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CITY SHIVERS IN RECORD COLD

Former Record of One Degree Below Zero in 1917 May Be Broken as Continued Cold Is Forecast.

THREE ABOVE HERE FRIDAY

Trains Delayed Four to Seven Hours—Amarillo Maintains Reputation With 8 Degrees Below.

The cold wave that the weather man has been predicting since Sunday arrived with a bang late Thursday and Thursday night with a light wind blowing out of the north, accompanied by a light fall of sleet Thursday night. The mercury fell to 3 degrees above zero by 8 o'clock Friday morning.

The cold wind continued throughout Friday, although the sun came out in the afternoon and the mercury went up to 11 degrees by 2 o'clock this afternoon. The forecast for tonight is still colder, however, with the prediction that the temperature will range from 2 to 6 below zero in this section.

This cold spell is believed to have broken all records since the year 1917 when the mercury dropped to 1 degree below zero. If the predicted temperature for Friday night is correct, the weather record for all years in this section will probably be broken.

The cold wave has gradually been working south this week, while radio stations and weather bureaus have repeatedly given warning to stockmen and shippers that zero weather was enroute.

Business for garages, service stations and plumbers leaped considerably Friday morning as the usual quota of broken pipes, frozen radiators and other accidents caused by the cold weather were reported. Hotels were reported crowded Thursday night as tourists, traveling salesmen and others stopped over to get out of the cold weather.

Early morning trains coming into Sweetwater were 4 to 7 hours late due to the combination of cold weather and Christmas mail. The north bound Santa Fe passenger train, due here at 1 a. m., arrived about 8 o'clock. The engine of this train went dead between Brownwood and Coleman, it was reported, and passengers shivered in steamless coaches while another engine was sent out from Brownwood. The morning Orient passenger for San Angelo, due to leave here at 6:30 a. m., pulled out about 11 o'clock. The T-P westbound mail and passenger trains, Nos. 5 and 16, were about 5 hours late due to delays at Fort Worth and the heavy mail rush.

A temperature of 8 degrees below zero was reported in Amarillo Friday morning while temperatures throughout northern and central Texas ranged proportionally. The southern portion of the State had not been struck by the cold wave Friday morning, according to reports. While Amarillo shivered with the mercury below zero, Brownsville citizens were enjoying summer weather with the thermometer above 50 degrees.

The Sweetwater schools, unable to be heated comfortably by steam heat Friday morning, closed at noon for the Christmas holidays.

Thomas Kelley, 71, killed Peter Jackson, 82, in an English porthouse, because Jackson snored loudly.

SHOOT HIS SON

Farmer Kills Boy Who Would Not Take Drink of Hooch With Him, Officers Declare.

By The United Press. GOLDBORO, N. C., Dec. 19.—John Goff, Green County farmer, shot and killed his 16 year old son, Herbert, because the boy refused to take a drink of hooch with him, it was charged here today.

Goff was arrested Monday for "disorderly conduct" on the complaint of his son, who reported to officers that his father had beaten him because he refused to take a drink.

The killing was not revealed until today, when neighbors reported the boy missing, and the body found near his home. Officers said Goff shot and killed the boy Monday afternoon, after he had been reported to police, and before his arrest.

SUCCEEDS GOMPERS

By The United Press. NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 19. William Green, treasurer of the United States Mine Workers of America, was today elected by the executive council of the American Federation of Labor to succeed Samuel Gompers as president of the Federation for the incompleting term.

BANDITS FIRE NINE BUILDINGS

Gang at Valley View Dynamite Safes in Two Banks, Start Fire That Sweeps Business Houses.

GET AWAY WITH LOOT

Amount of Haul Undetermined—Bank Officials Estimate Their Loss Alone at \$20,000.

By The United Press. VALLEY VIEW, Texas, Dec. 19.—After cracking the safes in the First National and First State Banks here early today, bandits set fire to the building in which both were housed and escaped with an undetermined amount of loot.

The building was still burning at 9:30 a. m. Fire apparatus was on the way to Valley View from Gainesville, the county seat. The Sheriff and a posse of deputies and city officials from Gainesville were enroute here.

