



Mussolini, we are informed by our special agent in charge of such affairs, has changed up the old expression, "Fear the Greeks bearing gifts." Since the gift of several tanks to Greece by Britain, with ensuing disastrous results, it is said to have issued instructions to "Fear the gifts bearing Greeks."

D. F. McCarty Jr., newspapering out at Abilene with the Reporter-News for the past six or seven years after having rounded off the rough edges of a journalism course through yeoman service at the old home town in the News Review office, and later at Albany, probably wouldn't consider that he was our protegee under any circumstances. But we've always had an active interest in his career, and are especially pleased to know that he is doing well in every way. So will his friends here.

Visiting Abilene on another mission last Sunday, the News Review editor, wife and daughter took advantage of the occasion to check up on D. F. and the missus, and got good story in return. Abilene was all agog over the new army camp just clinched for that thriving city. A report that a detachment of soldiers were also to be sent from Fort Sill disturbed the Daily Oklahoman greatly. So they sent a reporter down pronto to see what kind of politics had been played, and how come. This missionary, arriving in Abilene at 4 a. m. after a hurried dash from the Sooner State, spent the whole day and then some investigating the situation. He wired back a story to his home paper that there was little politics in the proposition, but that the Abilene Chamber of Commerce "takes real money when it goes shopping—it buys an army with natural resources and civic unselfishness."

Although the story we read doesn't say our informant told us that the visiting reporter also refuted the argument put forth by his home paper that the water supply at Abilene was insufficient for the natives, much less for that part of the army. He is said to have informed them, after investigation, that the West Texas city had not only enough good pure water to supply the citizens and army camp, but enough left over for the Navy, if necessary.

Abilene, once our home town, didn't look familiar to us. After entering an alley on the way home we overheard an aside remark from the occupants of the car: "Now he ought to feel at home."

Roline Forgy was in Iowa Park last Saturday night, Dec. 7, where he attended the wedding of his father, Finis E. Forgy, to Mrs. Ora Mae Jones, formerly of Strawn. The couple will make their home at Iowa Park, where Mr. Forgy is now employed on the Herald. He is a former owner of the News Review, and the couple have the best wishes of friends here.

After visiting at printing offices in every town he went through, and traveling across the line into Oklahoma in pursuit of enchiladas and sample copies of newspapers, Roline returned home Sunday night.

Mrs. W. B. Page, former citizen of Hico now living at 1016 N. Elwood, Tulsa, Okla., is disconcerted over the confusion arising from celebrating two Thanksgivings in this nation. Since we have heard several similar complaints, we reproduce hers below, with the understanding that this Democratic community was not bothered—celebrating only the date proclaimed by the President and the governor of Texas.

A LOST THANKSGIVING
By Mrs. W. B. Page
When the President proclaimed a new Thanksgiving, He thought he was helping the way of living.
But Thanksgiving Day was not intended for a business in a way.
But a day of thankfulness that had come to stay.

So on Thanksgiving No. 1, a young man decided to his home he must return.
As Thanksgiving was his special day.
He arrived to find he was too early.
So he could not stay and wait for turkey.
Then back to his job he sped away.
But he lost his Thanksgiving in every way.

When Thanksgiving No. 2 was about to arrive,
A couple decided their homefolks to surprise, who lived in another state.
So they went on the 28th to find they were a week too late.
So another Thanksgiving was blighted, instead
Of the happiness they thought was ahead.

Mrs. Page will always be remembered by this editor for one incident, at least. When she was in business here she handed the editor an ad from her store one day when such things were scarce and he created a bit of confusion in the back shop by announcing as he put it on the hook that it was a Page ad.

SCHOOL TO PRESENT P. E. PROGRAM AND PREMIERE OF DRUM CORPS

A demonstration of the work being done by the physical education department of the local schools to develop the bodies as well as the minds of school children will be given tonight, December 13, at 7:30 at the high school gymnasium by more than one hundred children, both boys and girls.

The need for physical training in public schools has long been recognized by outstanding educators. This is a very essential phase of a child's education and parents are urged to be present so that they can better acquaint themselves with the methods applied.

An instructor will explain the purpose of each exercise, and about forty minutes will be spent in routine calisthenics. Another feature of the program will be the premiere appearance of the grammar school Drum Corps, an organization of seventeen boys and girls ranging in age from eight to twelve years. The youngsters will be resplendent in their new uniforms and, directed by Roy C. Boaz, will give a fifteen minute demonstration that is sure to be enjoyed. Mr. Boaz has worked untiringly in perfecting the technique of this attractive little unit, and in preparing the numbers for their first public appearance. It is hoped that everyone will go out to see them perform and show they are interested in their work and what is being done for them in the local school system.

BASKETBALL GAMES WITH GUSTINE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT TUESDAY NIGHT

The Hico High School girls' and boys' basketball teams will play teams from Gustine High School at the gymnasium here next Tuesday night, Dec. 17, beginning at 7 o'clock.

The Gustine boys' team was Comanche County champion last year and advance reports indicate the game will be a good one from every angle.

Efforts are being made by local school officials to create a lively interest in basketball games and to develop a team to match this interest on the part of local people.

A. C. Odell in Hospital

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Odell were called to Fort Worth last Friday to the bedside of their son, A. C. Odell, who underwent an emergency operation for an acute attack of appendicitis at 4:30 o'clock at Cook Memorial Hospital.

A. C. is attending Texas Christian University and was a member of the Pollywogs, freshman football team. He also was to have been a candidate for the track team, and it is feared the operation may interfere with his chances of making the team. Track practice was to have started next week.

New Teacher Expected

Fred Schwartz, member of the faculty of the Gatesville schools for the past four years, has accepted the position of history instructor and assistant coach, formerly held by J. I. Grimland, who resigned recently to accept a coaching position in Brownwood, and will assume his duties here Monday.

Another Teacher To Leave

Mrs. J. I. Grimland, Hico High School faculty member for the past several years, has resigned to accept a position as bookkeeper with a wholesale grocery company in Brownwood, and she and her son, Charles, will leave Saturday to join Mr. Grimland there.

Recuperating From Operation

Mrs. M. E. Wood and Miss Fannie Wood are in Dallas with their daughter and sister, Miss Tot Wood, who underwent a major operation Monday at Baylor Hospital. Miss Fannie Wood wrote friends here later in the week that her sister stood the operation well and was recovering nicely.

THE MORE THEY SAY, THE WORSE THEY MAKE IT

(ANOTHER EDITORIAL)

Hamilton papers have accused Hico people of being unfair in their attitude toward the proposed \$650,000 bond issue, which will be voted on Dec. 28. And since the News Review came out in black and white and said its say we are probably identified with those who, they say, are trying to revive the old feeling of spite between the two towns. Nothing could be tatter from the truth.

Personally we now think the proposition dizzier than we did at first. It is unfortunate that the commissioners court couldn't have found some other way to dispose of the petition without subjecting the county to about six hundred dollars of expense for holding the election. And it appears a bit high-handed, since Hico qualified voters were not consulted before the petition was presented. Its promoters are aghast, according to reports from the county seat, at the realization that those same people do not intend to share the responsibility now. They should have known all the time.

Not only are voters of the Hico precinct asked to assume equal responsibility for a bond issue which does not benefit them at all, unless indirectly, but they stand to lose their part in distribution of funds to counties not otherwise sharing in the State bond assumption fund. Last year, we are informed by our commissioner, this amounted to around two thousand dollars, which was used right here in this precinct, and prospects are that the sum will be more in future years. That's just one of the angles which are distasteful to voters in precincts not affected by benefits that possibly might accrue from authorizing the bonds. There are many others.

It's no secret that Hico is opposed to the bond issue, if we are to judge from the attitude of local property owners interviewed. But it's an unjust inference that we're "last neighbors" instead of friends, for we'd have told them beforehand we were against that particular proposition if they'd asked us. And that's no sin—even among friends.

We do not pose as a prophet, and in case our judgment is wrong and the election carries by the necessary margin, it will be O. K. with us—provided those directly affected exercise their prerogative and express their wishes at the polls. We have tried never to be bad losers, and realize that we have only one vote and want to live in peace among our neighbors without telling them how to vote or fighting the wishes of the majority. That's the American way.

The only reason we have publicized the proposition so much is to get people to thinking about it. We have accomplished that purpose, evidently, and are willing to let the matter rest with the voters without arousing any further ill feeling.

We are indeed glad to learn from our enlightened contemporaries that the promoters of the bond issue now consider Hico a part of the county, for we've often wondered. And we are further gratified to be informed that Hamilton business men have gotten for us everything good Hico has ever achieved, including the Chalk Mountain Road. We had always thought a few others had something to do with these things, but now find that all we have to do is sit back and let our big brothers down at the county seat take care of us. And how!

Saturday Last Day For Lighting Contest Entries

With tomorrow noon, December 14, the closing time on entries in the Chamber of Commerce Christmas Lighting Contest, attention of merchants and home-owners is called to the fact that no entries will be accepted after that time and that their intention must be registered with one of the contest committee members to be eligible for a prize.

COUNCIL MEETING RELATIVE TO ORDINATION OF PASTOR TO BE HELD SUNDAY

Announcement has gone out from the Hico Baptist Church this week that there is to be held at the church next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock a council meeting looking to the ordination of Rev. Frank McClure, one of the members, to the work of the ministry. Mr. McClure resides near Hico in the Millerville community, and has been elected to the pastorate of the new Baptist church organized last month in the Unity neighborhood five miles east of town.

Pastors and deacons of Baptist churches in the neighboring towns and communities have been requested to assist in the council meeting, according to statement of Rev. Alvin Swindell, pastor of the Hico church.

Mr. Alford At Home

Friends of A. Alford, who has been in a Waco hospital since undergoing an operation several weeks ago, returned to his home here last week end, accompanied by one of his daughters, Mrs. Harry Roddy of Tahoka, who is staying here with him.

Norwegian Refugee Relates His Experiences During Blitzkrieg of Oslo

The story of youths caught in the Norwegian blitzkrieg, of stealing bullets from Germans to shoot at Germans, of being torpedoed in the Atlantic, of fighting vainly for a country infested with fifth columnists and German spies is the story of Waive Ellison, 20-year-old Norwegian refugee temporarily making his home at Clifton while lecturing in the schools in this section of the country.

