

IREDELL ITEMS

By MISS STELLA JONES, Local Correspondent

T. S. Simpson
Thomas Stormont Simpson was born Feb. 15, 1855, at the Old Davis Town in Calhoun County, Ala., the only son of Samuel and Jane Simpson. At the age of two he lost his mother and a few years later his father was killed the night before Lee surrendered.

He was reared by his aunts, his mother's sisters. On Jan. 1, 1879, he married Isabell Henderson. They lived together more than 50 years. To this union 11 children were born. Three little girls died in infancy. His wife died Jan. 30, 1934. Eight children grew to maturity. Nan Simpson Christian died Dec. 30, 1932, and Jennie Simpson Minus passed away on May 28, last. These children survive: Sam, Wick, and H. A. Simpson, Iredell; Mrs. E. W. Harwood Mann Springs, Mrs. J. H. Milam Austin, and Miss Grace Simpson, Dallas. All of the children were with him when the end came. There are 13 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

They came to Bosque County in December, 1882, and moved to the vicinity of Iredell in 1883.

Mr. Simpson was a member of the old school Presbyterian church and was a faithful member. He tried to live a Christian life every day. He was a good man and was highly respected and liked by all.

His illness was of short duration and he was very patient. He passed away about noon, Dec. 19, surrounded by his loved ones, and quietly closed his eyes to open them in a better world. He will certainly be missed here as he came to town every day when he was able to do so. He would speak to everyone. I considered Mr. Simpson my friend and I will miss him very much.

The troubles of life came to him, but now his troubles are over and he is with his loved ones who have gone on before. No doubt they were looking for him. He lived out his life, his mission was fulfilled, and Jesus called him home and he was ready to go. His children are very lonely without him for he was a good father to them.

The funeral of this good man was held Tuesday afternoon at 2 p. m. in the Methodist Church, Rev. Lester, a friend of the Simpson family, who lives in Kilgore, preached the funeral, assisted by Rev. Smith, Methodist pastor. The church was filled with relatives and friends. Rev. Lester gave a glowing tribute to his memory.

Some of the business houses were closed out of respect to his memory. Many of the old people shed tears when they gazed on the body lying in the casket, for it brought profound sorrow to them to think Mr. Simpson would never be here again. But all can meet him in heaven.

The floral offerings were large and beautiful, which told of the high esteem in which he was held by his friends. He will be missed here by all of his children and friends.

The remains were laid to rest in the cemetery in Hico beside his wife. The remains were followed by a large crowd of friends, besides his relatives. The following out-of-town relatives were at the funeral: Charles D. Christian and Miss Grace Simpson of Dallas, Mrs. J. H. Milam of Austin, Mrs. E. W. Harris of Walnut Springs, Frank Minus of Hico, Mrs. James Bauknight of Ganado, Mr. and Mrs. Paul McCullough of Goldthwaite, James Milam of Lubbock, Tom Milam of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Henderson of Mathis, Alex Henderson of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. Harve Henderson, Belle and Coleman Henderson of Tahoka, Will Hanna of Clifton, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hallmark and son of Belton, Mrs. Jeff Hanna and daughter, Mrs. Willie Day, of Meridian. All the grandchildren were present with the exception of a grandson, Odis Minus, who lives in Aruba, West Indies.

The children and other relatives have the sympathy of their many friends in the loss of their loved one.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Newsom and son of Big Spring visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Parks, and other relatives during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Esteine and son of Wichita Falls visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Main, during the holidays.

Misses Donna Mae Worrel, Virginia Ramage and Helen Harris, Arthur Worrel and Guy Frank Main, who are in John Tarleton, spent the holidays with homefolks here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Gosdin of Lamb County, Mrs. William Lambert of Mineral Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Gosdin and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Gosdin of California visited their brother, W. R. Gosdin and wife, this week.

Mrs. Brashear and Elizabeth visited relatives in Sweetwater during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Kraemer spent the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. Wilkinson, and family at Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dearing of Arlington visited his brother and wife this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Loughlin are visiting in Dallas with their son, Mino.

Harris Tidwell and Jewell Ramage, who are in A. & M. College, spent the holidays with homefolks.

Miss Loraine Tidwell, who is a teacher in the schools at Bowling, came in Sunday for a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Tidwell.

Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Tidwell of De Leon spent Monday with his parents.

Mrs. E. G. Savage left Friday for a visit to Fort Worth where she stayed until Tuesday.

Miss Bennie Duncan of Austin is visiting her mother, Mrs. Duncan.

Mr. Huckaby spent a few days with his family during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bates of Corpus Christi visited friends during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Strange and daughter, Nancy, of Merkel spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Appleby, and other relatives.

Edward Turner of Denton spent the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Sadler and son of Dallas spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bryan, and other relatives.

The social Wednesday afternoon for the W. M. S. was well attended at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bradley. She was assisted by Mrs. Paxton Smith and Mrs. B. L. Mitchell. Some games and contests were played and all enjoyed the social. A Christmas tree was decorated with and every one had a gift from the tree. Refreshments of iced tea, grape juice, pop corn balls and apples were served. The following ladies from the Baptist Church were there: Mesdames Word Main, Janie Main, Emily Schoemacher, Bertha Henderson, Charlie Myers, Tom Laswell, Quince Fouts, J. L. Davis, C. R. Conley, and Miss Maggie Harris.

Mr. W. R. Gosdin came home Wednesday. His daughter, Mrs. Jack Noel, and baby of De Leon brought him.

Mrs. Cora Little visited in Dallas during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stevens and children of Gorman visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oldham, during the holidays.

Mr. Clanton was in Waco Friday of last week.

Miss Dorothy Nell Joehne, who works in Hico, visited her parents during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Adkinson and baby of Waco came in Saturday for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Allie Adkinson.

Mrs. Dick Appleby left Wednesday night to be at the bedside of her uncle, Mr. John Beavers, who died in Marlin Thursday and was buried Friday in Waco. Mrs. Appleby returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Willie Smith, who lives near Hico, and Miss Adelle White of Hico visited Mrs. Allie Adkinson Thursday.

Miss Oleta Simpson is staying at the S. S. Simpson home as company for Mrs. Allie Adkinson.

Mrs. W. H. Loader left Friday for Plainview for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Youngblood.

Mr. and Mrs. Maston Howard and son of Stephenville spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Blue.