The robbery occurred at 5 a. m. Workmen passing the building noticed the fire. Presidents of both banks estimated the joint loss at between \$10,000 and \$20,000.

Undaunted by the intense cold, additional posses left here this afternoon in pursuit of the bandits. The flames enveloped the building housing the two buildings following two terrific explosions. Nine buildings were destroyed before the blaze was brought under control shortly after noon.

KILLED BY TRAIN

Aged Man Believed of Fort Worth Dies Near Beaumont.

By The United Press. BEAUMONT, Texas, Dec. 19.—An aged man, believed to be J. P. Redman of Fort Worth, was instantly killed near here late Thursday, when he stepped into the path of a Gulf Coast passenger train. A bank book found on the body was the only means of identification.

ELECT OFFICERS

Poultrymen Choose R. L. Shaffer President—Set Date of Show for 1925 at December 8 to 12.

The Nolan County Poultry Association, an organization of poultry breeders and those interested in the industry, held a meeting Wednesday to elect officers and directors for 1925. R. L. Shaffer was named president of the organization, with Herman Gregg of Roscoe vice president. Other officers are secretary, Milton Pate; directors, R. L. Shaffer, Henry Rose, W. C. Calvert, J. H. Mauzey, Merritt Mauzey, and R. Lanier. Ray Ramzell of Blackwell was elected superintendent for the poultry show.

Walter Burton of Arlington who judged the show now going on, accepted an invitation to judge the show in 1925. The date for next year's show was set at December 8 to 12.

Burton addressed the poultrymen at the conclusion of the meeting on subjects of general interest to poultry breeders. Burton left Wednesday night for his home at Arlington.

Party Postponed. The Christmas party to have been given by the members of Mrs. J. D. Dulaney's Sunday School Class of the First Methodist Church Friday night, has been postponed on account of the cold weather.

Santa Claus Letter. Dear Santa Claus: Please Santa, will you bring me a football and an airgun and a coaster wagon. Please Santa, bring me some fireworks and some candy. Your little friend, Vernon Wright, 501 Hickory street.

SCHOOLS CLOSE FOR CHRISTMAS

Teachers and Students Plan Holiday Activity—Classes Start Again Monday, December 29.

REAL XMAS WEATHER

Drop in Temperature Adds Zest to Christmas Spirit—Stores Crowded With Gift Buyers.

Sweetwater schools closed Friday afternoon for the Christmas holidays which will continue through Sunday, December 28. The four schools in the city will open again on Monday, December 29 and first term examinations will be held two weeks from that date. The new term opens January 12.

The schools will not give a holiday January 1, according to Superintendent McLain, work commencing as usual after the Christmas vacation to continue through the term.

No special program or Christmas observances was to be held Friday at the close of school, it was announced, although a regular meeting of the Literary Society was held in the afternoon.

Superintendent and Mrs. McLain will spend the holidays in Ballinger and Hubbard, Texas. Principal and Mrs. Neimast will be in Clyde during Christmas, and Miss Bolin of the History Department will be in Blackwell during the holidays. Coaches Gibson and Ward will spend Christmas in Paducah and Abilene, respectively.

The majority of teachers employed in the schools of the city are Sweetwater residents, and will spend the holidays at home.

The majority of colleges over the state closed Friday for the holidays, and Sweetwater students away at (Continued on page four)

NAME WINNERS IN SCHOOL CONTEST

Home Lighting Essay Winners Selected by Judges—Conducted by West Texas Electric Co.

COUCH TAKES FIRST PRIZE

District Prize of \$25 and Division Prize of \$5 Go to High School Student Here.

The Home Lighting contests, conducted by the West Texas Electric Co., in the city schools here in accordance with similar contests held all over the country, ended some time ago, and the committee of judges who graded the papers turned in by students announced the winners Friday.

In this contest in the south ward school, Lexie Penson won first prize of \$9.00, with Myrtle Johnson winning the second prize of \$2.00. In the west ward school, Mable Whittaker won first prize of \$3.00, and Patsy Boyles won second prize of \$2.00.

