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## HEAVY STEEL ON SANTA FE ALMOST TO FLOYDADA

The Santa Fe's new 85-pound steel rails on Floydada Branch will all be laid soon at the present rate of progress, the steel having been laid within about 4 miles of town.

The heavy steel is replacing 52-pound steel which was laid when the road was first constructed.

With the well-ballasted road bed, completed two years ago at a heavy cost, and the heavy steel which is now being laid, the company will soon be able to send their heaviest type engines to Floydada for loads of freight, which has heretofore been impossible.

Other improvements on Floydada Branch which the company announced in the summer would be made are doubling of the capacity of the cotton platform at Floydada, completed several weeks ago, enlarging the local freight house, and, additions to the industrial trackage here.

The entire cost of improvements on Floydada Branch will total when completed several hundred thousand dollars, the Branch being one of the heaviest producers of revenue for the road on the entire Santa Fe system.

## STORES OF FLOYDADA IN HOLIDAY ATTIRE

With the coming of the holiday season the stores of Floydada have come out in holiday attire, the entire retail section having put on the Christmas appearance.

Every means is being taken to make the holiday shopper's lot an easy one here, and scores of out-of-town shoppers are daily taking advantage of the unusual prices effective in the retail stores. The dry goods men have announced that their stores will be open each night during the coming week, the 5 o'clock closing rule having been suspended for the week. It is probable that other stores will follow this lead.

To care for the increasingly heavy Christmas trade additional salesmen have been added to the forces at several of the stores, and shoppers are reveling in an unprecedented price reduction in holiday gift purchases.

## MRS. J. M. ADAMS, OF PLAINVIEW, BURNS TO DEATH

Mrs. J. M. Adams, of Plainview, wife of the publisher of the Plainview News, suffered a horrible death Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock, resulting from burns sustained about 10 o'clock the same day, when her clothes were ignited from fire, which caught from gasoline. Mrs. Adams was using the gas to wash clothes in a room with a fire. She lived only a few hours. Sadye Earle, 18-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adams, was also painfully burned trying to save her mother.

Funeral services are to be held in Plainview this afternoon, where the body will be interred.

The Adams home was badly damaged by fire and water, but is not a total loss.

## GOOD FELLOWS HEARING FROM THE KIDDIES

Several letters have been received by Glad Snodgrass, chairman of the Good Fellows from kiddies that don't expect Santa Claus around to see them this Christmas.

"You can just tell the kiddies," Mr. Snodgrass said Tuesday, "to write the Good Fellows, care The Hesperian, because we want to know where they are, and it will be mighty little trouble to us to tell Santa Claus their troubles, and Santa Claus is loaded for bear."

## FLOYD COUNTY HOUSES ITS FIRST NEGROES

Sheriff J. A. Grigsby had in tow for several hours Saturday evening five negroes, whom he had arrested in east part of the county on a warrant from Motley County charging bootlegging.

There were four negroes in the number arrested—two men and two women. They were wanted by Sheriff Russell of Matador with eight other colored persons of that county. The negroes had been in this county since Friday.

Sheriff Russell came over Saturday night and took the negroes to Matador.

A seven-gallon jar of "Choc" was confiscated when the first arrest was made near Flomot.

J. B. Houston went to Lockney on a business trip Tuesday.

## CLEAN UP BEFORE CHRISTMAS CITY DADS SAY

### Danger From Fire Greater During Holidays—New Fire Engine Bought

The City Council in session Tuesday night spread on their minutes a call for a General Clean Up Day in Floydada Friday of this week, when all citizens are asked to rake and burn all trash and pile in the alleys all non-burnable materials for hauling to the dumping grounds. For the latter purpose the city will have a special wagon running Friday and Saturday.

Dangers from fire are greatly increased during the holiday season, Mayor Fry declared Wednesday morning, and it is to prepare against the carelessness which accompanies the holiday season that we want the general clean up statistics from the state Fire Marshal show heavy increases in fire losses every year about Christmas time. Fire works and trash piles are synonymous for fires. Floydada has an enviable fire record and we are now enjoying a 15 per cent reduction on our fire rate because of careful watchfulness during the past two years. A conflagration of which trash piles are breeders, during the holidays would cost Floydada hundreds of thousands of dollars besides a heavily increased fire rate for insurance. City Marshal J. R. Maddox says that the officers and night watchmen must have the assistance of the citizens of the town if we hope to go through the holidays without fires.

"And the best way in the world to help us is to clean up the town right now. There is enough trash and old papers blowing about over town to cause fire from carelessly thrown matches in a dozen different places any night." The officers do not fear any fires from incendiaries.

The Council contracted Tuesday night for the purchase of new fire fighting apparatus. The new machine should reach Floydada about March 1st. Motor-driven, the engine will be equipped with two chemical fire extinguishers of large size and will carry 800 feet of hose. By means of the new machine the pressure of water from the mains can be increased at the nozzle of the hose to 250 pounds. The new machine will obtain for the town a materially lowered fire insurance key rate.

Transient beggars also had their inning for discussion at the regular monthly session. The City Council is preparing an emergency ordinance by means of which the officers of the town can demand credentials of all transient beggars. If these credentials are satisfactory to the officer making inspection a permit will be granted. City Marshal Maddox declares that this action will be a material protection to the residents of Floydada. "Big, free-hearted people of Floydada are entitled to this protection," Mr. Maddox said. "Fake causes and unworthy beggars are not entitled to capitalize the open-heartedness which is a characteristic of our people. We will soon have the matter in such shape that if a request for money is made by any transient in Floydada all that will be necessary will be to ask for the credentials of the beggar and a display of a permit from the city, which will mean that we have at least investigated the persons and believe them worthy of the help asked."

## "DOT," HOME TALENT PLAY, DRAWS BIG CROWD

"Dot, the Miner's Daughter," a 4-act tragedy drama, presented last night at the High School Auditorium, under the auspices of the Young People's Missionary Society, drew a crowded house, and the play was well presented throughout.

Specialties between acts were given by Carrol Hopkins and Phil Scott, who did a black face sketch; Little Polly Pitts, who sang; and Miss Violet Jamison who sang with Tate Fry at the piano.

The play, following its big success here, will be taken tomorrow night to Ralls, where it will be presented at the Ralls Theatre.

The following were in the cast: Mrs. C. M. Wilson, Robert McGuire, Kirk Scott, Clara Lee Johnson, Phil Scott, Ray Dickey, Jessie Green, Ruby Higgs, Reed Stribling, Carrol Hopkins, William Colville.

