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The Devil's Dream (By W. E. James)

The Devil watched with eager eyes
The little tots playing about;
And wondered if they really knew
Of Old Santa's whereabouts.

Christmas has come and gone. Now
we look forward to the birth of a new
year, with anticipation wholly akin
to selfishness. Will the year be good
to us; will it bring prosperity and
success in our sundry undertakings?

Nineteen thirty, like the year just
closing, can be what we wish. If our
wishes are not in vain, and we have
power of will to do or die, we can
accomplish all things. To those satisfied
to let things take or shape their
course, the new year will be no different
to any other.

The town will be just as it has been
in the past, unless its citizens see the
vision of a great city and prepare to
meet its coming. The advent of the
great "iron horse" will stir people to
action for a time, but unless the incentive
is strong interest will die and the town
drop back to its accustomed place. Let's
plan big things for 1930 and do them.

The Santa Fe has intimated that
the largest stock pens on the line will
be built in Sonora, and that the town
is destined to become the largest shipping
point for livestock in the world. If
environments are such as to give the
great Santa Fe this vision, surely
there are other advantages here to be
exploited.

If the coming of the railroad is to
start us growing in one direction, let's
take a good look at the compass and
branch out in others. Let's dream
some dreams, then roll up our sleeves
and get to work to make those dreams
come true.

Remember the story of the "Acre
of Diamonds?" Well, we may be
trodding underfoot opportunities just
as valuable!

Last week's issue of the Ozona
Stockman voiced a sense of fear that
Crockett county's road bonds would
be defeated. The fear, however,
proved groundless. The bond issue
went over in a big way—eight to one.
Only thirty-two votes were thrown
into the wheel of progress. Compared
with the 257 favorable votes piled up
high, the opposition was puny, indeed.

Crockett county will soon be riding
down a hard-surfaced road to the
Sutton county line. Will we be there
to meet them? Let's hope that Sutton's
proposed bond issue will have been
realized by that time and all hands
on time to see the finish of the two
stretches of the Old Spanish Trail.

A dream; will it come true?—That
the Lions Clubs of Ozona and Sonora,
accompanied by citizens of both
counties, meet on the dividing line at
the completion of the new road, and
have a genuine, good old-fashioned
barbecue, celebrating the event in a
proper manner befitting the commemoration
of a victory well won. What
say, you Lions?

Over in California a turkey gobbler
turned the tables on his executioner,
and put him to rout. Preparing to
sever the bird's head, it gave a kick
and knocked the knife from his tormentor's
hand, and in doing so severed
an artery in the man's right arm.
Not being satisfied with first blood,
the turkey pounced upon the man and
tore his shirt to shreds.

If the Dreamer had any intentions
of commenting upon Christmas cards,
their usefulness, etc., he would now
and forthwith hand a bouquet to the
Sonora Motor Company. This enterprising
firm sent out a nifty little folder,
nicely decorated with reminders of
the donors and the maker of the
world's most popular car. Now, if Sam
Hull had taken time out to sharpen
the pencil for us, our Christmas would
have been complete.

If all the merchants would get the
habit and send out flour, bacon, lard,
clothes, overcoats, shoes, hats and
dresses, candy, cigars, cigarettes,
dolls, baby buggies, hardware, lumber,
coal and feed stuffs, Old Santa
could hibernate for the rest of his
days. We could use Sam's pencil for
writing letters instead of wearing it
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COLDEST SPELL HERE SINCE THE YEAR OF 1888

Old Man Winter breathed his coldest
breath here last week since 1888
when the mercury dropped to five below
zero. Temperature here the latter
part of last week was around the
three below zero mark, according to
several who had thermometers.

Late Friday afternoon snow began
falling and continued until aturday
night, and began again Sunday and
fell until about noon. From twelve to
fifteen inches were reported by several
ranchmen from various sections
of the county. This was the largest
snow in the history of the county,
according to W. L. Aldwell, Geo. J.
Trainer and G. W. Stephenson, pioneer
ranchmen of this section. Mans
Hoggett, Mertzon ranchman, reported
only three inches on his range. Menard
reported 18 inches, six at Ozona
and three at Del Rio.

The snow will benefit the range,
since recent rains had already put a
fair season in the ground. It will,
according to ranchmen, insure enough
feed for sheep during the winter and
start weeds and grass next spring.
Most all the water from the snow will
soak into the ground.

Roads in various sections of the
country were made almost impassable,
due to the heavy snow, and after it
had thawed roads were muddy and
slippery. Tuesday at noon nearly all
the snow had melted and roads were
passable.

Sonora School Has Excellent Rating

The Sonora High School, according
to a letter from the State Department
of Education, during 1929, met all
requirements of the Southern Association
of Colleges and Secondary Schools
which met recently in Lexington,
Ky. These requirements cover
libraries, school equipment, teacher
salary, teacher-pupil ratio, and
teacher preparation. The Department
of Education at Austin had a representative
at the convention in Lexington,
and has advised Superintendent
M. O. Britt that the Sonora
school had met all requirements of
the association.

HERE FROM PLAINVIEW

J. L. Nisbet, Plainview hardware
dealer and president of the Rotary
Club of that city, wife and small
daughter, spent Thursday night here
with Mrs. Nisbet's father, W. L. Aldwell.
This was Mr. Nisbet's first visit
to Sonora since four years, and he
noted many changes in the town.
They left early Friday morning for
their home.

SCHOOL BUILDING CONTRACT TO BE LET JANUARY 29TH

Contract for Sonora's \$125,000 new
high school building will be let January
29, according to M. O. Britt, superintendent.
This action was taken
recently at a school board meeting.
Bids will be advertised for that day,
it has been decided.

The contract for excavation has
been let to Theo. Montgomery, of
San Angelo. Mr. Montgomery will be
here sometime next week to start excavation
work, Mr. Britt has been informed.
About three weeks will be
required in which to complete this

work, and then actual construction,
it is believed, will commence.

Building material, according to
officials of the Santa Fe, can be
shipped to Sonora by March first,
which will effect a saving in freight.
By that time all excavation and foundation
work can be completed, it is
thought.

The new building will be modern in
every respect. It is thought that it
will be ready for occupancy by the
mid-term of next year. The present
building will be remodeled.

1,000 Car License Plates for Sonora

J. E. Grimland, deputy tax collector,
informed this paper that one thousand
and 1930 auto license plates have
arrived at his office for distribution.
The new plates for automobiles have
blue numbers with an orange background,
while truck plates are just
the opposite.

Mr. Grimland said that charges for
motor vehicle plates for 1930 will be
based on weight instead of motor
horsepower. He advises the people to
bring their 1929 receipts with them
when they come to get new plates.
January 31 is the last day new
license plates can be obtained without
paying a penalty.

County and state taxes are being
paid promptly, B. W. Hutcherson,
sheriff and tax collector said. About
\$25,000 has been paid to date. State
taxes will amount to \$30,869.78,
while county taxes will be \$40,862.84;
independent school, \$33,661.94; common
school, \$1,651.51. Eight hundred
and forty poll taxes were assessed
for 1930.

