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## B. P. O. ELKS HELD ANNUAL LODGE ISORROW SUNDAY

Rev. T. B. Ha Delivers Address at Memorial Exercises in Elk Home.

The Elks' annual memorial service, held Sunday noon at the lodge rooms, was largely attended by members of the order and their friends.

The music throughout the program was so beautiful. Following the invocation, Rev. I. E. Gates, Mildred Ahlheim and Messrs. Henderson and A. G. Hinn sang a 4th Mrs. S. Fife accompan-

ment. Kling, exalted ruler, conducted the service for the two members. W. Dalton and J. C. Bailey, were called away by death. The program was given by the Pl. W. Orchestra, E. Jenkins, on the violin, Wolters, of W. and College, singing features of the program. Williams accompanied them on piano.

The memorial address, by Rev. T. B. Haynie, is given below:

The word Elk appeals to us as I associate with it instinct of courage, wisdom, swiftness, endurance.

The Order of Elks was organized in 1868, and it has grown to immense proportions. It now has a membership of nearly half a million men, and they are usually the most progressive men of a community. In these few years it has accumulated property valued at twenty-two and a half million dollars.

As I speak of the features of the order I "draw a bow at a venture," as the only way to know the real features of a secret order is to become a member thereof; but I venture to suggest a few of the leading features of the Elks, namely:

1. SOCIAL.—Man is gregarious in his nature. He must have social intercourse, and that body of men which provides legitimate social pleasure for its members is supplying a natural want.

2. THE GOLDEN RULE.—In this commercial age of the world, when the motto of men seems to be, "Do unto others as they would do unto you," it is refreshing to find a body of men whose motto is, "Whatsoever ye would that men do unto you, do ye even so to them." Those who live up to this motto are worthy of commendation.

3. CHARITY.—"Charity suffereth long and is kind." Much injustice is done in this old world by hasty and uncharitable judgment of the character of others. The Elks propose to "write the faults of brothers on the sand," and the winds of winter and the rains of summer soon obliterate them; but the "virtues engrave on the tablets of love and memory," that they may remain long after the brother has departed to "the undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler ever returns." They are charitable in the sense of helping others. They spend nearly half a million dollars annually in relieving poverty and distress. Their real secret, I am told, is the list of names of persons helped.

4. PATRIOTISM.—In these troubled times, while the nations of the earth are sweating blood, we hear much sentimental nonsense on the subject of patriotism, and it is refreshing to find men who really love the Stars and Stripes and the principles of liberty for which they stand. America is the brightest star in the constellation of nation. The world's scepter passed in the light of history we find that we occupy the North Temperate Zone, in which all the hardy, enterprising races of men have been produced. No one can compute our natural resources. Our river and lake transportation facilities are not excelled; water power for manufacturing purposes is not duplicated; our crops are of endless variety and fabulous wealth, and the variety of climate is unequalled in any nation. The world's scepter passed from Persia to Greece, from Greece to Italy, from Italy to Great Britain, from Great Britain to America, and here it must stay. America is in its infancy. There rises before my vision a great country. The hills of the South and East crystalize into vineyards and orchards, and the semi-arid regions of the West blossom as the rose. In my vision I see a country whose educa-

## C. F. Meyers Succeeds W. H. Mason as T. L. & D. Auditor

W. H. Mason, for the past three years auditor for the Texas Land and Development Company, has resigned his position, and will make his home in New York or Chicago.

To succeed Mr. Mason, C. F. Meyers, of El Paso, has been selected, and has accepted the position. Mr. Meyers is superintendent of transportation and car accountant of the Mexico and Northwestern Railway Company. He will be here to take the new position in the near future.

## ABERNATHY I. O. O. F. LODGE IS HOST ON ITS ANNIVERSARY

Odd Fellows From Plainview, Hale Center and Lubbock Share Its Hospitality.

Celebrating its anniversary, the I. O. O. F. Lodge of Abernathy entertained members of the I. O. O. F. lodges of Plainview, Lubbock and Hale Center Friday evening at the public school building in Abernathy.

Those in attendance from Plainview were A. A. Hatchell, Elmer Anderson, L. D. Griffin, Elmer Horace Conner, leaving Plainview early in the evening, they were joined at Hale Center by twelve members of the order there, who accompanied them to Abernathy.

A good welcome and an elaborate supper awaited the visitors.

Rev. Stewart, of Abernathy, gave the invocation, and C. H. Jucks welcomed the visitors. L. D. Griffin, of Plainview, responded. Miss Ruth Jones gave a reading. A. A. Hatchell made a short speech. Miss Frances Rosser sang a solo, and Mrs. Wel Ragland gave a reading. Judge Spencer, of Lubbock, talked on "Odd Fellowship Outside of Lodge." Mrs. Struve and Miss Annie May Hardesty sang. Elmer Anderson, of Plainview, spoke on "The Advance Orders of Odd Fellowship." Miss Etta St. Clair gave a reading. Then followed an elaborate supper.

ational interest is focalized, concentrated and efficient in teaching its youth the principles of life. I further see a country of life. I churches, that emphasizes a Christ and not a creed. In this conquest of a nation there is not only room but a demand for organizations whose foundation stones are CHARITY, PATRIOTISM, and LOVE FOR FELLOW MEN.

Elks, like other men, pass away, and in the melancholy days of the dying year, it is fitting that a half million men and their families assemble to pay a tribute of respect to departed members. Those departed loved ones have played their part in life's short drama, or tragedy, as the case might have been, and passed off the stage of life. The Word tells us, "We all do fade as a leaf." The leaf does not draw its life from the earth, as we once supposed, but it draws its life from above; and the life that is beautiful and sublime must draw its inspiration from above. When a great musician completed his oratorio, "The Messiah," he was sick, and was carried on a cot to the first rehearsal, and when the singers reached the place "Let there be light" the audience cheered and cheered. The sick composer waved his hand toward heaven and said, "It came from there, it came from there!" If you live the life beautiful, it must "come from there." Those of our friends who drew their life from "there" have returned hence, and to them we say:

"Peaceful thy silent slumbers,  
Peaceful in thy grave so low;  
Thy memories will join our slumbers,  
Though no more our sorrows know.  
And yet again we hope to meet thee,  
When the day of life is fled,  
And in Heaven with joy to greet thee,  
Where no farewell tears are shed."

To the living I would say:  
"Sunset and evening star,  
And one clear call for me,  
And may there be no moaning of the bar  
When I put out to sea.

"For tho' from out our bourne of Time  
and Place  
The flood may bear me far,  
I hope to see my Pilot face to face  
When I have crossed the bar."  
And may there be a reunion in the  
halls of peace.

## The Ideal Gift

The ideal Christmas gift is the one to which has been applied the Golden Rule—i. e., by putting yourself in the other one's place and thinking just what you would like to have under those circumstances.

Once upon a time it happened that a woman gave her washwoman a pair of pendant pearl earrings. If not pearl, they were near pearl and pretty enough for all purposes. This woman remembered having heard the servitor express a wish for them on a hot August day, a wish breathed without any hope of fulfillment. Joy was in one heart that Christmas, for, as the recipient expressed, "Everybody gave me aprons and underwear, but those earrings I do love!" And who shall say that the present was not appropriate? Gifts of sheer prettiness often mean the most, even when they are not expensive. Was it not a Frenchman who said, "Give me the luxuries of life and I can do without the necessities?" Who cannot think of the man who would rather have a subscription to a good magazine than a pair of much needed new gloves? A person will go shabby very contentedly if the heart is warm with the thought of some precious new possession which perhaps he did not really need. We must not forget that gorgeous gifts of frankincense and myrrh were given to the Christ Child in his lowly birthplace. A growing plant, even if nothing more than a blooming crimson geranium, will be a bright spot through many of the gray days of January and February. The dollar mark is no gauge for the ideal Christmas gift. What the boy wants, what the girl desires, what the older man or woman secretly wishes for—these are the things which shall make them happy, no matter if they do not seem appropriate or sensible.

## County Federation Chairman Says Texas Needs Better Rural Schools

### TELLS TRAVEL STUDY CLUB OF THE CONVENTION'S WORK

In Second Paper on State Convention of Women's Clubs, Mrs. Longstreth Says "Study the Schools"

In the first report a general view of the convention was given, and now I hope to interest you in the programs. You will, of course, get but a brief sketch of the many good things.

The official recommendations of the president should be given, I think, as these will doubtless influence the policy of the new administration. Mrs. Fall's recommendations were "That the club women take up the study of the administration continue the program of good roads work; that the 'Maddin the United States' movement be further encouraged and that the plans be made for a textile exhibit of Texas-made goods at the biennial convention of the General Federation, in New York, in 1916; that the Federation use its influence to secure simpler entertainment at the State and District conventions and the delegates to such conventions be urged to prepare simpler dress for such occasions, and that the Federation encourage Civil Service Reform."

Mrs. Maggie W. Barry, of Sherman, Vice President at Large and Chairman of the Rural School Committee, was one of the stars of the convention. She not only talked often, but said something each time. Mrs. Barry's report from her committee I considered the best of many good ones. First, Mrs. Barry thinks, to improve the schools, we should study the needs of the schools; should study the school laws so we will know their limitations and know what we can do and how we can do it. There are many urgent needs of rural schools, said Mrs. Barry. Some methods suggested for helping in this work were, visiting the teachers' institutes and getting acquainted with the teachers. These institutes are held in every county, but how many people ever trouble themselves about the teachers or what they are trying to do? The Chamber of Commerce should be induced to offer prizes for work done in the rural schools. It is the duty of club women to change the attitude of the rural school teacher toward her work, declared Mrs. Barry. A large per cent of them are ashamed that they are rural teachers, and apologize for the fact, and it is largely the fault of other people. Give the rural teacher something to work with and something to work for. Let them know we think that with them rests the future of this great State, and you will have done something toward giving them a wholesome pride in their work.

Help them get libraries; take them copies of the best magazines; get everything the State University and other institutions have to offer; get pictures for the school houses; but, most of all, get to work immediately and secure some of the million-dollar State appropriation. Write to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction for particulars about this fund.

The Education for its chairman Mrs. W. A. ment her for the honor of saying that she was one of the best loved women of the Federation. We like to make special mention of Mrs. Warner because many of us know her and all of us honor her for what she is doing for the woman of the Panhandle. Mrs. Warner said the greatest educational drama in the history of Texas is ready for the stage. It has been tried out and five principals are assured. There are just five principals, Mrs. Warner, and Texas is the stage.

The first character in the drama is Opportunity, who sits in the rural community waiting to be lifted to a brighter life. The Trained Worker is the second character, anxious and ready to help, but a careful pathfinder is necessary, to point out the way, and this is the Texas Club Woman, our third character. The State Institution that prepares the Trained Worker is the fourth character, and Uncle Sam, with pockets full of money, ready to help the Club Woman lead the Trained Worker to the place where Opportunity sits waiting, is the fifth character.

This is very briefly stated, but gives an idea of the beautiful way in which Mrs. Warner presented her summary of work accomplished and work yet to be done.

Mrs. Warner received the greatest ovation of the session. President's Evening, with the Vice President, Mrs. Barry, presiding, was much enjoyed, especially by those who were new as Federation delegates. Mrs. Barry was at her best, and the many clever things she said took away much of the formality of the occasion. Mrs. Fall's address was naturally the feature of the program around which the other members were grouped. In a simple but impressive manner Mrs. Fall told of the past two years' work, touching here and there some point that she wished particularly to emphasize. It would take too much space to even give an abstract of the address, but I must say a word about the thought left with us at the close. Mrs. Fall thinks the time has come for every woman, in whatever station of life, to be full of enthusiasm and courage to meet the new conditions that have been created by the great European war. First of all, it is every woman's duty to teach peace to her children. No matter how great her sentiment for peace, it will be futile unless she is active. She must teach them that millions of men crushed and bleeding on battlefields and under horses' hoofs and grinding wheels means war. That hungry children, broken-hearted women, deserted

## O. C. Miller Sells Interest In Waller Tailoring Company

A deal has been consummated whereby J. M. Waller secures the interest in the Waller Tailoring Company of his partner, O. C. Miller. Mr. Waller has assumed control of the business.

Mr. Miller is at present undecided what line of business he will enter.

## LOCAL BAPTISTS ATTENDING EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Rev. Hailey Is Member of State Committee Which Is Holding Session in Dallas.

Rev. O. L. Hailey, president of Wayland Baptist College, is a member of the Executive Board of the Texas Baptist Convention. This board is holding a session in Dallas, and Rev. Hailey is in attendance.

Judge T. D. Webb, of Kress, president of the board of trustees of Wayland Baptist College; Rev. I. E. Gates, pastor of the Plainview Baptist Church, and Dr. J. H. Wayland, member of the Board of Trustees of Wayland College, are in attendance also.

The Plainview Baptist Church is one of the strongest in West Texas. Members of the local church and members in other sections of the South Plains are enthusiastic in their support of Wayland College, which, it is stated, is having a steady growth in attendance.

homes, means war. Do you think if children were thus taught they would love war and be proud at the thought of being "soldier men"? Teach them patriotism that knows no distance or of the Cross is greater than the conquest of the sword. It is the duty of all of us to teach the joys of living under a peaceful flag.

"Your flag and my flag!  
Oh, how much it holds  
Of your land and my land  
Safe within its folds!"

"Your heart and my heart  
Beat quicker at the sight,  
Sun-kissed and wind-blown,  
The red, the blue, the white.

The flag, the true flag,  
All glorified, none else,  
The red, the white, the blue."

As a part of the evening's entertainment, Mrs. Simms, of Bryan, gave an interesting address on the Panama Exposition. This was splendid, but I'm just going to repeat one little funny story that she told concerning the poor building and exhibits of Texas:

"A man entered the building while I was being welcomed by the hostess," said Mrs. Simms. "He was tall, of commanding presence, well poised, well groomed. But he wore a hat that spoke volumes. Instantly one knew that he had ten thousand cattle roaming the Texas prairies. He looked around and an expression of bitter disappointment and indignation swept over his expansive countenance, and he soliloquized briefly, 'Well, I'll be darned!'"

"As he turned to leave, I said, 'Pardon me, sir, but may I ask if you are from Texas?' 'Madam,' he replied, 'after seeing this building, I prefer not to commit myself!'"

The musical part of the program was given by Brownwood talent, and could not but please. The opening number was "Counterstruck," for two pianos (by Weber), played by Mrs. L. P. Allison and Mr. Labke. A vocal solo, the aria from "Sansou and Dellah," "My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice," sung by Mrs. Wm. Cox, charmed her audience.

The stage was transformed into a woodland scene, and two little girls gave an esthetic dance, "The Awakening of Spring." With garlands of roses and floating draperies, these maidens led our imaginations by brooks and deep pools in shady woods paths and into the bright sunshine until Spring was indeed all around us. Greetings from past presidents, some bouquets, floral and otherwise, closed the first day of the eighteenth annual convention of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs.

## CHURCH CONFERENCE ELECTS IMPORTANT LAY COMMITTEES

Methodists Are Organizing to Increase Efficiency; Congregation to Work.

The keynote of the plans of the First Methodist Church was sounded at a recent banquet given the men of the church. This body is organizing to make their church more efficient. The work of conference collections, incidentals, pastor's salary, social service, missionary activity and evangelization is to be participated in more largely by members of the congregation.

The annual church conference was held Sunday morning, with Rev. J. W. Story, preacher in charge, presiding. T. Stockton was elected secretary of the conference.

Upon nomination by the lay leader, W. W. Underwood, members were elected to committees on lay activities. There are three sub-committees, missionary committee, evangelistic committee and social service committee. Following are the chairmen and committee members:

**Missional Committee.**  
J. E. Willis, Chairman; Sam T. Ansley, Harvey Allison, J. W. Alexander, Rev. A. E. Butterfield, B. B. Coker, J. O. Duensing, Dr. C. C. Gidney, J. N. Jordan, G. C. Keck, M. D. Leach, Dr. E. F. McClendon, W. A. Morter, H. S. Hilburn, Jas. Story, E. P. Daugherty, Henry Jordan, R. W. O'Keefe, N. A. Price, H. A. Wofford, Dr. L. C. Wayland, W. E. Winfield, Gabriel Upton, Warren Gibbs, M. B. Johnson, T. Stockton, W. H. Dickinson, J. J. Clark, Flake Garner, John Vaughn, Rev. A. B. Roberts, Rev. W. M. P. Rippey.

**Evangelistic Committee.**  
R. A. Long, Chairman; S. S. Daniels, Rev. V. L. Formway, Dr. C. C. Gidney, H. S. Hilburn, L. S. Kinder, J. B. Long, J. F. McNeely, D. D. Shipley, Rev. T. W. Sheppard, H. B. Tatum, Mrs. H. B. Tatum, A. L. White, W. W. Kirk, G. B. LeRoy, G. B. Henderson, Rev. C. W. McNeely, Rev. J. J. McNeely, C. P. Davis, Miss Rebecca Ansley, Miss Martilla Espy, Rev. M. D. Hill, Mrs. J. W. Pipkin, Mrs. W. J. Espy, Mrs. F. B. Gouley, Mrs. J. A. Graham, Mrs. A. L. White, Mrs. N. V. Speer, Mrs. Jno. Vaughn, Mrs. W. Y. Price, Mrs. L. A. Jones, Mrs. M. S. Leveridge, Mrs. H. A. Wofford.

**Social-Service Committee.**  
T. Stockton, Chairman; J. F. Bier, T. O. Collier, J. J. Clark, O. D. Coan, Jesse Delah, W. J. Espy, Flake Garner, Raymond Gibbs, A. E. Harris, J. B. Maxey, Dr. E. F. McClendon, G. M. Wades, LeRoy Pearson, Ernest Spenunderwood, John Vaughn, C. E. Stockton, Miss Della Underwood, R. A. Martin, Mrs. R. L. Atmar, Miss W. Young, Mrs. W. W. Underwood, Mrs. Rose Frazier, Mrs. P. F. Bryan, Mrs. T. O. Collier, Mrs. C. D. Wofford, Mrs. J. J. Clark.

## RAIN AND HAIL SENDS PARTY OF HUNTERS HURRYING HOME.

A hunting party which left Sunday for Crosby County was short lived. Heavy rain and hail forced the hunters to return to Plainview Monday morning.

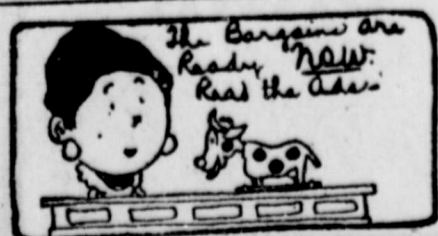
In the party were H. I. Miller, of New York; Griscom Bettle, Jr., and his guest, Murray Forbes, of Boston; L. A. Knight, E. Dowden, H. C. Randolph, J. O. Crockett, of El Paso, and Jennings Anderson. The party was joined by John H. Ralls at Ralls.

## DAN WHITE TO DALLAS TO ATTEND SISTER'S FUNERAL.

Dan White and Frank Hill left Monday morning for Dallas to attend the funeral of Mrs. J. C. Blair, wife of Dr. J. C. Blair. Mrs. Blair is a sister of Dr. R. R. White and Dan White and an aunt of Frank Hill.

## BOSTON CAPITALIST VISITS THE SHALLOW WATER BELT.

Murray Forbes, of Boston, who is financially interested in the development work of the Syndicate, has been in the Plainview Country for the past week inspecting the country and visiting with friends here.





# ONE KIND OF CHRISTMAS TREE



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### TEXAS INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

**ROANSVILLE.**—The La Feria Canal Company, which has a capital stock of \$233,000, is planning to spend \$150,000 on extensions and improvements of its irrigation system in this section. Facilities necessary to improve the capacity of the system 150 per cent will be installed and the canals reconstructed and extended. There are approximately 20,000 acres that are now being irrigated by this system, and it is expected that several hundred more acres will be furnished water upon the completion of this undertaking.

**LULING.**—A new experiment, which is said to retard early blooming of fruit trees, will be tried out here next spring, according to fruit growers in this section.

The plan is to pack a quantity of ice around the roots of fruit trees in the early spring, and in this way delay early blooming and thus save a large amount of fruit from the late accustomed cold snaps, which have always been a bane to fruit producers in this section.

It is thought that the new plan will prove successful.

**GONZALES.**—An expert from the Federal Government on the canning of meats was recently in this city and gave a number of demonstrations, which were largely attended. Special instructions as to the best process to be used in the preparing and canning of pork, beef and venison were given.

The canning of other products was also demonstrated.

**BRENHAM.**—Much interest is being manifested among the farmers in this section over the address to be delivered here by Frank Clark, of Fort Worth, December 22nd. Mr. Clark will talk on "Seed Selection," and has had expert training on this subject, which will enable him to give the farmers first-hand information as to how and when to select their seed for productive planting.

**PALESTINE.**—Basing their opinions upon recent investigations for oil in this locality, a party of men are now on the grounds preparing to bore in the hope of striking a flowing strata. Material is rapidly being put on the ground, and if activity counts for anything another flourishing oil field will soon be opened up in Texas.

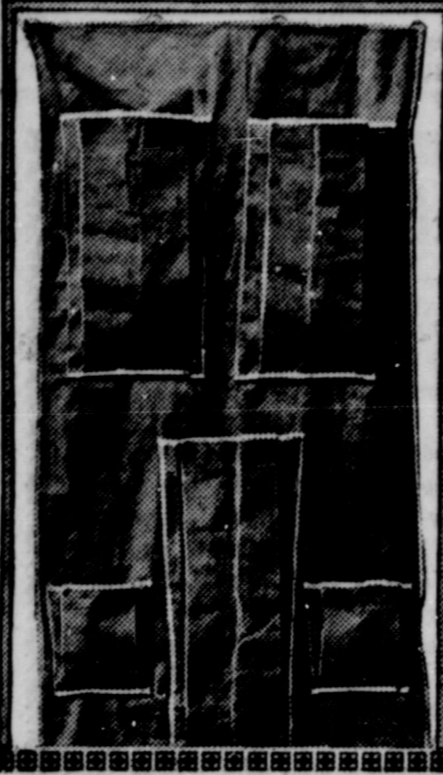
**NORMANNA.**—More than \$6,000 was recently paid Mrs. V. Weiss, of this

They were all white-faced two-year-old steers, and brought \$40 per head. They will be fed for the market.

**CUERO.**—The unique "Turkey Trot," which has been an annual attraction here for several years, will not be held this year, on account of the enormous losses to farmers and packers incurred during the drives, caused by loss of weight, etc.

### Convenient Gifts for Everyone

#### Wall Pockets for the Closet



A convenient gift which will be welcomed by either men or women is a group of wall pockets for the closet. A strip of denim or cretonne is cut as long as the maker may choose and bound with tape. Strips of the material, ranging in width and length are bound with the tape and a deep box plat is laid in each one.

These pieces are stitched along three sides to the plain strip to form pockets, as shown in the picture above. The pockets hold slippers, shoes, rubbers, hosiery, corsets or small articles for the laundry. Pockets made to extend the length of the closet door will hold everything which usually finds a place on the floor.

#### Darning Bag of Silkene



Two squares of figured silkene are placed face to face and machine-stitched together in a felled seam. One corner is then cut off and the bag and corner pieces, made by cutting off the corner, are folded over a small embroidery hoop and sewed down. The bag is suspended by means of a fold of the silkene, with edges machine-stitched together and ends sewed to each side of the opening.

The corner that was cut away is stuffed with cotton or sawdust and bound with tape, making a cushion for darning needles. A little piece of tape is sewed to one edge of it and to the bag, attaching it to the opening. This provides a receptacle for hosiery that needs darning.

#### Bubble Pipes That All Enjoy



A small wooden rack, or one of celluloid, such as are sold for holding tooth brushes, a few clay pipes and four yards of bright red baby ribbon, serve to fix up a gay little gift holding promise of fun for the young people. And bubble blowing is not beneath the dignity of their elders; everyone indulges in this pastime.

Two other pipes may be suspended from this rack by shorter lengths of ribbon and the man who prefers to blow smoke to bubbles will like a rack which holds a fresh pipe or one he may offer his friend.



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Here's a Merry Christmas to All,  
Wished Heartily and Meant  
Sincerely by the

**THIRD NATIONAL BANK**  
Plainview, Texas



**HOW X-RAYS TELL AGE.**

X-Rays are being used in India to determine a man's age—for the first time, it is believed, in the history of a court of justice. The remarkable case is summarized in The Pioneer. The subordinate judge of Allahabad has been engaged for the last few days in hearing a case arising out of the transfer of certain properties by registered mortgage deed made by Behari Lal, a ward of the court, whom the plaintiff, Radha Shyam, alleged was more than 21 years old. Behari Lal's brother, besides raising the substantial plea that the transfer was invalid, owing to the minority of the defendant, raised a preliminary objection that because he was a minor he could not be sued without a guardian being appointed for him. Upon this his brother

was appointed a guardian ad litem for the defendant in the suit, and an issue as to the defendant's age at the date of the suit fixed by the court.

Lieutenant Colonel Birdwood, civil surgeon of Lucknow, and Doctor Omar, an X-ray expert, gave evidence regarding the method of calculating a man's age with the help of X-rays. Lieutenant Colonel Birdwood was shown three X-ray plates, or "skiagrams," taken by Dr. Omar of the various parts of Behari Lal's body. "The plate showing the elbow joint is the one on which I rely in support of my opinion," said the colonel. "These bones are all joined. The point of ossification of the inner and outer cartilages have joined the shafts of the bone. The outer cartilages join the shafts at the age of 14. The inner cartilages join the shafts between the ages of 17 and 18. The plates, therefore, show that Behari Lal is at least 17 or 18 years of age." Shown two of the X-ray plates of the knee joint, the witness said: "These two show that all the points of ossification are joined to the shafts of the bone. This takes place at the sixteenth or seventeenth year. The plates show that the man had passed the age at which the point of ossification comes." Doctor Omar took the eight X-ray plates shown to him, and thought that Behari Lal was between 18 and 19½ years old. Judgment will be given later.—Boston Transcript.

**LIBEL.**

An angry citizen puffed into the office of the local newspaper. "Look here, sir!" he shouted. "What do you mean by publishing my resignation from my municipal office in this way?" "You gave the story out yourself, didn't you?" asked the editor. "Of course I did! But your paper prints it under the heading of 'Public Improvements!'"—Femina.

**FOUND ALFALFA AS LUXURIANT IN GROWTH AS QUACK GRASS.**

**Minnesota Man Says He Found People of South Plains Happy and Contented.**

A trip to the South Plains country convinced Ham Clay, publisher of the Dakota County Tribune, Farmington, Minn., of the wonderful soil productivity of this section and the many opportunities for making money in a pleasant environment in the Southwest.

Upon his return home this gentleman told his readers in four columns on the front page of his paper about Plainview and the Shallow Water Belt. His article has the ring of conviction throughout, and the sincerity of Mr. Clay is reflected in his straightforward statement of facts as he found them.

Below follows short excerpts from his paper:

"We found that alfalfa grows in Hale County with the luxuriance of quack grass in this country, and seven and eight crops varying from one-half to two tons per acre are taken off in a season. They also raise all the other grains raised here, and apples, peaches and other fruits grow there in abundance. One farmer had about 700 bushels of apples piled in his orchard, and had about that much more to gather.

"Plainview has a population of about 6,000. All religious denominations are represented, and the Methodists and Baptists have large colleges. It has three national banks, many wholesale houses, no saloons—in fact, they never had a saloon in Hale County, and the nearest place you can get a drink is in New Mexico, sixty miles away. There being no saloon, there are no poor houses. The people are happy and contented, and we saw no one who had any desire to leave that country permanently. We found they had many advantages, and no disadvantages that we could see.

"We have told the story of our trip as we actually found it, and not as some one dictated to us. Mr. Ayres made but one request, and that was not to overdraw on our statements. We have guarded against this, and those visiting that country will find we are correct."

**HER CHOICE.**

The wife of a small farmer in Perthshire some time ago went to a druggist with two prescriptions—one for her husband, the other for her cow. Finding she had not enough money to pay for both, the chemist asked her which she would take.

"Gie me the stuff for the coo," said she. "The morn will do weel enuch for him, pur body. Gin he were to dee I could sure git anither man, but I'm no sae sure that I could git anither coo."—Tit-Bits.

Canadian, Hemphill County, is planning the installation of sewerage.

**WESTINGHOUSE COMPANY GIVES TEXAS U. GRADUATES POSITIONS**

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, Dec. 2.—In spite of the more or less stagnant industrial conditions in the electrical manufacturing field as a result of the paralysis of European markets by the war, the demand for the graduates of the School of Electrical Engineering at the University of Texas continues brisk. The class of 1915 has been placed to the last man with concerns which are on the hunt for trained men. Raymond Keck, of Cotulla, Texas; E. B. Roberts, of Austin, and R. T. P. Thompson, of Brenham, have accepted positions with the Westinghouse Elec-

tric and Manufacturing Company, of Pittsburg, Pa., and R. A. Von Blucher, of Corpus Christi, has been at Lynn, Mass., with the General Electric Company. This company has now offered positions for two more men, and the offer has been accepted by Flavio Gianotti and W. J. Miller, both of San Antonio, Texas.



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1 selection now	\$8.90
1 " "	\$9.85
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1 assortment now	\$2.90
1 " "	\$3.20
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1 " "	\$3.90
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1 " "	\$6.75
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1 " "	\$4.75
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1 " "	\$6.75
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1 " "	\$10.50
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Solid as a rock. Here we can save you money. They are reputable and dependable and well known lines. Dorothy Dodd for women and Williams Kneeland for men. All of our shoes are Eastern shoes.

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In cotton and wool, marked and underpriced.

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We have some nice, large wool blankets at \$3.90, \$4.75, \$5.90 and \$6.50

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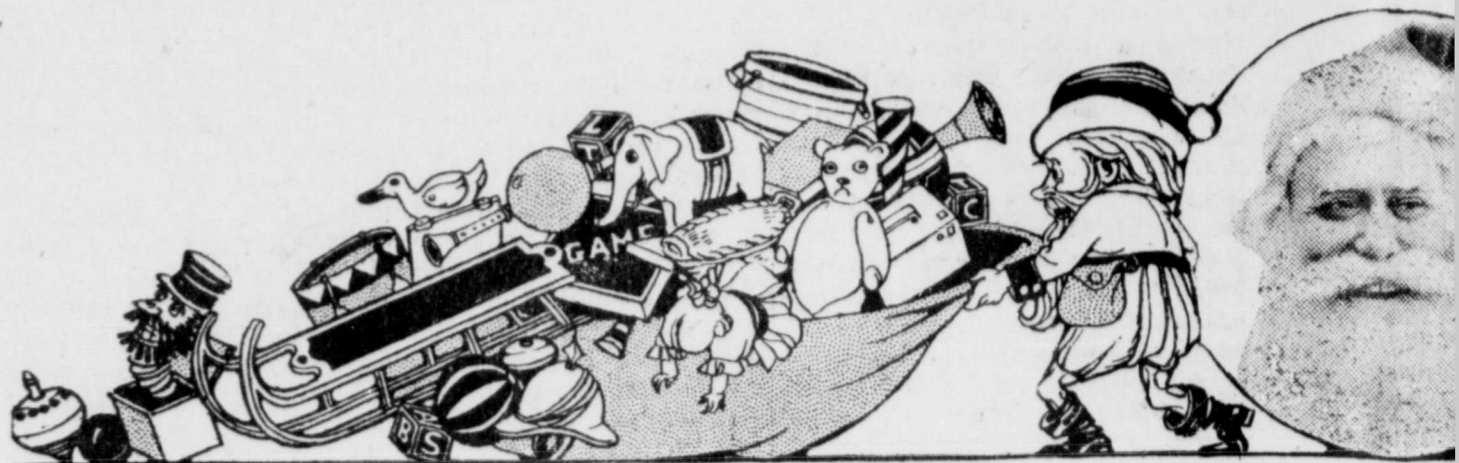
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Only 10 More Days in Which to Shop.

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AND now our minds are turning Christmasward and with it the flow of good merchandise is fairly humming with activity never before in the history of our store. As a good old fellow for Christmas dinner, this big force of trained salesmen asks you to come in and at your leisure inspect the heavy red in this store and the many useful and attractive things that make shopping at this store a pleasure. We use the clerk wrapped in electrical cash registers which insures you correct change and the returning of these cash receipts we give you useful premiums. We do this as an advertising medium to have you a part in this kind of service which has become the first word of thousands of

### BOY'S SUITS AND OVERCOATS

Without reserve we're glad to recommend our boy's suits and overcoats to our customers because they always give satisfaction. Our stock in this line is yet complete, plenty of sizes and patterns to select from. We're now making the unusual low offer of 20 per cent discount on these suits and overcoats. They're values that you can't afford to pass up. The prices on these garments range from \$3.50, \$5.00, \$7.50 up to \$15.00. \$3.50 suits now \$2.80. \$5.00 suits now \$4.00. \$5.00 overcoats now \$4.00. Other suits and overcoats reduced as the above are.

### LADIES SHOE DEPARTMENT

On a great many numbers in this department where the sizes have become broken, we are making reduced prices. These shoes are 1915 Queen Quality styles, no old ones.

\$3.50 shoes now	\$2.75
\$4.50 shoes now	\$3.50
\$5.00 shoes now	\$4.00
Other beautiful styles in dress shoes for the occasion you want will be found here. Prices \$3.00 to \$6.00	

### A SALE OF FINE CORSETS

This includes one special lot only of W. B. Not a complete line of sizes.

\$1.00 values now	75c
\$1.25 values now	95c
\$1.50 values now	\$1.10
\$2.00 values now	\$1.50
\$2.50 values now	\$1.75

### Winter Blankets and Comforts

will be found here in the kind and size you want. A range of prices at from \$1.00 to \$15.00 and all colors to select from.