T. C. Russell returned Thursday of last week from Dallas where he had been on business.

R. F. Lee, of Lockney, was a business visitor in Floydada Wednesday.

## HOG KILLING WEATHER MAKES BIG CROP OF SPARE RIBS

Hog killing weather, clear and crisp close to the freezing point at night, warmer in day time, for the past three weeks, has brought forth one of the biggest crops of spare ribs and sausages that was ever known in Floyd county.

Apparently 95 per cent of the people over the country have killed hogs and fresh hog meats of every kind are in evidence in every home.

One result of the hog killing days has been the marked falling off in sales of meats at the markets and groceries, where the demand is cut practically in half, some dealers declare.

Floyd county has a large surplus of young hogs which will be ready to go to market next spring, besides a supply of fat hogs for the winter and spring months.

## "CAROLINA GIRLS" ON LYCEUM PROGRAM TONIGHT

"The Carolina Girls" will present their program as announced tonight at the High School Auditorium under the auspices of the Floydada Lyceum Committee.

Every indication is that the attendance will be good. The committee is anticipating one of the best programs of the season.

## CHURCH, SOCIETY AND CLUB NEWS OF THE WEEK IN FLOYDADA

### WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY ELECT NEW OFFICERS

The Woman's Missionary Society met at the church Friday afternoon for the purpose of closing the year's work and for the election of officers for the ensuing year. Following are the officers elected: President, Mrs. L. C. McDonald; vice president, Mrs. Meacham; superintendent of young peoples work, Mrs. J. W. Smith; superintendent of children's work, Mrs. W. A. Robbins; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. M. Willson; recording secretary, Mrs. L. H. Liston; treasurer, Mrs. Homer McDonald; assistant treasurer, Mrs. Lily Wooten; superintendent of study and publicity, Mrs. C. B. Meador; superintendent of social service, Mrs. Roy Curry; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. V. H. Trammell; voice agent, Mrs. Wilson Kimble.

—Reporter.

Report of Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church from October 20, 1920 to September 29, 1920.

Total membership of Missionary Society 45.

Total membership of young Ladies' Missionary Society 18.

Total membership of Children's Missionary Society 36.

Members in Study Class 28.

Number of members subscribing to Voice 13.

Collections:

W. M. S. Conference pledge.....\$80.00

Junior Conference Pledge.....\$5.00

Membership dues.....\$102.60

Local funds.....\$537.96

Conference pledge.....\$ 70.38

Disbursements:

Conference treasurer.....\$ 88.20

Parsonage.....\$259.65

Church building.....\$ 72.00

Orphan Boys' Clothing.....\$ 61.20

Junior's pledge.....\$ 5.00

Local.....\$109.55

## MOTHERS' CLUB NOTES

The Mothers' Club met at the North Side School Friday afternoon, December 10th, in the last meeting for the year.

We closed the year's work in this meeting, there being no new business. The next meeting will be held at the North Side School Friday afternoon, January 14th.

The business meeting was followed by an entertaining program by the second and third grades, consisting of a Christmas story, Christmas poems and songs.

—Reporter.

## AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Subjects for Sunday at the Baptist Church, as announced by Rev. W. A. Darden will be:

11 a. m. Text: "Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus." Heb. 3:1.

6 p. m. Subject: "From the Depths to the Heights."

## LIVING COSTS REDUCED CONSIDERABLY IN FLOYDADA

Living costs have been reduced very largely for people who trade in Floydada, a survey of prices effective here this month, compared with July prices indicates very clearly.

Grocery prices as a whole have dropped in Floydada an average of 15 per cent, a few items not being reduced in the market, while some have been reduced as high as 40 per cent. Dry Goods show the biggest drop, the reduction being around 50 per cent throughout the stores. Meats are off 3 to 15 per cent, bread 20 per cent and coal 20 to 30 per cent.

Dealers, like the farmers, are taking considerable losses in practically every line, to assist in the drive for lower costs of living, and the remarkable success is reflected in the savings which are possible by trading at this point.

## A. A. BEEDY SUSTAINS INJURIES FROM FALL

A. A. Beedy sustained painful but probably not serious injuries at his farm southeast of Floydada last Friday morning, when he fell from a small grain house across a wagon wheel, striking his side and the small of his back.

He has two broken ribs and is quite sore from the fall.

## FLOYD COUNTY'S CONDITION FINANCIALLY SOUND

### Money in Banks, Wheat and Maize in Bins, and Country Full of Hogs

Floyd County, as reports of newspapers and travellers can be relied upon, is in the best condition of any section of Texas, the soundness of its financial status being indicated by bank statements recently issued, showing more than \$800 per family in the county on deposit in the banks. While this is true bankers are using every legitimate means to hold down undue speculation and expansion until the readjustment the country over shall have been accomplished.

Floyd County's feed supply is sufficient to last two or three years:

Floyd County wheat bins hold some \$500,000 worth of unsold wheat;

New homes are being built in all sections of the county, reports from lumbermen indicating that many people who have been awaiting lower prices for lumber have taken advantage of the fall in building materials, which began last spring.

The wheat crop now in the ground in this county is the largest acreage ever planted in the county. It is in good condition as wheat was ever at this time of the year, with an excellent top and bottom season to assure its being carried through until the early spring months.

Floyd County is probably the "hoggiest" county in all the State of Texas, the big herds of young hogs being made ready for the spring markets promising heavy returns in the early part of the coming year.

And Floyd County people, aside from the wages which can be made from handling the big cotton crop yet ungathered, practically have their living within their own borders, a fact which may well be taken into consideration when making up a financial balance sheet for the year.

## FLOYDADA GINS TO CLOSE FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Floydada gins will close on Wednesday night, December 22nd, they have announced, for the Christmas holidays. They will re-open on Monday morning, December 27th.

## REV. O. A. MEALER TO CLOSE WORK HERE SUNDAY

Rev. O. A. Mealer will leave sometime next week for Bertram in Burnett County, where he has accepted pastoral work for a Cumberland Presbyterian congregation for the ensuing year. He has just returned from that place.

He announced Tuesday that his work here would close with the Sunday and Sunday night services, when his farewell sermons will be preached. He has been pastor of the Floydada Church for the past four years.

## TAX COLLECTIONS SLOW

Tax collections are slow these days. Tax Collector J. A. Grigsby says, less than a hundred receipts for taxes paid having been issued since the rolls were opened on October 1st.