In the east ward, Elton Sanders was first, winning the \$9.00 prize, with Elizabeth McCord winning the second prize of \$2.00. W. M. Couch won first place and the \$5.00 prize in the high school division. Second prize of \$3.00 went to J. J. Ford, with Fay McDonald winning third place and the \$2.00 prize.

The contests were also staged in this district with only Sweetwater entering the contests. The winner for the district is W. M. Couch, first prize of \$25.00. J. J. Ford was second, winning the \$15.00 prize; third prize, \$10, Elizabeth McCord; fourth prize, \$5.00, Fay McReynold; fifth prize, \$5.00, LaVonna Chise.

In addition to the cash prizes, gold medals were won by Elton Sanders, Patsy Boyles, Maurine Risenger and Elizabeth McKissick.

TO BE BEHEADED

German Slayer of 24 Youths and Accomplice to be Executed—Maiden Execution Request.

By The United Press. HANOVER, Germany, Dec. 19.—Fritz Haarmann, demented murderer of 24 youths, and Hans Grans, his accomplice who procured many of the victims, were sentenced to death by beheading today. The sentence will be carried out at once.

The jury found Haarmann guilty of 24 cases of murder, and "sentenced him to death 24 times" as well as to "life long deprivation of civil rights." The verdict was a forgone conclusion, Haarmann having confessed and implicated Grans.

The boys were killed in Haarmann's hut by the Seine river, by tearing open their throats with his sharp teeth. He and Grans sold the victims' clothing. When the verdict was announced, Haarmann arose and said, "I accept the verdict fully and freely."

Yesterday he had asked that he be beheaded in the public square with all Hanover present and motion picture machines to record the execution.

LEGION TO VISIT

Sweetwater Ex-Service Men Plan Banquet For Buddies in Roscoe, Thursday, December 30.

Sweetwater members of the Oscar McDonald Post, Nolan County American Legion, were in Roscoe Thursday where they completed arrangements for a banquet to be served ex-service men there Tuesday evening, December 30. The banquet is to be held at the Rex Hotel and a large number of former soldiers in the Roscoe community are expected to attend the affair.

According to Sweetwater Legionnaires, their Roscoe buddies are showing great enthusiasm in the coming event. It is believed that over 50 will be present for the banquet which will be featured by addresses by men prominent in Legion work. All ex-service men and their wives are invited to the affair.

A number of Legionnaires from Sweetwater will attend, as will also several members of the Legion Auxiliary.

Air planes now transport diamonds of British Guiana.

DISCOVER BODY

Group of Foreigners' Discovered Body in Apache Quarter Baffles Paris Police.

PARIS, France, Dec. 19.—The Apache quarter of Paris gave up the gruesome dismembered trunk and limbs of a man today, believed to have been an American.

Wrapped in a copy of a French newspaper published in San Francisco, the trunk of a blonde foreigner was found by a watchman pacing the avenue near the San Martin Canal. Some distance away, similarly wrapped, were found other parts of the body.

The cutting had been done by an expert, apparently. The head, by which the body might be identified, had been cut off. The neighborhood in which the discovery was made is the haunt of Apaches and known criminals.

Police are puzzled as to why the packages were not thrown into the canal. They are searching the muddy waters for the head. The discovery of one arm showed that the man had been recently manieured, and was probably of the upper class. Mutilation suggested a crime of revenge.

PLAY SATURDAY

Oak Cliff and Waco to Battle For High School Honors—Dopesters Give Dallas Slight Advantage.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 19.—The Oak Cliff Leopards and the Waco Tigers, cream of the state high school interscholastic squads, clash here tomorrow for the supremacy in the football league. Grid forecasters say Oak Cliff will be a slight favorite, but refuse to concede points. Both will enter the battle with formidable lineups. Both teams are alert and speedy and have sent championship aspirants back to the bench with blasted hopes.

Mrs. Carl Ragland is expecting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Brand and her sister, Miss Rozelle Brand to be here Friday from Grapevine, where they attended the funeral Thursday of Mrs. Brand's father, J. P. Terrill of Marietta, Okla., who died Tuesday. Mrs. Brand has been at her father's bedside for several weeks. Misses Nina May and Helen Brand are here with their sister.