Mrs. Brownlee and two sons of De Leon spent the week with her sister, Mrs. Otto Bowman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Prater and Louise spent Christmas day with their son and brother, J. C. Prater, and family of Hico.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Rhoades visited in Dallas from Wednesday until Friday with her brother, Mr. Brantley Hudson, and family.

Charles Harber, who lives with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Restiff, spent the holidays with his parents in Glen Rose.

Mr. Whitmore of Brown County was here this week.

A. C. McAden and Garland Cur-

tis of West Texas spent Sunday and Monday here.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hughes of Grand Prairie returned to their home Wednesday after a visit to his mother, Mrs. Tom Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Lundberg of Moshelm, Miss Edna Blue of Waco, Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Blue and Richard and Irene Blue of Walnut Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Clancy Blue of Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Casper of Walnut Springs, Raymond and Lois Blue of Meridian, and Elza Blue of Clifton spent Christmas day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Blue.

Frank Ogle of Austin visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brit Ogle, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Young of Roscoe visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Davis, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Rayford Locker and children of Clifton spent Sunday and Monday with his father.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Gordon of Fort Worth spent Friday with his sister, Mrs. Sawyer, and Miss Mittie.

Frank Chancellor of Chicago, Ill., visited here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. John Duncan and children of Grandview are visiting her father, Mr. Locker, and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Elkins and daughter of Dallas spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sadler.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gordon of Fort Worth visited relatives this week.

Guy Main, Jr., of Dallas spent Sunday and Monday with his mother, Mrs. Janie Main.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stroud of Glen Rose, Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Grant of Fair, and other children living near here took dinner with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hanshaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Meador spent Christmas day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Meador, of Valley Mills.

Misses Pauline Allen and Melba Holt visited in Fort Worth last Thursday afternoon and returned home Friday.

Misses Evelyn Griffin and Doris Minus, who are in college at Denton, spent the holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Williamson and children of Womack, Mr. and Mrs. William Miller and children of near town, Mrs. Howard Myers and daughter, Mrs. Fred Hewett, Misses Aileen and Ruth Miller, Mrs. Simon Davis and children of Meridian, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Miller and son of San Antonio, spent Monday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Turner and their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. White of Denton, visited Mr. Turner's parents during the holidays.

Terevil Miller, who is in John Tarleton College, spent the holidays with his parents.

Bob Lewis of Fort Worth visited homefolks during Christmas. His father, R. L. Lewis, accompanied him on his return to the city.

Carlton

By CORRESPONDENT

Mrs. Hobdy Thompson and children were in Dublin Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Lillie Anderson and her mother, Mrs. J. H. Tull, returned home from Stephenville Friday. They had been visiting Mrs. Lillie Anderson's daughter, Mrs. E. A. Blanchard, and husband, also John Tarleton College.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene McCullough and children of Lubbock visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Stuckey, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Montgomery and son Gene were business visitors in Hamilton Thursday.

Mat Pruitt of near Carlton sold his farm last week to Sterling Price of near Indian Gap.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Blair of Denver, Colorado, were in Carlton Saturday shaking hands and talking with old friends.

Ross Styles left for Dallas and other places Friday looking after business interests.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Pollard were in Hico Friday shopping, also visiting their daughter, Mrs. Calvin Diltz, and family.

Bernard Birdsong and wife who have employment in Hamilton for two weeks, returned to their home Saturday.

Mrs. S. F. Allred and son, Oscar, and family were in Dublin Saturday.

Unity

By MRS. L. A. COLE

The Carlton Country Club met in the home of Mrs. Laura Beadies Friday afternoon. There were 18 present, and two new members were taken in. They had a Christmas tree and old Santa was there. Each one received nice gifts. Apples, bananas, and candy were also served. Each one reported a nice time.

Mrs. Sim Everett and daughter, Mrs. Ross Styles, and son, Charles, were Hico shoppers Friday, also visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Motley of Grand Prairie visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wilhite and children Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clark and son, Ralph, were Fort Worth visitors Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Smith of Sentinel, Okla., spent the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. S. F. Allred.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Finley and children of Lewisville spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. John Finley, and son, J. G.

Haggard Lackey and family of Teague are visiting his mother, Mrs. A. C. Lackey, and children.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Wright, Jr., of Dallas are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Wright, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Turney of Lewisville spent the week end with their daughter, Mrs. Hobdy Thompson, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Smith and children of Fort Worth spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Dee Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Lewis and children of Groesbeck are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Zed Lewis.

Harold Beadies and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Beadies of Lubbock are with their mother, Mrs. Laura Beadies, and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Runnie Rothrock

and daughter, La Rue Childress, of Houston spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Callie McKenzie.

Mac Everett and family of Stephenville spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sim Everett.

Guests in the Joe Sharp home through Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Armand, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Armand of Illinois, and J. B. Sharp and family of Dallas.

Miss Eleanor Wilhite is visiting friends in Grand Prairie.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson of Ballinger are visiting his mother, Mrs. Norma Wilson, and grandmother, Mrs. John Finley, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brimmer and Woody Brimmer of Houston are spending a few days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Brimmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Hobdy Thompson left for Abilene to spend Sunday and Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Thompson.

Mrs. Marjorie Wilhite and family of Junction are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Watt Sharp.

Miss Pauline Morgan and Mr. Loyd Funk were united in marriage Sunday morning. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Morgan and the groom is the son of Mrs. Funk of near Carlton.

Mr. and Mrs. Funk are leaving Wednesday for New Mexico to make their home. Both Mr. and Mrs. Funk have many friends here who wish them much happiness and prosperity through life together.



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Hico, Tex., Friday, Dec. 29, 1939.

THE BILL OF RIGHTS

One hundred and forty-eight years ago, on December 15, the ratification of the Bill of Rights by the necessary number of states was proclaimed by Congress.

It was those first ten amendments which we call the Bill of Rights, rather than the Constitution itself, which started the new nation on the road to democracy.

The people of the country demanded a statement of at least their elemental, basic rights, and they got it. It was the poor and obscure people who felt that their liberties needed to be defined.

There can be no exceptions in the application of these principles of liberty even when those whose rights are protected are members of unpopular minorities.

Six Inch Sermon

REV. ROBERT H. HARPER

Friends and Foes of the Kingdom. Lesson for December 31: Matthew 13:54-14:4; 15:29-31.

A checked pavement of white and black may remind us of the presence of human life of the two great forces of good and evil. And it was natural that there appeared both friends and foes of the kingdom Jesus came to establish.

Jesus returned to his home town. When he spoke in the synagogue, the people said: "Is not this the carpenter's son?"