However, this is about as usual, practically all tax payers awaiting the coming of the new year to make tax payments.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

Among the marriage licenses issued the past week by Miss Lola Walling, County Clerk of Floyd County are:

William McNeely and Miss Clara Brown, December 13th;

N. J. Smalley and Miss Vertie Lowe, December 11th;

Jesse McNeely and Miss Vada Brown, December 11th;

Fred Payne and Miss Linnie Harris, December 11th.

## MCCOY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

The box supper at McCoy School House last Saturday night was well attended. Thirty four young ladies of the community vied with each other in trimming the most attractive box, and the young men showed their appreciation by their lively and generous bidding.

In less than an hour Auctioneer C. F. Lincoln persuaded the boys to part with \$65.54, which will buy the stereopticon lantern and playground apparatus asked for.

—Contributed.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Blanton and Mrs. S. W. Ross spent Tuesday afternoon in Plainview.

## GREEN SAYS BUSINESS CONDITIONS BETTER HERE

Jas. K. Green returned Monday of this week from south Texas points, where he had been for a week on a business mission, and a visit with his mother and sister at Brownsville. He spent sometime at Galveston and Houston as well.

Business conditions in this immediate section, Mr. Green declared, are better than in any of the territory in which he traveled while away, his journey covering some 1600 miles in extent.

## FLOYDADA LODGE ODD FELLOWS ELECT OFFICERS

The Floydada Lodge of the Independent order of Odd Fellows held their semi-annual election Tuesday evening, December 7th. The following officers were elected. G. C. Tubbs, Noble Grand; A. J. Jackson, Vice Grand; J. R. Maddox, Secretary-treasurer.

The new officers will be installed on January 4th.

## NEW RESIDENCE

O. S. Miller let the contract this week for a new residence in South Floydada to W. A. Gound.

Mr. Miller will occupy the residence when completed.

## TWO McNEELY BOYS WED DURING THE WEEK

During the week two of the sons of Rev. and Mrs. T. J. McNeely have married, and both took brides from the same family.

On Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock Jesse McNeely and Miss Vada Brown were united in marriage at the Baptist Parsonage, and on the Tuesday afternoon following William McNeely and Miss Clara Brown were united in marriage at the same place, Rev. W. A. Darden, pastor of the Baptist Church officiating at both weddings.

## KANSAS CITY MARKET

Kansas City Stock Yards, Dec. 13.—Cattle receipts were larger than expected today, and the percent of fed cattle was liberal for the first time in several weeks past. Trade opened slowly at weak to 25 cents lower prices and showed no improvement later. Some prime Christmas yearling steers brought \$17.75. Hog prices were 10 to 15 cents low, top \$9.65, and bulk \$9.25 to \$9.55. Sheep and lambs were in moderate supply and sold readily at strong to 25 cents higher prices.

Receipts today were 16,500 cattle, 13,000 hogs, and 5,000 sheep, compared 11,000 cattle, 9,000 hogs, and 9,000 sheep a week ago, and 21,500 cattle, 11,500 hogs, and 7,950 sheep a year ago.

## B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM

Subject—Religion and Ethics. Scriptures; (Luke 10:25-37—Miss Rosa Jones.

Introduction—Miss Margaret Grigsby.

The Essential Nature of Religion. The Nature of Ethics—Louis Wright.

The relation of religion to Ethics.—Mr. Tubbs.

The practical application—Ardrena Jones.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

The Bible Study Class of the Methodist Church will meet next Monday instead of the fourth Monday on account of the Holidays. The program will be announced later.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Howard, of Petersburg, were among the large number of out of town shoppers in Floydada Wednesday.

Mrs. Dora Reagan left Tuesday for Abilene, where she will spend the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. W. Childers.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Butler are in Plainview, where they have their little daughter, who is quite ill of pneumonia at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Shropshire.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Slaughter and son Eugene of Roosevelt, Oklahoma, are visiting this week with his brother, G. V. Slaughter. They are accompanied by Homer Cox, also of Roosevelt.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Whitley of Florence, Texas, are moving to Floydada and will make this their home.



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**SANTA BANNED BY PURITAN FATHERS**

No Christmas Festivities or Gifts for Children in Massachusetts in Early Days

**DAY JUST LIKE ANY OTHER**

Condition Somewhat Better for Youngsters in New Amsterdam—Holiday Observance Toyless in the Colonies in Seventeenth Century

In the early days of this country's history Christmas festivities were not generally observed and poor old "Santa Claus," and all he represents, had a hard time of it.

In Massachusetts the observation of Christmas was utterly denounced as an evil, ungodly and pernicious custom, and any child daring to think of as much as a plum pudding on that day would make herself liable to reproof by the authorities. All along the stern and rock-bound coast, Geraldine Ames writes in the Churchman, the only Christmas trees in the days of the Puritan domination were those that nature had planted there and had adorned with fleecy snow. The fires burned brightly on the open hearths, but as far as the children knew Christmas was just like any other day in the calendar. Even after the Puritan reactor against the forms and customs of the old church had spent itself to some extent the children of the seventeenth century still expected no gifts in honor of the birth of Christ.

In New Amsterdam the outlook was a little better for the children. The Hollanders had brought with them their St. Nicholas, and his birthday was celebrated joyously by young and old just before Christmas, but Christmas was also observed. Of course, they had not many real toys as we know them today, but in the shoes that the little Hollanders set by the fireplace in the shining kitchen, which was also the living room, were homemade gifts. Many of these were of a useful character, such as hand-knit caps and mittens, but now and then a skillful Hollander would carve a model of a boat such as that which had brought them to New Amsterdam, or a miniature chest of drawers, and one can fancy the recipients showing these with pride to the wondering little Indian boys and girls when they came to be on terms of sufficient amity with them for such conferences.

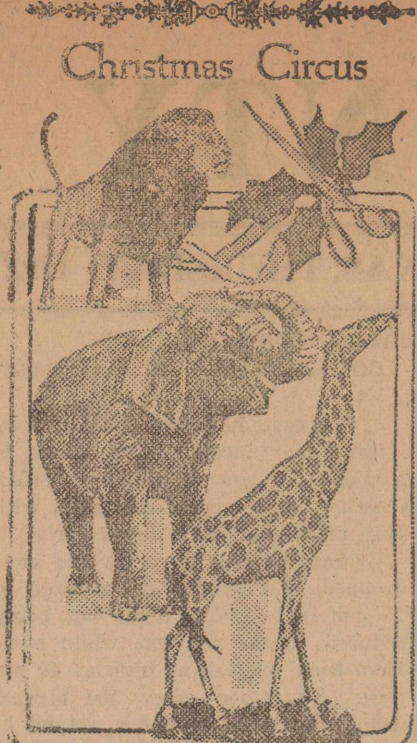
In Virginia, where the church of England was strong and its adherents steadfastly observed the holidays as in the home country, there was always more of the Christmas spirit and abundant cheer and merrymaking than elsewhere at this season. Here the Yule log held its place and here were the games and the feasting that made it indeed the merry season of the year. Later when New Amsterdam became New York and the English came in to power the character of the Christmas holiday was changed somewhat, although the Dutch influence continued dominant for many years.

