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DISCUSS PAVING OF TWO STREETS

Residents of Pine and Third Streets Appear at Commission Meeting Wednesday.

OBJECT TO EXPENSE
Majority in Favor of Program—Street Development Hinges on Paving, Beall Says.

The City Commission listened to citizens from Pine and Third streets Wednesday afternoon relative to the proposed paving program for those two thoroughfares. After listening to arguments both for and against, the Commission took the matter under advisement.

Objections to the paving were based on the plea of the protestors that they were unable to bear the expense of the proposed improvements and in some cases that the type of paving contracted for was a more expensive type of paving than the traffic warranted.

It was brought out that a majority of the property owners on the streets were in favor of the paving and that the protestors represented the minority.

James Henry Beall Jr., was present and stated that he had purchased a lot on Pine Street with the expectation that the street would be paved.

"I have the plans for a new house in my pocket. If Pine Street is paved, I will build a house on the lot that I have purchased. I know of at least two other lots that have been purchased on Pine Street with the understanding and because of the paving to be laid on that street," he told the members of the City Commission.

Mayor Boothe told the group who appeared before the Commission that it was the intention of the Commission to act as the best interests of the city appeared and that the Commission favored a type of paving that would last, even though the first cost were a trifle higher than other types that experience in other cities showed were not so successful. Costs in Sweetwater compared favorably with costs of the same type of paving in Fort Worth and in Colorado.

Perform Cesarean Operation.

After Mrs. E. O. Trent of Eskota was admitted to the Sweetwater sanitarium in a critical condition, having suffered with a toxic condition for 12 hours, the rare Cesarean section was performed. Mother and baby are reported doing fine.

Mrs. Jack Barr of Brownwood is the guest of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Flood at 207 Pecan St.

HONOR FIRE BOYS

Business Men Plan Banquet and Christmas Tree For Members of Department Christmas Eve.

In appreciation of the services of members of the Sweetwater Volunteer Fire Department, business men of the city plan to honor them with a banquet and Christmas tree on Christmas Eve, Wednesday, December 24.

The evening's program will be opened with a banquet at the Hotel Wright, given the fire boys and their wives by Rufus Wright. Following the dinner, members of the party will adjourn to the fire station, where a Christmas tree loaded with gifts is to be erected.

Santa Claus will have charge of the remainder of the program. Each member of the department will be remembered when Santa passes the gifts from the Christmas tree.

MAY INVESTIGATE

Department of Justice May Probe Weehawken Rum Activities.

By The United Press.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—Representatives of the Department of Justice may be sent to Weehawken, N. J., if there is any question of federal law or any connection with the Department of Justice involved, it was stated at the department today.

Attorney General Stone believes that on the basis of present reports the situation may call for federal investigation, although the matter was still considered a "local one."

SCORE ON BUTLER

By The United Press.
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 11.—Bandits robbed the jewelry store of S. Robenblatt and Sons of cash and jewels valued at approximately \$100,000, according to a report to police headquarters today. The holdup is the largest here since Brigadier-General Smedley Butler became Director of Public Safety.

SENATE PASSES BILL FOR NAVY

Curtis Engineers Passage of Bill For New Cruisers and Reconditioning of War Ships.

IMPORTANT BILLS SOON
Action Clears Way For Consideration of Other Measures—Bill Involves \$111,000,000

By The United Press.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—Speeding up its program, the Senate today passed the new navy bill providing for the expenditure of \$111,000,000 for eight new cruisers and the reconditioning of six new battleships.

The action was taken in the Senate without a record vote on a compromise engineered by Charles E. Curtis, new Republican leader, and cleared the way for other important matters that have been caught in the jam over Muscle Shoals.

All the difficulties over the bill were ironed out in the debate in the last session, when the measure first passed, and it required only the defeat of a motion to reconsider, made by Senator King, Utah, Democrat, to put the finishing touches on the bill.

GYPSUM EMPLOYEE HURT

Earnest Brandon Found Unconscious—Caught in Machinery.