On the other hand, see the multitudes who gathered to Jesus on a mountain near the Sea of Galilee, "having with them the lame, blind, dumb, maimed and many others—that Jesus might heal them.

kingdom of God. And may the eyes of God's people be opened now to see that the heavenly forces with them are more than all the forces of evil arrayed against them.

Nancy Hart's HOME NEWS

Success with house plants need not be limited to those lucky persons who seem to have "green fingers." Given the right plant and a basic understanding of the essentials that make for good growing conditions, and your difficulties are overcome before they develop.

First comes the choice of plant. Remember that the majority of flowering plants have but one blooming period each year. The beautiful specimen you buy at the florist's shop was taken months ago by the gardener, cared for and stimulated until it is in full bloom.

If the plant is to be repotted, the important point to keep in mind is adequate drainage. The clay pot with bottom drainage hole should be set on a surface that permits a certain amount of air to circulate under the pot.

A plant potted in a non-porous container without a bottom opening should have a good inch of drainage material at the bottom. Large pebbles, broken bits of pottery or good sized marbles are good for this purpose.

Very Latest



PATTERN 8596—This pattern offers a wealth of Christmas joy to a little girl who owns one of those beloved baby dolls that can drink and—everything!

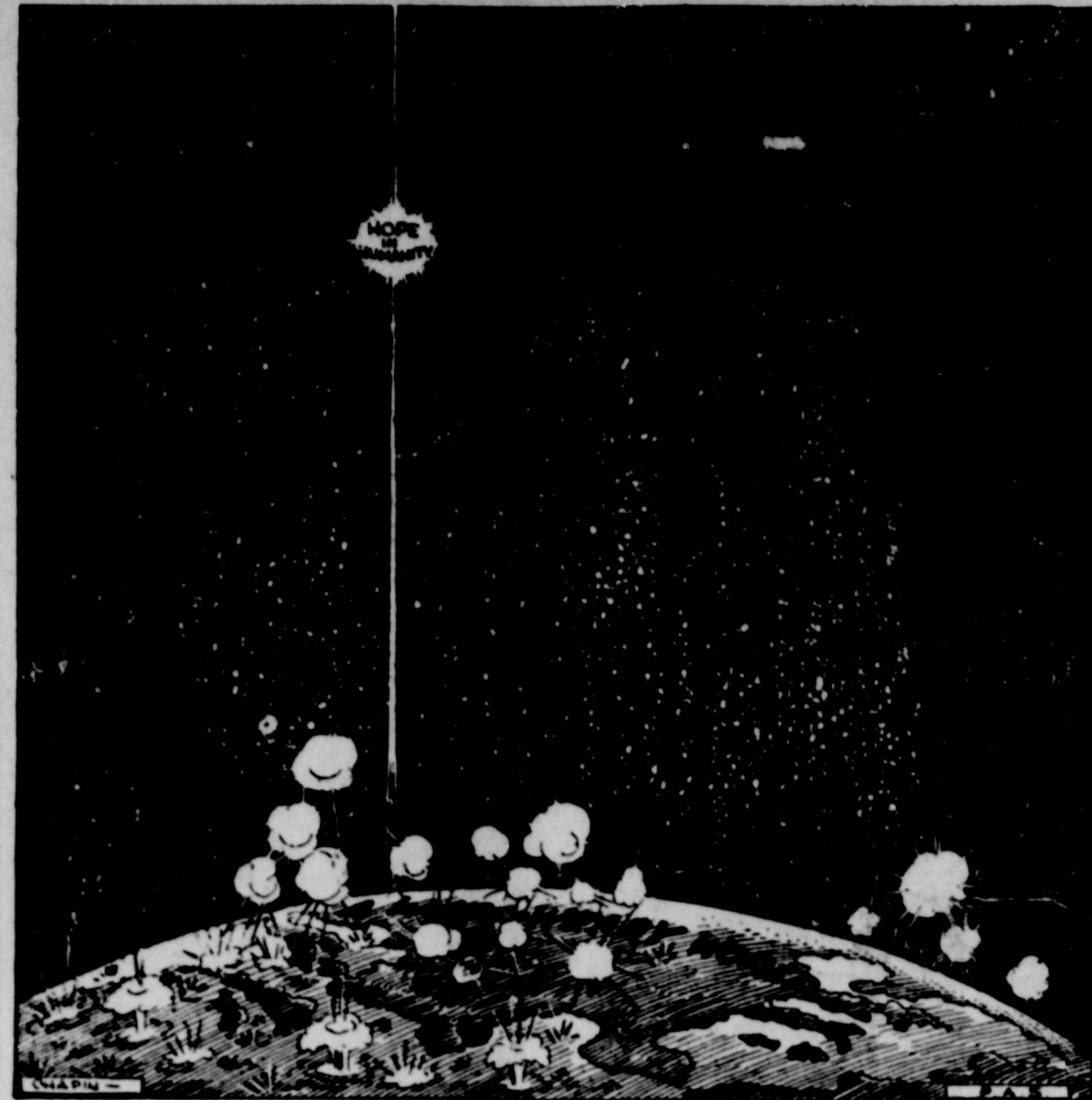
Any little girl who loves to dress and undress her little girl will be transported into seventh heaven by the gift of all these doll clothes.

The pattern includes a dress, a getroube, a nightie, a sacque, a bathrobe and a bonnet.

PATTERN 8591—Pack up your Christmas wishes in these three helpful handy bags, and your friends will smile, smile, smile, when they open the package.

Any one of them alone makes an attractive gift, and all three together comprise complete equipment for keeping one's closet in apple pie order. These convenient bags are really fun to make—pattern includes a step-by-step sew chart.

The Star Still Shines!



TODAY and TOMORROW

WAR

Ambassador Hugh Gibson remarked on his recent return from Europe that the war is getting "curiouser and curiozier." All the observers at the Front agree. They went out to see fighting, and there hasn't been any fighting worth seeing.

PLANES

Both sides in the European mess are more afraid of bombardment from the air than of anything else. Neither side seems willing to start dropping bombs on the unprotected civilian population of the other side.

RATS

From the earliest days of radio, inventors have come forward from

All reports indicate that the German air force is at least equal in number of planes to the combined air forces of the Allies.

Most of the people of Germany have not been told that their country is at war, trustworthy observers report. Everybody in Britain and France is acutely aware of the war, for everybody is required to carry a gas mask ready to put on at the first warning of an air raid.