Throughout the colonies in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries toys were an almost unknown factor, but wherever Christmas observations were not frowned upon by religion, feasting and good cheer were abundant, and bond and free, rich and poor, old and young, shared in the games, abundant food and genial atmosphere. In the eighteenth century toys began to make their appearance in the colonies. Some of them were brought from over seas and had the enchanting quality of novelty. Little girls who had helped to mother their younger brothers and sisters were delighted with dolls that were all their own, to fondle and coddle. A toy was a thing to be cherished in those days. Some of the gifts were of real intrinsic value, for the shipping and trading were growing to be important factors in the colonies, and men brought treasures of all kinds from the far East to the seaports, whence they were distributed to other parts of the colonies. The war for independence interrupted this and the children shared in the self-sacrifices and deprivations that were undergone by all the families lying in the colonies at that time. When soldiers were starving at Valley Forge there was little thought in their homes of Christmas merrymakings and little out of which to provide it.

After the war there were still lean years, but by the opening of the nineteenth century peace and plenty smiled upon the land and Santa Claus found it safe to resume his visits and make his distributions.

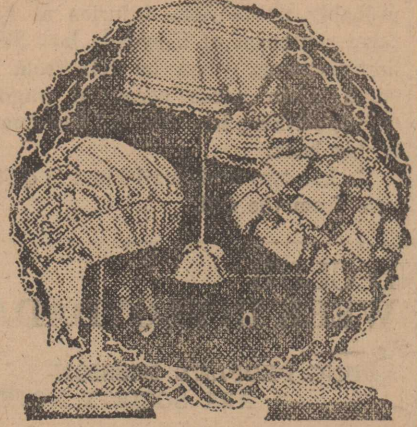
Remember Old Friends.  
 "What? A holiday greetings card with old Bill's name scribbled across it? . . . Good old Bill! Why, it's 11 years almost since we saw each other, and here he's not forgotten me even yet! . . . Huh, Mary, you needn't be so all-fired proud of that scarf Aunt Susie sent you. This may be only a colored postcard, but, by George, it's from Bill! . . . Well, well—this sure is Christmas!"

The First Christmas Card.  
 The Christmas card cannot claim to have been established so long as other of our Christmas customs. The first Christmas card came into the world in 1846, when Sir Henry Colan, an Englishman, sent Yuletide greetings to his friends.



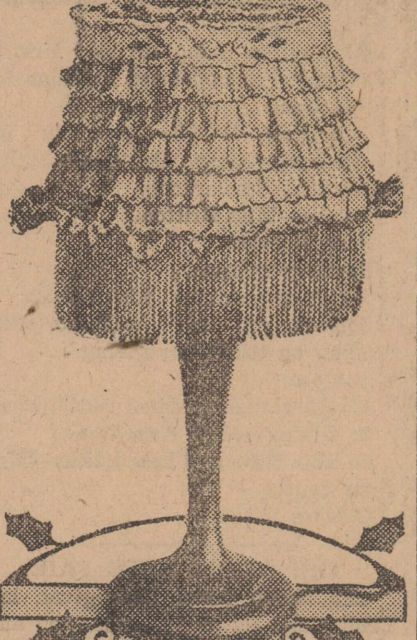
Crepe paper offers any number of good opportunities for making Christmas gifts, especially for the children. Printed figures of wild, or of domestic animals, are cut out, to make menageries or familiar barnyard friends, that delight the youngsters. The pictures are pasted over stiff cardboard and then cut out, following the outline of the animal, but leaving a straight piece to provide a support.

**Pretty Breakfast Caps**



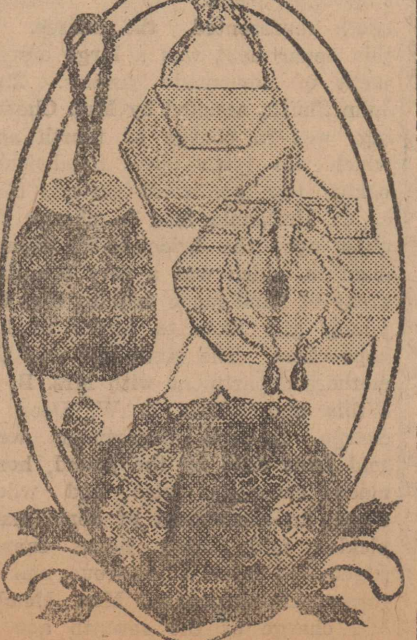
Every dear lady, young or old, has a right to expect that Santa Claus will bring her a pretty new breakfast cap. Three of this year's models, all easy to make, are shown in the picture and they employ ribbons, net laces and flowers, as usual.

**The Christmas Candle**



Every Christmas brings its new candle and lamp shades that do so much to make the house gay and please their recipients. Parchment silk, ribbons and crepe paper are used for making these gifts. The lovely shade pictured is made of crepe paper.

**Gift Bags of Ribbons**



Plain satin, satin with picot edges and handsome brocaded ribbons in great variety, or silks go to make up the lovely shopping and opera bags designed for the holidays. Mountings of metal or composition, to harmonize with the patterns, and ornaments, including silk cord, beads, pendants and silk-covered forms, are all at hand to help in the finishing of these gifts.

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LETTERS—GUARDIANSHIP**

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
 To the Sheriff or any Constable of Floyd County—Greeting:  
 You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Floyd State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:  
 Notice of Application for Letters—Guardianship

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
 To all persons interested in the welfare of I. N. Dillard, Jr., and Inez Ruth Dillard, minors, I. N. Dillard has filed in the county court of Floyd County, an application for Letters of Guardianship of the Estate of I. N. Dillard Jr., and Inez Ruth Dillard, minors, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing the 3 Men. in Jan., A. D. 1921, at the Monday in January, A. D. 1921, at the Court House thereof, in the town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas, at which time all persons interested in the welfare of such minors may appear and contest such application should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said Court this Writ, with your return thereon endorsed, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Floydada, Texas, this 13th day of December, A. D. 1920.