Ellison told Hicoans of those experiences Tuesday night when he spoke in the high school auditorium. Others he told friends while here on a visit last week end. His story is as strange and as fast-moving as the blitzkrieg itself.

Young Ellison, son of a Norwegian architect who designed the parliament building in Oslo and one of a family of five sons and two daughters, went to sea on a freighter when he was fourteen, taking a correspondence course in Diesel engineering while serving as a machinist apprentice on the boat.

Shortly after returning to Oslo for a short vacation, the blitzkrieg struck. The fifth column was so well organized, he said, that even those holding important military positions were under German command. German

Honored at Luncheons



JUDGE SAM RUSSELL
Congressman-Elect

Named as honor guest on two occasions within the past week, Congressman-Elect Sam Russell of Stephenville told his friends he was appreciative of whatever honors had been bestowed upon him, and promised to repay his constituents by faithful, untiring service in the national governing body.

At Abilene Sunday at noon postmasters of the 17th congressional district assembled to hear him make the main address on the program, which also included talks by Postmaster J. Edward Johnson of Brownwood and D. C. Jernigan, postal inspector. At this meeting the postmasters named O. A. Hale of Abilene as president of their association; Mrs. Maurine Stewart of Blackwell, secretary; and Luther McCrea, Cisco, executive secretary, both re-elected.

Wednesday at noon the Stephenville Lions Club dedicated its regular meeting as an occasion to pay tribute to their native son. Members and a few guests heard a radio address by Carr Collins of Mineral Wells, following which various members expressed their feeling for their fellow townsman prior to his address. He was presented with a Gladstone bag as a gift from members of the Stephenville Lions Club.

PARENT-TEACHERS TO MEET EVERY FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS

At a meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association Tuesday evening, December 3, it was voted to meet every first and third Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Twenty-five members were present at the last meeting. Among the interesting features of the program was a discussion, "Radio in the Home," by Mrs. S. E. Blair, and a talk by Supt. Harry Pinson in regard to a lunch room for underprivileged children. A committee was appointed to create interest in this movement.

Mrs. Floyd Thrash, wife of the new pastor of the Hico Methodist Church, was elected secretary to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Mrs. R. L. Smith.

The seventh grade won the banner for having the most parents present among the members at the meeting. This banner was painted by Mrs. Ray Connally to be used as an incentive in the membership drive.

All parents and friends are urged to attend the next meeting, December 18.

The \$30 in cash awards being offered in the contest will be divided into two classifications, with \$10 for first place and \$5 for second place for the best lighted residences and business establishments.

He has been in this country six months, but during his life on the Norwegian freighter he visited almost all of the important ports up and down the East and West coasts. He once met his brother, captain of a Norwegian boat, in Buenos Aires on his birthday. Neither knew the other was there until they docked in the port.

His English is perfect, except for a pronounced accent, and he speaks eight other languages—Dutch, Danish, French, Swedish, Norwegian, Spanish and some Japanese and Greek.

Kids Tell Santa Of Urgent Needs

Responding to an invitation issued through last week's paper, a number of children in families of News Review readers have written Santa Claus letters which appear in this issue.

Other letters which arrived too late will appear next week, and if the kids will hurry it may be that they still have time to write a letter and have it printed.

Just mail it or bring it by the News Review office and we'll see what we can do about it.

Hico, Tex., Dec. 11, 1940.
Dear Santa: I am a little boy six years old. I go to school and I am in the first grade. Mrs. Jackson is my teacher and I like her fine. I have been pretty sweet and I would like for you to bring me a shot gun double barrel and a big pearl handle pistol, a football and a train. Don't forget other little boys and girls. With lots of love from your little friend.

EARL JUNIOR COTTEN.

Hico, Tex., Rt. 5, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I thought you'd like to know what I want for Christmas. I want a watch, and some apples and oranges and grapefruit. I want an air gun and some shot.

Your friend,
LYNN DRIVER.

Hico, Tex., Rt. 5, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 10 years old. I wish you would bring me a little chest of drawers to put my papers and pencils in. Also bring me some nail polish, a ribbon, a pair of socks, a story book, a ring, and some apples, oranges, bananas and grapes. I hope you come down my chimney on Christmas night. I want some nuts and candy, too.

Your loving friend,
CHARLENE LANEY.

Salem, Tex.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a good little girl, three years old. Please bring me a doll, a coloring book and crayons, and a little table and chairs. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls. We will have our Christmas tree ready for you.

Your little friend,
MARY ANN NOLAND.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 8, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy 10 months old and I live in Fort Worth, but plan to be in Hico on Christmas Day so bring my toys there. I would like to have a little rocker, a teddy bear, a little rocking horse, a ball, and a little black and white dog. I would also like to have a little blue elephant and don't forget all my little cousins.

Love,
JERRY DON PADDOCK.

Hico, Tex., Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa: I'm a little boy six years old. I would like a diving submarine, an airplane that flies, and a cowboy suit with a big gun. Don't forget the fruits, nuts and candy.

Your friend,
HAROLD PRATER.

Hico, Tex., Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa: I'm a little girl four and one half years of age. For Christmas I want a bottle doll, a machine that will sew and a hen that lays wooden eggs. Please bring some fruit, nuts and candy.

Your little friend,
SHIRLEY PRATER.

Hico, Tex., Rt. 5, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I want a wagon, a milk truck, a tricycle, some fruit, nuts and candy. Please remember Tommie and bring him a story book.

Love,
CARL DEAN LANEY.

Hico, Tex., Route 7, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I want you to bring me a red wagon, a little hen, some nuts, fruit and candy, also some firecrackers.

Your friend,
C. J. LAMBERT.

Hico, Tex., Rt. 7, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa: I am nine years old and in the fourth grade. I want a cap gun and 2 boxes caps. I want a little truck, some firecrackers and a wagon. Bring Dorothy Nell a doll and Glenn a little airplane. Some fruit, nuts and candy. Thank you for all of this.

Your friend,
JAMES LAMBERT.

Hico, Tex., Rt. 7, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I want a little truck, and a cap gun, pocket knife, some fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend,
J. D. LAMBERT, JR.

Duffau, Tex., Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa: I want a little doll in a suitcase, a little ball, I am seven years old. I am in the second grade at Salem school. Remember all the boys and girls.

Your friend,
ALMA GEAN KOONSMAN.

Hico, Tex., Dec. 10, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy 2 1/2 years old. Please bring me a football, a rope so that I can rope Granddad's sheep, a little gun. Also lots of candy and fruit.

Your little friend,
DON L. WRIGHT.

Hico, Tex., Dec. 10, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 4 years old. I want a doll with a yellow dress and hat, a set of tin dishes and lots of candy and fruit. I have a little baby brother 3 months old. Please bring him a rattler.

Your little friend,
LA NELLE WRIGHT.

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Stephenville, Tex., Dec. 10, 1940.
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Don't bring me a football because I have a new one. I have a little brother 17 months old. Bring him a Pop-Eye that he can pull, a ball and a little dog. Also lots of candy, nuts and fruits.

Your little friends,
W. C. and BRADLEY HERRICKS.

Hico, Dec. 8, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I think I have been a good little boy this year. I am five years old, and I bring in wood for my mother and help her when she washes. I want you to bring me a big tractor, a trailer truck, and a bus for this Christmas. And of course some fruit, nuts, candy, and some fireworks. As ever, your little friend,

FLOYD PRATER.

Hico, Dec. 7, 1940.
Dear Santa: Please bring me a truck with four trailers to haul things in. I also want anything you decide to leave me. Betty Jo wants a big doll. We both want some fruit, nuts and candy.

Goodbye till Christmas,
MAC HICKS.

Hico, Route 5, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa: I am a little girl, who will be 5 years old the 11th of December. Have been ill for some time, but have been a little better. Santa, I wish you would please bring me a big doll that goes to sleep and will love me, a new purse, house shoes, and anything else you care to bring. Don't forget my little brother, who is seven months old, and Grannie Roberson. I love you lots.

BILLIE WAYNEZ ROBERSON.

Hico, Dec. 6, 1940.
Dear Santa: I have been a good little girl and have helped my mother. Santa, I want you to bring me a "Shirley Temple" book, a fountain pen and pencil set, a memory book, and a horn. Also, I want lots of candy and fruit.

Please don't forget my little brother, Denson. He wants a pearl handled gun, a top, a pocket knife, and candy and fruit. Also, please don't forget other little boys and girls. Your little pals,
BETTY LOU ADAMS AND DENSON ADAMS.

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IREDELL ITEMS

By Miss Stella Smith, Hico Correspondent

Mrs. Della Phillips, who has been with her mother, Mrs. Squires, since September, left Wednesday, Dec. 4 for her home in Crystal City. Miss Sara Jane Chaney came in to stay with Mrs. Squires.

Mrs. Charlie Myers and sons moved to Fort Worth the past week. Charlie is working there.

Mrs. Fannie Sawyer has returned from Stephenville where she visited for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace McDonel and daughter have moved here from Tennessee.

Mrs. Kimmins of Meridian spent Thursday with Mrs. Patterson of Los Molinas, California.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Gordon of Los Molinas, California, visited his sisters, Mrs. Sawyer and Miss Mittie Gordon from Friday until Monday when they went to Fort Worth to visit. Miss Mittie accompanied them. They will be back here to visit again before they return home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gosdin spent the past week end in Dublin with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Noel, and son, Mr. Willie Bullard of Dallas.

Mrs. Willie Bullard of Dallas spent the past week end with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Hudson. He was accompanied by his nephew, Mr. Brantley Hudson and wife and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Johnson and baby have returned from Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gordon of Fort Worth visited here this week.

Miss Pauline Allen has returned from a visit in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gosdin, Mrs. Tom Hughes and Miss Clara Hughes spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Loader were in Meridian Saturday.

Miss Donna Mae Worrel spent the week end in Stephenville with her brother, Arthur. Some of her classmates came after her.

Finis Davis of San Antonio visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Davis, from Monday till Thursday.

Albert Pike is working in Brownwood.

J. L. Goodman, who is in school at Austin visited his wife and mother this week. He and his mother visited their sister and aunt, Mrs. Sue Segrist of Hico Sunday afternoon.

Harold Vincent has returned from West Texas, where he has been working.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Curtis of Tahoka spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Gregory.

