

# Merry Christmas

SECTION ONE

## The Lynn County News

"I wholly disapprove of what you say but will defend to the death your right to say it."—Voltaire.

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### BRIDE DIES IN CAR ACCIDENT

Mrs. J. C. Warrick, 19, Is Victim Of Wreck Twelve Miles South Of Post Last Week

Mrs. J. C. Warrick, 19, of the Grassland community, was killed in a car wreck 12 miles south of Post at about daylight Thursday morning when the car driven by her husband crashed into a truck parked partially on the highway.

The body of the young woman was carried to Caddo, Okla., where she was born and reared and where her parents now reside for burial, funeral services being held there Friday afternoon. Besides the husband, those attending the funeral from this county were, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Warrick, E. B. Gregg, and E. T. Cunningham. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Jones of Caddo are her parents.

The young couple, married in Tahoka September 27 of this year, left the home of J. C.'s father J. W. Warrick early Thursday for Caddo to spend Christmas with her father and mother. A truck was parked on the right side of the road partially off the pavement with one flare light burning, but because of the position of the truck Warrick could hardly avoid a collision, it is said.

The Warrick car was totally demolished, and Mrs. Warrick was pinned underneath the wrecked car. J. C. was unconscious for a few moments, but other than minor cuts and bruises, he was not injured. Passerby carried Mr. and Mrs. Warrick to Post for medical attention, but Mrs. Warrick died shortly after arrival there.

Sheriff W. F. Cato of Garza county, after investigation filed charges against the truck driver charging negligent homicide. The trucker, who was from Jefferson, was asleep in his machine, it is said, while the truck was at least partially on the pavement. He was released under a \$1,000 bond.

The young couple, popular in the east part of the county, had been married about two and a half months and were living with the youth's parents. They had just bought furnishings for a home and were preparing to move to a farm they had rented on return from the trip they had planned to Oklahoma.

Friends in Tahoka extend their sincere sympathy to the bereaved husband and other relatives.

### Making Changes To New School

Workmen are busy at the new Tahoka grade school building this week moving furniture from the old building and putting it in place in the new, leveling off the campus, and laying sidewalks.

A grader is being used to level up the grounds. Concrete walks are being laid in front of the building.

### Gins Closing Two Days This Week

All gins in Tahoka will be closed Friday and Saturday of this week in order that employees may enjoy Christmas. The gins will be open for business Christmas Eve, however.

Though there is very little cotton left in the fields, that which is un-ginned is coming in very slowly, ginner report.

Jim and Bill Burleson went to Big Spring Saturday for their father, who had become very ill while visiting there. They arrived the elder Mr. Burleson to his home in Lubbock. He is reported to be much improved.

### Holiday Business Good In Tahoka

Most of the merchants of Tahoka report that the Christmas business this year has been very good so far. Tahoka stores had on display one of the largest stocks of holiday merchandise that they have had in several years, and from all appearances most of the gift goods will be cleaned out by Thursday night.

Although the county is not flushed with prosperity, the people generally seem to be getting in better shape financially. Too, the spirit of giving seems to be "in the air" more this year than the past few.

### New Mexico Will Improve Hwy. 84

Work of paving Highway No. 84 from a point two miles west of Caprock, New Mexico, to within 17 miles of Roswell will start in a few weeks, J. E. Shelton writes in the Brownfield Herald. Contracts have been practically completed for hard-surfacing from Caprock to Tatum, he says.

Furthermore, the Texas highway is now making a survey between Plains and Bronco, and a survey is likely to be ordered moht any time from Brownfield to Tokio for the purpose of widening the right of way from 80 to 100 feet.

Mr. Shelton further states he has been informed by Harry Hines of the Highway Commission, that contract will be let soon for grade and drainage structures from Plains to Bronco, and that the highway thru that entire county will most likely be built entirely by the state without depending on relief work.

With spotted work now in progress along the route, this important east and west highway now appears certain to ultimately become an route for much new traffic.

### Caliche Work Is Completed North

Resident Engineer F. C. Stanley of the Texas Highway Department reports that the Morgan Construction Co. finished the placing of caliche on Highway No. 9 north of Tahoka Monday night. The road will be open to traffic by Christmas Day.

The cut-back asphalt will be put on the road in January to preserve the base until April, when the actual topping will be poured. Hot-topping can not be successfully laid in the winter.

Grading work on Highway No. 84 west of Tahoka is progressing nicely, and caliche hauling will be resumed in January, Mr. Stanley says.

### SMITH HAS CATTLE THEFT CASES IN GAINES COUNTY

Two cow theft cases against Coy and Jack Patton of Seminole were continued in district court there Monday until next May 24 upon application of the defendants, according to District Attorney Truett Smith. The brothers are charged with theft of one cow from F. W. Howard.

Vickers and Campbell of Lubbock represent the defendants and Dayton Moses of Fort Worth and Truett Smith represent the prosecution.

Mr. and Mrs. Summer Knight are renovating their home in the north-west part of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Fleming of Flagstaff, Ariz., arrived Saturday night for a two-weeks' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Nevill.



### Is There A Santa Claus?

Francis Pharcellus Church answered the above question in a classic editorial published for the first time in the New York Sun on December 21, 1897, and The Sun has reprinted it every Christmas season since that year.

"We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of The Sun: "Dear Editor—

"I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says 'If you see it in The Sun it's so.'

"Please tell me the truth. Is there a Santa Claus?—VIRGINIA O'HANLON, 115 West Ninety-Fifth St."

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the Skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas—how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies. You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most

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### Terrace Lines Run Over 3,000 Acres

County Agent V. F. Jones reports that lines for terracing have been run on approximately 3,000 acres of Lynn county farm land during the months of November and December.

Lack of sufficient terracing machines, however, is likely to limit the amount of terracing in the county this year, however. The county is now using the grading machines on the roads and these are not available right now for terracing. Mr. Jones says he hopes to work out some kind of plan whereby more farmers can have their land terraced.

### Santa Claus Will Visit Needy Folk

Needy families of Tahoka will be remembered this Christmas as the result of the co-operative efforts of four organizations. Co-operating in the "Goodfellow" move are the Baptist and Methodist Churches, the Rotary Club, and the American Legion, the four organization contributing \$90.00 to a fund for gifts and food for people who would not otherwise enjoy Christmas.

A central committee from these organizations met Monday night to complete plans for buying and distribution of the Christmas presents. This committee is composed of W. S. Anglin, chairman, Deen Nowlin, Rev. Geo. A. Dale, R. C. Wood, Roy Poer, Homer St. Clair, and W. E. (Happy) Smith.

The following committee of women was selected to make a canvass of the town's needy: Mmes. H. B. Howell, G. M. Stewart, Roy Poer, J. B. Walker and R. L. Richardson.

Anyone knowing of some needy family which will not otherwise be able to enjoy Christmas is requested to notify some member of these committees at once.

### County Conserves 55,132 Acres Soil

Soil conserving crops were planted on 55,132 acres by the 1157 Lynn county farmers who complied with the soil conservation program this year, according to V. F. Jones, county agent.

Of this amount 16,689 acres was planted to summer legumes, 1,102 acres was contour lister and 37,341 acres were planted to other soil conservation crops. Approximately 70 per cent of the farm land under work sheets complied with the program and are eligible to receive payment.

### SEVERAL MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED HERE LAST FEW DAYS

Several marriage licenses have been issued by the county clerk's office the last few days.

R. R. Felts and Miss Mary Hamilton, both of O'Donnell, were married in Lamesa Saturday, Rev. E. F. Cole, pastor of the Baptist Church there, performing the ceremony.

Last Friday R. J. Clark and Zula Mae Eady, Lubbock, were married by Evangelist Roy J. Clark, minister of the Church of Christ.

Rev. Ben Hardy, pastor of the Tahoka Methodist Church, performed two weddings Sunday, both couples being from Lubbock. W. A. Sloan and Miss Laura Lee Newman were the contracting parties to one wedding and W. H. Foster and Mrs. Myrtle Henson of the other.

Barney Davis of Abilene was here Tuesday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Davis.

### RAY CURRY, 23, DEATH VICTIM

Maise Fork Prong Accidentally Stuck In Eye, Brings Death To Young Man Here

Ray Jackson Curry, 23, was the victim late Thursday evening of a tragic accident while employed in forking up some feed for the Burrelson Grain Company which resulted in his death about 7 p. m. Friday afternoon.

While he and Gus Bairrington were loading some heads into a box car and just as he was raising up with a fork of heads and Bairrington was lowering his fork, one of the prongs of Bairrington's fork struck Curry in the eye, passing entirely through the eye and sinking deep into the brain, when it broke off. Curry himself pulled the broken prong out of his eye and called for a doctor, soon afterwards lapsing into unconsciousness.

After being given first aid treatment here, he was taken hurriedly to the West Texas Hospital in Lubbock for further treatment, but the wound inflicted proved to be too serious for medical and surgical skill to successfully combat. The patient never regained consciousness and died about twenty-four hours after the accident occurred from hemorrhage of the brain.

Young Curry was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Curry, who reside four or five miles east of town. He was born on Sept. 27, 1913. If he had lived, he would have been married some time this week to Miss Erlene Williams, a fine young woman of the same community.

Besides his parents, he leaves surviving him two sisters and four brothers, Mrs. Alma Hodges and Mrs. Laura Romans, and Roy, Lloyd, Floyd, and J. D. Curry.

Young Mr. Curry was almost excellent young man and had many friends here, who deeply deplore this most tragic accident.

Funeral services were conducted at the Baptist Church here at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon by Rev. George A. Dale, the pastor, assisted by Rev. John Ferguson, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene. The Harris Funeral Home had charge of the funeral arrangements, interment being in the Tahoka cemetery.

### News Published Early This Week

On account of Christmas coming on Friday this year, this week's Lynn County News is published two days earlier than usual, so that circulation over the county may be secured Wednesday and Thursday.

This week's News is the annual greeting edition, and nearly all the business men, and a few other citizens, are extending greetings to their customers and friends through our advertising columns.

### Washington Reader Sends Editor Apples

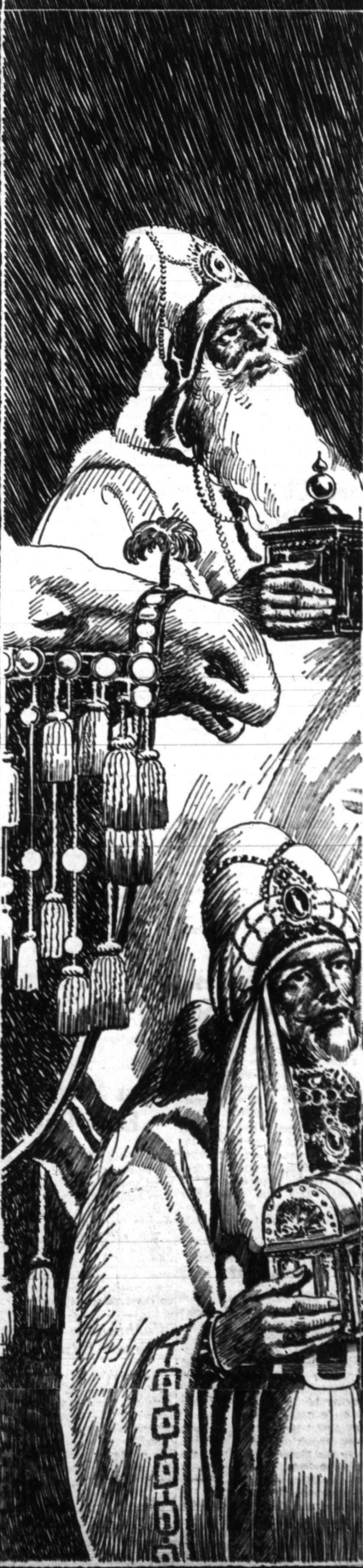
The News editor received a crate of fine Washington apples Monday from our friend and long-time subscriber, I. W. Meyer of Yakima, Washington.

Mr. Meyer writes that these are not nearly as good as Washington, does and has raised, but, man, they are a mighty fine sample! We thank you, Mr. Meyers, for this excellent Christmas present.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bulman and sons J. H. Jr and Edwin Lee have gone to Wichita Falls to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Bulman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Carter.



# Three Came Out of the East



**I**T IS RELATED in an old tale that out of the East came three men to pay splendid homage to the Savior. Some say these were three of the Magi, but another legend says these were three mighty kings.

The first of the three kings was Melchior, King of Nubia, whose gift was gold; the second, Balthazar, King of Chaldea, who offered incense; and the third was Jasper, King of Tarshish, a man of giant stature and 'a black Ethiop' whose gift was myrrh.

For the gift of gold was in testimony of His royalty as King of the Jews; the incense was a token of his divinity; but the offering of myrrh alluded to the sorrows which in the humiliating condition of a man the Redeemer vouchsafed to take upon Him.

The legend says these three kings rode before a gaily-caparisoned train of mules, camels and horses loaded with rich treasure, and guarded by a mighty retinue of warders, glittering with gold and gems, and armed with bright weapons of Damascus steel.

For they had heard that He was born who was to be Savior of the World and the King of Kings. And each of these three Kings left his throne that he might hasten to the tiny town of Bethlehem in Judea, there to lay gifts at His feet and worship. To them was given a bright star to guide them, and when they came to Bethlehem they sought out the place where He lay and knelt before Him.

