



**THE SLAUGHTER OF THE INNOCENTS.**

When Jesus Christ came upon the earth, nearly two thousand years ago, to save all mankind, his mere coming seemed to interfere with the material interests of a few people of that period, notably King Herod, who promptly decided to dispose of this "interloper," and sent forth his soldiers with orders to slay all the children of two years old and under. Thus was consummated the most atrocious crime against innocent childhood ever committed up to that time. It has come down to us through all the ages in song and story, and master painters have pictured it on marvelous canvases.

Today passing in review, as we look out through the windows of our comfortable homes in this great and and happy land, are three and a half millions of helpless children, the innocent victims of the greatest war that has ever afflicted humanity. It matters not, as we gaze in the direction of these children, that our eyes must stretch across three thousand miles of ocean, we still can see them and we still can hear them, if we wish to do so; and we can not help hearing the tragic appeal in their voices and seeing their tiny arms stretched out to us, and their searching eyes looking into our souls, as they say, "Help us, or we perish." And if we fail to listen to this great call of three and a half millions of God's helpless children; if we close our eyes and ears to this great demand of duty, we will be just as guilty of the "Slaughter of the innocents" as was Herod, nearly two thousand years ago.

In these lands, swept by death and filled with tragedies too deep for tears, a sum of human suffering is being written greater perhaps than for all ages gone by. The mind grows numb and the heart sick from a constant recital of tales of such tragedy as it is difficult to believe the twentieth century could hold.

And so, when we received the letter from Mr. Hoover telling us that America must not allow hunger and cold to return to this mass of 3,500,000 helpless children, our soul was stirred and the hot blood surged up in our heart. We felt it was our imperative duty to use all the power God has given us to aid this noble-hearted American in continuing the work of saving human lives to which he has devoted unsparingly, and at great personal sacrifice, his tremendous energy and administrative genius during the past six years, in which time he and his American colleagues have administered two billions of dollars of relief funds from all parts of the world with a total overhead expense of only three-eighths of one per cent, without any remuneration to the American directors. Now he asks us all to help save the children who are in imminent danger of starvation this coming winter.

There they are, in the midst of wrecked homes, and farms, and factories; in cities crowded with masses of refugees without sustaining food for children, through the destruction of livestock; seeds for planting, raw materials, tools, and machinery gone; great areas with everything burned, or looted, or smashed; vast unemployment for workers; no means of subsistence; a land of economic ruin, of mutilated life, and lingering death; and in the midst of it all—the little children.

In long lines they are waiting at the American food-kitchens. Will the food be there for them? Will they be turned away? There are no happy, healthy faces in those long lines—not one. You have seen rags and barefooted children, but never so many little boys and girls literally dressed in tatters. Soon it will be very cold, and for those bare little feet and legs and arms there is nothing at home to put on.

Hollow faces and shrunken bodies are so common that their real condition does not become evident until we inquire more closely, and then we find that most of them are from one to five years back in their years of growth. Children of eight years old have not reached the normal size of two and a half. They are just learning to stand alone. Others almost as old can not yet stand on their feet. Their arms, and legs, and spines, and chests are twisted and warped. The flesh and skin are shriveled on their bones. It is surprising that life can still exist there. If they can have food they will gradually regain their health and strength, but with most of them it is a question of now or never. Starvation and tuberculosis will not wait.

In Poland alone a million five hundred thousand such children must be cared for. In Latvia and Estonia the people are living mostly on a diet made from potato-flour, oat-flour, and sawdust. In Czechoslovakia, in Hungary, in Austria, and in other countries of central and southeastern Europe, two millions more are

in dire need of food; and who stops to ask regarding creed, or race, or nationality when a little child is starving? Children are just children the world over, and the great American heart is big enough to care for them all.

But the appeal now is not for all. The three and a half millions of children in immediate danger of starvation, if this organization fails, who must have food at once, are only a fraction of the total number. The hungry children of those destitute countries have been examined by competent physicians, and only those whose wasted little bodies are reduced to the minimum weight, and whose endurance of hunger has reached the end which merges into actual starvation, are admitted to the American kitchens and given one meal a day. It is hard to turn away thousands of hungry boys and girls—to hear them ask, pleadingly, "Do I weigh too much?" "Am I not thin enough?" "Can't I come any more?" But this restricting of food to the extreme cases is compulsory, because there isn't enough for all.

At these neediest ones can not reach the kitchens through the cold winds and the snow barefooted and in the pitiful rags which form only a partial covering for their bodies. They must have clothes. Each outfit consists of one pair of warm woolen stockings, one pair of boots, and a little overcoat. This one meal a day, and these boots, stockings, and little coats can be supplied only if we give them. If we do not, the slaughter of the innocents by cold and starvation will be appalling.

Among the more than two million men and women who will read this page there is not one—there can not be a single one—whose heart will not respond gladly and eagerly to the challenge of this great need. We are asked, you with us, to co-operate with Mr. Hoover in raising \$23,000,000 to feed and clothe these children and save them from death this winter. It can be done. It shall be done! The Literary Digest knows its readers, and the deep earnestness, the quick sympathy, the great-hearted generosity they always show when any real human need calls to them. You have never been called upon in vain. We are counting on you now with a great confidence. We know, also, how truly you represent the American spirit, which beats in the hearts of a hundred and three millions more in this big land of plenty, a spirit which leaps ready at every such call, and is never weary in well doing. We are not a hermit nation, isolated from the world, when suffering and want cry out to us from anywhere, under the sun. A great, a beautiful and heart-sustaining hope supports these stricken people—America will come to their relief. For in the far places of the earth, where famine stalks, one name and one alone is synonymous with rescue and hope—and that name is America.