Miss Billie Jones of Cranfills Gap spent the week end with Miss Evelyn Koonsman.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Thompson and children visited relatives in Sanatorium this week.

Mrs. Lou Buchanan of De Leon is visiting her sister, Mrs. Janie Main.

Mrs. Clem McAden, who is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Elmer Hoffner, in California is having a wonderful time. She sees some of the beauties that state is famed for.

Tom Conley of Dallas spent the week end at home. He was accompanied by Myrtle Shelton, one of the Sunshine Boys.

Mrs. W. F. Turner of Denton spent the week with Frank's parents. Her friends were glad to see her.

Mr. and Mrs. Parvin and children of Glen Rose spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. McAdoo, and her sister, Mrs. Loyce Hensley and family.

Mrs. G. W. Chaffin returned home Sunday from Dallas where she went for treatment. Her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Crump, and Miss Mae Chaffin brought her home.

Mrs. Ellington, who is a nurse for H. A. Simpson, enjoyed a visit this week end from her sister and children from Dallas.

The epidemic of flu is raging in California. It is hoped it will not reach here. It is the kind that is very contagious.

Rev. Mr. Cudriff of Evans Church Sunday morning and night. All enjoyed his sermons. He announced that a new pastor would be called the Fourth Sunday in December.

Lawrence Harper and Coky Graves spent the week end here. Frank Cunningham Jr. celebrated his seventh birthday December 7. A party was given in his honor at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lawrence, Saturday afternoon.

Seventeen children were there and each brought him a nice gift. Several games were played, which were sponsored by Mildred Harper. Refreshments of hot chocolate, cake and candy were served and all had a fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. John Parks, Mrs. W. R. Newsom, Mrs. John Newsom and Mrs. Oliver Newsom and son visited in Brownwood Sunday. Billy Royce Newsom spent the week end there, and accompanied Royce when he came Friday.

Mrs. Eva Gregory and Johnnie and Mr. and Mrs. Garland Curtis visited in Brownwood Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Sherrard and daughter, Wilma Jean, visited Lila Sherrard at Mineral Wells Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Alexander visited Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Alexander Jr., of Brownwood Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Wolfe is visiting her son, Mr. H. G. Wolfe.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sherrard and daughter, Charlene, made a business trip to Fort Worth Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson of Victoria, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Johnson of Dickinson and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson of Ranger, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Johnson last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Trimble of Duffau visited friends here Sunday.

Mr. T. M. Lee, who is on the sick list, is improving.

The H. D. Club members and their families met in the home of Mrs. S. O. Durham Tuesday night and enjoyed a party with which a turkey supper was served to thirty-seven persons. Games were played and followed by a Christmas tree from which each one received nice gifts. Each one present enjoyed the occasion very much.

Mr. Cornelius Jacks of Fort Smith, Ark. and Mrs. Ella Callaway, son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Callaway of McComb, Oklahoma, visited Mr. R. M. Alexander Tuesday night.

The ladies of the Clairette community met at the Methodist Church Monday and quilled 2 quilts for the Methodist Orphans home of Waco.

Dinner guests of Mrs. George W. Salmon Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Hub Alexander and daughters, Nila Marie and Elizabeth.

Mrs. Henry Turner, who has been in the Dublin Hospital since Nov. 21, was moved to her home in this community Monday. She is improving.

Henry Herrin of Exray visited in the B. A. Herrin home Sunday.

Winnie Fred Barnett of Stephenville is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barnett.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Fouts visited in the Carl Cox home at Carlton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Byrill Hulsey of Rising Star, J. C. Hulsey of Mexico and Mrs. Clayton Hulsey of Rule visited recently in the Frank Barnett home.

C. D. Herrin returned to Brownwood Sunday where he is employed.

Mr. Ben McAlester visited relatives at Stephenville the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Flowers had business in Stephenville Saturday.

The Duffau girls' basketball team attended a tournament at Morgan Mill Saturday.

Everyone is invited out to the play, "Calms Yourself," Thursday night, the 19th.

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Clairette

By NILA MARIE ALEXANDER

Rev. Mills of Mt. Pleasant, Tex., preached here Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Sherrard and daughter, Wilma Jean, visited Lila Sherrard at Mineral Wells Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Alexander visited Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Alexander Jr., of Brownwood Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Wolfe is visiting her son, Mr. H. G. Wolfe.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sherrard and daughter, Charlene, made a business trip to Fort Worth Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson of Victoria, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Johnson of Dickinson and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson of Ranger, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Johnson last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Trimble of Duffau visited friends here Sunday.

Mr. T. M. Lee, who is on the sick list, is improving.

The H. D. Club members and their families met in the home of Mrs. S. O. Durham Tuesday night and enjoyed a party with which a turkey supper was served to thirty-seven persons. Games were played and followed by a Christmas tree from which each one received nice gifts. Each one present enjoyed the occasion very much.

Mr. Cornelius Jacks of Fort Smith, Ark. and Mrs. Ella Callaway, son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Callaway of McComb, Oklahoma, visited Mr. R. M. Alexander Tuesday night.

The ladies of the Clairette community met at the Methodist Church Monday and quilled 2 quilts for the Methodist Orphans home of Waco.

Dinner guests of Mrs. George W. Salmon Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Hub Alexander and daughters, Nila Marie and Elizabeth.

Mrs. Henry Turner, who has been in the Dublin Hospital since Nov. 21, was moved to her home in this community Monday. She is improving.

Henry Herrin of Exray visited in the B. A. Herrin home Sunday.

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By DOROTHY DESKIN

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Fouts and son, John E., attended a basketball tournament at Iredell last Saturday night.

Mrs. Blanche Jones and Bob Deskin accompanied Mr. Alfred Jones of Edna Hill, to Stephenville Sunday afternoon to a musical concert at John Tarleton College.

H. D. Anderson and son, Harvey, made a trip to Mineral Wells Monday.

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With the announcement of an enlarged and enlivened magazine, The American Boy, foremost publication for boys ten to twenty, also announces a reduction in its subscription and single copy prices. Hereafter The American Boy will sell for 10c a single copy at newsstands or for \$1.00 a year and \$2.00 for three years on a subscription basis.

In announcing a change in editorial policy, publishers of The American Boy assure subscribers that the established fiction heroes who have made the magazine so popular with young and old alike, will continue to tell of their adventures exclusively in The American Boy. Included in this group are Renfrew of the Canadian Mounted, Connie Morgan and Old Man Mattie, prospectors; Square Jaw Davis, railroad engineer; Jim Tierney, detective; Johnny Caruthers, flyer; Tod Moran, seaman; Alan Kane and Ted Dolliver, adventurers in science, and others identified exclusively with The American Boy.

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"MELODY COMES TO TOWN" TO BE BIG ATTRACTION IN FARMER DAY PROGRAM

Jean Parker, who has played leading roles in many movie hits during the last few years, heads the cast of "Melody Comes to Town," feature picture to be shown in the Palace Theatre here on Monday, December 14. This movie, fifty minutes in length, headlines the John Deere Day entertainment and educational programs to be sponsored by J. W. Richbourg. Admission will be by ticket only, but tickets may be obtained free of charge at the J. W. Richbourg store.

"Melody Comes to Town" is an appealing story of a small-town girl who makes good at the youthful leader of a famous orchestra—but who comes back to help when her home folks are in trouble. It's the story of a "Scattergood Balnes" newspaper editor who joins forces with a couple of high school boys to help a widowed mother and her injured son . . . of a football coach and the Ladies' Aid Society . . . of "Old Lady Dunham," who really is a charming, young teacher. Included in the cast are lovely Jean Parker, Jackie Moran, Joe Brown Jr., Frank Faylen, Natalie Moorhead, and stammering Roscoe Ates.

In addition to "Melody Comes to Town," four other new, all-talking pictures will be shown. They include "The Road to Happiness"—an interesting story of John and Claire Blane, a typical small-farm couple who eliminated many long hours of tedious toil and found a new happiness in farm life . . . "The Sheppards Take a Vacation"—an educational picture showing the change in harvesting methods which is taking place on small and medium-sized farms throughout the country . . . "The Control of Quality"—an enlightening picture that takes you behind the scenes in the building of modern farm tractors . . . and a short news reel of "What's New in Farm Equipment for 1941."

J. W. Richbourg is extending a cordial invitation to all farmer readers of the News Review—and their neighbors—to be his guests on John Deere Day, December 14.

Only be sure to call at the J. W. Richbourg store for your free tickets, if you don't already have them, before December 14.

Mrs. Lula Jordan Buried

Mrs. Lula Jordan, formerly of Hico, passed away at her home in Dallas about noon last Saturday and was buried Sunday afternoon in Dublin. She had been in ill health for several years.

Mrs. Jordan and her husband, the late T. J. Jordan, were prominent in civic and social circles here a number of years ago after moving here from Dublin, their old home. They later resided in Waco for a while.

Besides a daughter, Mrs. Ila Boettcher, she also is survived by one granddaughter, Miss Carolyn Loettcher, both of Dallas.

Mrs. Mae Bates left for Dallas Saturday shortly after receiving the news and attended the funeral services in Dublin, after which she returned to Dallas to spend this week with Mrs. Boettcher.

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Carlton
By
CORRESPONDENT

Mr. and Mrs. Watt Sharp were Hamilton shoppers Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Maggie White and son, Lanon White, and family of Lankin spent Saturday with Mrs. Rena Stidham and sister, Miss Pat Lynch.

Mrs. Clifford Malone of Hico spent several days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Jordan.

Mr. and Mrs. Tado Fabeanke were in Hico Friday afternoon attending to business.

Hugh Rogers and Mr. Hamilton were Hamilton visitors Thursday.

Miss Willie Johnson and brother, Arthur Johnson, were Dublin shoppers Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Lawrence Adams and children were in Hico Saturday visiting Mrs. Eunice Caulder and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Littleton and baby of Stephenville were week end visitors with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Dyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus King and Mr. and Mrs. Truman Lowery were Stephenville visitors Wednesday.

Mrs. Leonard Weaver visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fisher, of Oglesby Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson and baby of Ballinger spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Norma Wilson and his grandmother, Mrs. John Finley Sr.

Mrs. J. H. Tull and daughter, Mrs. L. A. Anderson, are visiting in Abilene with Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Tull.