GAS

Highly imaginative yarns, mostly untrue, have been circulated widely in recent years about new kinds of poison gas and death-dealing rays which the Germans are supposed to have, undreamed-of horrors to be expected if and when the war gets going in earnest.

Chemists who know not only what has been developed, but what is possible, say that there is no likelihood that Germany has any poison gas that can be dropped from the air which is any more powerful than the gases used in the last world war.

CASH

In the long run, cash will win this war as it has won every other war. Europe east of the Rhine is broke. The French and British have about 1 billion dollars in gold in America, and not much else.

time to time claiming to have discovered a mysterious "death-ray" which could kill people by wholesale from a distance.

Electrical engineers tell me that there is just as much bunk in the printed tales of a ray which will stop a gas engine by putting a magneto out of business, and so can be used to bring down airplanes. With a powerful enough machine, an automobile engine may be stopped if close enough, say twenty feet or so.

There are enough scientific marvels which are really true to make this a wonderful world. There is no excuse for feeding the public mind with terrorizing fakes, as some unscrupulous writers and publications do.

WILL BE IN HICO

Jan. 17 & Jan. 27 And in Carlton, Jan. 18 TO COLLECT TAXES O. R. WILLIAMS Tax Assessor and Collector Hamilton County

Society

Miss Swindell Weds Hillsboro Man At Home of Parents Here.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Swindell, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Alvin Swindell, and Mr. William B. Martin of Hillsboro, son of the late Senator Will M. Martin and Mrs. Will M. Martin of Hillsboro, were married in a beautiful ceremony Christmas evening at the home of the bride's parents in Hico.

The vows were read before an improvised altar of white chrysanthemums. White tapers burned in tall candelabra, and on each side of the altar, blue vases holding white mums carried out the bride's chosen colors.

The couple entered together from the study to the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march, played by Mrs. Ralph B. Griffin of Brownwood, sister of the bride.

A reception for the family and friends who were present was held immediately after the ceremony. The reception table was covered with a linen lace cloth and was centered with a basket of sweet peas and baby's breath, flanked with white tapers in silver holders.

Miss Vera Faye Martin of Hillsboro, sister of the bridegroom, presided over the three-tiered wedding cake which was topped with a miniature bride and groom.

The bride is a graduate of Hillsboro High School, Hillsboro Junior College, and Baylor University. She has taught for the past two and a half years at Mt. Calm.

Mr. Martin was reared in Hillsboro where he graduated from Hillsboro High School, attended Hillsboro Junior College, and received his law degree from Baylor University.

After a short wedding trip, for which the bride chose an aqua and wine suit with black accessories, the couple will reside in Hillsboro.

L. M. Beavers, Dr. H. A. Mahaffey, Miss Vera Faye Martin, Crawford C. Martin, and Mrs. Will M. Martin, Hillsboro; Misses Jewel Shelton, Lucy Hudson, Quata Richbourg, Jessie Miller Pool, Oran Jo Pool, Wynama Anderson, and Thoma Rodgers, Hico.

Couple Married Saturday At Home of Baptist Pastor

Miss Eldra Lee Burkes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Burkes of Fredell, and Howard Shaffer of Blackwell were married last Saturday afternoon, Dec. 23, at the home of Rev. Alvin Swindell, who officiated in the ceremony.

The marriage was witnessed by the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burkes, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Bodiford, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Calder and daughter, Nelda Reda.

Mr. and Mrs. Shaffer will make their home at Blackwell where he is a rancher.

Hamilton Couple Married Here At Home of Baptist Minister.

Miss Ella Mae Cowan and Jake Munday, both of Hamilton, were married in a ceremony performed Tuesday evening, December 26, at 7 o'clock at the home of Rev. Alvin Swindell, officiating minister.

Mrs. Willie Roberson of Corpus Christi, Mrs. Eargle Lloyd of Hamilton, sisters of the bridegroom, and Mr. Lloyd attended the couple.

Mrs. V. N. Meador Has Holiday Dinner Sunday

Mrs. V. N. Meador entertained her children and their families at her home Sunday with a Christmas dinner. Pictures of the family group were taken during the afternoon.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Simpson and children of Waco; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Meador, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Meador and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Meador, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wren, Melvin, Sarah Frances, and Earnest Meador, all of Hico.

Guests in J. J. Leeth Home

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Leeth entertained a large group of relatives at dinner Sunday. Those present included: Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Sorley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Reising and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Sorenson and daughter, Cranfill's Gap; Miss Mary Dee Cornett, Victor and Jim Cornett, Stephenville; Mrs. Mayme Burden and children, Mr. and Mrs. George Griffiths and son, Don, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin McLarty and children, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Brown and daughter, Mary, Mr. and Mrs. Doek Leeth, all of Hico, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Boone and daughter, Mary Paula, of Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Leeth and daughters, Ha Dee and Alice Dee, of Thorndale came in Sunday night for a short visit with his parents.

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News of the World Told In Pictures

SENATOR SHEPPARD PREDICTS PUERTO RICAN GIBRALTAR

By Federal Service Syndicate
Washington, D. C.—Approval of War and Navy Department plans for strengthening defense fortifications in the Caribbean for defense of the Panama Canal and the Monroe Doctrine was expressed here today by Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas in a special interview on the U. S. Possession of Puerto Rico.



SEN. SHEPPARD

Senator Sheppard pointed out that Puerto Rico is the mainstay in defense plans for that area, and that when constructions now projected for Puerto Rico are completed, it will, according to competent authorities, be a "Gibraltar" of the Caribbean for defense of the entire area.

According to official testimony, Senator Sheppard pointed out, planes from the Island base will be able to scout far out to sea, giving hours of advance warning of any attempted invasion. In addition, the Island will serve as a valuable supply base for warships, it was pointed out.

"In times such as these, the necessity of adequate defense is appreciated by everyone," Senator Sheppard declared. "Adequate defense will serve as a warning to anyone who might have an idea about invading the Americas, and might well serve to keep us out of war."