Earnest Brandon is resting well Thursday following injuries he sustained Wednesday when he was caught in machinery at the U. S. Gypsum Company's plant where he is employed. Brandon is operator in the burr mill at the plant, and was injured when he was attempting to correct some trouble in the machinery, it was reported.

His injuries included bruises about the head, and a badly injured knee cap. Physicians placed the knee in a plaster cast, and treated other bruises. Brandon was reported to have been unconscious when gyp employees found him after the accident.

DISCOVER VICTIM

Body of White Man, Weighted With Scrap Iron, Found in Sabine River by Prohibition Agents.

By The United Press.
BEAUMONT, Texas, Dec. 11.—Weighted with scrap iron, the body of an unidentified white man was found in the Sabine River near Hellon's Ferry early this week by Federal Prohibition Agents Cowen and Frenzel, it became known today.

Practically all one side of the dead man's head had been shot off, according to authorities of Hardin County who conducted the investigation. There were no marks of identification on the body, it was said.

THE COTTON MARKET

By The Sweetwater Cotton Exchange

	Jan.	Mar.	May	July	Dec.
New York.					
Yest cl	2283	2321	2358	2364	2273
Open	2283	2325	2360	2368	2275
High	2290	2328	2366	2380	2280
Low	2266	2305	2341	2351	2261
Close	2288	2325	2362	2376	2280
New Orleans.					
Yest cl	2316	2314	2339	2342	2318
Open	2313	2317	2340	2343	2317
High	2318	2322	2348	2355	2323
Low	2295	2297	2322	2329	2306
Close	2315	2319	2345	2355	2323
The Spot Market.					
New York				2325	
New Orleans				2310	
Dallas				2205	
Galveston				2300	
Houston				2300	

IDENTIFY BODY FOUND IN CREEK

Teamster Arrested at Humble for Murder of Man Identified as H. C. Battle of Sherman.

HAS DEAD MAN'S TEAM
Brother Identifies Team and Wagon—Papers on Man Charged With Crime Also Incriminating.

By The United Press.
CONROE, Texas, Dec. 11.—Through papers found on the person of Alex Lang, teamster, authorities late Tuesday identified the body found partly submerged in a creek near here as that of H. C. Battle, 55, Sherman.

The body was found in the creek nearly two weeks ago. Battle is believed to have been slain at some distant point and his body thrown in the creek.

Lang was arrested at Humble a few days ago in connection with the murder. A brother of Battle's is alleged to have identified the team and wagon in Lang's possession as belonging to his brother.

Lang denied any knowledge of the crime, and declared he purchased the team in Austin. Battle was buried by the Masonic lodge of Conroe today.

RIVER RISING

Neva Threatens Flood of Leningrad—Population Alarmed.

By The United Press.
LENINGRAD, Russia, Dec. 11.—With the banks of the River Neva already 22 inches above normal and a Southwesterly cyclone blowing in from the Baltic Sea, every precaution was taken today to prevent the repetition of recent disastrous floods.

The condition has caused great alarm among the population.

Mrs. D. McWhirter, Mrs. Joe Clark and Mrs. Opal Brian of Roby were shopping and visiting in the city Thursday.

ATTACK EBERT

German President Victim of Fascist and Nationalist Plan to Oust Him From Office.

By The United Press.
BERLIN, Germany, Dec. 11.—With the resignation of Chancellor Marx expected next week, President Ebert is now under fire of the Fascists and Nationalists, seeking to discredit him and force him from office.

A scene in a case unparalleled in German political history took place at the President's Palace when Ebert confronted a witness in a libel suit brought against an editor who had called Ebert a traitor. The President was not required to testify because of his office, but feeling the affair a Fascist plot, he offered to confront the editor's chief witness.

SEEK HER DAUGHTER

Officers Assist Crowell Women Who Came to Live Here.

At the request of Mrs. M. E. Wilson, officers here are searching for her daughter, Mrs. Martha Wilson and three children, who were supposed to meet the mother at the Orient station Wednesday night, who who, late Thursday afternoon, had not been located.

Mrs. M. E. Wilson came here over the Orient from Crowell to live with her daughter whom she had not seen for some time.