### HER HOLIDAY GIFT

Men looking for gifts for mother, grandmother, sister, Aunt Kate or sweetheart Grace, will find a delightful surprise in the many attractive and useful gifts that we're showing. The following are gifts that are useful and ones that are always appreciated.

- La Vallieres Finger Rings
  - House Shoes
  - Silk Hose
  - Bathrobes
  - Cameo Pins
  - Kid Gloves
- Other gifts to her liking will be found here.

### THINGS THAT

### PREMIUM DE

You will always find one of our clerks glad to show you the cash register tickets. Always call for your receipt and beautiful premium which will equal 5 to 6 per cent discount. You will find premiums from small pitchers up to 42 piece. Your cash tickets are always good, they never go out of date.

### NECK MUFFLERS

We are showing the new popular black and white neck scarfs. We are the first to show them in black and white. You could not please your friend better than to make his holiday gift one of these scarfs.



### HEAVY REDUCED PRICES. MEN'S

### MEN'S DEPA

Highly tailored pure all wool suits that run \$15, Stadium made and guaranteed fully, Kuppenheimer's fine hand tailored suits, the models, no old ones, that sold for \$20, now Kuppenheimer brand, plenty of sizes to select from and slims, serges included, \$25 suits, now \$15. All other suits reduced in price.

### MEN'S FURNISHINGS

Our stock of shirts is new and complete. Hosiery, belts, collars, underwear, gloves, sweaters and other wearables will be found here in the largest variety and at the best prices.

Men's fine overcoats, Kuppenheimer and Stadium. This season styles, no old ones, at a discount of 20 per cent.



### Jewelry Department

If you wish to make your holiday gift jewelry, you will find this store an unusually good place to make your selection. In this department many useful and attractive gifts will be found here. These goods are guaranteed to give you satisfaction or your money will be cheerfully refunded. Jewelry makes an appropriate gift and one that is useful too, and will impress upon the recipient the good taste and discernment of the giver.

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## LADIES READY-TO-WEAR SECTION

In this department you will find the prices on most lines genuinely and generously reduced in price, especially on ladies suits, coats, skirts, underskirts and shirt waists. We are giving a discount of 20 per cent on garments. Where we only have one or two of a kind we are giving a bigger discount, some being sold at one-half price. Please be impressed that these are the very newest styles. The coats and suits offered at these prices are ones that formerly sold for \$13.50, \$15.00 \$18.00, \$25.00 and up to \$50.00.

AT ARE FREE

## DEPARTMENT

you the beautiful premiums that we give you for your  
 and after you have \$6.00 worth we will give you a  
 discount on your entire purchase. In this department  
 piece dinner sets, also silverware sets of 26 pieces.  
 it of date. Always call for them.

## A SALE OF STAPLE PIECE GOODS

Regular 12-2c grade gingham now	10c
10c gingham now	7 1-2c
Good 10c outing now	7 1-2c
Regular 10c shirting	7 1-2c
36 inch shirting, standard weight,	10c
36 inch Madras shirting	15c

All these are new goods, bought through a special purchase and exceptional values.

Many things that are not mentioned in this ad are reduced in price. If what you want is not listed here come in, we have reduced prices on most every line.

## A SALE OF TRIMMED HATS

at one-third of the original price. About seventy of these hats in all.

\$1.00 hats now	35c
\$2.00 hats now	65c
\$5.00 hats now	\$1.65
\$10.00 hats now	3.35
\$15.00 hats now	\$10.00

## HIS HOLIDAY GIFT

Ladies looking for Christmas gifts for father, brother, grandpa, Uncle John or sweetheart Jack, will find this store an unusual place to make their selections. The following, which are useful and appropriate gifts, will be found here in beautiful designs and large stocks.

- Bath Robes
  - House Shoes
  - Smoking Jackets
  - Cuff Sets
  - Neck Mufflers
  - Neckties
- (In black and white)

Other gifts to his liking will be found here.



## Toilet Goods Department

This store maintains a complete and up-to-date toilet goods department. Many useful and attractive gifts will be found in this department. Whether it be sister, mother, aunt or sweetheart you can find a gift here to please them. Comb sets, manicure sets, perfumes, toilet waters, soaps, hair brushes and sewing sets. All make useful and attractive gifts that are always appreciated. Many other attractive gifts will be found in this line.

### NECKTIES

You will find our line of neckties the largest in town, the prices are 50c to \$1.00. A nice necktie is always an appropriate holiday gift and a useful one too. You will find the newest ones to select from at this store.

### MEN'S SUITS AND OVERCOATS

## DEPARTMENT

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### MEN'S HOLIDAY GIFTS

We are showing a very large stock of men's bath robes, house shoes and combination gifts of ties, hose and handkerchiefs in beautiful black and white boxes. Large stock of other gifts.

Stadium brands, price range \$12.00 to \$40.00. at 20 per cent. Buy yours for Christmas now.

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## BROTHERHOOD.

Writers of our last frontier, writers of our Northern woods, writers like Jack London, tell such a story:

A man, a tenderfoot, was plowing through the heavy snows of the woods, almost exhausted. The short day was getting dark. Then he met another man. The other man took the pack from his back, and, lightening the load, helped him over the difficult trail to the other man's cabin, two miles away.

"Old timers" on the trail had seen the tenderfoot struggling along, and in passing the other man's cabin had told of the traveller's plight. So the other man had set out to help him.

And it never occurred to the rough old timers that he would do anything else than just what he did do—go out and help.

In the most individualistic circumstances possible, it was brought home to the down-and-outer that men are good—that men are "sociable." There are hundreds and millions of incidents cropping out in every-day life—the commonplace incidents—which prove that very thing.

If there is one institution which, as well as the millions of incidents, prove it, that institution is Christmas. Let aside the more formal religious side of Christmas (portentous as that is), still there is the other prodigious side of Christmas—the side that gets down to the every-day relations of man, the "material" bread-and-butter relations, if you please.

Of course, giving a nickel, a dime or a quarter to a widow, or a shivering kid, and getting for it a hundred dollars' worth of self-approval isn't the whole thing to be attained. But even in such incidents there is a wavering image of the truth, "I am my brother's keeper." Everywhere abounding, permeating the universe of men and women, is the feeling of "the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man"—or you can state it any way you please and get the same answer.

It is not merely optimistic to believe that FEELING can be put to work. It is downright stupid NOT to believe that practical methods can be put to work which will make that spirit count.

Who is going to work out "problems"? Who, for example, is going to do most to set right conditions so there will be no needy widow, or shivering kid? The "Ebenezer Scrooges"? The persons who do not know hot love for the good and right things and burning hate for wrong and evil things? The tightwads, whose close association with the dollar deprives them of capacity to have that FEELING?

Not on your life. Not on your soul. Not on the Christ, who had the FEELING so strong that he was willing to die for it.

## THE WORLD'S GREATEST STORY.

But thou, Bethlehem, Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me, that is to be ruler of Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.—Micah v, 2.

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod, the king, behold there came wise men from the East to Jerusalem.

Saying, where is he that is born King of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East, and are come to worship him.

When Herod the king heard these things he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.

And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judea; for thus it is written of the prophet:

And thou Bethlehem in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda, for out of these shall come a governor that shall rule my people Israel. . . .

And he sent them to Bethlehem. . . .

When they had heard the king they departed; and lo, the star which they saw in the East went before them, till it stood over where the young child was.

When they saw the star they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down and worshipped him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.—Matthew ii, 1-11.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them: Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.—Luke ii, 8-14.

And they brought young children to him that he should teach them; and his disciples rebuked those that brought them.

And when Jesus saw it he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God.

And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.—Mark x, 13, 14, 16.

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the broken hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and restoring of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised.—Luke iv, 18.

I have showed you all things, how that, so laboring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.—Acts xx, 35.

## STUDY THE SCHOOLS.

One of the hobbies of Governor James Ferguson, which is a good one, is the plan of aiding rural schools. It is probable that there are schools in Hale County which are eligible to aid from this fund. It is no reflection on any community for its schools to partake of this fund—no more than it is for any independent school district to secure funds from the State for conducting its affairs.

The article from Mrs. Longstreth in this issue, in which she tells of the work of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, is apropos. There is a crying need in Texas for better schools, and particularly for better rural schools.

Mr. Parent, Mr. Taxpayer, if you are not informed on the laws of Texas regarding schools, if you are not familiar with the terms of the new legislation providing aid for rural schools, study these at your spare time.

If you are not in close touch with YOUR school and with the people who are teaching YOUR children, there's a pleasant duty you have neglected. It's to your interest and to your child's that you do this.

We need to study our schools and their needs.

## SEES PROSPERITY AHEAD.

Texas heads the list of American states in prosperity. Certainly. A few years later, when the Extension Department of the A. & M. College begins to get returns on its work, Texas will contribute more to the Nation's wealth than Illinois, Iowa and Kansas combined.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

The Smith-Lever Act means more to the people of Texas than any single piece of legislation, State or National, which has been enacted in the past generation. Some time recently The Herald carried a resume of the workings of the act through its first year in practice. The article filled seven columns of our paper, yet every sentence of it was interesting, was vital.

Here's the Smith-Lever Act in a single idea: It means simply this—the campus gates are to be removed from the institutions of learning of the states and the best agricultural information and knowledge at the disposal of the colleges is to be sent out to our farm homes. It means that the farmer and his wife will get the advantages of the experts in the agricultural departments of the States and the Nation. This knowledge will be brought to them by the Extension Department of the Agricultural and Mechanical colleges through the county agents.

A demonstration agent in Hall and Donley counties is giving eminent satisfaction, serving the two counties. These counties pay only part of the cost; the Extension Department pays most. In Milam County a demonstration agent is one of the vital factors in the intensive development of that county's agricultural and stock raising. Many other instances of successful operation of the plan could be cited.

The question of a farm demonstrator will soon become a live one in Hale County, just as it is in every other progressive, wide-awake county in Texas.

Shop early! The good things offered in Plainview for Christmas are all before you in this issue of The Herald. The merchants are bringing to you information about their stocks two weeks before the event of the year. There are several shopping days left. Choose the earlier ones. The stock assortments are now most complete, the clerks least busy and you, possibly, less rushed. Shop early!

## A ROSE THAT BLOOMS IN CHRISTMAS SNOWS.

The Beautiful Hellebore Deserves to Be Better Known, as It Has Long Suffered From Slander.

From the Craftsman.

There is a rose that loves the snows of winter as other roses do the suns of summer, a wild thing that dauntlessly pitches a green shelter tent of leaves beside a rift of ice and unfolds pink, white-lined blossoms therein in safety. This flower recluse, like a fair novice, delights in austerities, in pale sunshine and a gray world, in a solitary contemplative life, in the nave of cloister-chilled groves, living its lovely sweet life apart from all its kind; with its pure white face upturned to the light, it seems a holy thing. As its five petals, rayed like a star, open at a season when any other flower would perish, when the sacred festival of the Nativity is fresh in the remembrance of mankind, it seems to bear some half-precieved symbolic connection with the star of Bethlehem, perhaps bearing a flower promise of imperishable life.

Should one unacquainted with this white Christmas rose chance upon it in a walk through wintry, leafless woods, blooming serenely by a path of snow, he might be excused for pausing, lost in astonishment, thinking he had happened upon some lovely Michaelmas miracle or pretty trick of the Jack Frost fairies. That fabled creature, the fire salamander, reported to live in the heart of a flame, seems to be no more marvelous an invention of man's imagination than this sweet rose that lives beneath a coverlet of snow.

This Christmas rose, as it is called, whose existence is such a strangely contradictory one, is really not a rose at all, but a hellebore, that queer family with the unenviable reputation for deceptive wickedness. The hellebores have not a very exalted name; in fact, they are said by some to possess quite deadly qualities.

From the leaves and the roots a poisonous draught may be brewed of the "herbe enragee," but since no one nowadays ever brews such a drink for a hated rival and since there is no berry for little children to find and eat, there is no possible danger in growing this here we stumble upon another contrasting flower. Its unenviable reputation has come about from a confusion in the minds of many who associate it with a really poisonous plant, the "veratum album," erroneously called the white hellebore.

The hellebore, known familiarly as the Christmas rose ("helleborus niger") is pink in reality, though the open petals are white within. Even here we stumble upon another contradiction, for those five pink petals lined with white are in reality not petals at all, but sepals, the true petals being curled into small, two-tipped tubes full to the brim with nectar. In this regard of showy sepals it resembles another Christmas flower, the poinsettia, whose scarlet bracts designed by Nature to attract attention to the almost colorless tiny flowers that are mistaken for its stamens, are generally supposed to be the petals.

The Christmas rose should be planted in September, for even this hardy plant needs warm days in which to establish roots in a new home. Like everything else in Nature, it would do better if given a sheltered position. In a little grove is best, or at the side of a house or scattered among the winter ferns. Buffeting winds, though they cannot destroy it, yet give it more to fight against, and blossoms will not be so large or perfect, nor the stems so tall. People who wish to

branched, flower fifteen to eighteen lines across. They are propagated by division, fall and spring. Seedlings will bloom the third year.

The Christmas rose, that develops in stillness, blooming in peace on Nativity night, is the only flower that keeps alive the yearly procession of garden flowers. Berries there are and beautiful leaves, but this flower is the only one that blooms on bravely in spite of winter blasts. It should be better known, for it is a lovely thing.

## PRESS COMMENT.

When a fellow feels blue things usually look yellow.—New York American.

Now the Turks protest against violation of the rules of war by their enemies. The difference between war and massacre is that the latter has no rules.—New York Evening Post.

Villa doesn't seem to be suffering much from being killed every few weeks.—Tulsa (Okla.) Democrat.

After a careful survey of the Presidential field, Governor Willis, of Ohio, is of the opinion that another term in the Governorship is nearer his size.—Knoxville (Tenn.) Sentinel.

Half the time it's a question whether the canal is in Panama or Panama is in the canal.—New York Evening Telegram.

Germany's navy in the Kiel Canal is still wondering why the British fleet doesn't come out and fight.—Columbia (S. C.) State.

A Berlin editor says that the Allies are "defeated, but not aware of it." Dangerous people, these fellows who don't know when they're licked.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

General Villa is reported to be much depressed. If he would only compare his luck with that of General Huerta it might cheer him considerably.—Birmingham (Ala.) Age-Herald.

## Sublimity of Christ's Birth

Find that some celebrated the Saviour's birth by publishing what they had heard and seen,

and truly we may say of them that they had something to rehearse in men's ears well worth the telling. That something had in it the inimitable blending which is the secret sign and royal mark of divine authorship, a peerless marrying of sublimity and simplicity, angels singing, singing to shepherds; heaven bright with glory, bright at midnight; God, a Babe, the Infinite, an Infant of a span long, the Ancient of Days, born of a woman! What more simple than the inn, the manger, a carpenter, a carpenter's wife, a child? What more sublime than the "multitude of heavenly host" waking the midnight with their joyous chorales and God himself in human flesh made manifest? A child is but an ordinary sight, but what a marvel to see that Word, which was "in the beginning with God, tabernacling among us, that we might behold his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the father, full of grace and truth!"—Rev. Charles F. Spurgeon.

Sweet also are the uses of prosperity.—Amarillo Panhandle.



## INDIVIDUALITY

is most appreciated by the recipient of gifts.

Usually the cost to the giver is out of proportion to the pleasure of the recipient. Reverse that order this Christmas—fool Old Santa if he suggests expensive giving—tell us your needs and difficulties and let us provide inexpensive

## Christmas Cards

Rich in thought, design and quality but "poor" in price. Everyone with your name engraved or printed thereon. A beautiful assortment in any quantity wanted. A cheap remembrance of any other sort will look tawdry. These cards are in the very latest favor and rich in appearance. See our line today.

## Monogram Stationery

Designs and color effects in great variation, either printed or engraved, offer worthy Christmas gift suggestions.

We are prepared to meet your demands in this class of goods.

We have many new ideas to suggest for your Christmas printing. Phone us your needs.

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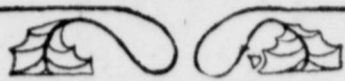
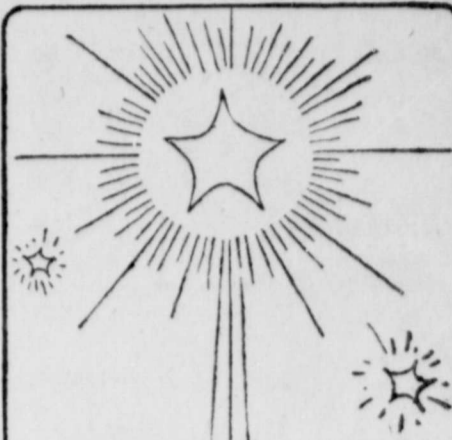






# A Song of Christmas Cheer

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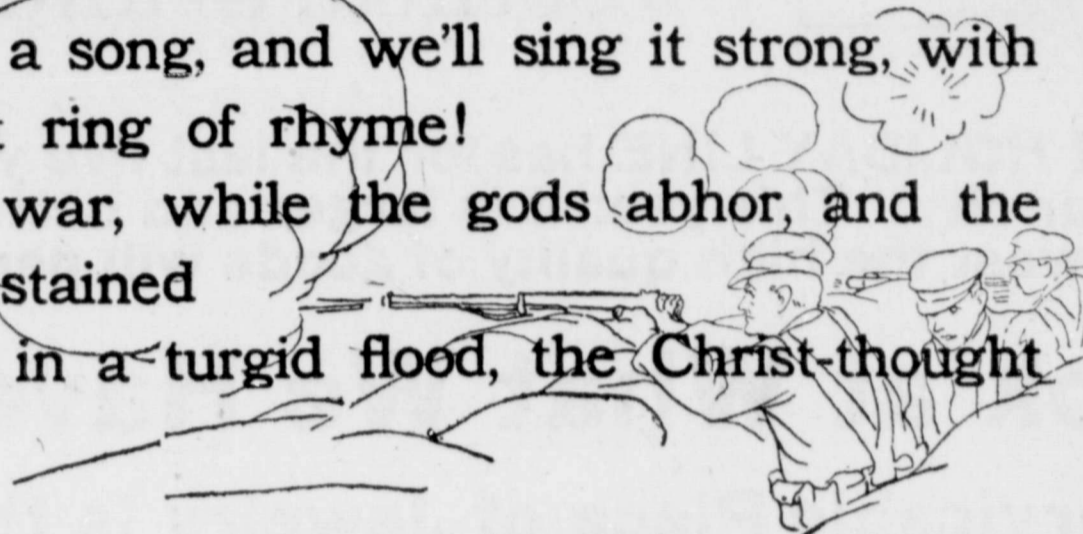


**H**O! for the holly and the Yuletide jolly and the joys of Christmas time!

They are worth a song, and we'll sing it strong, with a resonant ring of rhyme!

Though the lands may war, while the gods abhor, and the Golden Fleece be stained

With brave men's blood in a turgid flood, the Christ-thought hath not waned!



**T**HE rich increase of a year of peace in a wide and goodly land,

The abundant yields of a million fields by benign heavens spanned—

They are ours today, and the heart of May thrills through December drear:

So it's ours to sing with the oldtime ring a song of Christmas cheer!



**T**HOUGH men may fight and the woeful blight of war blast half the earth,

They cannot strangle nor maim nor mangle the tale of the Savior's birth;

And deep in the heart the song will start and float over land and sea:

So we'll sing with a will and a rising trill our song of Yuletide glee!

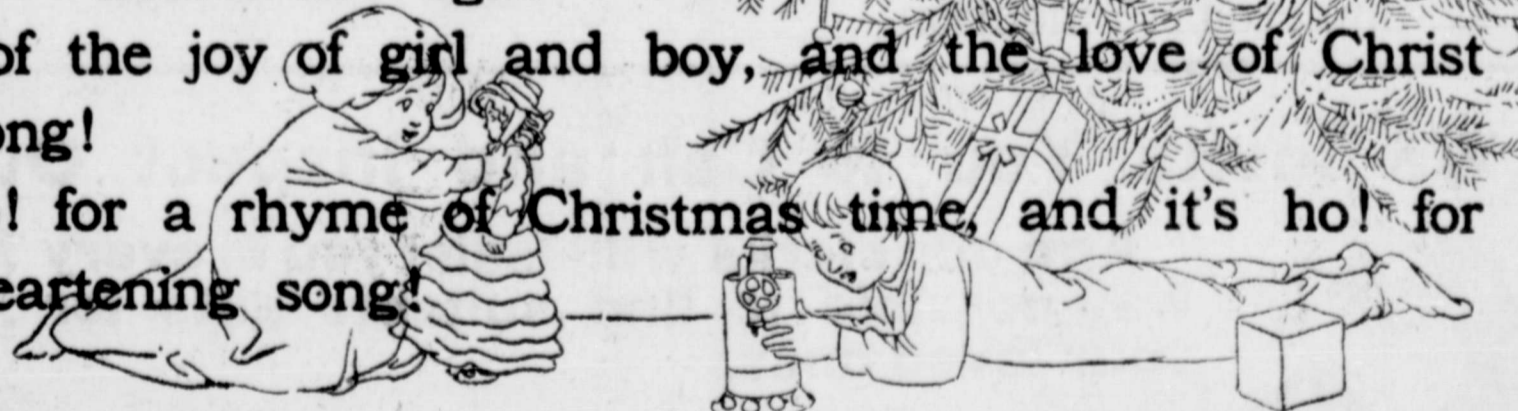


**F**ROM the blazing fire the sparks aspire, and the laden tree is bright,

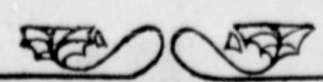
And the children play on the blessed day, and older hearts are light

Because of the joy of girl and boy, and the love of Christ is long!

So it's ho! for a rhyme of Christmas time, and it's ho! for a heartening song!



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## Letters to Santa Claus

Floydada, Texas, Dec. 6, 1915.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a tricycle and some fruit, candy and nuts. I am seven years old, Clinton is four years old, and wants a tricycle. Ollie is nine years old, and wants a doll and doll buggy. Baby wants a doll and a toy wagon, and please bring me and Clinton a stopper gun, and we will be pleased.

Goodbye.

JOHN GAMBLE.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a box of tools, a football, puzzle blocks, mechanical bug, story books, candy, a little fire engine, a train, and a little auto, some fruit and nuts.

Please, Santa, come around to see me Christmas morning. Tell Mrs. Santa Claus "Hello!" for me.

"BILL" GIDNEY.

Plainview, Texas, Dec. 3, 1915.

Dear Santa:

I want you to send me a French harp, a little wagon, some fire crackers some sparkly and a knife.

A. B. ROSSER, JR.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a horn and a train, some books, a ball, some candy, an apple, orange, and some nuts and a banana and a fire engine.

Please bring Baby Girl a doll and a doll buggy, some dishes, some candy, apples, oranges and bananas, and, Santa, bring the Y. M. B. L. some one for a president so daddy won't have to go to town so much.

And, Santa, don't you forget, like daddy nearly always does when I 'phone him to bring me something.

FRANK HARDIN, JR.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll buggy, a doll, a muff, and I want some candy and peanuts and fruit. If you can't bring me a doll or Teddy bear, I'll have to buy it for myself.

Your living,

LILLIAN WHEATON.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl at Seth Ward. I have tried to be good all year so you would bring me all I want. I want lots of things, but most of all I want the American Model Builder. Even if I

## Live Community Correspondence

BELLEVIEW.

BELLEVIEW, Texas, Dec. 9.—The rain was fine for growing wheat and has put ground in shape for later sowing.

The box supper held Thanksgiving night netted \$24.25, which will be used to buy coal for the school. A play is now being arranged for the 18th of December, to raise funds to paint the interior of the school house.

W. H. Tilson, Henry Owens and W. C. Willis went to Plainview Tuesday.

Mrs. W. W. Kurtees sold a load of turkeys at Lockney Thursday.

Mr. Watson threshed several crops in the community last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Crawford, of Petersburg, are visiting Mrs. Crawford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Jernigan.

Col. T. J. Tilson loaded a car of alfalfa at Aiken Friday.

G. M. Schick went to Plainview Wednesday.

Mrs. H. H. Tilson and family and Jim Dennis and family were at Belleview Sunday.

Rev. A. B. Roberts preached a fine sermon here Sunday afternoon.

ABERNATHY.

ABERNATHY, Texas, Dec. 9.—Mr. Fletcher, Mrs. C. E. Stout, Miss Grace Stout and Miss Grace Evans were Lubbock visitors Saturday.

The Odd Fellows held their anniversary meeting at the school house Saturday night, with a good program and good attendance.

Mrs. Overton, who has been quite sick with la grippe, is improving.

J. H. Lutrick received a 'phone call Sunday morning from Plainview stating that his daughter, Miss Dillie, who is attending Seth Ward College, was

Ernest Spence and Tom Grubb, who have been visiting the Spence family here for some weeks, left last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Evans, of Kress, made a flying trip to Halfway last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Barrett and little daughter, Mildred, visited relatives here Sunday.

GOOD RAIN AT LITTLEFIELD.

LITTLEFIELD, Texas, Dec. 7.—It rained over this county all day yesterday and last night, and there is now a splendid season in the ground. The rain was beneficial to the winter wheat, quite a lot of which has been planted in this section. Threshing will be delayed several days. Feed crops have been threshing out from thirty to seventy bushels per acre, with an average of about forty bushels. New families are moving into this community every week, and conditions are good.

The Abernathy girls, accompanied by many of the boys and older folks, went to Hale Center Saturday, where they played the Hale Center girls a game of basketball.

HALFWAY.

HALFWAY, Texas, Dec. 7.—Fine rains fell yesterday, continuing with but little intermission all day, which is of great benefit to wheat, although the threshing of other grains is interrupted indefinitely.

Rev. G. I. Brittain, of Plainview, preached a fine sermon to an appreciative audience here on Sunday afternoon, and in the evening Rev. J. L. Bagwell made a splendid talk on his "Impressions at the State Convention." Rev. Bagwell tendered his resignation as pastor of the Baptist Church here at this time, as he goes away to Simmons College. His resignation was accepted, and Rev. G. I. Brittain was immediately called to the care of the church.

The Mothers' Club met in called session last week, and took steps towards some very important sanitary improvements of school surroundings.

A box supper will be given here on the night of December 22, by the Mothers' Club and the school. Everyone is invited. The ladies will please bring boxes and the gentlemen all their spare change.

School will close for the holidays on December 22, to reopen on January 3.

Albert Kayser returned from Fort Worth last week.

Mrs. B. B. Huguley returned from Kress last Friday.

Riley Gilbert, Albert Kayser, Bryan and J. W. Dye, and Misses Hughes, Claibor, Sadie Miller, Edna Stewart and Almira McComas, of this place, attended the entertainment given at Runningwater by Miss Annie Lou Waddill on last Friday night.

Mrs. Melvin Emerson, Mrs. R. L. Hooper and Miss Lena Kayser were visitors to Plainview last Saturday, seriously ill. Mr. and Mrs. Lutrick left

immediately in a car for Plainview, and brought Miss Lutrick home. She is now able to be up again.

An Epworth League was organized here Sunday, with about 30 members. S. B. Hanna was elected president; J. A. Darden, vice president, and Miss Annie Mae Hardesty, secretary. The League is to meet every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and everybody is invited to attend.

OLTON.

OLTON, Texas, Dec. 9.—Mrs. D. C. Yauger is in Waxahachie at the bedside of her father, who at last report was very low.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Miller Sunday morning. Dr. L. C. Wayland was in attendance.

Roy and Neva Cowart, of Lubbock, are visiting the homes of their uncles, Wm. and J. H. Cowart.

Rev. G. I. Brittain, of Plainview, preached to an appreciative audience Sunday morning and night.

J. H. Cowart was in Plainview Monday to meet his sister, who expects to make them a visit here.

W. H. Bohner was in Plainview last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Ensign and Mrs. M. Dotson and children were in Plainview Saturday.

Frank Jeffries was in Plainview Saturday and Sunday.

D. C. Yauger was in Plainview Friday and Saturday.

Work is progressing nicely on the handsome residence being erected by H. K. Baughn on his farm west of Olton.

Judge C. H. Curl, of Littlefield, was in Olton last Friday, to open the examination to be held here for teachers, going from here to Spring Lake to visit the school there.



**BUY** your furniture for Christmas now. That is good advice; we're giving it to our friends candidly; and it's good advice wherever you buy your furniture. Of course we'd like to have you come to us for it, because we have gone to some special pains to provide the things you want; and our idea is to be of service to you, to help you buy right, rather than merely sell you something.

The reason for buying furniture now is that furniture is going to cost more after a few weeks. Everything that goes into it—fine woods, fabrics, dyes, steel, everything is advancing in price; some dyes much used in textiles for furniture are practically unobtainable.

We foresaw this result; we bought heavily in anticipation of it; we are giving our customers the benefit of this foresight in our prices.

The store is full of things suitable for Christmas gifts, or for the complete furnishing of an entire house.

## Paxton & Oswald



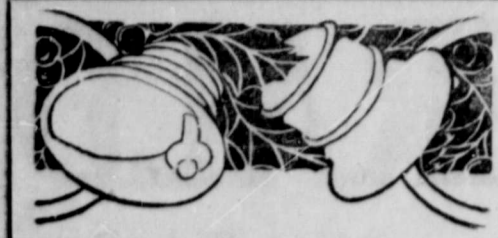
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# THE CHILDREN'S PAGE



## Verses for Little Boys and Girls

**A Treetop Lullaby.**  
Softly, softly, the wind was humming,  
Up in the tree tops high,  
Softly, softly, the wind was humming,  
This low sweet lullaby!

"Birdies, dear Birdies, do you love me?  
For I swing and sway the old oak tree."

"Yes, yes," said the birdies, "yes, yes, we do."  
And the wind said "Good!" and away he flew.

**A Seashore Song.**  
The little waves of water  
Ripple o'er the thirsting sands;  
The little shafts of sunlight  
Sail off to distant lands.

The little clams and sea-shells  
Are ships of the ocean blue,  
The sea-shells are the captains  
and the clam-shells are the crew.

**A Christmas Jingle.**  
Away at the cold North Pole  
There is not a single soul  
But one little fat, jolly man.  
Now guess who if you can.



## The Story of the Christ Child

The most wonderful story in all the world is the story of the Christ Child. In far away Bethlehem the little child came as God's messenger to bring love, hope and peace to everybody. And this is how it all happened:

Long, long ago, in the city of Nazareth, in Galilee, there lived a carpenter named Joseph, and his wife, Mary, was a good and holy woman. God sent

the Angel Gabriel to Mary to tell her that God would send her a little son and that she should name him Jesus. "For," said the angel, "He shall be great and shall be called the Son of God."

In those days Caesar Augustus was ruler of all the world. He sent out a command that all men should be taxed, and that everyone should go to the city in which he was born to pay the money. So Joseph, who was a descendant of the great King David, took his wife, Mary, and together they went to the city of David, which was called Bethlehem. They reached Bethlehem late in the evening, and, weary with their long journey, they stopped at the Inn there for lodgings; but the city was full of people who, like Mary and Joseph, had come to pay their taxes, and the Inn was already so crowded that there was no room there; but Joseph and Mary were told that they might spend the night sheltered in the stable of the Inn. And there, on that very night, God sent the baby Jesus to Mary, and she wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger.

In the same country there were in the fields shepherds, keeping watch over their flocks at night. As they watched, the Angel of the Lord appeared before them, and the glory of the Lord shone all around them, and it was all so strange that they grew afraid. The Angel said to them, "Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be unto all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the Angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

When the Angel had disappeared the shepherds went at once into the city of Bethlehem to look for Mary and Joseph; and, just as the Angel had promised, they found them in the stable of the Inn, and the little baby,

## A GOOD TEACHER



Jesus, was lying in the manger. The shepherds wondered at what they saw, and bowed down in worship. A beautiful holy light shone in the stable and round about the mother and child.

Now, at the time when Jesus was born in Bethlehem, which was in the country of Judea, Herod was king of Judea, and lived in his palace in the city of Jerusalem; and there came to him three wise men from the East, who asked: "Where is He that is born King of the Jews, for we have seen His star shining in the east?" They meant the baby Jesus. But Herod could not answer this question, and it troubled him greatly. So he called the wise men to him secretly, and asked them all about this star, and then sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go search diligently for the young child, and, when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also."

The wise men set out on their camels, and the star they saw in the east led them to the lowly place where the Christ Child lay in the manger. The wise men rejoiced with great joy, and went quickly into the stable and bowed down and worshipped the child Jesus and his mother, Mary. And they gave the gifts they had brought, precious gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Herod, like many kings, had a wicked heart, and was jealous for fear Jesus, this new king of the Jews, might grow up and rob him of his throne and power; and he, meantime, sat impatiently waiting for news from the wise men of the baby, Jesus, but not so that he might go, too, and worship Him as he had said, but so that he could send his soldiers to kill Him. But God saw into Herod's wicked heart, and caused the wise men to dream a dream in which He warned them not to return and tell Herod where the Christ Child was. So they departed and went back to their own country another way.

When they had gone, the Angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph, in a dream, saying "Aise, and take the young child and His mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy Him." Joseph knew that the Angel's warning was from God, and he obeyed at once and took Mary and Jesus into Egypt.

Now, when the wise men did not return to Herod, he was very, very angry, and called his soldiers to him and commanded them to kill all the little boy babies in Judea, thinking in this way he would put to death the Child Jesus, for he did not know that God had told Joseph to take Mary and Jesus out of his kingdom.