The small individual unit of ten dollars will provide the coat and boots and stockings and one meal a day for one child this winter. We

urge our readers—we urge every one whose eyes are on these words—to give quickly as many of these units as possible, to buy for themselves that precious and priceless thing, the life of a little child—as many of them as they can, and every one will be a shining star in an eternal crown. It was the Divine Lover of little children, who came to earth as a little child, and who reigns now as the King of Glory, who said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me." He does not forget, nor fail to reward.

So deeply do we ourselves feel the urgency of this great need, knowing all the facts, that we should feel a heavy burden of guilt if we did not go beyond anything we have felt possible heretofore in order to save these innocent children from suffering and death. Therefore, The Literary Digest will start this fund with the sum of \$25,000 to feed and clothe 2500 little boys and girls this winter. What an inspiration it will be to all of us—what an inspiration and example to many thousands who may be uncertain how much to give—if in the very first week there shall be a great shower of checks for \$1000, for \$5000, for \$10,000, as well as a deluge of smaller amounts, to send the fund rolling on toward the necessary \$23,000,000. Let us all see again what the father's heart is like in this great rich land of America. Let us have again a wonderful revelation of the heart of American motherhood. Let us have a great outpouring of love and helpfulness in the name of him who said "Feed my lambs!"—Literary Digest.

**Rodeo! Rodeo! Rodeo!**

Buster Cheely was in the city last Tuesday, and stated that the Rodgers' Wild West show would visit our city on Dec. 24th and would give a four days' performance. Broncho riding, steer riding and goat roping will be on the program. Mr. Cheely is typical cowboy and says that the outfit is clean and first-class; \$1000 will be given away as prizes. Look out for the circulars which will be distributed in a few days.

Wish to call attention to my return to Marfa and am prepared to do all classes of dental work in the shortest possible time. See me for appointments. DR. A. HODGES.

**Registered Bull Calves for Sale.**  
Fifteen registered Hereford bull calves, seven to nine months old; extra fine, broad and blocky; priced according to quality displayed. Will sell in numbers to suit purchaser. Can be shown in a few minutes' time.

GLENDALE HEREFORD RANCH,  
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**Batteries—Batteries—Batteries.**  
We have them for every car made. The Exide. CASNER MOTOR CO.

Your health is only as good as your teeth. See Dr. A. Hodges for advice.

**Cotton Prices Going Down!  
Price Adjusting Sale Continues**

The unsettled condition of the Cotton Market has also created a very unsettled condition in the Cotton Goods Market. The price of many articles has been reduced by the wholesaler.

THIS STORE IS NOT ONE OF THOSE WHO ARE HOLDING ON TO THE MERCHANDISE BOUGHT ON A HIGHER MARKET, but we are giving the HIGH COST of living a terrible jolt by following the market down. We are passing the decline that has occurred on goods in our line down to our many customers. If you want to profit by the declining market on Dry Goods MITCHELL-GILLETT DRY GOODS CO. STORE is the one to patronize. We invite your inspection and comparison of value and price.

**Ginghams & Percales**  
40c and 50c Ginghams. Per yard..... 32c  
50c and 60c Ginghams. Per yard..... 39c  
40c Percales. Per yard..... 32c

**Silks for a Song**  
Our entire stock of Silk Piece Goods at a great reduction.  
\$4.50 Grade Silks. Per yard..... \$3.59  
\$4.00 Grade Silks. Per yard..... \$3.19  
\$3.50 Grade Silks. Per yard..... \$2.79  
\$3.00 Grade Silks. Per yard..... \$2.35  
\$2.50 Grade Silks. Per yard..... \$1.98  
\$2.00 Grade Silks. Per yard..... \$1.38  
\$1.50 Grade Silks. Per yard..... \$1.19

**Woolen Dress Goods**  
In this line there has been a slight decline, but not as much as we expected. Following our usual policy of giving our customers every benefit of lower prices, we are offering all of our Woolen Dress Goods at a straight  
**20% Reduction**

**Outing and Domestic**  
25c Grades. Per yard..... 19c  
30c Grades. Per yard..... 22 1-2c  
35c Grades. Per yard..... 27 1-2c  
40c Grades. Per yard..... 32c  
50c Grades. Per yard..... 39c

**Ladies' Men's and Children's Shoes**  
Everything in our stock of high-grade footwear included in readjusting prices.  
\$15.00 Shoes now, Pair..... \$12.00  
\$12.00 Shoes now, Pair..... \$9.60  
\$10.00 Shoes now, Pair..... \$8.00  
\$9.00 Shoes now, Pair..... \$7.20  
\$8.00 Shoes now, Pair..... \$6.40  
\$6.50 Shoes now, Pair..... \$5.20  
\$5.00 Shoes now, Pair..... \$4.00  
\$4.50 Shoes now, Pair..... \$3.60  
\$4.00 Shoes now, Pair..... \$3.20

**All Men's and Boy's Suits and Odd Pants**  
at great reductions in price.

**Ladies' and Children's Ready to Wear**  
at a reduction of from 20% to 50% discount.

**Stetson and Lion Special Hats and Caps**  
\$42.50 Stetson. Now..... \$34.00  
\$40.00 Stetson. Now..... \$32.00  
\$37.50 Stetson. Now..... \$30.00  
\$25.00 Stetson. Now..... \$20.00  
\$20.00 Stetson. Now..... \$16.00  
\$18.50 Stetson. Now..... \$14.80  
\$15.00 Stetson. Now..... \$12.00  
\$12.00 Stetson. Now..... \$9.60  
Lion Special Hats and Caps reduced in proportion.