(Seal) LOLA WALLING,  
 Clerk County Court, Floyd County, Texas. 41-3tc

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McFarland and Mrs. Prangle of Petersburg, were in Floydada last Thursday.

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Ben Whitfill, of Lockney, was a business visitor in Floydada Saturday.  
 A. J. Blackwell was among Saturday's visitors in Floydada.  
 Flake Garner, embalmer, of Plainview, was here on professional business Saturday afternoon.  
 T. P. Adams of Wichita Falls spent last Saturday and Sunday with his mother, Mrs. J. W. Adams.

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Shop early and avoid the rush. We have a nice assortment of Art Glass, Ivory, Hand Painted China and Aluminum Ware.

We have a nice line of Bicycles, Wagons, Kiddy Cars, in fact most any kind of toy you could call for. We also have a few Dry Goods. Union Suits for Ladies' and Children.

Ladies and Men's Gloves in assortments for Xmas Gifts.

Hosiery of all kinds—for men, women and children.

Everything in the store takes the 25 per cent discount.

**Floydada Variety Store**  
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**Ford**  
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**The Ford Coupe**

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The Ford Coupe administers to a great variety of owners, from the physician to the traveling man, from the engineer to the architect, and then for a pleasure car for two it is unbeatable. We ask your early order if you want a Ford Coupe, because we want to make delivery as quickly as we can but we must have a little time. Come in and talk it over.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Floyd County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded, that you summon, by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in the County of Floyd if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published once each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, T. C. Bradley whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. District Court of Floyd County, Texas, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the County of Floyd at the Court House thereof, in Floydada on the 28th day of February, A. D. 1920, then and there to answer a Petition filed in said Court, on the 11th day of December, A. D. 1920, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1303, wherein J. E. Burns is plaintiff and T. C. Bradley is defendant. The nature of the plaintiffs demand being as follows, to-wit:

Whereas, T. L. Woods, who resides in Uvalde County, Texas, as plaintiff, in cause entitled T. L. Woods vs T. C. Bradley, et al, Number 818, did on the 25th day of February, 1912, obtain a judgment in his, plaintiff's favor, in the District Court of Floyd County, Texas, against the said T. C. Bradley and J. E. Burns, as defendants, upon certain notes described in the petition filed in said cause, which recovery was in the amount of \$1264.93, principal, interest and attorney's fees, which judgment bears interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum, and which judgment was a foreclosure of a vendor's lien, upon the following described property, to-wit:

Four-fifths of Lot Number Eleven and all of Lot Number ten in block number fourteen and lot number one in block number twenty, in Railroad Addition to the town of Lockney,

Texas. And also a block 165 feet by 150 feet, out of the R. M. Emmerson Homestead Survey, No. 7, beginning 220 yards south of the north west corner of said survey number seven, thence south 330 feet, thence east 422 feet for the southwest corner of the block herein conveyed, thence east 150 feet for the southeast corner of the block herein conveyed, thence north 165 feet for the northeast corner of the block herein conveyed, thence west 150 feet for the northwest corner of the block herein conveyed, thence south 165 feet to the place of beginning.

Also one other tract of land described as follows: Beginning at the north east corner of a block of land sold to Alpha B. Mise by M. H. Ragle and wife, Ida Ragle on the 13th day of December, 1905, for the north east corner of this lot, thence west 150 feet for the northwest corner of this lot, thence south 60 feet for the southwest corner of this lot, thence east 150 feet for the south east corner of this lot thence north sixty feet to place of beginning, being a part of a ten acre tract sold to M. H. Ragle by J. A. Baker and wife, Alice Baker on the 17th day of June, 1901.

Each of the above described tracts located in Floyd County, Texas.

And which said judgment was in manner and form a legal judgment for the foreclosure of the land securing the above described judgment for money and providing for the issuance of an order of sale, and that said judgment is duly recorded in the minutes of the District Court of Floyd County, Texas, at the February 1912 term thereof;

And under the terms of said judgment the said J. E. Burns and the said T. C. Bradley were each liable for 1/2 thereof, they being joined in said judgment, and being jointly and severally debtors for said sum, and the said T. C. Bradley being responsible and liable for one half of said judgment interest and costs in said cause.

That on the 20th day of January 1913, the plaintiff in said judgment, T. L. Woods, made, executed and delivered to this plaintiff a due and legal transfer of said judgment upon payment by this plaintiff of all sums of money due thereon, including the one half due by T. C. Bradley, defendant, to the said T. L. Woods. That by the payment of said sums of money in said judgment specified, in full, according to the face and tenor of said judgment and the transfer of said judgment by the said plaintiff, T. L. Woods, to this plaintiff, J. E. Burns, the defendant, T. C. Bradley became indebted and in law bound to pay this plaintiff the one half of said judgment and costs. That this plaintiff is the owner of said judgment; and as such owner has not had order of sale issued within the time specified by law and that said judgment at this time is dormant; and that the defendant T. C. Bradley has paid no part of said judgment, either to the plaintiff in said suit of the said T. L. Woods vs T. C. Bradley, et al, or to this plaintiff, who is the owner of said judgment, to plaintiff's damage in the sum of \$2,000.00.

Wherefore, premises considered plaintiff prays that this Honorable Court enter its judgment of revival as to the said judgment, in the case of T. L. Woods vs T. C. Bradley, et al, above described, and that this plaintiff have his judgment revived said judgment in his favor, for the one half of said judgment and costs therein recoverable against the said defendant T. C. Bradley, and that said judgment, so revived, provide for the issuance of order of sale, for the foreclosure of the land retained and described in said judgment in said cause of said T. L. Woods vs T. C. Bradley, et al, and that this plaintiff have judgment for all costs of suit and for such other and further relief as in law or equity he may be entitled to. Herein fail not, and have you before

said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same. Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Floydada, Texas, this, the 11th day of December, A. D. 1920.

G. C. TUBBS,  
Clerk District Court, Floyd County,  
Texas.

WORK THAT ONE COMMUNITY HAS DONE FOR ITSELF

It is easier to tell you how and what we did in our little rural school than to speculate or theorize on what should be done to advance education in the neighborhood.

Ours was a one-room, one-teacher, half-salaried, typical, country school—window glasses out, broken desks, and teachers coming and going because they could find better places.

First, we voted an extra tax (I say "we," for while the women could not vote, through our school improvement club, we set in motion the machinery to bring about this vote) by securing necessary qualified voters to petition for an election. Then we went to the school building the day of the election and served sandwiches, coffee, tea, and smiles of approval to the men—our brothers, husbands and sweethearts.

After that we built a nice, big, two-room school building with small music room, dressing rooms and closets.