After Herod died, Joseph took Mary and the baby, Jesus, back to Nazareth, in Galilee, where Joseph and Mary had lived before their journey into the city of Bethlehem. There they found a little home where as before Joseph could carry on his honest trade as a carpenter. And the baby, Jesus, grew, happy and free, spending many hours in the little shop with Joseph

## The Boy Who Didn't Believe

He didn't believe in Santa Claus  
As the king o' the Christmas crowned;  
"How can he come down a chimney,  
An' he so fat an' round?  
An' where's the reason an' where's the proof  
'Bout reindeer runnin' across the roof?"

An' so it came, on the Christmas eve,  
He built the biggest fire  
The chimney ever had known, an' said  
As the red flames climbed up higher:  
"I'll find where your Santy Claus is at;  
I'll b'lieve in him if he comes through that!"

An' Santy Claus, he came along  
With a merry laugh an' shout,  
An' he called to the North Wind, brave an' strong:  
"Come! Blow that fire out!"  
An' down he came as the North Wind blew,  
An' the little boy said, "I b'lieve in you!"

as he worked on in the joy of his simple tasks. So Jesus lived with his parents and grew into boyhood, staunch of heart and noble of spirit, ready to do the mission for which God, our Heavenly Father, sent Him to earth.—Selected.

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# THE CHILDREN'S PAGE

## CHRISTMAS IN A HOSPITAL.

From Mary Roberts Rinehart's "The Street of Seven Stars" (Houghton Mifflin).

A hospital in festivity is very affecting. It smiles through its tears. And in every assemblage there are sharply defined lines of difference. There are those who are going home soon, God willing; there are those who will go home some time, after long days and longer nights. And there are those who will never go home, and who know it. And because of this the ones who are never going home are most festively clad, as if, by way of compensation, the nurses mean to give them all future Christmases in one. They receive an extra orange, or a pair of gloves, perhaps—and they are not the less grateful because they understand.

And when everything is over they lay away in the bedside (and the gloves they will never wear, and divide the extra orange with a less fortunate one who is almost recovered. Their last Christmas is past.

"How beautiful the tree was!" they say. Or, "Did you hear how the children sang? So little, to sing like that! It made me think—of angels."

## The Children's Christmas

By EUGENE C. DOLSON

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**I** OFTEN wonder if ever There are any so glad as they, The children hanging their stockings On the eve of Christmas day.

**A** ND I wonder, too, if any Would ever forget to make The children happy on Christmas For the infant Christ Child's sake.

## SANTA'S TIRED!



### Letters to Santa Clause.

Letters to Santa Clause are of page one, section two.

## WHAT THE POET SAID.

"Is there a Santa Claus?" she asked; "Come, daddy, tell me true. I heard today the gold old saint Is really, truly you; That no one down our chimney comes To little girls and boys; That you and mamma really buy My dollies and my toys."

I held her on my knee and gazed Into her searching eyes. Somehow, I felt this time would come. This question would arise, And yet, I pondered to myself. What shall I say or do, And then I answered: "Yes, there is A Santa Claus for you.

"He comes to you on Christmas Eve. But let me tell you this, He's with you when you hug your dad And when his cheek you kiss; He's with you when you say your prayers To God, who reigns above; Sometimes he has another name. We grown folks call him Love.

"You keep your faith in Santa Claus When others bid you doubt; You still retain your faith in him, Let not belief die out; And what you heard today is wrong"— I felt the tear drops start— "Yes, yes, there is a Santa Claus; He lives in daddy's heart."

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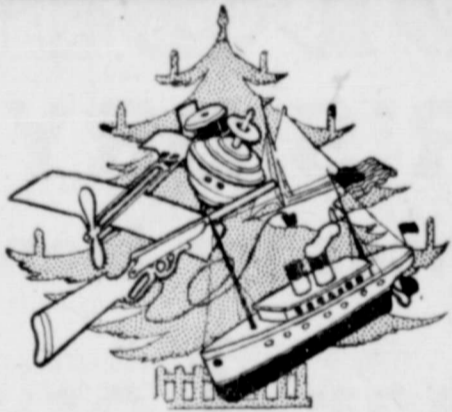
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## The Christmas Spirit

TO YOUNG AND OLD

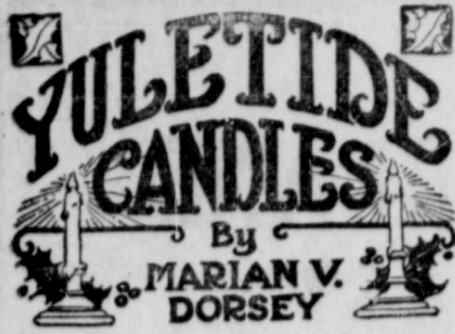
We hope that Old Father Time has dealt gently with you—that Santa will bring the gifts that you desire and that your joy may be unbounded. This and more we wish for our friends and customers. We are at all times ready to serve you in a business way and appreciate your inquiries and criticisms.

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PLAINVIEW

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**E**VERY year the little green bayberry candles are sent as luck bringing gifts to an even greater extent than during the past few holiday seasons. The reason for this is that the people who received them the past year or two—and who did not?—thought that they really did seem to bring them good fortune; hence this increasingly rapid growth of the candle's popularity as a substitute for the conventional Christmas card or as constituting in itself an unpretentious little gift symbolizing every good wish.

But, while a great many people both send and receive bayberry candles as gifts, there are but few who know whence they come or why the luck superstition is inseparable from them. The candles, or "dips," as they were first called, are the product of a revived industry started a few years ago in the old Massachusetts towns of Deerfield and Hingham and in the kitchens of the Cape Cod people, all of them using the old pewter or tin molds that have descended in the families from colonial times. Old southern villages have not as yet realized the opportunity offered its women in this revived industry, although the bayberry candles were made by the early settlers in all the coast colonies where the berries grew, never being found inland.

As to the origin of the good luck idea, we seek it in vain among colonial chronicles as applied to the candle itself. Yet from times far earlier the bay tree and the laurel were considered sacred to good fortune, and it is



LIGHTING THE BAYBERRY CANDLE.

from this immemorial belief that we must trace the present day faith in the virtues of the bayberry candle.

The bay is a species of laurel, and as poets and victors were crowned with the laurel or the bay, wishing them long life and happiness, so is the same wish conveyed in the bestowal of a candle made of the waxen berries borne by the sacred tree.

Bayberry dips are also made as well as the molded candles. These dips are smaller and less even in shape and show us how candles were made by repeatedly dipping the wicks in the melted wax of the bayberries and drying each layer till the dip was of proper size. That was before molds were introduced, early in the eighteenth century.

To accompany a bayberry candle one should send in the little box in which it is daintily wrapped a card on which is printed, in red and green lettering, the legend:

**ON CHRISTMAS EVE.**

A bayberry candle burnt to the socket  
Brings luck to the house,  
Food to the larder  
And gold to the pocket.

When these cards are not to be found the luck rime may be written on the back of one's visiting card and wrapped with a candle, but in that case it must not be forgotten that the inclosure of writing necessitates extra postage.

Their color, a soft olive green, blends beautifully with other Christmas decorations, and they burn with a steady flame, emitting a delightfully pungent fragrance, and they are consumed evenly all around without making unsightly gutters or ridges of wax down the sides as ordinary candles do.

From New England comes the tradition that if lovers separated by distance each lights a bayberry candle in honor of the other at the same hour the aroma or incense arising from the burning wick will drift in the direction of the absent one; hence the candles make a strong appeal to young people of romantic temperament.

A candle must be presented to you, not bought by yourself, in order to insure good luck, and you must not light your own; that must be done for you by some other person, not necessarily the donor.

Christmas eve is the time for burning, either at dinner or later, and to follow out the old idea of the laurels and the bays to the victor a candle should surely be bestowed on the relative or friend who has recently achieved some success or won a distinction.—Philadelphia Press.

**Angels from the Realms of Glory**

**A**NGELS from the realms of glory,  
Wing your flight o'er all the earth.  
Ye who sang creation's story  
Now proclaim Messiah's birth.  
Come and worship,  
Worship Christ, the newborn King.

**S**HEPHERDS, in the field abiding,  
Watching o'er your flocks by night,  
God with man is now residing  
Yonder shines the infant light.  
Come and worship,  
Worship Christ, the newborn King.

**Religious Significance of Christmas**

**C**HRISTMAS has new meanings as the years go on. There was a period—say half a century ago and less—when the religious meanings were somewhat enfeebled in the minds of many by the dazzling dominance of scientific discovery and thought.

To many whatever Christmas then had of spiritual meaning was rather in the way of sentiment, of tradition, of natural good fellowship and of the spirit of practical charity.

There was a haunting sense of unreality in the direct message of the pulpit, a feeling that the historic supernatural was much akin to the innocence of the Santa Claus myth itself.

Since then the Christ idea has taken new significance and proportions in those minds which are of the kind called skeptical, even in the minds over which the warrant of the supernatural has little sway or none at all.

In books and sermons one comes upon the preaching of the idea of Christ and the message of Christianity in a tone and in a language which appeal with tremendous force not only to the so-called orthodox, but to all serious minds of whatever training or tendency.—Century Magazine.

**The Newborn King.**

To the superficial skeptic it may seem some ground for doubting the divine character of Jesus Christ that he should be born in a stable and laid in a manger and the first courtiers of the young King of the Jews should be the rude shepherds of Bethlehem. But, to him who thinks, these difficulties become rather evidences of his glorious character and beneficent mission to the human race. Between the stable of Bethlehem and the marble palace of the Caesars in Rome there can be, in the sight of God, only the difference between two little things, for all that is created must be little in the sight of the infinite God. And as the mission of Christ was to elevate the helpless and the poor it was eminently suitable that he should be born among them. For those who are weak enough to be scandalized at his poverty we say, Behold the kings of the east are prostrate at his feet, offering their gold, incense and myrrh. Being wise men, they well understood that the little tinsel of earthly splendor was not essential to such a royalty as his.—Archbishop Ryan.

**Christ's Perennial Love.**

The living green of the holly is suggestive of the perennial love of Jesus and the scarlet of the berry the price that was paid on Calvary, and as the circle is an emblem of eternity the wreath might teach us that—  
His mercy flows an endless stream  
To all eternity the same.

**Typewriter Paper at The Herald.**

**THE "MAN IN THE MOON."**

A great many curious ideas exist in various parts of the world regarding the dark spots in the moon's disc. In the eastern part of Asia the spots are believed to be a rabbit or a hare; the Chinese, in particular, look upon them as a hare sitting up and pounding rice in a mortar. Most of the Siamese take the same view. Some few, however, see in the moon a man and woman working in a field. Curiously enough, the North American Indians have almost the same superstition as the Chinese; and on old monuments in Central America the moon appears as a jug or vessel out of which an animal like a rabbit is jumping.

The South American Indians, on the other hand, believe that a girl, who had fallen in love with the moon, sprang upwards to it, was caught and kept by it, and that it is her figure which is seen on the moon's face.


The Samoa Islanders look on the spots as representing a woman carrying a child, and many other Southern peoples have similar beliefs; the woman and child sometimes being altered into an old woman bearing a burden on her back. The Eskimos have an original superstition. They say that one day Aniga, the moon, chased his sister, the sun, in wrath; just as he was about to catch her, however, she suddenly turned round and threw a great handful of soot in his face, and thus escaped him; and of that soot he bears the traces to this day.  
The inhabitants of Northwestern In-

dia, who account for the moon's monthly disappearance by declaring that she is burnt up regularly, and replaced by a fresh moon, explain the dark spots by saying they are the

ashes of the former moon. Other nations explain her disappearance in various ways; the Dakota Indians have it that she is eaten up by mice; the Polynesian superstition is

that the souls of the dead feed on her; according to the Hottentots, the moon suffers from headache, and when it gets very bad she hides her head with her hand and covers up her face from

the gaze of the world; the Eskimos maintain that after shining for three weeks she gets tired and hungry, and withdraws to take one enormous meal.—Dallas News Magazine.



# HOLIDAY GREETINGS

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# OUR HOLIDAY DISPLAY

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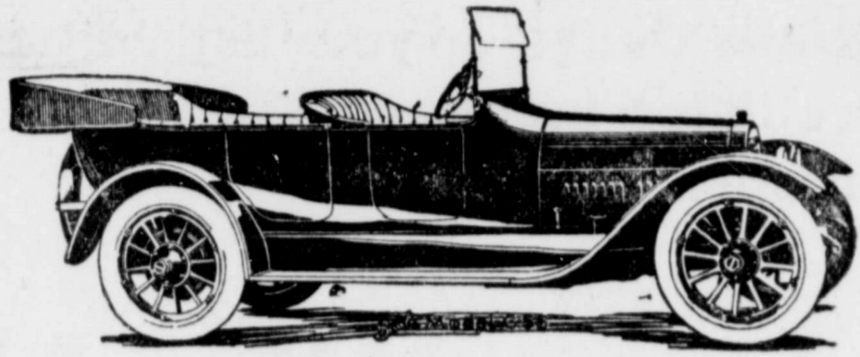
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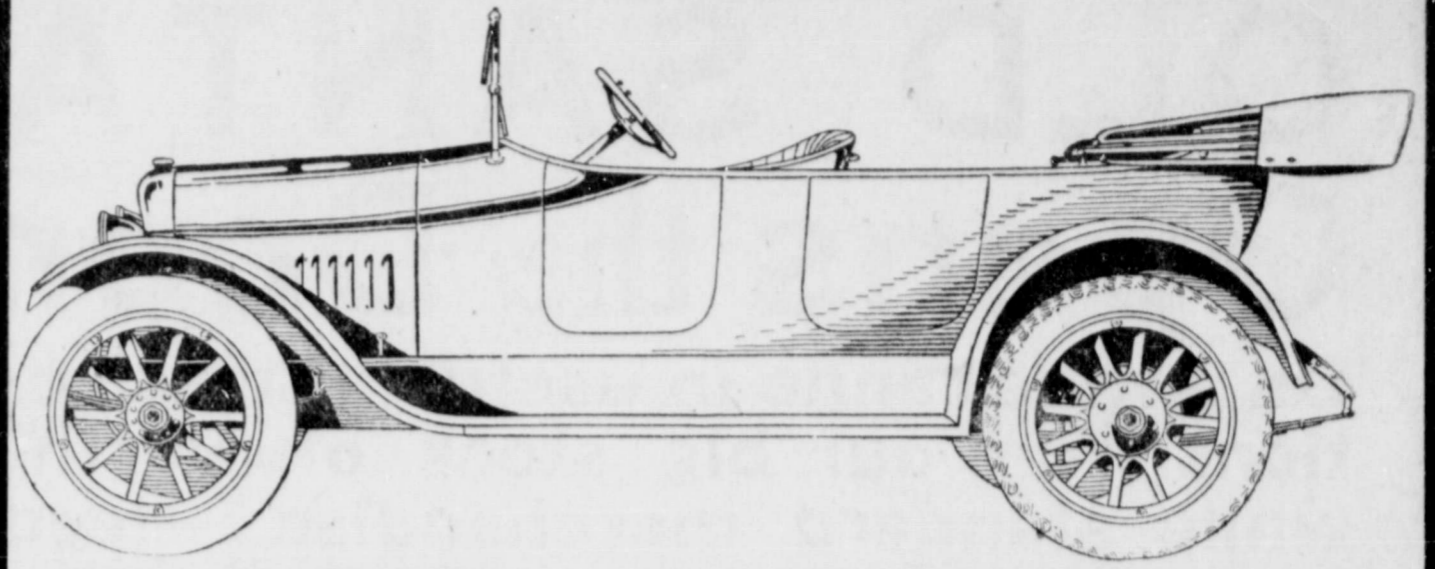
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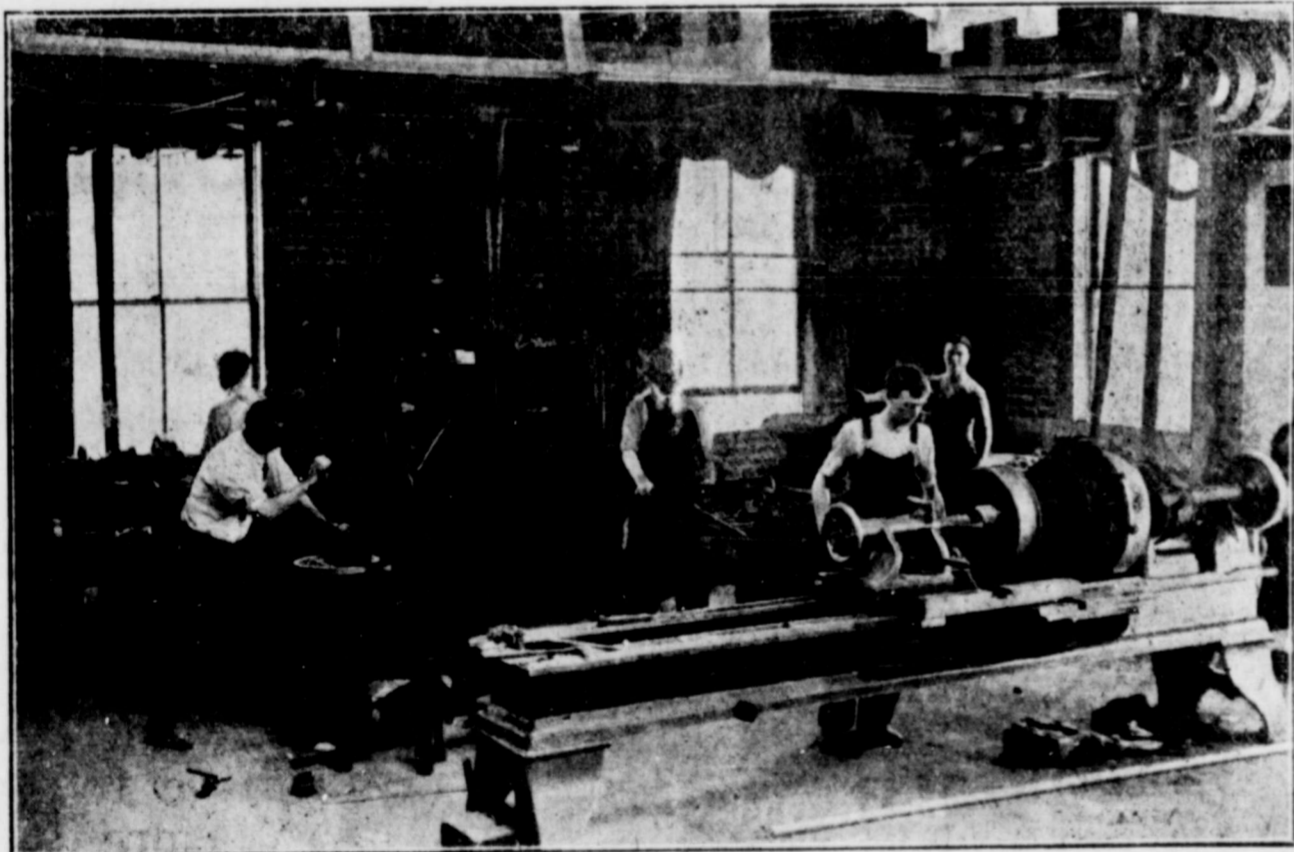
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# The Story of the Yule Log

Everybody likes a nice, bright open fire for Christmas night, one where the fire crackles and pops about the big yule log and fills the whole house with the pleasant aroma of burning wood. Like Mr. Pickwick when he spent Christmas with Mr. Wardle, we love to see the bright sparks fly up "in myriads as the logs are stirred and the deep red blaze sends forth a rich glow, that penetrates into the farthest corner of the room and casts its cheerful tint on every face."

But even with all the cheer, and warmth and merriment we have around an open fireplace Christmas night, the ancient folk who lived in Germany, England and Scandinavia many centuries ago had much better times, perhaps, because they made the burning of the yule log a much more important occasion than we do now.

A week or more before the holidays came the men and boys of a home and roamed through the woods looking for a suitable log. If we of Plainview have one now we order a small one, to fit our tiny grates, from a friend who lives in a wooded section, or burn a portion of a dead tree on our lawn or a section of a discarded cross-tie. One man who comes to Plainview occasionally is so fond of the crackling log and the cheery comfort of an open fire that he has pine knots shipped in by express to satisfy that longing. But in olden days nothing but a huge, knotty root log would serve for the Christmas fire.

### Hauled It to the Hearth.

Then Christmas morning, a horse or an ox was hitched to the log and, accompanied by all the men and boys, it was hauled gayly to the hearth. If it was destined for a noble or rich family, the head of the house, dressed in his finest clothes, thought it quite an honor to ride his finest horse in the escort.

The journey of the log was a gala affair. All the boys danced in the snow beside it, shouting and singing and calling the log "Old Dun," which was a name they had for it then. Passersby entered into the festive spirit, and no man or woman allowed a yule log to pass them without they doffed their hats just as politely as could be. All the men and boys escorting the log and the noble who rode behind tipped their hats in return.

Sometimes, if the passerby was a poor person, the noble threw money and everybody cried out:

"A right merry Yuletide to you!"

Just how the habit of making so much to do over a log at Christmas time began, no one seems to know exactly. Before they became Christians the Scandinavians used to build huge fires on December 22, the winter solstice. Gradually they came to have the fire in each home, and that custom evolved into the Christian one we use now. Because the old Danes and Vikings built fires also at the summer solstice, some people believe the burning of the yule log is a modern version of some old-time sun worship.

### Welcomed the Log With Song.

But, however that may be, when the log was halted in front of the home, the men and boys set up a merry din of shouting and singing. Usually, then, the girls of the home ran out and took possession of the log. If the family was rich enough minstrels were engaged to sing. A favorite song went like this:

"Welcome be thou, Heavenly King,  
Welcome, born on this morning,  
Welcome for him we shall sing.  
Welcome Yule!  
Welcome be ye that are here,  
Welcome all, and make good cheer,  
Welcome all, another year.  
Welcome Yule!"

After that the log was dragged into the house and placed just before the fireplace. Then all the children played a game with the log which they called "Dun and the Mire." The log was supposed to be an old horse named Dun, who was caught in a mire. All the younger children sat straddle of it as if they were riding. Two or three of the older ones got hold and made believe they were pulling Dun from the mire. Then they would sing:

"If thou art Dun we'll draw thee from the mire  
Of this love wherein thou stick'st  
Up to the ears."

Of course, Dun didn't answer, but everybody made believe he did, and he was pulled toward the fire. Then the children sang another song, which a modern author writes this way:

Till sunset let it burn,  
Which quencht, then lay it up again  
Till Christmas next return.

"Part must be kept, wherein to tend  
The Christmas log next year;  
And where 'tis safely kept, the fiend  
Can do no mischief there."

Lighting the fire was another ceremony. In every house there was a brand from the log of the year before kept for no other purpose than to light the yule log. As mothers then, just like mothers now, were the only ones who knew where everything in the house could be found, mother got the brand. She passed it on to father, who carefully lighted it. Then all the kindling was prepared and the yule log lighted by the last year's brand.

At the same time a big yule candle was lighted. It and the log were supposed to burn all night. It was bad luck if either went out, so you can be sure father saw to it that a large log was brought and mother was careful that the candle was large. The ancients had a great many superstitions like that which look silly to us now. It was the worst kind of luck if a squinting person came into the room while a yule log was burning. A barefooted person or a flat-footed woman was just as bad. Sometimes older boys would sneak out doors and try to come in barefooted or squinting, but nearly always the ones inside kept them out.

While the fire was gathering headway some more songs were sung. A popular one was like this:

"Come, bring with a noise,  
My merrie, merrie bsyo,  
The Christmas log to the firing,  
While my god dame she  
Bids you all be free  
And drink to your heart's desiring."

"With the last year's brand,  
Light the new block, and,  
For good success in his spending,  
In your psalteries play  
That sweet luck may  
Come while the log is burning."

Yule doughs, goodies something like doughnuts, would be brought out in huge dishes now. The wassail bowl, filled brimming full of spiced wine or cider, with apples floating all over the top, would be placed on a table. Then everybody set to drinking and eating at a merry rate.



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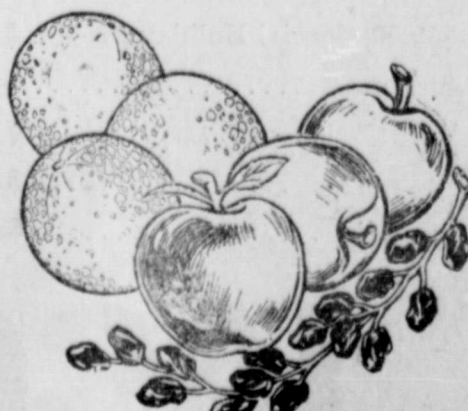
Don't think that just because we are interested in the wants of the kiddies that the grown folks' needs have been forgotten in our plans. We have arranged to offer you everything you might expect to find on a Christmas table loaded with the good things of the holiday season.



We wish all of our many friends in Plainview and vicinity all of the joy which can be crowded into the Yuletide season.

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Hale County's million-dollar wheat crop, the good crops over the entire South Plains and Panhandle bespeak the prosperity of our immediate section.

Prosperity is smiling upon the United States as never before, if we are to believe the statements of the leading business men of the Nation, as reported by the Associated Press, one of the world's greatest and most conservative news-gathering agencies.

The following report is sent out by the agency from its Washington office, offering a review of business conditions throughout the South:

"Prosperity prevailing in the Southern States is reflected in reports of business conditions from all the population centers. Heavy early buying presages fuller Christmas stockings than in several years at the close of an autumn season during which trade has been unusually heavy.

"A sure index of the wonderfully improved business conditions are the remarkable bank clearings of the larger cities. For last week Memphis reported the high water gain in clearings, an increase of 63.9 per cent over the same week last year. Atlanta reported an increase of 47.2 per cent, while every city which reported from the South showed gains of almost similar proportions.

"The restoration of cotton to a solid price foundation, more diversified crops and economy in production are declared by business men to be leading factors in the improved conditions. More foodstuffs were raised by southern planters than ever before, and thus much of the money which went else-

## Sends Dolls to Children of Prisoners at Sing Sing

Children of prisoners in Sing Sing prison, Ossining, N. Y., are to receive dolls from Plainview. Mrs. George Hutchings and little daughter, Frances, have sent a box of dolls to Mrs. Maude Ballington Booth, of New York, to be distributed to the little children of prisoners. Mrs. Booth annually spends \$5,000 at Christmas, personally doing work of this kind.

Mrs. Hutchings met Mrs. Booth during the summer Chautauqua work. where for necessities of life in other years was kept at home.

"Although no such freight congestion is reported as exists in and around New York, the terminal facilities of every Southern port are said to be taxed to capacity by the heavy coastwise and export trade."

From Dallas comes the report by the same agency: "Financing of the Texas cotton crop so that farmers have been able to hold their staple for a full 12 cents a pound, is the explanation given for excellent early-season trade with merchants in this territory. Bank deposits show big increases, which means that there is plenty of money in the hands of the people, according to local merchants. They declare that their trade at this time is much better than for the last two years at least.

"A feature, it is said, is the large amount of cash business being done."



— READ THE ADS —

## MODERN WOODMEN AMERICA ELECT THEIR NEW OFFICERS

Membership Campaign to Be Enlivened by Offer of a Banquet for Winning Side in Contest.

Last Saturday evening, at their regular meeting, the Modern Woodmen of America elected the following officers. Following the election, a delightful luncheon was served by the team: Venerable Consul—Clarence Abrams, Adviser—O. D. Coan, Banker—W. Oliver Anderson, Clerk—G. Graham, Escort—O. K. Scott, Watchman—J. O. Cole, Sentry—A. P. Blackwell, Manager—W. J. Smith. Sides have been chosen and the winning side securing the largest number of applicants will be banqueted by the losing side. The contest closes the last of January.

### TEXAS MASONS MEET.

The Masons of Texas are holding their grand lodge at Waco this week. Many prominent members of the order are in Waco attending the grand chapter and grand council.

### STATE MANAGER FEDERAL LIFE INSURANCE CO. HERE.

Ben Thorp, of Dallas, is in Plainview on business. Mr. Thorp is State Manager for the Federal Life Insurance Co. Paul A. Turner is the district representative, with headquarters here.

### WILL IMPROVE WAREHOUSE.

C. E. White Seed Company is making improvements in their warehouse. New bins of approved style are being installed.

R. W. O'Keefe left Wednesday for Lubbock and other points south.

## 'TOM,' 'DICK' AND 'HARRY' FARED DIFFERENTLY AND—

The Results Were Startling—Unusually Interesting Are New Experiment Station Bulletins.

Three new bulletins of unusual interest have just been issued by Director B. Youngblood of the Texas experiment Station. They are:

"The Story of Three Pigs" (Circular No. 9, New Series).

"Commercial Feeding Stuffs, 1914-1915" (Bulletin No. 177).

"Twenty-Seventh Annual Report, 1914."

The first shows the difference in profit from three pigs (litter mates), known, respectively, as "Tom," "Dick" and "Harry." "Harry" was placed in a dry lot and given milo chops soaked in water between feeds; "Dick" was placed in a dry lot and given milo chops and skim milk, the chops being soaked in the milk between feeds; "Tom" was fed milo chops soaked in milk between feeds and allowed to graze on mixed pasture, composed of burr clover, Bermuda, nut and crab grass. The results were startling.

The second bulletin deals with the State Feed Control Service. Tremendous labor was involved in the preparation of this book, and the work is unique in that any one can find any milling concern in the State by name, town or post office.

The annual report shows the results of the labors of the parent and sub-experiment stations in Texas for the year 1914.

Copies of these publications may be obtained by addressing B. Youngblood, Director, Experiment Station, College Station, Texas.

Miss Elizabeth Lutrick, of Abernathy, who had been home on a visit, returned Wednesday to Seth Ward.

## One and One-Fourth Inch Rain Is a Boon to the Winter Wheat

Rain during the past week amounting to one and one-fourth inches has been registered at the government station here. General rains over the South Plains are reported. A rain of several inches fell at Floydada. Good rains are reported from Swisher County, Lamb County and Lubbock County, also.

Much winter wheat has been planted, and the rain will be very beneficial to it. Much more will be planted. Only slight damage was done by this rain to forage crops and sorghum grains still in the fields.

### MRS. R. A. BRIDGES DIES.

Wife of Young County Baptist Minister Is Buried in Plainview.

Mrs. R. A. Bridges, wife of Rev. J. Q. Bridges, of Proffitt, Young County, Texas, died in Plainview Saturday night, of tuberculosis.

For the past six weeks Mr. and Mrs. Bridges have been traveling for the latter's health, arriving in Plainview a few days ago.

Mrs. Bridges was the mother of fourteen children, eleven of whom are living. Ten of these children were present at the funeral, which took place Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock at the Plainview Cemetery. Rev. Stegall conducted the services. E. R. Williams was in charge of the funeral arrangements.

### BRISCOE COMMISSIONER HERE.

John Burson, president of the First National Bank of Silverton and one of the commissioners of Briscoe County, was in Plainview Wednesday. He was accompanied by Mrs. Burson, who shopped while Mr. Burson attended to business.



## EVERY JACK COUNTY SCHOOL IS DOING EXTENSION WORK.

Sets New Record for Membership in Interscholastic League.

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, Dec. 9.—In the work of the University Interscholastic League which is being promoted by the Public Discussion Division, Department of Extension of the University, the schools of Jack County, under the leadership of County Superintendent J. W. Fulcher, have established an unprecedented record. At the county institute recently held at Jackboro every one of the 57 schools in Jack County enrolled as members of the League for the current year. No similar action is on record, and such action is gratifying evidence of the increasing interest of the schools in the work of the League. This action on the part of the Jack County teachers makes this county the banner county in membership, with a strong lead for State honors this year. No county has heretofore registered every school for membership. The largest membership last year was from Collin County, with a total of 42 schools. This leaves Jack County 15 in the lead.

### RETURNING FROM HUNT.

H. P. Canode, G. C. Mayne, Roy Hollingshed and Gaines D. Whitsitt, of Amarillo, registered at the Ware Hotel Saturday. They were returning to Amarillo after a four-day hunt in Crosby County.

"The modern, well managed, systematic bank is an organization which has a definite purpose—a purpose of practical service, and therein is found the greatest value of the bank."

You are invited to this bank to see how we keep our books—your books, rather. You have a right to know—it is your money that is being safeguarded—and we are glad to be able to show you.

So this invitation is extended that you may see and appreciate what this institution is doing for you as well as for itself, for in guaranteeing our own welfare we are guaranteeing yours. There is something akin to brotherhood in the relations between a bank and its customers; a community interest, so that whatever insures safety for one protects both against loss.

In the banking business, as in every other, there is no place for guess-work—no taking of chances on the accuracy of figures. To guarantee accuracy, thousands of banks have adopted the machine method of bookkeeping, and ours is one of them.

Bookkeeping by machinery not only insures absolute accuracy, but furnishes a self-correcting, self-proving system, from which no link can be missing.

With greater speed as an accompanying advantage, your time and our time is saved. Machine-written figures on your statements and our books are uniform and legible; therefore easy to read and unlikely to lead to errors.

In automatically detecting overdrafts the system has set up an effective barrier—a new protection—against misuse of the bank's service.

Call any day, and let us show you the machine bookkeeping system in actual operation. This innovation has been installed since December 1.

Did it ever occur to you that when you turn in your pass book for balancing you do not have a scratch of a pen to show that you have money in the bank? **BETTER BANK SERVICE TO YOU.** Of course, no bank would take advantage of such a situation, but even so it is not good business practice to surrender your only record of a transaction. Leaving pass books to be balanced has been a long-standing custom

because, until recently, no better system that offered greater convenience or economy had been devised.

There is now a better method of handling customers' accounts. The Machine Bookkeeping and Statement System which we are now installing is a great improvement, thoroughly practical, and is everywhere being adopted by progressive banks.