And while the time-colored manuscripts are strangely silent on the point, theirs must have been an exaltation of spirit and a curious feeling of reverence as these grim rulers of many bowed their stiff necks in homage before the humble Child.

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Then when their mission was ended back to Tarshish and Chaldea and Nubia went the three, and each again ascended his throne there to meditate on what he had witnessed. For they had been privileged to see a wonder that was to encircle the world, bringing to troubled mankind a new hope, and a spirit of charity and humility and fair dealing.

And perhaps they glimpsed dimly that we today would still follow the custom they established and that we would bear each other gifts in commemoration of their pilgrimage long ago. And that in so doing we would reawaken and rekindle within ourselves the loyalty they paid the Child at Bethlehem.

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Now the origins of this story are lost in the mists of time, and we shall never know whether the three who came out of the East were the Magi or the three Kings. But today in Cologne Cathedral occasionally the heavy doors of a chapel are opened, the lamps are lighted illuminating a dazzling wealth of gilded and jeweled sculpture and a magnificent reliquary enriched with gems and enamels where sleep the three Kings, whom many believe once looked upon the Savior.

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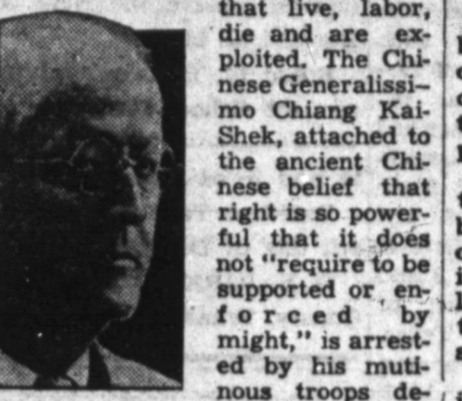
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**THE LYNN COUNTY NEWS**

### BRISBANE THIS WEEK

From Old China She Wore Boy's Clothes The Long Farewell Dangerous Gold, in Russia



Arthur Brisbane

A roar comes from the great Chinese dragon, the 400,000,000 that live, labor, die and are exploited. The Chinese Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, attached to the ancient Chinese belief that right is so powerful that it does not "require to be supported or enforced by might," is arrested by his mutinous troops demanding "an immediate declaration of war against Japan; recovery of all Chinese territory, including Manchuria."

This outbreak worries Tokyo, and it might, if China had a few fighting leaders, with enough airplanes and good pilots. China now is like Niagara Falls before the turbines were put in, much power going to waste. What could military genius and modern weapons accomplish, backed by a nation of 400,000,000?

Helen Coberly said she "never liked girl's clothes, wanted to be a boy." Millions of other girls have said that. Helen lived up to it, put on boy's clothes, went through the boys' high school to the senior class, earning her way "digging ditches, mending fences."

Known to be a girl, expelled from the class, she weeps. Some intelligent young man with blue eyes and a kind heart, marrying Helen Coberly, might some day be the father of a great American.

The former King Edward has bid farewell to England, and England and the rest of the world bid farewell to the young man, who told his people: "I have found it impossible to carry the heavy burden of responsibility without the help and support of the woman I love."

A good many men might say that who do not realize it. Whoever wrote, or helped to write that broadcast, it was a sincere, touching farewell to the world's highest position, and well done. There is no doubt that the young King inspired it.

Russia's production of gold increases rapidly, with 144 gold fields active; the total production not less than \$200,000,000 a year, and according to some estimates nearly \$500,000,000.

Russia already surpasses Canada and the United States in gold production, and expects soon to surpass the British South African gold fields, and all the gold goes to the government. Prospectors and miners get "praise."

This gold production does not mean greater power for bolshevism. Quite the other way, it may be the worst thing that could happen to the Karl Marx-Lenin-Stalin theory.

As nations and individuals become rich they become conservative. There is still reverence for English kings in "democratic America." In New York clubs of "aristocratic" membership all rose when the broadcast began, and not one sat down while the King was speaking. In England they sat down. They are used to kings there.

Mrs. C. H. Wilson of Columbia, S. C., went farther; her house was on fire, she told firemen, let me know if you think the roof will fall, and went on listening to Prince Edward, while the house burned.

It takes a long time to breed out of human beings that which is inbred into them through ages; hence the persistence of our various superstitions.

Intelligent Dr. Craster, health officer of Newark, N. J., starts a needed campaign against kissing babies, suggesting the use of bibs embroidered with these words: "I don't want to be sick—do not kiss me."

He says: "A kiss can be more dangerous than a bomb." Consumption begins in infancy; babies usually get it from tubercular mothers who kiss them on the mouth.

Congress resumes work soon; what will it do, and try to do? How will it interpret the 46 to 2 vote, "all present" except Maine and Vermont; how will the unwieldy Democratic majority deal with its problems? It will probably try to do whatever President Roosevelt tells it to do; that last election seemed to intimate that the President has the public's permission to do as he pleases. And that makes the situation extremely difficult for the President. There is such a thing as TOO MUCH approval, too much POWER.

### "The Man Who O-O"



Tales and Traditions from American Political History  
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### BACHELOR CAMPAIGNERS

TODAY'S accepted view of the way to ballyhoo the voter is, broadly speaking, to tell him first one of two things—either the candidate recommended was reared on the farm or he has sold newspapers.

When this has been established the campaign manager next begins to issue a swelling stream of pictures, mostly of the candidate in the bosom of his family. The larger the family, so much better the results, is the political reasoning.

With this in mind it is interesting to reflect that two of the 31 Presidents challenged the accepted political belief that "couldn't be done," and campaigned for the office successfully while unmarried. They were James Buchanan, and Grover Cleveland.

Cleveland, after little more than a year in the White House, married Frances Folsom there on June 2, 1886. Buchanan remained unmarried and was, therefore, the only bachelor President.

Most of our Presidents have performed nobly in lifting the average size of White House families. Theodore Roosevelt customarily is regarded as a pioneer among advocates of large families. The fact is that T. R. was something of a piker in this respect when his record is compared with that of his predecessors.

The Republican Roosevelt married twice, with one child from the first union and five from the second. But John Tyler, also twice married, was father to three sons and four daughters by his first wife and to five sons and two daughters by the second.

Tyler may have taken his cue from William H. Harrison, preceding White House resident, who sired six sons and four daughters. Six Presidents, including the immortal George Washington, were childless. But Rutherford B. Hayes with eight, and Thomas Jefferson and Zachary Taylor, with six children apiece, helped raise the average.

Youngest to marry was Andrew Johnson, a stripling of eighteen on May 5, 1827 when he wed Eliza McCardie, the woman who later taught the Tennessee tailor to read.

### TAKING A WALK

A CHECKUP on election day in November, 1936, doubtless will disclose that some of the more prominent members of both major political parties have "gone fishing."

Going fishing is the politician's milder and more modern method of showing dissatisfaction with his party's candidate and refusing to appear at the polls where he is entitled to vote. It is his way of "taking a walk," a topic stirred to live discussion by public remarks of Alfred E. Smith of New York, prior to the national conventions.

Taking a walk would be no new experience of the Democratic party but history records that Alexander Hamilton, powerful Federalist of the country's earliest days, was the first important stroller and that his action ultimately resulted in the destruction of his party.

Hamilton, a dominant political personality, was a bitter opponent of John Adams, second president, having tried to block his election as vice-president although both were Federalists.

The feud continued when John Adams became President. Hamilton secretly obtaining and holding control of the Adams cabinet. Adams, not by nature gifted in that sort of intrigue, nevertheless fought back with considerable success.

Hamilton was not the man to take any rebuffs sitting down. When John Adams sought re-election in the campaign of 1800 Hamilton "took a walk" by publication of a letter designed to show "irrefragable proof" of Adams' unfitness for the job.

Hamilton succeeded too completely in his battle. Adams failed of re-election but the Federalist party went down with him. While the ding-dong "walkout" battle was in progress during the Adams presidency, Thomas Jefferson, whose name is referred to so frequently by Democratic orators, took advantage of the duelling.

Jefferson was earnestly and efficiently making his plea for unified support of the "plain people" and in the election he smashed the Federalists so completely they never again figured conspicuously in a national election.

### IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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### Lesson for December 27

#### THE SPREAD OF CHRISTIANITY IN SOUTHERN EUROPE

LESSON TEXT—Hebrews 2:1-4; 11:32-12:2.

GOLDEN TEXT—The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever. Revelation 11:15.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Christmas Round the World.

JUNIOR TOPIC—Into All the World.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Why the Gospel Spread So Rapidly.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Spread of the Gospel in Southern Europe.

History has marveled at the spread of the Christian faith in a wicked and hostile world. Dark were the days upon the earth when the handful of believers in Jesus Christ set out to preach the gospel. Why did the Christian faith spread so rapidly and build so soundly the future? The answer is found in our lesson for today. It is threefold. They declared:

#### I. A Great Salvation (2:1-4).

The preaching of the apostles set an example of sound teaching. They knew that no "programs" or "drives" would suffice to meet the need of the world steeped in sin and superstition. They preached a great salvation, a real gospel, and God set his seal of approval upon their work.

The presentation of God's Word and his gospel in the power of the Holy Spirit is still the way of victorious usefulness for any believer and any church.

Turning now to the great faith chapter of Hebrews, we see the second reason for the spread of Christianity. Bible preaching, brought forth Bible believers—men and women who obtained "a good report through faith."

#### II. A Victorious Faith (11:32-40).

Right presentation and proper apprehension of God's Word produces noble and sacrificial living.

The world is "not worthy" of its heroes of faith. In fact, it not only fails to recognize them and their mighty deeds but mocks, scourgings, tortures, and saws them asunder. But they are written down in God's book of remembrance. He rightly evaluates their faith and their nobility of character.

We need to learn of God how to regard our fellow men lest we follow the crowd in giving praise to those who merit it not, and fail to recognize the unsung heroes of faith in our own communities and churches who are the very salt of the earth.

The final section of our lesson follows the first two in perfect sequence of thought. We have noted the apostolic message concerning God's great salvation. We have seen that the gospel is indeed the power of God which not only saves but which produces heroic living. Now we turn to our obligation to continue that glorious succession of these who live by faith.

#### III. A Race to Run (12:1-2).

The picture in the writer's mind is the great Olympic arena. All around are the spectators. A race is to be run. What a striking picture of Christian life. For it, too, is a race. It has a prize, both here and in the hereafter. It calls for intense activity. It brings us before those who either jeer at us or cheer us on our way.

Many are the things which may hinder a runner. One thing he cannot do is carry weights. These may not be sinful things but those which may be a hindrance to spiritual progress. Let us put them away! And then there is sin—that treacherous enemy that so subtly "bets us" and entangles us. By God's grace let us cast it aside.

Greater than all the hindrances is the One in whose name we run and to whom we look for victory. Looking past the difficulties, the spectators, and even the course itself, we see him who is "the author and perfecter of our faith." The secret of victory is to—

#### Firm Foundation

Turn your eyes upon Jesus. Look full in His wonderful face.

If there be a man on earth to be envied it is he who, amidst the sharpest assaults from his own passions, from fortune, from society, never falters in his allegiance to God and the inward monitor.

#### Pride and Ingratitude

Pride is of such intimate connection with ingratitude that the actions of ingratitude seem directly resolvable into pride as the principal reason of them.—South.

#### Truth in Little Things

I have seldom seen anyone who deserted Truth in trifles, that could be trusted in matters of importance.—William Paley.

#### Life's Lesson

Take what is; trust what may be; That's life's true lesson.—R. Browning.

#### Standing Erect

A man must stand erect, not be kept erect by others.—Marcus Aurelius.

### Making a Choice— Independence and Loneliness or Dependence With Ties of Affection

TO MOST persons there comes sometime in their lives the opportunity for a choice between independence and loneliness or ties and affection. The wise mature person thinks long before choosing the former above the latter. There are many young people, however, who feel so sure of themselves and their ability to "get along all right" that they are irked by the least restraint. They throw it off, only to discover later in life that affection is worth the curtailing restraint and dependence entailed. Companionship has been their portion up to the time of their decision that dependence is what they must have, at any cost. They have no idea of what loneliness means.

Separation. The adult who is separated from his family because of distance, domestic estrangement, or who has outlived the other members, realizes to the full what it means to be alone. It is when estrangement causes the separation that there are times when the aloneness is bearable or agreeable, but these times are interrupted by hours when the feeling of loneliness creeps over him (or her), and companionship, though with but a small degree of affection, is craved.

Human nature is so constituted that people cannot live in the same atmosphere and always see eye to eye. There is wisdom in this plan. Individuality would be quelled if what any person thought (how ever beloved) could always be accepted without dissent by those around him (or her). Nor can actions of even those dear to us, invariably meet with our approval, whether expressed or unexpressed.

It is when we learn to permit personal differences without censure that companionship, in the home or out of it, develops best. Even when children are young, they must be allowed a modicum

of such freedom or when older they will long to break away, and if they do then there is loneliness in store for the youth, and sadness left in the home.

Married couples, when they contemplate divorce, have the choice between independence plus loneliness, or dependence, each on the other with affection restored, or remaining less than could be desired. It may be there is incompatibility, but it should be remembered that no two persons, married or single, can live together under the same roof and always be congenial. However, this does not signify that at heart affection is gone. Separation means loneliness for one or both of them.

Within a family there is sure to be some dissension at times—some young folk may quarrel and adults dispute. But when these times are over, the ties of affection, the associations that intertwine, and the fabric of their lives so closely woven together, should prove a firm foundation for continued companionship. The door to loneliness should remain barred.