This past winter our club gave a monthly entertainment at the school building, wherein all of the community had a part each according to his or her talent. We not only made money to improve our schoolroom but made enough to run the school two additional months by paying the teachers' salaries. Yes, we had two teachers—five of our women appointed by the club went out in the community in September and solicited funds from patrons and friends of educa-

tion, and thus had enough funds to engage an additional teacher.

Here are a few of the improvements we made in our school—a country school: We put in two coal heaters and bought coal for the winter; bought \$15 worth of books for the library; installed two comfortable closets; stained all the woodwork; bought small desks for primary teachers' room; bought garden tools and flower seed for school gardens; got some pictures for the walls; put some swings in the grounds; put shades in the two used rooms, and, in addition to this, served a community Thanksgiving dinner of turkey, cranberries, potatoes, macaroni, charlotte russe, cake and coffee to 100 people and a big Thanksgiving entertainment at the school building.—The Progressive Farmer.

Austin Wiggins, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Wiggins of this place who has been very ill at Crowell, Texas, is reported to be better this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells Henry returned last Friday from Greenville, where Mrs. Henry had been for an operation. She is recovering very satisfactorily.

**Stockings for Christmas Only.**  
The Christmas stocking as generally known is one taken from the bureau supply for daily wear. In certain parts of the country, however, the Christmas stocking is never in use except to be "hung from the chimney with care." The New England stocking of this kind is usually long in the leg and knitted from woolen yarn. There are stockings on Cape Cod which have been used by four generations of children. Once emptied of their treasure on Christmas morning they are rolled up and marked and laid away for the next year's festivities.

**The Question of Importance.**  
Millionaire—Tell me, child, that young man who wants to marry you this Christmas, has he got any money?  
Miss Innocence—Money, father? Why, he has 'just given me a cluster diamond ring studded with pearls.  
Millionaire—Yes, I know. Has he any money left?

A. N. Gamble left Friday morning for Wichita and Dallas to be gone about two weeks.

Oscar Hill of Plainview was here on business Thursday.

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## Why Not COMBINE Your Christmas Giving In ONE Wonderful Present?



In other years Father and each of the children, as well as other members of the family, have given Mother individual Christmas presents. These gifts, especially the children's, have probably been small presents, very likely of perishable nature. While Mother has prized them all, she has had no big, lasting, handsome token of her family's love and esteem. This Christmas let all the family combine to give Mother one, big, splendid present that will last a lifetime—

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Think of Mother's surprise and delight to find a handsome, new Amberola Phonograph in the parlor on Christmas morning, with a card saying, "To Mother, from Dad and the children!" Or perhaps Mother and the children will put their gift-money together to surprise Father in this practical, sensible way!

Just a little from every member of the family will bring an Amberola Phonograph into your home on Christmas morning, because as a result of Mr. Edison's expressed wish we can offer you this ideal Family Gift on the easiest possible terms!

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You haven't a minute to lose. Come at once, before our Christmas stock of Amberolas is exhausted. Select your Amberola and Amberol Records and we'll deliver them to your home before Christmas day. As to terms—you'll be surprised how easy we'll make it for you to give Mother or Father this wonderful Christmas present.

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Snow fell only 25 miles north of Floydada during last week and 90 miles north at Canyon 3 inches of snow fell.

T. F. Richardson for the past eight months cashier of the Briscoe County State Bank, has resigned his place in the bank and has accepted a position as teacher in a school.

Newspapers of the panhandle are making much of the fact that Rev. J. H. Vinson, pastor of the Baptist Church at Silverton, has asked that his salary be cut from \$1600 a year to \$1500. The Hesperian is obsessed with the new fangled idea that the "workers in the vineyard" ought to be paid more money instead of less.

It looks like the I. & G. N. Railway have put their foot in it, to use a familiar expression. When Gov. Hobby went to Mexico two weeks ago they demanded a cash deposit of \$60,000 before they would permit a dining car to cross the line into Mexico. Since the return it is noted that these cars are taxed only at \$5,000 each. It looks like they may have their tax on cars doubled and then some.—The Hall County Herald.

Robberies, burglaries, petty thefts, and other crimes of similar nature are coming thick and fast. Four stores in Canyon were entered one night last week, one in Lockney, and every county in the panhandle has from one to four such stories to tell. "Easy money" spoils lots of us and these boys who are doing these burglaries had gotten the easy habit and they could not stand the idea of going to work, which some of them will do, however, it appears.

A firm at Paducah is advertising a car of flour, on which "we are prepared to take care of a limited amount of county script at the usual discount." Which means that Cottle County has no money in its treasury and can't borrow any more to take care of its current debts. It is the first instance of the kind to be called to our attention in West Texas. Floyd County "script" has always been worth its face value. Let us hope that it shall always be.

J. A. Goins and wife of Lockney, were visitors in Floydada Wednesday afternoon.

### DEATH OF MRS. M. A. SHOCKEY

Mary Alice Shockey, whose maiden name was Rossen, was born at Clayton, Ill., May 8th, 1868, and died last Saturday at about nine o'clock, a. m., being 52 years of age. She was married to Daniel Shockey, December 3rd, 1885, at Clayton, Ill., from there they moved to Cameron, Mo. She came to Floydada last June, where she has lived with her son, C. A. Shockey, being in bed most of the time in dreadful afflictions, waiting for the end to come. She was the mother of two children, Mrs. J. E. Wallace of Cameron, Mo., and C. A. Shockey, whose home is Floydada, both of whom were present and it was at Mr. Shockey's home that she bided her time waiting for a translation to the other world. She received every attention during her afflictions, that a dutiful son and his wife could give a precious mother.

She has two brothers living, one of them, G. A. Rossen, resides at Miami, Fla., and the other, C. A. Rossen at Mt. Sterling, Ill. Neither of them were able to reach here for the funeral on account of the long distance.

She has three grand-children, Bertha and Chas. Wallace, and Avana Shockey. Her mother preceded her to the eternal home about two years ago, dying with the same dreadful disease as the one that carried her away. Mrs. Shockey has spent most of her life as a nurse and had been diligent to her profession, always striving in every way to help the suffering. She had never been identified with any church, but all that knew her bore the testimony that she was a good Christian character. It was my privilege to only see her once, but

she talked so beautifully about the going. Said she was just here waiting and talked about it with the calmness and interest as one would an anticipated earthly journey of great promise and pleasure. She had talked with the loved ones about all her plans and even to mention about the flowers on her grave and said, she did not care so much for them to be banked around her grave but enjoyed them most while living, and frequently, as they could be had they were brought to her. She holds in her hand a beautiful flower, and a beautiful cluster of roses will go into the grave with her. We know not but they may accompany her to yonders world. She had all arrangements made for the journey, her ticket was purchased, her trunk was packed and she is now aboard the old ship of Zion and we know where to find her. And to the loved ones present let me admonish you that there is help in God for such sad hours. God never would send you the darkness

If he felt you could bear the light And you would not cling to his strong arms,  
If the way were always bright. Then nestle your hand in your Father's  
And sing if you can, as you go; Your song may cheer some one behind you  
Whose courage is sinking low, And ah well, if your lips do quiver, All the better so.