"My daughter is a widow, and I wrote to her that I would come and live here," said Mrs. M. E. Wilson. "She has not lived here long and I will appreciate any information concerning her whereabouts."

Wrinkled, grey and almost penniless, the little mother sat about the court house through Thursday, anxiously awaiting the finding of her missing daughter.

REPORTER TO BE IN NEW BUILDING

Property Formerly Occupied by Texas Bank and Trust Co., Passes into Hands of Newspaper.

COMPLETE MODERN PLANT
Duplex Flatbed Press Part of New Equipment—Plant Second to None in Southwest Cities.

Details in connection with the purchase by The Sweetwater Reporter Inc., of the building at 112 W. N. 2nd street, formerly occupied by the Texas Bank and Trust Co., were completed Thursday and possession of the property has passed into the hands of this newspaper.

Included with the building is the lot with a frontage of 40 feet on West North 3rd, and a depth of 150 feet.

The building was purchased from C. A. Clayton, local contractor, who received the property in connection with his work of construction on the new building of the Texas Bank and Trust Co.

The Reporter expects to occupy its new home just before the first of January, 1925. The entire building will be used to house its large printing equipment, etc.

In addition to the purchase of the new home, the Sweetwater Reporter has also purchased a new large web press. This press, known to the newspaper fraternity as a Duplex Flatbed, is among the most modern types of printing machinery for the rapid turning out of newspapers. The new press will enable The Reporter to enlarge its edition from six to seven columns. The press has been shipped and it is expected to have it erected and in running order at the time The Reporter occupies its new home.

The new home of The Reporter, in addition to the new modern high speed press and other modern equipment of this newspaper, will give the newspaper a newspaper plant that is second to none in any city the size of Sweetwater in the entire Southwest.

TROUBLE FEARED

U. S. Diplomats See International Complications in Spanish Evacuation of Morocco.

By The United Press.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—Serious international complications may arise out of the Moroccan problem which almost precipitated a world war in 1912 following Spain's evacuation of most of her Moroccan zone, it was believed in diplomatic circles today.

A "hands off" policy has been decided upon by the U. S. government in case the Moroccan dispute is reopened. An attempt to revamp the Algerian treaty was intimated by the Spanish dictator in an exclusive United Press interview.

The United States will not participate in any attempt at international administration of the Spanish zone. France will protest the Spanish withdrawal as a violation of the treaty which made Spain responsible for the zone, it is believed.

BIG CHIEF RILED

Indian Commissioner Asks That Author of Charges be Named.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—Charles H. Burke, commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, has written representative Snider, chairman of the House committee on Indian Affairs, demanding a congressional investigation of recent charges of maladministration in the bureau.

The action was in response to an affidavit filed in the House by Representative Howard, Oklahoma, charging the Indian bureau with mishandling of Indian funds.

"I ask the one purporting to be the author of the charges filed and the witnesses named, be immediately called before the committee," Burke wrote.

REPORT REVOLT

By The United Press.
ATHENS, Greece, Dec. 11.—Disorders in Albania are reported in dispatches received from Tirana today. Several districts are said to have revolted and groups of rebels armed with automatic rifles and machine guns are marching toward Tirana in an effort to overthrow Premier Fanoli.

MAIL BANDITS GO TO LEAVENWORTH

Glasscock, Holiday, and Newton Brothers of Dallas, Given From One to 25 Years in Prison.

TESTIMONY RUINED FAHY
"Ace of Postal Inspectors" Sent Up For 25 Years on Testimony of One of Roundout Robbers.

By The United Press.
CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 11.—Six bandits who confessed to participation in the \$2,000,000 mail robbery at Roundout, Ill., June 12, were today sentenced to the Federal Penitentiary in Leavenworth for terms ranging from one to 25 years.

They are: Brent Glasscock, Chicago; Herbert Holiday, Kansas City; and Willie, Willis, and Joe Newton, cowboys and brothers of Dallas, Texas.

All confessed to robbing the train and their testimony was chiefly relied on by the government in securing the conviction of William Fahy, "Ace of the Postal Inspectors", and two Chicago politicians for complicity in the robbery.