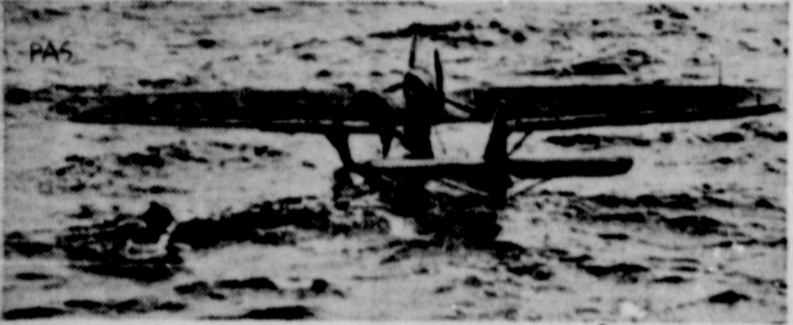
Commenting on the economic condition of Puerto Rico, Senator Sheppard pointed out that much has been done to improve condi-

tions on the Island since it came under the American flag after the war with Spain, and that the Islanders have taken rapidly to American ways.

While the Island is currently undergoing an economic crisis, he pointed out that much progress has been made since it became a part of the United States, and predicted that Congress will render all reasonable assistance in ironing out its present difficulties.

"The Puerto Ricans are now American citizens, and are due every consideration," he declared. "We should deal with their problems just as we do with those of our people on the mainland."

Raider's Crew Picked Up After Attack on Fleet



AT SEA . . . Photograph shows a German flying boat brought down at sea after taking part in an air attack upon ships of the British fleet. Two members of the crew are adrift in a rubber boat which broke loose from the plane. Photo passed by the British censor.

Most Northern American White Baby

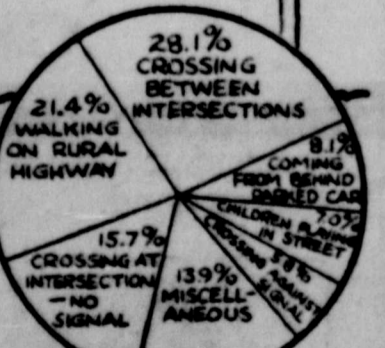


BAFFIN ISLAND—Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Scott shown at their home on the farthest frozen tip of Baffin Island recently with their three months old baby, Evelyn Pace Scott. She is reported to have been born nearer the North Pole than any other white baby on this continent. Their home is on Arctic Bay, 500 miles north of the Circle. Mr. Scott is in charge of the local trading post of the Hudson Bay Company, the most northern post of the company.

Most Pedestrians Invite Disaster, Analysis Shows



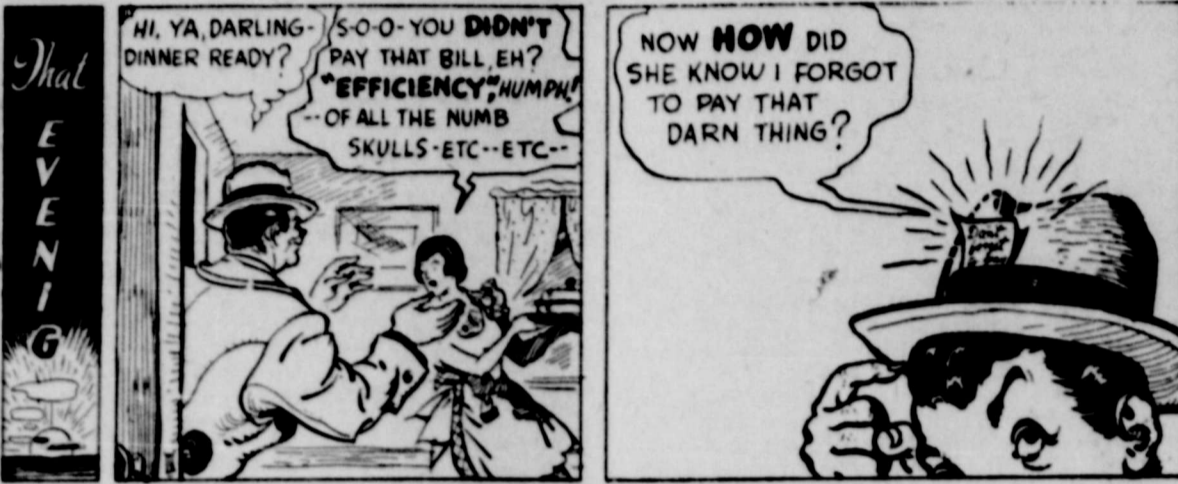
That pure carelessness is to be blamed for most of the appalling number of pedestrian deaths in 1938 is the conclusion to be drawn from an analysis released in "Let's We Regret," the ninth annual highway safety booklet published by The Travelers Insurance Company.



Of the total of 13,340 pedestrians killed in 1938, 28.1% or 3,750 met death while thoughtlessly crossing in the middle of the block.

In contrast to the 5.8% or 770 persons killed while crossing at intersections against the signal, and the 12.7% or 2,000 killed while crossing at intersections lacking a signal, only 150 persons, 1.1% of the total, were killed while crossing as they should with the signal.

Other leading causes of pedestrian fatalities, according to the analysis, in the order of their importance were: walking on rural highways, coming from behind parked cars, children playing in the street, men at work in the roadway "jaywalking" or crossing diagonally at intersections, getting on and off other vehicles, and crossing roads.



He Walks Eight Miles a Day

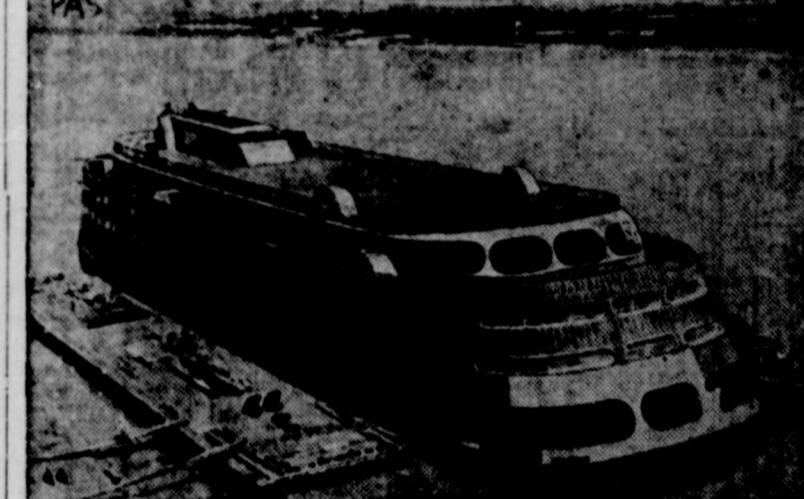


ENOUGH men and women to fill a small city are lifting the face of the New York World's Fair and streamlining it for 1940. Trucks and official cars whiz around its busy streets, and four restaurants and half a dozen sandwich stands feed the army of 2,000 still on the grounds.