Mrs. S. T. Gilmore To Be Gone a Week

Mrs. S. T. Gilmore, president of the
Sixth District Parent-Teacher Association
and Texas Congress of Mothers,
will leave next Thursday for Big
Spring, Abilene, Ballinger. While
away she will attend an annual board
meeting of the executive committee
of the State P.-T. A. She will be gone
for about a week.

Mrs. Clyde Gardener has been ill
this week and unable to be at her post
in the Vander Stucken Co. dry goods
department.

Miss Ada Steen was here from the
ranch Tuesday morning shopping.

Sonora Young Lady Marries Odessa Man

Miss Lucille White, one of Sutton
county's most popular young ladies,
became the wife of Mr. Ewell McKnight,
prominent Odessa ranchman,
Saturday afternoon at five o'clock.
Rev. F. M. Jackson, pastor of the
Methodist Church of this place, in an
impressive manner performed the
ceremony at the Methodist parsonage.
The marriage was scheduled to be
performed at the S. E. McKnight
ranch, west of town, but due to impassable
roads, it occurred here.

Miss White is the daughter of John
H. White, well known Sutton county
ranchman, and is a niece of Mr. and
Mrs. S. E. McKnight, with whom she
had made her home for several years.
She attended school at C. I. A. and is
a very charming young lady. She has
a host of friends here who wish for
her much happiness.

From here Mr. and Mrs. McKnight
went to Fort Worth before going to
their home in Odessa.

The News, with their many friends,
wish this happy young couple all the
joys and happiness in their life companionship.

MATINEE AT LA VISTA SUNDAY AFTERNOON

"The Lady Lies," a Broadway stage
production and a Paramount all-
talking picture will be shown Sunday
afternoon beginning a two o'clock,
and the second show will commence
at 3:50. This same picture, as well
as an all-talking comedy, will be
shown Monday night at 7 o'clock.

Saturday night (tomorrow night)
Davey Lee will appear in "Sonny
Boy." He talks, sings and he charms.

Miss Muriel Grace and G. C.
Choate, of Big Spring, are spending
the holidays with their sister, Mrs.
Ira Shurley and family.

GOOD ROADS DIRECTOR LOGS HIGHWAY NO. 277

United States Highway No. 277,
extending through Abilene north and
south, is destined to become one of
the most popular tourist routes
through Texas and within a year
2,000 motorists will be passing over
it daily, says the Abilene Morning
News.

This was the forecast made here
yesterday by R. A. Singletary, director
of the United States Good Roads
association and manager of the good
road division of the Oklahoma City
Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Singletary
and E. J. Price, in charge of
highway publicity of the Oklahoma
City organization, were in Abilene
yesterday and conferred with Judge
W. R. Ely, state highway commissioner.

Mr. Singletary left Oklahoma City
Friday morning enroute to Del Rio,
the southern terminus of highway
No. 287. He is logging the recently
designated United States highway,
which through Texas is known as
state highway No. 30. He and Mr.
Price will return through Abilene to
Oklahoma City early this week.

Cuts Distance to South
The route through Abilene is destined
to become the most popular one
for tourists passing through Oklahoma
City and enroute either to Del
Rio or points west, Mr. Singletary
said. The reason for this is that it is
a much shorter distance to Del Rio
and Arizona and California points
than any other route and when present
projects are finished it will be the
most completely paved road, he
pointed out.

It is 76 miles nearer to Abilene
over U. S. Highway No. 277 than
by way of Fort Worth which for years
has been the most traveled route, Mr.
Singletary said. His speedometer
showed the distance between Abilene
and Oklahoma City to be 324 miles.
With 12 miles to be lopped off this
distance in projects now under way,
the distance will be only 312 miles.

"I was agreeably surprised with
the condition of the roads from Oklahoma
City to Abilene," said Mr. Singletary.
"When the people in the north and
east learn of this route it will
result in an immense amount of
traffic. By following this highway
they will not only save 76 miles but
those going to points in the west will
have much more paved surface than
they will over No. 66 by way of
Amarillo, Santa Fe, N. M., and Flag-
staff, Arizona."

Highway No. 277 branches at Oklahoma
City and an all-weather route leads
to Sioux City. Twelve paving
contracts now are unlet way between
Oklahoma City and the Texas boundary.

Predicts Many Tourists
"I predict that within a year's time
No. 277 will be carrying 2,000 tourists
each day, provided the route is given
the proper publicity," said Mr. Singletary.
"You have the four-cent gasoline
tax in Texas. For every fifteen
miles he travels the tourist puts four
cents into your road and public
school funds, to say nothing of the
amount he spends for gasoline, food,
repairs and in hotel bills. If we can
put 2,000 cars on that route each day
it will mean much to Texas and Oklahoma."

The Oklahoma City Chamber of
Commerce is working out a publicity
plan for the route, Mr. Price said.
While they are logging the route at
present and getting exact information
as to how much of the road is
paved or to be paved within three or
four months, he and Mr. Singletary
are calling on all chambers of commerce
and others along the route in
pushing it as a favorite road for
tourists to travel.

Christmas Day Here Was Quiet

Christmas Day in Sonora was one
of the quietest in the history of the
town, local officers believe. Few people
were seen on the streets, and this
was due to fair weather immediately
after severe cold weather. Much
of Sonora's population spent the day
out of town while others took to the
country and highways in their cars.
No wrecks were reported.

Edgar Glasscock came in the first
of the week from San Marcos Baptist
Academy to spend the holidays with
his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Glasscock.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Hunt are
spending the holidays here.

A Round of Slugs (By S. U. M. Bull)

We will take advantage of Uncle
Sam this week in wishing you all
peace, prosperity and good health
during the coming year. In this manner
postage for cards will be eliminated.

To M. O. Britt, the educator, gentleman
and scholar, we wish the new
school building completed by September
first and ready for him and his
corps of efficient teachers and instructors.

To Coach White, we hope he has a
winning football team next year.
White has done well with the boys,
and here's hoping him more success,
both in football and other athletics.

Here's hoping our town—the best
town in West Texas—keeps on progressing
as it has in the last two
years. May she live up to that motto:
"Capital of the Stockman's Paradise."

Fire boys, we hope that you have
fewer fires to fight in 1930. Your
efforts have been appreciated. Our
wishes for you are many.

We wish you all a happy and prosperous
1930.

Want Income Reports In By March 15

Abuse by taxpayers of the privilege
of securing an extension of time
in which they may file their income
tax returns will no longer be tolerated
according to orders issued by the
Commissioner of Internal Revenue
and announcements made in this District
by Collector Geo. C. Hopkins.

Heretofore, tax experts, with a long
list of clients have been in the habit
of asking and securing extensions,
chiefly on the ground that they have
more clients than they can physically
attend to around March 15.