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L. H. Moore, who has been in a Wichita, Kansas, hospital for some time after undergoing two or three operations, arrived home last week and is "getting along fine," according to his son, Jay W. Moore. The Moores live in the Lakeview community.

L. F. Frazier made a business trip to Comanche last week, and while there visited his mother, Mrs. R. C. Frazier.

J. Sam Lewis, reporter on the Avalanche and Journal, Lubbock, was a Tahoka visitor Friday.

**Greenland Covered With 1,000-Ft. Blanket of Ice**

Greenland is covered with a blanket of solid ice over 1,000 ft. thick and is the largest island in the world. Australia, of course, is excepted, being classed as a continent, notes a writer in Tid-Bits Magazine. Greenland is inhabited by about 400 whites and 13,000 Eskimos, and is controlled by Denmark. It is twenty-five times as large as Ireland, its area being about 827,300 square miles. No foreigner can live on the island or trade in the country without special permission from the authorities.

Greenland was originally discovered by a Norseman in the latter part of the tenth century; he settled in the extreme south portion. The colonists vanished, however, and their fate is one of the mysteries of history.

The vast ice-cap which covers the island except for a narrow fringe at the edge of the surrounding sea has a central dividing crest from five to nine thousand feet high, while here and there ice-free mountain peaks burst through their frigid armor and lift their heads towards the heavens, some eight or nine thousand feet above sea level. Vast ice streams, which form gigantic icebergs, flow continuously from the inland ice into adjacent seas, largely through floods of which Greenland has the most extensive and most remarkable system in the world.

**Merchants of Old Good at Figuring, Tablets Reveal**

Babylonian merchants more than 4,000 years ago knew enough about simple and compound interest to charge their customers rates as high as 20 per cent per year, according to ancient clay tablets which once were Babylonian textbooks of arithmetic and algebra are deposited in libraries at Berlin and at Yale University.

Unlike modern textbooks of these mathematical sciences, the Babylonian documents do not describe general principles of calculation. Instead they resemble modern devices such as the multiplication table or tables of fractions.

This is one reason why the abilities of the ancient Babylonian mathematicians and bookkeepers were not realized by students of the tablets until an authority discovered what they really meant.

Another difference between Babylonian and modern mathematics is that the Babylonians did not count by tens, but by sixties. Numbers larger than 60 were expressed in powers of that number, such as squares or cubes. Numbers smaller than 60 were expressed in fractions of 60—one-half, one-third, and so on.

**The Founder**

A founder is one who lays the foundation of, who establishes or endows, who originates. It may be that the person who originates the idea for an organization lacks the power to establish the organization and calls in some one else; or, it may be that a group of persons originate the idea. In either case, says Literary Digest, those who actually establish the organization are called cofounders. But the term founder cannot technically be applied to any person who did not actually participate in the original conception. The exception is in those organizations in which monetary funds are requisite to the establishment. In such instances, the founders or cofounders are those who donate the funds which actually bring the organization into being. Those who may draft the original constitution or who may serve as first officers are usually called "charter members."

**Fort Ticonderoga**

Fort Ticonderoga stands on a point of land at the lower end of Lake Champlain about 100 miles from Albany and 70 miles below Plattsburg. Long before the coming of the white man it was a common battle-ground for the Indian tribes of the region. It was there that Champlain fought the Iroquois and instilled in them hatred for the French. Thereafter they always fought on the side of the English. The French built a fortification there to command the passage of the lake and called it Carillon, meaning "chime of bells," in allusion to the sound of the nearby waterfall which the Indians called Ticonderoga (sounding water). Later it was called Fort Ticonderoga. It was greatly enlarged and strengthened by the British who took possession of it in 1759.

**A Good Deed**

Each ray of light from a distant star has been travelling on through the ether for hundreds of years. Yet it still remains pure and strong enough to affect the negative plate of the astronomer's camera. So with a good deed—set it going, and who knows the end of it? Not the world of this century or the next, for its influence will travel on for ages to come.

**Growth of Trees**

The various oaks require from 100 to 135 years to become eighteen-inch trees. Eleven-inch trees are from 45 to 65 years old. The silver maple reaches that size in from 25 to 35 years; the sugar maple does not until from 90 to 105 years old, and attains its maximum size between 145 and 180 years.

**NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

The State of Texas, County of Lynn.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the 99th District Court of Lubbock County, Texas, an a judgment rendered in said court on the 3rd day of November, 1936, in favor of J. T. Brewer and against the said J. T. Balch and wife, Victoria Balch, in the case of J. T. Brewer against J. T. Balch and wife, Victoria Balch, No. 6926 in such court, I did, on the 9th day of December, 1936, at 10 o'clock a. m., levy upon the following described tracts and parcels of land situate in the County of Lynn, and State of Texas, as the property of the said J. T. Balch and wife, Victoria Balch, to-wit: All of Lots Nos. 8 and 9 in Block No. 12, in the Town of New Home, in Lynn County, Texas, with the improvements thereon; and on the 5th day of January, 1937, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of ten o'clock a. m. and four o'clock p. m. on said day, at the courthouse door of said Lynn County, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title, interest, property and estate of the said J. T. Balch, and his wife, Victoria Balch,

**PUBLIC SALE**

January 5, 1937, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. the Trustees of Tahoka Independent School District will offer for sale for cash the building known as South Ward School Building, also buildings known as Central Ward School Buildings, with Lots 1 to 8, inclusive, in Block No. 60, Original Town of Tahoka; or will sell Central Ward Buildings separate from land. The trustees reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

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Dated at Tahoka, Texas, this the 9th day of December, 1936.

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THE LYNN COUNTY NEWS, TAHOKA, TEXAS

Robert Drennon, who is attending Abilene Christian College, came in last week end to visit his parents, Elder and Mrs. R. P. Drennon.

Here's hoping that old Santa Claus makes a visit to every child in Lynn county this Christmas.

BEST WISHES



It is pleasant to remember old friends and to wish them a Merry Christmas!

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CARD OF THANKS

To all our friends and neighbors who gave us a hand, or said a kind word, on the recent untimely death of our loved one, we want to express our sincere and heart-felt thanks. We especially want to thank Mr. E. B. Gregg, who took his car and went with us to Oklahoma for the funeral. May God bless you all. —J. C. Warrick, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Warrick, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Griddle.

Mrs. W. G. Barrett and children left Saturday morning for Dawson, Texas, to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother. W. G. is "batching" while the family is away.

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May the wishes of your friends for you at Christmas come true!

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A Holiday for Two

by Luella B. Lyons

"THIS being with the family on Christmas is the bunk so I won't mind parking myself down there in Martinville, Mr. Howard," Paul Boyd told his employer. That's how he found himself spending the holidays in a lonely little room in a boarding and rooming house. His landlady had gone out to church services, he knew, but he determined to pass the lonely hours by reading, having prepared himself with a flock of new detective fiction before leaving the city.

Before another half hour had passed, Paul tossed the book aside and began pacing the floor. Here he was alone at last on one Christmas eve, far from too-concerned relatives and friends.

As the crowning insult, without a moment's warning, the little light



Paul Tossed the Book Aside and Began Pacing the Floor.

that hung on a single cord from the ceiling, flickered and went out. "Great day, this is the end! I wonder what they do here when the lights go out—go to bed, I suppose!" he muttered disgustedly. But just the same he began scratching matches to hunt for a possible kerosene lamp he might have overlooked. Five matches later, he found a candle and lost no time lighting that. "At least I can find my way about while getting ready to retire," he grumbled.

But as he jerked at his tie, the unmistakable sound of a smothered sob came to him through the hot air register. Paul wanted to be alone, but sobs did things to him and it took him just three minutes to locate the door from behind which was darkness and those sobs.

All because a thoughtless landlady had failed to provide the lovely and lonely girl with an extra bit of lighting in case the rather unreliable power company service discontinued without notice, wasn't the only reason for the sobs.

"Being in a noisy city where folks are celebrating, asking all kinds of favors of you at the holiday time, doing the same old parties, family dinners and all that—I thought it would be nice to escape it for a change," she explained. Jean Hathaway, she said was her name.

"Jean, I said the same thing and maybe we were both right only that—that," and suddenly he became embarrassed but struggled on, "that it is all okeh if you don't have to escape alone. Just one for company and for celebrating is about the right number. What do you think, Jean?"

"Alone together! It doesn't make sense as for English, but it does Christmas-edly speaking!" and the light of the candle burned high and proud on that holiday for just two.

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We wish to express our sincere gratitude for the many beautiful flowers and for the sympathy our friends gave us on the untimely death of our son and brother.—Mr. and Mrs. Jack Curry and family, and other relatives.

AGENT'S OFFICE CLOSES

The county agent's office will be closed Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, according to V. F. Jones. Mr. and Mrs. Jones and children will spend Christmas with relatives in Coleman and Concho counties.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wyatt and family received the information last week that Mr. and Mrs. Paul Moon and baby of Weatherford had been in a fatal car wreck near there. Mr. Moon and the baby dying from injuries and Mrs. Moon being in a critical condition. Mrs. Moon is a niece of Mr. Wyatt's.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Tyler have gone to Booneville, Ark., for an extended visit with her parents. They expect to return about March 1.

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### S'MATTER POP—Kids Will Nearly Always Listen to Reason

By C. M. PAYNE



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By S. L. HUNTLEY

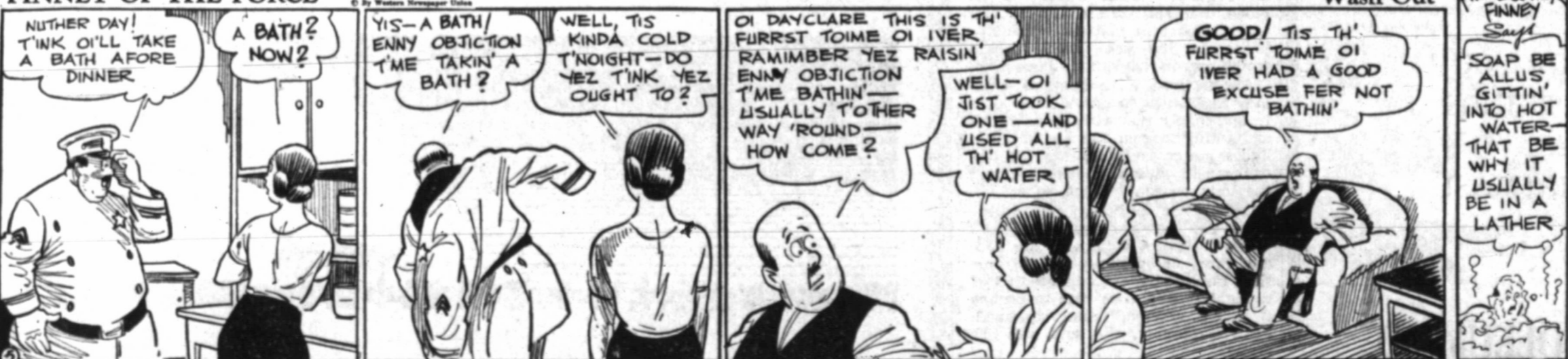
### Dirty Work at the Ballot Box



### FINNEY OF THE FORCE

By Ted O'Loughlin

### Wash Out



### BRONC PEELER—Coyote Pete Makes Up His Mind

By FRED HARMAN



### The Curse of Progress



### His Logic

Sonny sat on the lower step, his face resting in two chubby hands. "What's the matter, Sonny?" asked a gentleman. "Nothin', just thinkin'," replied Sonny. "Thinkin' how dumb trees are to take off their clothes in winter an' put 'em on in summer."—The Automobilist.

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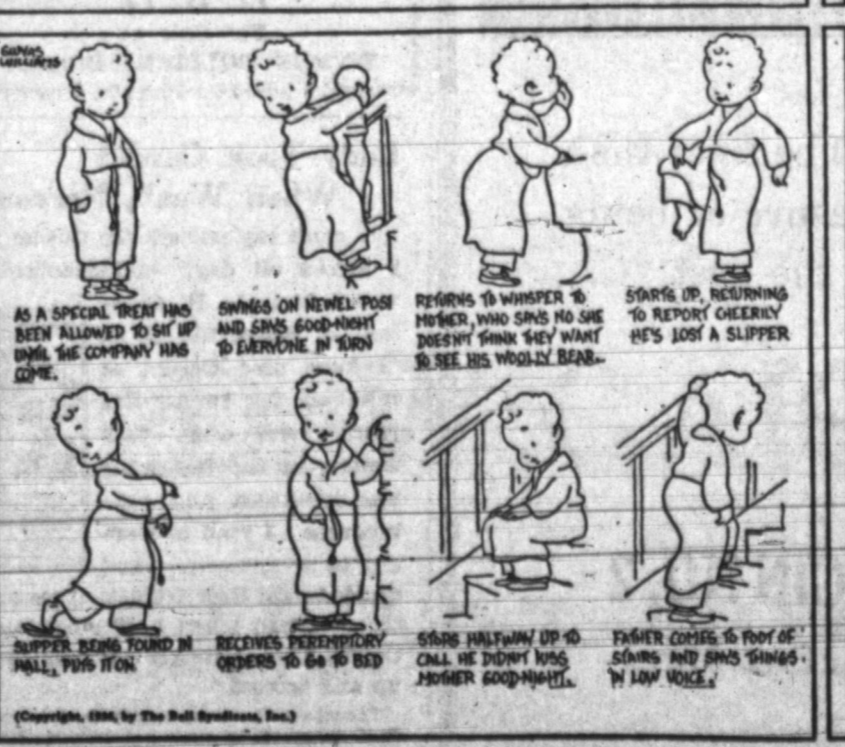
Mother (fending John, aged four, playing with her purse)—John, put that down. You know you mustn't play with Mummie's purse. John—O, Mummie, I wasn't playing—I was helping. I've licked all your stamps ready to go on your letters.