Few exhibits hum with as much activity as the huge Ford Exposition, where a staff of seventy-nine are getting things shipshape for the Spring opening. A procession of great machines march out. New machines and new exhibits start marching in after Christmas.

In this picture a Ford maintenance man is way up under the

New Streamlined Mississippi River Boat



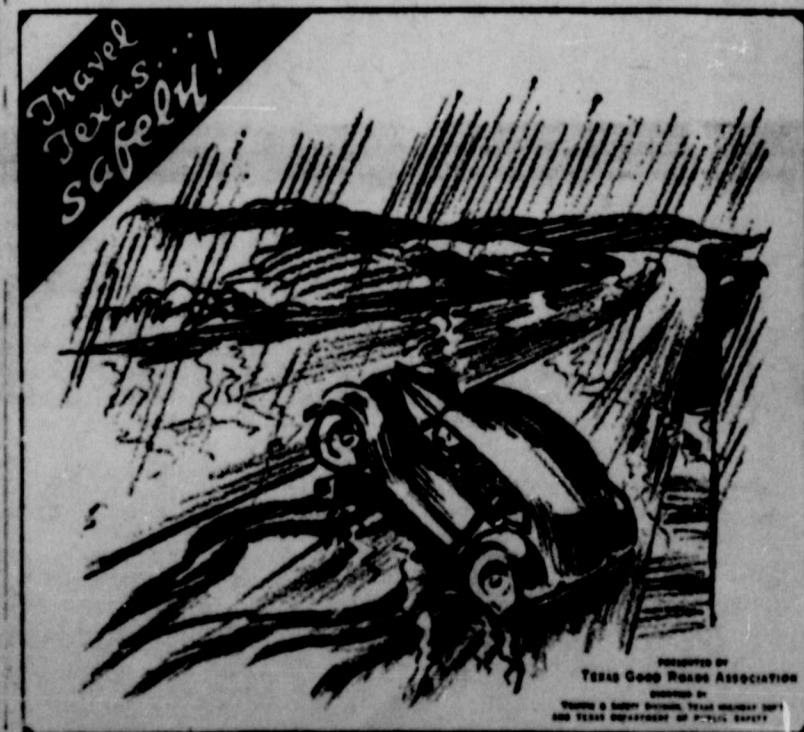
ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Pilots of Mississippi River packets of Mark Twain's day will probably turn over in their graves when this new streamlined, five-decked excursion boat is put into operation on the Mississippi next Summer. Two screw propellers set in tunnels in the hull eliminate the traditional side or stern wheels.

From Texas to New York



NEW YORK CITY . . . One of the old Texas Panhandle stage coaches arriving at the Hotel Piccadilly from Mineral Wells, Texas, after 100 days on the road. The average day's run was about 25 miles. The stage-coach carried more than 10,000 letters.

RAINY-DAY SPEED SKIDS INTO ETERNITY





Never Hurry FROM THE WRITINGS OF Dr. Frank Crane

Lord Chesterfield says that a gentleman is never in a hurry. This remark sounds rather up-ish, but there is some truth in it. All violence, loud speaking and hurry are signs of weakness. "He that believeth shall not make haste."

If one is sure of himself and that his position is founded upon the truth, he knows that the stars in their courses are fighting for him and he doesn't have to bluff or bluster.

Lynching negroes, burning and browbeating witches, assassinating tyrants, staging bloody revolutions and all capital punishments are signs that we are not quite sure what to do.

You can hurt a man's feelings much more by what you say calmly than by cursing at him and shouting.

Hurry breeds nervousness. The woman comes to the end of her day with her nerves a-jangle, her back aching and her head heavy, because all day she has hurried; she never had, or never took, the time to do things with system and care.

Hurry and worry are twins. Many a boy ruins his career and handicaps himself for life by leaving high school before graduation, because he is in a hurry to get into business.

Many a foolish couple spend their lives in friction and unhappiness, because they got married in a hurry.

The engine breaks down, the bridge collapses, the wall topples, the manufactured product is re-

jected for defectiveness, because workmen were careless and in a hurry to get the job done.

Battles are lost because generals were in a hurry.

Laws are passed that do infinite mischief, because they were enacted in a hurry without due deliberation.

Lives are lost because the surgeon was in a hurry.

The opposite and alternative of hurry is not sloth or laziness; it is intelligent diligence.

Hurry is the penalty often for lack of foresight.

If you want to get there on time, start on time; don't wait until the last minute, and then hurry.

If you have a lot to do, and are bewildered with the many things before you, take awhile to sit down quietly, think it all out, set your tasks in order, make a program, use system, and then you can unhurriedly do one thing at a time, and accomplish vastly more than by trying to do three things at once.

Hurry nothing. No matter how much you have to do, if you take time to do things first, and use order and care, you will go farther and fare better.

Haste makes waste, just as surely as it did in Ben Franklin's day. And the longest way around is still often the shortest way home.

In fine, if you would be (1) efficient, (2) skillful, (3) healthy, (4) unworried, (5) safe, (6) agreeable to others, (7) well bred, and (8) happy—don't hurry. But keep moving.

TWO SIDES To Every Question

By Lytle Hill
Possible Results of This War

It has often been said that one of the saddest features of war is that it demonstrates the inability of people to invent a form of government capable of protecting their interests.

Through the ages it has always been the hope that "this war" will be the last the people will have to undergo, but as time goes on wars—instead of becoming more localized and smaller in scope—have grown larger in number of men involved and have become more inclusive geographically.

Every conceivable form of government has been attempted: monarchy, dictatorship, democracy, socialism, communism, capitalism. Each has flourished during periods of peace, but has been unable to maintain those periods of peace for more than a relatively short time.

There is an outstanding exception, to this unnatural condition, which may indicate that it is not the forms of government which are at fault so much as the state of "nationalism" as it exists in Europe today, that is: dozens of separate nations, both large and small, necessarily selfish and jealous of each other, attempting to live their individual lives behind their common boundary lines.

This outstanding exception is the United States of America: a vast grouping of geographical entities with different climates, tastes, ideas and modes of living; but having in common one supreme interest—the central government of the United States. This interest—excepting the four years of our civil war—has held them together in peace and harmony for one hundred and fifty years. These groups are composed of every nationality, race, color and creed on earth.

In some cases almost the majority of a whole state is descended from one nationality, yet how weird even to imagine Minnesota declaring war upon Louisiana. But if these two states were members of the European family, they would probably show a long record of internecine warfare.