"The Commissioner of Internal
Revenue has authorized me to advise
all taxpayers and all representatives
of income taxpayers that only in
those cases shown to have genuine
merit will extensions of time for
filing be granted," said Collector
Hopkins today.

"The records show that for several
years the extension privilege has
been abused, and that in many cases
taxpayers or their representatives
have habitually requested extensions
year after year so that delayed
returns have been the rule rather than
the exception.

"It is believed, therefore, in these
as well as in many other cases the
delay was occasioned primarily by
undue exercise of the privilege afforded
taxpayers of securing extensions
of time rather than by meritorious
causes, hence the recent instructions
to all collectors to grant extensions
only upon the showing of a good
and sufficient cause. In other words,
extensions will be granted only in
those cases in which, by reason of the
circumstances involved, the taxpayers
could not have filed timely returns
through the exercise of ordinary diligence.

"This is to advise representatives
of taxpayers that wholesale requests
for extensions (a long list of clients)
presented at the eleventh hour, accompanied
by no better reason than
'impossible to collect data,' or 'physically
impossible to reach all' will not be
granted.

"We advise representatives of taxpayers
who have a large clientele to
commence operations immediately after
January first and not wait until
March fifteenth to file returns.

"We advise taxpayers who depend
on others to prepare their returns to
furnish all data to their agent immediately
after January first. The return
can then be prepared but not
filed and tax paid until March 15."

SONORA MERCHANTS WILL GIVE AWAY \$200 MONDAY

Monday night, January 6th, Sonora
merchants have arranged to give
away \$200 in gold at La Vista Theatre.
A. C. Elliott, manager of the
theatre, invites everyone to see the
show, after which the gold will be distributed.
You might be the person
who receives one of the gifts.

This event had been advertised to
take place on the night of January 1,
but for sufficient reasons has been
postponed until January 6th.

Make 1930 a progressive year.

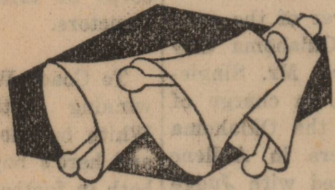


W. L. Aldwell, Roy E. Aldwell and family attended a family reunion in San Angelo the first of the week. The Aldwells had previously had their family reunions here, but due to Mrs. Aldwell's health, it was held in San Angelo where Mrs. Aldwell has been for sometime since leaving a sanitarium in Temple.
Make 1930 a progressive year.

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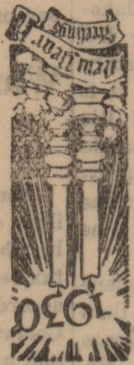
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In closing the most successful year we have ever had, we wish to thank you all and extend our most hearty

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

Sonora Drug Company

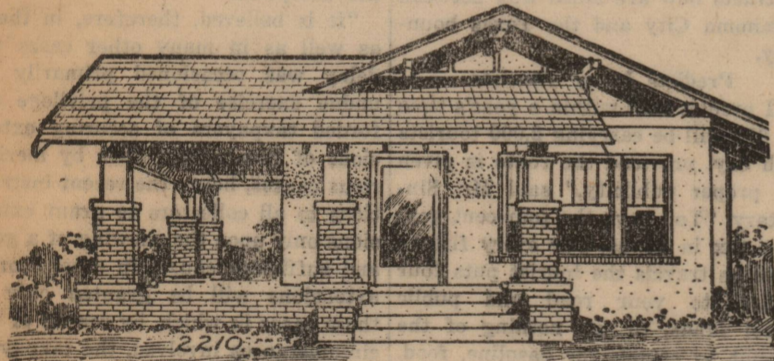


Looking forward to another pleasant year in your midst, we extend our heartfelt wishes

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

West Texas Lumber Co.

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New Year Song

Our Old Year goes, and let him go!
A New Year comes. We hardly know
The change, so peaceful and so slow,
And unsought, too; but be it so!
The Old Year bears the rusty leaf,
The Old Year carries all the grief,
The New Year brings us all relief,
And bears the blossom and the sheaf.
Our New Year comes! And let him give
Us purer thought by which to live,
And greater courage in our strife,
And higher purposes in life.
—Farm and Fireside.

A New Happy Year

BY CLARA ACEE
MAY



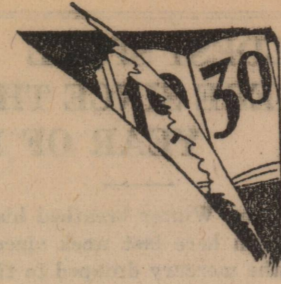
MISS HELEN BROWN turned her back upon her freshman history girls to hide those awful surface tears which would show just when one tried to smile and say, "Happy New Year!" Happy New Year! So, these young things would learn, too, that the newness of a year was—bunk. Nothing was new but illusion. Life was old and weary and humdrum.
"Brownie's got a grouch!" signaled June Wells who sat in the front row. The girls opened their books uneasily. Miss Brown faced them.
"I've decided to give you a test."
The girls wriggled in hopeless desperation. Brownie did have a grouch! Just when they had to have school on New Year's day, too!
Writing the questions Miss Brown felt old. Maybe she hadn't a gray hair, maybe she wasn't thirty yet but—again she saw that letter:
"I've thought it over, Helen, and I feel like a cad saying it, but I'm convinced that our engagement was a sad mistake. . . ."



Her tall, boyish Jim! . . . "Our engagement was a mistake!" Her life broken—like that! He who always said she was too beautiful, too good for him! Probably he'd found somebody younger—one of these college girls or—
"What caused the misunderstanding between France and England?" her chalk wrote viciously.
Those steady gray eyes of Jim's
He was her's! "Our engagement a sad mistake!"
The girls were glaring. A test on a day which should have been vacation! Miss Brown went to answer a knock. . . . a mistake, our engagement. . . .
"Helen!"
Miss Brown stared at the tall figure before her. Quickly she stepped into the hall and closed the door.
"Helen, you darling!" Jim was breathing. "If you only knew! That letter! I thought I'd lost every cent. Couldn't ask you to take me—like that. Lord! What it cost me to write it! But, I haven't and—"
When Miss Brown returned to the room she smiled.
"Let's put away our work, girls," she beamed, "and have a little New Year's program. For the New Year is the time to be happy. Everything, then, is fresh and new and—joyous!"
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The Thief of Hearts, but He Was Arrested

SEATED in the comfortable Raston living room, with Lois Raston bewitchingly beautiful, and the elder Rastons seeing the Old Year out at the village church, William Field determined to make his great plunge.
"Lois," he breathed, his lips caressing her name, "I have come to beg a New Year's gift. Will you make it?"
"All depends," returned the practical young woman. "All depends what you're asking."
"I'm asking your heart, Lois," he blurted, amazed at his temerity. "Asking your heart, all for myself."
In the freight her smile seemed kind, but sad. "I'm sorry, Bill," she murmured, "but I can't give you my heart. You see—well—it isn't mine to give. It was stolen weeks ago."
So his misgivings were confirmed. He took the blow, he hoped, manfully.
"I'm sorry, Lois," he said, rising. "We will always be friends." One moment their hands met.
He had reached the gate before he was arrested by her voice crying, "Stop thief!"—Robert Stead.
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and to those we shall have
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New Year's Homecoming

Katherine Edelman

NEW YEAR'S eve and all the little town of Ashton astir and alight! Sounds of laughter and good cheer floated out upon the night and everywhere there was evidence of the hearty good will and fellowship that prevails at this season.