C. B. MEADOR.

Mrs. Jack Childress returned Sunday of last week from Vernon where she has been visiting for the past three weeks.

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On our entire stock. Everything included. Not an item reserved. THIS SALE BEGINS SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 18th, and Closes Friday Night, December 24th. It will positively prove the biggest Bargain Event in the history of merchandising in Floydada. In these few short days left before Christmas, shoppers can find every kind of useful gifts here at prices which prevailed before the war.

### Men's and Boys' Clothing

- Men's Suits, worth from \$25 to \$75, go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
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- Men's Dress Pants, worth from \$3 to \$15, go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Men's Corduroy Pants, worth from \$5 to \$10 go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Men's Blue work shirts worth from \$1.50 to \$2.50 go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Men's Dress Shirts, worth from \$1 to \$5 go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- All Silk Shirts, go in this sale at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- We have a big stock of Men's and Boys' Sweaters worth from \$1.50 to \$15.00, go in this sale at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Men's Hats worth from \$3.50 to \$17.50, go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Men's Fur Caps, worth from \$5 to \$17.50, go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Men's and Boys' Winter Caps, worth from \$1 to \$3.50 go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Men's Dress Gloves, worth from \$2 to \$7.50, go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**

- Men's Work Gloves, worth from \$1.50 to \$5, go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Boys' Dress Gloves, worth from \$1.50 to \$3.50, go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Men's and Boys' Jersey Gloves go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**

### Men's Shoes One Half Price

- Here's where we give you one of the biggest cuts we have ever offered in a sale.
- Men's Dress Shoes, worth \$6.50 to \$15.00 go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Men's Work Shoes, worth from \$5 to \$10, go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- All Boys' Shoes go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- All Children's Shoes go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**

### House Shoes One Half Price

We have a big stock of Daniel Green House Shoes for Men, Women and Children. Make mighty nice Christmas presents. They go at

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### Staple Piece Goods Cut Half in Two

- Woolens worth from \$1.50 to \$6.50, go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Silks and Satins, worth from \$1 to \$5, go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Dress Gingham and Percales, worth from 25c to 50c **ONE-HALF PRICE**

- Dark and Light Outings, worth from 25c to 50c **ONE-HALF PRICE**

### Ladies' Ready-To-Wear

- Ladies' Suits worth from \$25 to \$75 go at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Ladies' Coats worth from \$16.50 to \$65 **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Children's Coats, worth from \$5 to \$25 **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Ladies' Silk and Serge Dresses worth from \$12.50 to \$50 **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Ladies' Gingham Dresses worth from \$2 to \$5 **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Children's Gingham Dresses, worth from \$1 to \$4 **ONE-HALF PRICE**

### Ladies' and Children's Underwear

- A nice line of silk underwear goes in this sale at **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Ladies' Union Suits, worth from \$1 to \$3.50 **ONE-HALF PRICE**
- Children's Union Suits, worth from 75c to \$2.50 **ONE-HALF PRICE**

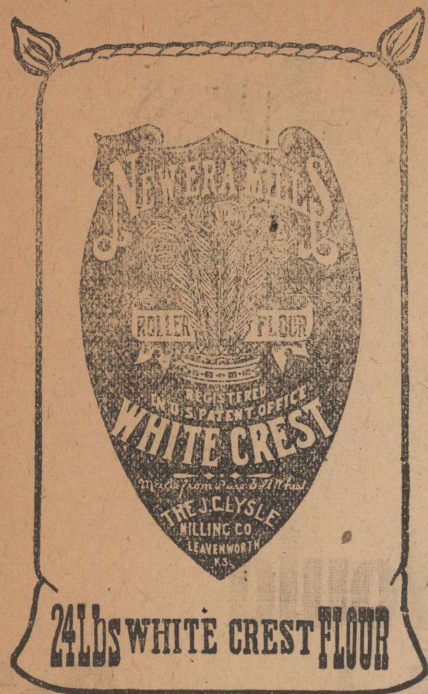
### Ladies' and Children's Hosiery

- Ladies' Silk Hose worth from \$1.75 to \$5.00 **ONE-HALF PRICE**
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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Floydada, Texas, 12-9-20.  
DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am a little girl, nine years old. I want you to bring me a sleeping doll, and little bed, a story book that is told about a little girl. I want a big rubber ball and lots of nuts, candy, and oranges.

Your dear friend,  
Thelma Smith.

Floydada, Texas Dec. 10 1920.  
DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

We are two little boys, one seven and the other two years old.

Please bring me a little air gun and a little train and apples, oranges and nuts.

Bring little brother a little wagon, a little bear and a doll and lots of good things to eat.

We remain as ever, from  
T. J. and little Paul Foster.

Floydada, Texas, Dec. 9, 1920.  
DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am a little girl 8 years old and I want two little dolls, a trunk and a set of dishes and some candy, apples and nuts.

I have two little brothers, one of them is five and the other is seven and they want a stopper gun, some candy, apples, nuts too, so please remember us.

Annie Jewel Fawver.

Floydada, Texas, Dec. 10, 1920.  
DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I want an air rifle, skull-cap, some firecrackers, Roman candles, watch chain and some candy and apples.

Your little friend,  
John Key West.

DEAR GOOD SANTA CLAUS:

I am writing you to let you know that I want you to bring me an air gun and some shot, and a little train and an airplane and fruits, nuts, and candy.

Clifford Lee,  
Star Route, Care W. D. Lee.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am writing you a few lines to let you know what I want. Please bring me a target and some shells, and a big French harp, and some fruits and candies, and a little delivery car.

Melton Lee,  
Star Route, Care W. D. Lee.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

Are you coming to see us? We are good children. Bring us lots of presents. If the weather is bad we will be at home. If the weather is good we will be at the Christmas Tree at Fairview.

I want a buggy, I want a bed, I want a doll with curls.