According to the testimony of Glasscock at the trial of Fahy, the postal inspector information about money shipments on which the gang operated, Fahy was recently sentenced to 25 years in the Atlanta federal penitentiary.

Hospital Notes.

Among those who have recently undergone successful operations at the Sweetwater Sanitarium are: E. Cantrell, Roscoe; W. D. Justiss, Longworth; Lorraine McCord, Sweetwater; Murry McDowell of Sylvester has been admitted for treatment. Mrs. A. H. Cathron is reported doing nicely. Mrs. A. H. Hughes, who has pneumonia, is some better.

Victoria, British Columbia.—The value of British Columbia's fisheries in 1923 was \$20,795,914.

ENGINEER HERE

H. H. Batjer Arrives to Open West Texas Headquarters of Elrod Engineering Co., Here.

H. H. Batjer arrived in Sweetwater from Abilene Thursday to open the office of the Elrod Engineering Co. here. The office will be located in the Elks' Club building, and will be the West Texas headquarters for the company.

Mr. Batjer will be here permanently, and will move his family over from Abilene within a few weeks, he stated. He will be in charge of the engineering division of the city's paving.

Glen R. Blackburn of Dallas is expected to arrive here by the first to take charge of the office and will superintend all West Texas business for the engineering firm.

Mr. Batjer, who has been city engineer at Abilene for some time, will start to work at once, he said Thursday. The preliminary preparations for the paving work will be completed this week, he stated. This work will include the determining of the grade on each street, and the surveying of the ground on which the paving is to be laid.

The Elrod Engineering Co., with offices now in Dallas, Santa Monica, Calif., and Sweetwater, is employed as engineer for several West Texas cities, including Sweetwater, Lamesa, Snyder, and Post.

Mrs. Albert Brann will be hostess Friday afternoon at a meeting of the Sorosis Club.

SAMUEL GOMPERS REPORTED DEAD

Unconfirmed Dispatches Say Veteran Labor Leader Succumbs to Attack En Route to U. S.

ILL IN MEXICO CITY
Rarefied Atmosphere Brings on Attack—Rushed by Train Toward United States Border.

By The United Press.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 11.—Unconfirmed reports received at Laredo from San Luis Potosi shortly before noon were that Samuel Gompers, veteran head of the American Federation of Labor, was dead.

Information telephoned to San Antonio from Laredo stated that he died on the train near San Luis Potosi while being rushed to a lower altitude after an attack of lung trouble caused by the rarefied atmosphere of the Mexican capital.

It was hoped that Gompers would reach the United States in time to recover from the attack, but death apparently won the race. The report of his death has not been definitely confirmed.

Under the provision of the Mexican law, the body of a person who dies in that country may not be removed for three years. This may prove embarrassing if the report of Gompers' death is true.

First News at Laredo.

By The United Press.
LAREDO, Texas, Dec. 11.—Samuel Gompers, veteran chief of the American Federation of Labor, is believed dying.

Stricken with heart trouble, he was placed on a train in Mexico City at 7 o'clock last night and is being rushed to the United States. The train will arrive at Nuevo Laredo, across the border from here, at 6:45 a. m. Friday.

Report Death at El Paso.

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 11.—Dispatches to El Internacional, Spanish language newspaper printed here, stated today that Samuel Gompers was dead. Previous dispatches had said that he was seriously ill.

Both American and Mexican officials here discredited El Internacional's report. The wires of the Mexican Central Railroad, operating from Juarez, state of Chihuahua, to Mexico City, carried no reports concerning Gompers other than to say that he was seriously ill and should reach Laredo late today.

GET MORE OIL

Thirteenth Producer of University Land in Reagan Field Hikes Production 3500 Barrels Daily.

Special to The Reporter.
SAN ANGELO, Texas, Dec. 11.—Reagan county's oil production leaped almost 3500 barrels daily when Texon Oil and Land Company group one No. 2 well, drilled Wednesday 38 feet into a sand struck at 2950 feet, produced 1744 barrels in twelve hours, ending at 6 a. m. This thirteenth producer, all on university land, is deeper in the sand and thirty-seven feet higher structurally, than any of the other producers, and appears to be the biggest.