**Shirts**  
\$15.00 Silk Shirts. Now..... \$12.00  
\$12.00 Silk Shirts. Now..... \$9.50  
\$10.00 Silk Shirts. Now..... \$7.50  
\$8.50 Silk Shirts. Now..... \$6.75  
\$6.00 Silk Shirts. Now..... \$4.75  
\$5.00 Madras Shirts. Now..... \$3.90  
\$4.50 Madras Shirts. Now..... \$3.50  
\$4.00 Madras Shirts. Now..... \$3.15  
\$3.50 Madras Shirts. Now..... \$2.75  
\$3.00 Madras Shirts. Now..... \$2.35  
\$2.50 Madras Shirts. Now..... \$1.95

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at a straight reduction of 20%

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**ORIENT OFFICIALS TO INSPECT ROUTE OF LINE IN MEXICO**

**Receiver Announces Company Has Plans to Complete Construction Work**

W. T. Kemper, president and receiver of the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient railroad with other officials of the road and prominent financiers from Kansas City, passed through San Antonio last night in a private business car of the Orient railroad en route to Mexico City where they will witness the inauguration of General Alvaro Obregon as president of Mexico and will also go over the route of the Orient railroad in Mexico and the proposed route of the extensions in Texas.

Statements were recently made by both general Obregon and President W. T. Kemper that the extensions and connections would be made between the Mexican National and the Orient. Mr. Kemper last night confirmed this statement and stated that the purpose of the visit to Mexico at this time was not only to meet and become acquainted with the new officials of the Mexican republic spending a week in Mexico City but also to go over the 154 miles of the Orient track known as the Chihuahua division in Mexico.

The party will return then to El Paso and go out to Tucson and then to Topolobampo on the Pacific coast of Mexico where the line has 85 miles of track out of Topolobampo. The road, it is understood, now has plans to connect up the Topolobampo division with the Chihuahua division and connect up the latter with the line in Texas at Alpine, would shorten the route by 200 miles between Kansas City and the Pacific coast of Mexico and open up a vast territory in West Texas. Mr. Kemper believes that it will be but a few years through trains will be operated over this route, and believes that now is the time to complete the road as originally planned.

While not specifically stated, it is understood that one of the purposes of the trip at this time is to arrange for the financing of the building of the extensions of the Orient and especially the connecting up of the divisions so as to be able to reach the West Coast of Mexico and to build to Del Rio so as to connect with the Mexican National now being built from Allende, and giving a route to Mexico City.

In the party accompanying Mr. Kemper were Judge J. C. Pollock of Kansas City, Kan., judge of the federal court of the eastern district of Kansas in whose court the receivership of the Kansas branch of the Orient is held; Walter S. Dickey of Kansas City, the largest brick and hollow tile manufacturer in the United States operating 23 plants in the United States and three in Mexico; Clifford Histed of Kansas City, solicitor general of the Orient; E. W. Zea of Kansas City, ranchman and oil operator and a director of the Commerce Trust company and National Bank of Commerce; George Thies, president of the largest electric railroad in the middle west, a resident of Wichita, Kan., and large land owner in Kansas; Jovett Shouse of Kansas City, third assistant secretary of the treasury of the United States and former congressman from Kansas; Judge W. O. Thomas of Kansas City; Albert De Bernard of Wichita, Kan., vice president and general manager of the Orient.

The party is accompanied by George B. Longan, managing editor of the Kansas City Star, and Houston Harte, publisher of the San Angelo (Texas) Standard.

President Kemper's private car came in over the Missouri, Kansas & Texas last night at 7 o'clock and left at 11 over the International & Great Northern to Laredo, where it will be taken by the Mexican National, to Mexico City.

Mr. Kemper in addition to being president of the Orient is also chairman of the board of directors of the Commerce Trust Company and National Bank of Commerce of Kansas City, said to be one of the largest banking institutions in the southwest.

Mr. Kemper believes that settled conditions in Mexico can be relied upon from this time on and that General Obregon will be able not only to hold the country intact but will merit the confidence and respect of civilized countries.—San Antonio Express.

**Baptist Church.**

Had two good services Sunday. Splendid crowd Sunday night.

Subject for next Sunday, 11 a. m.: "Christ as Our Servant."

Subject at the evening hour, "The Wickedness of Worry."

Our evening service begins now at 6:30 p. m.

The B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m.

All members are urged, and our friends are cordially invited, to attend these services.

C. S. HARRISON, Pastor.

**FORT STOCKTON WELL YIELDS FLOW OF OIL.**

Fort Stockton, Texas, Nov. 24.—The Grant Oil corporation well No. 7, drilling on the Turney ranch, section 19, block 140, T. & St. L. railway survey, struck oil just before entering a limestone cap rock at a depth around 100 feet, and all connected with the company, or operating in that immediate field, are highly elated over the strike, as it practically confirms the opinion of those who have persistently maintained that the Turney old wells, which have been flowing oil for the past eight months, were ample evidence of a large pool of oil in that area.

Well No. 4, brought in two weeks ago, registered 90 barrels of oil in seven hours' time, when placed on the pump. After filling all the tanks that the company had available, pumping, necessarily, had to be suspended pending the erection of additional tanks.