STORM ACCIDENTS FATAL

By The United Press. BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Two persons have been killed and many injured during the rain and sleet storm which has continued here for the past 48 hours. The two fatalities occurred near Olean when a light auto skidded into a truck and overturned.

NORRIS ATTACKS ALLEGED COMBINE

U. S. Senator Leading Fight on Underwood Bill Raps General Electric Company.

"GREATEST MONOPOLY"

Warns of Danger of Giving Muscle Shoals to Company He Alleges Will Absorb Project.

By The United Press. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.—An endless web of interlocking electric light and power companies owned by the General Electric Company, will absorb the \$150,000,000 government Muscle Shoals project if the Underwood Bill passes, Senator Norris, Nebraska, charged in the Senate today.

Norris recited a list of hundreds of local light and power companies in the United States and Canada controlled by the "trust of the General Electric Co.," and contended that from 18 to 20 per cent of the Alabama Power Co., one of the leading contenders for Muscle Shoals, was owned by General Electric.

"It is the greatest monopoly that I know of and to give them Muscle Shoals will merely give them part of the government to add to their power," he stated.

Banks Reduce Loans. By International News.

CHICKASHA, Ok., Dec. 19.—Grady County banks have decreased the amount of their loans 50 per cent in the past 60 days, according to a statement issued today. Excellent cotton and broom corn crops have resulted in very prosperous conditions here.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Cox returned Thursday from San Antonio where they have spent their honeymoon. A reception was given Friday afternoon at the Hotel Wright welcoming Mrs. Cox back to Sweetwater, as her permanent home.

BAN FIREWORKS

Commission Districts Danger in First Fire Limits—Violators Subject to Arrest.

The City Commission met in regular session at the city hall Thursday afternoon with a number of important business matters up for discussion.

A petition signed by a number of property owners near the intersection of Crane and 5th streets asked for a street light to be put in at that point. The commission voted to have the light installed and gave instructions for placing it.

The Commission announced that the fire works ordinance would be rigidly enforced this Christmas, and Chief of Police Johnson stated that all violators of that ordinance would be subject to arrest. The ordinance prohibits the discharging of fireworks in the first fire limits of the city and will be enforced to remove dangers of fire and injury during the holidays.

The commission adjourned subject to call.

Weather.

West Texas, tonight and Saturday, colder in South portion with temperature from 10 to 20 degrees. Generally fair, continued cold in south.

Mrs. Lester Mays and two children of Waco will arrive tonight to spend the holidays here with her parents, Judge and Mrs. Henry Beall. She was formerly Miss Florence Beall.

Dent Beall came home from the State University Thursday night to spend his Christmas vacation with the home folks.

BANQUET HONORS FOOTBALL TEAMS

Salty Pups and Scouts Entertained Friday Night—Turkey Dinner Served by High School Girls.

HERRING NEW CAPTAIN

Back Field Star to Lead 1925 Team—Beall, McCurdy, Wade, School and City Officials Speak.

Burton Herring, star backfield man of the Salty Pups, will head the 1925 Sweetwater High School football eleven as captain following his unanimous election at a banquet in honor of the team at the high school Thursday night. Herring succeeds James Sheppard, quarterback captain who piloted the Salty Pups through the past season.

Thirteen winners were named winners of football sweaters by Coach Joe Gibson who made a splendid talk honoring the team. The sweaters were awarded on four points, as outlined by Gibson, and the requirements that the letter men possessed were faithfulness in practice, sportsmanship, gentlemanly conduct, and the best attitude towards the school faculty, and fellow players. The men who were to receive the red and white sweaters are James Sheppard, John Bledsoe, Otis Watson, William Boyles, Luther Gorton, Earl Webb, Horace Heath, Lonnie Black, Dorsett Risenger, Doyle Hall, Bruce Gibson, Burton Herring, and Merlin Toler.

A splendid turkey dinner was served the guests present who numbered over 50 men and boys. The banquet was prepared and served by members of the Home Economics Department of the high school under the direction of Mrs. Ora Roberts. Besides the football team, local Boy Scouts, and Coach Ben Daniels, men members of the high school faculty, members of the school board, representatives of the athletic council, Sweetwater Club and Mayor Joe H. Boothe were present.

