" side. "Go back to sleep dear. I'm up, anyway. I'll get breakfast this morning and call you in plenty of time."

"Um-um-um, angel," Cecily murmured, severely tempted. Still, there was something, wasn't there? Something different and exciting? Something wonderful? Harry! He was alive and here in this city, and there was another engagement happily definite, for this evening. Brightly, eagerly awake she scrambled out of the deep hollow in the center of her bed and perched on its edge and reached for her slippers.

"He thinks you are beautiful Ann. And he's fussy about beauty. He doesn't think Marta is ever good-looking. And he thinks it's so fine that you aren't vain. He says most really beautiful women gain their beauty by the way they wear it—like flowers pinned up side-down, you know. He says—'Who does?' said Ann.

Cecily gazed before she laughed for the old dingy blue butterfly. "Who'd you suppose?" and reached for his old dingy blue butterfly on the foot of her bed.

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TWO-STORY brick store building 25 ft. front by 140 ft.; corner Main and Rock sts., Ranger. Price \$4,000; rented for \$120 per month; \$1,000 cash, balance five years, 7 per cent. O. K. Ratliff, 414 N. Mont Clair, Dallas, Texas.

**21—LEGAL NOTICES**

**NOTICE OF SALE.**

Notice is hereby given that the Texas & Pacific Railway company will sell at public auction at 10:00 o'clock a. m. on Dec. 28, 1931, at its warehouse in the city of Ranger, Texas, the following unclaimed freight, to-wit:

Contents T & P car No. 60695 ex car MP 83560, hay, covered by Wawa, Okla., to Ranger, Texas, waybill MP-14, Aug. 14, 1931 shipped by J. B. Temple to shipper's order notify Graham M&A Elevator company—Adv.

No. 3741

**SHERIFF'S SALE.**

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Eastland.

By virtue of a certain alias execution issued out of the honor- able justice court of Eastland county, Precinct No. 1, on the 10th day of December, 1931, by J. H. McDonald, J. P. Prec. No. 5, of said court, upon a judgment in favor of Burton-Lingo Company for One Hundred Ninety and 25/100 (\$119.25) Dollars and cents, or suit, in cause No. 3741 in said court, styled Burton-Lingo Company versus Mrs. L. M. Terry and placed in my hands for service by Virgo Foster, a sheriff of Eastland county, Texas, did on the 10th day of December, 1931, levy an certain real estate situated in Eastland county, described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 4 in Block 19 of the Bogue well Addition to the City of Clouse in Eastland County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of Mrs. L. M. Terry and on Tuesday the 5th day of January, 1932, at the courthouse door of Eastland county, in the city of Eastland, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. I will sell said real estate at public venue, for cash to the highest bidder, as the property of said Mrs. L. M. Terry by virtue of said levy and said this execution.

And in compliance with law, give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding and day of sale in the Eastland Telegram, a newspaper published in Eastland county.

Witness my hand, this 10th day of December, A. D. 1931.

VIRGO FOSTER, Sheriff, Eastland County, Texas. By D. J. JOBE, Deputy. Dec. 11-18-25

What is "Merry Christmas" worth?

Is there someone this Christmastide who means more to you than a mere Christmas "greeting" can express?

Is it mother . . . father . . . sister . . . brother . . . an old friend?

Here's a suggestion for a remembrance whose value can't be measured in terms of dollars and cents. And yet it costs comparatively little.

Go to the telephone Christmas Day. Call the home folks. Talk to Mother, Dad, Mary, Bill. Talk to your chum. Talk to your sweetheart. Talk to your friends. Think of the surprise and the thrill they'll get out of hearing your voice . . . and think of the pleasure you'll get out of hearing them.

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And yet, your "Merry Christmas", spoken along the wires after 8:30 p. m., goes 100 miles for 35 cents. (station-to-station rate). The Long Distance operator will gladly tell you the cost of a three-minute conversation at any point.

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**MISSOURI ANNUAL HONORED.**  
By United Press.  
COLUMBIA, Mo.—A rank of "First Honor, Rating—Excellent," was given the 1931 Savitar, University of Missouri annual, in a national contest, according to word reaching here. Albert McCullom, St. Louis, was editor, and Jack Pollett, Kansas City, was business manager.

**WADING RIVER—FAILED.**  
SAN ANTONIO.—Sarmen Lucas, young Mexican woman, was so anxious to come to the United States she waded the cold Rio Grande, near El Paso. She will be deported. She also must serve two months in jail for violation of the immigration law, Judge Duval West ruled.