It is one-half mile north of Texon group one No. 1, and extends the proven area that distance in a direct north and south line with Big Lake No. 11, heretofore, the best well. The location is the center of the southwest quarter of section 36, block 9, with a surface elevation of 2750. The well is two miles east of the discovery of the Santa Rita.

The Texon Company had 69,000 barrel storage capacity when the well came in and has ordered three additional tanks, each of 55,000 barrels capacity. Its No. 3, group one well, one-half mile north of the latest producer, was drilling today at 2600 feet and is expected in within a week.

Big Lake Company's No. 14 and 15 are on top of the sand and will likely be drilled in within the month.

Weather.

Tonight and Friday, probably fair, little change in temperature.

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FIRE BOYS

No citizens of Sweetwater make a greater sacrifice for the good of the community than the members of the Sweetwater Volunteer Fire Department. It is inconceivable that their efforts should go unrecognized by public approval.

Sweetwater citizens who realize what the fire boys are doing for the city are to remember them during the holiday season. A banquet will be given members of the department and their wives Christmas Eve, and the entire party is to go to the fire station where Santa Claus will have charge of distributing gifts to the fire fighters.

Even in the large cities where many paid firemen are on duty, the fire boys receive less for their efforts than policemen and many other civic employees. While many cities have already put their policemen on eight hour shifts, the firemen are still on the job 24 hours at a time, and subject to call night or day even on their off shifts.

Members of the Sweetwater Department have to drop their regular duties and answer a fire call when the alarm is sounded. They fight fires in everything from pajamas to dress suits. Many are the hats, coats, suits, shoes, and other articles of clothing that have been ruined in battling local blazes.

Sweetwater's fire boys proved that they were among the best in the state when they competed with other fire fighting crews at the Waco Cotton Palace. Despite the fact that the length of run for which they practiced was changed when the trials were made, they crowded departments from larger cities for the high honors.

The fire boys are live and progressive citizens. When Fire Chief Dan Childress went to the National meeting of the fire fighters' leaders, he had a Sweetwater badge on every member of the Texas delegation. Sweetwater fire boys gladly answer alarms and risk their lives in paying the debt each one of us owes to the community in which we live.

TEXANIZING TEXAS

The unique work of "Texanizing Texas" has been set for itself by the Texas Centennial Committee of one hundred in advance of its meeting at Austin, January 19. At this meeting it is proposed to take steps raising a fund of \$100,000 to be employed in educational work in preparation for the Centennial.

To those who entertain surprise as to why there should be such an educational campaign it is suggested that this Centennial thing is not to be the ordinary kind of celebration, even statewide. The vision which first comprehended it has grown until it is planned that the exposition shall be

Little Willie Wise Boy

by Will M. Maupin



SOME fellers think I'm kind-o soft an' easy t' deceive,
'Cause spite o' all they say t' me they can't make me believe
There ain't no such a jolly saint as good ol' Santa Claus,
An' that th' presents that we git is brung by ma's and pa's.
I'm confident that I am right as any one can be—
Of course there is a Santa Claus:

You Can't Fool Me!

Of course our ma's and pa's must wait till children are asleep
T' show ol' Santa where t' leave th' presents in a heap.
He's such a busy feller that he ain't got time t' chat,
But has t' hustle mighty fast t' find where kids is at.
An' that is why you can't see him; he's busy as can be—
Of course there is a Santa Claus:

You Can't Fool Me!

He rides upon th' snowstorms, no matter how they blow;
He's faster than a bullet when he gits right up t' go.
An' there's so many poor kids that's a livin' on his "route"
He often leaves th' presents for our parents t' hand out.
That fools th' fellers thinkin' they are wise as they can be—
But I know there is a Santa Claus:

You Can't Fool Me!

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such as to place it among the great fairs of the world.