A full moon was lending its charm to the beauty of the night, throwing a soft and silvery radiance on the snow-covered earth. It was one of those nights when Nature seems to almost outdo herself in the lavishness of the beauty that she dispenses.

Ashton had particular cause for happiness this evening. For, in addition to the joy of the New Year holiday, a big celebration was taking place in the town hall to welcome home the town's most distinguished man, Warren Denham.

One home in particular held a very excited person. Marian York found it hard to keep up a semblance of calm. She was fearful lest the loud beating of her heart would betray her feelings to those around her. Over and over again she told herself that she was foolish, that she meant nothing to Warren Denham, that probably the silly vows they had exchanged in childhood were forgotten by him long ago.

She felt that the wisest plan would be for her to stay away from the celebrations; not to risk the pain of the old longings and desires that the sight of him would be sure to arouse.

But the urge to see him again was too strong, and now she was standing before the mirror, giving a last critical glance at herself before departing for the hall. She had let the rest of the family go on ahead, as she felt that she wanted to go alone.

It was over ten years since she had last seen Warren Denham. During that time he had gone out into the world and made his name famous, while she remained at home, living the quiet, uneventful life of the little town. He was now a famous engineer, who had brought to a successful completion one of the most difficult engineering feats that had ever been accomplished in western Africa. She had remained a nobody. It was unlikely that he would feel the slightest interest in her.

Once Marian had hopes that things would be different; she had felt that Warren Denham loved her. But he had gone away from the little town without saying a word, had given up their happy comradeship without an apparent regret. And there was little to give her hope in the silence of the ten years that had elapsed since he had gone to Africa. He had written to her occasionally before that time, friendly, interesting letters that might or might not mean anything.

Nine o'clock found the hall packed with a happy, expectant crowd. It was going to be late when the train reached Ashton, and they wanted Warren Denham to see all of the big program that had been planned for him. They felt that the town should be particularly proud of the honor he was paying them in coming so soon after his landing, and were leaving nothing undone to show their gratitude.

A great cheer went up from the crowd when the big moment came and Warren Denham stood before them. The slender, dark-haired man smiled repeatedly as cries of welcome came from every corner of the hall. Then he spoke, quietly and easily, as one of their own might speak to them:

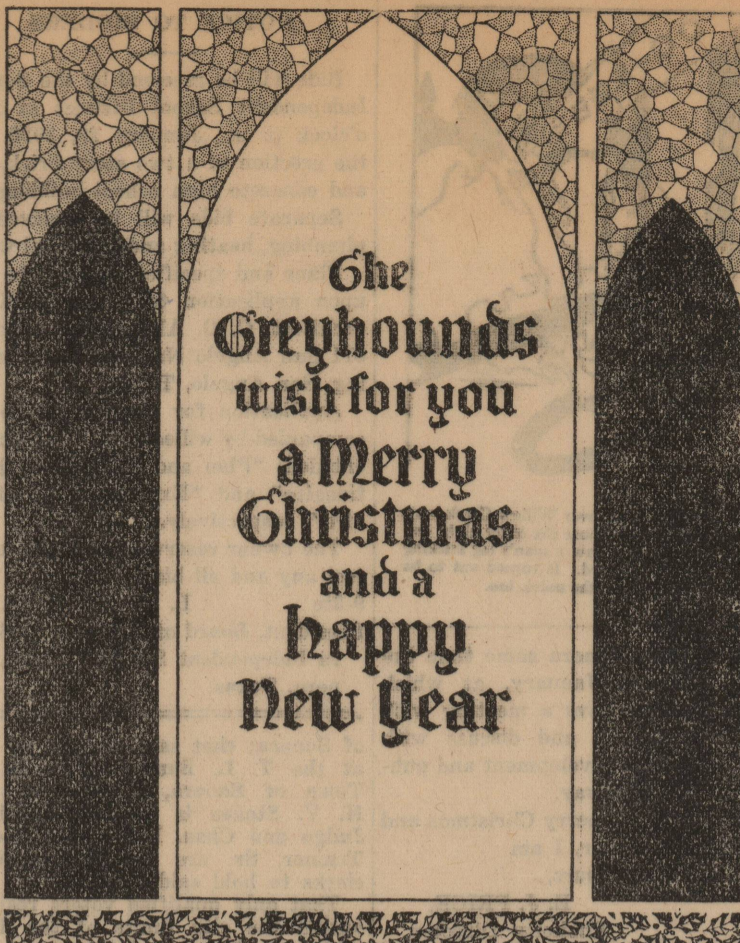
"Friends," he said, "I am very happy to be with you tonight. This is a moment that I have looked forward to for a long time. During all my wanderings the thought of the day I would come home has been with me. But you have made it even happier than I had anticipated." His voice almost broke for a moment, then he went on:

"It was the thought of your faith and trust in me that often lent me strength—that made me want to do my level best. I owe you far more than you owe me. And I am proud and happy to be back."

It was nearing midnight when the program was over; then the crowd surged up to shake Warren Denham's hand. But Marian York stole quietly away. She felt it was better to do this. More than ever now she seemed to realize the great gulf that lay between her and Warren Denham. She must not allow herself to see him; it would entail too much after-suffering to see the indifference in his eyes.

With quick steps she walked up the deserted street. "Oh, why had he come back, to revive all those memories she had tried so hard to stifle? Life was going to be harder and lonelier for her than ever now! If only he had stayed away!"

Suddenly she woke to the consciousness that she was being followed; footsteps were gaining on her at every moment. Her heart began to pound. There was something about the footsteps that seemed to be familiar. Again she told herself that she was foolish; that it was probably some one who was in a hurry to get home.



Now, the hurrying one had caught up with her and a voice spoke—a dear and well-remembered voice out of the



"Why—Why Are You Rushing Away, Marian?"

past: "Why—why are you rushing away, Marian? I thought you would be one of the first to welcome me."

Confused and stammering, Marian stood before Warren Denham. "I—I thought there were so many others," she said. "I—I did not think that you would miss me. Things are different now, Warren."

"Not miss you, Marian!" Warren Denham's voice held tenderness and emotion. "Why, Marian, all the things I said in the hall tonight were meant for you. I do love this little town, but—but you are really Ashton to me. I—I found out as soon as I got to Africa how much you meant to me. But my word was pledged then, and I could not come back. I felt that I must finish the job, and I couldn't ask you to come there. But all the time I kept hoping that you would wait for me."