There have been, however, intermittent periods of pumping required to maintain the supply of fuel oil which is being used under the boilers of rigs drilling for the Oregon-Texas drilling syndicate, the Fort Stockton oil syndicate, the Grant well No. 5 and the W. B. Troy company, yet the well stands filled to the top of the casing with oil, with the pump tending to increase the flow instead of lowering it.

**NEW OIL WELLS SPUDDED IN BREWSTER COUNTY.**

Alpine, Texas, Nov. 24.—Two new oil wells have recently been spudded in Brewster county, Coter No. 1 and Wilson No. 2. The oil locations in Brewster at present are

Wilson No. 1, section 5, T. & St. L. Ry. Co., block 212.

Wilson No. 2, 400 feet south of Wilson No. 1, same section.

Coter No. 2, section 17, T. & St. L. Ry. Co., block 211.

Kokernot No. 1, section 138, G. H. & S. A. Ry. Co., block 10.

Hargus well No. 1, section 38, G. H. & S. A. Ry. Co., block 4.

Skinner No. 1, section 65, G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co., block 2.

Yarbro Well No. 4, section 128, G. H. & S. A. Ry. Co., block 22.

Gage No. 1, section 1, T. F. Story, block 348.

Gage No. 2, section 7, T. F. Story, block 308.

**ED. W. SMITH ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF APPEALS COURT.**

Ed. W. Smith, a member of the local bar, was appointed associate justice of the Fourth Court of Civil Appeals to succeed Judge A. N. Moursund, whose resignation from the Appellate bench was forwarded to Governor W. P. Hobby ten days ago, according to advices received from Austin yesterday afternoon. The appointment is to take effect immediately.

Judge Smith has been engaged in the active practice of law for 15 years and has been a member of the local bar since 1913. He was born and reared in the Noonday community in Smith county and received his education in the schools of that county. He served as first sergeant of the Fourth Texas Infantry during the Spanish-American war.

For a number of years he was a typesetter and writer for newspapers in Tyler. There he studied law privately and, passing the examination for the bar, moved to Big Springs, Howard county. He was elected for a term as county attorney in that place, but after serving part of it left for Colorado City to be private secretary to his cousin, W. R. Smith, judge of the United States court of the western district of Texas, at that time a member of congress.

In 1905 Judge Smith entered the practice of law in Colorado City, where he remained until his removal to San Antonio, seven years ago. Judge Smith comes from an old and historic Texas family, being a grandson of Judge John C. Robertson, during the Civil war chairman of the committee of safety of the Texas Secession convention and a colonel of Terrell's Texas regiment.

Judge A. N. Moursund, whose place on the bench Judge Smith is to occupy, retires after eight years as associate justice of the local Appeals court, to resume the practice of law in San Antonio. His resignation was to have taken effect Monday or upon the qualification of his successor.—Wednesday's San Antonio Express.

**ORIENT ROAD WILL EXPEND 20 MILLIONS**

Dallas, Texas, Nov. 24.—W. T. Kemper, president and receiver of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient railroad company, announced here today that \$20,000,000 will be spent on improving the railroad. Financiers of the north and east are en route to Mexico City to attend the inauguration of General Obregon and to inspect the line.

The expenditure of this amount will connect the railroad with the west coast of Mexico. The Mexican government will assist in financing the line. About 338 miles will be reconstructed and a gap between Alpine, Texas, and Mexico, 69 miles long will be built, making a new transcontinental line.

The railroad now runs from Wichita, Kans., to Alpine via San Angelo. There are two unconnected lines in Mexico, one out of Chihuahua east and west 154 miles long and one from Topolobampo, on the west coast, 100 miles eastward into the Sierra Madres.

Completion of the road to connect with the Mexican system will mean big things for west Texas, it is said. The road has 700 miles of track in the United States with headquarters at San Angelo.

The importance of the line will be increased by the connection with the Mexican railways at Allendale from Del Rio, 30 miles. The contract has been let for this work. A dump has been built for a line by the Orient from San Angelo to Del Rio, 260 miles.

Sir Joseph Brainworth of England, is a member of the party en route to Mexico.

**Ranch for Sale.**

Four-section ranch near Valentine, fine valley land, splendid grass and abundance of water.

For price and terms address: W. A. DAUGHERTY, Alpine, Texas.

**Christmas Seals.**

The Yuletide spirit is heralded by the coming of the familiar form of Santa Claus on the Christmas seals which are now on sale in Texas, and all over the country. Good health is the gift which jolly old Saint Nick is bringing to the people of the Lone Star State.

The organization of nearly every large county in the state has been completed, according to W. I. Bracy, Texas seal sale director, and a successful seal sale is predicted.

Presidio county has completed its organization, and the workers under Mrs. J. E. Conner, Marfa, the county chairman, are now selling the little seals of good health. The chairman expects to raise the quota assigned the county.

The money which is raised in this county will be used wholly and exclusively for health work, especially in the fight against tuberculosis. Ninety-five per cent of this money will remain in Texas for anti-tuberculosis work by the Texas Public Health association and its many local societies in every part of the state, among young and old, and every race and class. The other five per cent goes to the National Tuberculosis association for its nationwide work. Therefore part of this five per cent will revert to Texas through that association's co-operative work.

Local workers throughout the county will give the people of Presidio county an opportunity to buy the attractive little seals, with their Christmas and New Year greetings. They will fittingly decorate the Christmas mail, radiate Christmas cheer, and each represents a penny's worth of good health for Texas.