Superintendent E. H. McLain presided at the banquet, and introduced John A. McCurdy, secretary of the B. C. D. and a member of the athletic council, who, in a splendid address, told of the business man's viewpoint of football. Sweetwater business men were absolutely behind the Sweetwater schools and the football team, McCurdy said.

James Henry Beall, former star on the Sweetwater High School team, and later of the Texas University team, delivered the feature address of the evening which compelled the attention of every one present. Beall told of real sportsmanship, of the principles and aims of football, pointing out the benefits derived from team work and play on the gridiron. Addresses were also made by Mayor Boothe, M. B. Howard of the school board, Will Wade, president of the Sweetwater Club Superintendent McLain of the high school, Coach Ben Daniels who was given a vote of thanks for his work with the team, and others. The retiring captain, Sheppard, and captain-elect Herring made short talks, as did Senior members of the Salty Pups who have played their last game for the high school.

Little Miss Doris Rea is still confined to her room, after an illness of several days.

SHOW TO CLOSE

Poultry Exhibit Ends Friday Night—Birds Here For Show Stand Cold Weather Well.

The Nolan County Poultry Association's Third Annual Show will close tonight after a successful run of four days. Although a large crowd has not been attracted to the exhibits at any one time, the throng of visitors has been steady each day.

All the fine birds displayed at the show stood the sudden cold spell splendidly, according to poultrymen who declared that the chickens were better off in the show building than they would be at home. Several exhibitors who have brought birds here from quite a distance, declared their intentions of leaving them here several days until the weather moderated. Exhibitors who live in or near Sweetwater, will probably remove their birds Saturday.

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FLATTERY

Monsieur Jean Patou, Paris dress-maker, must have had a well filled order book when he returned to France from a recent visit to this nation. For the compliments he pays the composite American girl are both gentle and graceful. In substance they are that she does not make up nor ruin her skin or hair with cosmetics. She is the personification of all the goddesses. The classic beauty of Minerva, Juno, Venus and Diana are combined in her, with the essential features of the last two—well-developed muscles, short waist, and long and slender legs—predominant. This fellow surely looked around while he was here. "What the French people do not dream of," he concludes, "is the important place the American girl holds in society. All the prettiest dresses are made for her." There is more to his rhapsody but this will do. Why does the French government persist to overlook the policy and sanity of this tradesman when in a pinch it needs the service of a master diplomat who may be entrusted with delicate missions? So artistic a contriver could solve Europe's problems in a hurry, better than all the tigers, or soldiers or socialists who have fallen down upon this job.

DISCUSSING A REAL PROBLEM

The National Society of Vocational Training, in session at Indianapolis, heard addresses from national leaders in education in which the administrators of the public school system were scored for failure to teach students how to work, instead of being so many anxious candidates for "white collar" jobs. The public school policy of "failing to give proper training to thousands of boys and girls who are unable to continue studies in colleges and universities" also came in for a scoring. The fact that many of the larger cities are paying twenty dollars a day to bricklayers with the pay of other artisans in proportion, due largely to the scarcity of trained mechanics, indicates that the Indianapolis convention had good practical grounds for some of the conclusions it reached. This nation is prosperous, but it has not yet reached the point where all graduates of the public schools can find enough genteel jobs to go 'round. Several million mechan-

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ics and laborers must continue to do the country's vocational work or its boasted "American standard of living" will go shimmering.

AMUSEMENTS

It was inevitable that Colleen Moore, who created such a sensation in "Flaming Youth" and "Painted People," both First National pictures, should once again give the screen another portrayal of the modern flapper.

And judging by her remarkable characterization in these pictures it was also inevitable that her next picture be called "The Perfect Flapper"; this is the opus scheduled to open at the Palace Theater on Monday.

Exceptional attention was given Colleen Moore's forthcoming production because of the astonishing records of this winsome star's previous efforts, and it is said that she rises to till greater height in "The Perfect Flapper."