### In the Hills of Kentucky

Salesman—Say, your shoes are mixed; you've got the left shoe on the right foot. Strawfoot—And here for twenty years I thought I was club footed.—The Annapolis Log.

### COMPANY BEDTIME

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



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### Outdoing Webster on Interpretations

Blue—Sky, a streak, black writing ink.  
Green—Lettuce leaves, jealousy, immigrant.  
Purple—Violets, rage, some socks.  
White—A baby's soul, lilies, blue shirts laundered.  
Short-lived—Wife's vacation, wear-ever ties, a blonde's love.  
Fresh—Vegetables, paint—that we touch, butter-and-egg men.  
Young—Moving picture industry (surface not even scratched), women under fifty.  
High—Clouds, mountain peaks, cover charges.  
Poisonous—Laudanum, ivy (poison ivy), staying home one night.  
Fierce—Lions, tigers, sour ketchup.  
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**Orange Fluff.**—Beat 1/2 pint of cream till firm, then stir in 1 tsp. of sugar and 1 of orange marmalade.—Adv.

#### Foreign Words and Phrases

Ad libitum. (L.) At will; as much as one pleases.  
Bambino. (It.) A little boy; more especially the Christ child.  
Cela va sans dire. (F.) That goes without saying; it is obvious.  
Desunt caetera. (L.) The rest is wanting; the citation is incomplete.  
Elixir vitae. (L.) Elixir of life.  
Laudator temporis acti. (L.) One who praises bygone times.  
Majestatsbeleidigung. (Ger.) High treason.  
Salus populi suprema est lex. (L.) The welfare of the people is the supreme law. (Motto of Missouri).  
Naivete. (F.) Native simplicity.  
Rara avis. (L.) A rare bird, a strange prodigy.  
Pari passu. (L.) With equal pace; side by side.  
Quantum libet. (L.) As much as you please.

#### Blocking Ratification

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**THE CHEERFUL CHERUB**  
Well hello, gentle Reader-friend,  
And how are you today?  
I talk like this when I can't think of anything to say.  
RT (C)

## The Garden Murder Case

by S. S. VAN DINE

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### CHAPTER I

There were two reasons why the terrible and, in many ways, incredible Garden murder case—which took place in the early spring following the spectacular Casino murder case—was so designated. In the first place, the scene of this tragedy was the penthouse home of Professor Ephraim Garden, the great experimental chemist of Stuyvesant university; and secondly, the exact situs criminis was the beautiful private roof-garden over the apartment itself.

It was both a peculiar and implausible affair, and one so cleverly planned that only by the merest accident—or perhaps, I should say a fortuitous intervention—was it discovered at all.

The Garden murder case involved a curious and anomalous mixture of passion, avarice, ambition and horse-racing. There was an admixture of hate, also; but this potent and blinding element was, I imagine, an understandable outgrowth of the other factors.

The beginning of the case came on the night of April 13. It was one of those mild evenings that we often experience in early spring following a spell of harsh dampness, when all the remaining traces of winter finally capitulate to the inevitable seasonal changes. There was a mellow softness in the air, a sudden perfume from the burgeoning life of nature—the kind of atmosphere that makes one lackadaisical, and wistful and, at the same time, stimulates one's imagination.

I mention this seemingly irrelevant fact because I have good reason to believe these meteorological conditions had much to do with the startling events that were imminent that night and which were to break forth, in all their horror, before another 24 hours had passed.

And I believe that the season, with all its subtle innuendoes, was the real explanation of the change that came over Vance himself during his investigation of the crime. Up to that time I had never considered Vance a man of any deep personal emotion, except in so far as children and animals and his intimate masculine friendships were concerned. He had always impressed me as a man so highly mentalized, so cynical and impersonal in his attitude toward life, that an irrational human weakness like romance would be alien to his nature. But in the course of his deft inquiry into the murders in Professor Garden's penthouse, I saw, for the first time, another and softer side of his character. Vance was never a happy man in the conventional sense; but after the Garden murder case there were evidences of an even deeper loneliness in his sensitive nature.

As I have said, the case opened—so far as Vance was concerned with it—on the night of April 13. John F-X. Markham, then district attorney of New York county, had dined with Vance at his apartment in East Thirty-eighth street. The dinner had been excellent—as all of Vance's dinners were—and at ten o'clock the three of us were sitting in the comfortable library.

Vance and Markham had been discussing crime waves in a desultory manner. There had been a mild disagreement, Vance discounting the theory that crime waves are calculable, and holding that crime is entirely personal and therefore incompatible with generalizations or laws.

It was in the midst of this discussion that Currie, Vance's old English butler and majordomo, appeared at the library door. I noticed that he seemed nervous and ill at ease as he waited for Vance to finish speaking; and I think Vance, too, sensed something unusual in the man's attitude, for he stopped speaking rather abruptly and turned.

"What is it, Currie? Have you seen a ghost, are there burglars in the house?"

"I have just had a telephone call,

sir," the old man answered, endeavoring to restrain the excitement in his voice.

"Not bad news from abroad?" Vance asked sympathetically.

"Oh, no, sir; it wasn't anything for me. There was a gentleman on the phone—"

Vance lifted his eyebrows and smiled faintly.

"A gentleman, Currie?"

"He spoke like a gentleman, sir. He was certainly no ordinary person. He had a cultured voice, sir, and—"

"Since your instinct has gone so far," Vance interrupted, "perhaps you can tell me the gentleman's age?"

"I should say he was middle-aged or perhaps a little beyond," Currie ventured. "His voice sounded mature and dignified and judicial."

"Excellent!" Vance crushed out his cigarette. "And what was the object of this dignified, middle-aged gentleman's call? Did he ask to speak to me or give you his name?"

A worried look came into Currie's eyes as he shook his head.

"No, sir. That's the strange part of it. He said he did not wish to speak to you personally, and he would not tell me his name. But he asked me to give you a message. He was very precise about it and made me write it down word for word and then repeat it. And the moment I had done so he hung up the receiver." Currie stepped forward. "Here's the message, sir."

Vance took it and nodded a dismissal. Then he adjusted his monocle and held the slip of paper under the light of the table lamp. Markham and I both watched him



Markham snorted, "That may make sense to you."

closely, for the incident was unusual, to say the least. After a hasty reading of the paper he gazed off into space, and a clouded look came into his eyes. He read the message again, with more care, and sank back into his chair.

"My word!" he murmured. "Most extraordinary. It's quite intelligible, however, don't you know. But I'm dashed if I can see the connection . . ."

Markham was annoyed. "Is it a secret?" he asked testily. "Or are you merely in one of your Delphic-oracle moods?"

Vance glanced toward him critically.

"Forgive me, Markham. My mind automatically went off on a train of thought. Sorry—really." He held the paper again under the light. "This is the message that Currie so meticulously took down: 'There is a most disturbing psychological tension of Professor Ephraim Garden's apartment, which resists diagnosis. Read up on radioactive sodium. See Book XI of the Aeneid, line 875. Equanimity is essential.' . . . Curious—eh, what?"

"It sounds a little crazy to me," Markham granted. "Are you troubled much with cranks?"

"Oh, this is no crank," Vance as-

sured him. "It's puzzlin', I admit; but it's quite lucid."

Markham sniffed skeptically.

"What, in the name of Heaven, have a professor and sodium, and the Aeneid to do with one another?" Vance was frowning as he reached into the humidor for one of his beloved cigarettes with a deliberation which indicated a mental tension. Slowly he lighted the cigarette. After a deep inhalation he answered.

"Ephraim Garden, of whom you surely must have heard from time to time, is one of the best-known men in chemical research in this country. Just now, I believe, he's professor of chemistry at Stuyvesant university—that could be verified in Who's Who. But it doesn't matter. His latest researches have been directed along the lines of radioactive sodium. An amazing discovery, Markham. Made by Doctor Ernest O. Lawrence, of the University of California, and two of his colleagues there, Doctors Henderson and McMillan. This new radioactive sodium has opened up new fields of research in cancer therapy—indeed, it may prove some day to be the long-looked-for cure for cancer. The new gamma radiation of this sodium is more penetrating than any ever before obtained. On the other hand, radium and radioactive substances can be very dangerous if diffused into the normal tissues of the body and through the blood stream.

"That is all very fascinating," Markham commented, sarcastically. "But what has it to do with you, or with trouble in the Garden home? And what could it possibly have to do with the Aeneid? They didn't have radioactive sodium in the time of Aeneas."

"Markham, old dear, I'm no Chaldean. I haven't the groggiest notion wherein the situation concerns either me or Aeneas, except that I happen to know the Garden family slightly. But I've a vague feeling about that particular book of the Aeneid. As I recall, it contains one of the greatest descriptions of a battle in all ancient literature. But let's see . . ."

Vance rose quickly and went to the section of his book-shelves devoted to the classics, and, after a few moments' search, took down a small red volume and began to rifle the pages. He ran his eye swiftly down a page near the end of the volume and after a minute's perusal came back to his chair with the book, nodding his head comprehensively, as if in answer to some question he had inwardly asked himself.

"The passage referred to, Markham," he said after a moment, "is not exactly what I had in mind. But it may be even more significant. It's the famous onomatopoeic Quad-rupedumque putrem cursu quatit ungula campum—meanin', more or less literally, 'And in their galloping course the horsehoof shakes the crumbling plain.'"

Markham took the cigar from his mouth and looked at Vance with undisguised annoyance.

"You're merely working up a mystery. You'll be telling me next that the Trojans had something to do with this professor of chemistry and his radioactive sodium."

"No, oh, no," Vance was in an unusually serious mood. "Not the Trojans. But the galloping horses perhaps."

Markham snorted. "That may make sense to you."

"Not altogether," returned Vance, critically contemplating the end of his cigarette. "There is, nevertheless, the vague outline of a pattern here. You see, young Floyd Garden, the professor's only offspring, and his cousin a puny chap named Woodie Swift—he's quite an intimate member of the Garden household, I believe—are addicted to the ponies. Quite a prevalent disease, by the way, Markham. They're both interested in sports in general—probably the normal reaction to their professorial and ecclesiastical forebears: young Swift's father, who has now gone to his Maker, was a D.D. of sorts. I used to see both young Johnnies at Kinkaid's Casino occasionally. But the galloping horses are their passion now. And they're the nucleus of a group of young aristocrats who spend their afternoons mainly in the futile attempt to guess which horses are going to come in first at the various tracks."

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It is so much easier to be enthusiastic than to reason.—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

No one can doubt that China is one day destined to be among the most powerful nations.—Pearl S. Buck.

I think women are giving up more ideas about life and stepping back to the home.—Queen Marie of Rumania.

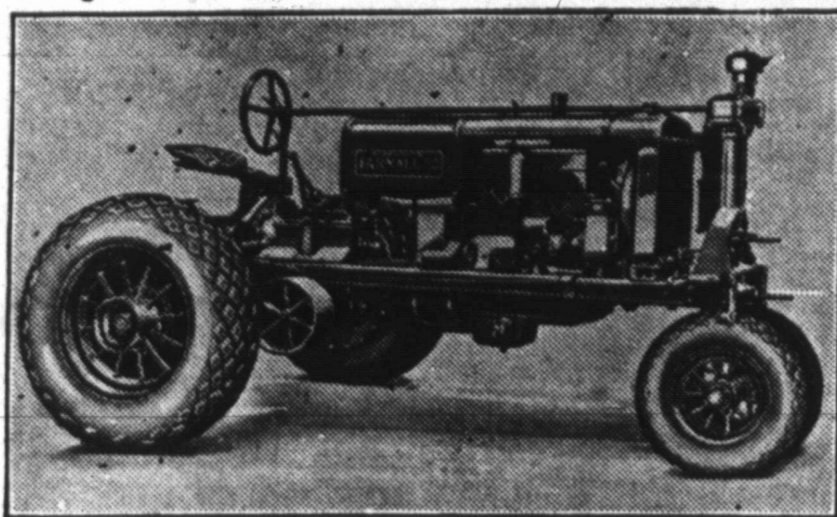
Youth will be served. Middle-age should be.—Fannie Hurst.

The people who make wars never have trouble getting the money to do it with.—Gen. Smedley B. Butler.

**BEGINNING IN THIS ISSUE . . .**  
**'THE GARDEN MURDER CASE'**  
**S. S. VAN DINE'S**  
**Newest Philo Vance Murder Mystery**  
**DON'T MISS A SINGLE INSTALLMENT!**



# Merry Christmas To You All



Farm With A FARMALL!

The True Christmas Spirit is not found in the glittering tinsel of the Yule tree, but in the true expressions of Good Will and Friendship the Season brings. And may we add to the many you will receive, our own greeting and hope that peace, prosperity, and happiness will be yours.