The Baptist ladies of Fort Davis will have a bazaar at the Fort Davis school auditorium Dec. 4, beginning at 3:30 p. m. Everybody come and get your Christmas presents and supper.

Advertise in the New Era.

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Something nice for everybody. Make this the happiest Christmas you ever spent.

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# Locals and Personals

Gifts—Anderson's Gift Store.  
 Ranger Trimble was in the city Tuesday.  
 None but experienced help at the Singer Shop.  
 Genuine Navajo Blankets at Marfa Saddlery Company.  
 Diamonds—Credit if you like. Anderson's Gift Store.  
 Ladies dressmaking at the Singer Shop.  
 For Christmas give her an Edison—Anderson's Gift Store.  
 Expert dental work at all times. Dr. A. Hodges.  
 A. C. Easterling returned Saturday from Kansas City.  
 Roy L. Tingle, teacher at Ruidosa, was in the city Monday.  
 Visit the Art Shop and get 'em a nice kodak or album for Christmas.  
 We make clothes for all the family at the Singer Shop.  
 Good looking suits at very attractive prices. MILADY'S SHOPPE.  
 Don't neglect those decayed teeth. See Dr. A. Hodges.  
 Good looking suits at very attractive prices. MILADY'S SHOPPE.  
 J. F. Daly formerly of Presidio, is now located at Hatchel, Texas.  
 Gloves of all kinds for all purposes, at the Marfa Saddlery company.  
 Thos. V. Skaggs, postmaster and merchant at Lajitas, was in the city Monday.  
 At the Community Club on Dec. 7, the ladies of the Episcopal Guild will give a bazaar.  
 Extra pair of pants free with every suit to order at the Singer Shop.  
**Ladies' Hats Remodeled.**  
 Mrs. W. A. Franks. Call at first house north of Salvation army hut.  
 Cooper's Electrical Shop has 24 different styles of electrical lamps. Call and select yours early.  
 Gloves of all kinds for all purposes, at the Marfa Saddlery company.  
 Commissioner Hill of Shafter was registered at the Alta Vista Wednesday.  
 Rev. L. R. Millican, of Allamore, Texas, was registered at the Alta Vista Monday.  
 A few of our best models in coats at prices that will move them quick. MILADY'S SHOPPE.  
 Cleaning, Pressing and Repairing at the Singer Shop.  
 J. L. Crawford, ranching in Fresno Canon, whose postoffice is Lajitas, Texas, was in the city Thursday.  
 Don't worry about your Christmas picot edging or hemstitching when Mrs. Leonard Lockley will do it for you at reasonable prices.  
 Western Electric sewing machines make work easy for the wife. Get them at Cooper's Electrical Shop.  
 Shirts made to measure at the Singer Shop.  
 Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Greerson of Fort Davis was in the city Thursday.  
 Tires prices are down. Factories authorize us to reduce prices on Goodyear and Miller tires. ERNEST WILLIAMS.  
 Cleaning, Pressing and Repairing at the Singer Shop.  
 Cooper's Electrical Shop can supply you with anything electrical that can be found in the cities, and at the same prices.  
 Buster Cheely, manager of the Rodgers Wild West show was in the city this week arranging for a four days' exhibition last of this month.  
 Mr. Handy, manager of the Shafter

mines, returned from California Wednesday. He was called to California on account of the fatal illness of his wife, who died two weeks after the death of Mrs. W. S. Noyes.  
**Notice.**  
 Our pastures are posted. Take notice. No hunting allowed. SHANNON BROS.  
 Still want to sell that Buick roadster. Call and make proposition. Car is in perfect mechanical condition. New Era.  
 Shirts made to measure at the Singer Shop.  
 Hemstitching and picoting, accordion, box and knife plating, buttons made. MRS. H. B. HOUSTON, Uvalde, Texas.  
 Don't worry about your Christmas picot edging or hemstitching when Mrs. Lanard Lockley will do it for you at reasonable prices.  
 None but experienced help at the Singer Shop.  
 We have a supply of Type-writer ribbons for Remington, Underwood and Oliver machines. Call at The New Era for a new ribbon when in need.  
 Extra pair of pants free with every suit to order at the Singer Shop.  
 Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Sutton and son returned Monday from a trip to El Paso.  
 James R. Watts of Ruidosa, and E. E. Mead and J. J. Kilpatrick of Candelaria was in the city last week.  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Oatman and children of Marfa, arrived here the first of the week for a visit with Mrs. Oatman's parents, T. A. Odell and wife and other relatives.—Toyah Valley Herald.  
 Stormy Lease, one of the old-timers of the Big Bend, now living in Brewster county, was in the city Saturday last.  
 Mrs. Henry W. Schutze returned Wednesday from a trip to Austin and San Antonio.  
 Mrs. James Stewart and daughter, Mrs. Claude Smith, of Fort Davis, were in Marfa Wednesday.  
 C. E. Mead, Esq., who while on a hunting trip several days ago had the misfortune to sprain his leg, is now able to be up and about the house, but will be kept from his office for several days.  
 Mrs. H. H. Kilpatrick, who has been attending a meeting in El Paso of the Woodmen Circle as the representative of the Marfa Grove, returned home Thursday evening.  
 Lieutenant Gallie Bogel came in last Friday on a visit to his wife and other relatives. He is stationed at the Kelly Field camp, San Antonio, Texas.  
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 Colonel J. J. Hornbrook is now in San Antonio as a member of a general court martial in session there. He will probably be absent about 30 days.  
 Mrs. Morton of Marfa arrived here the first of the week for a visit with friends at this place and to visit her son, W. A. Morton at Saragosa.—Toyah Valley Herald.  
 Mrs. H. C. Knowles left the latter part of last week to join her husband in Corpus Christi, where they have located.—Val Verde Herald.  
 Mrs. Darling, after a few days' visit to her daughter, Mrs. M. B. Chastain, left Monday for her home in Alpine.