A cast of unusual quality was engaged to surround the star. Sydney Chaplin has a role which fits him like a glove and gives him opportunity to inject many laughs into the picture. He will be remembered for his side-splitting characterizations in "Her Temporary Husband" and "The Galloping Fish."

Phyllis Haver scintillates in the role of Gertrude Traylor.

Frank Mayo, for years a star in his own right, has a role in Reed Andrews.

The apt of Aunt Sarah, a kindly soul, who stands by the star in her direst needs, is handled by Lydia Knott.

"The Perfect Flapper" was directed by John Francis Dillon, who also directed Corinne Griffith in "Lilies of the Field," and Colleen Moore in "Flaming Youth." It was adapted by Earl Hudson from "The Mouth of the Dragon," the Ainslee Magazine story, by Jessie Henderson.

FREE FOR CHILDREN

R. and R. Palace To Have Free Show Christmas Morning

A free matinee for the children beginning at 10 o'clock Christmas morning is announced by the R and R Palace Theater.

A special film will be shown, "The Ghost in the Garrett" by Lillian Gish. There will be a Christmas tree and lots of fun for all the little folks. No admission will be charged.

Needs Lots of Room.

By The United Press. OKLAHOMA CITY, Ok., Dec. 19.—After driving his new expensive sedan a week an Indian returned the car yesterday to Sam Shelbourne, salesman, and traded it for a sport roaster. When asked why he did not like the sedan, the Indian grunted "Can't spit."

A. B. Talbot of Elgin, Ill., celebrated his 84th birthday by going roller skating with a grandson.

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PRESENTS STUDENTS

Mrs. George Gray Gives Recital Thursday Afternoon.

Mrs. George Gray presented her piano pupils and the Treble Clef Chorus Thursday afternoon before an audience of the mothers of the participants. The program scored a great success and gave much pleasure. This was the first appearance of the Treble Clef Chorus in singing three parts, which they did like experienced artists. The Christmas decorations of Mrs. Gray's pretty home formed a happy background for the following program:

"Japanese Dance, (Terry)—Bernice Sheridan.

"With My Thoughts, (Geidel)—Pauline Weatherby.

"Just A Dreaming," (Lemont)—Ora Fay Hefley.

Chorus, "Fleeting Days," Treble Clef Chorus.

"Olga Gavotte," (Steelwood)—Lucille Thomas.

Vocal Solo, "Old Fashion Dear," (Ellis)—Vera Elliott.

"Harlequin," (Bohm)—Teresa Johnson.

"Minuet in G," (Beethoven)—Betty Simmons.

Vocal Solo, "Within Your Heart," (Ellis)—Bernice Sheridan.

"Music Box," (Leiblich)—Allene Beeman.

"Le Fete De Flores," (Godard)—Vernice Henthorne.

"Firefly," (D. Grau)—Vera Elliott.

"Primrose Waltz," (Strickland)—Gwendolyn Tubbs.

"Butterfly," (Gregg)—Frances Lou Payne.

"Little Papoose," (Sherwood)—Treble Cleff Chorus.

Mrs. Hannah Elverson of Chicago, aged 83, is growing her third set of teeth, now having nine new ones.

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Church of Christ. Bible School at 10 o'clock a. m. Communion service, 10:50 a. m. Preaching 11:15, subject, "The Church at Laodicea." Young People's Bible Class, 6 p. m. Evening preaching service, 7:15, subject, "What is man that Thou art Mindful of Him."

First Church of Christ.

Bible school at 9:30. Preaching morning and evening. Special music and a cordial welcome for all. The "Father and Son" banquet has been postponed till after Christmas. J. T. McKissick, Minister.

Invitation cards have been received by friends of Mrs. Rufus Wright and Mrs. Mose Newman to an afternoon of music Tuesday from 3 to 5 o'clock, at the Hotel Wright.

Judge W. W. Beall is convalescing nicely from a slight operation and treatments at a Dallas Sanitarium. He will be able to return home on the 23rd with his son, Claude, who will be coming home for the holidays.

LEAVES WITH PRISONERS

Agent Bud Russell Collects Four Convicts in Sweetwater.

Penitentiary Agent Bud Russell was in Sweetwater Thursday where he took in custody four prisoners who had been collected here for transportation to the State Penitentiary at Huntsville.