By the machine method, all of the work of recording and figuring customers' accounts is handled on a bookkeeping machine. Checks and deposits are entered on our ledgers, and the necessary addition and subtraction is done automatically, and with no chance for error.

The sheet containing the record of your account is placed in the machine and the old balance printed in the proper column. Then any checks you have drawn are listed and subtracted automatically from the old balance. If a deposit has been made, this is printed in the "deposit" column, and added, also automatically. Then the new balance of your account is ready to be printed by simply depressing a key and operating the machine.

A statement of your account, which is a duplicate of our ledger page, is posted every day from the original checks and deposit slips. This statement is handed to you on or about the first of the month, and shows all checks drawn and deposits made, and gives your balance at the end of the month.

By comparing the statement and ledger sheets each day, we can detect any mistake of the bookkeeper in reading an amount wrong or in charging a check to the wrong account—mistakes which occur at times in spite of all precautions.

This system, then, affords double protection—protection against any and all errors in figuring, as it is impossible for the machine to make a mistake, and protection against mistakes of every other kind by means of the checking back of statements with the ledgers.

Hereafter it will not be necessary for you to leave your pass book for balancing. A machine statement will be furnished instead, and will be ready for you after the first business day of every month. Your pass book will remain in your possession all the time as a permanent receipt for your deposits.

All that will be necessary to do is to sign a receipt for statement and vouchers so that we may have a record showing that they have been received by the proper person.

Another advantage of this system to you is that you can get a complete statement of your account on five minutes' notice.

It is impossible to give any such service when it is necessary to balance a pass book. Listing the cancelled checks often requires more than five minutes, and if there is an error, we would often have to ask for an extension of time.

Further, as it is now, this bank has a considerable number of pass books turned in every month, and you can see how easy it would be to lose some of them, even though every precaution is taken. Of course, we could furnish duplicates, but we could not replace the important memoranda sometimes written in these books by our customers.

So you see the monthly machine-made statement enables us to give you every possible protection in your business transactions with us.

Also, the statement we will furnish you at the end of each month, or any day during the month, if wanted, will be accurate, neat in appearance and easy to check. The figures will be uniform and as easy to read as printed figures.

It enables us to get a double daily check on every active account.

It positively prevents posting a check or deposit to the wrong account. It prevents checks from accumulating in the files for long periods, and thereby reduces the chances of losing cancelled vouchers.

It is a distinct economy.

**OTHER ADVANTAGES OF NEW SYSTEM.**

1. Amount of balance brought forward at the beginning of the month. This balance will be found in the deposit column above the RULED line which runs across the statements near the top.

2. The date and amount of all checks in detail with a RED minus sign (—) at the right of each check listed, to indicate that it has been subtracted from the balance.

3. Date and amount of all deposits which have been credited to your account. These amounts will be found in the column marked "Deposits." The amounts in this column should check with those entered in your pass book by the teller.

4. At the bottom of the statement in the deposit column and opposite the word "Balance" will be found the amount of your balance, or the amount of money to your credit in the bank as shown by our books.

1. Compare the cancelled checks with the amounts listed on the statement in check columns.

2. Compare the checks with stubs in your check book to see that the amounts charged on the statement by us agree with amounts for which checks were drawn.

3. Compile a list of checks unpaid, if any, and which have not been returned with the statement. Subtract the total of these checks from the balance shown on the bottom of the statement. The remainder should agree with the balance shown by your check book.

4. The balance shown on bottom of statement should agree with balance shown by the cash book or the balance shown by your check book if there are no outstanding checks.

After you have received your monthly statement, kindly check it up as soon as possible. If you find any errors, we would be glad to have you notify us promptly. It is our earnest desire to give you uninterrupted, satisfactory service.

The Citizens National Bank  
Phone 123

"Constructive, helpful service is the most important part of our business."



## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA LOSE THEIR CHIEF SCOUT

Says the Order Is Departing From the Ideas It Originally Stood For.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Ernest Thompson Seton, naturalist and writer of books on nature, today announced his resignation as chief scout of the Boy Scouts of America. In a statement, Mr. Seton said he resigned because of a gradual change to policies to which he is opposed, and for which he blames James E. West, of this city, the present chief scout executive.

Militarism now comes first and woodcraft, the original purpose of the movement, second, according to Mr. Seton, who announced the formation of the "Woodcrafts League," inviting members of the Boy Scouts to join it.

### Taught of Outdoor Life.

"When Baden-Powell and I organized the Boy Scouts of England, in 1908, and the Boy Scouts of America, in 1910," Mr. Seton's statement said, "our purpose was to make all young people of America outdoor children by teaching them the joys of outdoor life. As originally formed, the scouts of America were to be messengers of conservation and brotherhood.

"The study of trees, flowers and nature is giving way to wig-wagging drills and other activities of a military nature, thus destroying the symbolism of the organization. As it stands now, militarism comes first and woodcraft second."

Mr. Seton explained that he severed his connection with the movement last spring, but deferred announcement of it until it had been accepted by the executive board—a step which, he said, had not been taken.

### American in All but Law.

Mr. Seton said that last February his election as chief scout was held up because he was not an American citizen.

"There are several members of the board today who are Britishers," he added. "Several years ago I took out my first papers, but when the war came up, I couldn't very well take out my final papers. So I am waiting until after the war before becoming a full-fledged citizen in the meaning of the law."

### "Unfriendly and Selfish."

When he learned of Mr. Seton's action tonight, Mr. West immediately communicated with Solon H. Livingstone, of Washington, president of the

Boy Scouts of America, who characterized as "unfriendly and selfish" Mr. Seton's action on the eve of a campaign to raise funds to finance the Boy Scout work in New York for the next three years. A statement credited to Mr. Livingstone said:

"The national council at its annual meeting in Washington last February decided not to re-elect Mr. Seton as chief scout because he had failed to respond satisfactorily as to what his intentions were about becoming a citizen of the United States."

Touching on the policy of the movement, Mr. Livingstone said:

"While training along the lines of woodcraft is an important part of our program, we believe that character development, patriotism and good citizenship and the required daily 'good turn' are of equal importance."

Denial was also made that there is any dissatisfaction with present conditions in the organization.

### SWEATERS ORDERED FOR SETH WARD FOOTBALL PLAYERS.

Will Have Letters and Service Stripes of Red on Black Background.

Sweaters were ordered Tuesday for the members of the Seth Ward football team who have earned letters this year. Service stripes will be placed on the left arms of the sweaters, all men winning letters this year being entitled to one stripe and each year following another stripe. The letter will be "S." Both letter and service stripes will be red on a black background, red and black being the colors of the college.

### DATE OF WILSON WEDDING IS DECEMBER EIGHTEENTH.

The White House has announced that the Wilson-Galt wedding has been set for December 18. The ceremony will be performed at Mrs. Galt's home, 1308 Northwest 20th Street. The only guests will be Mrs. Galt's mother, and brothers and sisters, and the President's brother, sister, and daughters, and other members of his immediate household. No invitations will be issued.

### ATTENDANCE AT PANAMA-PACIFIC EXPOSITION IS 18,871,957.

The official figures on the attendance at the Panama-Pacific Exposition, which closed Saturday evening, was 18,871,957. The record attendance for a single day was 458,558, on Saturday, the closing day.

### HOME TALENT WILL PLAY "PYGMALION AND GALATEA."

Will Be Under Direction of Miss Bernice Duggan, of Seth Ward College.

"Pygmalion and Galatea" is perhaps the masterpiece of that great playwright, W. S. Gilbert, and since its very first production has grown in popularity with the public, until today it may be considered a standard classic.

As "Galatea," Julia Marlow starred for two seasons, and numbers of other famous American stars have been included in its casts.

Miss Duggan's work with this play is well and favorably known throughout Southwest Texas, she having scored a success for three consecutive seasons, and the bringing of same to Plainview should be considered a treat to the lovers of good, clean, wholesome comedy.

Every act is full of tense action, and contains many heart throbs as well as a broad vein of comedy, which runs through the entire play.

Miss Duggan has decided to produce this play at the Donoho-Ware Building on next Thursday night, the 15th. Tickets have been placed on sale at all drug stores and news stands, for the convenience of the public.

### REPRESENTED PLAINVIEW AT THE RIPLEY BANQUET.

Judge J. E. Lancaster, Dr. J. W. Grant, A. E. Harp and Col. R. P. Smyth went to Amarillo Saturday evening to attend the banquet tendered E. P. Ripley, president of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway System, who is making a tour of the western lines.

The celebration of his seventieth birthday, the unusual success of the Santa Fe System in being able to pay a large dividend this year despite unfavorable conditions, and the announced policy of the Santa Fe following the horrible explosion disaster at Ardmore, when the Santa Fe paid all claims for damages without resorting to the courts, have put President Ripley in the limelight.

The representatives of the Chamber of Commerce who attended the banquet in Amarillo were enthusiastic over the speeches made, especially over the happy vein the Santa Fe publicity agent struck in telling after-dinner stories.

The Panhandle Poultry Association closed its sixth annual show at Amarillo Saturday evening.



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This is the why and wherefore of these offerings, planned with scrupulous care to include just what you will want for Christmas at just as low prices as the qualities you demand can be obtained for. We promise you much of beauty in these artistic embellishments for your holiday offerings.

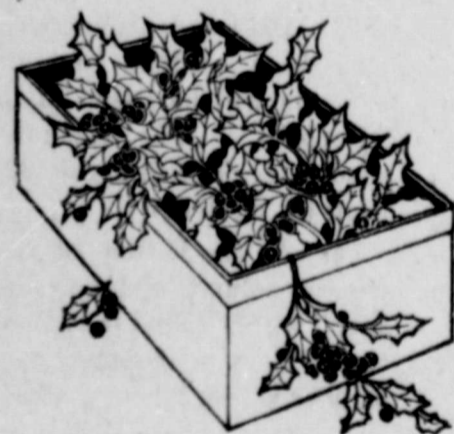
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We have ordered nearly 1500 pounds of candy. The price is remarkable and so is the quality. Whatever your needs see us.

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but our wish for a Merry Christmas to those we know and those we hope to know is no less sincere than if we had been with you a lifetime. We are here to stay. We expect to conduct an honest cash grocery business. If courtesy and attention to your needs will interest you and fair prices will attract you to our stock which we are fast improving, we feel that our circle of

friends will be much larger by next Christmas. Your Christmas trade will be appreciated—it will give us an opportunity to become acquainted and for you know of our service. We have anticipated your wants and are ready to serve.

**E. G. BENNETT, Cash Grocer**

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## A Stamp of the Christmas Spirit— Put a Red Cross Seal on All of Your Mail During the Holidays

The season for the use of Red Cross Seals is at hand. They will soon appear on the hundreds of Christmas packages that go through the mails or are even sent from friend to friend on Christmas morning. Everyone should use them on the back of all mail until January 1st, 1916.

Business men should use seals on all bills, statements, checks and pay envelopes and on packages to be delivered. Ladies should also use Red Cross Seals on all notes, invitations and gift packages.

Mrs. T. P. Whitis has charge of the Red Cross crusade in Plainview for this season. They are now on sale at the stores of the city. They are only a cent apiece, and within the reach of everyone.

Red Cross Christmas Seals date back in their origin to "charity stamps," first used for the soldiers' relief funds in Boston in 1862, during the Civil War. After the war, this method of raising money was discontinued in this country for a generation, although it found vogue in Portugal, Switzerland, Austria, France, Spain, Denmark, Norway, Russia, Sweden and other European countries. There are now several hundred different types of charity stamps used in all parts of the world, as many as forty being used in Austria for children's hospitals alone.

Stamps, or seals, were first used to get money for the anti-tuberculosis crusade in Norway and Sweden in 1904. After being used in these countries for three years, as a direct result of the interest of Jacob Riis in this movement, the Delaware Anti-Tuberculosis Association, headed by Miss Emily P. Bissell, and the Red Cross Society of Delaware combined in issuing a Tuberculosis Stamp. So successful was this campaign that nearly \$5,000 was realized, and the next year, in 1908, the American Red Cross issued a National Red Cross Tuberculosis

Stamp. From this sale \$135,000 was realized, that amount being almost doubled in 1909. In 1910, for the first time, the sale was organized on a comprehensive basis, taking in all parts of the United States; and \$310,000 worth were sold. In six seasons the revenue which these little holiday seals have brought to the anti-tuberculosis campaign has more than tripled, an



aggregate for the period of over \$1,800,000, or 180,000,000 Seals having been sold.

Red Cross Christmas Seals are issued by the National Red Cross Society, and are sold by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis for the benefit of local and national anti-tuberculosis work.

In three years a total of \$40,000 has been raised, and 4,000,000 Seals have been sold, or one for every man, woman and child, in the State of Texas.

Manager of Bellevue-Stratford—"Boy, stop whistling in the hall!" Bellboy—"Merely obeying orders, sir. I am paging Madame's French poodle."—Punch Bowl.

### WILLING TO GO GREAT LENGTHS

When Mr. Peaslee asked for his fourth cup of coffee the waitress brought it, but remarked, "You seem to be fond of coffee."

Mr. Peaslee, nothing abashed, smiled upon her benignly. "I be fond of coffee," he admitted placidly. "Aain't you quick to notice things! I'm dretful fond of it. If I wan't," he concluded, slowly, "I don't believe I'd drink so much water for the sake of getting a little."—Normal Instructor.

### BECAUSE IT'S CHRIS'MUS.

Jes' because it's Chris'mus  
I go smilin' on my way,  
And jes' because it's Chris'mus  
I am kindly-like an' gay,  
I'm full o' human kindness  
An' jes' as thoughtful as can be,  
I develop total blindness  
To the faults I used to see.

Jes' because it's Chris'mus  
I forget that I'm depressed,  
An' I say whatever happens  
Is, by all means, for the best,  
An' my thoughts for every brother  
That I meet are sweet an' good,  
An' I wouldn't skin a rival  
Even if I thought I could.

Jes' because it's Chris'mus  
I don't think about my debts,  
An' the biggest of my worries  
Bring to me no vain regrets,  
I am sort o' tuned to gladness,  
An' I go upon my way  
As though nothin' ever happened  
Worth a minute of dismay.

Now, my burdens are no lighter  
When I come to Chris'mus Day,  
An' my troubles are no fewer,  
An' no smoother is my way,  
Than they were in bleak November,  
Yet I seem to think 'em so,  
An' jes' because it's Chris'mus  
I am smilin' as I go.

If I can laugh at Chris'mus  
An' cheer my fellow men,  
Why can't I laugh in April,  
Why not be merry then?  
If I can bear my burdens  
When it's Chris'mus with a smile,  
Why can't I face my troubles  
In the same way all the while?

Why must I go repinin'  
An' whimperin' along  
An' blind to all men's goodness,  
Seein' only what is wrong,  
Till the year is slippin' from me,  
An' then suddenly declare,  
When it gets around to Chris'mus  
That there's goodness everywhere?  
—Detroit Free Press.

### COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS AFFIRMS THE HUBBARD CASE.

The Court of Civil Appeals at Amarillo has affirmed the lower court's decision in the case of Ajax-Grieb Rubber Co. vs. B. A. Hubbard. This suit was instituted over a disputed account. The lower court gave a judgment for the plaintiff, but not for the amount prayed for.



IN appreciation to those who have made possible for us a year full of prosperity we take this opportunity to extend our holiday greetings. Many have not yet adopted our suggestion

### "Build You a Home"

To them we also extend good wishes with the hope that they may be able to build the home during the coming year.

## PLAINVIEW LUMBER CO.

F. F. HARDIN, Manager



DON'T GET "SNOWED UNDER"



## Christmas Is Only a "Wink" Away

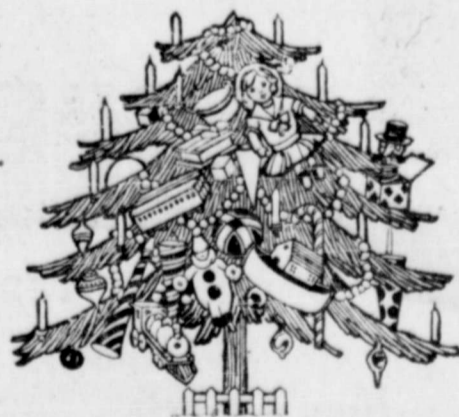
The Yultide season is upon us and Christmas is only a "wink" away. Christmas trees all over the country will bear many and wonderful joy-giving "burdens" this year, for everybody desires to express appreciation of being able to have a glad Christmas.



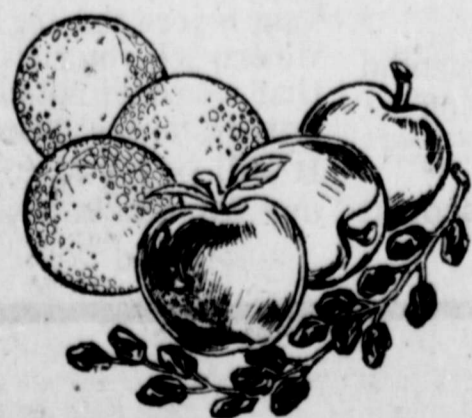
We rejoice with you in your prosperity and your ability to give it expression this year.

In goodies for the tree and table we have provided to suit the tastes of big folks and little folks, babies and grandparents. You can load the stockings with our candy, nuts and fruit and the table with those good things the stomach craves and the heart desires at Christmas.

We have all the makings of best quality fruit cakes. Good fresh high grade ingredients. We can also meet the needs of your other baking.



We will be able to care for your poultry orders, as well as smoked and fresh pork requirements. We will also have a variety of sausage.



Let us suggest that you bring us your list of needed staples next week. Avoid the rush and have the goods delivered at any time suitable to you. It will save you worry.

## L. J. Warren Grocery Company

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**HOLIDAY GOODS** Cut Glass, Sterling Silver Novelties, Parisian Ivory Toilet Articles, handmade articles and numerous other holiday goods.  
 ALL AT SPECIAL PRICES FOR OUR CHRISTMAS SALE. SALE PRICES ARE CASH

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**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS**

Each year as the Christmas season comes on, we reduce the price on most all articles of winter wearing apparel, and this year even more than in some of the years past.

**We Are Reducing the Price on Every Article**  
 (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SOME)

**Thoughtful People, Think! While the Price is Low, Buy Some Articles, Still There**

**Men's and Young Men's Suits**

\$15 suits reduced to	\$9.75	\$25 suits reduced to	\$18.75
\$16 suits reduced to	\$10.75	\$27.50 suits reduced to	19.75
\$17.50 suits reduced to	12.95	\$30 suits reduced to	21.50
\$20 suits reduced to	14.75	\$32.50 suits reduced to	23.50
\$22.50 suits reduced to	16.75	\$35 suits reduced to	26.00

One special lot of suits at \$9.50

You will find that these suits are excellent values at the regular price and at these prices you cannot afford not to purchase.

**Men's and Young Men's Overcoats**

\$30.00 Overcoats now	\$21.50	\$20.00 Overcoats now	\$15.75
\$27.50 Overcoats now	\$20.00	\$17.50 Overcoats now	\$13.50
\$25.00 Overcoats now	\$19.50	\$15.00 Overcoats now	\$11.50
\$22.50 Overcoats now	\$18.50	\$12.50 Overcoats now	\$ 9.50
		\$10.00 and \$7.50 Overcoats now	\$ 5.50

**Men's Pants**

\$7.00 Pants—Christmas Sale	\$5.95	\$4.00 and \$3.50 Pants—Christmas Sale	\$2.95
\$6.00 Pants—Christmas Sale	\$4.95	\$3.00 Pants—Christmas Sale	\$2.25
\$5.00 and \$4.50 Pants—Christmas Sale	\$3.95		

**Boys' Suits**

"Perfection" and "Broad River" Brands. \$3.00 Suits, many with extra Knickers	\$2.50	\$6.00 and \$6.50 Suits, many with extra Knickers	\$4.95
\$3.50 Suits, many with extra Knickers	\$2.95	\$7.00 and \$7.50 Suits, many with extra Knickers	\$5.95
\$4.00 Suits, many with extra Knickers	\$3.25	\$8.00 and \$8.50 Suits, many with extra Knickers	\$6.95
\$4.50 Suits, many with extra Knickers	\$3.75	\$9.00 to \$12.50 Suits, many with extra Knickers	\$7.95
\$5.00 and \$5.50 Suits, many with extra Knickers	\$3.95	Same price reductions on Boys' Overcoats.	

**Sale Prices Are for Cash**

Blankets, comforts, pillows, sheeting, sheets, pillow cases, cotton batts. Substantial savings on all these lines.

**Outings**

Fancies and solid colors, extra quality, regular 10c grade, the yard 7c

**Towels**

Regular size bleached huck towels splendid values at, each 8c  
 22x43 bleached turkish towels priced at, each 20c  
 27 1-2x56 extra heavy, bleached turkish towels priced at, each 48c

**Silks and Suitings**

15 pieces of regular \$1 silks and messalines choice, the yard 65c  
 20 pieces wool suitings, regular \$1, \$1.50 and \$2 qualities, the yard 65c

**Furs**

Muffs and scarfs to match or separate pieces. Our selection is large and our furs were contracted for long before the big advance, hence we can sell you furs now at prices that we could not duplicate at the present market prices. It will pay you to look through our fur stock.

**Coatings**

Heavy coat material, a splendid selection, at 33 1-3 per cent off of the regular price.  
 Coatings 33 1-3 per ct. discount



**Men's and Boy's Mackinaws**

"SUNSET" and "OREGON CITY" makes  
 Boy's Mackinaws \$3.50 to \$5.00  
 Men's Mackinaws \$5.00 to \$15.00

**Men's Shirts**

A big special purchase of \$1 shirts at choice 79c  
 All other shirts, wool silk and cotton at reduced prices.

**Men's and Boy's Shoes**

Our stock is complete. Come and be fitted at these special Christmas Sale prices.

All at reduced prices for our Christmas Sale

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# -Houston's CHRISTMAS SALE

Telephone and Mail Orders  
Delivered Free of Charge

Season draws near it is our custom to reduce apparel. This year we are going to do more than in the past.

Every Article in Our Immense Stock (EXCEPTION OF HYER BOOTS)

While the Reduction May Not be Large on Everything, There is Quite a Saving

### Trunks, Bags and Suitcases Splendid Holiday Gifts

Our stock comprised a choice assortment of these goods and our usual low prices will be further reduced during this Christmas Sale.

Sale Prices Are CASH

### 35 Women's Suits to Close Out Blues, Blacks, Browns and Mixtures

Two \$28.50 Suits	} Choice \$11.75	One \$37.50 Suit	} Choice \$14.75
Four \$27.50 Suits		One \$35.00 Suit	
Six \$25.00 Suits		One \$32.50 Suit	
One \$23.75 Suit	} Choice \$9.50	Three \$30.00 Suits	} Choice \$8.50
Four \$22.50 Suits		One \$19.50 Suit	
Five \$20.00 Suits		One \$17.50 Suit	
Four \$12.50 Suits	Choice, \$6.00		

### 57 Women's Coats to Close Out

One \$30.00 Coat	} Choice \$11.25	Two \$18.50 Coats	} Choice \$7.50
One \$24.50 Coat		Four \$17.50 Coats	
One \$22.50 Coat		Four \$15.00 Coats	
Fifteen \$12.50 Coats	} Choice \$4.95	Two \$9.00 Coats	} Choice \$3.95
Five \$10.00 Coats		Three \$8.50 Coats	
		One \$8.00 Coat	
One \$7.75 Coat	} Choice \$2.95	One \$5.00 Coat	} Choice \$1.95
Three \$7.50 Coats		One \$4.50 Coat	
One \$7.00 Coat		Three \$3.90 Coats	
Seven \$6.00 Coats		One \$3.75 Coat	

### 34 Children's Coats to Close Out

One \$7.75 Coat	} Choice \$3.50	Two \$6.50 Coats	} Choice \$2.95
Five \$7.50 Coats		Five \$6.00 Coats	
Three \$7.00 Coats		One \$4.75 Coat	
One \$5.50 Coat	} Choice \$2.50	Five \$4.50 Coats	} Choice \$1.95
Five \$5.00 Coats		Two \$4.00 Coats	
One \$9.00 Coat		Two \$12.50 Coats	
Two \$8.50 Coats	} Choice \$3.95	11 Children's Coats, 3 to 14 years,	
Two \$8.00 Coats		choice	95c

### Dresses

#### Street and Afternoon Dresses

\$ 7.50 Dresses	\$ 6.15
\$10.00 Dresses	\$ 7.50
\$12.50 Dresses	\$ 9.35
\$15.00 Dresses	\$11.25
\$20.00 Dresses	\$15.00
\$25.00 Dresses	\$18.75

### Silk Waists and Blouses

\$2.50 Grade	\$1.95
\$3.00 Grade	\$2.25
\$3.50 Grade	\$2.75
\$4.00 Grade	\$2.95
\$4.50 Grade	\$3.25
\$5.00 Grade	\$3.50
\$6.00 and \$6.50 Grades	\$3.95
\$7.50 Grade	\$4.95

### Outing and Crepe Kimonas

\$1.25 and \$1.50 Kimonas	95c
\$1.75 and \$2.00 Kimonas	\$1.25
\$2.50 Kimonas	\$1.95

KNITTED SILK SWEATERS, \$4.50 quality, while they last, each 95c

### House Dresses

\$1.25 and \$1.50 House Dresses	95c
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### Women's and Children's Shoes

Our shoe stock is in excellent condition and you will find your size in most any style.

New Bronze, Brown Kid and Blue Velvet Spanish Lace Boots.

We have just received new stock on numbers that were best sellers in Women's, Young Women's and Children's Shoes. All at special prices during our Christmas Sale.

### The Best of Friends



### Christmas Packages

We will wrap your Christmas parcels for you and when requested will ascertain carriage charges and forward same for you.

You should have your gifts that you are going to send out of town ready early and on the way, as the mail and express office will be congested with Christmas packages later and yours may not reach their destinations on time.

Call on us for this service  
Sale Prices Are Cash



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By the way, an appropriate Christmas gift for the people of Hill County would be that auditor's report!

**CHRISTMAS MAILING HINTS**

Co-operation of the public with the post office will bring about the quick dispatch of Christmas mails and will prevent congestion. An increase in business of the local office at Christmas in proportion to the increase which the office has experienced every month this year over the same month last year is to be reasonably expected. With some help from the public, the post-office force will be able to handle the mails.

"If we ever once get behind this year we will be hopelessly lost," said Postmaster Ben O. Sanford, today, in commenting on the situation. "If a large number of needless delays are made, the mail will become too heavy for us to handle, and may not reach its destination in time."

Following are a few suggestions which will help the post-office employees, and at the same time help the sender; for if mails are not dispatched promptly the purpose of the sender will be defeated:

- Prepay postage fully on all parcels.
- Address parcels fully and plainly.
- Place name and address of sender on all matter.
- Pack articles carefully and wrap them securely, but do not seal them, as sealed parcels are subject to postage at the letter rate.
- Mail parcels early; they may be marked "Do not open until Christmas."

Insure valuable parcels. Fourth-class or domestic parcel post mail may be insured against loss upon payment of a fee of 3 cents for value not exceeding \$5; 5 cents for value not exceeding \$25; 10 cents for value not exceeding \$50, or 25 cents for value not exceeding \$100, in addition to the postage.

Such mail may be insured at the post office. The sender must fill out an insurance tag, which will be furnished him upon request, to be attached to the parcel.

Return receipts for insured parcels may be obtained by indorsing the parcels "Return receipt desired."

Indemnity for lost insured parcels is paid for the actual value within the limits of insurance. No indemnity is payable on account of mere partial damage. However, when an article is so damaged as to render it wholly worthless, it is regarded as lost, provided it was packed and indorsed in accordance with the postal requirements. No indemnity is paid for labor, workmanship, etc., in repairing partial damage.

Receipts for mailing ordinary packages are given at a charge of 1 cent. This does not guarantee delivery of uninsured parcels.

Above everything else—buy it early. And mail it early!

**TIME TO PLANT TREES**

The ancients worshipped trees because, as the primitive superstition ran, they believed every tree was inhabited by a god or spirit that had the power of detaching itself from the tree at will. Even

## Christmas Musings

There are warmer handshakings on this night than during the bypast twelve months. friend lives in the mind of friend. There is more charity at this time than at any other. Poverty and scanty clothing and fireless grates come home to the bosoms of the rich, and they give of their abundance. The very redbreast of the woods enjoys his Christmas feast. Good feeling incarnates itself in plum pudding. The Master's words, "The poor have ye always with you," wear at this time a deep significance. For at least one night on each year over all Christendom there is brotherhood. And good men, sitting amongst their families, or by a solitary fire, when they remember the bright light that shone over the poor clowns huddling on the Bethlehem plains 1,900 years ago, the apparition of shining angels overhead, the song "Peace on earth and good will toward men," which for the first time hallowed the midnight air—pray for that strain's fulfillment, that battle and strife may vex the nations no more, that not only on Christmas eve, but the whole year round men shall be brethren, owning one father in heaven.

today, some tribes in Africa carefully avoid felling a tree until they are reasonably assured in their minds that the spirit is temporarily absent. Even in Scotland, today, the branch of a certain tree is used over the door as an antidote for witchcraft.

Such reverence is almost to be excused when we think of the countless reasons for trees. Their cooling shade, their natural beauty, their rain-bringing faculty, their breathing in of the foul things of the air and their giving out to the air of nothing but the good—all these and many more are reasons for trees and more trees.

In a city particularly are trees valuable for their beauty and their shade, and Fort Worth never fails to show interest when tree-planting is mentioned. If new trees are to be started on long lives in Fort Worth next year, now is the time to plant them, while the sap is down. Perhaps there are many householders who plan to plant next spring, and many others who plan to trim and take especially good care of their trees next spring. Now is the time. Next spring you may wait for another beginning of winter, and then forget it for another season while the sap is down.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

In a country which has few trees of natural growth, trees are at a premium. Plainview is a town of many trees; it is also a town of not enough trees.

This is a splendid time to plant trees. The season is right. There is plenty of moisture in the ground to start the young trees off right.

You intend to plant trees sometime—probably next spring. Plant them now!

**COUNTY DEMONSTRATION AGENTS.**

Not more than a dozen years ago the co-operative demonstration work, as it was called by its founder, Dr. S. A. Knapp, was begun, and soon it had spread pretty well over the South. Gradually it extended, till now there are county agents in more than 1,000 counties in states all over the Union.

It must be remembered that there was no trained body of men to take up this rapidly growing work, for it requires technical and practical knowledge of farming in all its phases and it requires a superabundance of common sense and a great amount of tact on the part of the agent. It would be surprising if some of the agents had not failed in their work, and counties concluded that the work was not worth what it cost. Really, with the poorest class of agents it has always been worth that.

The rapid extension of the work, however, is the best evidence of its great value to the farmers and to all lines of business that are helped through better farming.—Southland Farming.

**RETURN OF THE LIBERTY BELL.**

Among the other reasons for giving thanks today, the safe return of the Liberty Bell must not be overlooked. The famous old relic has successfully completed, or will have completed, if all goes well this afternoon, the most important trip in its career. More than four months have passed since it was taken from its resting place in Independence Hall and started on its triumphal tour across the continent. During that time and while it was on exhibit at the San Francisco Fair it has been viewed by millions of persons, and has been the means of stimulating patriotism everywhere. Even those who were opposed to sending it on this long journey will now be inclined to feel that the good that has been accomplished has offset the seeming risk that was run in permitting it to leave its natural setting.

The old Bell has a deeper meaning and significance now than it has had any time since it rang out its message of liberty to the world. It is a symbol of the ideals of the fathers of the Republic, and the times are at hand when we are to ascertain whether the Government which they founded is to endure unimpaired. Demagogues and busybodies would rewrite the Constitution to suit their own curious and selfish views, and others still would

**THE BIRTHDAY OF JESUS.**

And she brought forth her first-born Son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.—St. Luke ii, 7.

have us strip and present ourselves naked to possible enemies from without. But with careful piloting and moderation combined with courage and firmness there need be no reason for despair.—Philadelphia Enquirer.

If we go in for preparedness, let us remember that the German Government also prepares against factory-fires and Eastland disasters.—New York Evening Post.



**"Bell" Connection Valuable to You**

From seed time to harvest and all the year through, every farmer occasionally has business to transact in distant towns. Letters go slow and traveling is expensive. Why not let the Long Distance Bell Telephone lines carry your message? Have you a Telephone connected to the Bell System?

**THE SOUTHWESTERN TELEGRAPH & TELEPHONE COMPANY.** 12-R-14



## When You Come Into Our Store



to have your wants supplied you will find our salesmen principally interested in two things—

They have a professional interest in the mechanical perfection of the articles of merchandise found on sale in this store.

But greater than this—they have a human interest in you as one who needs the kind of service they are trained to give.

Here you will be advised to take only a garment that is suited to your wants, becoming to you and an excellent fit.

- A hat that improves your appearance instead of detracting from it.
- A shoe that actually fits your foot, instead of attempting to make the foot fit the shoe.

No detail too small which will contribute toward securing for you the maximum of satisfactory service.

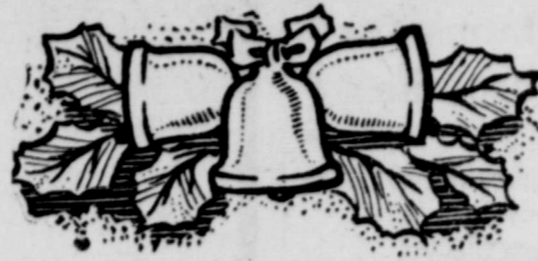
**REINKEN'S CLOTHING AND SHOE STORE**  
OUTFITTERS FOR MEN AND BOYS











# The Great Christmas Sale

AT

The *Rich-lier* Store

## IS NOW IN FULL SWAY

Hundreds of patrons have already greatly profited by the enormous reductions in prices on seasonable merchandise and OUR YEARLY PROFIT SHARING PLAN.