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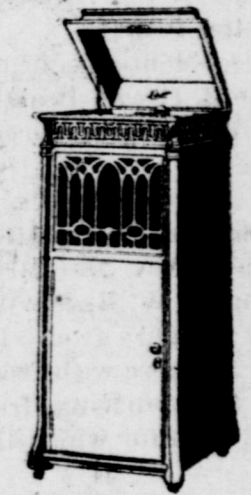
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George Love and wife of Sierra Blanca are in Marfa today.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Walker, Thursday morning, Nov. 29, fine baby. All well. Jack enjoyed his Thanksgiving dinner all right.

Three wagon loads of quicksilver, 150 blasks, from the Marfa and Mariposa mine at Terlingua, arrived here Thursday. The new furnace is turning it out at regular intervals.

Mr. Jordan went out this week to do a little railroading on his own hook in the way of finding a pass for the engineers through the mountains north of town and thinks he has succeeded. Every citizen should appoint himself a committee of one to remove any seeming obstacle in the way of the engineers getting in and out of Marfa.

The M. E. Sunday school is arranging for a Christmas tree and entertainment on Christmas eve. In connection with the tree will be a revolving wheel, which will be an attractive feature. The Sunday school pupils are to be awarded presents by the school and the general public is invited to hand in presents for distribution.

**History Club.**  
 The Marfa History club will meet with Mrs. John Humphries, Saturday, December 8, at 3 o'clock.

**PROGRAM.**  
 Responses.  
 Work of the Early Missionaries in America.  
 Paper, "Establishment of the Financial System of the United States"—Mrs. Barclay.  
 Paper, "History of Texas Missions"—Miss Pulliam.

**Honor Roll.**  
 Marfa public school, month of November, 1900.

**Primary Department—Miss Wilcox, Teacher:** Barney McMinn, Elta Brown, Edward Warren, Roxie Coughran, Mary Livesay, Lenore Jonese, Ethel McMinn, Rose Walker, Erie Werth, Louise Young.

**Intermediate Grades—Miss Heid, teacher, Fourth and Fifth Grades:** Rio McMinn, Edwin Gillett, Fletcher Scaife, May Pulliam, Susie Walker, Allie Brown.

**Favorable Mention:** Earle Johnson, Stella Barclay, Charlie Wells, Maggie Briggs, D. Ella Cline.

**Sixth Grade:** Alexa Cleveland, Ella Cook, Antonette Davis, Clara Pulliam, Thalia Gillett, Mabel Hay, Bessie McKnight.

**Favorable Mention:** Bert McKinney, Beulah Spencer, Addie Moughran, Eva Jones.

**High School Department—H. B. Griffin, teacher:** Mary Cratsenberg, Fannie Cody, Myrtle Farmer, Mamie Guyon, Linnie McMinn, Sarah Segal, Otho Bunton, Lula Walker, Jennie Dugger, Jettie Pruett.

**Favorable Mention:** Alma Hay, Winnie Wells, Gracie Bealls, Robert Coughran, Elmer Landergren, Herbert Guyon.

**A Sale of Fine Cattle.**  
 Fort Worth, Nov. 27.—W. T. Jones of Marfa and G. W. Medley of Valentine, today bought from Reynolds Bros., who are here with 200 blooded Herefords and Durhams from Higbee, Mo., 22 head for which they paid \$2000.

Two trainloads of cattle have been received here this week from Arizona, which have been purchased there recently by local stockmen. The Mitchell boys got 416 head of cows and calves, the Tigners 634 cows and calves, Grossons 412 cows and 54 yearlings, Meade Wilson 410 cows and 55 yearlings, Charles Tinnin 100 cows. The Tigners lost 22 head in the shipment. Notwithstanding the scarcity of grass in Arizona where these cattle came from, some of them are in fairly good condition, although of course they do not compare with Presidio county cattle. The purchasers of these cattle expect to bring them through the winter in good shape and make a spec on them.

There died at Shafter last Saturday night, Nov. 24, G. B. Jackson, the colored deputy collector of customs at Presidio. Jackson had been in very bad health for several months and his death was caused by a complication of diseases, asthma coupled with heart trouble being the immediate cause. He had been the deputy collector at collector at Presidio for the past two and a half years under Collector Drake. His body was brought to Marfa and shipped to San Antonio for burial Monday night, his wife being at that place. Jackson's home was San Angelo, and he was a man who commanded a good deal of political influence at that place. He was a delegate at large to the national Republican convention at Philadelphia this year.

**Fuller's Earth.**

Dr. E. H. Sellards, geologist in the bureau of economic geology and technology of the University of Texas, recently finished an exhaustive survey of the mineral resources of Bexar county, in which San Antonio is situated. The fuller's earth deposit in that county is of much importance. In a report that he has just issued, Dr. Sellards describes this fuller's earth deposit and also makes reference to material called bentonite, which is found in that county. The report says, in part:

"The fuller's earth deposits of Bexar county are being exploited at the present time by but one firm, the Medina Fuller's Earth company. The deposit that is being mined is located near the headwaters of a small stream north of the Castroville road and west of the Cagnon cross road, about 16 miles from San Antonio. The plant at which the earth is dried, ground and prepared for market is located in San Antonio, the crude earth being hauled from the pit by trucks. In the pit at the present time there is seen an exposure of as much as 35 feet of workable fuller's earth. The overburden is moderate, consisting of a few feet of soil and gravel.