## J. K. APPLEWHITE

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#### FOR SALE OR TRADE

FARMALL TRACTOR, 2-row equipment, for sale. J. J. Waldrep, 1 mile north Wells school, O'Donnell, Rt. 3 19-4tp

FOR SALE—Two used coal heaters, one large and one small.—H. M. Snowden. 17-3tc

FOR QUICK SALE—Improved 163 acres, 10 miles SE Tahoka, 150 a. in cultivation, every inch tillable, \$25 acre, \$600 cash, balance Federal loan at 3% and 5%. See C. C. Thompson or phone J. Y. Thompson. 2tp



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MERRY CHRISTMAS  
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FIRE WORKS—We have them! Come in and get your fire works early. Have them set aside. Houston & Larkin.

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FOR SALE—Some good Jersey milk cows. See A. D. McDonald at Tahoka Motor Co. 13-1tc

GOOD YOUNG MARES for sale, or will trade them for mules.—V. A. Botkin, Tahoka, Rt. 3.

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FOR TRADE—160 acre farm, clear, well located, for 320 acre farm. Also have other bargains. C. C. Thompson. 1tp

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### Is There A Santa Claus?

(Continued from Front Page)

real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the youngest man nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance can push aside that curtain and view the picture, the supernatural beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus! Thank God, he lives, forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."

#### NOTICE!

I am booking a car of the J. R. Penn Half & Half Cotton Seed at \$1.50. See me soon to be sure of seed.—R. Bosworth. 5-15tp

SEE US for Christmas Trees. All on good stands. Houston & Larkin.

SORE THROAT, TONSILITIS! Instantly relieved by Anesthesia-Mop, the wonderful new sore-throat remedy. A real mop that relieves pain and checks infection. Prompt relief guaranteed or money refunded by Tahoka Drug Co. 7-26tc

HOGS—I have 3 Duroc bred gilts that will weigh about 250 lbs. each, for sale at \$25.00 each. Also have two Ramboulet Buck Sheep, 1 year old, at \$20.00 each. I. M. Draper.

NU STUDIO—Come in for your Christmas folders and all higher class work before the rush comes on. Have photographs made as Christmas gifts to your friends and loved ones. C. C. Dwight, Larkin Building.

#### WANTED

WANTED—Colored man and wife to work on farm for 1937, man to run Farmall and woman to help with the housework. A. R. McGonagill. 18-1tc

WANTED—Man to work on farm; married man preferred. I. M. Draper

I AM READY TO UPHOLSTER your old furniture or re-finish it. Houston's Furniture Repair & Cabinet Shop.

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WANTED—To cull cotton seed for the public. Am thoroughly prepared for the business; at 7½c per bushel. John W. Inman. 16-6tp

#### FOR RENT

FOR RENT—I will have a couple of houses to rent after Jan 1, seven miles east of Tahoka. A. R. McGonagill. 1tc

#### Indians Good Imitators

Similar to the Ohio Indians' manner of imitating forest fowls in order to attract birds was their ability to bawl like a fawn so that the doe could be drawn to the spot. True men of the forests, the Indians could imitate the bleating of a fawn in distress so successfully that a doe, alert to the instinct to protect the young, would come dashing through the brush toward the sound. Then all the Indians had to do was kill the oncoming doe.

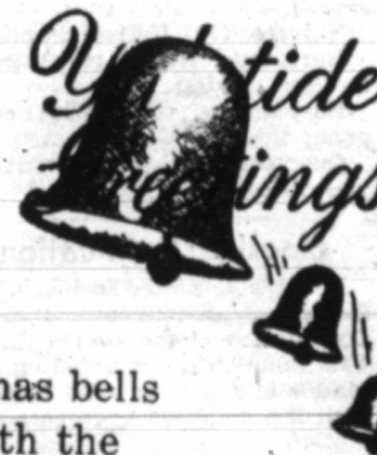
Mr. and Mrs. Truett Smith will spend Christmas at Claude in the home of Mrs. Smith's parents.

#### CLASS ENTERTAINED

The Senior B. Y. P. U. Christmas party was held Friday night in the home of Mrs. Geo. A. Dale. The evening was spent playing games, after which refreshments of tuna fish sandwiches, olives, and coffee were served to nineteen members and guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Pennington and Sherman Russell leave Thursday for San Saba to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Russell.

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Christmas bells ring with the happy tidings of the season—carrying with them our wish for your very Merriest Christmas

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Best Wishes FOR THE HOLIDAYS

We wish we could greet each friend in person. Lacking that, please accept this as our expression of the season's sentiments.

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It's a Happy Season in Prospect, and We Hope Most Sincerely That You Enjoy the Best of It!

Jane's Beauty Shoppe



May pleasant memories of the jolly old season linger long after the holidays are over.

BART'S CAFE

Good Eats Good Coffee



# The Lynn County News

"I wholly disapprove of what you say but will defend to the death your right to say it."—Voltaire.

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## West Texas News

Mayor R. E. Rose of Morton was killed instantly Tuesday of last week near Mescalero, New Mexico, when the car in which he was riding overturned on a mountain road. The mayor's neck was broken.

A new oil field supply house has been started in Seminole, and an aggressive well drilling campaign is predicted for the near future over Gaines county.

Last Thursday night 100 4-H club boys and girls of Lubbock county who had completed their 1936 projects attended a banquet at the men's dormitory at Tech.

## HOUSE ON W. J. BURCKHART BURNED SATURDAY MORN

A rent house on the W. J. Burckhart farm, occupied by Mr. Burckhart's son, two miles south and two miles east of Edith school house, was destroyed by fire Saturday morning. All the furniture and clothing of the family was also burned. The fire is said to have started from an oil stove explosion.

The Seagraves Methodist Church is preparing to erect a new church building.

Roy Moreman and Carl Rushing of Plains have caught 150 coyotes so far this season, the former using traps and the latter dogs.

Monahans men have applied for a charter to operate a bank in that little city.

A move is under way to construct a huge dam on Palo Duro creek between Canyon and Hereford which will back up a lake 15 miles long and 5 miles wide.

"Almost \$10,000 in church bonds have been sold to 45 buyers in campaign to clear First Baptist Church of debt"—headline in the County-Wide News, Littlefield.

Canyon is said to have taken advantage of more government building project offers than any other town or city in West Texas, possibly in the state.

Children now complete school too young, is the belief of Supt. A. D. Cummings of the Floydada public schools. He advocates the twelve-grade system in the Texas schools. City schools will need more and more buildings room, as the consolidated school plans continues its growth, as well as an additional grade to better educate the child.



The Courthouse Bunch will close their offices Friday and Saturday, but will be open again Monday. Miss Grace Williams is spending the holidays in Amarillo visiting her brother and family.

## ELIJAH SMITH, COLORED MAN DIES AT LUBBOCK

Elijah Smith, colored, died in the Lubbock Sanitarium Friday afternoon of a sinus infection. He was buried at Tahoka Saturday. Rev. O. D. Collin, colored, conducted the ceremony. He is survived by his wife, a brother of San Antonio, and his father of Austin. He had worked at Connolly Chevrolet Company the past two years, and lived in Dr. L. E. Turrentine's servant quarters. He was 41 years of age.

## J. E. KETNER MARRIED

J. E. Ketner and Miss Renée Conklin, were married in Dallas on Monday, according to word received here by relatives. They were expected to arrive here Tuesday to visit until Christmas Day.

Miss Conklin lives in Dallas, J. E. in Morrilton, Ark., and they will make their home in the latter city.

## JOHNNIE ROCHELLE WEDS

Johnnie Rochelle, formerly of Tahoka and O'Donnell but now employed in a Lubbock drug store, was married in Clovis, New Mexico, on Saturday, December 12, to Miss Jessie Lee Ward, also of Lubbock. The visited friends here Sunday.

Mrs. Gene Nichols of Plainview is here visiting her sister, Mrs. Jim Dye, and helping care for their mother who is ill. Mr. Nichols and Mr. and Mrs. Galton Wynn of Plainview will spend Christmas Day here. Mr. Wynn is Mrs. Dye's brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wetsel, Margaret and Baby Tot left Tuesday morning for Matador, Henrietta, and Arp. At the latter place they expect to spend two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. P. A. North and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cockrum are spending the holidays in Post with their parents.

## Hi-jackers Busy In Lynn County

On Sunday night of last week two trucks were held up on the Brownfield highway west of Tahoka. The following Wednesday night, Mr. Moffat, who lives near Tahoka, was held up while driving his Watkins Products car on the O'Donnell highway. Friday night two trucks were held up on the Post highway east of town. The robbers took Mr. Moffat's money and ten gallons of gasoline and some money in each of the other two hold-ups. No arrests have been made yet.

Mr. and Mrs. D V Smith and Miss Mary Seroyer will spend Christmas at Clovis, New Mexico, visiting friends.

## Christmas Greetings



Straight from the heart— Comes our Christmas Greeting To you and all our friends!

Black Cat Cafe



May this Christmas be the brightest you have ever known—may it be a season of plenty and joy.

TAHOKA CO-OP FUEL CO. ARTHUR HODGE

**WISHING YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS**

May Prosperity and Happiness Visit the Homes of Each of You!

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The clock ticks off the hours until Christmas, each tick adding a wish for your good health and happiness for the gay Holiday.

**St. Clair Hotel**

Mr. and Mrs. Harve Henderson

Miss Jewell Redwine has been transferred from the one-teacher Apache Creek, New Mexico, school to the five-teacher Mogollon school as teacher of the first and second grades.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McDonald and daughter of Lubbock visited Mr. and Mrs. Otho Thomas Sunday. Mr. McDonald is manager of Radford Grocery Co. at Lubbock.



As Christmas rolls around our thoughts revert gratefully to those who have made possible our progress. We extend our heartiest greetings.

**Holt & Fenn Shoe Shop**

**Letters To Santa**

Dear Santa Claus:  
It has been three years since I was at Tahoka, but still like to hear from there. I am a little boy eight years old. I want a pair of cowboy gloves, a Bee Bee gun, cowboy chaps, a electric train, cars, fruit, candy, nuts, and gum. Thought you would like Arizona scenery, so just sent my letter on a Christmas card. Don't forget my cousins in Oklaho-

homa. Bobby Poston. Glendale, Arizona. (Note: Bobby's letter is on the back of a Christmas card which depicts a beautiful Arizona desert scene.)

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy 12 years old. I have been a good little boy this year. I go to Draw-Redwine school. I am in the sixth grade. I want you to bring me a Daisy air rifle and some nuts and candy, fruit and some fireworks.

With love, Albert Williams.

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me some finger nail polish, a rocker, baby doll, and some nuts and candy. Don't forget my little brother and sisters.

With love, Janelle Garnett.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am 9 years old, in the fourth grade. I go to Edith school. My teacher's name is Miss Hancock. I like her well. Santa, please bring me lots of nuts and candy. I guess that's all for me. Please don't forget mother and daddy, brother and sisters.

With lots of love, Cressie Garnett.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy 7 years old. I have been a good little boy. I go to Draw-Redwine school. I am in the first grade. I want you to bring me a airplane Zep that winds up and a police set and some nuts, fruit and candy and some fireworks.

With love, Robert Williams.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy 10 years old. I have been a good little boy this year. I go to Draw-Redwine school. I want you to bring me a watch and a baseball and bat and nuts, candy, and fruit and some fireworks.

With love, Walter Lee Williams.

Dear Santa:  
Thank you very much for the nice gifts you left for me last Christmas. I have enjoyed playing with them so much. I have been a good little boy since you visited me last year, so am going to ask you to bring me a big red wagon, a stream-lined tricycle and a bank. Merry Christmas to you!

Jackie Dulin.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Davis will spend Christmas with her parents, the Wards, near Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Gibson and son went to Dallas Monday to visit Mrs. Gibson's sister.

Judge C. H. Cain was in Bosque county and Fort Worth several days last week.

Mrs. W. V. McElroy, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. D. W. Gagnat, returned to her home in Overton Tuesday. She is better known here as Miss Audye McCormack.

Eloise Roberts was brought home Monday from the West Texas Hospital, where she underwent an operation recently.

**GUNSMITH and General Fixit**

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May this joyous Christmas season be but a forerunner of the happiness and prosperity that will be yours throughout the year.

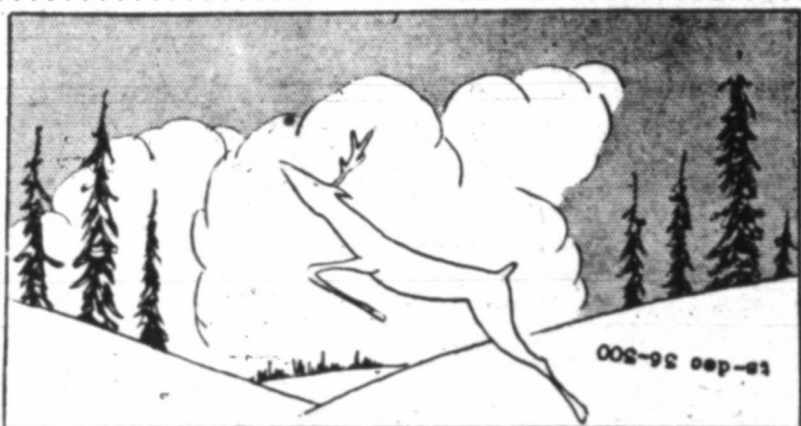
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We thank you very sincerely for the business you have given us this year and hope to be able to serve you for many years yet to come.

**MACK'S FOOD STORE**  
—and—  
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**SEASON'S GREETINGS!**

Wishing every one a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year!