Texas has the background of historical and commercial significance to justify such plans. Here was fused in the cauldron of the primeval wilderness the destiny of a great continent. The period within which Anglo-Saxon civilization in Texas was in the making was a period of import to North America second only to that of the period of discovery. But one thing is lacking to complete Texas' equipment for making this Centennial as big as it ought to be. That one thing is the thorough understanding and the universal co-operation of the people of Texas.

In this view, the proposal of the Committee of 100 to spend \$100,000 in "Selling Texas to Texans" in advance of any permanent plans for the exposition becomes the height of good business judgment.

There is, fortunately, sufficient time to proceed carefully in maturing the plans for the exposition. The idea of a Centennial does not necessarily apply to any one date. Any time within the period between the first Anglo-American entry into Texas and statehood may be commemorated as well as another.

The chief matter at hand right now is to build in Texas a public realization of the greatness and importance of the state in the past and in the present. It is to develop a Texan consciousness among Texans. When this is done, the degree of co-operation necessary to insure success of the exposition will be guaranteed. To know Texas history and its historical significance is to realize that here is something for commemorating greater and grander than that which inspired such world fairs as those at Chicago, St. Louis, and San Francisco.—Fort Worth Star Telegram.

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Kiwi is From Texas.
By The United Press.
CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 11.—Kiwi is not a new radio station. It is the name of a new brand of poultry, an exhibition at the poultry show here. The Kiwi is a chicken, comes from Texas, and is wingless.

Recommends Sterilization.
By The United Press.
AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 11.—Sterilization of insane persons of the State will be recommended in a bill to be

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presented to the coming session of the Legislature by Senator R. A. Stuart, of Fort Worth. Both men and women will be included in the treatment, according to Stuart.

ARRAIGN BANKER

Former President of Morgan Bank Held For Grand Jury Action.

By The United Press.

WACO, Texas, Dec. 10.—A. J. Meeffe, former president of the First National Bank of Morgan, Bosque County, accused of misapplying \$3,260 of the bank's funds, was arraigned today and released on \$5,000 bond awaiting the action of the Federal Grand Jury. The bank closed November 21 and opened three days later, with A. P. Woolridge of Austin as acting receiver.

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Christian Ladies Meet.

The ladies of the First Christian Church held their meeting Monday afternoon at the church with a good attendance. Mrs. McKissick presided and disposed of all business, the most important of which was the report of their Bazaar which was held Friday

and Saturday and netted the ladies a nice sum well over \$200. The ladies expressed appreciation of the nice patronage given them by their friends and public generally. A good Bible lesson was conducted by Dr. McKissick from the 8th Chapter of Romans.

Attention, Santa Claus.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a big doll with long curly hair and a big doll buggy. My other buggy is too small. I also want a diamond ring and fur choker. Santa Claus, please bring me a little set of doll dishes. Much love from, Johnye Naomi Watson.

Methodist Societies Study Bible.

The ladies of the Methodist Woman's Missionary Society met Monday afternoon at the church and conducted a very interesting Bible study from Zachariah, led by Mrs. N. L. Hall. Mrs. A. S. Kendrick followed, leading a lesson from their missionary study "Of One Blood." A good attendance answered to roll call.

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STUDENTS FLEE

Million Dollar Fire Sweeps Through Mass., Normal School.

By The United-Press. BRIDGEWATER, Mass., Dec. 11.—A \$1,000,000 fire swept through the State Normal School plant here last night, destroying six of the nine buildings composing the group.

Between 700 and 800 students were routed from their rooms. All escaped injury but lost practically all their personal effects.

LIBRARY BOARD ORGANIZED

Six Women's Organizations Organize, Elect Officers of Board.

Several days ago the library committees from six of the women's organizations met at the court house and organized a Public Library Board.

A complete roster of officials was not completed at this meeting but the following officers were elected: Mrs. M. A. Belcher of the Self Culture Club, president; Mrs. F. J. Neal, of the Sorosis Club, secretary; Mrs. Royal Hendrick of the Delphian chapter, treasurer.

Several other officers will be elected and a book committee will be appointed at a later meeting.

All of these six organizations will share an equal responsibility in the work of maintaining the Public Library and they will be entitled to claim equal credit in their state and district Federation work, when making reports.