Mrs. Hobdy Thompson and son, Don, were visitors in Dublin Saturday morning.

Tom Fines, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Fines, and family, left Saturday for his home in Wellington, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Bingham and Mrs. Leta Thompson were business visitors in Comanche Wednesday.

Miss Mary Louise Fines visited last week with Joe Ray White of Lankin.

Miss Grace and Sheron Pruitt

were Hamilton visitors Saturday morning.

Sam Sowell, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Rance Sowell and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sowell and other relatives, left for his home in Tennessee Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Franklin and daughter of Colorado City spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. Sid Clark.

Mrs. John Henry Clark and children and Mrs. L. D. Sowell and son were Dublin shoppers Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry McAnely and daughter, Glenna, of Altman were Carlton visitors Saturday afternoon.

EM Lefever, J. W. Short and son, R. H. Short, were business visitors in Stephenville Saturday afternoon.

John Henry Clark was in Hico Saturday afternoon attending to business.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis McPherson of Dallas spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Bob McPherson, and son, Stanley.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lowery and son, Jerry Lee, were Hico shoppers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ab Montgomery and children were in Dublin Saturday.

J. O. Pollard and wife were in Hamilton Friday attending to business.

Mrs. Agatha Prater left Monday for Waco where she has accepted a position in the Methodist Orphan Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Burnett were Dublin shoppers Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Minnie Glad left Monday night for Brownwood where she has employment.

The Methodist Missionary Society attended a zone meeting at Hamilton Wednesday. Those from here who attended were Mrs. M. J. Hayes, Mrs. Rosa Birdsong, Mrs. Robert Smith, Mrs. George Jones, Mrs. R. L. Brimer, Mrs. A. Bailey, Mrs. Frank Cloud, Miss Ethel Murdock, Mrs. Dock Finley and Mrs. Odie Shaffer.

Mr. and Mrs. Chesley Kennedy and children of Iredell spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rance Sowell and Dr. and Mrs. F. P. Kennedy.

The Carlton Community Club

met Friday with Mrs. Jack Up-ham. Those present were Mrs. Leonard Weaver, Mrs. R. L. McDaniel, Mrs. R. L. Brimer, Mrs. John Edwards, Mrs. W. P. Barnett, Mrs. Fred Geyer, Mrs. Billy Fox, Mrs. John McKenzie, Mrs. Lawrence Adams, Mrs. B. Grey, Mrs. Rosa Birdsong, Mrs. Will Wright, Mrs. Oscar Pollard and Mrs. Gale Massengale and Mrs. Lorn Johnson were in attendance as visitors. Mrs. Oscar Pollard was received as a new member. They all reported a fine time. They also reported a fine turkey dinner.

ALL A MISTAKE
Moon farming, the planting of seeds in accordance with certain phases of the moon, has absolutely no support from any scientific point of view, according to a recent bulletin from the department of agriculture.

A new device to calibrate airplane speed performance was recently demonstrated. The operation of the device is based on a combination of photoelectric cells with an amplifying system and accurate timing mechanism.

Weather Report

The following report, submitted by L. L. Hudson, gives conditions locally as reported to the Chronological Service of the Weather Bureau of the U. S. Department of Agriculture:

Date	High	Low	Prec.	Day
Dec. 4	73	39	0.00	pt cdy
Dec. 5	74	45	0.00	pt cdy
Dec. 6	78	51	0.00	cloudy
Dec. 7	72	52	0.00	clear
Dec. 8	67	32	0.00	clear
Dec. 9	73	40	0.00	clear
Dec. 10	67	50	0.00	cloudy

Total precipitation so far this year, 30.28 inches.

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HOFFMAN'S

Local Happenings

Mrs. A. D. Chambers of Gatesville was here Tuesday visiting a number of her old friends.

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Jim D. Wright and J. J. Smith were business visitors in Hamilton Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Smith and daughters, Billie and Ina Ruth of Temple were Saturday night guests of his father, J. J. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. McFadden were in Clifton Sunday visiting Mrs. Kate Proffitt and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Wieser of Hamilton were recent guests of his sisters, Mrs. G. H. Anderson and Miss Nettie Wieser.

Mr. and Mrs. George Christopher and Mrs. Wylie McFadden were in De Leon Sunday visiting their brother, Dad Christopher, and family.

Miss Mayo Hollis spent the week end in Comanche as a guest of Miss Gladys Baker, home economics instructor in the Comanche High School.

Mrs. W. M. Marcum and son, Marks, returned Monday from a visit with her daughter, Rachel, in Monahan and her son, Tommie Hoffman, in Pyote.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Barrow, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Russell and daughter, Glenna Maude, were in Stephenville Sunday visiting Mr. Barrow's sister, Mrs. Sid Barham.

Rev. and Mrs. Alvin Swindell and Rev. and Mrs. Frank McClure went to Hamilton Thursday where they attended the Hamilton County Baptist Sunday School Conference.

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Mr. and Mrs. Anson Oden and daughter, Betty Sue, and baby son, Joe Anson, of Brownwood spent the week end here with Mrs. Oden's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. McMurray.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Richardson of Hamilton have moved to the N. A. Fewell place near Hico. Mr. Richardson will farm the land this year. Mr. Fewell will continue to reside there for the present.

CHRISTMAS-MEMORIAL WREATHS
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Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Houser of Fort Worth spent the week end with Miss Wilena Purcell. They were accompanied by Mrs. Oval Pair, also of Fort Worth, who remained over for a visit with Miss Purcell.

Joe Powers of Bakersfield, California, plans to return home this week end after a week's visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Powers. Joe has been employed as a mechanic at Bakersfield since completing a course in that line at a Los Angeles school.

Week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Leeth were Mrs. J. M. McAnelly and children, James and Pauline, of Post, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Benefield and children, Janette and Coy, Mrs. M. E. Brooks and son, and Mrs. J. G. Landtroop, all of Abernathy.

Roy Welborn was in Temple last Friday on business and while there attended the football game between Stephenville and Temple High Schools. The game was for bi-district championship, and the score was a 7-7 tie but Temple won with three penetrations to two for Stephenville.

Helping Hand Class Enjoys Annual Christmas Party

Mmes. B. B. Gamble, Ed Ford, E. C. Allison Jr., Morse Ross, Watt Ross, J. C. Prater, Julius Jones and Carrie Malone were joint hostesses to members of the Helping Hand Class of the Hico Methodist Church at their annual Christmas party Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. Malone.

A most delightful event of the evening was the distribution of gifts from the lavishly decorated tree.

A delicious refreshment plate consisting of turkey, dressing, cranberry sauce, pickles, candied apples, wheat crackers, coffee and frozen fruit cake was served to Mmes. J. V. Lackey, J. P. Owen, Jim D. Wright, A. L. Ford, Tyrus King, E. L. Hancock, Opal Hendrix, Annie Waggoner, S. W. Everett, Marvin Marshall, Ellen Holton, E. H. Persons, Bess Warren, John Haines, George Stringer, Olie Davis, J. O. Barrow, Roy French, Nettie Meador, Douglas Burden, A. T. McFadden, J. D. Jones, Cecil Segrist, Roy Welborn, Lusk Randall, Doris Williamson, J. B. Ogle, Melvin McLarty, Geo. Griffiths, Floyd Thrash, J. B. Russell, Oval Pair of Fort Worth, Tom Munerlyn, A. D. Chambers of Gatesville, and Misses Docia Lackey, Jessie Garth, Hester and Mable Jordan, Wilena Purcell, Florence Chenuat, Mary Jane Thrash, Annie Mae Wall and Mary Rebecca Burden.

APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR ATTRACTIVE CIVIL SERVICE POSITIONS

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced that applications will be accepted at the Commission's Washington office until December 31 if received from Colorado and States westward, for the six positions listed immediately below. The salaries are subject to a retirement deduction of 3 1/2 per cent.

Transportation tariff examiner (freight or passenger), \$2,300 and \$2,000 a year, Interstate Commerce Commission. Applicants must have had 4 years of experience in the compilation of freight or passenger tariffs, or similar experience involving familiarity with such tariffs.

Horizontal sorting machine operator, \$1,260 a year. Applicants must have had 3 months' experience in the operation of horizontal sorting machines.

Senior bookkeeping machine operator, \$1,420 a year. One year of experience in the operation of a typewriter-general accounting machine is necessary.

Multilith cameraman and plate-maker, \$1,620 a year; multilith press operator, \$1,440 a year; for appointment in Washington, D.C. only. Applicants must have had certain experience in multilith work for each position.

Senior and junior blueprint operator, \$1,440 and \$1,260 a year respectively; senior and junior photostat operator, \$1,440 and \$1,260 a year respectively. Applicants must have had experience in general photographic blueprint or photostat work.

Senior and assistant photographer, \$2,000 and \$1,620 a year respectively. Applicants must have had responsible paid experience in photographic work.

The Commission has also announced that it will accept applications at the Washington office until further notice for the trades positions listed below. The salaries vary according to the place of employment and in each case are subject to a 3 1/2 per cent retirement deduction. Immediate appointments are to be made at various ordnance and naval establishments throughout the country and in Hawaii.

SPECIAL SERVICE IN YULETIDE SPIRIT TO BE GIVEN BY BAPTISTS

A service specially designed for the Christmas season will be given at the Hico Baptist Church Sunday night, December 22. Miss Thoma Rodgers and Mrs. Earl Harrison are directing the preparations of the program which, in general outline, will be as follows:

1. "Joy To the World," sung by choir as they enter darkened auditorium, with spot light on Christmas scene.
2. "Silent Night."
3. Invocation.
4. Solo.
5. Scripture.
6. "All Hail Immanuel."
7. Sermon.
8. "Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful."
9. Benediction (with "Silent Night.")

Full information as to the requirements for the examinations and application forms may be obtained from the Secretary of the Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners at the post office or customhouse in any city which has a post office of the first or second class, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Both Canadian railways, the National and Pacific, offer annual trophies for the best trout caught in the waters of Lake Nipigon, Ontario.

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JENNIE MAE

A visiting newspaperman in our office one day last week furnishes one of the best cracks of the week. He apparently was astonished because we worked until six every evening instead of five.

"Gosh, I'm glad we don't have to work until six," he said. "Do you do that every day?"

"Yes," we replied, feeling a little sorry for ourselves. "Don't you?"