**CAMERON**—Clarence Posey purchased interest of his partner, D. C. Kirk in Hostess Ice Cream Co.

A Shackelford county river ranch of 8,000 acres was sold recently for \$140,000.

## A HAPPIER, BETTER WORLD!

If we had our way about it all the "calamity Howlers" would be silenced forever. Happy people are more efficient and more productive. The world needs more of the spirit of good cheer and fewer "grouches." We hope your lot during Christmas and throughout 1932 will be cast amidst happy surroundings and that you'll make a lot of money, have good health and help to make those about you happy and contented too.

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- 2.—That we wish you the happiest, most prosperous New Year you have ever enjoyed before.
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## Believed Victim of Kidnap



Here is Marion McLean, six-year-old Cincinnati, O., girl, believed kidnaped from the neighborhood of her home by a strange man with whom she was last seen. While police pushed a search for the alleged kidnap, the child's mother, Mrs. Mildred McLean, waited at home with bundles of Christmas presents for her missing daughter.

Amarillo: Phil Sanders, Nacogdoches: Walter Cline, Wichita Falls: Lowrey Martin, Corsicana: William E. Lea, Orange: C. L. Wakefield, Dallas: George P. Slater, Austin, and Ellis Chaney, San Antonio.

## A DOUBLE WISH....

It is not enough to wish you only the joys of the Christmas season. We do that, but we want to add also that we wish you a Prosperous, Happy New Year, too.

We are grateful for all past patronage and sincerely trust that we will be favored with your 1932 business.

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## OUR WISH FOR YOU

We desire to extend to our customers and friends our sincere wishes for Christmas every moment of which will be a jewel of delight and for New Year that will be continuing opening to you a storehouse of new and pleasant experiences.

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Ranger, Texas

# HAPPY NEW YEAR

## MAY THE SMILE OF GOOD CHEER BE YOURS SINCERE

and the fond recollections of the joys of a Merry Christmas light your way down the road of 1932 to success and happiness!

## WE GREET YOU---WE THANK YOU

And as we approach 1932 we are thinking, building, planning to make this business more worthy of your confidence, esteem and patronage.

## A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

**M SYSTEM**  
Ranger, Texas  
**GROCERY AND MARKET**

## WE CANNOT LET CHRISTMAS PASS WITHOUT A MESSAGE TO OUR FRIENDS!

Christmas affords us the welcome opportunity to broadcast to all our friends, wherever they may be, our good wishes and to say again that we appreciate your patronage.

MAY THE SEASON BE A MOST JOYOUS ONE TO YOU AND YOURS.....

**BILL'S**  
Dry Cleaning Plant

## Plans Made for Texas Observance Of Its Centennial

By United Press.  
AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—First definite plans for Texas' observance of its centennial will be made at the meeting of the centennial committee to be held here Dec. 28.

Mrs. Jane Y. McCullum, secretary of state and Texas historical writer, will call the committee together. Its chairman will be named then.

The committee is an official one, named by authority of a resolution of the state legislature. One of its early duties will be to urge favorable action by the people on a constitutional amendment to be submitted to a vote next November. This amendment proposes to authorize the state government to participate in the cost of holding a fitting centennial celebration.

No amount is specified in the amendment but \$5,000,000 was mentioned as a likely state contribution when the matter was being discussed.

Several plans have been suggested. A citizens committee, named by Gov. Pat M. Neff, first began to look forward to the celebration of Texas' independence on its hundredth anniversary. Jesse Jones of Houston headed this committee. Many of its members are now on the official committee, selected by Gov. Ross Sterling, Lieut. Gov. Edgar Witt and Speaker Fred Minor.

The citizens committee suggested that there might be either a central exposition or a series of events at the Alamo in San Antonio, at San Jacinto Battlefield, near Houston, and in North Texas. Since then several suggestions have been made that the North Texas centennial celebration be merged with the annual state fair, held at Dallas.

Members of the committee are: Senator Margie Neal, Carlsberg; Mrs. Bob Barker, Fort Worth; Mrs. Clara Driscoll Sevier, Corpus Christi; Jesse Jones, Houston; F. Thomas, Dallas; Amon G. Carter, Fort Worth; Lynch Davidson, Houston; Pat M. Neff, Waco; William H. Mayo, Austin; George Waverly Briggs, Dallas; R. B. Cropper, Brownsville; T. H. McGregor, Austin; Ernest Thompson,