Baptist M. S. Meet in Circles.

The members of the First Baptist Church Missionary Society met Monday afternoon in eight circles; two were combined and one circle was unable to meet. The afternoon was spent in different ways; some quilted or sewed for Buckner Orphans' Home, while others conducted a Bible study. A social hour was featured in each meeting. Hostesses follow: Circle A, Mrs. Smith; Circles B and C, Mrs. L. B. Roberts; Circle D, Mrs. R. M. Chitwood; Circle E, no meeting; Circle F, Mrs. Gordon Hendrick; Circle G, Mrs. T. O. SoRelle; Circle H, Mrs. Henry Campbell; Circle I, Mrs. J. M. Simms.

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The Gleaners.
The Gleaners' Missionary Society of the Methodist Church held their meeting at the home of Mrs. P. G. Dabney, with Mrs. Roy Scudday leading the lesson from their regular study course, "The Life of Christ." The subject was "Opening Events of Christ's Ministry." The society voted to take a vacation until the new year, following the Social and Calendar Club meeting next Monday, when they will meet jointly with their mother society, the Woman's Missionary Society.

LADIES TO ENTERTAIN

Cottonwood Community Sunday School to Have Party Friday.

The ladies belonging to the Cottonwood Sunday school are planning a very attractive entertainment Friday evening to be held at the Cottonwood School building.

An interesting musical program has been promised the guests, which will be furnished by the Allen Music Company. All kinds of lunch boxes will be sold to the highest bidders and lots of cakes and pies will be offered for sale.

The ladies of the community are making an effort to buy a nice piano that can be used in the school and

church services. The \$25 community prize money which they won at the recent County Fair, formed the nucleus of their piano fund. They extend a cordial invitation to all their friends in the city and community to enjoy the evening with them.

WESLEY CLASS PARTY

Mrs. Mauzey Entertains Ladies With Beautiful Xmas Party.

The ladies of the Wesley Bible Class enjoyed a most attractive Christmas party, Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. S. Mauzey. Her reception rooms were aglow with Christmas evergreens, twined about in various adornments, with the colors of the season. Beautiful Christmas bells also proclaimed the ap

proaching glad season. A lovely Christmas tree, with its tinsel and candles centered the dining table where the gifts were piled into an interesting heap, from the overflow from the trees.

All packages had been numbered and each guest drew a number and was given a gift from the tree with a corresponding number. Much guessing and lots of fun followed as the gifts were opened.

Hot chocolate, whipped cream and cake was served by the hostess who was assisted by Mrs. F. J. Neal and Mrs. M. L. Williams.

Maurice Hogue left this morning for Lubbock where he goes to accept a position with the Walker-Smith Wholesale Company, similar to the one he has held here for some time.

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Episcopal Ladies Plan Sale.

At a meeting Monday afternoon of the Episcopal ladies they planned another candy sale for Saturday. The time allotted to the meeting was spent in making candy and fruit bags for their Christmas tree. The ladies met at the home of Mrs. J. H. Doscher and next Monday's meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Dan Ripley.

Self Culture Club Holds Meet.

The Self Culture Club gave their attention to an interesting program on "National Health" at a recent meeting of the club at the home of Mrs. P. G. Dabney.

Miss Minnie Fowler talked about "School and Public Health"; Mrs. P. G. Dabney read a paper on "The Need of a National Department of Health"; Mrs. C. D. Lindley talked with interest on "The Present Work of the Texas State Board of Health." The club will enjoy a Christmas party Friday, December at the Hotel Wright, with Mrs. G. E. Ramsey, Mrs. M. A. Belcher, Mrs. P. T. Quast and Mrs. C. D. Lindley, hostess. During the social hour Mrs. Dabney passed refreshment plates.

The Minister W. D. Black of the Church of Christ, will preach next Sunday night on "Why We Do Not Use Instrumental Music in Worship." You are invited to hear this subject presented.

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Set Crawford Trial.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 10.—William L. Crawford, Dallas attorney, charged with slaying Paul M. O'Day, another lawyer, in the American Exchange Bank building here September 11, will go on trial January 12. Crawford successfully underwent an operation here last week, but will be confined to bed for a month.