"Marian, tell me now if the old promise of our childhood still stands good. Will you marry me?"

As Marian gave him her answer the joyous bells rang out the happy message that another New Year was born. While the strains of rejoicing

were wafted over the snow-covered ways, two hearts sang with joy for the happiness that the New Year had brought them.

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Longest and Shortest Day

There has been some discussion as to which is really the shortest day of the year. It is agreed, however, that the longest day for some folks is the second day in the life of a New Year resolution.

Frank Jackson, of San Angelo, was a Christmas visitor in the home of his parents, Rev. and Mrs. F. M. Jackson.

Harvey Walker, after being "under the weather" for several days, was seen in town yesterday on business.

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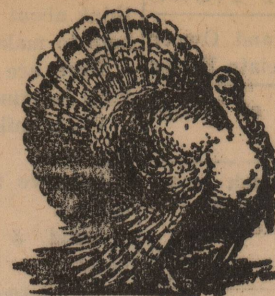
The law requires that you present your last year's car registration papers before new

1930 Licenses

can be issued. Please save yourself and us time and trouble by bringing your last registration papers.

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Tax Collector



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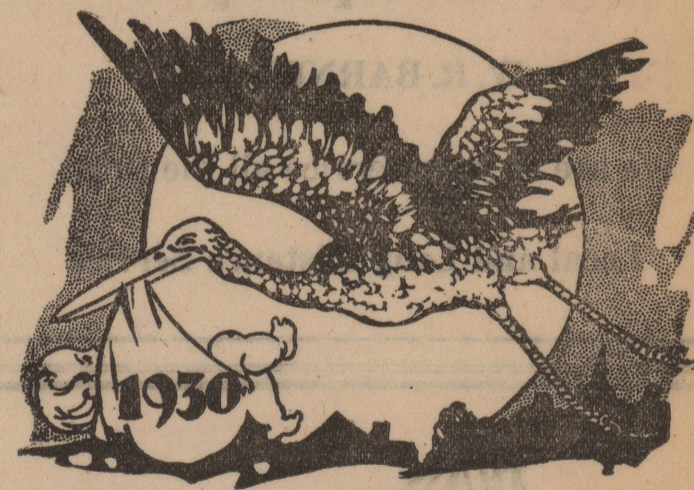
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THE NEW YEAR

A few more days and another year will have passed, and we will all be one year nearer our graves. Between now and the new year we should be thinking about a few good resolutions to carry out during 1930. Not only resolve to do something that

will benefit ourselves, but we should think about ways and means that will help to make our town better.

Here are a few things we might keep in mind:

Forty miles more of hard-surfaced roads.

Improve the lateral roads in this county.

Build a modern and fire-proof hotel.

An up-to-date courthouse.

A wool warehouse.

More paving in the city.

Bottling works.

With rails to our city now assured, and if we get the above mentioned, we will have the best little city in West Texas.

Oklahoma City, Dec. 23, 1929.
Mr. W. C. Gilmore,
Sonora, Texas.

Dear Mr. Gilmore:—I want to take this opportunity of thanking you for the courtesies shown Mr. R. A. Singletary and myself when in your town last week in the interest of our new highway, U. S. No. 277. As stated to you on our recent vis-



Joe Bartlett's wife, over Willow Creek way, heard a noise in the house the other night and got up to look. She saw a man's leg sticking out from under the bed. It turned out to be Joe's leg. He'd heard the noise, too.

it, I will be in Sonora some time the second week in January, at which time I hope to have a meeting with your organization and discuss with them the future development and publicity of the highway.

Wishing you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,
E. J. PRICE,
Publicity Director.

Personal

Miss Loma Groom spent the Christmas holidays in Coleman.

Judge and Mrs. L. W. Elliott spent Christmas with relatives in Waco and Henderson county.

Laurance Grimland, who is attending San Angelo Business College, was a guest this week of his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Kelly, of Texon, spent Christmas Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. James.

J. G. Crawford, U. S. N., New York City, spent Christmas here with his mother, and sister, Mrs. Robert A. Steen.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rigney, of Fort Worth, are spending the holidays with Mrs. Rigney's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Eaton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Martin and son, of Eagle Pass, are guests during the holidays of Mrs. Martin's father and mother, Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Blanton.

Jack Grimland, who is employed on the Frank Baker ranch near Eagle Pass, spent Christmas here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Grimland.

Miss Rena Uzzle, director of physical education in the Plainview High School, spent Christmas here with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Britt.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Praeter, of Mason, are holiday guests of their daughter, Mrs. A. W. Awalt and family. Mrs. Praeter's son of Brady, is also a guest of the Awalts.

Frank Holiday, city manager, returned Thursday from Ballinger, where he had been to visit his mother, Mrs. Oscar Holliday. Mrs. Holliday returned with him for a short visit.

"Dr." Troy White and associates will give another old-fashioned dance at the Boy Scout hall on Tuesday night, December 31. The occasion will be to bid the old year good-bye and welcome the new one.

Have you tried Norman's Veri-Best your grocer's.—Adv.

Veri-Best bread is always fresh and contains the very best ingredients. Ask your grocer for this bread.—adv.

NOTICE OF ELECTION
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN OF SONORA:

That a special municipal election be held in the town of Sonora at T. L. Benson office on the 13th day of January, 1930, for the purpose of ratifying and/or authorizing an ordinance closing and vacating portions of the following streets and alleys in the East Addition to the Town of Sonora, and South Heights Addition to the Town of Sonora, Sutton county, Texas, to-wit: Chestnut Street and East Third Street in East Addition to the Town of Sonora; East Second Street in East Addition and South Heights Addition to the Town of Sonora; East First Street and College Avenue in South Heights Addition to the Town of Sonora; Water Avenue in East Addition to the Town of Sonora; Crockett Avenue in East Addition and South Heights Addition to the Town of Sonora; Glasscock Avenue, Mesquite Avenue and Orient Avenue in South Heights Addition to the Town of Sonora; also portions of alley in Block 22; all of alley in Block 21; portion of alley in Block 25, and all of alley in Block 16 of East Addition to the Town of Sonora; also a portion of alley in Block A-16; a portion of alley in Block A-17; all of alley in Block A-28; a portion of alley in Block A-39; a portion of alley in Block A-40; a portion of alley in Block A-51; a portion of alley in Block A-62 and a portion of alley in Block A-63 in South Heights Addition to the Town

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids will be received by the Sonora Independent School District at 2:00 o'clock p. m., January 29, 1930, for the erection of a two story brick, tile and concrete high school building.

Separate bids will be received on plumbing, heating and electrical work.

Plans and specifications can be had upon application to Anton F. Korn, architect, C. C. Alexander, associate, 611 San Angelo National Bank building, San Angelo, Texas.

Application for plans must be accompanied by willed in A. G. C. blanks entitled: "Plan and Equipment Questionnaire" and "Experience Questionnaire," respectively.

The owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

L. W. ELLIOTT,
President, Board of Trustees of Sonora Independent School District, Sonora, Texas.

of Sonora; that said election be held at the T. L. Benson office in the Town of Sonora, Texas, and that H. V. Stokes is hereby appointed Judge and Chas. Evans and Geo. J. Trainer, Sr. are hereby appointed clerks to hold said election.

That only qualified voters residing within the city limits of the Town of Sonora be allowed to vote in said election.

That the City Secretary furnish said judge and clerks with proper ballots for the holding of said election, said ballots to be printed according to law and shall contain the words, "For the Ordinance" and the words, "Against the Ordinance."

Those desiring to vote in favor of the enactment of said ordinance closing and vacating said streets and alleys shall cross out and interline the words, "Against the Ordinance," and those desiring to vote against the enactment of the ordinance shall cross out and interline the words, "For the Ordinance."

A copy of this ordinance signed by the Mayor of the Town of Sonora shall serve as a proper notice of such election, said notice to be published for four (4) consecutive weeks prior to the holding of said election, the first publication being at least thirty (30) days before said election in the Devil's River News, said paper being a weekly paper of general circulation published in the Town of Sonora, Sutton county, Texas.

In testimony whereof, we Roy Aldwell, Mayor of the Town of Sonora, and S. R. Hull and W. C. Gilmore, Commissioners of said Town, have this day signed and caused the seal of the Town of Sonora to be affixed and attested by the City Secretary, this the 12th day of December, A. D. 1929.

ROY E. ALDWELL,
Mayor of the Town of Sonora.
S. R. HULL,
Commissioner
W. C. GILMORE,
Commissioner

Attest:
C. F. HOLLIDAY,
City Secretary.



Season's Greetings

The thing we like about Christmas is the pleasure of meeting, and greeting our friends.

And to you—our friend and customer—we extend the Season's Greetings—and, also, thank you for the business you have turned our way in the past.

May this Christmas-time hold for you and yours a full measure of good cheer and happiness—and the New Year be full of Peace, Prosperity and Plenty.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

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The advent of the New Year gives us the opportunity of wishing health, happiness and prosperity to our friends and patrons.

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New Year and Old

By Laura Simmons
in Montreal Herald

OH, NEW YEAR—Leave the olden joys to me!
The sturdy faiths, the shining loyalty.
Of friends the long and searching years
have proved—
The glowing hearth fires and the books
I loved!
All wonted kindnesses and welcome—
All sure, hard trodden paths to which
I cling!
With all the strange new blessedness
you bring.
Leave me the ways that were my comfort!

New Year Is a Good Time to Take Stock

THE New Year is a good time to take stock of our possessions, not only in a material sense, but also with regard to the many things, tangible and intangible, that we all enjoy. One of the greatest tragedies in life is the bitterness of awakening too late to the happiness that was ours. Very frequently, because human nature is such as it is, we get into a habit of complaining about trifles, of dissatisfaction with our lot, contrasting it with that of some neighbor or friend, with results that are far from pleasing. Yet, if we make a true listing of all that we own, we might often find that we are much richer and better off than the one we are envying. The most precious things we possess are often those we are scarcely aware of; we take them so much for granted that sometimes only their sudden taking away awakes us to their true value. A careful and thorough inventory at New Year's would surely help us to a greater enjoyment and a deeper appreciation of the things that we possess.—Katherine Edelman.

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THE NEW YEAR HAS COME

THE Old Year has gone and a New Year comes
Let us forget the old and mourn not; for a New Year, like a new day, unfolds infinite possibilities.

The old year brought to each of us joy, sorrow, happiness, disappointments, opportunity, but it can never return.

Health or business may have failed, or our dreams have been shattered; but that is past. They are the things of yesteryear.

The New Year will give to us joy, happiness, success, if we but will.

Health and strength may be ours if we abuse not the machine which has served us well.

Our dreams and our visions may become realities if we go forward, not timidly, but boldly seize the chance which lies just beyond.

Let us forget the clouds! Let us laugh and sing as we go forward! Let us advance confidently!

The New Year invites us to partake of the good things of life.

Let us enter!—Florence Harris Wells.

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The entire financial system is based on the faith men have in each other's honesty. YOU are a more or less important cog in the financial system of the country.

If you pay your bills promptly the whole set of machinery works right—if you don't pay promptly the machinery is disrupted and a certain cog may have to be removed.

CREDIT IS FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE!

It is the easiest thing in the world to get—if you play square—the hardest if you shirk your responsibilities.

Credit is based solely and absolutely on past performances.

If you have always paid your bills promptly you can obtain credit easily anywhere in Sonora or United States. It will make you feel better—it will strengthen your credit—and the financial machinery will function properly.

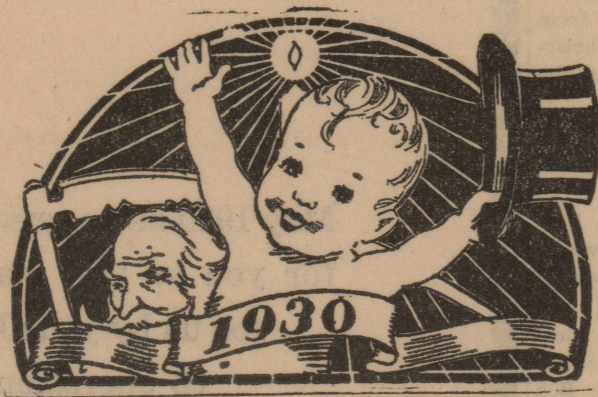
If you have evaded payment, even though your intentions are ever so good, you will be listed far and wide as "bad pay" and your credit is gone.

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John McClelland, who has been attending T. C. U., is here to spend the holidays with home folks.

Misses Gretta and Madeline Cawyer of Brady, are here this week guests

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Miss Margaret Hull came in this week from Brownwood where she had been in Howard Payne College.

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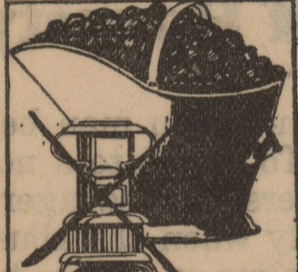
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Sonora, Texas



1929 1930

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

CITY GARAGE

PHONE 154

WISHES for the New Year

By Edgar Daniel Kramer

I PRAY the New Year bring you joyousness,
As you go faring in the traveled way;
I pray that kindly Beauty lean to bless
The labors that you do from day to day.
And I would have the stars gleam through
the dusk,
When all the world is mystically stilled,
To light you to a garden, sweet with musk,
Where you will find your long-sought
dreams fulfilled.
But, if you must know tears and sorrowing,
If you must taste the bitterness of rue,
Lo, I would have you strong enough to sing
The while you bravely shape your
dreams anew,
In spite of anguish and the cruel rod,
Out of your heart's high hopes and faith
in God!