The convicts included one man from

San Angelo, one from Robert Lee who is to serve a term for auto theft, and two negroes from El Dorado.

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Rev. R. A. Stewart will leave Saturday morning for Maryneal to hold quarterly conference with the Methodist Church at that place. Sunday

he will go to Colorado for the same purpose. Wyman Rose is expected to reach

home from Arlington Saturday night where he is attending school at the Arlington Military Academy, junior branch of the A. & M. College.



THREE DAYS
THURSDAY --- FRIDAY --- SATURDAY
BEST VALUES OF THE DAY

- 25 lbs. Sugar (pure cane)\$2.09
- 1 lb. Smoked Bacon22
- 25 lb. Box Seedless Raisins\$3.13
- 25 lbs. Apricots\$3.89
- 25 lbs. Figs\$3.63
- 10 lbs. Pinto Beans93
- 1 Gallon Can Apricots64
- 20 Bars P. & G. Soap94
- 8 Cans No. 2 Corn\$1.00
- 8 Cans No. 2 Tomatoes98
- No. 2 1-2 Sun Kist Peaches31
- No. 2 1-2 Sun Kist Apricots31
- No. 2 1-2 Sun Kist Pineapple29
- No. 2 1-2 Sun Kist Pears39

Special Prices prevail on most of our groceries this week. They are reduced because we bought them at rock bottom prices.

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An Appreciation

The old year is rapidly drawing to a close. We cannot close our books without recalling the exceptionally pleasant relations with our many customers. We are going to strive even harder this coming year to merit your continued patronage and if appreciation, good service and the right price will do it, then we know our business will increase in the year to come.

PIANO RECITAL

Mrs. Whaley Presents Pupils in Informal Recital—Mothers Guests.

A delightful two hours was spent at the residence of Mrs. W. H. Whaley Thursday afternoon, when she presented her piano class in an informal recital with their mothers as her guests. In addition to the musical program a beautiful Christmas tree had been erected in the library and child a gift for each child. At the close of the program Mrs. Whaley assisted by her mother, Mrs. W. H. Beall and Miss Bessie Beall, poured fruit punch. The program follows:

"First Steps," (Barbour)—Bess Headrick.
 "Rambles in Musicland," (Barbour)—Thomas Headrick.
 "Onward We Go" (Barbour)—Gerald Fitzgerald.
 "A Little Song" (Newell)—Doris Dell Tatom.
 "Music Land" (Barbour)—Bluford Hestir.
 "Beginning the Journey" (Barbour)—Evangeline Sheridan.
 "March of Boy Scouts" (Martin)—Weldon Canfil.
 "Dreaming of Santa Claus" (Martin)—Laura Chambers.
 "Santa Claus Guards" (Krogmann)—Mary Louise Toler.
 "My Doggie" (Porter); "Valse Serieuse" (Fradel)—Ruby Pollard.
 "Cradle Song" (Schumann)—Woodrow Sheridan.
 "Elizabeth Waltz" (Martin); "Mazurka" (Martin)—Margurite Browning.
 "Lullaby" (Martin)—Josephine

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- "Pixies Waltzing" (Brown)—Theresa McQueen.
- "Minuet in G" (Beethoven)—P. T. Quast Jr.
- "Hunting Song" (Spindler)—Melba Mae Tatom.
- "Humoresque" (Dvoak)—Ruth Murphy.
- "Grand March" (Blake)—Mary Bennett.
- "To Spring" (Greig)—Ena McQueen.
- "Second Valse" (Godard)—Zelma Shook.
- "Idilio" (Lack)—Ida Bartlett.
- "Marche Fantaisque Op 73" (Smith)—Lena Shaffer.
- "Serenata" Op 15 (Mozzkowski)—Allolene McQueen.

CONCERT SATURDAY

Southwestern Four to Present Free Program at Baptist Church.