The stock is large and quite complete and our corps of nineteen people are ready to give you individual attention and the best possible service.



### THE CHRISTMAS STORE

Our Bargain Balcony is overflowing with Christmas goods, gifts, etc. Our entire millinery department has been displaced to accommodate the gifts we have for our customers and the display of holiday goods.

## There's Cut Prices all Over the Store

We can quote only a few here

### Staple Piece Goods

We do not buy staple goods to make a noise with. The line is a quality line, as will be seen when compared with other goods. These few prices will look much better when you put them down by the side of the goods. None of these goods for Dry Goods Dealers in wholesale quantities at these prices.

- Best Standard Calico for ..... 4 1/2c
- 7 1/2c Ginghams reduced to ..... 5c
- Extra Quality Cheviot Shirting, light or heavy weight ..... 8 1/2c
- 27-inch-wide Light and Dark Outings for ..... 7 1/2c
- 30-inch-wide Heavy Cotton Flannel, A grade ..... 8 1/2c
- 36-inch-wide Diamond Hill Bleached Muslin ..... 7 1/2c
- 36-inch-wide Fruit of the Loom or Lonsdale Muslin ..... 10c
- Post City Garza 9x4 Bleached Sheeting for ..... 25c
- 36-inch-wide Fine Sea Island Muslin ..... 7 1/2c

### Ladies' Cloaks

It is very unusual for us to show so complete a line of cloaks at this season of the year. Our New York office, however, has continued to send us sample lots, and the values have been so good we have been placing them in stock. Here's an excellent opportunity to have a fine cloak at the price of a cheap one.

- All \$7.50 Ladies' Cloaks reduced to ..... \$ 4.25
- All \$10.50 to \$13.50 Ladies' Cloaks reduced to \$ 7.65
- All \$15.00 to \$17.50 Ladies' Cloaks reduced to \$ 9.85
- All \$20.00 to \$22.50 Ladies' Cloaks reduced to \$14.75
- All \$25.00 to \$32.50 Ladies' Cloaks reduced to \$19.90
- All \$37.50 to \$50.00 Ladies' Cloaks reduced to \$27.50

### Ladies' Silk Hose

Make most acceptable gifts. We have just received several hundred pairs of beautiful qualities, in black and a variety of colors. Some come in Dainty Holiday Boxes.

- Good quality Silk Boot Hose for ..... 45c pair
- No. 300, our \$1.00 leader—the ideal Gift ..... 90c pair
- All \$1.50 Silk Hose reduced to ..... \$1.25 pair

### Woolen Dress Goods and Cloakings

When comparing prices, quality must not be forgotten. The dealer decides how much he will pay for his fifty-cent or dollar item, etc. Some pay more, and offer better quality; some less, and offer inferior grade. Our buyers go the limit, and a comparison of qualities will prove it.

- All-Wool 36-inch Serge reduced to ..... 42 1/2c
- 50-inch-wide All-Wool Serge, \$1.00 quality, for ..... 85c
- 42-inch-wide Fine Wool Poplin for ..... 80c
- 42-inch-wide Gaberdine, \$1.00 quality, for ..... 75c
- 48-inch Fine Satin Gaberdine cut to ..... \$1.25
- 47-inch Imported Dovetyn, special at \$1.50, for \$1.25
- 52-inch Broadcloth, \$1.00 quality, for ..... 78c
- 54-inch Kumfy Cloth, 100 per cent wool, reduced to ..... \$1.35
- 55-inch All-Wool Cloaking reduced to ..... 50c
- 50-inch to 55-inch Plain and Fancy Cloakings from ..... 75c to \$3.00 yard

### Cut Glass

The Rich-lier Store shows a most extensive line of Fine Cut Glass. It's really a wonder. The collection is mostly samples personally selected by our buyers from one of the greatest importers and distributors in the world. The line is too varied for a price list, there being scarcely two items alike in the entire stock. Prices are 85 cents to \$25.00.

### Men's Suits

- \$ 7.50 to \$10.00 Suits ..... \$ 6.75
- \$12.50 to \$13.50 Suits ..... \$ 8.75
- \$15.50 to \$16.50 Suits ..... \$10.75
- \$17.50 to \$18.50 Suits ..... \$12.75
- \$20.00 to \$21.00 Suits ..... \$15.00
- \$22.50 Suits ..... \$16.00
- \$25.00 Suits ..... \$18.50
- \$27.50 Suits ..... \$19.50

### Boys' Suits

- \$ 1.50 Suits ..... \$ 1.20
- \$ 2.50 Suits ..... \$ 1.90
- \$ 3.00 Suits ..... \$ 2.25
- \$ 3.50 Suits ..... \$ 2.75
- \$ 4.00 Suits ..... \$ 3.00
- \$ 5.00 Suits ..... \$ 4.00
- \$ 6.50 Suits ..... \$ 5.00
- \$ 7.50 Suits ..... \$ 5.75
- \$ 9.00 Suits ..... \$ 6.50
- \$10.00 Suits ..... \$ 7.50
- \$15.00 Suits ..... \$11.00

### For Him

Soon you'll be wondering what he would like for a Christmas present. If you can come to our store it will be an easy problem solved. There's so many things here for you to select from, and you can pay almost any price you care to. If you ask us, we do it up in a nice, neat package for the Parcel Post or Express.

Here are a few suggestions:

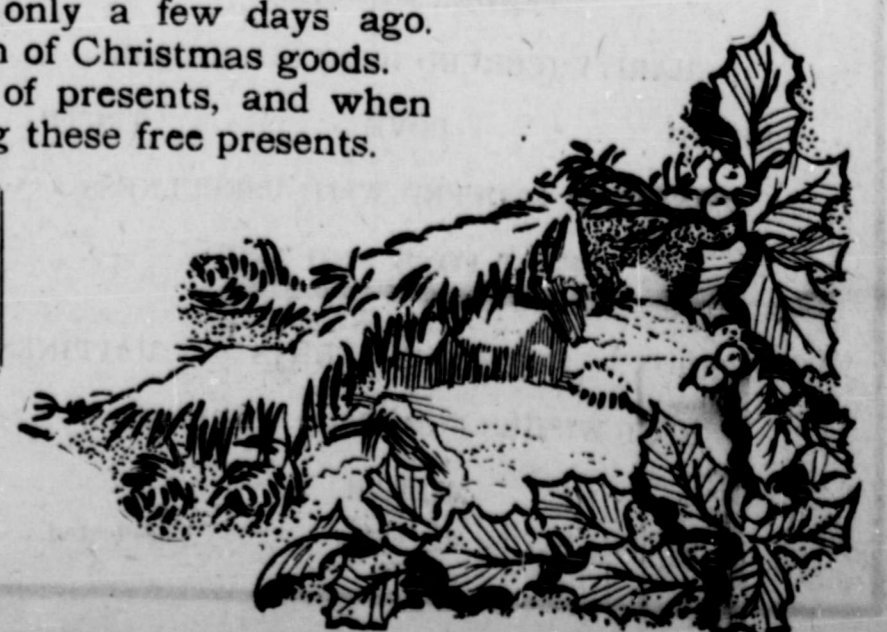
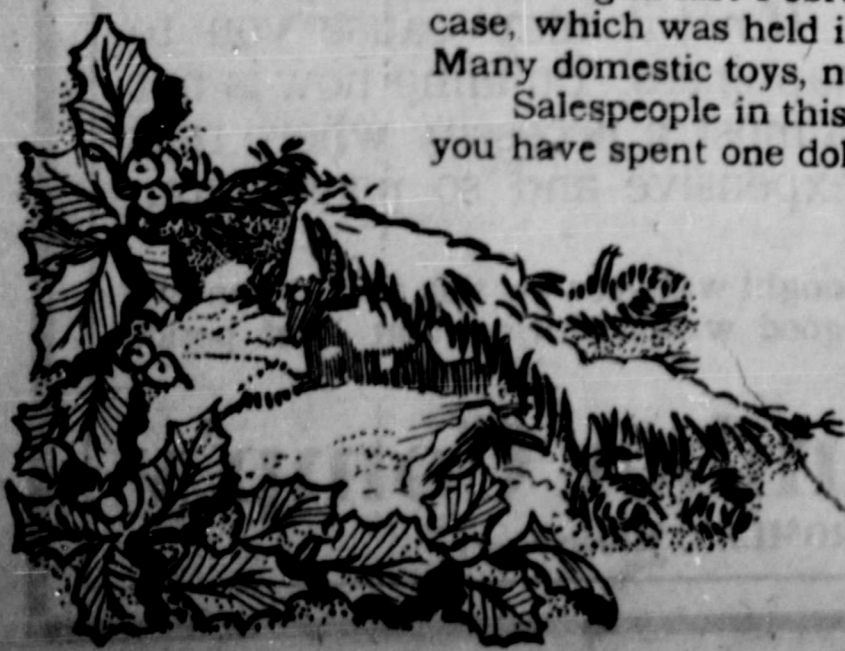
#### Useful and Appropriate Gifts.

- SMOKING JACKETS
- HOUSE SLIPPERS
- PULLMAN SLIPPERS
- COLLAR BOXES
- MILITARY BRUSHES
- WATCH FOBS
- GOLD BUTTONS
- SILK HANDKERCHIEFS
- SILK MUFFLERS
- LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS—In Holiday Boxes
- SILK GARTERS—In Holiday Boxes
- BEAUTIFUL TIES—In Holiday Boxes
- SILK-LINED GLOVES—In Holiday Boxes

*Let us be your Santa Claus*

We will give you just the sort of things that you'll want to present to the children, your mother or father, brother, sister or to a friend. We began last February placing orders for foreign merchandise to be used in this BIG HOLIDAY feature. The last case, which was held in Rotterdam for months by the English embargo, reached us only a few days ago. Many domestic toys, novelties, etc., have added to make ours a most unusual collection of Christmas goods. Salespeople in this department will be glad to show you the splendid assortment of presents, and when you have spent one dollar cash in this special sale you may begin selecting and getting these free presents.

102 N. Pacific St. **Richards Bros. & Collier** Plainview, Texas  
107 W. Main St. WHERE PEOPLE WHO DRESS BEST TRADE





# THE PLAINVIEW EVENING HERALD

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PLAINVIEW, TEXAS, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1915

## WATER MINIMUM MAY BE LOWERED BY THE CITY

THIS STEP, IF TAKEN, WILL IN EFFECT MEAN REDUCED RATE TO SMALL CONSUMER.

## REPEAL PEDDLER ORDINANCE

Old Law Regarding Street Selling and Canvassing Reinstated in Place of Recent Emergency Measure.

The water rate in Plainview may be lowered if the investigation which is being made by Superintendent of Waterworks B. L. Spencer proves that this can be done and leave enough revenue to operate the system. The plan which Mr. Spencer will probably recommend is that the minimum be lowered so that the minimum rate will be fifty cents and the amount that can be used for this rate be 1,500 gallons. Many who are now on meters claim they do not use as much as the present minimum, 3,000 gallons. In effect, this step, if taken, will mean a reduction in the rate to those who use only a small quantity.

An invoice of the water used by the system is being made. Secretary Spencer finds that 50 per cent of the water pumped is unaccounted for, after allowing 3,000 gallons per consumer for those having no meters and after totalling the amount used by consumers having meters. It is probable that it will be recommended that all customers be placed on a meter basis.

### Repeal Peddler Ordinance.

At the meeting of the Council last Monday night the peddler ordinance, No. 99, was repealed on motion by E. H. Humphreys and seconded by R. J. Frye. E. H. Humphreys, R. J. Frye and J. J. Eller voted aye, and W. R. Simmons did not vote. The old ordinance, No. 78, replaces ordinance No. 99.

The city health officer, Dr. E. F. McClendon, reported that there is no contagious disease in the city.

New needed equipment for the fire truck was ordered.

The City Secretary reported a total collection for November of \$757.18. Of this amount, \$653.84 was water and sewer collections and the balance miscellaneous.

City Marshal John Vaughn reported current taxes for November to the amount of \$162.93, delinquent taxes \$19.99, occupation taxes \$75.35, fines \$112.25, collected on sale of impounded horses \$15.00; total, \$385.52.

## HALE COUNTY REAL ESTATE MOVES ON ACTIVE MARKET.

Deed Record Stipulates Price of \$230,000 for the Malone Properties, Recently Sold.

Real estate transfers show that the real estate market in Hale County is active.

The following transfers have been recorded:

Malone Light & Ice Company to Texas Utilities Company, generation plants, real estate, transmission lines, franchises, etc. Consideration, \$230,000.

Stella F. Winn to O. L. Allen, consideration \$750; Lots 7 and 8, A. L. Maupin Addition to City of Plainview.

George J. Martin to Rockwell Bros. & Co., consideration \$500; Lot 11, block 5, Highland Addition to the City of Plainview.

Mary E. Reynolds to Mrs. I. M. Black, southwest quarter of section 173, block A1, certificate number 3-495. Consideration, \$1,931.50.

C. H. Critchfield to E. H. Perry, northwest quarter of survey 52, block A4. Consideration, \$4,000.

E. H. Perry to C. H. Critchfield, north half of survey 14, block JK4, 320 acres. Consideration, \$7,000.

Icy M. Smith to A. C. Hatchell, lot 5 and north half of lot 6, block 56, town of Plainview. Consideration, \$2,250.

George J. Boswell and wife to R. J. Stapp and Mary M. Stapp, lot 6, block 11, McClelland Addition. Consideration, \$1,050.

Heirs of estate of G. G. Fraim to R. E. Burch, 160 acres of survey 32, block S1. Consideration, \$1,280.

The Commissioners' Court convenes Monday, December 13, in regular session. The regular routine work of the court will come up.

## APOPLEXY CAUSES SUDDEN DEATH OF S. E. CHADWICK

Was on Way Home Alone in Car When Death Occurred—Body Sent to Cresson.

The sudden death of S. E. Chadwick, president of the Chadwick Grain Co., of Fort Worth, in Plainview yesterday morning was a shock to the people of Plainview. Mr. Chadwick was leaving town in his car for dinner at home. He had just passed the First Methodist Church, on Wayland Boulevard, when people passing saw his car stop as it turned to the side of the street. Seeing that his head was drooping, investigation was made, and it was discovered that he was dead.

Physicians say apoplexy was the cause of death.

Mr. Chadwick had complained the night before of feeling badly. To a gentleman in the Ware Hotel lobby, Mr. Chadwick stated a half hour before his death that he was feeling ill, but talked business until his departure.

Mr. Chadwick and family moved to Plainview some five weeks ago, from Fort Worth, in hope of benefiting his health, it is stated. He is well known in Fort Worth and has many acquaintances of long standing in this section.

He leaves a wife and two little children.

The corpse was sent to Cresson this morning, and arrangements for the funeral will be made there.

## Many Come to See Shallow Water Belt Excursion Day

One hundred forty-one persons from the North and East came to Plainview Thursday, excursion day, to see the Plainview Country with a view to locating. The Texas Land & Development Company had a party of 66. The Alley brothers, of Hale Center, had a large party. DeLay & Burch, O. M. Unger and others had guests who arrived on that day.

A special train of five coaches brought the homeseekers to Plainview.

## HALE CENTER GETS \$300 FROM SPECIAL SCHOOL FUND.

Many Other Schools Have Applied for Aid; Others Will Apply.

The Hale Center Public Schools have been apportioned \$300 of the million-dollar State school fund for rural schools meeting certain requirements. Only schools doing high-class work are entitled to the money, and the maximum special tax must be paid in the district.

Other schools of the county which have applied to the State Board of Education for aid from this fund are: Halfway, Westside, Norfleet, Abernathy, Lakeview and Snyder. The following schools are contemplating making application: Midway, Center Plains, Runningwater, Petersburg, and Valley View.

Every school district in Hale County is paying a special school tax in an effort to have the very best schools possible.

## PLAINVIEW BANK DEPOSITS MORE THAN MILLION DOLLARS.

Enormous Increase in Money in Banks Reflect Increasing Prosperity of Hale County.

The total deposits of the banks of Plainview on December 7, 1915, showed a gain over the same day, 1914, of \$373,697.14. The amount on deposit in the banks last Tuesday was \$1,085,535.31. December 7, 1914, the total deposits were \$711,838.17. This year's deposits show an increase of 52.4 per cent over last.

Individual deposits subject to check in all Plainview banks on December 7, 1915, amounted to \$751,618.18. A year ago on that date they were \$436,679.98. An increase of 72 per cent in individual deposits over last year is represented by these figures.

## BROTHER OF DR. A. H. LINDSAY DIES IN NEVADA.

J. B. Lindsay, mine operator in Goldfield, Nev., brother of Dr. A. H. Lindsay, of Plainview, died in Goldfield Monday morning, after a lingering illness. Interment was made in Goldfield.

## U. S. ASKS DISAVOWAL OF SINKING OF ANCONA

WANTS ASSURANCE OF NON-REPE-TITION, PUNISHMENT OF OFFENDERS AND REPARATION

## LIFE INDEMNITY IS CLAIMED

Dispatch of Note Comes as Surprise; Belief Was That Further Information Was Awaited.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The United States has sent to Austria-Hungary a note asking for a disavowal of the submarine attack upon the Italian liner Ancona, assurances that such an act will not be repeated, some degree of punishment for the commander of the submarine and reparation for the American lives lost.

The communication started by cable yesterday from the State Department to Ambassador Frederic C. Penfield, at Vienna, who was instructed to hand it to the Austro-Hungarian Minister of Foreign Affairs, Baron Burian. Word of the delivery of the note had not been received by the department tonight.

Is Friendly, but Firm. Friendly but firm terms, it is said, characterize the document, which is understood to make a particular point of prompt assurances for the future safety of American lives. Austria-Hungary has never informed the United States whether the commanders of its submarines had been given instructions similar to those which the German Government gave to its commanders after the Lusitania tragedy. It is understood that the note referred particularly to the charge that shells from the submarine killed or wounded some passengers on the Ancona after she had halted and asked for an explanation on that point.

Wilson Approves. In dispatching the note, Secretary Lansing acted with the approval of and after consulting President Wilson. It is stated authoritatively that the document, which is described as being comparatively brief and decidedly vigorous in tone, was so drafted as to attempt a settlement of the controversy at once, without bringing on a series of communications, such as followed the sinking of the Lusitania.

Note Comes as Surprise. High officials are said to be of the opinion that the situation is one which calls for grave consideration, the state of affairs having become more complicated since the note was dispatched by reports of attacks on American oil-carrying vessels in the Mediterranean, presumably by Austrian submarines.

News that the note had been sent came as a complete surprise to official Washington generally, the reports

## AN APPRECIATIVE AUDIENCE GREETED H. L. SOUTHWICK

In Every Way, Reading of Shakespearean Tragedy Is to Be Considered Successful.

Plainview is indebted to the members of the City Federation of Clubs for one of the most excellent entertainments the city has had for many months. The people attested their appreciation of the efforts of the club by filling the First Methodist Church auditorium full Thursday night to hear Henry Lawrence Southwick in "Richard III."

Mr. Southwick is president of the Emerson College of Oratory, of Boston, Mass., one of the leading, if not the foremost, colleges of oratory in the world. Largely through the efforts of Miss Bernice Duggan, of Seth Ward College, was Mr. Southwick brought to Plainview.

Mr. Southwick remarked as he was about to leave Plainview that he found here one of the most appreciative audiences which has greeted him on his Southern tour.

Everyone is pleased, and most of those who attended elated with Mr. Southwick's reading. The success of this high-class entertainment should be an incentive to bring other entertainments of this class. Plainview liberally shows her appreciation of really meritorious entertainments.

which emanated from the State Department early in the week being that no positive and corroborative evidence as to what actually had occurred when the Ancona went down had been received. It was said that the reports received were fragmentary, conflicting or contradictory, and that until a reply to the inquiries submitted to Austria was received it was probable that no communication would be sent to Vienna. Tonight it was suggested in some quarters that information of a most conclusive nature had come to Secretary Lansing probably late Monday night, and that it had been decided then that the protest should go forward immediately. Whether Ambassador Penfield had transmitted the reply of the Vienna Foreign Office to the list of queries submitted by the United States could not be ascertained.

## FUNERAL OF MRS. S. R. JACKSON HELD YESTERDAY.

A. A. Hatchell was called Thursday night to the home of E. W. Jackson, five miles east of the city, to prepare for burial the body of Mrs. S. R. Jackson, who died Thursday. The funeral was held at the home at ten o'clock yesterday morning by Rev. T. B. Haynie.

Mrs. Jackson is survived by her husband and one child.

## WHY QUIBBLE TO AVOID AN ISSUE?

A month ago The Herald mentioned through its columns the fact that the report of the gentleman, who audited the accounts of Hale County during the latter part of August and who made his report on September 2, was not available. The status of the situation then was that the report was not available. It had been accepted by the Commissioners' Court, but neither the presiding judge nor the county clerk could produce the report. It was not included in the minutes of the court.

It is certain that the auditor took the court to task about some business which had been transacted by the court. We have the signed statement of the County Judge that this is the case. Now, on the second day of September this gentleman was asked for the auditor's report. He showed a three- or four-line statement which it is purported was the auditor's report, but he DID NOT show the complete report; for the judge says: "He (the auditor) filed a very lengthy report quoting a large amount of law, which he said showed conclusively we was without authority to make this payment." Now, THIS report is just what was wanted.

He stated when asked for the report that it was in another part of the building, which he did not have access to at that time. On four other occasions the report was not available. Now it is stated that the report was probably burned by the janitor.

Such carelessness is almost criminal. To say the least, it is far from the efficiency which the responsibility of the public office demands.

It is to be hoped that efforts now being made to get a copy of the report from the auditor will be successful. It is to be hoped, too, that the copy is SOON available for inspection. And it is very desirable that the report be here before the auditor himself returns, if indeed he is planning to come.

We are sure of this: The people of Hale County want to see the report, and they want to see the original or a copy of it. The county paid \$150 of the people's money to get the report, and the people certainly have a right to see it—not part of it, but ALL of it. One section was not for the public and another for the officials.

This is The Herald's position: The report should have been available immediately after its acceptance. Some one is to blame for its not being available. The people should have free access to all reports of the county's business. To suppress any public documents or to withhold them, either through intent to keep information from the people or through negligent, careless handling of the same, is less service and efficiency than the people can rightfully ask for.

There's clearly but one issue—the prompt publication of the report. Why quibble to avoid it?

## A PROPOSED NEW RURAL ROUTE WILL SERVE MORE THAN A THOUSAND PEOPLE

POSTMASTER BEN O. SANFORD SENDS PETITION TO WASHINGTON FOR STARTING MOTOR ROUTE FIFTY-THREE MILES LONG.

## A FEDERAL BUILDING IS NEEDED AT PLAINVIEW

Steady Increase of Business of Local Office Shows Substantial Growth of the Town; Two Hundred More Boxes Could Be Used Advantageously.

Postmaster Ben O. Sanford has sent in this week to the Post Office Department, at Washington, a petition signed by 191 persons asking for a new motor rural route from Plainview. This route will serve more than one thousand people above the age of 16 years. It will not duplicate but two or three miles now served by routes. This small bit of territory is now supplied by star routes.

Star-Route Service Is Inadequate. The Whitfield star route serves a few families on this route. But mail goes out over this route only three times a week. Mail by rural route would leave Plainview three hours earlier than mail by star route. Patrons of a star route cannot buy stamps from the carrier, but may from the rural route carriers.

The proposed new route will serve part of the addition around Wayland Baptist College. From the Buchheimer home it will go north, and returning will cross the railroad on the road leading to the Plainview Nursery. From there it goes by Seth Ward College and out north and east, turning west again at the P. W. Jackson place and paralleling, one mile north, the star route into Plainview.

It is to be 51.3 miles long.

The steady monthly increase in the receipts of the post office at Plainview has placed the business where it cannot be handled efficiently for lack of facilities. For instance, it is stated authoritatively that the post office here could rent 200 more boxes. There are no vacant boxes now, and many people moving in have been unable to secure lock boxes. With the normal increase in business the present quarters will soon be so crowded that the post office will lose much efficiency in handling the mails. Other routes will be needed, too, in this rapidly developing section. It is clear that a Federal building will be needed to care for Uncle Sam's interests in Plainview.

The steady gain month after month in postal receipts at the Plainview post office is expected to form the basis of a strong argument for the building.

## TEXAS CHAMBER COMMERCE TRAINED SOCIAL WORKER IS IS DISTINCTLY A NEW BODY BENEVOLENT LEAGUE'S IDEA

Field Secretary, J. J. Arthur, in Plainview in Interest of Broad-Gauge Organization.

As the guest of the Plainview Chamber of Commerce, J. J. Arthur, field secretary of the Texas Chamber of Commerce, was in Plainview yesterday. Mr. Arthur is working in the interests of the Texas Chamber of Commerce.

"No, the Texas Chamber of Commerce is not a successor to the Texas Commercial Secretaries nor to the Texas Business Men's Association," Mr. Arthur stated when questioned by a representative of The Herald. "It is separate and distinct in its personnel and in its mission. We are not in politics. We see the errors committed by these organizations, and intend to profit by their experience."

Replying to a request for a short history of the organization, Mr. Arthur stated: "During the late hearing at Austin in June a number of prominent business men of the State who had met at Austin saw there was much confusion between rival towns and rival sections. The idea of a State commercial organization was forcefully asserted by one who was familiar with the working of such organizations in other states, twenty-two of which have state chambers. The outcome of this discussion was a meeting in Dallas, on October 30, 1915, of 230 representative men from every section of the State and the organization of the Texas Chamber of Commerce, with Morris Stern, of Galveston, as president, and three vice-presidents: Joe Kemp, of Wichita Falls; A. C. Goeth, of Austin, and Alex Sanger, of Dallas, all business men of the highest type the State affords, and men far removed from and little concerned with politics."

"There is one purpose for the existence of the organization—the unification of all sections of Texas in an effort to exploit the wonderful advantages of this great Southwest and to attract immigration and to place immigrants in sections of the State most adapted to their success in their chosen lines. This is a simple idea and a big one."

"The existence of commercial organizations of state-wide scope have been justified by the operation. Texas feels a need for just this same broad-gauge endeavor."

Mr. Arthur met a number of the business men and other citizens of the city, and enlisted the support of many. He is a man of ripe experience and knows many of the needs of Texas. As

secretary for a number of years to the Railway Commission of Texas and in other public and semi-public occupations, he has travelled over the State and has given close study to the problems that confront the commonwealth in its industrial and agricultural development.

The members of the league believe in the best and most lasting solution to Plainview's charity problems.

Dr. L. E. Dye left yesterday for Dallas.

Miss Eva Jordan returned today from the College of Industrial Arts, at Denton.



### A Quaint Christmas Custom

Blowing in the Yule from the grim old tower that had stood 800 years against the blasts of the North sea was one of the customs of the old town that abide, however it fares with the Norse; that I know. At sun-up, while yet the people were at breakfast, the town band climbed the many steep ladders to the top of the tower, and up there, in fair weather or foul—and sometimes it blew great gusts from the wintry sea—they played four old hymns, one to each corner of the compass, so that no one was forgotten. They always began with Luther's sturdy challenge, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," while down below we listened devoutly.

There was something both weird and beautiful about those faraway strains in the early morning light of the northern winter, something that was not of earth, and that suggested to my child's imagination the angels' songs on far Judean hills. Even now, after all these years, the memory of it does that. It could not have been because the music was so rare, for the band was made up of small storekeepers and artisans who thus turned an honest penny on festive occasions. Incongruously enough, I think, the official town mourner, who bade people to funerals, was one of them. It was like the burghers' guard, the colonel of which—we thought him at least a general, because of the huge brass sword he trailed when he marched at the head of his men—was the town tailor, a very small but very martial man. But whether or no, it was beautiful. I have never heard music since that so moved me. When the last strain died away came the big bells out over field and heath, and our Yule was fairly under way.—Jacob A. Riis, in Century.

### Once Upon a Time.

My little child comes to my knee  
And, tugging, pleads that he may climb  
Into my lap to hear me tell  
The Christmas tale beloved so well—  
A tale my mother told me,  
Beginning "Once upon a time."

It is a tale of skies that rang  
With angel rhapsodies sublime;  
Of that great host, serene and white,  
The shepherds saw one wintry night—  
And of the glorious stars that sang  
An anthem once upon a time.

This story of the hallowed years  
Tells of the sacrifice sublime  
Of one who prayed alone and wept  
While his wearied followers slept—  
And how his blood and Mary's tears  
Commingled, once upon a time.

And now my darling at my side  
And echoes of the distant chime  
Bring that sweet story back to me,  
Of Bethlehem and Calvary,  
And of the gentle Christ who died  
For sinners once upon a time.

The mighty deeds that men have told  
In ponderous tomes of fluent rhyme  
Like misty shadows fade away,  
But this sweet story hides for aye—  
And, like the stars that sang of old,  
We sing of "Once upon a time."  
—Eugene Field.

### The Nativity.

The Nativity has found its best treatment in painting. The early painters dealt only with the fundamental theme—the Virgin, in humility and adoration and without the holy joy that the Christ Child had been born into the world, largely introduced by later artists; St. Joseph, gravely, wonderingly silent, the shepherds and the hymning angels. The chronology of the several events generally grouped under the subject of the Nativity has, of course, scant observance, as a rule, at the hands of the artists. The adoration of the Magi and the annunciation to the shepherds are depicted on the same canvas. An altar piece now in the Metropolitan Art Museum, New York city, makes use of the simultaneous scene in its arrangement. The shepherds are hearing the message of the angels, and the kings come not, however, as commonly shown, with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, but unattended.

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### An Old Time English Christmas

"On Christmas day, service in the church ended, the gentlemen presently repair into the hall to breakfast, with brown, mustard and malmsey," says an account of a sixteenth century English Christmas.

"At dinner the butler appointed for the Christmas is to see the tables covered and furnished, and the ordinary butlers of the house are decently to set bread, napkins and trenchers, in good form, at every table—with spoons and knives. At the first course is served a fair and large boar's head, upon a silver platter, with minstrelsy.

"Two servants are to attend at supper and to bear two fair torches of wax, next before the musicians and trumpeters, and stand above the fire with the music till the first course be served in through the hall. Which performed, they with the music are to return into the buttery.

"At night, before supper, are revels and dancing, and so also after supper, during the twelve days of Christmas."

At this time the nobility had entirely discarded their joints of salted beef and platters of wood and pewter, to gether with the swarm of jesters, tumblers and harpers that formerly had been indispensable to the banquet room; a stately ceremonial and solemn silence were considered to be the indications of true politeness. The table was daily set out with a great variety of dishes.

When the company had finished eating the remaining provisions were sent to the waiters and servants, and when these had sufficiently dined the fragments were distributed among the poor.

### The Two Spruce Trees.

Upon a mountain, side by side,  
Two friendly spruces stood,  
And one was tall and filled with pride—  
The monarch of the wood.

The other was a lowly tree,  
Not more than six feet high,  
And other spruces laughed to see  
Its struggle toward the sky.

The monarch from his dizzy height  
Would shout, "Why don't you grow!"  
Alas, a tempest came one night  
And laid that monarch low.

While by and by a woodsman came,  
Who whistles merrily,  
And gave the little spruce a name,  
And called it "Christmas Tree."

And bore it to a house of light,  
Where, gaudily arrayed,  
The spruce became a royal sight  
By children's eyes surveyed.

And Christmas joy it brought to all,  
And as the hours went by  
'Twas glad for having grown so small  
And was content to die.  
—New York Herald.

### Oh, to Have Dwelt In Bethlehem!

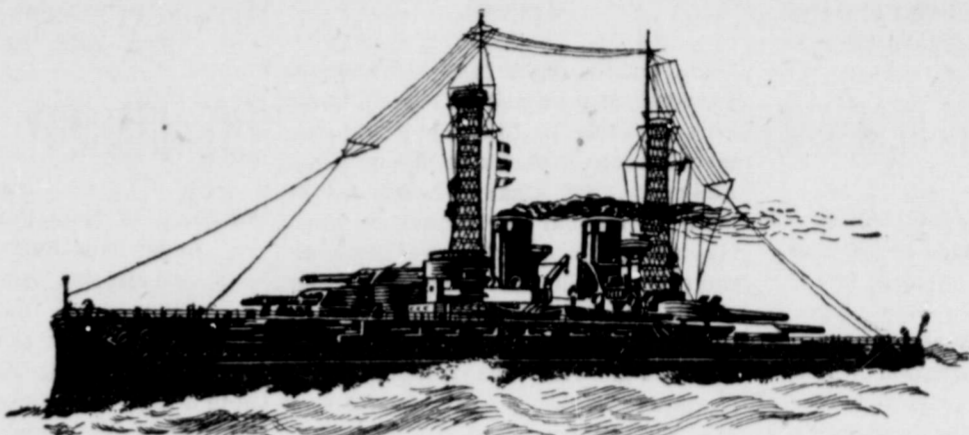
Oh, to have dwelt in Bethlehem  
When the star of the Lord  
Shone bright;  
To have sheltered the holy wanderers

On that blessed Christmas night;  
To have kissed the tender, way worn feet  
Of the mother undried  
And with reverent wonder and deep delight  
To have tended the Holy Child!