His Real Name

By MINNA IRVING in New York Herald

YOUNG January, being poor, wears nothing but his skin, While February in a robe of ermine rare comes in, March shivers in a worn brown cloak, and April, frail and fair, is folded in a rainbow scarf with snow-drop in her hair, May dons the apple blossom's pink and June the rose's red, July in faded overalls picks cherries for his bread, And August treads the sunny fields a stately Indian queen, Appareled like the standing corn in silken gold and green.

September, garbed in purple, bears a basket piled with grapes, Dark amethystine globes from which a juicy dew escapes, October is a cavalier, so flaunts a crimson plume, November, telling beads of rain, is cowed in fog and gloom, But when December comes, behold! he's whiskered, booted, furred, His ringing laughter like the sound of merry bells is heard, His arms are filled with many gifts and holly wreaths because The little children knew him first and named him Santa Claus.

The Yuletide Spirit

By Lorena Sheldon, in New York Times

THE spirit of the Yuletide, how it sinks into the heart! The lips begin to tremble and the tears begin to start, The flow of recollections, dear and sweet, come to my brain, And I feel the old youth throbbing in my bosom once again, The spirit of the Yuletide! How it thrills the sluggish frame With the sight of old-time faces, with some long-forgotten name! Once again the dead are living; once again care fits away, And the whole earth rings with pleasure at the dawning Christmas Day, The spirit of the Yuletide! May it ever be with blessed peace, Till all earthly sorrows ended, till all earthly sorrows cease! Men of all the lands are brothers—humans rise to heights divine— When the Christmas bells are ringing and the Christmas candles shine!

A Merry Christmas

By MRS. ANSEL OPPENHEIM

THE greeting that we send, No matter whatso'er it be, This sacred one "A Merry Christmas And a Glad New Year," Is sign and symbol only, Of what within the spirit dwells, Of love, good will and kindly thoughts— Of many memories dear That hidden lie within the depths Of inner consciousness, Like shining strings of pearls Within some wondrous cabinet room.

LOBES VS. LEOPARDS

Cisco and Oak Cliff to Tangle Friday in State Semi-Finals.

Special to The Reporter. CISCO, Texas, Dec. 11.—Perhaps the most colorful game to be played in Texas during 1924 will be staged in Dallas Friday afternoon at 2:30 when the "Big Dam" Loboes of Cisco meet the Oak Cliff Leopards in the semi-finals of the State Championship football race. The Loboes are carrying the banner of Central and Western Texas, while the Leopards will uphold the standard of North Texas and the Panhandle, they having recently crushed Vernon, the Panhandle entry.

The Cisco Loboes are perhaps the most picturesque team in the State. They are rated as one of the great high school teams of the Interscholastic League career. With a magnificent line declared to be the greatest high school line in the history of the State, the Loboes have concentrated power which has crushed all opposition met. In their backfield they carry a hefty punch which has been sufficient to overwhelm all teams in the Western part of the State. And last week they eliminated the Great Cleburne team 30-0 at Cisco.

Oak Cliff has made a great record. They reached their greatest height when they came from behind a twenty-six point handicap to the Sherman in the last half of their first game, and in the last game came from behind a 10-7 score favoring Sherman to make two touchdowns in the last two minutes of play and eliminated the Bear Cats in a heart breaking game. Last week they swamped the Vernon Lions, one of the eight teams to win a district championship, and they are primed and ready for the Loboes, who invade their lair this week.

Mrs. George Sparks was called a few days ago to Sylvester to nurse the baby of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hall, suffering with double pneumonia.

Winnipeg, Manitoba.—Canada has sodium sulphate deposits of approximately 100,000,000 tons in its western provinces and chiefly in Saskatchewan.

Presbyterian Ladies Sew Monday

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church met in circles Monday afternoon and spent the entire afternoon in completing their articles of fancy work for their Christmas Bazaar, which will be held the last three days of this week. Mrs. William Wight was hostess for Circle One and Mrs. Wiggins for circle Two

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