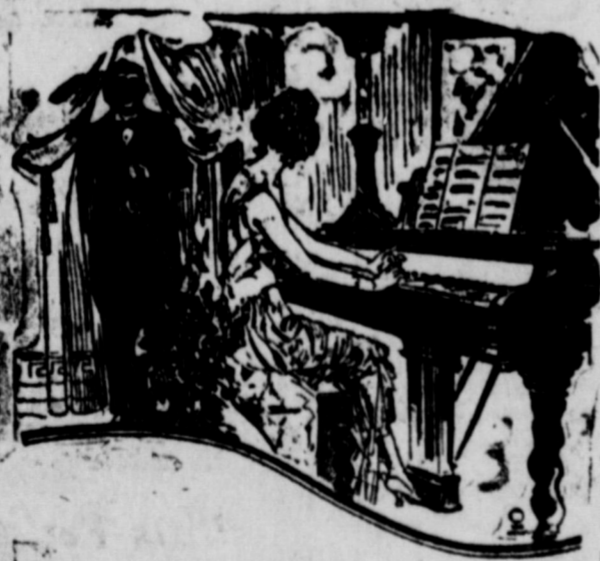
The Southwestern Four, male quartet, will present a program of solo and quartet numbers at the First Baptist Church Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. This organization is said to be one of the finest in the southwest where they are known for their unusual ability.

The quartet is from the Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth where each of the four is teacher of music and voice. The concert is free of charge and everyone is invited.

Too Much Hosiery

By The United Press. PARIS, France, Dec. 19. Sixty-five pairs of stockings in one month is too many for one woman, a Paris court decided, sustaining Frank J. Gould's refusal to pay for that amount of hosiery charged to him in a month by Edith Kelly Gould, his former wife.

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FRIENDS—Please vote for Olen Allen Bennett in Hassen Gift Contest. Thank you. Mrs. Myrtle Bennett. 27314dp

REGISTERED JERSEY BULL—At Davis Wagon Yard. Fees \$2.50 cash. See old man Davis at yard. 2761tfc

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	New York	Jan.	Mar.	May	Jul.	Dec.
Yest cl	2360	2400	2436	2455	2345	
Open	2360	2400	2445	2463	2350	
High	2378	2419	2454	2472	2367	
Low	2345	2384	2422	2440	2340	
Close	2363	2404	2442	2456	2354	

	New Orleans	Jan.	Mar.	May	Jul.	Dec.
Yest cl	2390	2397	2423	2454	2405	
Open	2392	2399	2427	2440	2415	
High	2407	2414	2440	2452	2420	
Low	2375	2383	2410	2425	2390	
Close	2389	2398	2427	2442	2402	

The Spot Market.

	Today	Yest
New York	2400	2400
New Orleans	2390	2395
Dallas	2280	2280
Galveston	2385	2380
Houston	2375	2370

Postpone Practice.

Those who are on the White Christmas program will not have the regular practice Saturday morning on account of the weather. It was announced Friday. The next practice will be held Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

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SCHOOLS CLOSE

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school are expected to begin arriving during the week-end to spend Christmas in Sweetwater.

With the cold wave which was predicted several days ago arriving in full force Thursday, Sweetwater became fully enveloped in the Christmas air and spirit. The cold norther and light mist seem to liven the holiday shoppers and the general Christmas spirit advanced considerably. Stores and shops reported brisk business during the day, and the annual holiday rush, late in arriving this year, is now in full swing. Christmas gift stores have all enlarged their forces as the shopping rush starts on the home stretch and the volume of business from now until next Wednesday night is expected to be very large.

With prosperity in abundance over this section, many folks from out of town are seen about the streets and stores daily, making Sweetwater their Christmas shopping headquarters.

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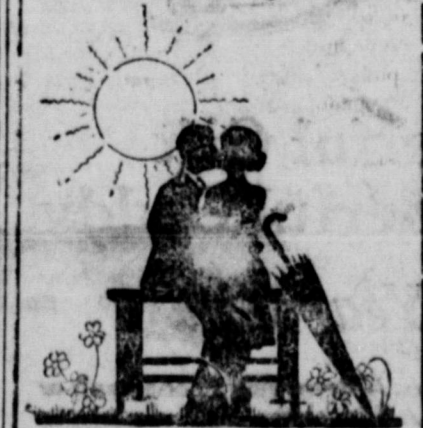


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