—The Farmer's Wife

A New Year Is Born



By Mary Graham Bonner

ALL was very quiet. In houses there may have been some sounds of revelry, but little of it reached the streets. The streets were silent, dark, largely deserted.

Along the side of the town the river flowed silently. Ferry boats, tug boats, other water craft moved along quietly. The swish of the waters made by the moving boats reached but little distance away. The whole world seemed very quiet, very subdued as though night had almost put it to sleep, only scattering a few of its dreams, its twinkling, melodious dreams here and there.

All of a sudden there was a stir. The world seemed to have shifted its position, to be waking up—now it appears wide awake.

Now it was thoroughly awake. No longer were the streets dark and quiet. No longer did the sounds come faintly from the houses. No longer did the boats, the ferries, the tug boats, the other water craft move so silently. All let themselves be heard.

People along the streets cheered, blew horns, smiled at strangers, shouted greetings to each other. The sounds from houses grew intensified. Music grew louder, gayer, merrier, happier. Whistles and sirens and bells from the river craft blew and shrieked and shrilly cheered.

Every one and everything now wanted to be articulate, to add to the sound of welcome, to add to the world's good wishes to the world.

In a moment it had happened. Just so little time before the world had been trudging along somewhat wearily, somewhat hopefully, keeping its

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Services held in lower floor of the Masonic Hall.

Bible study each Lord's Day at 9:45 a. m.

Preaching and communion services at 10:45 to 12 M.

Preaching and communion services at 8:30 p. m.

Prayer service each Wednesday evening at 8:15.

You will receive a cordial welcome.

longings, its secrets, its ambitions, its better intentions deeply to itself. It had been shy just a few moments before. It had been inarticulate keeping things to itself.

It had regarded strangers as strangers. It had regarded itself as a stranger even unto itself.

Just so little time before the world had been feeling a little lonely. It was getting old. There was something depressing about getting old. The world knew that as well as anyone. There was something even depressing in the thought that so soon it would be adding to its age. An other year was so soon to be finished, closed.

How often the world had wanted to take others into its confidence, to tell what it thought, what it hoped, what it dreamed. But it was afraid some one would laugh at it and the world couldn't have its dreams, no matter how illusive they might be, made fun of and mocked. Yet sometimes the world wondered if others didn't feel the same way. If others might not often wish to talk but were shyly afraid.

So the world wrapped its protecting cloak of inarticulate longings about it and hid what hopes and dreams lay inside. And as the world kept so much to itself it felt the burden of its thoughts, of its disappointments, of its dreams that never had come true. So the world felt old, so the world had dreaded a little, young, brisk, gay, fresh, spontaneous, tireless, untrammelled New Year.

But now, in a moment, all that had changed. In just a little small seemingly insignificant moment the world had become gay, lighthearted, happy.

Now the world's shy cloak had been thrown aside. Now the world was frank, joyous, open-hearted, jubilant. Now the world completely forgot that so short a time ago it had been feeling old and weary. For the New Year had brought in its little, young, affectionate fists vitality and brain-swept freedom and joy.

The little New Year had been so disarming, so candid. It had not realized that there was shyness and inarticulation and age in the world. So if a bright little New Year didn't see these things in the world, the world almost felt certain they were but weary figments of an imagination grown a little old.

And so the world shouted. It couldn't yell loud enough. It couldn't look upon others with more affection, admiration and gladness if it had tried.

And in the town and along the river and in other towns and along other rivers, across prairies where lights gleamed only here and there, in large cities everywhere the world was feeling very happy. All over the great expanse through which the world wandered and rotated there was a new beginning—a new start, a gorgeous new collection of dreams that would surely come true.

In a moment it had happened. A new year had been born. It is no small event in world circles.

A Happy, Happy New Year!
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Scotch New Year's Bun

A famous Scotch bun made entirely of egg and chopped fruit enclosed in a crust appears bountifully during New Year week.

Frank James arrived the first of the week from College Station where he has been attending school at A. & M. College.

Miss Exa D. Meckel is here from Simmons University to spend Christmas week with her parents at the ranch.

Miss Lillian White, Howard Payne student, is spending the holidays here with relatives.

DeWitt Blanton came in the first of the week from San Marcos where he has been in the Baptist Academy there.

Ray Glasscock, Howard Payne football star, is here spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Glasscock.

Miss Gertrude Babcock, who has been attending C. I. A., at Denton, is the guest during the holidays of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Babcock.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Espy and Howard were among business visitors here Tuesday.

Miss Lucille White was here from the ranch the latter part of last week visiting and shopping.

A. D. Greene, of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, is here this week, the guest of his sister, Mrs. S. T. Gilmore.

Mr. and Mrs. Will E. Eaton, of Rocksprings, spent Christmas week here with Mr. Eaton's parents.

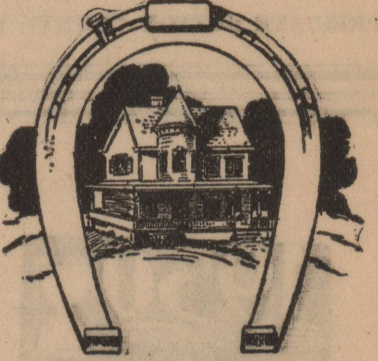
Miss Nan Karnes, who has been here during the holidays with her mother and family, will leave Monday for Vanderbilt University where she will resume her studies.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Rose and son, of Del Rio, spent Christmas here with Mrs. Rose's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Miers and family.

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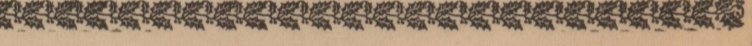
There is a time in the average man's life when he longs for the pleasant surroundings of a happy home. Many satisfy that longing while others, not willing to sacrifice part of their present income for their future welfare put it off. But the man who makes the sacrifice is the one who comes out ahead in the end, for he not only enjoys his home while paying for it but has a permanent investment of which he will be proud in the years to come.

Why not line up with this class and let us show you our "QUALITY" materials and help you with your plans free of charge.

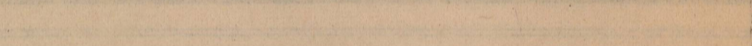
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1930



May 1930 be as great a year
for you as you made 1929
for us by your kind
co-operation



Sonora Motor Company

KIRKLAND BUILDING



Pleased to Meet You!

Now is the time to start working harder than ever for the growth and prosperity of your town. Co-operate with your local merchants. They are dedicated to your service, and their success is the index to the success of your community. My friend 1929, in departing, told me that you have made wonderful strides. "1930," he said, "you're lucky. These people are just all keyed up for some real action. They've got Community Spirit!" Keep the Community Spirit alive! It means progress, growth and development. It's the most valuable asset you can have and it will surely enable me to make a most glowing report when 1931 takes my place.

The NEW YEAR.

LEAMAN DEPT. STORE

WEST TEXAS UTILITIES CO.

GILMORE HARDWARE CO.