Long before the Great War, one would frequently hear a European express his envy of peaceful America. Since the devastating results of that war have become so prominent as to be apparent to even the least thoughtful; "grumbling," in European countries, has become a habit and changes of government a frequent occurrence.

The people are beginning to awake to the fact that there is no way, under the present set up, to stop the eternal warfare to which they are subjected. In other days,

when these wars were fought by professional armies, it didn't make such a tremendous impression and did not greatly affect their daily lives. But now that war has come to mean the forcible conscription of every man's and woman's life and property, it has become to all the people a thing of terrible import.

No one knows what the present war, if fought to a finish, will bring forth, and this is not intended as a prophecy; but it is not difficult to picture a Europe so utterly devastated that any straw will be grasped at by the despairing people, and that straw will unfortunately not be "Democracy." That word won't "sound so good" to them by then.

Desperate people will be sick of anything which reminds them of politicians; they will scream against any form of government except a "people's government"—a "proletarian government." That will have a wonderful sound—The People's Government! It has fooled experts.

It fooled the level heads dropped into the basket of the guillotine. It fooled the Russians, and millions of unwilling angels have been added to the population of Heaven since that "great emancipator," Mr. Stalin, became the "people's government" of all the Russian's. And it will fool the rattled people of a desperate, starving, fear-crazed Europe after they have been punished to the limit of human endurance by the nitroglycerine of dictatorship and democracy.

What a picture to contemplate! All Europe under the iron hand of some blood-thirsty tyrant who will call himself "the people's government."

The only ray of long distance hope, which shines through the murky gloom of this quite possible outcome of a long and destructive war, is the chance that the people, though subjugated, will have the opportunity in a few generations, to "breed up" their manhood—which the last war and the present one will have sadly depleted—and eventually cast aside a tyrannical form of government for a REAL "people's government"; a government of the people, for the people and by the people. A United States of Europe—and peace on earth at last!

A hard road to travel for the next fifty or a hundred years, and strewn with the corpses of millions of trusting human beings who placed their faith in their leaders and in the ability of those leaders to solve the problems with which they are faced today.



Fairy 4-H Club Met With Mrs. Columbus.
The Fairy 4-H Club girls met with Mrs. Columbus December 21, 1939, in the Fairy gymnasium. We had our Christmas program and tree. Everyone enjoyed their gifts. Charlene Richardson joined on this day. We were very glad to have her. REPORTER.

Honey Grove H. D. Club Has Christmas Party.
The Honey Grove H. D. Club had its Christmas party Tuesday night, Dec. 19th, at the home of Mrs. Fern Jordan.

Everybody brought something for the chicken supper which was served as soon as everyone arrived. Chicken and dressing and cranberry sauce, bread, coffee, pies, cakes and fruit salad were served cafeteria style to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jordan, Sr., J. W. Jordan, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moss and Ana Loue, Carl and Madge, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Battershell and Mrs. Pattershell, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Couch, Mr. and Mrs. Avery Cockman and son, Joe, Mrs. R. L. Weaver and son, Daymon, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Malone and hostesses, Mr. and Mrs. Fern Jordan and son, Fern Gene.

A short business meeting was held. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Virgil Battershell January 11, with the new officers officiating. Mrs. J. W. Jordan, Sr., is chairman; Mrs. W. A. Moss, council delegate; Mrs. Fern Jordan, yard demonstrator; Ana Loue Moss, secretary and reporter.

Forty-two and other games were played throughout the evening. The gifts were taken from the beautifully trimmed Christmas tree. The decorations throughout the home carried out the spirit of Christmas. REPORTER.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
We are in the last week of the old year.
We now have a chance to reflect and meditate upon our failures or successes as they may be. No doubt these conditions will be found to be due to our own attitude, rather than to the conditions that surround us.
Bible school, 10:00 a. m.
Sermon and communion, 11:00.
Young people's class, 6:30 p. m.
Sermon, 7:00.
REPORTER.

Funeral For W. T. Towns
Funeral services for William Turner Towns, who died Wednesday at Breckenridge at the age of 79, were held at the grave in Hico Cemetery Thursday afternoon.
Mr. Towns, a former resident of Hico, was the father of Mrs. C. S. Dudley of Tulla, who is well known here.

YES,
WE ARE GRATEFUL
TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS
FOR THEIR GOOD WILL AND
PATRONAGE DURING 1939
—AND TO THEM WE EXTEND OUR
HEARTIEST WISHES FOR A
HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS
NEW YEAR
.....
YOU,
Our friends and customers
Have made our store what it is today!
WE WILL SERVE YOU BETTER
DURING 1940.
W. E. PETTY
DRY GOODS

Gilmore By MRS. RUBY JOHNSON

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Tolliver and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy Hathcock were guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tolliver near Walnut Springs Christmas Day.

Mrs. St. Johnson and daughter, Marcelle, were visiting their aunt, Mrs. L. J. Jordan, at Hico Saturday afternoon.

We are glad to welcome to our community Mr. and Mrs. Haskell Lambert, who recently moved to the A. D. Seay farm.

Sunday guests in the E. B. Thompson home were: Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McLendon and daughter, Marlene, of Greyville, Miss Elizabeth Dicus of Waco, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Tolliver and Mr. and Mrs. St. Johnson and children, Marcelle, Frank and Kenneth, of this community.

Earl Patterson spent the holidays with his wife and son at Clinton.

St. Johnson and family were business visitors in Stephenville last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Boyett were visiting in the Clairette vicinity Wednesday.

Visitors in the St. Johnson home during the holidays included:

Mt. Pleasant By S. N. AKIN

Miss Elizabeth Dicus of Waco, John K. Myers of Iredell, Charles Russell of Waco, Misses Mabel and Hester Jordan of Hico and I. E. Johnson of Greyville.

(Too late for last week)

Mrs. Eoff who has been visiting with her sister, Mrs. Houston, at Iredell returned home a few days ago.

Dalton Akin of Tahoka who had been visiting with his parents, S. N. Akin and family, returned home last week.

L. V. Slater of near Gatesville visited relatives here one day last week.

S. N. Akin, wife and son, Elbert, visited in the J. S. Minter and Enos Fines homes at Carlton Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Odell who have been residing in the Gilmore community have moved into our midst. They are living on the Dr. H. V. Hedges place. We extend to them a hearty welcome to our little community.

We are wishing for the News Review force and its many readers a happy and prosperous New Year.