**WOODWORTH BARBER SHOP**



Merry Christmas to Everybody—  
And so we won't miss anyone we'll say it again—  
Greetings and a Merry Christmas!

**Rev. and Mrs. Geo. A. Dale**



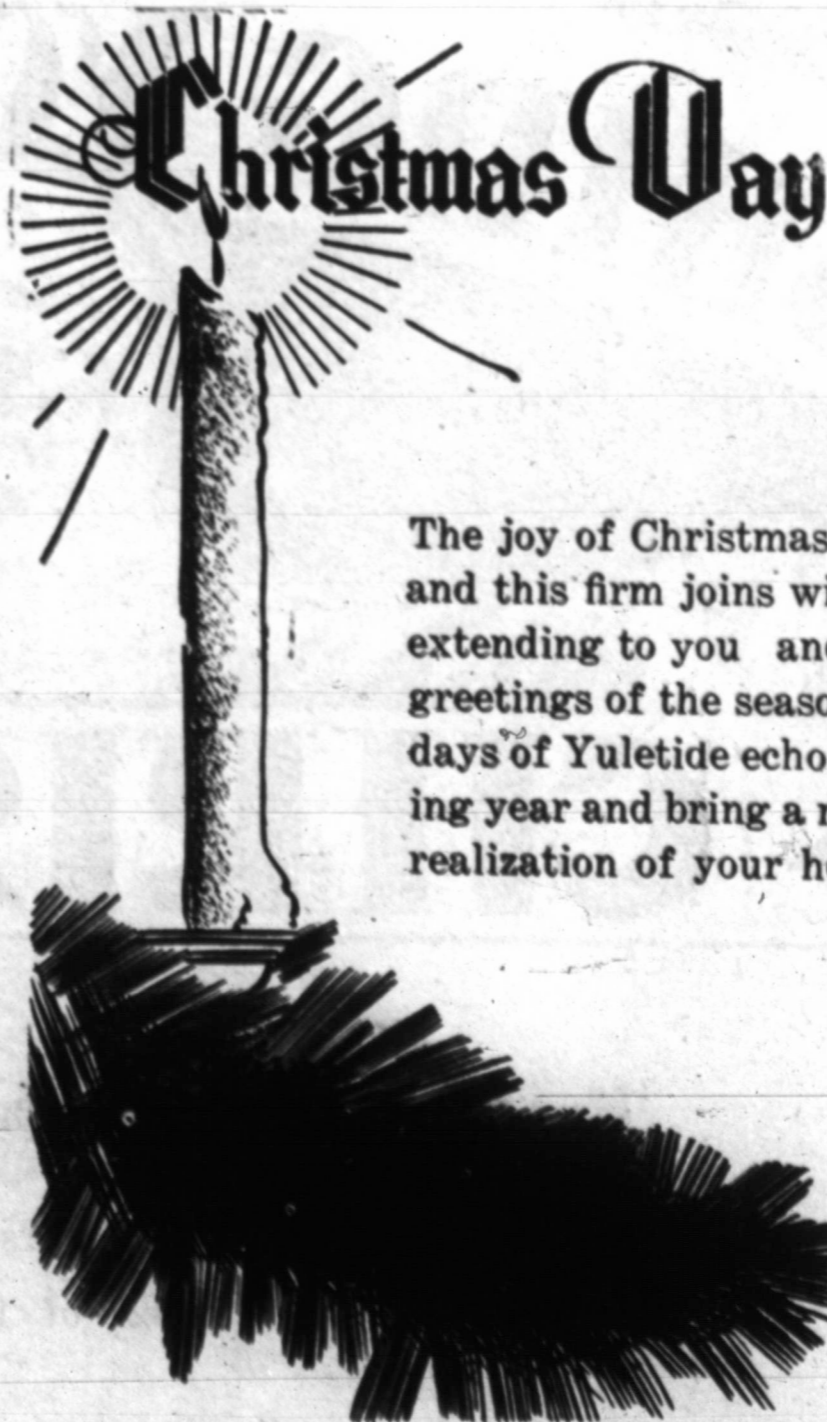
A kindly wish and a kindly thought for all our friends.

**Tahoka Co-operative Gin**  
WILEY CURRY, Mgr.



May this Christmas prove the happy day you've all looked forward to—bringing bountiful blessings!

**Thornhill's Variety Store**



The joy of Christmas is in the air . . . and this firm joins with your friends in extending to you and yours the joyous greetings of the season. May these happy days of Yuletide echo throughout the coming year and bring a new life and a finer realization of your hopes and ambitions.

**Tahoka Motor Co.**

W. L. BURLESON

J. K. APPLEWHITE





In keeping with the spirit of the Three Wise Men in giving, may we give to you heart-felt greeting!

MERRY CHRISTMAS  
HAPPY NEW YEAR

**Cicero Smith Lumber Company**  
Homer St. Clair, Mgr.



BEST WISHES AT CHRISTMAS  
and may Good Times be with you  
at Christmas and follow you thru-  
out the year.

**JONES DRY GOODS CO., Inc.**  
Tahoka, Texas



**NICHOLSON PRODUCE**

Dear Friends:

It is holiday time once again, a season of good will and kindly friendship.

We wish you a Merry, Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year—a most sincere wish for a Christmas Season filled with Happiness and Contentment.

And speaking about good will toward all mankind this holiday season, we just want to thank you folks for your good will toward us and the fine way in which you have patronized us with your produce business during the year just past. We expect to give you the same courteous service through the year 1937.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Nicholson

**Pikes Peak Is Named for Zebulon Montgomery Pike**  
Zebulon Montgomery Pike, for whom Pikes Peak is named, soldier and explorer, was born in 1779 in Lamberton, N. J. His father was an army officer, and at 15 the son became a cadet in his father's regiment. In 1800 he was made a first lieutenant.

In August, 1805, states a writer in the Cleveland Plain Dealer, Pike left St. Louis on an exploring expedition into the newly-acquired Louisiana Purchase. After suffering many hardships and reaching Cass Lake in Minnesota, he returned to St. Louis in April, 1806. In July he started on another expedition, ascending the Missouri River and the Osage into what is now Kansas and thence proceeding south to the Arkansas River. He ascended this river to the site of Pueblo, Col., viewed Pikes Peak and passed on through the neighborhood of Leadville and into Spanish territory.

There, near the Rio Grande, Pike was seized by the Spanish and sent under guard to Chihuahua, where, after some delay, he was released and escorted to the border in June, 1807. In 1810 he published an account of his explorations.

At the outbreak of the War of 1812, Pike was colonel. He was nominated brigadier general (though this rank was not confirmed before his death) and took part in the expedition against York (Toronto). Here, on April 27, 1813, he died of wounds suffered when the retreating British garrison blew up a magazine.

**World's Greatest Wall Built by First Emperor**

It takes an extraordinary man to do an extraordinary thing, and here we have the combination, says Tit-Bits Magazine. Chin was his name, and the Great Wall of China is what he built. He styled himself the "First Emperor," and the "Only First." This vast serpentine structure, built to keep out the warlike hordes of Mongolia and Manchuria, is the most stupendous work ever conceived and executed by man. It extends from the Yellow Sea, north of Peking, in a zig-zag course to the deserts of Central Asia—a distance of over 1,500 miles. It crawls over vast mountains and great heights 5,000 feet above sea level. It dips into deep valleys, crosses gorges, fords, rivers, and today, though crumbling in parts, stands out as one of the most gigantic undertakings in history.

Averaging about 22 feet wide and 25 feet high, with towers over 35 feet in height at intervals of a few hundred yards, it is paved on top with brick and faced on both sides with granite blocks and boulders. All this was done without the aid of steam machinery.

**Redeeming Damaged Currency**  
Three-fifths or more of a mutilated United States paper bill is redeemable at face value by the treasury department. When less than three-fifths, but clearly more than two-fifths of the original bill remains it is redeemable at one-half of the face value of the original bill. Fragments containing less than three-fifths of the original bills are redeemable at full face value by the treasury of the United States if they are accompanied by satisfactory evidence that the missing portions have been totally destroyed. Such evidence must consist of affidavits, subscribed and sworn to before a notary public, setting forth the cause and manner of destruction. Occasionally even the ashes of burned money are identified by the treasury department and redeemed at face value. No relief is granted by the government to the owners of paper currency totally destroyed.

Now listen old friends,  
It's Christmas today,  
And it doesn't matter  
What other folks say—  
To us it is jolly  
And merry and gay  
Because folks like you  
Have made it that way!

**COLLIER'S  
DRUG STORE**

**THE CHRISTMAS CAROL**  
by  
Helen Waterman

**T**HE Christmas Spirit, if such a sprite there be, must have fled in dismay from old Silas Wentworth, for a crustier, harder, less Christmas-spirited man would be hard to imagine.

Yet Sally Blaine, his clerk and bookkeeper, had the temerity to bring Christmas into the store, stringing lines of tinsel.

Old Silas, coming to work, stopped and stared at this unusual addition to the colored globes and patent medicines with which his windows were adorned.

Sally Blaine, rather frightened now, looked up. "Merry Christmas, Mr. Wentworth."

Silas surveyed the store grimly. "Take it down!"

But Sally hesitated. "I said take it down. More of your fool notions! What's this?"

"Dickens' Christmas Carol, sir."

He thrust the book on a back shelf. "Humph! Don't let me catch you reading on the job."

"Yes, sir, I'm sorry about the decorations—"

At nine o'clock on Christmas eve Silas saw out his last customer, and began putting up the shutters. It was beastly cold, and his numb fingers were slow at their task. As he was about to lock up, he was confronted by two men, one carrying a revolver.

"Let us in and lock the door," said the man.

Silas, his teeth chattering from more than cold, complied.

"Now if you're quiet you won't get hurt," said the spokesman. "My pal here has had an accident. I



Silas Surveyed the Store Grimly. "Take It Down!"

need some medicines. You'll be paid all right."

"Of course; of course," Silas answered, and brought out a stock of supplies.

The wounded man spoke up. "Sorry to keep you on Christmas eve, buddy."

Silas grunted. "Tommyrot."

The other man had been rummaging about the store. "Here," he commanded. "I can't watch what you're doing. So you read aloud until I get through." And he handed Silas "Christmas Carol."

He was scarcely half way through when the men paid him and left. He threw the book down and started off, but at the door he turned, and sitting by the night light, read again. "So like me," he muttered, as he finished.

From the wastebasket he drew out the tinsel and strung it awkwardly around the store. He looked through his accounts marked "Overdue," and selected several bills which he marked "Paid in Full," and put in proper envelopes. Then he got his wraps.

"Merry Christmas, Silas," he exclaimed, and went out to the dawning of his first merry one in many years.

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Wishing you, in the heartiest way, a very happy holiday for you and your family.  
We would appreciate your business.  
**RAINBOW BEAUTY SALON**  
Balcony of Hub Barber Shop

Miss Pansy Tankersley is home for the holidays from Waco, where she is attending Baylor University.

Mr. F. M. Sherrod, who has been seriously ill so long, is reported to be considerably improved.

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In our test grounds we are continually trying out new varieties, many of which are not worth growing in this section. These are discarded and we propagate and grow only those varieties that are proving worth while.

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According to Bulletin No. 517 of the Texas A. & M. College, this fertilizer is valued at more than double ordinary 4-12-4 FERTILIZER.

Send \$1.00 today for a regular 10 lb. package of AMMO-PHOS and receive FREE two strong, healthy ever-blooming roses, all prepaid to your P. O. State color desired.

Address—

**LUBBOCK NURSERIES**  
LUBBOCK, TEXAS



May every hour of Christmas Day be gay with cheer, may friends make bright the way, and may all the joys that memories hold dear at this season be joined in merry symphony.

**Cobb's Store**  
FOR MEN



**Lynn County News**

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**TRAIL-BLAZING SOLONS**

Since proposals for a one-house  
Legislature have carried this issue  
to many States, the eyes of the  
whole country will be on the new  
unicameral Legislature of Nebraska  
when it convenes Jan. 5. Meeting in  
an almost new Capitol, built at a  
cost of ten million dollars to ac-  
commodate two large legislative  
bodies, the new Legislature contains  
only forty-three members.

Lack of precedents for many of  
the actions that will be required  
may slow the work of the Nebraska  
solons in their first week or two.  
For instance, no one yet knows  
whether the Legislators are to be  
called Senators, Representatives or  
Assemblymen. The function of the  
Lieutenant-Governor also remains to  
be determined.

It appears likely, however, that  
the new Legislature will reduce its  
standing committees to small num-  
ber and will lessen the number of  
members on each committee. Refer-  
ence of bills to committees probably  
will be by the whole assembly. These

changes should increase legislative  
efficiency, and the election of  
members on a nonparty basis prom-  
ises to reduce party factionalism to  
a minimum.

If the Nebraska experiment at-  
tains unquestioned success the  
movement for unicameral Legisla-  
tures in other States will receive  
strong impetus. Such success will  
also serve as a tribute to Nebraska's  
Senator George W. Norris, who  
sponsored the change. The veteran  
Nebraskan is now reported to be  
more interested in this project than  
in any other important measures he  
has sponsored, such as the Lane  
Duck Amendment and the TVA.  
Dallas News.

**THE NEXT SESSION**

We listened to Senator Tom Con-  
nally a few nights ago as he gave  
his forecast of the work of the  
Congress which convenes in Janu-  
ary. If the congress accomplishes all  
the things that Senator Connally  
hopes, it will be one of the greatest  
sessions our national law-making  
body has ever held.