Hush! Such a glory was not for thee,  
But that care may still be thine,  
For are there not little ones still to aid  
For the sake of the child divine?  
Are there no wandering pilgrims now  
To thy heart and thy home to take?  
And are there no mothers whose weary hearts

You can comfort for Jesus' sake?  
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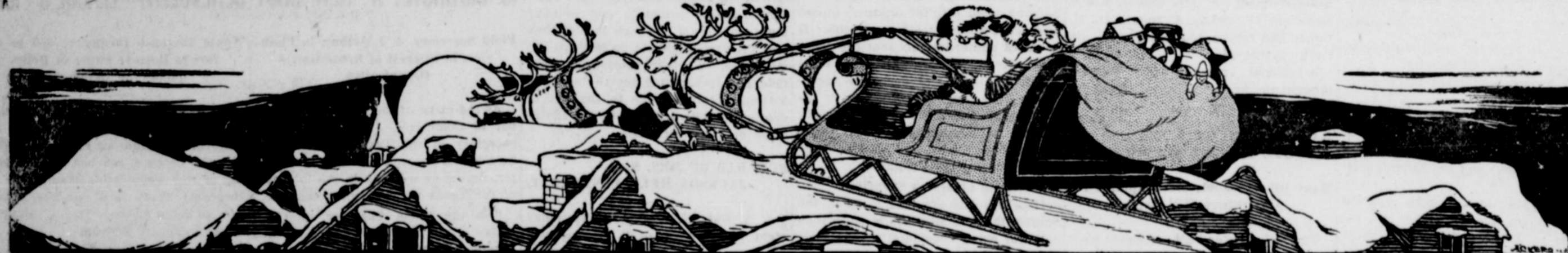
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# America's Unhorsed Knight--and Lady

By Z. E. BLACK, in Sunset Magazine

His picture was printed in a weekly paper, down in Texas. He wore the full regalia of the range: soft hat with carved leather band, figured handkerchief loosely knotted round his neck, the inevitable "44," with a significant rope and riding gloves beside him. His face was hardly handsome enough for a movie hero—you can see for yourself, for his picture is somewhere hereabouts. Yet five hundred women considered marrying him, or somebody like him. For under his picture was the legend: "A Live Unmarried Plainview Cowboy. Name Furnished on Application."

The applications came promptly: more than five hundred letters in six weeks from women in almost every state in the Union. These letters came from farmers' daughters, with the inevitable "R. F. D. No. 1," or whatever number it chanced to be, on the envelope; from "society belles" who professed themselves disgusted with the banalities of their butterfly routine; from widows who were willing to try married life anew; from stenographers and clerks writing from within the prison walls of skyscrapers—almost every class and type of woman were represented in that little deluge of responses to the cowboy's portrait.

Said a St. Louis girl: "The picture of that cowpuncher thrilled me far more than all the men I have ever met in this town." A Chicago stenographer wrote: "The picture of your virile, wholesome man, living the real—namely, the outdoor—life, impressed strongly this particular susceptible feminine heart, and it would please me very much to get in touch with him or some other genuine Westerner." "I want a man who, in addition to loving an outdoor life, etc.," wrote one. "What I in books, etc.," wrote one. "What I want is a REAL man, but he must be educated, refined and good looking," explained another. The sentiment of the majority was expressed in the confession of one who wrote: "I have never seen anyone who appeals to me so much as does even the picture of a Western boy."

What romantic dreams of "the world's last cavalier," the cowboy, lay back of these letters? How much was this eagerness prompted by a movie-fostered belief that the knighthood of the plains is still in flower? As a matter of fact, that age of American chivalry is practically over. The big ranch is being cut up into hundreds of small farms and stock-farms, and the lariat now serves as skipping rope for children. And now that his race is run, America is awakening to the fact that the cowpuncher was our foremost constructive soldier, a fearless, chivalric, elemental and interesting type, belonging to a useful "chivalry" which has played a vital part in the development of this nation—a chivalry which wore sombreros instead of steel casques, soft wool shirts and "chaps" instead of glittering mail, and which no Cervantes need smile away.

"The changing and romantic West of the early days lives mainly in story and song," says A. L. Lomax, of the University of Texas, in the preface to his collection of cowboy ballads. "The last figure to vanish is the cowboy, the animating spirit of the vanishing era. He sits his horse easily as he rides through a wide valley, enclosed by mountains, clad in the hazy purple of coming night—with his face turned steadily down the long, long road, 'the road that the sun goes down.' Dauntless, reckless, without the uncharity purity of Sir Galahad, though as gentle to a pure woman as King Arthur, he is truly a knight of the Twentieth Century. A vagrant puff of wind shakes a corner of the crimson handkerchief knotted loosely at his throat; the thud of his pony's feet mingling with his spurs is borne back; and as the careless, gracious, lovable figure disappears over the divide, the breeze brings back to the ears, faint and far yet cheery still, the refrain of a cowboy song:

Whoopie ti yi, git along, little dogies;  
It's my misfortune and none of your own.  
Whoopie ti yi, git along, little dogies;  
For you know that Wyoming will be your new home."

The unique figure of the cowboy appeared on the horizon at the logical point in the economic evolution of the United States. Immediately after the Civil War a mighty unrest pervaded the ranks of American youth. They were a generation nearer than we to knightly forefathers who had beleaguered castles, marched against the Saracens at Jerusalem, and tilted in the melees of bloody tournaments. Some of them had listened to heroic sires recount their "derring does" in the conflicts with England and Mexico. The blood of others yet boiled from the furnace of the war of the Rebellion. The hard times in the North and the poverty in the South meant much prosaic toil for everyone. Their fathers had had enough of wars and adventure; the sons yearned lustily for a life

with a quicker measure. The early cattle barons of the plains called them to a new knight-errantry. The ranges of the "golden West" were ripe for a harvest of beef, but the laborers were few. Gold-hunters, Indian fighters, scouts, trappers and buffalo slayers brought back thrills of delectable dangers. Uncle Sam was seeking to subdue a new country, much of which had been unexplored. Is it any wonder that the youth of the East—sons of Yankees and Rebels alike—set out alone or organized crusades in search of the "gory trail"?

Wonderful were their lives. Wild riding and reckless hunting over the trailless desert, the landmarkless plain and the hostile mountain, with Death always lurking near in the form of the redskin, or a leak in a canteen, a sudden blizzard, in the stumble of a speeding pony, the fangs of the dread rattlesnake, the attack of wild animals or the frenzied stampede of tame—all these and many more dangers were the daily program of the pioneer who rode after cattle.

Your cowboy with his trusty "six-shooter" was as worthy a marksman as Scott's "Locksley" with his good "long bow." His "calico" pony was as faithful and far more fleet than the gaudily furnished warhorses of the knights of old. And the cowboy knight, unlike the ancient cavalier, was acquainted with soap, and never wore his netherwear until it was ready to drop off. While he was also vulgar and profane, these habits took on with him an epic quality, and were not repulsive, seeming only to accentuate the freedom of his world. From his courtly demeanor on the few occasions when ladies chanced to be present, no one could imagine the cowboys indulging in drunkenness and foul-mouthedness to such a degree that women would be forced to leave the dinner table at a certain point—the conditions which existed around the banquet-boards of the brave days of old.

Like the storied chivalry of the medieval ages, the rangeland had a heraldry all its own—the heraldry of blazing irons rather than emblazoned coats-of-arms. For the cattle had to be branded, notwithstanding the classic instance of an Eastern girl who thought the practice cruel and suggested to a certain stockman that he distinguish his steers by affixing a bow of pink ribbon to their horns. The list of brands included almost every imaginable design—hearts, clubs, diamonds, but no spades, nor, in fact, any mark that savored of agriculture.

The cowboy was usually contented, and his happy-go-lucky race seldom included a pessimist, although many of them were "disinherited knights." His gala occasions were few, but when they did come he played as hard as he had worked. Largely attended roping contests—corresponding to the ancient tournaments—were a pleasure until state legislatures edicted against them as "being dangerous to the riders and cruel to the mounts and steers." An amusement that resembled even more the knightly tournament was the practice of riding at full speed by a row of posts and endeavoring to secure as many as possible of the rings dangling on the point of a spear presented in the old style. (Silly, you say, but how about the useless bloodshed of that older tournament?)

The punchers would gather from ranches hundreds of miles distant to attend dances, and these diversions were topics of conversation for months afterward. Rare were their trips "back to civilization"—usually for supplies or to market with cattle. Then, like the soldier, the sailor and all other classes accustomed to solitude, hardships and dangers, the cowboy made the most of his vacation. Often he went in for nights of carousing, drunkenness and gambling, but he was no more intemperate than the knights over whom dry history is touched with eloquence.

The car of progress moves only at the sacrifice of primitive beauty and charm and picturesque types of people. The demands of ever-increasing population for a larger food-supplying area are restless and resistless. The steel antennae of railroads penetrated cowland, bringing with them markets and doing away with the crusades with complaining herds up the "old trails" to northern shipping points. The railroads also brought many "nestors" or "grangers," and precipitated a long and bitter struggle between the would-be agriculturists and the cattle baron and his minions. And just as the ranks of the earlier knights were vanquished by the advent of gunpowder, just as the shaggy buffalo fled before America's red man, and just as the Indian surlily relinquished his hunting grounds to the herds of the ranchman with his valliant vaqueros, so did the later booted and spurred cavaliers in time reluctantly surrender their possessions to the shoe-shod man with the plow and hoe. It is the ascending scale of all material development—the tent or tepee of the hunter, the unpainted shack of the herder, the comfortable

home of the farmer, who feeds the most.

What became of the puncher brigade? Some left Texas a few years ago for South America—a 11,000-mile trip in search of days and conditions that are no more. They are now straggling back, lamenting that South America handles her cattle on foot! A few cowboys have gone on the stage, and many have "joined out" with "Wild West" shows and circuses. In recent years a large number have found lucrative employment in posing for the "movies." A considerable percentage of the automobile drivers of the West were recruited from their ranks. The desire to "ride and ever to ride," the fascination of rapid motion and the element of danger have placed the goggles of the auto-race-meet driver over the eyes of many cowboys. A few, a very few, sought the cities, and may be found boxed up in mahogany cases in the "innards" of skyscrapers. Here and there is one who has gone into the real-estate business and is "boosting" the agricultural possibilities of dry or irrigated lands with as much emotion and enthusiasm as Horace of old, who, when sated with the metropolitan banalities of Rome, sang of the glories of the farm and the "back to the land" movement.

But the majority of the punchers adopted the profession of their conquerors—which is not an uncommon thing in history. Many of them also adopted the daughters of the once-despised "grangers." Perhaps their natures changed, but most of them will tell you that the "housed, married West" is not so repulsive after all. Pierce Vikings, after conquering the seas from the Arctic to Africa, became farmers of England and peasants of France. The grandees of Spain found coffee-raising more profitable than searching for the gold of the Incas, and the British cavalier discovered the "blue bird" in the tobacco plantations of Virginia. Greatest in his unseating by a worthy opponent is the history of "America's unhorsed knight." He was a true son of Uncle Sam, and instead of moping and being a "quitter," he had that handy adaptability and capacity of American manhood to do the things that are most needed.

At times, perhaps, there comes to him a longing for the old knight-errant days. As he tosses the skipping-rope for his children or grandchildren, who knows but that he feels half-smothered desire to coil it into the potent lariat? Perhaps the crude "nature-faking" cowboys of the stage, the circus, the photoplay and story cause a twitching of disgust to permeate his bowed, rheumatic legs, and he longs to show the world a true sample of the rangeland life. Perchance he gazes wistfully at his favorite saddle of the vanished days, with its rope-worn horn and thorn-scarred leather, now hanging in dusty disuse out in the automobile shed, and murmurs under his breath with the cowboy poet:

"I want free life, and I want fresh air,  
And I long for the canter after the cattle;  
The crack of the whip like shots in a battle—"

There is a general belief in many sections that the picturesque cowboy is still extant. The ambitious young writer of the East is greatly disconcerted when he comes West in search of lurid local color and finds the "honk" instead of the "brone," and the businesslike stock farmer instead of the romantic rancher. Youngsters of the North who have been thrilled by motion pictures or by yellow or blood-red stories of cowboy life in Sunday supplements or cheap "Wild West" novels, write to the postmasters of sedate Western towns, asking to be put in touch with some ranchman who "wants to hire cowboys." Many a letter comes to the mayor of some town out in the West, written by a romance-hungry "miss" in a distant section who desires the address of a "real, REAL cowboy." Such letters are sources of great amusement to the natives, for more than likely the favorite phrase with the commercial club of that ambitious village is: "Ten acres under irrigation in our county will now support a family, whereas under the old regime they furnished sustenance only for a steer."

Let none of the ladies who want a cowboy for a husband bemoan the fact that the old regime is over. Even if pioneer Western life, with the passing of its principal figure—the dashing and picturesque cowboy—has seemed to have lost some of its metric measure, there is still imprinted on the hearts of the bluff Westerners who have taken his place that reverential chivalry and respect for women that made him famous. Besides, while the ranch was an exciting place to visit, it was not much as a home. Hard indeed was it for the women on the isolated ranches to keep the peach-bloom on their

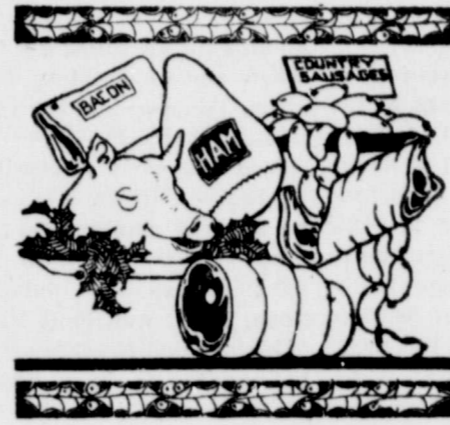
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We ain't no hands fur style an' sich. But we jest wanter say We'll use you white by day or night

If you should come our way. Accept this greetin', which is full Uv good ol' Gungy cheer. An' peace, good will an' joy until We see you all next year!

—Joe Coon.

**KANSAS CITY STOCK MARKET IN DETAIL.**

**KANSAS CITY STOCK YARDS,** Dec. 6.—Beef cattle were scarce last week after Tuesday, and sales were stronger Thursday and Friday. Stockers and feeders sold lower during the week, and quit at the season's lowest level, but with a much better clearance than at close of previous week.

Receipts today are 18,000 cattle, two thousand below the early estimate, market steady to 15 cents lower on beef steers, steady on stockers and feeders, some of the better ones strong. There is a place for some Christmas beeves this week, but only one load approaching the proper degree of finish arrived today, Missouri steers, 1,534 pounds average, which sold at \$9.75. Medium to good fed steers sell at \$7.50 to \$8.25, and medium to common

short-fed steers \$6.50 to \$7.25, the latter class selling steady today. Yearling steers and heifers reached \$9.10, heavy cows \$5.50 to \$6.50.

A drove of high-bred Panhandle stock steers sold at \$7.05, 787 pounds average. Nothing except a few fancy bred stockers got above this price, middle-class stockers at \$6.00 to \$6.75, common grades \$5.25 to \$5.75.

A fair run of Iowa and Minnesota cattle arrived, and sales were steady on stock steers, and 10 to 15 cents higher on butcher grades and stock cows and heifers. Northern stock steers sold mostly at \$6.00 to \$6.50, a few at \$6.75, stock cows \$4.50 to \$5.50, stock heifers \$5.25 to \$6.00, a few choice heifers above these prices.

The arrival of 34,000 cattle at Chicago today, and lower prices, was the cause for decline on beef grades here.

Hog receipts today were 19,000 head, which included 3,000 brought in by Armour from South St. Paul and 2,000 by other packers from other Northern points. Chicago was again the depressing feature, with eighty thousand hogs received, many of them said to be light weights. Prices here are 15 to 25 cents lower, top \$6.50, bulk of sales \$6.15 to \$6.45, as compared with bulk of sales in Chicago of \$6.00 to \$6.50. Light hogs sell higher here than at the Northern markets, account of oversupply there. Packers have been the strongest buyers here in the past week, and apparently have use for more hogs than they can get here. Local prices are 5 to 15 cents above prices at other Missouri River markets.

Sheep and lambs are selling at strong prices, market 10 cents higher today, receipts 5,500 head. Fed Western lambs sold at \$8.75 and \$8.85 today, and fed yearlings \$7.50. Ewes and wethers show an advance of 25 cents in the past week, wethers worth up to \$6.50, ewes \$6.00, and feeding lambs are 15 to 25 cents higher, at \$8.00 to \$8.40. Present prices are 50 to 75 cents above a year ago at this time, and look encouraging for feeders, who are admonished by commission men to refrain from sacrificing half-fat lambs, conditions pointing to a stronger market after the first of the year.

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**MORE PROSPERITY.**

If any additional evidence were needed that the business of this country is prospering it is furnished by the railroads. Until a few months ago the railroads of this country, with hardly an exception, were complaining of dull business and hard times. Now they are sitting up nights trying to devise ways to move the vast amount of tonnage offered them.

The fact that the railroads are making many improvements. New rails are being laid, new cars and locomotives are being purchased and great sums of money are being expended for other improvements.

In the East several of the lines are making new high records for business, and all lines are showing a marked increase. In the South and West the same revival of business is being practically duplicated, and there is no doubt that the prosperity is shown, too, by the longer any doubt as to prosperity being an accomplished fact.—Beaumont Enterprise.

**"PAUL MAUSER, DECEASED."**

The death of Paul Mauser, the German inventor of the Mauser rifle and of many other weapons and devices for warfare, appears to have escaped attention. It is noted in a list of patents granted by the United States patent office in August, which gives "Paul Mauser, deceased," of Oberndorf-on-the-Neckar, Germany, as the inventor and his heirs as the holders of patents for an automatic firearm mechanism and for a safety device for firearms. Mauser was born at Oberndorf, Wuertemberg, in 1838. There he received his early education, and with his brother, Wilhelm Mauser (1834-82), he secured employment in the local arsenal factory. The two brothers were joint authors of a number of inventions, but it was Paul Mauser who, in 1879, invented the Mauser revolver, and he appears to have had the larger share in even the joint undertakings. In 1882, in conjunction with his brother, he succeeded in securing the adoption by the Servian government of an improved rifle known as the "Mauser, 1882." He is principally known, however, for his invention of the Mauser magazine rifle and a magazine revolver. His weapon was distinguished for its low trajectory, and the projectile which it fired for its penetrative power. The Mauser rifle was a modification of the French cassepot. It

was adopted by the Prussian Government as successor of the needle gun, and came into use in the German, Belgian, Spanish, Portuguese and Turkish armies. It was the weapon of the Spanish troops in the Spanish-American War, and was regarded as much superior to the Springfield .45 of that period, with which the American volunteer regiments were armed. The Mauser was also used by the Boers in the South African War. Paul Mauser in 1898 was elected a member of the German Reichstag.—Army and Navy Journal.



**H Chant of Christmas**

Oh, holy night, the stars are brightly shining; It is the night of our dear Saviour's birth! Long lay the world in sin and error—pinning Till he appeared and the soul felt its worth. A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices, For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn! Fall on your knees! Oh, hear the angel voices! Oh, night divine; oh, night when Christ was born! Truly he taught us to love one another. His law is love, and his gospel is peace. Chains shall he break, for the slave is our brother, And in his name all oppression shall cease. Sweet hymn of joy in grateful chorus raise we; Let all within us praise his holy name. Christ is the Lord! Then ever, ever praise we; His power and glory evermore proclaim!



**ASSISTED BY TEXAS UNIVERSITY. Efficiency in City Government Is Aim of Bureau Which Is Itself Efficient.**

Texas is known the world over as the original home of a certain very efficient form of city government. Not content with this distinction in municipal affairs, the University of Texas established, a couple of years ago, a bureau, the sole purpose of which was to investigate and report on municipal problems, and for the purpose, also, of co-operating with the cities of Texas in needed reform in the conduct of municipal business.

This Bureau now makes its first report, a copy of which has been sent to this office by Dr. Herman G. James, Director. One of the most striking features of the report is a two-page map of Texas showing the cities that have applied to the Bureau for assistance since its organization. Every portion of the State is represented. On page 12 occurs a list of the various and perplexing problems that have been put up to the Bureau by inquiring and ambitious Texas municipalities. One is surprised that there are really in existence so many problems connected with urban life.

A list of bulletins issued by the Bureau is suggestive of the research work which has been done: "A Model Charter for Texas Cities," "Methods of Sewage Disposal in Texas Cities," "A Model Civil Service Code for Texas Cities," "What Is the City-Manager Plan?" "Street Paving in Texas," "Public-Service Rates in Texas Cities," and so on to the number of a dozen or more.

A copy of this report, we are told,

will be sent free upon application to the Bureau, and it will make very informative reading for anyone interested in the solution of municipal problems.

**"GREEN BUG" APPEARS AGAIN. Measures Recommended to Minimize Danger of Serious Outbreak in Spring.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10.—The "green bug," otherwise known as the spring-grain aphid, has made its appearance in Tennessee, Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, and New Mexico. Farmers are urged by the United States Department of Agriculture to watch their fields carefully for spots where the pest is abundant and the wheat plants change to a red or yellow color. Such spots or areas should be immediately plowed under and rolled, or if straw is abundant, this should be spread over the spots and burned. The danger of a serious outbreak in the coming spring will depend upon weather conditions between this and April 1.



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## The Infant Christ In Art



Saint Anthony of Padua with the Infant Christ—Murillo.

At no season of the year does human thought so circle around the Christ Child as at Christmas-tide, when the angelic chorus sings again the heavenly message, "Glory to God in the highest; on earth peace, good will to men." Of course all lovers of art bow before the pictures which represent the life of Christ from the time of his birth to his crucifixion and resurrection and ascension.

One writer says: "There was an element in Christian art that classic art never admitted—that is, suffering. The one central figure that in the splendor of his divine beauty has consecrated art forever, was it not that of the Master?"

It is to the pictures of the Christ Child rather than as man that he attention is especially directed at this season. The holy night, the Nativity, when as a babe he was cradled in a manger; the adoration of the shepherds, the visit of the wise men, the

flight into Egypt, the presentation in the temple, besides the holy family and the Madonna, have been subjects of the masterpieces of the world's greatest artists.

These subjects of course have won and held the imagination of a long line of artists whose names would constitute a veritable roll of honor. At random one recalls the names of Giotto, Hans Memling, Mantegna, Ghirlandajo, Durer, Tintoretto, Titian, Rubens, Van Dyck, Botticelli, Rembrandt, Murillo, Correggio, Fra Angelico and El Greco.

In modern art the gospel story no longer holds its old place, perhaps, save among the very devout. But on a secondary artistic level the sculpture and paintings sold for use in churches show that the events attending the infancy of Christ have, next to those of the crucifixion, the widest currency in representation. Many of the plaster figures, too, bought for home decoration represent scenes about the manger in Bethlehem, and so it is also with colored prints, paintings and lithographs.

### TEXAS CROP CONDITIONS.

Crop conditions in San Saba County November 18: Cotton will average about one bale to four acres; corn about 60 bushels per acre on the irrigated land and about 25 bushels on the unirrigated; the sweet potato crop will go as high as 200 bushels to the acre. The pecan crop will fall short of last year.

The conditions on the same date in Denton, Dallas, Collin and Grayson counties showed open cotton 60 per cent. There is a probability that about 35 per cent of unopened may yet ripen. Late corn, of which the acreage is small, yield 75 per cent; late hay, 80 per cent; good seed sweet potatoes, 100 per cent; late Irish potatoes, small acreage, 75 per cent; fall gardens, 80 per cent. Wheat sowing is progress-

ing, with a prospective increase of at least 25 per cent.

Houston County, same date: Corn, 80 per cent; cotton, 50 per cent; hay and forage crops, about 90 per cent; sweet potatoes, 95 per cent; ribbon cane and sorghum, 95 per cent. Crops are about gathered.

Titus County has the best all-round crop it has grown in several years. There is a bountiful supply of corn, hay, sweet potatoes, fall Irish potatoes, ribbon cane, peanuts, canned fruits and vegetables to do the county for another year, and there is more fat hogs than these people have had in any one year for the past ten. The grass is fine, and stock of all kinds is in good shape. Some small grain has been sown, but not enough, and not enough fall plowing has been done.

In Jefferson and Liberty counties most of the crops have been gathered; late rice is being threshed. In DeWitt and Lavaca counties crops have been pretty well gathered, and plowing is well under way. In some sections of these counties rain is badly needed.

In Frio County cotton acreage was reduced 40 per cent, and owing to boll weevil and root-rot the yield was cut to about one bale to seven acres. Corn acreage was increased 200 per cent, and the crop averaged 15 bushels per acre; all gathered. The grain sorghum acreage was increased 50 per cent, and produced 15 to 18 bushels per acre. One farm went as high as 51 bushels. Oat acreage about the same as last year, and all for pasture.

Lampasas County cotton will make about a quarter of a bale to the acre, and corn about 20 bushels to the acre under the dry-farming system and about 60 bushels under irrigation. The turkey and pecan crops are good.

It looks like the considerable top cotton crop in Lamar County was killed by the heavy rains and frosts of the 14th and 15th. Cotton crop is about 55 per cent of last year's. Hay is splendid and potatoes fine. Corn, 85 per cent. On November 1 Lamar county had ginned 26,833 bales of cotton.

The Verdi section of Atascosa County made a third of a bale of cotton to the acre. County average will not exceed a bale to each four acres. It is practically all gathered, as is the corn. The corn yield is very light. Good crops of sorghum and cowpeas have been

made. So far very little fall plowing has been done.

Crop conditions in Titus County on the 20th were the same as last reported. The weather has been cold and cloudy, some rain, but the week closed clear and cool.

Dallas, Denton, Grayson and Tarrant counties: Killing frost on morning of 15th, and all growing stopped. About 10 per cent of the cotton top crop will make. Late wheat and oats, 90 per cent, but early crops of both cut down; sweet potatoes, 100 per cent; turnips, 100 per cent; Irish potatoes, 80 per cent; tomatoes, 100 per cent. Wheat sowing going on; land being turned in all sections.

### SPECIAL CENSUS OF ST. CLAIR HEIGHTS, MICHIGAN, TAKEN.

A special census of the village of St. Clair Heights, Michigan, made at local request and expense, shows the population of that village on November 18, 1915, to have been 6,853. The increase since 1910, when the population was 1,252, has been 447 per cent. The present population comprises 6,835 whites and 18 negroes. The census was taken by local enumerators under the supervision of Mr. Emmons K. Ellsworth, an official of the Bureau of the Census.

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Judge R. C. Joiner will open District Court for Hale County January 10. The following petit jurors have been summoned by Sheriff J. C. Hooper:

- Grand Jurors.**
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| F. M. Daugherty | C. W. Boyd        |
| A. H. Estes     | T. M. Fortenberry |
| T. W. Gordon    | S. McMinn         |
| Earl Hewitt     | W. F. Cunningham  |
| H. B. Meester   | Charley Brown     |
| H. B. Tatum     | G. M. Phillips    |
| R. M. Irick     | J. C. Woolverton  |
| H. R. Tarwater  |                   |
- Petit Jurors—First Week.**
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|-----------------|------------------|
| J. P. Flake     | W. W. Laney      |
| Grover Lemaster | J. W. Crawford   |
| E. L. Miller    | W. H. Winningham |
| A. Brury        | C. F. Redinger   |
| M. F. Mitcher   | J. W. Magnus     |
| G. F. Stagner   | F. M. Parks      |
| Silas Maggard   | D. D. Shipley    |
| W. T. Moreland  | W. P. Rautzen    |

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| N. B. Burkett  | F. L. Brown     |
| H. H. Sammann  | T. W. Shepherd  |
| W. W. Kerfees  | A. S. J. Martin |
| E. B. Shankle  | W. B. Jones     |
| T. R. Thompson | W. R. Morrison  |
| L. C. Claytor  | H. Weise        |
| J. R. Light    | C. C. Phillips  |
| T. J. Black    | F. H. Springer  |
| J. M. Tilson   | M. S. Wasson    |
| G. E. Ritchey  | H. V. Curtis    |
- Third Week.**
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| J. D. Hanby       | L. W. Struve     |
| H. E. Landis      | T. H. Brown      |
| T. J. Johnson     | E. A. Zollieffer |
| W. E. Mickey      | M. A. McGraw     |
| J. F. Jackson     | T. H. Barbee     |
| F. J. Boedecker   | C. R. Houston    |
| P. W. Jackson     | J. H. McDaniel   |
| G. M. Phelps      | J. M. Buchanan   |
| L. Ragland        | G. W. Branton    |
| S. S. Reese       | Ed Winn          |
| C. L. McKinney    | B. Blazedell     |
| R. M. Harp        | W. F. Meador     |
| E. A. Shackelford | J. W. Yancy      |
| T. J. Nettler     | G. W. Lewis      |

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| F. Helm        | W. C. Malone  |
| W. C. Thomason | H. O. Conner  |
| W. C. Smithee  | A. L. Hawkins |
| W. A. Lowe     | T. F. Mounts  |
- Fourth Week.**
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| O. E. Winslow   | R. R. Havenhill |
| John Simon      | B. E. Hudgins   |
| John Fisher     | Bradford Cox    |
| R. W. Cross     | F. Rastetter    |
| J. T. Terrell   | P. F. Bryan     |
| J. B. Long      | W. E. Stanford  |
| Chas. Schuler   | R. Bert         |
| R. B. C. Howell | Geo. Oberdeer   |
| M. S. Hudson    | J. M. Waller    |
| L. N. Fern      | R. R. Bridges   |
| L. W. Stoneker  | H. A. Wofford   |
| Morris Eubank   | J. S. Hayden    |
| E. C. Reagan    | P. D. Windsor   |
| O. D. Kiser     | D. B. Crouch    |
| W. O. Ball      | W. C. Jernigan  |
| J. W. Bogguss   | J. W. Hartzler  |
| C. Bird         | J. A. Bell      |
- Bert Neal, of Canyon City, had business in Plainview Thursday.

**FROM OVER THE STATE.**

**Dallas Catching Step.**  
 This week the Dallas County Woman's Rest Room began an exchange for poultry and garden products. The purpose is to make it possible for rural women to come to the rest room with their products, get in touch with women of the city who want such products, and make arrangements to supply them on certain days.

Dallas is just catching the step. Hale County has had a woman's exchange for several months.

**T. & P. Institutes New Department.**  
 The Texas and Pacific Railway has instituted a new department, "Over, Short and Damage Bureau."

The O. S. and D. Bureau is a department of the Transportation Bureau, but has absolutely no connection with the freight claim department. Its purpose is to reach the claim before the claim reaches the claim department. It may be termed a freight-handling efficiency bureau.

**Aeroplane Accident at Hillsboro.**  
 Seven persons were injured at Hillsboro Thursday when Aviator C. A. Foster and his machine plunged into a crowd of people on the public square.

Foster was running up Covington Street, preparatory to rising as he reached the square, and, eager to see the people formed too narrow a lane. The suction from the cross street bore the machine slightly to one side, and a man beyond the crowd was hit, which caused the craft to turn to the right with a broken wing as it rose and struck a man on a wagon and dashed into a tree on the court house square, throwing the aviator to the ground and injuring the persons mentioned. One man was hurt by being run over by the crowd.

The machine was a Curtiss-Foster biplane.

**Texas Wheat Acreage Large.**  
 Reports from Austin state that Texas will plant 1,350,000 acres of winter wheat. The acreage in other wheat-producing states, especially the Missouri Valley, will be smaller than last year.

Dallas is to have a new interurban railway terminal station. Buildings to the value of \$90,000 will be razed to make room for the new station, on Jackson Street between Browder and Lane.

Mrs. Pankhurst says it is the German strain in Englishmen that makes them so obstinate. We don't know which this will make the madder—the Englishmen or the Germans.—Manchester Union.



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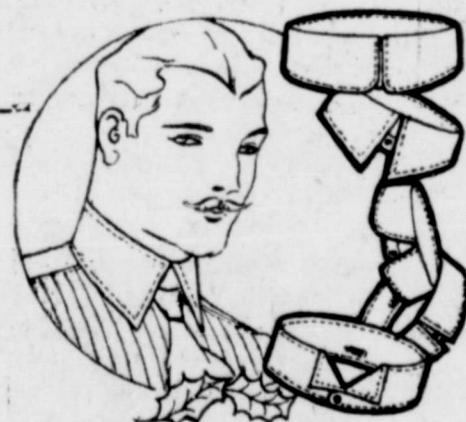
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## CHRISTMAS CAROL.

There's a song in the air!  
There's a star in the sky!  
There's a mother's deep prayer,  
And a baby's low cry!  
And the star rains its fire while the  
beautiful sing,  
For the manger of Bethlehem cradles  
a King!

There's a tumult and joy  
O'er the wonderful birth,  
For the Virgin's sweet boy  
Is the Lord of the earth.  
Ay! the star rains its fire while the  
beautiful sing,  
For the manger of Bethlehem cradles  
a King!

In the light of that star  
Lie the ages unpearled;  
And that song from afar  
Has swept over the world.  
Every heart is aflame and the beau-  
tiful sing,  
In the homes of the nations, that Jesus  
is King!

We rejoice in the light,  
And we echo the song  
That comes down through the night  
From the heavenly throng.  
Ay! we shout to the lovely evangel  
they bring,  
And we greet in His cradle our Savior  
and King!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Mrs. Robert M. Malone will entertain the Auction Bridge Club Tuesday afternoon, at her suite of rooms at the Hotel Ware.

The Wednesday Bridge Club will be entertained next week by Mrs. Robert M. Malone at her suite of rooms, at the Hotel Ware.

## RECITAL.

The pupils of Miss Nell Sansom will give a recital Wednesday night at the Presbyterian Church, at eight o'clock. All are cordially invited.

## FIVE HUNDRED CLUB WITH MRS. G. C. KECK.

The last ante-holiday meeting of the Five Hundred Club was held Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. G. C. Keck, 209 Archer Street.