MODERN WOMEN
By
DR. M. L. MAFFETT
President of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc.

Miss Mary Smith, an attorney from Rexburg, Idaho, won the distinction of being the first woman from her state admitted to practice before the Supreme Court. She passed her examination four years ago.

Much of the fine embroidery on trousseau lingerie is done in convents and orphanages in Cuba, according to Madame Ana Maria Borrero, who had charge of these exhibits at the New York World's Fair.

During the World War, more than 11,000 women were engaged as Yeomen (F), the latter meaning they were female. In the United States Naval Reserve. They were needed mostly for clerical work. At that time the law did not specify that yeomen must be males. The law was changed later, excluding females.

The Navy also had 1,713 nurses and 269 marinettes. In the Army they equalled a full combat division. Of the 21,896 enrolled, 21,840 were nurses, and the rest field clerks. One detachment served as telephone operators for the signal corps. Half the army nurses served overseas. Three were wounded, three received the Distinguished Service Cross, and twenty-four the Distinguished Service Medal.

Katherine Brown is story editor, looks out for plays, arranges for screen tests, and signs up actors, and on occasion, helps with premieres for one of the largest Hollywood producers of motion pictures.

H. D. Meeting Saturday
Now is a good time for clean-up. All dead and frost nipped flowers should be removed from their beds. Weeds need cutting or burning off. Tin cans, bottles and other trash needs to be buried and buried.

There will be a training school for all yard demonstrators and other H. D. Club members who wish to attend. The meeting will be at 2:00 p. m. Saturday, Jan. 6.
GWENDOLYN JONES,
County Home Dem. Agent.

Undergoes Operation
Mrs. J. E. Pool was carried to Brownwood Thursday when she underwent a major operation at the hospital there.

She was accompanied by Mr. Pool and their two daughters, Miss Oran Jo of Coleman, and Miss Jessie Miller.

A report had not been received at press time Thursday, and Mrs. Pool's many friends here are anxiously awaiting favorable news regarding her condition.

Complete provincial suffrage has been won in all the provinces of Canada except Quebec.

Mrs. Marion Miller is a member-at-large of the Women's National Radio Committee, which is composed of many cooperating groups and is non-commercial.

Want Ads

Sheep for sale, half mile south of Hico. See Norman Johnson. 31-2p.

Good work mule for sale. V. H. Bird. 30-2p.

FOR RENT: 5-room house; modern conveniences. W. P. Lynch.

FOR SALE: Electric washing machine. Mrs. A. A. Brown. 30-tfc.

FOR ELECTRICAL WORK of all kinds see J. R. Bobo. 14-tfc.

GOOD 1929 Model A Ford to trade for cow. Marvin Lewallen, Duffau. 30-2p.

FOR RENT: Modern furnished apartment. Frank Mings. Phone 51. 31-tfc.

WANTED: Girl to keep house and care for invalid. Mrs. Terry Thompson, Rt. 3, Hico. 31-2p.

Good smooth mouth work mule for sale cheap. Clint Herring, Rt. 5, Hico. 31-2p.

FOR SALE: 1 1/2 ton International truck, 1937 De Luxe Plymouth sedan with radio, 2 Chevrolet trucks with school bus bodies. All worth the money. Farm Implement Supply Co. 25-tfc.

PALACE THEATRE
HICO, TEXAS

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, Dec. 28 and 29—
"IN NAME ONLY"
Drama. The story of a heartless woman who married for wealth and social position, and kept her husband bound to a loveless marriage to prevent his marrying the woman he loved. Carole Lombard, Cary Grant, Kay Francis. Director: John Cromwell.

SATURDAY MATINEE AND NIGHT—
"RACKETEERS OF THE RANGE"
Western. A cattleman fights a slick attorney who tries to sell his girl client out to a big packing company. George O'Brien, Marjorie Reynolds. Director: D. Ross Lederman.

SATURDAY MIDNIGHT, SUNDAY AND MONDAY—
"GOLDEN BOY"
Drama from the Broadway stage hit of a brilliant boy constantly at war with himself, because of his dream to become a great musician, at the same time showing a flair for fighting. Starring William Holden, Barbara Stanwyck, Adolph Menjou.

SUNDAY NIGHT, 10:30, New Year's Watch Party—
"WINTER CARNIVAL"
Comedy. We have selected this picture especially because we believe it is one of the best pictures of the year. A story of the annual winter carnival at Dartmouth College. Stars the glamorous Ann Sheridan, "Oomph Girl", and Richard Carlson. A picture you'll all enjoy!

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY—
"HEAVEN WITH A BARBED WIRE FENCE"
Drama. A young ranch owner en route to Arizona meets a girl refugee from Spain and the two marry to escape arrest. Jean Rogers, Raymond Walburn, and Glenn Ford.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, JAN. 4 AND 5—
"ANOTHER THIN MAN"
Comedy. Here's another picture in the "Thin Man" series, and this time there's a baby. Full of fun and hectic situations with your favorite screen couple, William Powell and Myrna Loy. Widely proclaimed as their best picture to date.

Will Be In Hico
Jan. 17 & Jan. 27
And in
Carlton, Jan. 18
TO COLLECT TAXES
O. R. WILLIAMS
Tax Assessor and Collector
Hamilton County

PRE-INVENTORY SPECIALS

Idaho Spuds 10 POUND SACK 15c

Pintos NEW MEXICO CLEANED & RECL. 10 POUND SACK 55c

Peaberry Coffee FRESH GROUND 2 lbs. 25c

VANILLA WAFERS pk. 10c	BANANAS doz. 10c
LARGE BORAX 6 pkgs. 25c	ORANGES doz. 10c
LARGE OXYDOL pkg. 21c	APPLES doz. 10c

P&G--Crystal White 7 GIANT BARS 25c

Shortening 8lb. Swift's Jewel 78c

SUGAR PURE GRANULATED 10 lb. CLOTH BAG 50c

SALT 25 lbs. 25c	FOLGER'S MAXWELL HOUSE
SALT 100 lbs. 65c	• COFFEE •
MEAL 20 lbs. 40c	3 LBS. LIMIT lb. 25c

Pure Pork HOME MADE SAUSAGE lb. 15c

Seven Steak AND ROAST lb. 15c

BOLOGNA lb. 10c	LILY OLEO lb. 15c
JOWLS lb. 8c	SLICED BACON lb. 17c
ALLSWEET OLEO lb. 20c	WISCONSIN CHEESE lb. 25c

Hudson's Grocery & Market