One of the major tasks of this  
congress, according to Senator Con-  
nally and others, is the tenant  
farmer problem. Far reaching legis-  
lation designed to make it easy for  
farm tenants to acquire farms of  
their own is in prospect. It is con-  
templated that the government shall  
enter upon a long-continued pro-  
gram of purchasing land from large  
landowners and reselling it in small  
tracts on long time and at a low  
rate of interest to tenants. Of  
course, it is presumed that there  
will be legislation which will dis-  
courage the holding of large tracts  
of land by private individuals or  
corporations for speculative or ex-  
ploitation purposes. This is a reform  
that can not be brought about in a  
day but that can be accomplished  
only by a long-continued program.

If the Roosevelt administration  
makes a good start on the problem  
within the new four years, it will  
have accomplished the biggest and  
best New Deal undertaking the ad-  
ministration has yet conceived, in  
our humble opinion.

Our good friend Taylor White of  
Odessa is having a bushel of fun.  
As good-natured as Taylor is, he  
seems to have a pet peeve against  
the lawyers as a tribe. For the past  
two years he has been hurling his  
verbal javelins at them at rather  
frequent intervals through the col-  
umns of the great Dallas News. His  
latest victim is Judge D. A. Frank  
of Dallas, one of the most eminent  
lawyers of the state. Frank has been  
opposing the calling of a constitu-  
tional convention to frame a new  
constitution for the state. Taylor is  
highly in favor of it. He says that  
the present constitution is "anti-  
quated, cumbersome and technical".  
He avers that "it was written and  
amended largely by technical law-  
yers" and "that is why it lacks  
brevity, clearness and precision." He  
favors a brand-new constitution, one  
"so plain and so simple that a way-  
faring man though he be a fool  
need not err in its meaning," one  
"that needs no interpretation, one  
that any average citizen can un-  
derstand, brief, simple, and practical."  
While no constitution ever has been  
written nor ever will be written so  
perfect that it will never need in-  
terpretation in the light of unforeseen  
conditions and problems that con-  
stantly arise, yet Taylor White is  
striking in the right direction. Our  
state constitution should be re-  
written for the sake of brevity,  
clearness, and precision.

We think those Coleman county  
people have the right idea about  
this soil and water conservation  
business. They are undertaking not  
to build a mammoth dam across a  
big stream but to build numerous  
small dams across numerous small  
streams. In other words, they  
are undertaking to impound and  
conserve the flood waters at the  
source. This kind of a policy  
carried out throughout Texas would  
not only prevent most of the  
destructive floods which occur al-  
most annually along the larger  
streams of the state but would pre-  
serve and utilize the excess water  
for domestic and irrigation purposes  
in the vicinity where it falls. Sup-  
plemented with the universal prac-  
tice of terracing or contouring all  
the cultivated lands and much of  
the pasture lands of the state, it  
would result in both water conser-  
vation and soil conservation of the  
highest type.

Bradley Miller, a colored East  
Texan, died near Parlestone the other  
day at the age of 93. For fifty  
years he had worn a red flannel  
shirt, summer and winter, the story  
goes, as a protection against rheu-  
matism. Furthermore, the remedy  
was prescribed many years ago by  
an East Texas physician, we are  
told. Reminds us of the practice of  
wearing a string around the neck  
on which was suspended a piece of  
lead in our boyhood days to prevent  
nose bleeding. We are just wonder-  
ing if old Uncle Brad never met a  
bull in all the fifty years of his red-  
shirt life.

Juries are turning defendants  
loose down in Dallas charged with  
illegally selling liquor by the drink.  
Under the new liquor regulation law,  
it is an offense to sell strong liquors  
by the drink in Texas. But it is  
claimed that there are many wide-  
open saloons in all the larger cities.  
The liquor business is again busy  
demonstrating to the people of  
Texas that it is an incorrigible law-  
breaker. Just give them plenty of  
calf rope and the beast will break  
its neck again some of these times.

**Local Druggist**

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TION and GUARANTEES it to relieve  
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Soon All Right**

"I had regular shaking spells from  
nervousness," writes Mrs. Cora San-  
ders, of Paragould, Ark. "I was all  
run-down and cramped at my time  
until I would have to go to bed. After  
my first bottle of Cardui, I was bet-  
ter. I kept taking Cardui and soon  
I was all right. The shaking quit  
and I did not cramp. I felt worlds  
better. I gave Cardui to my daugh-  
ter who was in about the same con-  
dition and she was soon all right."

**CARDUI**

Thousands of women testify Cardui bene-  
fited them. If it does not benefit YOU,  
consult a physician.

**SHERIFF'S SALE**

The State of Texas,  
County of Lynn.

Notice is hereby given that by vir-  
tue of a certain Alias Execution is-  
sued out of the Honorable Justice  
Court of Lubbock County, on the 8th  
day of December, 1936, by J. T.  
Trigg, Judge of said Court for the  
sum of Seventeen and 80-100 Dol-  
lars and costs of suit under a  
judgment, in favor of L. H. Holt,  
in a certain cause in said Court, No.  
4762-62A and styled L. H. Holt vs.  
J. R. F. Radliff, placed in my hands  
for service, I, B. L. Parker, as Sher-  
iff of Lynn County, Texas, did, on  
the 8th day of December, 1936, levy  
on certain Real Estate, situated in  
Lynn County, Texas, described as  
follows, to-wit: South twenty acres  
of Section 156, Certificate No. 31,  
Georgetown Railroad Company sur-  
vey, and levied upon as the property  
of J. R. F. Radliff and that on the  
first Tuesday in January, 1937, the  
same being the 5th day of said  
month, at the Court House door of  
Lynn County, in the town of Tahoka,  
Texas, between the hours of  
10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of  
said levy and said Alias Execution,  
I will sell above described Real  
Estate at public vendue, for cash, to  
the highest bidder, as the property  
of said J. R. F. Radliff.

And in compliance with law, I  
give notice by publication, in the  
English language, once a week for  
three consecutive weeks immedi-  
ately preceding said day of sale, in the  
Lynn County News, newspaper pub-  
lished in Lynn County.

Witness my hand, this 8th day

**For Bad Feeling  
Due to Constipation**

Get rid of constipation by taking  
Black-Draught as soon as you notice  
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you begin to feel sluggish. Thou-  
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refreshing relief it has brought them.  
Mrs. Ray Mullins, of Lafa, Ark.,  
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it splendid for constipation, bilious-  
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tired feeling that comes from this  
condition." With reference to Syrup  
of Black-Draught, which this mother  
gives her children, she says: "They  
like the taste and it gave such good  
results."

**BLACK-DRAUGHT**

of December, 1936. B. L. PARKER,  
Sheriff, Lynn County, Texas. 3tc

More shrubs more flowers, and  
more grassy lawns will make Tahoka  
a more beautiful little city in which  
to live.

**O. R. O. Now 67c-40c**

We guarantee it to relieve your  
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Are you interested in a pay day oftener than once a year?  
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An ideal climate, abundant water, rich soils, good markets,  
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while on the property. — See me at once.

D. L. YOUNG, TAHOKA, Et. 1



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A greeting that is new—  
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Christmas wish  
Is what is meant for you.

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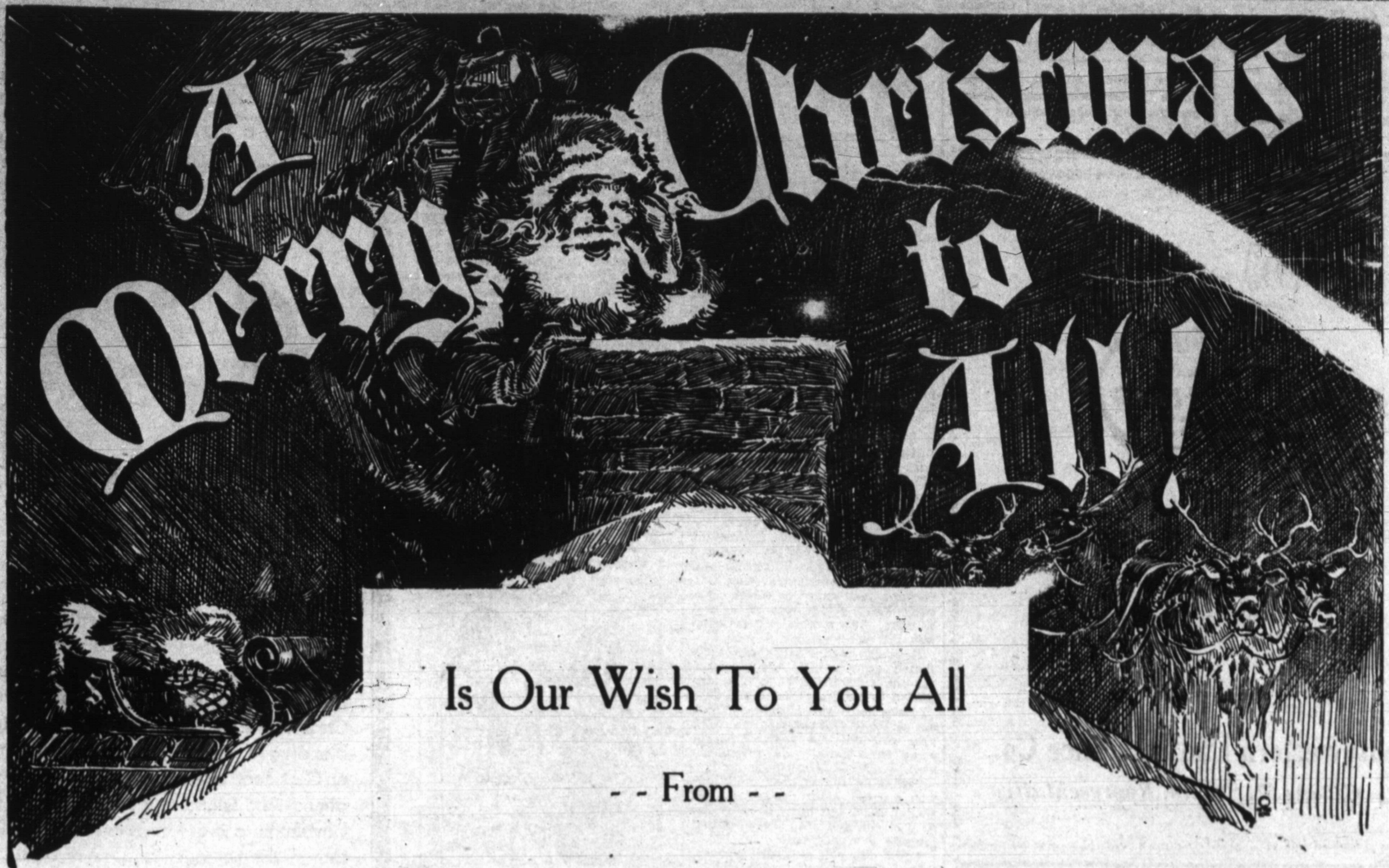
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## The Court House Bunch

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County Attorney

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Lynn County Abstract Company

**LILITH BOYD**

County Home Demonstration Agent

**DON BRADLEY**

The Pioneer Abstract Company

**TOM HALE**

Commissioner-Elect, Prec't. 4

**GEO. SMALL**

Commissioner, Prec't. 1

**SAM HOLLAND**

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**O. R. O.**  
Is Now 67c  
We guarantee it to relieve your fowls of Blue Bugs, Lice, Worms and Dogs of Running Fits. For sale by—  
**WYNNE COLLIER, Druggist**

Mrs. D. L. Nicholson and children left Wednesday to spend Christmas with her father and family at Merkel.  
James Minor, student in Howard Payne College, Brownwood is spending the Christmas holidays with home folks.



**M**ARIE LA FARGE was the prettiest girl in Beaulaire. Her dark eyes sparkled; her black hair framed a lovely, vivid face. It was inevitable that many young men should fall in love with her. Which they did. But chief among them was tall handsome Jules Gareau, the son of a wood-carver.

Marie's mother was a small hard-working woman whose beauty differed from the girl's. Strong lines were graven on her face; and in her eyes shone clear fortitude. Madame La Farge's eyes looked steadily at everything, whether it was the snow which lay so many months about the small tight cabin, or at one of her children who had, perhaps been angry or selfish. So, while Marie's face was sweet and winning, her mother's expression was full of character.

It could hardly fail that Marie should grow a little arrogant under the circumstances. "You are unkind to me," said Jules one day. "I have loved you always, yet you act as if it did not matter. And now you tell me you are going away from here." He waved his arm.

"What is that to you?" Marie was dressed in bright jacket, full woolen skirt and high, laced boots. A red knitted cap was pulled jauntily over her curls.

"How can you ask such a question of me?" Jules reproved her. "A girl cannot stay in this simple village forever!"

"But Marie," he reached for her mittened hand. His eyes, looking down at her, were filled with beseeching love. "We had plans together, you and I. Already father has given me the land. Already I have cut the timbers for our house. . . have you forgotten?"

which related how her father had cut his hand chopping wood. How her brother had fallen through the ice and was rescued. How her mother was just the same. "Every one loves her," wrote Jules.

Then one day Marie happened to meet an artist named Tom Santos. "You are so very beautiful, I must paint you at once," declared this impulsive young man.