The regular three tables were filled with the members and Mesdames George Saigling, J. J. Lash, E. H. Bawden and R. E. Meyers.

At five-thirty a beautifully appointed turkey dinner was served by the hostess.

The club adjourned to meet again January 4, with Mrs. T. C. Shepard, 306 Alexander Street.

## CENTRAL MOTHERS' CLUB TO MEET DECEMBER 17.

The regular monthly meeting of the Central Mothers' Club will be held at the High School Building on the afternoon of Friday, December 17, at 3:45 o'clock. All who are interested in the welfare of the schools are invited to attend these meetings, and this, too, without regard to whether they are or are not members of the club. The program for the meeting of next Friday will be as follows:

Music—High School Orchestra.  
Address, "The Mission of the Public School"—Rev. T. B. Haynie.  
Reading, "Johnnie's Prayer"—Edith McMath.  
Business Session.  
Open Discussion—"Some Needs of Our School."

## THE BROWNING CLUB.

With Miss Burr Goode as a well prepared leader, the Browning Club enjoyed an entertaining program Saturday afternoon, in the club room at the home of Mrs. J. C. Anderson. Two of Tennyson's most beautiful poems, "Maud" and "The Princess" were the topics of study.

"The Lover and Maud—a Character Study," was ably discussed by Miss Edna Harrington, and "The Women of 'The Princess,'" by Miss Sansom.

A comparative study of the plot of "The Princess" and that of "Love's Labor Lost" was the subject allotted to Miss Lissie Bell Walker.

Miss Goode, as leader, took the remainder of the program.

## PRISCILLA EMBROIDERY CLUB.

The Priscilla Embroidery Club met with Mrs. C. E. King December 2nd. A pleasant afternoon was spent, after which the hostess served a delicious two-course luncheon.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. J. G. Selpp, December 16th.

## FROM AMARILLO IN CAR.

Mrs. J. R. Kerley and small daughter, Cleo, and Messrs. Frank O'Kane and Weldon Burt came down from Amarillo in a car Saturday afternoon. They were joined at Tulla by Miss Mary Tomlinson, who returned with them Sunday after they attended the Elks' memorial service.

While in Plainview the party were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Keck.

## PRAETORIANS ENTERTAIN.

Excellent Program Given to Members of Order and Their Friends Friday Evening.

The entertainment given Friday night by the Praetorians, at their lodge room, was largely attended. Refreshments were served. The program follows:

Music—Orchestra.  
"Annie Laurie"—Miss Donnell.  
Prayer—Rev. J. W. Story.  
"Revenge"—Mrs. I. B. Broyles.  
"Souvenir"—Miss Wolters.  
"A Christian Soldier"—Miss Brown.  
Music—Orchestra.  
"His Last Letter Home"—Miss Floy Pippin.  
Quartette, "Stars of the Summer Night"—Ray Ivey, Harold Knupp, Lonnie Fletcher and Carter Mathes.  
"The Secret of a Happy Home"—Rev. I. E. Gates.  
Music—Orchestra.  
"Why Not Become a Praetorian?"—Fay Sawyer.  
Prayer—Rev. T. B. Haynie.

## NINETY MILES FROM RAILWAY, BUT LIVE AND PROGRESSIVE.

Women of Ranches at Plains, Texas, Have Aggressive Clubs—Planning Library.

Mrs. Henry Tandy, of Plains, Texas, was here Thursday, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Tandy, 305 Archer Street. Mrs. Tandy is an enthusiastic club woman, and has been instrumental in organizing a study club at Plains, of which she is president. Most of the members live on ranches many miles apart and ninety miles from a railroad, but have a live club and have the nucleus for a library.

Mrs. T. H. Davis and little daughter left Thursday to spend the holidays with relatives at Oklahoma City.

John Newton left Thursday for Chicago, via Tulsa, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Wells returned this week from a visit to their son, Jesse Wells, in Floyd County.

Miss Vera Newton has returned from a visit to New Boston and Fort Worth.

J. C. Rawlings returned yesterday from a business trip to Lubbock.

Rev. J. W. Story left Thursday for Amarillo.

J. M. Light was here Thursday from Hale Center.

E. E. Winn returned Thursday from a business trip to Iowa and Nebraska.

Rev. A. B. Roberts and daughter, Miss Sibyl, left Thursday for Slaton for a visit with relatives.

Clyde McDaniel returned Thursday from a visit in Colorado.

George Runyon returned Thursday from Amarillo, where he has been on business.

W. R. Simmons left Thursday for Waco, on business.

Miss Ida McGlasson returned Wednesday from Waco.

Born, December 6th, a boy to Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Stewart, Lakeside Addition, Plainview.

R. C. Craig, of Janesville, Wisc., was here this week on business.

Mrs. A. B. DeWald and Mrs. C. H. Bucks, who had been visiting their mother, Mrs. M. A. Lattimore, returned to Abernathy on Wednesday.

Miss Grace Thatcher returned Wednesday from Amarillo.

J. N. Jordan went to Lorenzo Wednesday on business.

Rev. C. D. West, pastor of the Methodist Church at Paducah, Texas, returned home Wednesday, after a visit to Rev. J. W. Story.

J. B. Maxey returned Wednesday from Amarillo.

John Schrock, of Wichita, Kans., arrived Wednesday. Mr. Schrock owns land in Hale County.

J. E. Pipkin, of Abernathy, was here this week on business.

Jack Barton and Joe Barton, Jr., of Bartonsite, were here this week on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hudson returned Wednesday from Abernathy.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Posey returned Wednesday to Lubbock, after a visit to Mrs. E. O. Nichols and to relatives at Floydada.

Will Sanford returned to Hale Center Wednesday.

Mrs. E. E. Roos is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jere Deal, at Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Miss Gladys Overall has accepted a position as teacher in Ochiltree County.

Mrs. S. J. Moreland, of Canyon, came down yesterday.

O. M. Unger arrived Thursday morning from Elkton, S. D., where he has been for the past few months. Mr. Unger was accompanied by a party who are interested in the Plainview Country.

R. E. Burch came in Thursday from Yankton, S. D., where he has been for some time. Mr. Burch brought with him a party of people who are seeking farm lands in the Plainview Country.

Miss Ruth Rollins spent Thursday in Plainview en route from Lubbock to her home, at Westville, Okla.

Calvin Shelton went to Lubbock yesterday.

J. R. Light returned to Hale Center yesterday.

T. F. Houghton, of Floydada, and L. C. Penry returned yesterday from a business trip to Bosque County.

G. S. Ballard, of Canyon, was here this week on business.

Mrs. J. C. Bagwell, of Claude, left for home Monday, after a visit to her son, Rev. J. L. Bagwell, and family.

Mrs. E. L. Boydson, of Weatherford, Okla., came in yesterday to visit her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Long.

J. L. Wilkins and Boston Wilson, prominent business men of Oklahoma City, who had been the guests of A. E. Harp, left for home yesterday.

Mrs. J. H. Vanderslice, who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Johnson, left yesterday for Abernathy.

Mr. and Mrs. John Crawford left yesterday to spend the winter at Fort Worth and Mineral Wells.

A. E. Harp left yesterday for Fort Worth.

Miss Eula Elliott, of Hale Center, was the guest this week of Miss Claudia Quisenberry.

Rev. J. L. Bagwell and family left yesterday for Abilene, where he will attend Simmons College.

P. T. Anderson, of Dallas, was here this week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Simpson, of Kress, were shopping in Plainview yesterday.

John Smith went to Tulla yesterday.

J. H. Alexander, of Dallas, was here this week.

Mrs. F. W. Severs and children left yesterday for a visit to relatives in central Iowa.

Mrs. J. V. Guyton went to Amarillo yesterday.

Mrs. Ira Tucker, of Tulla, came down yesterday to visit Mrs. Everett Dye.

Mrs. Levi Fluke, of Sheridan, Iowa, who has been visiting the family of Rev. Oliver Fluke, left yesterday for home.

Miss Lizzie Carpenter left yesterday for Vernon, to be with a brother who is sick with pneumonia.

Wirt Leak, a special agent for the North British and Mercantile Insurance Co., was in Plainview this week. H. W. Harrel is local representative of the company.

R. J. Baird, of Petersburg, was in Plainview yesterday.

C. A. Joiner, of Lockney, was here yesterday, shopping.

W. C. Malone, of near Lockney, was in Plainview on business Thursday.

G. W. Brewster, of Lockney, visited in Plainview Thursday.

R. G. Harp returned this week from Kansas City.

L. H. Rosser, of the south part of the county, has rented the May cottage, on Wayland Boulevard. His family will move in this week.

R. M. Ellerd returned Saturday night from a campaign trip. He was accompanied by his sister, Miss Lillie Ellerd.

Mrs. B. T. Ansley, Sr., has been quite sick this week, but is reported better.

Miss Carrie Ruth Buntin returned Sunday from a visit to friends at Lubbock.

Professor and Mrs. G. R. Henderson, of Seth Ward College, will spend the Christmas holidays with Professor Henderson's mother and Mrs. Henderson's mother, in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Jeffus left this morning for Deport.

H. S. Ford, of Tulla, was here on business Monday.

H. H. Hagerman and T. B. Gallaher, of Amarillo, had business in Plainview Monday.

A. J. Bulk, representing the Star-Telegram, of Fort Worth, was in Plainview Wednesday on business.

J. L. Henderson, of Amarillo, was in Plainview this week on business.

T. A. Morrison, of Lockney, had business in Plainview Sunday.



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Plainview has not long had a woodworkers shop where cabinet work could be obtained.

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We haven't been here long but our work is gaining friends for us and to them and to all we extend our hearty good wishes for a glad Christmas.

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FROM OVER THE STATE.

To Develop Sulphur Beds.

A syndicate which contemplates developing the famous sulphur beds of Pecos County is being organized by New York financiers. Three hundred thousand dollars is to be spent in the project. The beds in Pecos County are second only to those at Freeport, Texas, according to chemists who have made analyses. Lack of transportation facilities is all that has hindered development of the field heretofore.

Keeps a Public Nurse.

A campaign has been launched in Waco to secure funds for maintaining a public nurse.

Dr. Carrick Inherits Modest Fortune.

Dr. M. M. Carrick, of Dallas, has inherited from his mother half of an estate worth \$25,000. Dr. Carrick has been in Plainview a number of times. In the interest of the clean-town contest under the auspices of Holland's Magazine, he was here about eighteen months ago.

State Sues Texas Fidelity Co.

Alleging that the Texas Fidelity Company has violated state statutes in the matter of selling stock, the number of directors on the board, and other matters, the State of Texas has filed suit in the Seventy-fourth District Court against the company.

Is a Candidate.

C. H. Morris, of Winnsboro, has announced as a candidate for Governor.

To Test Statute.

Charles C. Lemley, chiropractor, of Waco, who was recently fined in the county court of McLennan County under the laws governing the practice of medicine in Texas, has announced that he will carry the case to the United States Supreme Court, in an effort to determine the constitutionality of the Texas law.

International Fair for 1918.

San Antonio business men and capitalists are discussing plans for an international fair in 1918, to celebrate the two-hundredth birthday of that historic city. At a recent conference practically all the leading towns in Southwest Texas had representatives, who pledged their support to the proposition.

Want License Money Back.

Ten thousand dollars unexpired saloon license money will be claimed by Bell County saloon keepers when the county goes "dry," on Christmas day.

Ferguson to Confer With Wilson.

In the absence of Governor Ferguson from the State, Lieutenant Governor W. P. Hobby is presiding over the Governor's office. Governor Ferguson is in Chicago. He will be absent about three weeks. While away he will confer with President Wilson on several important matters, chief of which is the Mexican situation.

Judge T. S. Maxey, of the United

States District Court, has appointed Guy A. Collett, of Austin, receiver of the City Water Power Company, the application for receiver having been made by the New York Trust Company. The Carmichael Construction Company holds a contract with the City Water Power Company for building the Austin dam. No opposition was offered to the appointment of a receiver.

The petition for receiver was filed for the purpose of facilitating the work which is being done upon the dam, the petitioners alleging that the destruction of the flood gates by driftwood during the September flood had made it certain that another sort of gate should be installed, and they further pointed to the fact that the work was being retarded by being constantly under the control of the bondholders' representatives.

Village Wants Street Lights.

The merchants and business men of Lorena, an unincorporated town in McLennan County, are planning installation of a modern system of street lighting.

Adopts United-Charity Plan.

El Paso has adopted the centralized charity plan. J. Blaine Gwyn has taken charge of the work. It is believed that much duplication in charity will be avoided by the united-charity plan.

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EVERY one is familiar with the viands that go to make up the Christmas dinner of the English speaking races—the turkey, goose, plum pudding and mince pie festivals—but how many of us know what they eat at Christmastide in foreign countries?

The Frenchman's Christmas bill of fare, for instance, is extensive and varied and in many respects quite different from our own. The great Gallic national dishes are truffled turkey and black puddings, of which every Frenchman who can afford such luxuries makes a very hearty meal at Yuletide.

In Russia the Christmas meal consists largely of two dishes—one of wheat porridge served with honey and the other a curious compound of stewed pears, apples, oranges, grapes and cherries, sweetened with honey and served cold.

Italians, too, are fond of rather sweet and indigestible dishes, especially at Christmas. One of their favorite combinations is that of eels, periwinkles and vermicelli, while the inevitable macaroni and spaghetti form, of course, the principal articles of food at all times.

The German Christmas dinner offers as its principal attraction the goose, without which your true German would feel that he had not had a real holiday feast. Germans, like Austrians and Italians, have a very sweet taste, as evidenced by their numerous varieties of cake.

Notwithstanding the tendency in all countries to offer huge dinners at Christmas, it would seem that every



BRINGING IN THE PEACOCK IN OLDEN TIMES.

nation's holiday bill of fare is becoming simpler with the course of time. An interesting comparison may be made of the Christmas dinners formerly served in England and in this country with those of today, albeit the latter are by no means scanty.

The forbears of modern Englishmen must have possessed magnificent appetites. Their hospitality was conducted on a scale that would make the housekeeper of today shudder. The meal with which they commenced their Christmas day, a mere appetizer to them, was ample enough to rob the modern gourmet of all zest for food for several days. The sideboard of the old English mansion groined under its levathian round of beef, its corpulent pork pie, the Yorkshire ham, the brawn and chine, while on the table itself deviled turkeys' legs, homemade sausages, cutlets and kidneys sent up a mingled and grateful incense from an environment of piles of hot buttered toast, new laid eggs, honey and fruit.

But this repast, substantial as it was, was trifling as compared with the dinner—the real dinner—that followed not many hours after. The feast was heralded by the boar's head, preceded by servants who blew resounding flourishes on their trumpets. The boar's head itself was carried, sometimes on a dish of gold or silver, into the banquet hall at the head of a stately procession of guests.

Then came the peacock, which was served even more sumptuously than the boar's head, with its garnishing of rosemary and bays and its tusks ornamented with large apples. This is how they used to prepare the peacock for the feast: When it had been roasted and dressed with a stuffing of sweet herbs and spices and basted with the yolks of eggs it was sewed into its feathers, its beak was gilded, and it was borne to the dining hall by dames of high degree, accompanied by the strains of minstrelsy.

Other features of the old time Christmas dinner included geese, turkeys, capons, pheasants, sirloins of beef and haunches of venison. That these were washed down with gallons of ale and wine goes without saying. Indeed, another story might be written of the liquid element of the old English dinners.—Harper's Weekly.



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## If You Have a Home

By all means eat your Christmas dinner there. If you have not arrange to eat with us.



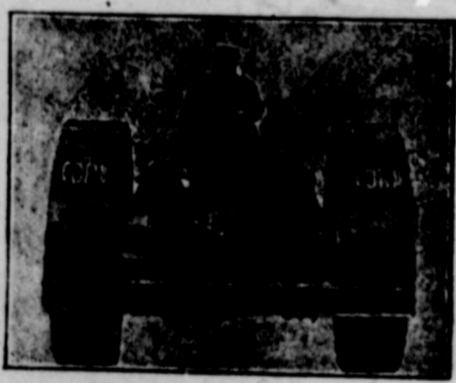
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## America's Unhorsed Knight—and Lady

(Continued from Page Three.)

cheeks from blowing. Women have been referred to as "the cream and sugar in the black and bitter coffee of the cow camp," but what was left of the poor cream and sugar after they had colored and sweetened the coffee? Let no woman think that our portion of the country no longer offers opportunity of becoming a heroine. The "cruse of oil from wasting" while her housewife who carefully keep the husband is painfully learning the mysteries of irrigation and "dry farming" has achieved fully as much as the bravest "derring does" of the gun-bedeked cow-girl on her mustang pony. Even in dry farming love will find a way, while the bachelor agriculturist, without the sympathy of a wife or the assistance of her "butter and egg money," will often quit in disgust and return to the East howling mournful Jeremiahs about the country he has left.

And the Westerners appreciate their helpmeets. In a store out in a small plains town the other day a hulking, double-fisted man and his little wife were looking over some goods. She found what she wanted, but said: "I don't believe we can afford this." "Yes, we can," replied the big fellow tenderly: "we can afford anything you want. You helped make this money, and you are going to help enjoy it just as long as it lasts."

The young lady school-teacher is a most potent factor in the civilization of this domain, and the West loves her for it. Especially do the young men of this section love her. The writer has in mind one county in the Panhandle of Texas which boasts the unique record of never having employed a "schoolmarm" for a year without her marrying or receiving a proposal of marriage. (Normal school paper please copy!)

The West honestly laments the fact that it has more "Eveless Adams" than any part of the United States. It points to Massachusetts, with one-fourth more women than men, and then at the dances on the plains where "stag-partners" predominate, and sadly wipes away a tear of loneliness with its big red handkerchief. Leap year in the West is but a bitter reminder that there are not enough girls to go around. In the larger cities, even out here, the situation is not so desperate, but what former-turned cowboy wants to be imprisoned in a grimy city when the open life under the "clean, blue sky is calling him?"

Whatever highly colored vision of the old knight-errantry of the West may linger in maiden minds, it is noteworthy that in the majority of the five hundred letters called forth by the picture of one cowboy the writers announced their willingness to become the wives of hard-working Westerners, though in many cases it meant leaving homes of luxury and forsaking beloved associations for life under entirely new conditions. These letters go far to prove that not only are the spirit of romance and the taste for hardy adventure not decadent in the women of the United States, but that love of ease, fear of hardships unwillingness to break away from lifelong environment have not yet dominated the women of the older-settled sections to such an extent that they are to be blamed for any failure on the part of American men to press into the pioneer sections of the West, where cheap lands still offer homes to those rich only in courage and industry.

### Old fashioned Christmas.

The backlog's flame has died away:  
The embers into ashes drift.  
Outside the snows are eddying, gray,  
And piling fast in many a rift.  
White robed is now the cedar tree  
Where once the catbird nightly sang,  
And from the eaves by two and three  
The icicles like arrows hang.

The shadows on the somber wall  
Flit, cross and dance amid the gloom,  
And streaks of ghostly color fall  
In changing hues about the room.  
The spiders in the corners dim  
Within their webs the closer cling,  
And from the mantel's oaken rim  
A pair of children's stockings swing.

O'er field and forest, lane and road  
Fast and still faster swirl the snows,  
And in the barn loft snugly stowed  
A drowsy rooster wakes and crows.  
The clock strikes twelve, and midnight wanes,  
While winter skies stretch cold and drear.

Frost flowers blossom on the panes,  
The snows float by and disappear.  
And then across the rooftree swells,  
Borne by the winds that fall and rise,  
A sound of many hurrying bells,  
A sound that ebbs and peals and dies,  
And next adown the chimney creeps  
The children's saint in all the lands,  
And, true to all the trysts he keeps,  
White bearded on the hearthstone stands.  
—Ernest McGaffey in Ladies' Home Companion

**The Supreme Gift.**  
Fear not, my friend, giving more than your due,  
Remember the gift presented to you in the long ago and try to be true  
When Christmas comes.  
—William Lytle

## The Incarnation of Christ



**T**HE incarnation must, for all who believe it, become the absolutely central truth of their philosophy. Just as the Copernican astronomy and the doctrine of evolution have enlarged and modified our views of the universe, so the incarnation, once accepted, throws a new light upon the entire world.

For, on the one hand, against mere idealism it emphasizes the value and importance of matter as being the agent through which God's spiritual purpose is effected, and, on the other hand, against mere materialism it interprets this value and importance as consisting in the capability to subserve this purpose.

Thus, while rejecting the respective negations of idealism and materialism, it sanctions their positive elements—the supremacy of spirit and the reality of matter—and so, supplementing each by the other, combines both in a concrete whole.  
—J. R. Illingworth.

### Christmas Gifts

What can I give him,  
Poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd  
I would bring a lamb.  
If I were a wise man  
I would do my part;  
Yet what I can I give him—  
Give my heart.  
—Christina Rossetti.

**Christmas gifts for thee,  
Grand and free!**  
Christmas gifts from the King of Love,  
Brought from his royal home above,  
Brought to thee in the faroff land,  
Brought to thee by his own dear hand,  
Promises held by Christ for thee,  
Peace as a river flowing free,  
Joy that in his own joy must live  
And love that infinite love can give.  
Surely thy heart of hearts uplifts  
Carols of praise for such Christmas gifts.  
—Francis Ridley Havergal.

### The Vision of the Angels.

There is love in the will, truth in the understanding, peace on earth, good will among men. The sight of such a glorious vision, even in the dim distance of future ages, kindled the holy affections of the angelic host until their joy burst forth into an anthem of praise that filled the heavens with harmony: "Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will among men." Let us take up the refrain, and let the earth re-echo the song "Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will to men." —Rev. Chauncey Giles.

### Christ the Shepherd.

It is certainly significant of the mission of Christ that shepherds should be the particular recipients of the angelic message. In beautiful parable the Master called himself the Good Shepherd. There is not one of the ordinary vocations of our busy life which has not in it ennobling and divine elements. Unswerving fidelity is the secret of honor.

### ANCIENT YULETIDE CUSTOM.

**Had Its Origin In Blowing Away of a Young Lady's Hood.**

In Lincolnshire, England, a long time ago, the Mowbrays were the greatest folk in the county. It so happened that once, on Christmas day, a daughter of a Mowbray was riding over the meads, when her hood blew off. Twelve farming men from an adjoining field ran after the hood with such ludicrous earnestness that she forbade her own men from joining in the pursuit: "They probably looked as funny as a man does chasing his hat down the middle of the street."

When the hood was finally captured and brought back to Mistress Mowbray she rewarded each of the men and promised a piece of land to be vested in certain persons in trust to provide a hood each year, which should be scrambled for on Christmas day upon the self same mere.

The custom is still continued, the winner of the hood being regaled at the village inn.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

### Christmas Snowballing in Old London.

The Christmas of 1676 was apparently the snowy Christmas beloved of the novelist, and the ponds in St. James' park were all frozen over. The Duchess of York, sister-in-law to Charles II., delighted in the wintry weather and spent most of the day in a horse sledge with the king. The sledging was thought horribly dangerous, however, by the court, and only the Duke of Monmouth, Mr. Griffin and Mr. Godolphin were able to drive the duchess and the king safely over the ponds. The duchess was very fond of snowballing and used to seize every opportunity to pelt her grave husband, much to his disgust.

## Some Old Christmas Superstitions

If you will go to the crossroads between 11 and 12 on Christmas night you will hear what most concerns you in the coming year.

If on Christmas eve you make a little heap of salt on the table, and it melts overnight you will die the next year. If in the morning it remains undiminished you will live.

If a shirt be spun, woven and sewed by a pure, chaste maiden on Christmas day it will be proof against lead or steel.

If you are born at sermon time on Christmas morning you can see spirits. If you burn elder on Christmas eve you will have revealed to you all the witches and the sorcerers of the neighborhood.

It is unlucky to carry anything forth from the house on Christmas morning until something has been brought into it.

### Weighing Happiness.

Before sending away a Christmas parcel you weigh it and then affix the proper amount of stamps. How would you like to weigh it upon scales that would indicate the amount of happiness that it will give to its recipient? We have no scales for that, but we can judge fairly well if we know how much loving thought we have put into the choice of the gift and the sending of it.—Amos R. Wells.

### THE "PRESEPIO."

**Latin Countries Honor Christ's Manger at Christmas Time.**

St. Francis, born in the quaint little town of Assisi among the brown Umbrian hills in 1182, invented the presepio, the reproduction of the manger known in the Christmas story, to make the Christmas story plain to the simple, illiterate common people. Since then it has remained a favorite devotion in Latin Europe. The Italian and Spanish call it the presepio, the manger; the French the crèche, the cradle, and the Hungarians and Belgians, Bethlehem, or Bethlehem.

Only a few years since not a carpenter could be hired in Rome or Naples for weeks before Christmas. They were all busy erecting presepios in the homes of the quality, while the poorer folk were constructing their own. As the mainland grows more sophisticated the quaint old devotion is fading away, but in conservative Sicily people still make the presepio every year. All over the island families are busy from Dec. 1 to 15 putting their old presepios in order or making new ones, and there is much calling to and fro to compare results and admire new and elaborate specimens of the art. The presepio may be a little thing on a stand in one corner or it may occupy the whole side of a room, according to circumstances.

It may represent a whole mountain side, made of the rough, flexible bark of the cork tree. Peaks, crags and precipices abound, with winding trails, houses and castles of colored cardboard, forests of twigs and sometimes tiny pipes to furnish brooks and lakes. In the center is the grotto, with the holy family within. A sky of blue paper is stretched above, with the star of Bethlehem conspicuous, and over the hills come shepherds bearing gifts.

Spain, like Sicily, has never lost the presepio, and in both Spanish and Sicilian cities there are booths for the sale of miniature shepherds, magi and all the accessories of the art. In France the crèche is not made at home, as in the southern countries, but it used to be a part of the Christmas decorations of every French church and is still so in the rural districts.



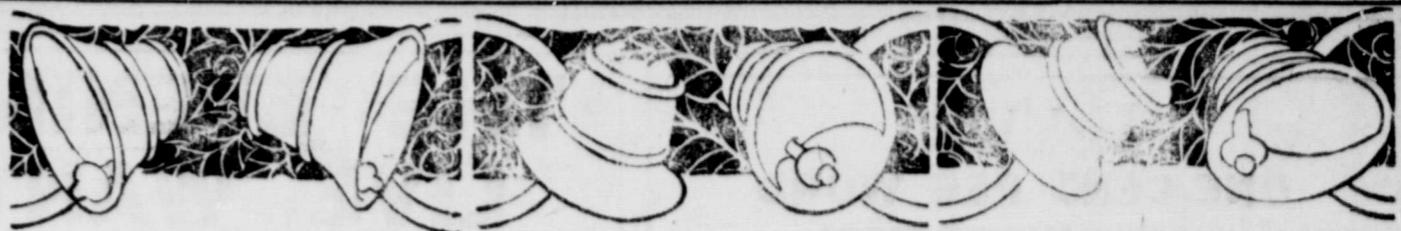
### "The Man of Sorrows."

The sad have their summons as well as the glad, and the desolate, like the blessed, must answer to the great call of the Christ spirit which rings through the world. He whose sacred birth we celebrate was above all else a man of sorrows. To many a human heart this is the dearest of his titles. Whoever bore trouble as he did? Whoever so gently lifted the burden? Who so quietly and patiently and pleasantly, if one may say so, accepted the cruellest of lots? Who so flung his own misery out of sight and sound? Who so utterly quenched himself and his personal pang in the happiness and the comfort of others? There he stands, sorrowful and smiling a spotless mirror.

### The Sacred Day.

Thanks be to God for this sacred day, which beholds the family circle again united and makes home the happiest of all places this side of heaven. Thanks be to God for this sacred festival which makes his house fragrant with the trees of the forest and redolent with the incense of grateful hearts. Glory to God for his death and passion and the day of his victorious triumph over the powers of sin and death and hell.—Churchman.

"Oceans of Water."



## TO YOU AND YOURS A MERRY CHRISTMAS

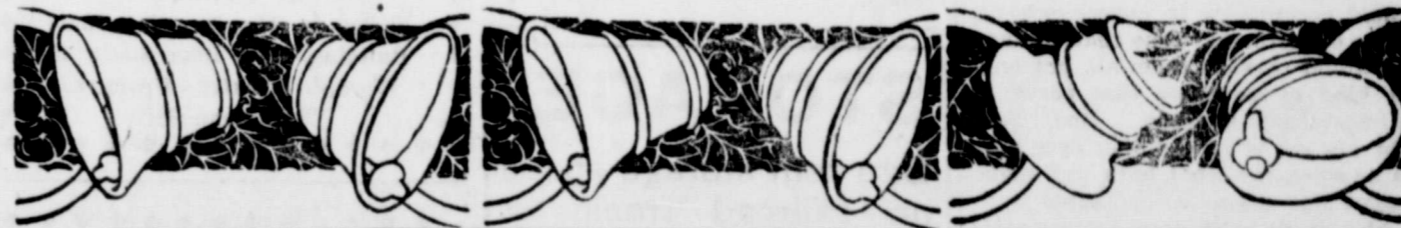
This company, whose usual first thought is of saving you money on all kinds of

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comes to you now in the old time Christmas spirit with a hearty wish for your complete happiness during that season so full of pleasant memories to young and old.

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Cherry Chic at the KASH KANDY KITCHEN. tf.

FOR RENT—Front room, furnished. Phone 477. tf.

FOR SALE—Full-blooded Bronze Turkeys. S. W. SMITH. Dec. 23

WANTED—Two girls at PLAINVIEW HOTEL. 3t-pd.

LOST: Two-tone, grey-black hat. Bought at Reinken's. Finder please return to W. L. HOGUE. 2t.

Oysters, Fish, Pickles, Fruits and Fall Vegetables you will always find at VICKERY'S if they are to be gotten. Phone 17. tf.

TALBOTT'S RACKET STORE North side of Square—with Scudder Grocery Co. Least expense and biggest bargains. Don't fail to see our Xmas Toys before buying. Also Mrs. Kyser's Franco-American Hygienic Toilet Articles. 11.

FOR SALE—Seventeen-jewel, 25-year case, regulated-movement Elgin watch. See WARD, at the Santa Fe. 1t-pd.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—One good automobile, household goods, piano, and good milk cow, with privilege of renting house. Inquire at 610 Jones Street. 1t-pd.

These cool mornings and evenings make New Mackerel, Imported Codfish and Fresh Oysters sound mighty good. VICKERY - HANCOCK have them. Phone 17. tf.

FOR SALE—20 young male Poland-China hogs, from 4 to 6 months old, and 20 young Hereford bulls, from 8 months to a year old. Can be seen at my Hale County farm two miles south of Hale Center. J. J. ELLERD. tf.

FOR TRADE—High-Grade Nursery Stock from Plainview Nursery for good land or city lots, good notes, or second-hand sacks. L. N. DALMONT. Fri. 3t-pd.

WANTED. Second-hand body for Ford car. Will pay in the neighborhood of \$15.00, depending on condition. Also lamps and top for Ford. See MR. BISHOP, at Knight Auto Co.'s. 2t.

The ladies of the Christian Church will hold a bazaar, in the Grant Building, Friday, December 17th. Fancy-work and home-made candy for sale. Lunches served. 2.

WANTED—To buy limited amount of Sudan Seed. C. K. SHELTON. 3t.

Get your Sandwich Lunch at the KASH KANDY KITCHEN. tf.

It's time to buy fall Groceries. We have a complete line of Pickles, Oysters, New Walnuts, Breakfast Fish, and all of the usual line of staples. VICKERY - HANCOCK GROCERY CO. Phone 17. tf.

We are in the market for Dry and Green Hides in any quantity. RUCKER PRODUCE COMPANY. tf.

FOR SALE: Five thoroughbred Duroc-Jersey male hogs; large enough for service; \$15 each. O. E. WINSLOW. tf.

WANTED—By lady twenty-six years old, of good address, position as clerk in some first-class establishment. References furnished, if wanted. Call at Herald office to see photo. Address, my home, MISS GOLDIE RANGLES, Alma Center, Wisc. 4t.

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred S. C. Rhode Island Red cockerels. Only a few left. See HAL LATTIMORE. 2t.

LOOK—A nice little farm in Coleman County to trade for Hale County land. Address DR. J. B. PENTECOST, Winters, Texas. 2t.

We are in the market for Dry and Green Hides. Highest prices. ALLEN & BONNER, Coal and Grain Dealers. —Adv. tf.

WANTED, BUYERS—For sixty head of hogs, twelve work mules and mares, Jack, mule colts, farm implements. Sale Friday, December 17th. My place, 5 miles south of Petersburg. W. R. TISDELL. 1t-pd.

ATTENTION. Those hot drinks are now ready at the KASH KANDY KITCHEN. tf.

Get the habit of getting it at VICKERY'S. If it's to eat, we have it. Phone 17. tf.

CHRISTMAS TREES.

PLAINVIEW NURSERY will have full stock of cedar and arborvitae trees for Christmas.

Our stock of trees—shade, fruit and ornamental—is complete.

Now is the time to Plant! PLAINVIEW NURSERY, Fri. 3t-pd. L. N. DALMONT, Prop.

FURNISHED ROOMS FOR RENT. Phone 416. tf.

AUTO CURTAIN FOUND.

Owner may have same by calling at Herald Office and paying for this ad. tf.

FOR RENT—Two nice rooms for light housekeeping to couple without children. Phone 347. 1t-pd.

NORTH 1/2 SECTION 8, BLOCK C3, perfectly level land, 9 miles N. W. Plainview, \$30 per acre. \$1,800 cash; balance 38 years, 5 per cent interest. MRS. OLLIE PURL, 109 Woodward Place, San Antonio, Texas. 1t-pd.

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OUR FLOURS cost you just a little less and are just a little better than other brands. HARVEST QUEEN MILLS. tf.