"No," he boasted. "We quit at five every day—and are back by six."

Those two cute little girls who paid us a visit Tuesday were Clara Jean and Mary Jane Thrash, wide-eyed little daughters of Rev. Floyd Thrash, the new Methodist pastor, who explained that they accompanied him quite often on his rounds. Clara Jean, quite a young lady although only in Grade Four, is losing no time getting acquainted with her new neighbors and fellow townsmen. Her first question to us was: "Are you Jennie Mae?"

W. M. MARCUM ROUNDS OUT TEN YEARS SERVICE WITH GAS COMPANY

During the month of November W. M. Marcum was awarded the Ten Year Service Emblem Number 34 in recognition of his first decade of service with the Southern Union gas system. He is manager of the company's local properties, known as the Texas Southwestern Gas Company. Other recognition also was given Mr. Marcum's achievement in an article in the December edition of "Southern Union News," an employees magazine.

Mr. Marcum's photograph accompanied the article. Mr. Marcum was first employed with the company at Artesia, New Mexico, in 1930 as mechanic in charge of the automotive equipment at Portales, Lovington and Artesia, which position he held until the shop was closed in 1932. At that time he became main line foreman between Roswell and Artesia, handling sales and service at Lake Arthur, Hazerman and Dexter. Shortly thereafter the East Grand Plains extension was placed under his supervision. On January 5, 1935, he was transferred to Hico as Town Plant Manager, the position he holds today.

The cover on the December edition of the "Southern Union News" is by Tommie Hoffman, Mrs. Marcum's son, who is employed by the Southern Union at Pyote and draws cartoons for the magazine in his spare time.

Do you know what happened to the Three Little Pigs? Didem dodem.

New speed records: Mrs. Cecil Segrist came in Wednesday, inserted a classified ad for her toy fox terrier, missing several days, then returned in less than half an hour with the pup in her arms. If Max, Mr. Richbourg and Mr. Petty could sell all those Christmas gifts before we go to press, we'd be made.

CHRISTMAS WARNING
Refer to Page 100, Article 480, Revised Criminal Statutes of Texas, you will find this language: "Any person who discharges any gun, pistol, or firearm of any kind, or discharges any cannon, crackers or torpedos on or across any public square, street or alley of any town or city within one hundred yards of any business house in this State shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars."

Please do not mar the Christmas spirit by destroying property and the happiness of others—help to bring good cheer to all.

We wish you a Merry and Happy Christmas.
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL 29-2c.

Soliciting Funds From Hico

W. D. Pedigo, campaigner for the Salvation Army, was in Hico last Saturday soliciting funds for that organization. He was accompanied on his rounds by W. M. Cheney.

Mr. Pedigo pointed out that only one such solicitation is made each year by the Salvation Army, and cautioned local people that any other representation by other organizations or individuals was false and without authority.

The marine corps was authorized by the Continental Congress in 1775.

War News Reel At Palace

"Bombs Over London," a news reel showing actual scenes in London during the recent bombing raids, will be shown tonight (Friday) at the Palace Theatre in addition to the regular feature picture, "Rangers of Fortune."

The reel is full of action and will be of interest to every theater patron, according to E. H. Henry, Palace manager.

46-YEAR-OLD COPY OF FORMER HICO PAPER FOUND AT HAMILTON

Following the recent death in Hamilton of Mrs. Annie Stifflemire, widow of the late G. W. Stifflemire, a son of the deceased couple, Martin Stifflemire, was assisting in looking over his mother's personal effects when he came across a 46-year-old copy of the Hico Courier, published by C. C. Crews, now of Alvord.

Mr. Stifflemire took the paper to the Hamilton Herald-Record office, and that paper reprinted several items which were read with interest by Mr. Crews, now senior editor of the Alvord News.

Several items from the old Courier and Mr. Crews' comments, appearing in the Dec. 5 edition of his Alvord paper, follow:

"L. Crews, M. D. physician and surgeon, tenders his professional services to the people of Hamilton and vicinity." (Dr. Crews was the father of the editor of the Courier.)

"A scrap of resolutions of a nature expressive of esteem and good wishes for some Hico business concern was signed: J. E. Corrigan, J. H. Hill, R. F. McKeage, P. L. Maxwell, J. A. Grimland, M. E. Witty, Joseph McClellan, A. B. McClure, Miss Nerva Lane, Mrs. J. W. Frazier, H. A. Rogers, S. F. Carson, R. L. Connelly, J. F. Herrinz, George Griffin."

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In California To Funeral

Mrs. Monroe Coston of Ireland, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Coston of Dallas and Cecil Coston of Hico left by automobile about 10:30 Sunday morning for San Gabriel, California, after receiving word that Vernon Coston, 40, son of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Coston and cousin of the two men, had died about 3 a. m. Sunday.

The party expected to arrive in California Tuesday, where they were to be met by Dr. A. E. Coston of Dallas, who went to California by plane immediately after receiving word of the news. Tentative arrangements at the hour of their departure set Wednesday as the time for funeral services, after which Cecil was to be in San Diego for a day or two on business, and the party is not expected home until some time during the week end.

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SISSER-CLIPPINGS

New principal and family seen in town Sunday house hunting. We hope that they will soon be comfortably situated. . . The work is progressing rapidly on the new stadium. It was heard that if it stood one day it would stand 2000 years. I should like to watch a football game at that time and see if the pep squad girls have the same costumes and yells. Oh well, I shall still be rooting for old Hico High although I will have a grand stand seat on the other side. . . It's hard to tell which is the better team, the boys or girls. If you hear girls screaming and running for shelter think nothing of it. It's merely a "negr-chaser" . . . Munching and crunching to the nth degree was heard throughout the second floor when a few girls participated in the gentle art of masticating a stalk of celery. . . Wonder why the Corner Drug store is doing such good business on sodas lately. Could it be some new addition?

NOTICE

Next week we will print Santa Claus letters and the most comical one will be awarded a prize. Make them short and snappy.

WHAT-SOTS

Some people don't seem to realize that other folks like to talk as well as they.

PUSH BUTTON

With everybody trying report cards home and taking to get them signed there should be "click-a new kink in Gracie's hair. She missed a good "click" party of skaters took in Fairy's skating rink Saturday night. Even if Joyce did "click" have an exciting time at the ball game Thursday night. Mamye got just a little bit "click" of the gossip that goes on at noon on the campus. "click" what's all this about Rubye and Christmas. How do you do "click" that all the Juniors nearly failed English. We'll just all have to do "click" what has happened to the two red heads. I don't blame "click" Comanche is all right "click" even if just one girl out of the Juniors did pass everything.

ANOTHER TEACHER LOST

Monday morning we were told that Mrs. Grimland had planned to join her husband in Brownwood. We seriously believe that she can never be replaced because of her ability, patience and dependability. We hate to lose you, Mrs. Grimland, but we wish you the best of luck in whatever you attempt to do.

THE SOCIAL WHIRL

The Hi-Steppers met at Grace's house Monday afternoon for a very informal luncheon consisting of hot dogs, Grace and Joyce were really messy (as usual). After the winners were gone, they devoured the chili and Dot dunked her bread in her water. Eating, dancing and cutting up were the main forms of entertainment. After discussing raising our grades for the next six weeks we all decided to study harder. Norma Ruth and Nell were in Hamilton getting Nip's teeth fixed so her head wouldn't rot off. Mayme had to work so she couldn't be present. Charlie Faye was down in the dumps. Mildred and Quata, quiet as usual. Betty Jo manipulated the radio while dancing was enjoyed. On the way home, we sang our theme songs, "New San Antonio Rose" and "Sunshine." Our next meeting will be held at Joyce's. We hope we enjoy that as much as we did our last one.

ASSEMBLY

There was no assembly program Monday, but nevertheless the time was well spent. We sang several songs and Mr. Pinson made several announcements. Quite a bit of attention was given to the second six weeks grades. Slightly bad, I wonder why.

HOME EC. UNIT II NEWS

We have finished our slits and are going to make dresses now. We studied the shapes of faces and the neckline that could be used with each shape. We also studied the defects of the figure and kinds of dresses to wear to keep these from drawing attention away from the more pleasing parts of the figure. We studied the coloring of the hair, eyes, and complexion and the color that will accent the best points of each.

BOYS' SPORTS

The basketball boys are getting well under way in their practice. They showed that they were in shape and ready by emerging victorious over the Fairy team with a score of 22 to 7. Wayne Polk proved to be high point man by chalking up nine of the total twenty-two points made. Sam Abel, Johnnie McAnally, W. J. White and Roy Thompson combined their efforts to make the remaining points. The game was played in the Hico gymnasium Thursday night and was enjoyed by a large crowd. The boys traveled to Carlton Friday night where the main team

and the Knotheads or second team played the Carlton first and second teams. The Hico first team lost to the Carlton team with a score of 13 to 12 in a very exciting game with Johnnie McAnally being high point man by making 9 of the 12 points.

This Friday night the boys go to Hamilton to play the Bulldogs in their new gymnasium. It promises to be a very close game and we are all looking for the Tigers to come out on top.

The new gymnasium is to be dedicated at that time and it is to be a big event with a very interesting program. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

GIRLS' SPORTS

The girls basketball team played Fairy High School team Thursday night with the leading score of 21. The Fairy team brought their points up to 8. One of the Fairy girls was hurt but the seriousness of her condition was undetermined. Doris Izell was high point man, making 8 of the 21 points. We hope our girls will continue their good work throughout the season.

SENIOR NEWS

After a mere work out over grades we start out with top most news.

Our sweet little red headed girl is sure having a fine time lately. We wonder why Irene is walking around by herself since Mary Anna quit her.

Celebrating ha! Two of our very outstanding seniors celebrate birthdays together—rather the same day and are the same age.

Ruby Lowe prissed off to Hamilton Monday afternoon. Also we wonder who Mary Anna and Loretta just take off to Fairy so often.

Mary Anna, "could it be to see a boy from Cranfill's Gap."

Our class is very sorry to lose a home room keeper. Mrs. Faye Grimland will be missed by everyone after this Friday.

Tuesday our class drew names for part of our Christmas.

JUNIOR NEWS

Well, it looks like the Juniors are all going to have to study harder during the next six weeks. We were sorry to have had so many failures, especially in English, but we all plan to study more this six weeks.