IMPERIAL STATION

C. H. Carson, Prop.

LIONS CLUB OF SONORA

CORNER DRUG STORE

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SONORA DRUG COMPANY

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK

DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Wishing You Peace, Happiness and Prosperity

JAN. 1, 1930

Our New Year's greetings to you we wish to accompany with a promise of even better service during 1930 than we have given you in the past.

Corner Drug Store Inc
 Phone 41
 SONORA, TEXAS.

Devil's Dream—

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out on First National Bank's "pay to the order of" stationery in payment for all the mistakes Old Santa made in the choice of gifts for everyone.

If you are in doubt as to what day and date all the unlucky ones will fall on during 1930, call at the First National Bank, Sonora, and get a calendar. Jack Niell is responsible for an invitation to all to call at the bank and takhoma calendar. While giving the usual service that a good calendar should, the one you get from the bank will suffice as a reminder that great fortunes are not amassed by stowing money in the toe of a wornout sock. Call at the bank and get your calendar. Jack is saving one for you.

The Dallas News says: "R. R. Ranson of 715 North Carroll street sustained several fractured ribs when an automobile being driven by a woman learning the mechanism hit him on the Buckner Orphans' Home road."

Col. Esaias Izadias Whiffletree, well known Sutton county pioneer and fine drinking man, states that Christmas was somewhat a disappointment to him. He had invited, and expected as a house guest, his old friend, Majordomo Kavano; but for reasons unknown, the old man did not come. The colonel says that his old sidekick, Two-Gun Ike, and himself had a whole washtub of eggnog to themselves. The colonel might have had two-thirds of Sutton county staggering around that washtub had he only hinted at what was going to take place at his ranch home on Christmas morning.

The Dreamer acknowledges, with appropriate appreciation, an invitation from a boyhood friend, Ned Linn, of Junction, to come down and live over some of the escapades thoughtless boys are heir to. We intend to accept this invitation when the waters of the Llano warm up a bit and the fish begin to bite. Thanks, Ned, old scout, we're acomin'.

Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and a sane Fourth of July to everybody.

ALDWELLS HOLD FAMILY REUNION IN SAN ANGELO

For the first time since the World War the Aldwell family were all together for a family reunion at the Hilton Hotel in San Angelo. Among those who were present and enjoyed Christmas dinner were:

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Aldwell, Roy Aldwell and family, John L. Nisbet and family, Plainview; T. A. Williams and family, Rocksprings; Lea Aldwell and H. P. Allison.

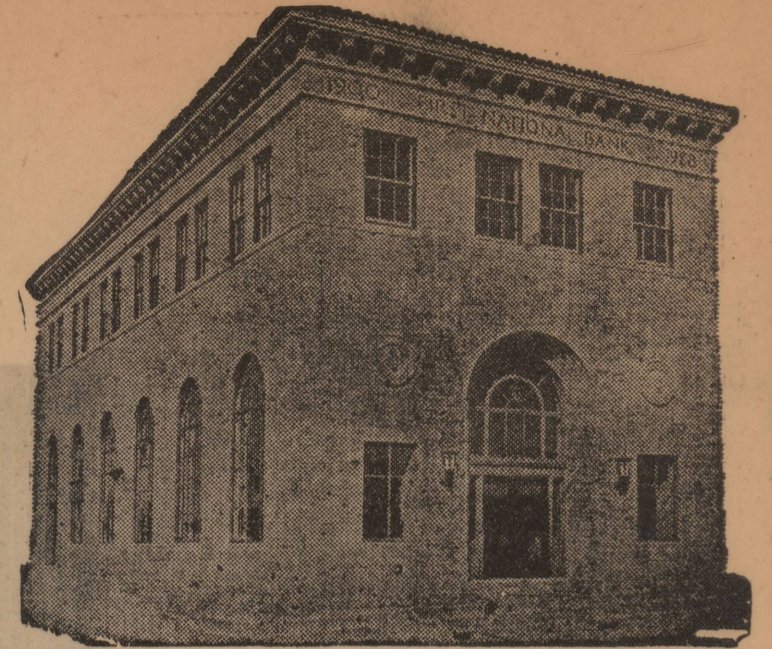
The First National Bank here, of which W. L. Aldwell is president, sent beautiful flowers as a remembrance.

METHODIST CHURCH
 There will be services at the Methodist Church at both hours Sunday. The subject for the morning hour will be: "Who Will Enter Canaan?"

Sunday school and Epworth League at the regular hours. Everybody invited to attend all of these services.

F. M. JACKSON, Pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Mans Hoggett, who ranch west of Mertzson, are here spending the holidays with Mrs. Hoggett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lowrey.



A fox sleeps—

"A fox sleeps but counts hens in his dreams."

Promoters of fake schemes continually dream of new and cunning ways to cheat people out of savings.

Save with us—and ask our advice before investing.

First National Bank

"There Is No Substitute for Safety"

DIAMONDS

Ranging in price from \$50.00 to \$2,000 and up. If in need of anything in the DIAMOND line call me collect and I will meet you in Sonora.

T. L. MILLER

JEWELRY COMPANY
 Phone 81—Big Lake, Texas
 RANKIN and McCAMEY

New Year Greetings

For 1930

HAPPY NEW YEAR! As we stand on the threshold of a New Year, we pause to reflect upon the successful year just completed, and fully realize the very, very important part you and yours have had in achieving this success and with a genuine appreciation of our pleasant associations during the year, we extend to you our best wishes for a New Year of Happiness and Prosperity.

Cox-Rushing-Greer Co.

San Angelo's Best Department Store

MISSES LOWREY AND GLASSCOCK HOSTESSES

Monday afternoon and night Misses Guila Lowrey and Bonnie Glasscock were joint hostesses to two beautiful bridge parties at the Woman's Club hall.

The hall for the afternoon party was prettily decorated with Christmas colors of red and green. Only ladies were guests at this pretty party. Players occupied eight tables at bridge. Mrs. Stella Stanley was awarded high and Mrs. Carroll Stephen, low.

There were guests at nine tables of bridge in the evening. Mrs. Brian Hunt took high for the ladies and low went to Mrs. John Hamby. Johnnie Hamby won high for the men, and Dan Cauthorn, low.

HERE FROM DALLAS

J. L. Neill, vice president of the Dexter Construction Company of Dallas, wife and children, Jack and Jean, spent Christmas night here in the home of his brother, Geo. H. Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Morrow and baby were here during Christmas, guests of relatives and friends. Mr. Morrow formerly operated the Sonora Drug Store of this city.

B. Hamilton, a junior partner in the Hamilton Grocery, is here from Texas University to spend the holidays with relatives.

Veri-Best bread is sold in Sonora. bread? If not ask your grocer for a loaf.—Adv.

Make 1930 a progressive year.



1929 -- 1930

We resolve to give the best possible service—to spare no effort in constantly improving that service. A Happy New Year to you!

SONORA MOTOR COMPANY