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TEN-ACRE BLOCK to rent for \$20.00 per month, with good five-room house and barn. All fenced with hog-proof fence. Close to Baptist College. W. T. MISE. See me at Willis Drug Store. 2t.

YOUNG MARRIED MAN moving here desires position. Banking and office experience. Never uses tobacco or intoxicating liquors. Prefers position as clerk or office assistant. Will consider temporary or permanent place. Good references. Address "L. A. M." care of Herald. 2-pd.

FOUND: Bunch of keys. Owner may secure same at The Herald Office. tf.

HOUSES—A bargain. Eight-room house on Restriction Street; water, lights and bath. Also one 4-room house and one 5-room house. H. L. KING. 4t.

We are in the market for Dry and Green Hides. Highest prices. ALLEN & BONNER, Coal and Grain Dealers. —Adv. tf.

FOR SALE—Small home in west part of town. Terms reasonable. Apply at Herald office. tf.

CARLOAD OF APPLES.

There is now a carload of Colorado apples on track near mill. J. M. TYE. 2t-pd.

All of the Fresh Breakfast Foods for the fall breakfast menus at VICKERY'S. Phone 17. tf.

FOR SALE BY OWNER.

On Wayland Boulevard, stucco house; five rooms, bath, hot and cold water. Private water system. Good barn. \$1,000.00 cash; balance 1 to 4 years, or will exchange for first vendors lien notes. Care of The Herald. 3t. Fris.

HORSE AND BUGGY

For sale. Together or separate. Horse, 5 years old; buggy, new run-about. J. W. RICHARDS, Campbell Experiment Farm. tf.

FOUND: New work glove. Call at Herald Office. tf.

Christmas Dreams.

Were every Christmas of which we have been present at the celebration painted accordingly to nature, what a gallery of pictures! True that a sameness would pervade them all, but only that kind of sameness that pervades the nocturnal heavens. One clear night always is to common eyes just like another, for what hath any night to show but one moon and same stars—a blue vault, with here a few braided and there a few castellated clouds? Yet no two nights ever bore more than one family resemblance to each other before the studious and instructed eye of him who has long communed with nature and is familiar with every smile and frown on her changeful, but not capricious, countenance. Even so with the annual festivals of the heart. Thoughts that like spirits trackless come—and go—is a fine line of Charles Lloyd's. But no bird skims, no arrow pierces the air without producing some change in the universe. No coming or going is absolutely trackless, nor irrecoverable by nature's law is any consciousness, however ghostlike, though many a one, even the most blissful, never does return, but seems to be buried among the dead. But they are not dead, but only sleep. Though to us who recall them not they are as they had never been, and we, wretched ingrates, let them lie forever in oblivion. How passing sweet when of our own accord they rise to greet us in our solitude!—Christopher North.

GROUND VS. WHOLE GRAIN FOR LIVESTOCK.

It is somewhat doubtful whether the grinding of corn for some classes of livestock is worth the labor and expense involved. Tests conducted for 10 years at the Wisconsin Experiment Station showed an average increase in gains of about 6 per cent from grinding corn for hogs. The results for individual years ranged from 11 per cent loss to 18 per cent gain. The Iowa station has also done considerable work in testing various methods of preparing corn for hogs, and found that while grinding showed a slight increase in the feeding value of corn for older hogs, such gains did not begin to pay the cost of shelling and grinding. Soaked shelled corn showed to much better advantage than the corn meal, and proved somewhat better than the dry ear corn.

It was a question, however, whether the difference in feeding value paid for the labor of shelling and soaking.

It is advisable to grind small, hard grains as kafir, milo, barley, rye, or sorghum seed, as otherwise a large proportion of the feed may not be digested.

Ground oats for horses have not shown any great advantage over whole oats, except in the case of horses that are at very hard work or have defective teeth. Grinding oats for hogs, however, will increase their feeding value from 20 per cent to 30 per cent, since the hog is not able to digest the whole grain to advantage.

As much as 25 per cent of whole corn may remain undigested when fed to cattle. Unless hogs follow the cattle in the feed lot, it is, therefore, de-

sirable to grind the corn, to prevent this waste. Sheep will handle whole grains to much better advantage.—Chas. I. Bray, Colorado Agricultural College.

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Charges Reasonable. Inquire of F. L. BROWN at R. C. Ware Hardware Co.

DR. E. O. NICHOLS, Specialist in Diseases of the EYE, EAR, NOSE, and THROAT. Office in The New Donohoo Building, First Door South of Olympic Theatre—Upstairs. Telephone 58.

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"I want to tell you what wonderful benefit I have received from the use of Thedford's Black-Draught," writes Mrs. Sylvania Woods, of Clifton Mills, Ky.
"it certainly has no equal for la grippe, bad colds, liver and stomach troubles. I firmly believe Black-Draught saved my little girl's life. When she had the measles, they went in on her, but one good dose of Thedford's Black-Draught made them break out, and she has had no more trouble. I shall never be without
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If you suffer from any of these complaints, try Black-Draught. It is a medicine of known merit. Seventy-five years of splendid success proves its value. Good for young and old. For sale everywhere. Price 25 cents.

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Starts Your Liver Without Making Every Druggist in town—your drug—You Sick and Can Not Sallvate.

gist and everybody's druggist—has noticed a great falling off in the sale of calomel. They all give the same reason—Dodson's Liver Tone is tak-

ing its place.

Calomel is dangerous and people know it, while Dodson's Liver Tone is perfectly safe and gives better results," said a prominent local druggist. Dodson's Liver Tone is personally guaranteed by every druggist who sells it. A large bottle costs 50 cents, and if it fails to give easy relief in every case of liver sluggishness and constipation, you have only to ask for your money back.

Dodson's Liver Tone is a pleasant-

tasting, purely vegetable remedy, harmless to both children and adults. Take a spoonful at night and wake up feeling fine; no biliousness, sick headache, acid stomach or constipated bowels. It doesn't gripe or cause inconvenience all the next day like violent calomel. Take a dose of calomel today and tomorrow you will feel weak, sick and nauseated. Don't lose a day's work! Take Dodson's Liver Tone instead and feel fine, full of vigor and ambition. —Ad.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
Did You Ever Associate a Garage With the Christmas Spirit?
PERHAPS you never stopped to think that the Christmas spirit prevails at any other than gift stores. You're wrong. We haven't a thing to sell you to hang on the tree but we are here given the opportunity of saying a word of appreciation to our customers and friends for business entrusted to us during the year and to wish a Merry Christmas to you and yours.
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**ANTI-RABIC INOCULATION IS REDUCING DREADED DANGER.**

**First Treatment by Pasteur Was in Summer of 1885; Is a Blessing to Mankind.**

The modest report of the results of anti-rabic inoculation at the Pasteur Institute in Paris for 1914 is another reminder that this procedure of the great French scientist has brought down the mortality of a dreaded danger almost to the vanishing point. It is safe to say that the probable mortality of the usual run of cases untreated by the Pasteur method would be far more than 16 per cent. In 1912, 1913 and 1914, there were treated successively, in the original institute, 395, 330 and 373 persons, without a single death. Could anything speak more eloquently of this invaluable contribution to mankind which has made it possible to save, literally, thousands of persons in the few years that have intervened since those eventful days in the summer of 1885 when the first patient received anti-rabic treatment in Paris? The fact that among human beings rabies is no longer common in civilized countries, because early preventive anti-rabic treatment is successfully applied in almost all infected subjects, ought not to be allowed to obscure the danger of infection which is still possible. A remark attributed to Pasteur and reported by Sir Victor Horsley before the Royal Commission on Vivisection in 1907 deserves to be quoted because of the still timely advice contained in it. "The freedom of England from rabies," said Horsley, "I take to be one of the great achievements of modern science; and we owe it entirely to M. Pasteur. \* \* \* I had the honor of acting as secretary of a committee that was appointed by the government to inquire into M. Pasteur's treatment; and, when the committee was in Paris, M. Pasteur said to us, 'Why do you come here to study my method? \* \* \* You do not require it in England at all. I have proved that this is an in-

fectious disease; all you have to do is to establish a brief quarantine covering the incubation period, muzzle all your dogs at the present moment, and in a few years you will be free.' The passing of the muzzling act and rigid legislation regarding the importation of dogs have caused a practical eradication of rabies in England. This, says The Journal of the American Medical Association, was largely due to Pasteur's influence. Shall other civilized countries continue to neglect the obvious duty of stamping out rabies, and to require the maintenance of special institutes to provide for emergencies largely within the control of suitable preventive measures?

**IS IT YOUR KIDNEYS?**

**Don't Mistake the Cause of Your Troubles.**

Many people never suspect their kidneys. If suffering from a lame, weak or aching back they think that it is only a muscular weakness; when urinary trouble sets in they think it will soon correct itself. And so it is with all the other symptoms of kidney disorders. That is where the danger often lies. You should realize that these troubles often lead to dropsy or Bright's disease. An effective remedy for weak or diseased kidneys is Doan's Kidney Pills. Residents of this vicinity are constantly testifying.

Mrs. R. B. Meek, 813 North Spring St., Tyler, Texas, says: "About two years ago I used a couple of boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills, and found them to be a speedy cure for that dull, nagging ache in the back and other annoyances arising from disordered kidneys. Doan's Kidney Pills are a fine medicine.

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Meek had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. —Adv.

**Christmas at Christ's Birthplace**

At last I am come to the market place, at one end of which stands the Church of the Nativity, marking the holy, lowly birthplace, says a writer in Army and Navy Life. There is only one entrance from the street, and it is so low that in entering one is forced to bow the head and assume a posture of reverence. When once inside I raise my eyes I feel the lashes wet.

The ceiling is lofty, the walls white-washed and bare, while the ancient dark beams and rafters add to the air of extreme simplicity. There are long rows of marble pillars, once adorned with paintings, that are all but faded now, and of the once glittering mosaics of the clerestory only fragments remain. Coming into the choir and apse, the scene is suddenly changed. There are numerous altars of divers ownership under a constant and jealous guardianship of Latin, Greek and Armenian. Over these various claims there has been much and bitter dissension; blood has been spilled more than once. In fact, as all the world knows, the Crimean war began with a mob riot in the Church of the Nativity—sacrilege of sacrilege!—and here was born the Prince of Peace!

Down the dark and winding stairs, slippery with the drippings of count-



BEND LOW AND KISS THE GROUND FOR CHRIST'S SAKE

less candles, I make my way to that lowly place into which first came the light of the world. The grotto of the Nativity is a cavern beneath the church, long, narrow and low ceiled, with pendent lamps of precious metal and rare workmanship lighting the gloom. The floor is marble, and wonderful old tapestries, pictures and silk hangings cover the walls. A marble cradle in one corner commemorates the manger, and in a recess on one side a dozen or more hanging lamps are ranged around in a half circle.

Before the altar there all men bend low and kiss the ground for Christ's sake, for it is here a silver star is set to mark the birthplace of him whom his mother called Jesus. The center of the star is glass, and through it one may see the original rocky floor of the stable. To the north of the grotto underneath the floor one may also see the cave in which St. Jerome spent many peaceful years translating the Bible into Latin.

The effect of the whole is impressive, but in an unfamiliar way. I am conscious of a feeling that is almost resentment against the lamps and tapestries and the marble floor. They seem to level to the cheapness of worldly riches a spot that, of all places on earth, should have been allowed to remain tranquilly humble and dimly sacred, true to the character of its holy, transcendent memory.

I close my eyes for a moment, while mind and heart rebel against the present, until it vanishes and the atmosphere of the past, in all its deep and wondrous mystery, returns to envelop my soul. "I am here, in Bethlehem," I whisper to myself, and beyond closed lids I see the Virgin mother with her gentle face as the old masters loved to picture her and a "light that never was on land or sea" in her beautiful mother eyes, while the glory from one low hanging star touches a Baby's hair. The fragrant scent of new hay is in my nostrils, I hear the soft breathing of nearby cattle, and above the murmur of pilgrims' prayers the voice of the Magi is saying, "Lo, we have seen his star in the east and are come to worship him."

To Light Yule Log Properly.

There are thousands who still firmly believe that to light the Yule log with the charred remains of its predecessor of a year ago means twelve months of good luck for the provident householder and his family. But it has always been considered an evil omen if a squinting person, a barefooted person or, worst of all, a flat footed woman enters the room while the log is burning.

**Slashed Prices For Quick Moving**

On January 1st we will move our stock of house furnishings to the Opera House Building which is now being remodeled and overhauled for our especial use.

Beginning today we are making extra special prices for cash on every article in our stock. It costs us money to invoice and move goods to our new location--we prefer to cut this cost and give you the advantage of a quick move to your home.

Discounts from 10 Percent to 25 Percent

On all house furnishings already being sold at values better than the best.

Now is the time for you to buy useful Christmas gifts for every member of the family at a saving that means many dollars to the trading public of Plainview and vicinity.

- Heaters, Base Burners and Ranges
- Buffets, Chiffonieres and China Closets
- Bed Room and Parlor Suites
- Dressers and Chifforobes
- Beds, Mattresses and Springs
- Davenports and Dining Suites
- Kitchen Cabinets
- Floor Coverings
- Wall Paper
- Window Shades
- Enamel Ware
- Aluminum Ware

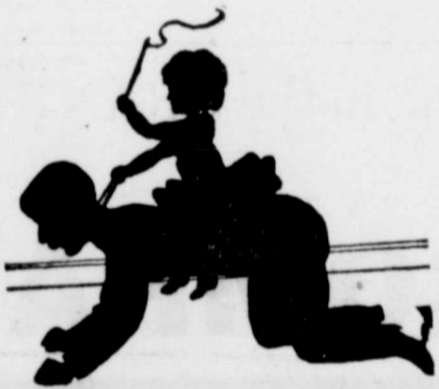
In fact we can furnish your home from cellar to attic.

"If it isn't good we make it good"

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**W. E. Winfield**

Where your business is appreciated and your money buys most



**HOME PLEASURES**

are Real Pleasures and Home Life is the happiest of all to the man who has provided a protection for That Home in case of sickness or accident.

How about YOUR HOME AND LOVED ONES? Are you safeguarding them with A BANK ACCOUNT?

**THIRD NATIONAL BANK**  
PLAINVIEW, TEXAS

**Figuring Tire Cost**

**Firestone Most Mileage Least Repair Expense Riding Quality Satisfaction Economy**

Size	Weight	Price	Cost	Value	Red	Top
30x3 1/2	\$ 9.70	\$10.55	\$2.20	\$2.50		
30x3 1/4	11.00	12.25	2.60	2.90		
32x3 1/2	13.75	15.40	2.70	3.05		
34x4	19.99	22.30	3.90	4.40		
34x4 1/2	27.00	29.55	4.80	5.40		
36x4 1/2	28.70	32.15	5.00	5.65		
37x5	35.55	39.80	5.95	6.70		
38x5 1/2	46.00	51.50	6.75	7.55		

**Firestone Wins!**

Firestone Built-up-in-Center Tread. Firestone superior quality in every ounce of materials—Firestone scientific construction by the greatest organization of tire specialists—these and a score of other reasons score victory for the Firestone user in the long tour—daily service—and pocketbook economy test.

Automobile and motorcycle tires, tubes and accessories.

**KNIGHT AUTO COMP'Y**



# CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



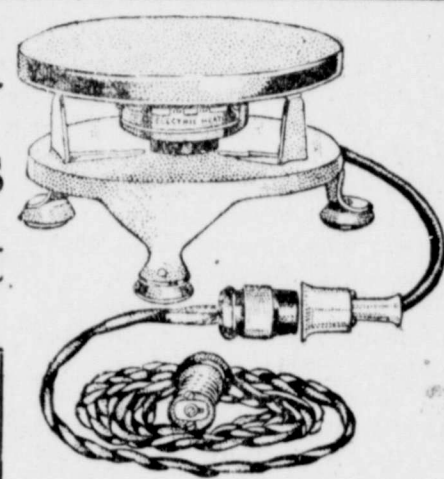
Why spend money for useless Christmas gifts when the following articles of merit are available and will be much more appreciated.

## Will There Be a Victrola in Your Home This Christmas?

There should be music in every home on Christmas. With a Victrola you can hear practically all of the music of the world sung and played by the greatest artists, bands and orchestras. Is there not a place for a Victrola in your home? By Wednesday, December 15, we will have a complete stock, ranging in price from \$15.00 to \$200.00 and a large assortment of records. Any instrument you choose will play any music you wish to hear.



We have over thirty different Hot Point Electric Appliances that make ideal Christmas gifts that will delight your wife, sister or sweetheart.



## Sanitary Building Blocks

Why not buy toys that will teach your child to be CONSTRUCTIVE instead of destructive. Our California Red Wood House Building Blocks were patented July 1915.

## Fire Works

We are the only importers in this part of the Plains of the new harmless fire works for children. These fire works depict the present war in Europe. ABSOLUTELY NEW.

Other Christmas suggestions are Auto Gloves, Auto Robes. We will have a complete line in the GRANT BUILDING for the balance of this month for your convenience.

# GARRISON-CONNOR ELECTRIC COMPANY

## CHRISTMAS with the Colleges

Term examinations at Seth Ward College were concluded Tuesday. The holidays will begin Wednesday, December 22, and continue until Tuesday, January 4.

Examinations for the college students were closed at Wayland Baptist College last week. The primary department has a term of four and one-half months, and their examinations have not yet been given. Wayland College will give holidays beginning December 22 and closing Monday, January 3.

## "PUTTING PLAINVIEW ON THE MAP" IN AUTO ROUTE BOOK.

Colonel R. P. Smyth is in receipt of a letter from the publishers of the "Blue Book," an auto route book, showing the part of the Borderland Highway which passes through Plainview on the Puget Sound-to-Gulf Highway. The revision of the map gives the customary complete log of the route, descriptive paragraph about Plainview and other points of interest along the route. The section of the route through the South Plains is classed as "good."

## J. L. OVERALL IS CANDIDATE FOR PUBLIC WEIGHER'S OFFICE.

J. L. Overall announces that he will be a candidate for the office of Public Weigher in the Plainview precinct. Mr. Overall has lived in Hale County twenty-three years, and is well known to the people. He has scales which he poses to use, if elected.

## ST. LOUIS GETS NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

St. Louis has been unanimously selected as the next meeting place for the National Democratic Convention. Dallas and Chicago were in the race for the convention. On the first ballot St. Louis was in the lead, Dallas next and Chicago last. One of the Dallas delegates made a motion to make the selection of St. Louis unanimous, and the motion prevailed.

Dallas was armed with a check for \$100,000, to be expended in entertaining the convention.

Hugh H. Wilson, of Enid, Okla., is in Plainview this week on business.

## CHRISTMAS NIGHT.

By CHARLES IDEN.

Don' you heah dat bromstick fiddle  
Soundin' on de kitchen flo?  
He'ps to make de music lively.  
Can't you niggahs dance no mo'?  
Git on yo' high boss an' turn im loose!

Roun' de room an' swing you pouners;  
What's de good o' Christmas night  
Ef yo' can't express your feeln's  
In de onliest way 'ats right?  
Whoopee! I feels like I done been lected!

Clar de middle fer de ole folks,  
Don' you let dat fiddle die—  
Put some rosum on dat broomstick,  
Keep on laughin' wid yo' eye.  
Dis sho' is a frolic in a red dress,  
chille!

## CAN'T IDENTIFY INFANT LEFT AT A. H. MORRISON'S HOME.

Family Will Care for Child Until Parents Are Found.

Last Sunday morning about three o'clock Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Morrison, living on South White Street, heard the crying of an infant. Going to the front door they found a baby lying on the step. The baby, a girl, was wrapped in a blanket, and looked to be about ten days old.

When interviewed by a Herald reporter, Mr. Morrison said: "I have no idea whose child it is, and really have made no inquiries. My wife and I, though we have one of our own, will see that it never wants a home."

## J. B. NANCE SERIOUSLY ILL.

J. B. Nance is seriously ill at the residence of the family, with pneumonia. It is reported this morning that he is better.

## A YULE-TIDE THOUGHT.

LILLIAN STARR MARSH.

Rejoice, whate'er thy ways betide,  
For Peace restored on glad Yule-tide,  
Bearing to each suppliant known,  
Blessings from the heavenly Throne.

J. C. O'Bryan, editor of the Tulla Herald, was in Plainview today on business.

## CHRISTMAS at the Churches

A Christmas tree will be dressed by the members of the Presbyterian Church for Christmas Eve. Rev. T. B. Haynie, pastor of the church, is the chairman of the committee which is to arrange the program. Mrs. E. B. Hughes is chairman of the decoration committee, and W. E. Risser is chairman of the committee to secure the tree. W. I. Scudder is superintendent of the Presbyterian Sunday School.

A meeting of the officers and teachers of the First Methodist Sunday School will be held Monday night, according to Superintendent J. W. Wayland. At that meeting plans will be formulated for the annual Christmas entertainment, and committees appointed.

The First Christian Church will arrange for a Christmas tree for Christmas Eve. A meeting will be held Sunday morning to complete arrangements for the event.

The Sunday School of St. Mark's Episcopal Church will celebrate Christmas by having a tree Christmas Eve at seven o'clock.

A general committee to arrange for the tree at the Plainview Baptist Church is composed of Miss Rebecca Longmire, Mrs. R. F. Ivey and R. M. Irick. On the decoration committee are Miss Mary Lipscomb, Miss Hattie Dillingham, Miss Bessie Davenport, Norman Hailey, Minor Rodgers and Paul Frye. The tree and church will be elaborately decorated, states T. E. Richards, superintendent of the Sunday School. The program committee is composed of Mrs. E. R. Williams, Z. E. Jenkins and Miss Brown. Mrs. W. A. Donaldson, H. J. Dillingham and T. E. Richards compose the purchasing committee. To secure the tree and place it there is a committee composed of H. W. Knapp and H. L. King.

An excellent program of musical numbers and readings is planned.

Through the superintendent, the request is made that parents place but one gift for each of their children on the tree. This is done to prevent any embarrassment that might arise to children who are not favored with numerous gifts. Friends may place as many gifts for any individual as they desire to give.

## HAS BEEN A BUSY WEEK FOR HALE COUNTY COURT

### Pleas of Guilty Entered Before Judge W. B. Lewis for Gaming.

This has been a busy week for the County Court. Many cases, civil and criminal, have been disposed of by Judge W. B. Lewis, presiding officer. Disposition of cases has been made as follows:

#### Criminal Cases.

No. 885. State of Texas vs. Chas. Nevels; gaming. Continued.  
No. 886. State of Texas vs. Charles Vickery; gaming. Continued.  
No. 887. State of Texas vs. R. A. McWhorter; gaming. Continued.  
No. 892. State of Texas vs. Robert Hall; swindling. Dismissed on motion of State for want of evidence.  
No. 918. State of Texas vs. Jack Scott; theft. Plea of guilty. Fined \$1 and an hour in jail.  
No. 920. Mrs. Daisy Merts; loitering on school grounds after being ordered off. Motion to dismiss for want of evidence made by State.

No. 921. Happy Hudgins; gaming. Plea of guilty. Fined \$10 and costs.  
No. 922. Crompton Bull; gaming. Plea of guilty. Fined \$10 and costs.  
No. 923. Fred Bull; gaming. Plea of guilty. Fined \$10 and costs.  
No. 924. John Bell; gaming. Plea of guilty. Fined \$10 and costs.

#### Civil Motions.

No. 458. J. W. Willis vs. J. E. Penick et al. Motion to quash writ of garnishment.  
No. 246. G. H. Brooks vs. Panhandle and Santa Fe Railway Company et al. Motion to retax cost.  
No. 79. Guardianship of Gillie Ritchey et al. Motion to direct guardian to make deed to O. C. Sanders to lot 16, block 107, Hale County. Motion granted.  
No. 468. S. J. Frye vs. C. C. Caloway et al.; motion for a new trial.

#### Civil Non-Jury Cases.

No. 385. Mrs. Beulah E. Hancock vs. J. C. Garrison et al. Continued by operation of law.  
No. 404. Wright & Dunaway Grocery Co. vs. S. H. Finch, garnishee, C. C. Caloway et al., garnishment. Continued by operation of law.  
No. 424. R. M. Hester, W. A. Harral & Co. and C. W. Tandy, doing business under the name of Tandy Coal and

Grain Company, vs. W. T. Moreland; suit for debt. Continued by agreement.

No. 443. J. W. Willis vs. M. C. Hancock et al.; suit on note. Continued by operation of law.

No. 447. T. W. Morrison vs. Panhandle and Santa Fe Railway Company et al. Suit for damage. Settlement by agreement.

No. 458. J. W. Willis vs. J. E. Penick and Wayland Baptist College, garnishee, M. C. Hancock et al., garnishment. Continued by operation of law.

No. 459. R. T. Stewart s. Mrs. S. Wingo; suit for debt. Continued by operation of law.

No. 460. L. D. Harrison et al. vs. G. C. Sharp; suit on claim. Continued by operation of law.

No. 461. E. T. Coleman vs. Panhandle and Santa Fe Railway Company et al.; suit on claim. Settled.

No. 462. Plainview Plumbing and Electric Co. vs. F. Jordan and I. Z. Smith; suit for debt. Continued by operation of law.

No. 467. Dick Bryan vs. Panhandle and Santa Fe Railway Co.; suit for damage. Set for Monday of the third week of court.

No. 470. H. F. Burton vs. F. M. McCarroll; suit for debt. Continued for service.

No. 471. D. B. Hughes vs. Jack Heflin. Set for Wednesday of the third week of court.

No. 472. P. A. Hubbard vs. Panhandle and Santa Fe Railway Co. et al.; suit for damage. Set for Tuesday of the third week of court.

No. 474. A. E. Pipkin vs. Panhandle and Santa Fe Railway Company; damage. Continued by operation of law.

No. 476. Magnolia Petroleum Co. vs. J. Walter Day et al. Judgment by de-

fault against J. W. Day.  
No. 477. R. T. Stewart vs. B. E. Sebastian; suit for debt. Judgment for defendant. Notes ordered cancelled.

#### Civil Jury Cases.

No. 337. M. H. Barrington vs. Commonwealth Bonding Co.; suit on contract. Continued by operation of law.

No. 358. C. S. Fields vs. E. N. Egge et al.; suit for rent. Continued by operation of law.

#### Civil Appearance Cases.

No. 405. A. E. Harp vs. C. B. Cox; suit on contract. Continued for service.

No. 464. Jim Key vs. C. M. Harris; suit on note. Continued for service.

No. 480. Donohoo-Ware Hardware Co. vs. W. L. Farmer et al.; suit for debt. Dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

No. 481. The Baldwin Plano Co. vs. W. T. Moreland; suit for debt and foreclosure of lien. Judgment for plaintiff by default.

No. 482. A. R. Mathews vs. Jas. Young et al.; suit for debt. Continued.

No. 484. H. D. Rosser vs. C. W. Tandy et al.; suit for debt. Passed subject to call.

No. 485. S. J. Underwood vs. E. P. Cartwright; suit for debt and foreclosure. Set for Monday of the third week of court.

No. 486. Rockwell Bros. vs. J. W. Taylor; suit on note and account. Continued for service.

No. 489. W. B. Knight vs. H. Lang; commission and damaged. Judgment for defendant.

No. 468. S. J. Frye vs. C. C. Caloway et al.; suit on note. Judgment for plaintiff.

Professor L. G. Haggard, of Seth Ward College, will spend the holidays with relatives in Midlothian.

FARM AND RANCH LOANS  
ON PLAINS LANDS  
Shallow Water Land Co.  
Ware Hotel Plainview, Texas



# YULETIDE GREETINGS

For the Christmas Gift buyer we are displaying one of the most refined and up-to-date lines of Christmas Season Goods ever shown in the city of Plainview. Not knick-knacks that have but a symptom of value, but merchandise that is dependable and which you will never have reason to be ashamed of having given to your most intimate friends.

We realize that Christmas shopping is one of the most difficult problems that confronts the public today. With this idea in mind and believing we can save you much thought, we submit for your approval these suggestions for the Holiday shopper:

## FOR THE LADIES

Ivory Sets	Candy in Fancy Boxes
Toilet Sets	Manicuring Sets
Traveling Sets	Stationery
Military Brush Sets	Kodaks
Perfumery in Xmas Boxes	Gift Books

## FOR GENTLEMEN

Cigars	Fountain Pens
Shaving Sets	Thermos Bottles
Smoking Sets	Pipes
Traveling Sets	Tobacco in Jars
Pocket Books	Card Cases

Incidentally, we wish to call your attention to our line of drugs and drug sundries which are of the highest quality.

Send us your next prescription—we'll fill it with just the items your physician intended you should have and then deliver it at your home free of charge. You'll not be overcharged but will be entirely satisfied.

Christmas shoppers are especially invited to make this store their headquarters and don't forget that our soda fountain is working for you.

## R. A. LONG DRUG STORE

### COMING—THURSDAY, DEC. 16TH

# Pygmalion and Galatea

A MYTHOLOGICAL COMEDY

Under direction of Miss Bernice H. Duggan. By W. S. Gilbert

## The Story of the Woman Born Yesterday

FULL OF PATHOS AND LAUGHTER  
THE TEARS WILL TURN INTO DIMPLES

### UPSTAIRS DONOHOO-WARE BUILDING

Admission 35 and 50c. Tickets on sale now at all drug stores and news stands





# SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS

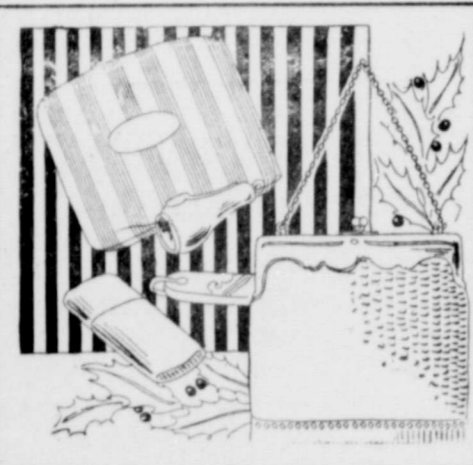
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## THE REXALL STORE

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In the selection of a Christmas present it is possible, with a large and well selected line, to appeal to each taste or particular fancy; and in a large measure give presents that express an individual friendliness and love.

It is with this thought in mind that we bought and have on display a choice selection of the very finest holiday lines in America. We, therefore, think that we can be of service to you in the selection of your holiday purchases; and extend to you a cordial invitation to pay our store a visit.



## Libby or Hawkes Cut Glass

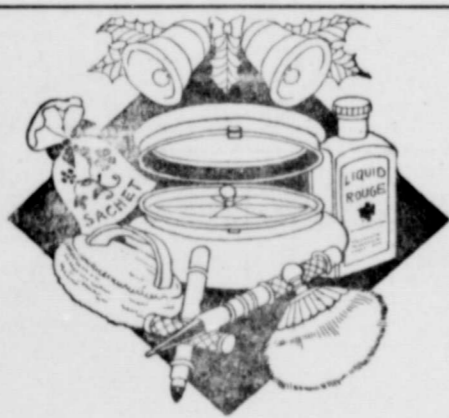
There is nothing richer in thought or the spirit of Christmas than a piece of cut glass to adorn the buffet. These two lines are paramount in their excellence of quality. We have an assortment of sets and individual pieces such as have never been shown in Plainview before. You can't make a mistake by selecting for Her from this line.

### PYRALIN AND PARISIAN IVORY

Toilet Sets and separate pieces of all kinds, and priced at a little less than you will find them elsewhere. Lots of pieces distinctly feminine—a few things any man will greatly admire. This goods is just "the thing."

### 1847 ROGERS BROS. SILVERWARE

This popular Silverware line pleased your grandmother; it will please your grandchildren in years to come. The reason why is the height of quality at a consistently low price. Be sure to see this display.



### COMMUNITY SILVER

Exquisite in simplicity of design and exceptional in worth is this well known make of Silverware. Better include a selection of this on your list.

### FINE ART SPECIALTIES

Beautifully framed masterpieces especially adapted to gift selection. We want you to see these before you complete your gift list.



### CHRISTMAS CANDY

Our Chocolates are fresh and guaranteed—another box if they don't please. Fussy packages that lend taste to your Christmas giving. No matter what else, include a box of our candy.

### LET THE CHILDREN KODAK

Let them preserve the happy memories of childhood. An Eastman Kodak will please where no other thing will give the same pleasure. There's a wide range of styles, sizes and prices.



### CHRISTMAS CARDS, BOOKLETS, SEALS, Etc.

Those little things which add the final touch at Christmas at so low a cost you can't afford to overlook them.

### CHRISTMAS PERFUMES

Dainty perfumes and toilet articles for milady's boudoir lend fragrance to the delightful holiday season. We have an excellent assortment.



### CIGARS AND PIPES

It's hard to select for a man if he doesn't smoke—if he does smoke it's easy. A box of good Cigars, a Meerchaum or a pretty Briar make most acceptable remembrances for smokers.

### FOUNTAIN PENS

Rexall Fountain Pens are practical as gifts for all members of the family. We are showing a variety ranging in price from \$1.00 to \$6.00.

### LEATHER HAND BAGS

One never goes amiss in selecting Gifts of Leather. Their utility features are such that recipients are daily reminded of the givers.

Here you will find the smart, new, practical styles in Women's Hand Bags. They are made of real leather, in oval, oblong and square styles; many fitted with purse and mirror; leather or silk lined; bright or oxidized trimmings.



### Diamonds and Jewelry

Mr. Business Man, you have gifts to buy. Your time is precious. You dislike "shopping" and the crush of the daily-increasing holiday crowds. Yet you have certain remembrances for your wife, family, friends and business associates which you must select personally. This department will solve the problem.

The Rexall Store

## DYE DRUG COMPANY

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