Now that Christmas will soon be here we are all looking forward to the holidays. At the Junior class meeting Monday we decided to draw names and exchange gifts.

As usual not much exciting happened over the week end but we all had a good time. Especially those who went to Fairy to skate. Skating has become most of the Juniors favorite sport.

We'd better sign off now and get to studying because it's going to take many long hours of studying to bring up our grades.

SOPHOMORE NEWS

Here comes our report cards. (Hold your breath.) They aren't so bad after all. Mr. Pinson gave us a fine talk about our grades.

We think this will help us to make better grades. I'm sorry we can't introduce Ray Thompson, but he isn't here today.

Joyce G. what is it you said about A. C. being in the hospital. We drew names for a Christmas tree. We will have our tree after the assembly program the day we dismiss for Christmas holidays.

SEVENTH GRADE

The Seventh Grade had a regular class meeting Wednesday afternoon. It was decided that the President would choose blackboard and bulletin board monitors and nametaker instead of the class electing them. James Ray Bobo and Harold Hickey are blackboard monitors. J. W. Burden and Wayne Burden are bulletin board monitors and Verlon Thornton is nametaker until the next class meeting. We also drew names for our Christmas tree.

We all enjoyed the snake show—except a few. Some little girls were heard taking deep breaths and Thomas Ray was especially glad when the rattle snake was put back in the cage.

Mary Jane Barrow is absent from school these days due to illness. We miss Mary Jane a lot and wish her speedy recovery.

Those in the Seventh Grade who are on the Honor Roll this six weeks are Jerry Graves, James Howerton, Mary Jane Barrow, Elvena Giesecke, Mildred Reilhan, Betty Smith and Patsy Pinson.

SIXTH GRADE NEWS

J. D. Noland's uncle visited him from Claiborne.

Robbie Jo Tidwell went to Irredell and Stephenville Sunday. Gwendolyn Kilpatrick's friend, Wanda Joan Walker, visited her Thursday.

Those on the Honor Roll were Mary Helen Hollis, Dale Randall, Lloyd Angell and Stella Barnett. Stella Barnett visited Georgia Neil Lewis Saturday afternoon.

FIFTH GRADE

We were very sorry to lose Helen Halladay one of our best friends, who moved to Galveston

last week. We are now starting our Christmas decorations for our room. We can hardly wait till Christmas comes. We drew names for presents last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Killion have a new baby, it was announced by Winnie May Greer.

Allene Herring visited her grandmother and grandfather Sunday.

Willie Dean Hancock visited her grandmother Sunday. There were eight on the Honor Roll this six weeks and they are as follows: Frances Angell, Charles Grant, Helen Halladay, Billy Jackson, Wendell Knight, George Lambert, Betty McLarty, and Mildred Trammell.

FOURTH GRADE

Wayne Walker's uncle from Fort Worth visited her week end.

Patsy Ruth Roberts' from Carlton visited her Saturday. James Lee Proffitt visited relatives near Granbury Sunday.

Joan Gollightly visited friends near Claiborne Sunday. We have organized a Citizenship Club. Friday a program was given by the Good Manners committee.

Don Otis Eakins visited his grandmother Sunday. The following were on the honor roll for the second six weeks: Patsy Griffin, Colleen Higgins, Aranna Holley, Joan Roberson, and Martha Jo Simmons.

Colleen Higgins went to Fort Worth this week end.

Louise Hatley's relatives from Louisiana visited her Sunday. Maurice Gregory went to Brownwood. . . Velma Smith visited in Waco. . . Billy Rufe Walker had guests from Galveston. . . B. L. Horton went to Brownwood.

THIRD GRADE

We have a new pupil, Billy Warren Cummings, who has come to spend the winter with his grandfather, Mr. C. E. Lester.

Charles Gollightly brought us a pretty Christmas tree, which we have decorated in white and blue with vari-colored icicles.

We drew names to exchange gifts when we have our tree Friday afternoon, Dec. 20.

Bertha Jean Connolly and Joan Roberson accompanied their mothers out to Aubrey Duzan's farm Friday afternoon to get Christmas trees for their families.

Jimmie Lee Barnett spent the week end with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Cone Patterson, of Falls Creek.

Charles Grimland spent the week end with Charles Gollightly. The latter was vaccinated with typhoid fever vaccine.

Francene Pruitt went to Mineral Wells last Wednesday to visit her uncle, Carl Pruitt, and heard the noon-hour broadcast at the Crazy Hotel.

Donald Ray Davis visited his paternal grandmother, Mrs. B. F. Rainwater, who is recuperating from a recent illness.

Kal Seagist, Jr. of Dallas visited his cousin, Richard Barnette, last Sunday.

Mrs. Roy Meador of Stephenville visited her niece, Patsy Ruth Meador, Sunday.

Glenna Maude Russell visited her aunt Ola Barham of Stephenville last Sunday.

Mrs. J. M. Grisham visited her granddaughter, Patsy Ruth Meador, last Saturday.

Lorena Oakley visited Virginia Standley last week end.

Fain Whitesides of the U. S. Army visited his niece, Clarice Walker.

J. W. Connally went to Comanche last Sunday.

Boyd Ray Phipps was a visitor in Mineral Wells Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Bales and son and Mr. and Mrs. Coy Clark and daughter visited Raymond Lane Sunday.

W. J. Newton spent Sunday night with his cousin, Bobby Needham.

Billy Howerton visited his cousin, Elton Holley, Sunday.

Clayton Loyd Roberson went to see his aunt in Fairy Sunday afternoon.

L. J. Sult spent the week end with his grandmother.

W. J. Newton and Billy Howerton made a hundred in Spelling. Raymond Lane is the only one in our room who made the honor roll.

SECOND GRADE

Doyle Jones went to Dublin Saturday to see Santa Claus. His aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, visited him this week end.

Louise Leeth went with her dad to Duffau Sunday.

Kenneth Graves went to Hamilton Sunday to visit relatives.

Mildred Thompson visited her grandmother Saturday.

Billy Dee Snoddy spent Sunday with her uncle and aunt.

Mary Jane Thrash ate Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Thompson.

Mary Ruth Childress visited Sunday with Dolores Haley.

Wanda Jean Carpenter went to her grandmother's Sunday.

Louise Barnett, Betty Jo Hicks, Max Roberts, Glenn Ray Ross, Valmer Norrod, Don Doty, and Fred Noland.

These children were on the honor roll the last six weeks: Don Doty, Doyle Jones, Max Roberts, Fred Ray Noland, Betty Jo Hicks and Mary Jane Thrash.

FIRST GRADE

Dorothy Phipps went to Mineral Wells last Friday.

We are glad to have Melvin Jenkins back in school. He has been absent nearly five weeks.

Barbara Munnerlyn went to see her grandmother Sunday.

Charles Grimland will leave for Brownwood Friday.

Wynell Trantham went to Cleburne Sunday.

These children were in Sunday School Sunday: Douglas Howerton, Bobby Needham, Geraldine Sanders and Andrew Loyd.

Andrew Loyd, who has been ill for a week, is back in school.

Dorothy Smith visited in Cliff-ton and Walnut Springs November 31.

Dan Newman visited his relatives in Lufkin over the week end.

Harold Prater drove out to Duffau Sunday for a visit with his grandfather.

Frances McCullough visited in Goldthwaite Sunday. She was also on an inspection tour at the lake, where their camp house is being re-done.

Jo Nell Roberts' cousins from Carlton visited her Saturday.

Roline Chaney visited his grandmother near Stephenville Sunday.

Mary Ann Coston drove over to Carlton Sunday and brought back some kinfolks to Hico for a visit.

Betty Jean Kirkland visited all day Sunday in Fairy.

Nadine Wren visited her kinfolks in Duffau Sunday.

and Mrs. Omer Cook of Stephenville.

Erlene Proffitt spent Wednesday night with Louis Parks of Fairy.

Mary Katherine Moore spent Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Todd of Fairy.

Several in our community attended the Senior play at Fairy Wednesday night.

Lula Mae Coston spent Saturday night with Geraldine Brummett of Hico.

Mr. Jim Statz left Saturday for Cameron to visit his children.

Wyvonne Arrant of Fairy spent Wednesday night with Lula Mae Coston.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allen made a business trip to Hamilton Saturday evening.

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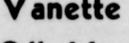
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Mr. and Mrs. Arvol Washam of Dallas are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ben Washam.

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Salem

By MRS. W. C. ROGERS

Mrs. J. H. Albright and children Hugh John and Jennie Mae, of Selden returned home Saturday afternoon after spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rogers and children. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Sumrall and son, Jimmie Ray, of Indian Creek were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. McElroy and sons. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Crist and children of near Carlton are moving this week to the Vincent estate. We are glad to welcome these good people to our community. Mr. Bacon Roberson of Eastland visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Roberson and Miss Leta one day last week. Messrs. John and Nick Driver made a business trip to Mineral Wells last week. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Koonsman of Iredell, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Koonsman and children of Carlton, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Koonsman and children of Claiborne and Mr. and Mrs. Grafton Warren and son of Duffau were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Koonsman. Mr. and Mrs. Ira Noland and children visited Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paris Mayfield and Mr. and Mrs. Forest Mayfield of Duffau. Mrs. Bob Anderson and three daughters left last week for San Angelo to join her husband who has work there. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Noland and children spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Noland and children near Hico. Miss Dimple Lambert spent the week end in Cleburne. Mr. D. G. Nelms of Hamilton spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. W. D. Nelms. Grandma Hunter of Millerville spent Sunday and Monday with her children, Mr. and Mrs. Kirkland Hunter and children. Miss Veda Birdwell of Bluffdale spent Monday with Miss Winnie Moore. Mrs. T. A. Laney and son had as guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Lee King and children of Cleburne and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Eakins of Hico. Miss Louise Savage and little brother, Norman Lee, spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Huckabee at Stephenville. Roline Chaney of Hico visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Chaney, over the week end.