Marie laughed at him, but it soon happened that she posed regularly for this brilliant painter. She liked his queer, jerky way of talking while he worked. She felt that she was lucky to be admired by him. One day in the studio he asked about her home. Marie told him a little, rather grudgingly.

"You say you were born in Beaulaire?" cried the man. "How odd!"

He laid down his brushes and went to a shelf. "One of the finest wood-carvers in Quebec made this. A young man called Jules Gareau." He picked up a small figurine and held it in his hands.

Marie felt a quick trembling run all over her. "Oh," she breathed, "Jules never told me he had taken up his father's work!"

"You know him then . . . this artist Jules?"

"Yes," she answered stepping down from the dias where she posed. "Let me see, please."

Tom gave her the small figurine as if it were something precious.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sanders and little son, Charley Brown, of Lufkin are here spending the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. Charley Brown. Mrs. Sanders is the former Miss Marie Brown.

Mrs. Ruth Parker of Monahans is here to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Shaffer, and family.

**Sore Gums Curable**  
You won't be ashamed to smile again after you use **LETO'S PYORRHEA REMEDY**. This preparation is used and recommended by leading dentists and cannot fail to benefit you. Druggists return money if it fails.  
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For Happiness at  
Christmas!

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"MERRY CHRISTMAS"

**Calvery's 5c-10c-25c Store**  
See Us For That Last Minute Gift!



It is folks like you whose friendship has made our Christmas a happy event.

May we extend our thanks and our greetings!

**CRAFT'S TAILOR SHOP**  
"We Know How" Phone 90

Crown your Christmas joys with the peace and beauty that comes of contact with the spiritual side of this, our most universal holiday. With children taking part in Christmas Eve programs, young voices blending in some of the world's finest music on Christmas morning, and—wherever you attend—the telling of the story of that first Christmas, a story that will never die, renew old memories and enjoy again the true beauty of Christmas.

**TEXAS UTILITIES COMPANY**

It's been good — mighty good—to know you and to do business with you. We've enjoyed serving you during the year and we now sincerely wish that this Christmas Season will find you happy and prosperous.

Gifts of Quality and Distinction for Every Member of the Family!

**Tahoka Drug Co.**  
"The Best Of Everything"





**Greerings**

To you who have co-operated with us during the year 1936, we extend our thanks and best wishes for—

A HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

**Davis Food Store**

**CHRISTMAS**



We know no truer word—no song—no poem that expresses our sentiments better than a simple

MERRY CHRISTMAS and God Bless You!

**Corley Garage & Service Station**

**Lakeview**

The Junior Leaguers had a Christmas tree at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D B Wheeler Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Castleberry are visiting Mrs. Castleberry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Anderson and family will move to near Idalou to live the next year.

Mrs. Morris Northam and children of Ropesville visited Mrs. Northam's Aunt, Mrs. Geo. Richey, and Mr. Richey Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilton McNabb have moved on Mr. John Newman's farm.

The women's home demonstration club will meet with Mrs. E. T. Hall on Thursday, Jan. 7, instead of on Tuesday as previously planned. Every lady interested is cordially invited to attend.

Sybil Anderson is on the sick list. Billie Boyd has been ill the past week.

(Mrs E. T. Hall, Reporter)

**METHODIST CHURCH**

We want to thank all who had a part in the very generous pouncing and reception at the church the evening of Dec. 15.

Many things have found their way to the parsonage before and since this pouncing.

It surely gives you a warm place in our hearts and will compel us to try to do our best.

We are leaving Dec. 24 to spend Christmas Day with our children and other loved ones, but will be back Saturday and hope to see many of you Sunday.

Wishing that this may be a joyous and happy Christmas to each of you.—Ben Hardy, Pastor.

Pay up your subscription now!

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Doolin of Calvert visited Mrs. Doolin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Cooper, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Horton and daughter of Hurwood visited Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Stanley Sunday. Mrs. Horton is Mr. Stanley's sister.

*May your Christmas be Merry*

The same old greeting, in the same old way—but it carries our heart-felt hope and sincerest wishes for Holiday happiness for you and yours.

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**NEW HIGH IN BIG NAMES SET BY "BIG BROADCAST"**

An all time high in big names assembled for a motion picture was scored recently by Paramount in garnering the talent for the lavish "Big Broadcast of 1937," which opens at the English Sunday for a three day run.

Heading the list is Jack Benny, star of the radio. Next comes George Burns and Gracie Allen, comedians of the air, stage and screen. Bob Burns, and his "Bazooka", appear on the screen for the second time. The new star, Martha Raye, appears with Burns. The two have become famous on the air with Bing Crosby's program. Other stars of this show are Benny Goodman, "King of Swing", and his orchestra; Leopold Stokowski, internationally famous concert conductor, who makes his screen debut in this picture; Benny Fields, the popular singer; Frank Forest, concert singer; Stan Kavanagh, comic juggler; and others.

Beautiful Shirley Ross, an exquisite dancer and an unusual singer supplies the love interest opposite Ray Milland, English actor.

Miss Lillith Boyd will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Boyd at Ferrin. She expects to be back in her office by January 1.

A. L. Smith has bought the home just west of the Larkin Weathers place.



**A Merry Christmas**

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

To the old ones and the new ones, do we wish this Christmas to be the merriest.

**Davis Cafe**

*Merry Xmas*



We hope the pleasure we have had in serving you has been mutual, and take this opportunity to thank you and to extend our hearty greetings for your business.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS and a Happy and Prosperous NEW YEAR

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## SOCIETY

Club and Church News

**W. M. S. BUSINESS SESSION**  
The W. M. S. of the First Baptist Church met in a business meeting Monday afternoon.

The song for the year, "Christ for the World We Sing" was used as the opening song. A poem about the "First Christmas" composed by the president, Mrs. J. B. Walker, was given by Mrs. R. C. Wells. Interesting reports were brought by the various chairmen of the committees.

There were twelve women present, namely: Mesdames Dale, St. Clair, Jim Burleson, Caveness, Snowden, Pennington, Reese, Howell, Walker, Billman, Fortenberry, and R. C. Wells.

Next Monday afternoon the Woman's Missionary Society meets in circles, the Blanche Rose Walker in the home of Mrs. J. L. Nevill; the Sallee in the home of Mrs. H. P. Caveness; and the Moon in the home of Mrs. H. M. Snowden.

**H. D. AGENT'S ITINERARY**

Miss Boyd's itinerary for Home Demonstration Club and 4-H Club meetings beginning January 1 is as follows:

First and third Tuesdays: New Lynn 4-H Club, 10:45 a. m.; New Lynn Home Demonstration Club, 2:30 p. m.

First and third Wednesdays: Draw 4-H Club, 10:45 a. m.; Wilson Home Demonstration Club, 2:30 p. m.

First and third Thursdays: Wells 4-H Club, 10:45 a. m.; Three Lakes, 2:30 p. m.

First and third Fridays: Grassland 4-H Club, 9 a. m.; Draw H. D. club, 2:30 p. m.

Second and fourth Tuesdays: O'Donnell 4-H Club, 8:30 a. m.; Grassland H. D. Club, 2:30 p. m.

Second and fourth Wednesdays: Petty 4-H Club, 10:45 a. m.; Tahoka H. D. Club.

Second and fourth Thursdays: Midway 4-H club, 10:30 a. m.; Midway H. D. Club, 2:30 p. m.

Second and fourth Fridays: Edith 4-H Club, 9 a. m.; New Home 4-H club, 1 p. m.; New Home H. D. Club, 2:30 p. m.

In the above meetings, the agent meets with the club on the first named meeting in the month; in meeting named below, the agent is present on the second meeting date in the month.

First and third Tuesdays: O'Donnell H. D. Club, 2:30 p. m.

First and third Wednesdays: Dixie H. D. club, 2:30 p. m.

First and third Thursdays: Lakeview H. D. Club, 2:30 p. m.

**WILSON H. D. CLUB**

The Wilson Home Demonstration Club met at the home of Mrs. J. F. Covey December 16. All club members were present and enjoyed a very delightful Christmas party. A Christmas story was related by Mrs. S. G. Anthony, then Mrs. W. E. Galloway told of Christmas customs in other lands.

After several games were played, Santa Claus came and presented each person with a gift. Names were drawn earlier in the fall for the exchange of these gifts.

Members present were: Miss Clara May, Mmes. M. C. Brandon, S. A. Cummings, H. B. Crosby, W. I. Lemon, J. W. Lamb P. D. Server, M. J. Sczer, H. G. Cook, Edwin May, B. W. Baker, Robert Lamb, R. A. Kahlich, Weldon Lemon, W. E. Galloway, J. R. Hamilton, C. E. Campbell, W. C. Huffaker, W. A. Johnson, Walker Server, W. H. May, L. Lumsden, J. E. Richardson, Jack Miller, Douglas Finley, L. B. Thornton, J. W. Wilson, J. F. Covey and S. G. Anthony.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Leslis will spend Christmas in Falls visiting relatives.

**4-H CLUB GIRL REACHES GOAL**

Each year twelve of the best 4-H Club girls' stories are sent with the home agent's annual report to College Station. Icaphe Stephens, co-operator in the Midway 4-H Club, had a story in this group.

In her story she said: "I filled all my clothing goals this year which included making an apron, making samples of six different seams, making a dress, making two-piece pajamas, and equipping a sewing box. Because of dry weather I only reached one goal in garden work. I died one yard of okra."

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McKaughan and son Johnny left Saturday night for Mineral Wells to visit Mrs. McKaughan's mother during the holidays.

Miss Ola Belle Singleton of Austin is spending the holidays here with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Singleton. She will return Sunday.

Mrs. J. C. Baggett and daughters, Misses Donnie and Evelyn Hatchett, of Galveston, are here visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Hicks and daughter Bertie Lee of Lubbock will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hafer.



WISHING ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS  
To those whose Friendship has meant so much to us we extend the Season's Greetings!

**C. C. ROSS**  
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May this Christmas be twice as nice, twice as happy as any you have ever had.

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## ADA THEATRE

WEEK'S PROGRAM

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

Episode 8: "Tournament of Death"

**BUSTER CRABBE as "Flash Gordon"**

From Alex Raymond's famous newspaper strip.

FRIDAY MATINEE and SATURDAY MATINEE Only!

GEORGE O'BRIEN

America's great adventure star portrays the great trail blazer

**"Daniel Boone"**

With Heather Angel, John Carradine, Ralph Forbes, Clarence Muse. One of History's Biggest Thrillers! A stirring tale of the pioneers who won the Kentucky wilderness.

FRIDAY and SATURDAY NIGHTS ONLY

CHARLIE RUGGLES MARY BOLAND

With ADOLPHE MENJOU

**"Wives Never Know"**

with Vivienne Osborne, Claude Gillingwater

Who said that "Wives Never Know"? Who's the man with nerve enough to make such a rash statement? And what is it that "Wives Never Know"? You'll find out—and you'll have one of the most hilarious evenings of your life while you're finding out.

SATURDAY MIDNIGHT 11:00 P. M.

**"The Man Who Lived Twice"**

Ralph Bellamy, Marian Marsh, Isabel Jewell

Strangest Drama since "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" started the world!

SUNDAY, MONDAY, and TUESDAY, Dec. 27, 28, 29

ROSALIND RUSSELL JOHN BOLES

In the Pulitzer Prize Play

**"Craig's Wife"**

Billie Burke, Dorothy Wilson, Jane Darwell, Thos. Mitchell, Alma Kruger, Robert Allen, Raymond Walburn. Behind locked doors the whole town was whispering about Craig's wife and her life of sham!

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY December 30 and 31

Laugh as you thrill!

**"The Longest Night"**

Robert Young, Florence Rice, Ted Healy, Julie Hayden, Catharine Doucet

**NOTICE!**  
Will run MATINEES Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at ENGLISH and ADA

## WEEK'S PROGRAM ENGLISH THEATRE

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

**"The Vigilantes Are Coming"**

With Bob Livingston

Episode 8: "A Treaty With Treason"

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**"The Big Show"**

With Smiley Burnette, Kay Hughes, Sons of the Pioneers, Jones Boys, Beverly Hill Billies, Light Crust Dough Boys

A juboree of Action, Drama, Laughs... filmed against the thrilling background of the never to be forgotten Texas Centennial.

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With **"Ambassador Bill"**

With Greta Nissen, Marguerite Churchill

See him AGAIN in his wisest, wittiest role! The Will Rogers you loved drives stuffed shirts dippy with his shirt-sleeve etiquette and his hilarious horse sense!

SUNDAY, MONDAY and TUESDAY, Dec. 27, 28, 29

**"The Big Broadcast of 1937"**

Jack Benny, George Burns & Gracie Allen, Bob Burns and Martha Raye, Shirley Ross, Benny Goodman and his Orchestra, Ray Milland, Frank Forest and Benny Fields

The biggest show ever to flash on any screen! The six stars of radio, screen, vaudeville and concert stage... singing, dancing, clowning and playing!

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With June Travis, Phillips Huston. A timely feature of college football and gridiron heroes.

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY December 30 and 31

BUCK JONES

**"The Phantom Rider"**

Episode 3: "The Brink of Disaster"

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CHRISTMAS is once more captivating us with its charms. Simple in origin and deep in meaning, it has an attraction to which our hearts are readily drawn. This joyful season brings to each of us a measure of happiness that corresponds to the degree in which we have tuned our minds to the spirit of Christmas as it is expressed in the song of the angel, "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!  
**FARMERS CO-OPERATIVE STATION NO. 1**