"The fuller's earth produced by this company is crushed into pieces of moderate size, not exceeding two or three inches in diameter, and is then passed through a rotating drying cylinder to remove the excess of moisture. The clay is then ground and sacked for market. It is said to be chiefly used in clarifying vegetable oils, including cotton seed oil, for which purpose the present practice is to grind the earth to pass a 200-mesh sieve. It is used also in clarifying lard. Aside from the finely-ground earth, a part of the product is ground to a mesh of 10-32-60, the earth of this grade being used for mineral oils.

"In addition to the fuller's earth, there is found in this county also in the upper cretaceous formations the material known as bentonite. The bentonite deposits of this county have been described in a circular previously issued by the bureau of economic geology, and based on the work of C. L. Baker. Part of this circular reads:

"In the course of work in Bexar county, the bureau has discovered a bed of the peculiar clay called bentonite, heretofore known only from Wyoming. Bentonite has the property of absorbing large quantities of various liquid substances. It has a soft, soap feel, has very little or no grit, and is brittle. Mixed with the proper amount of water, it becomes very plastic; it differs from all ordinary clays or gaults in being easily fusible at moderate heat.

"Bentonite has been put to various uses. It is used for the manufacture of hoof-packing, a dressing for the inflamed hoofs of horses, and also in the manufacture of a medical dress-

ing, antiphlogistine. Its chief use is to give body and weight to paper. It is also used as soap filler, in the manufacture of high grades of soap; to dilute powerful drugs in powdered form, and as an adulterant in candy. It is a good retarder for use with the hard cement plasters, and would probably make a better absorbent of glycerin in the manufacture of dynamite than the diatomaceous earth now used for that purpose. Owing to its peculiar properties, it is likely to find more extensive and varied use in the future."—Manufacturers' Record.

**Newspaper Men for the Cabinet.**

More newspaper men in the government appears to be the trend of the times. The lawyers no longer have a monopoly on public office.

Newspaper man administration of the national government was made certain when both the Republican and Democratic national conventions chose editors as their party candidates. The voters of the major parties had no choice between the candidates, as far as their respective professions went.

Now the political prognosticators of the press are telling us that there will be one or more newspaper men in Mr. Harding's cabinet, both Frank A. Munsey and Senator Medill McCormick of Chicago being considered as likely possibilities.

That the new editor-president will go to the ranks of his brother editors for official advisors in his administration is very probable, and is the natural thing for him to do. Through his many years as an editor and publisher Mr. Harding has had opportunity to learn of the personal capabilities of many of the country's foremost journalists and publishers and he is particularly well qualified to select from their ranks men best fitted for positions to which they may be called.

Whether Mr. Munsey could be induced to accept a cabinet post is problematical. Senator McCormick is already serving in the senate and his transfer to a department is well within the realm of probabilities. Mr. Munsey on the other hand gives such a large share of his time to his newspapers, that it is a question whether he could afford to sacrifice his private interests to the extent that acceptance of a place in the cabinet of the new president would involve.

But there are numerous other prominent journalists whose minds have been "going along" with Mr. Harding's and it may be taken for granted that after March 4 journalistic advice will continue to be available to the president of the United States through the medium of a cabinet minister.—Houston Post.

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**GEORGE KARAKAY DIES; SICK ONLY FEW DAYS**

George Karakey, 58 years old, and a well known resident of El Paso, died at his home at 3530 Alameda street, Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, after an illness of a few days. He was the father of Motorcycle Officer San Karakey. Besides his son Sam, Mr. Karakey is survived by a widow and two daughters.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the undertaking parlors of J. J. Kaster, followed by a brief service at the Church of Immaculate Conception. Burial will take place at Concordia cemetery.—El Paso Times.

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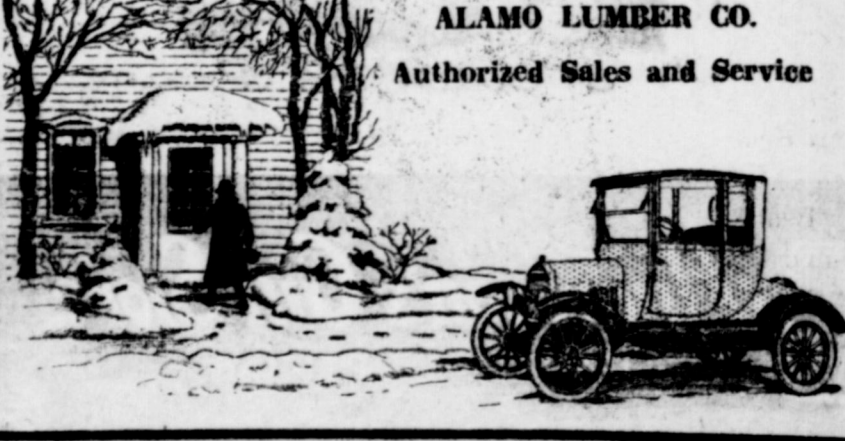

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**ROCKEFELLER'S GIFTS NEARLY HALF BILLION DOLLARS**

New York, Nov. 24—John D. Rockefeller has given away nearly half a billion dollars, his son, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., declared here Wednesday night in what is believed to be the first detailed authentic statement that has ever been made concerning his father's philanthropic gifts. The approximate total of the gifts is \$475,000,000, nearly half of which was distributed in the last five years.