Greyville

By NELLIE V. MULLINS

Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Bolton, Betty Jo and Flossie Jane, were in Hamilton Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hartin and Mrs. Nellie Bolton. Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Killion are the proud parents of a baby girl, born Saturday night. She has been given the name Dorothy Ann. Mother and baby are both doing nicely. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hicks spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Hicks and family of Dry Fork. Mr. and Mrs. Oran Columbus and baby were in Hamilton Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Patterson visited awhile Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mullins. Mr. Lyle Denton of Cone visited Sunday morning with Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Bolton and family. Mrs. Jim Killion of Hico is spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Killion and entertaining her new grand daughter. Mr. and Mrs. William Hicks and family of Dry Fork spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. James Hicks and Wayne. Mr. and Mrs. Anson Vinson of Honey Grove visited Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Bolton and family. Miss Nellie Mullins of this community, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Pool and Jessie Miller and Miss Mattie Greer, all of Dry Fork, were in Carlton Friday night attending the Hico-Carlton ball game. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fulford have moved to Hamilton. We are sorry to lose them from our community, but wish them success. Mr. Gris Jones of Iredell was a recent visitor of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mullins. Mr. and Mrs. Leland Johnson and family have returned home from Cone after having spent the past several weeks visiting there. They were accompanied home by Mr. Loyd Denton and Mr. Raymond Johnson.

Gilmore

By MRS. RUBY JOHNSON

E. B. Thompson and Charlie Tolliver visited the former's brother, Roy, at Iredell recently. Mrs. Si Johnson and sons, Frank and Kenneth, were visiting their aunt, Mrs. L. J. Jordan, at Hico Saturday afternoon. Messrs. Alvin Hicks, Hubert Johnson, Si and I. E. Johnson

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were all attending to business matters at the county seat recently.

K. R. Jenkins and son, Leroy, carried a load of sheep to the Fort Worth market last Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lively and children were in Stephenville Sunday visiting relatives. Wilma Jean Griffiths of Hico is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Haskell Lambert.

E. B. Thompson and wife, Charlie Tolliver and family and Si Johnson and family were all over in the Greyville community Sunday visiting Leonard McLendon and family.

Mrs. Lorand Heffley and Miss Marcelle Johnson of Stephenville were guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Si Johnson, awhile Thursday.

Si Johnson was in Waco Tuesday and Wednesday of last week for another check up. We are glad to say he is recovering nicely from his recent operation.

Messrs. I. E. Johnson, E. B. Thompson, Charlie Tolliver and Leonard McLendon gave Si Johnson a wood cutting one day last week. To these good men, and also to others who cut wood and finished our cotton some time back, we want to say we deeply appreciate the work and the spirit in which it was given.

Olin

By CORRESPONDENT

Bill Needham and Lee Baker were visitors in Breckenridge and Eastland Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. King and Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Lowery and daughter visited a while in Carlton Saturday night.

Mrs. Ted Nix of Purvis spent Monday with her mother, Mrs. Ed Rich.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jackson and children spent Sunday afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rogers and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Kinser and children spent a while Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Tooley and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Tado Fabianke spent Sunday as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Fabianke of near Union.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Tooley and children spent Monday in Hico with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Tooley.

Ben Fabianke and a friend of Union are spending this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tado Fabianke.

Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Lowery and daughter spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Box and daughters of Dry Fork.

Dry Fork

By OPAL DRIVER

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Palmer and family and Mr. Palmer's parents of Palmrose were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Murrell Ables and family.

La Verne Parker of Greyville spent Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Giles Driver and family.

Mr. Robert Smith has employment in Brownwood. Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Gordon and children of Carlton were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Driver and family.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Driver and daughters were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Driver of Azeo.

METHODIST CHURCH

Hico Methodists will begin raising their Christmas offering for the Methodist Home at Waco Sunday. The entire congregation will participate in a catechetical service revealing facts about the work of the Home and the pastor will preach a sermon on "Christmas and Little Children," at the 11 o'clock hour.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Young People's meeting at 6:30 p. m.

Evening worship at 7:15. There will be special music and the pastor will preach a sermon on the question: "Does It Pay To Be Good?"

We had good services last Sunday but we want to push the Sunday School attendance up to the 100 mark Sunday. You will be helped and you will be a help to somebody else by being at church Sunday.

FLOYD W. THRASH, Pastor.

Altman

By MRS. J. H. McANALLY

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Harris and his mother, Mrs. Harris of Lockney, Mrs. Henry Ballard and Mrs. H. B. Graves and children of Lanham visited Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Ballard and children Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Truett Jones were Stephenville visitors Friday and Saturday.

The Blue Bonnet Club met Wednesday, Dec. 3, with Mrs. D. D. Waldrop and will meet with Mrs. O. R. Clifton Wed., Dec. 18.

H. G. Cozby visited Mrs. George Cozby and little son, Donald George, in the Claiborne community Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Clifton, Myrl and James Horace, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Mitchell near Sunshine Sunday, the occasion being a surprise birthday dinner in honor of Mr. Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bingham of Hamilton were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Bingham.

Millerville

By CHAS. W. GIESECKE

Henry Nix and family of Hico was visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Nix, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Austin Giesecke



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In the future there will be no Sunday afternoon shows. The Saturday midnight show will be the same as that shown on Sunday and Monday nights.

**SAT. MIDNIGHT,
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"WHEN THE DALTONS RODE"
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Wayne Morris and Virginia Dale

NEXT THURS. & FRI.—
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Mrs. Fewell Improved
Mrs. A. A. Fewell, who has been critically ill at her home for about ten days, was reported much improved this week. Her sister, Mrs. Minnie Pierson, and Mrs. Tanner, a registered nurse from Stephenville, have been attending her.

Among relatives and friends who visited Mrs. Fewell last week end were Mrs. H. J. Leach and daughter, Katherine, of Stephenville, Mrs. Paul Allen and son, Paul Jr., and J. W. Dohoney Jr. of Cleburne, and Mr. and Mrs. Anson Oden and two children of Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Fewell's daughter, Mrs. R. B. McClure, of Brownwood, will also remain here until after Christmas.

Want Ads

BUY, sell or trade through the Bird Land Co. in Stephenville. No deal too small nor too large for us to handle. V. H. Bird and Fred L. Wolfe. 25-tfc.

If you are going to raise cotton, raise the BEST. It pays. TEXAS SPECIAL is especially adapted to this locality. S. J. Cheek, Sr., agt. 25-2c.

FOR SALE: Blue serge suit, \$7.50; dark gray suit, \$8.75; both suits almost new. A bargain for some one. Frank Mings, Phone 51. 25-tfc.

WANTED: Housekeeper, single or widowed, for company and light housework. Nominal pay. Apply after Dec. 22 to Mrs. E. F. Porter. 25-2c.

FOR SALE: 19 cars, 19 in city limits of Hico, 9 out, without buildings on R. M. P. Walker. 25-2p.

FOR SALE: One \$30 overcoat, \$8. Two pair full-lined tweed knickerbockers, size 3, 11 pair. Everett's Tailor Shop. 25-tfc.

FOR RENT: Nice apartment, all conveniences. Mrs. Shirley Campbell. 25-tfc.

FOR SALE: My place in Hico on Duffau road. See Mrs. R. C. Pryor. 25-tfc.

FOR LEASE: Pasture for 1941. Everlasting water. 50 cents acre. S. G. Mings, Route 3, Hico. 27-3p.

WANTED TO BUY: Pair of old-fashioned andirons. Call at News Review office.

SAVE \$4 per ton on your cattle feed. Book your order today. Mrs. G. C. Keeney. 27-tfc.

FOR ELECTRICAL WORK of all kinds see J. R. Bobo. 1-tfc.

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Second hand lumber for sale at Alpine Hotel. 29-2p.

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RANCHERS: — We maintain the only HAND-MADE BOOT SHOP in Hamilton County. Give us a trial on your next pair. Hamilton Market Place. 29-3c.

FOR SALE: Baby beef type turkeys from Sunflower Hatchery stock of Newton, Kansas. \$1 above market price. Aubrey Smith, Rt. 3, Hico. Hens only now. 27-3p-tfc.

FOR SALE: Black Spanish stocker turkeys. I won every ribbon on this breed at the Hamilton County Poultry show in 1939. Bought breeding tom from Mrs. W. T. Hall, Denton. This tom won 2nd place at State Fair of Texas in Dallas in 1939. Mrs. A. T. Jones, Hamilton. 29-4p.

NEW HIGH PREDICTED FOR SALES OF CHRISTMAS SEALS IN TEXAS FOR 1940

Austin, Dec. 12 (Sp)—A new record for anti-tuberculosis Christmas Seal Sales may be reached this year if early reports from over the state are a true indication. H. A. Wroe, veteran Austin banker, reported to state headquarters here this week.

Thousands of volunteer workers augmented by support of the Texas press, radio and officialdom have not only publicized the Christmas Seal campaign but have stressed the lowering death rate, the clinic and child health work the Texas Tuberculosis Association has helped achieve to create wider interest in the pressing problem of combatting tuberculosis in Texas. Wroe stated.

President Roosevelt's endorsement of the anti-tuberculosis drive and Christmas Seal Sale was echoed in Texas by a proclamation by Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel last week and 100 per cent cooperation by other state officials as well as civic and professional leaders throughout the state, he added.

Mr. Wroe pointed out that 95 percent of the funds raised in Texas from the seal sale are used directly in anti-tuberculosis work in Texas with five per cent going to the National Tuberculosis Association for the nation-wide educational campaign.

"Despite the heavy burden of many charity and patriotic drives added to the campaigns for aid for war torn countries this year, the response to this campaign to fight tuberculosis on the home front is meeting with generous response," Dr. Z. T. Scott, managing director of the Texas Association said. "The public, civic and social betterment groups have come to realize that they have a definite part in combatting tuberculosis, and the ever falling death rate from the disease is proof that the educational program sponsored by the Tuberculosis Association supplemented by treatment, diagnosis and public clinics financed by the Christmas Seal sale is doing the job," he added.

"Be sure you bag only healthy animals, while you are hunting. The animal that seems dazed or stupid is likely to be a sick one—infected with the germs that cause rabbit fever. Avoid that kind."

"Don't handle the game with bare hands when preparing the meat for the market or the table. The infection may be picked up from the fur, as well as from the organs or flesh of the animal."

"If it is impossible to use gloves, wash the hands thoroughly with soap and hot water after handling a rabbit."

"Do not allow any open cut or scratch to come in contact with the rabbits. Keep your hands away from your face and eyes after handling rabbits."

"Burn the paper or other wrappings that have been in contact with the game."

"Cook rabbit meat thoroughly."