The statement refers to testimony given by the younger Mr. Rockefeller before the industrial relations committee, here January 25, 1915. At that time, he said, he believed his father's gifts would total a quarter of a billion dollars, although so far as he knew there was no accurate record of the oil king's philanthropic gifts up to that time.

Since that date, the statement adds, John D. Rockefeller's gifts totaled \$225,000,000, divided as follows:

To the Rockefeller foundation \$82,000,000.

To the general education foundation, \$82,000,000.

To the general education board, \$70,000,000.

To the Rockefeller institute, \$10,000,000.

To the Laura Spellman Rockefeller memorial, \$63,000,000.

The last named institution was established, it continued, in order that religious and charitable enterprises in which Mrs. John D. Rockefeller was interested, should continue to receive support. Mrs. Rockefeller died in 1915.

"The memorial," Mr. Rockefeller said, "has no connection with the Rockefeller foundation or any other of the benevolent bodies or institutions established by my father."

"The trustees have full and unrestricted discretion in use of the funds. While as yet no definite policies have been worked out, it is in the mind of the former as well as of the board, in keeping with the general spirit of my mother's interests in charitable work, that special attention be given activities looking toward improvement of the condition of the women and children."

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**BOLL WORM MOTH BLAMED FOR GIN FIRES IN SOUTH**

The head over a recent story appearing in The Times, "Two Nations Fight One Worm," referring to the pink boll worm on which the United States and Mexico are combining warfare, reminds Hugh Thomason, chief pharmacist's mate of the local navy recruiting station, of a real honest-to-goodness happening with the reference to the boll worm moth.

He claims that the boll worm moth is the original incendiary fireman of gin-houses in this country, working from the point of view that if it couldn't successfully hinder the cotton industry in one way, a more drastic method would be resorted to.

Thomason says bug experts journeyed down to the southland some years ago to eradicate the mother of cotton-boll-puncturing artists. Their most severe acids were tried out on the lowly insect without results. Freezing in icebergs was tried without avail and finally cremation was decided on.

A neat little cremation casket was built of asbestos shields, some half dozen moths were put therein and the container placed in a smelting furnace. The little winged things baked for about 30 minutes while the specialists gloated in the triumph of their last resort.

Finally the casket was removed from the furnace, so white-hot that the attendants could hardly bear to look at it. When the lid was knocked off the indestructible moths flew in every direction. One of them lit in the left of a gin about a mile away and set it on fire!

Thomason wasn't there, but an acquaintance was.—El Paso Times.

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**MARFA-DAVIS BASKET-BALL GAME SATURDAY.**

The Marfa Team Meets Defeat With Good Grace.

Last Saturday the first basketball game of the season was played at Davis, and naturally we were all "pepped up" over it. A large crowd of enthusiastic "rooters" left the school house at about twelve thirty with high hopes and flying colors.

We were confident of success until three of our players got knocked out—Bill Bryant and Otho were "wounded in action" Thursday and Ben had to go to the ranch (?) However, all of our boys worked hard and we are proud of what they did do.

When we arrived at the court and saw Higgins our hearts sank—he was almost as tall as the goal, and it was no effort for him to drop the ball in!

At first we gave some yells—then the game started and everyone was at attention. Jimmy Livingston was jumping-center against Higgins, and Jimmy had to jump about three feet to have any chance at all against his opponent.

During the first half Porter threw two goals, Pruett threw one, and Porter made a foul; while Davis had made only five, making the score 7 to 5 in our favor. Marfa was so thrilled she yelled like mad—but alas! our joy was short-lived!!!

There is nothing much to be said for the second half except that we

were ignominiously defeated, for Higgins got the ball too many times and just dropped it in until things looked blacker and blacker. Of course we were disappointed, but our boys were at a disadvantage after having lost so many of the team, and we are proud of their pluck.

After the game we went down Limpia Canyon for supper. Just as we had gotten things ready the Fort Davis teachers drove up, bringing delicious lunches of fried chicken, cakes and everything good imaginable.

We came home after supper feeling rather disappointed, but determined to win next time.—Shorthorn.

**TEXAS ANTI-POOL HALL LAW IS UPHELD IN COURT.**

Austin, Texas, No. 24.—The Texas anti-pool hall law, which prohibits the operation of pool or billiard halls in the state for profit, was upheld Wednesday when the court of criminal appeals affirmed the lower court verdict under which J. A. Davis of Bell county was fined \$25 for violating the law. Contentions of the defendant that the passage of the law was irregular and that it was unconstitutional were not allowed by the court, which said in regard to the latter, "We do not think the legislature has exceeded its power."

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**MURDER CASES ON THE CRIMINAL DOCKET**


Five murder cases are on the criminal docket for the present session of the district court.

All will probably not be tried this term as there has been difficulty in securing witnesses in several of them and continuance will probably be applied for by some of the defendants.

The trial of Boye Babb for shooting of Kirkpatrick last spring is set for December 15th, after having

been continued at other terms. The Hon. Walter Gillis will defend the accused.

Robert Goodwin goes on trial for murder December 13th, his case having been transferred to this county from Brewster county. The case against W. Dominguez was transferred from Presidio county and is set for December 8th, and the one against J. J. Kilpatrick from Pecos county. Kilpatrick's case and the one against V. G. Ross will probably not be tried as witnesses for the prosecution have not all been secured.—Val Verde Herald.



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