Dr. Cox described tularemia as a seasonal disease, with the peak of prevalence occurring in the fall during the hunting season. Contraction of tularemia is possible through handling or skinning infected animals; through preparing the infected meat for cooking or other use; through the bite of infected ticks—which spread the disease from animal to animal—and even through crushing in the infected ticks in the hands. The infectious material can be absorbed through a mere scratch or break in the skin.

"The disease usually starts," Dr. Cox said, "with symptoms that resemble grippé or influenza. Illness begins with headache, chills, fever and vomiting about three days after exposure. Tularemia in the early stages may be mistaken for typhoid fever. Often an ulcer develops where the germ enters the body. Glands at the elbow or in the armpit become enlarged and painful. Weight is lost."

"The infection is found principally in wild rabbits. Rabbits raised on rabbit farms are usually free from ticks—which carry the infection—and so far the disease has not been transmitted by domestic rabbits. Thorough cooking destroys the germs that cause tularemia."

CAUTION MUST BE EXERCISED IN THE HANDLING OF RABBITS

Austin, Dec. 12—Since rabbits diseased rabbits—have been recognized as the source of tularemia (rabbit fever) which humans contract in handling animals, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, today issued a warning to hunters, market men, foodhandlers, and housekeepers to take certain precautions in handling or preparing the game for the table.

The precautions, as outlined by Dr. Cox:

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Spring Creek By LOUISE HYLES

The Clairette H. D. Club met Nov. 29 with Mrs. Mattie Hyles. All the members were present. They planned their Christmas tree and party and drew names. Miss Lawrence, the county demonstration agent, met with them and small equipment for the kitchen was demonstrated. They also had Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Lambert of Millerville to meet with them and join the Clairette H. D. Club, and they are sure glad to have them in their club. They also had as visitors Mrs. Pauline Caldwell and Miss Nora Land.

Mrs. Mattie Hyles and sister, Mrs. Pauline Caldwell, attended a miscellaneous shower at Mrs. Emma Mae Stipes' of Clairette Monday afternoon.

Little Billie Joe Hubbard was six years old Dec. 6. His mother invited Ray, Louise, Edward and Vernon Hyles to his birthday party. She served cake and hot chocolate to the little guests.

Miss Mary Alice Crist was back to school Thursday after several days' absence because of falling and cutting her leg awfully bad. Everyone was sure glad to see her back at school.

Mrs. Pauline Hubbard and Mrs. Edward Queen visited Mrs. Charlie Young Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Pauline Caldwell and little daughter, Leola, left for Brownwood Saturday morning after an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Mattie Hyles. Mr. Caldwell has employment.

Flag Branch By HAZEL COOPER

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Mings spent a while Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Mings and little daughter, Oneda.

Mrs. Ola Mings visited her mother and uncle, Mrs. Mollie Graves and Hugh Meadows, last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Ford and Miss Jeanne Parker were in Stephenville Wednesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Moore and his father, Charlie Moore of Oden Chapel, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cooper Wednesday.

Arthur Phillips and family moved Wednesday from this community to their place in the Cottonwood community. Their many friends regret to see them leave, but hope they will like their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gosdin spent a while Tuesday night with Clarence Moore and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Laney moved to the Wilburn Phillips place Thursday.

John Cooper and Willie Moore spent Wednesday morning with Dave Bullock.

Will Hanshaw spent Wednesday night with his mother, Mrs. J. C. Hanshaw, at Gordon.

Those who spent Sunday morning with R. D. Ford were Ben Thornton of Gordon, Clyde Stacey and Marvin and Jack Rayfield of Chalk Mountain.

U. of T. Library Offers Books

Austin, Dec. 12—You don't have to be a University of Texas student to use the University's 640,000 volume library, largest in the South.

It's accessible. Librarian Donald Coney has announced, to any citizen of Texas.

Materials may be loaned out in one of two ways, he pointed out. The most convenient method is to get your local public library to borrow books for use on its shelves. If such a library is not available, write a letter to the University library here in Austin, and full particulars of its service will be sent you.

Mr. Coney emphasized that Texas residents should check their local library's catalogue for the desired books before borrowing them from the University library—intended only to supplement public library service over the state.

Rare books, magazines, and books in great demand cannot be lent in this service, he added. Even at the University home use of them is greatly restricted.

Plays With College Orchestra
San Marcos, Dec. 12—Gleena Marshall of Hico will play with the Southwest Texas State College Symphony Orchestra during the annual presentation of the famous oratorio, "The Messiah," in the college auditorium Sunday afternoon, December 15, at 4 o'clock.

This world-famous musical presentation will be presented by the 100-voice College Chorus under the direction of Dr. H. Grady Harlan, accompanied by the orchestra under the direction of R. A. Tampke.

Soloists for the presentation are Frank Wright, tenor of Corpus Christi; Lottie Hancock, soprano, pupil of J. Campbell Wray of Austin and teacher in the Austin Schools; Doris Germane, of McAllen, contralto, voice major in the college; and Frank Ing, baritone, of Hull-Daisetta. Both Mr. Wright and Mr. Ing are former students of the college here.

The American Red Cross is meeting its most crucial challenge since the days of the first World War. Needs for strengthening our national defenses have made heavy demands upon the Red Cross—and these demands will increase in the coming year. Join today and become a member of a truly patriotic organization.

SANTA LETTERS

(Continued from Page 1)

Hico, Tex., Rt. 7, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa: I am six years old and in the first grade at Salem. I want a little table and chair, some crayolas and coloring books. I want some fruit and candy. Please remember Mary Ann.
Lots of love,
PATTY LOU NOLAND.

Hico, Tex., Route 7, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I have been good and I want a basketball for Christmas, a set of tinkertoys, and a football, some nuts and candy. Well, I guess I have asked for enough.
Yours truly,
BILLY BRAMBLETT.

Hico, Tex., Rt. 7, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I want a wagon and a basketball, some fruit and candy. I have been very good, I think. Please remember my little sister.
Your friend,
JAMES WELDON NOLAND.

Hico, Tex., Rt. 5, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I have been very good. I want a toy watch, some candy, nuts and some fruit, also a drawing book. You are a good Santa Claus.
Your friend,
GLADYS DRIVER.

Hico, Tex., Rt. 7, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little brown-eyed boy four years old. I do not go to school, but Miss Winnie thinks I have been very good. I want a milk truck, a little rifle, some firecrackers, candy and nuts.
I love you,
NORMAN LEE SAVAGE.

Hico, Tex., Rt. 7, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I have been good and want something for Christmas. I want some toys that will wind up and run. I want an animal puzzle and I want some fruit, nuts and candy. I like you Santa Claus. You give me things and other little girls and boys.
Your little friend,
THELMA MAIDA PATE.

Duffau, Tex., Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy six years old and in the first grade. I want a gun that will pop a ball, and a tricycle. This is all I want.
Your friend,
R. D. KOONSMAN.

Hico, Tex., Rt. 5, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I guess you have a lot of things to give this time. I want a lock for Christmas and a lot of fruit. I have a little sister. Her name is Mona Rose. And please don't forget her. Bring her a rubber dolly and some fruit. I have been good this year and don't forget me. If the things aren't all gone before you get to my house, don't forget the other little girls and boys and don't let the reindeers run away from you. Good-bye.
Your friend,
DORIS FAY DRIVER.

Hico, Tex., Rt. 7, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 10 years old and in the fifth grade. I want you to bring me a manicure kit and a locket. I have a brother. He is five years old. He wants a little red wagon, oranges, apples and candy and nuts.
Your friend,
MARJORIE NELL.

Hico, Tex., Rt. 5, Dec. 9, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 11 years old. I am hoping you will come around to my house at Christmas. You can take your choice of what to bring me. Be sure and bring some candy and nuts along with you. Don't forget the other little and big boys and girls.

Santa Claus, don't you let the reindeers run away with you. You might hurt your little red nose. And don't let your airplane fall with you. I have been an awfully good girl this year. I guess you know that I have a little niece. Her name is Francis Gean Johnson. Bring her a rattle. I'll tell you how to get to my house. Go to the Salem school house, turn in at the gate on the right and go on 'til you get to another gate on the right. Right under that hill is my house.
Your friend,
MARY KATHRYN BROWN.

Hico, Tex., Dec. 11, 1940.
Dear Santa: I am a little girl eight years old. I go to school and I am in the third grade. I have been very good and I would like for you to bring me a doll, little piano and some skates, lots of fruit and nuts.
Lots of love from your little friend,
BILLIE COTTEN.

Pangburn, Ark., Dec. 10, 1940.
Dear Santa: I am a little girl. Not so little, either, almost as tall as Mother, but I'm just 10 years old. I'm in the sixth grade. I like school fine and am very fond of my teacher. I won't ask for too much for Christmas. Please bring me a jigsaw puzzle, a \$1.00 water color set, a necklace, and a Lady Esther perfume set, powder, cream and rouge set, and Santa, I play

basketball and am on the midget team so you may bring me a basketball so I can practice at home. Also lots of can-y, nuts, oranges, and apples. Your friend,
LOUISE VAN PATTEN.

P. S.: Don't forget Mother and Daddy and be sure to remember my teacher, Mrs. Gooding.

Fairy, Tex., Dec. 10, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: When you come to Fairy please visit our home. Linda Lou and I are trying to be good girls. I would like to have a sleeping beauty doll, a toy bedroom stove, and a kitchen cabinet.

Malinda Lou wants a doll and anything else you have for her. And we both want a red wagon. Do you suppose you can bring us all those things? If you can't bring all, bring the dolls anyway.
Yours,
WILMA GRACE GOYNE.

Pangburn, Ark., Dec. 10, 1940.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 14 months old. I try to be good while big brother and big sister are at school. For Christmas I will be pleased with just a big rubber doll with blue, sleepy eyes, and dressed in a pink coat and pink bonnet and shoes. I can eat apples, oranges, and a little piece of candy. I have 12 teeth, can say apple, candy and lots of other words. Thanks for dollie. Your little friend,
WANDA JOYCE VAN PATTEN.

P. S.: Please remember my brother, Alton. He is 13 years old. I don't know just what he wants, only I'll whisper a flashlight, and some Tom Sawyer books to you. He had a birthday last week and got a 22 rifle for that. He can eat lots of apples, candy, nuts, and oranges.

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