This is all the time I have to write.  
Good bye,  
Eugenia Hoffman.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am looking for you to come to see me, and I am writing you in plenty of time, so you will have time to find where I live. I want a baby doll and a little rocking chair to rock my dollie in, and I also want a Teddy Bear. Now, Santa, don't forget 'cause I am going to hang up my stocking.

Lillian Evelyn Pelphrey.

DEAR, SWEET, DARLING SANTA:

How are you? Fine I hope. Bring me a little muff and fur and a little set of dishes, and a little cabinet. I hate to ask you for so many things.

With love,  
Elizabeth Anne Hopkins.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am a little boy five years old. Please bring me a ball, a tricycle, and bring me a horn and other toys. Also some candy, fruit and nuts. Please don't forget my little sister who is a year old.

Wishing you a jolly Christmas I remain,  
Your friend,  
Raymond King.

Floydada, Texas, Dec. 10.

DEAREST SANTA CLAUS:

As we are little girls, age eight and six please bring us a little stove, two doll buggies, a set of dishes, two chairs for our dolls, a little trunk and some fire crackers. Don't forget to fill our stockings with apples, oranges, candy, nuts and bananas. Hoping to see you soon.

We are yours,  
Ellen and Helen Pitts.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am a little girl six years old, am going to school, am in the first grade. I try to be a good little girl by getting my lessons well and by doing what mama and papa likes for me to do. No wSanta Claus, will you please send me a sleepy doll for my Xmas present. If all the sleepy dolls have to go to the little orphan girls please bring me a nice cloak.

Lou Ella Lincoln.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

Bring me a ball and some firecrackers. My cousin is here and I want you to bring him some things, and I want a horn, nuts, candy and a football.

Your friend,  
Russell King.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I am writing you a few lines asking you not to forget us. We live 10 miles from town. We would like a pair of school shoes a tam, a big doll, some candy and fruit. I will have a big cake for you on the table.

Good bye,  
Mamie and Minnie Lee Carathers.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

Here come two little boys asking you to be sure and come to see us. We want some candy and fruit. I (Johnnie) want a little wagon, a tricycle, and just anything you have to spare. Baby wants a buggy and a blanket and a rattler.

Good bye, Santa.  
Your little boys,  
Johnnie and Baby Walter Carathers.

Floydada, Texas, Dec. 10 1920.  
DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

We are writing you to tell you what we want for Xmas. We are little twin boys. We want two balls, and two little knives and two little pistols with caps and some candy, fruits and nuts. We wrote you last Christmas and you were pretty good to us. Don't forget the other little children.

Santa, you will find the cake and pie in the cabinet, and please, Santa, don't forget some fire-crackers.  
Your little friends,  
Floyd and Loyd Murray.

Floydada, Texas, Dec 12, 1920.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

Please bring us a doll, a set of dishes and a box of colors and lots of good things to eat and our little sister Dana wants a doll and a little red chair and we want you to bring little baby sister some things, too.

Earnestine and Frankie Jones,  
Lakeview.

Floydada, Texas, R. 3, Dec.10, 1920.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

Will you please bring me a big doll and a kodak and a ring. I will close, from your best friend.

Jessie May Carter.

Floydada, Texas, Dec. 11, 1920.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I want a little doll with pretty clothes on and black curly hair and apples, oranges, nuts and candy.

Your friend,  
Grace Norman.

Floydada, Texas, Dec. 10, 1920.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:

I will write you to let you know what I want you to bring me. I am a little boy seven years old, am going to school. I like to go fine and like my teacher and am learning fast, so thought maby you could visit me. I want a little hoe, rake, and shovel, a knife and a little car, some candy, nuts and fruit or anything you have for a little boy. I have two big

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## Christmas Dangers!

Do not allow your Christmas Joys to be interrupted by the sight of your home in ashes.

A smoldering firecracker in a pile of trash, a lighted candle and a window curtain, a defective flue when the big hot fire is lighted Christmas morning—any of them dangers you should guard against.

And should all your precautions fail, a policy written by us is the next best safeguard.

## R. E. FRY INSURANCE AGENCY

First National Bank Building, Floydada.

brothers don't forget them and papa and mama. I will thank you very much.

From Carter Splawn.  
P. S. Santa, don't forget Miss Ivy.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:  
I want a doll, a doll buggy, some apples and candy for Christmas. I hate to ask you for so much but I guess you won't mind because I want it.

Ruth Jenkins.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:  
I am a little boy eight years old please bring me an air rifle and a

little engine and some roman candles. I have a baby sister please bring her a doll, a doll buggy and some dishes and bring us both some candy, fruit and nuts.

Your little boy,  
Layton Dorrell.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:  
You have always brought us lots of nice things so this year we will not ask for very much. I want a doll that cries and my little brother wants a little tricycle and some candies and apples and nuts and oranges.

Your loving little girl,  
Mildred Heath.

Miss Delis Mitchell of Plainview is visiting here this week with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Light and daughter, Miss Burl of Lockney, were shopping in Floydada Monday.



**JOE H. SMITH MOVING TO HAMILTON COUNTY**

Joe H. Smith and family will move sometime during next week to Hamilton County, Mr. Smith having recently purchased a section of land near Hico.

Mr. Smith is moving east to get cheap grazing lands, he said.

He sold his farm east of Floydada recently to J. F. Roberts.

**CARD OF THANKS**

In the long afflictions of our mother and her recent death, we have had so many sympathizing and helpful friends who ministered day and night, that we take this method of saying to you that helpfulness and sympathy shall never be forgotten.

Mrs. Wallace.  
C. A. Shockey and Wife.

Bruner Gound, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gound, had an operation at Lubbock Saturday of last week for ear trouble. His mother has been in Lubbock with him.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hall and family of Amarillo visited for a few days last week with Mrs. A. J. Welch.

J. S. Terry made a trip to Plainview Sunday.

Mesdames F. C. Bourland and Roy Burleson of Matador were shopping in Floydada last Monday.

**LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS**

Floydada, Texas, Dec. 11, 1920.  
**DEAR SANTA CLAUS:**  
I want you to bring me some fire works and such things as you think a seven year old boy needs.  
George Kneirim.

**DEAR SANTA CLAUS:**  
Please bring (Bert Ione) a doll that can say "Mama," a little wash tub and board, iron and ironing board and a little doll buggy.

Santa, please bring me (John Edwards) a ball bearing tricycle, a train and doll. Also bring us plenty of fruit, candy and nuts.

Your little friends,  
Bert Ione and John Edwards Smith.

**DEAR SANTA CLAUS:**  
Will you please send me a baby doll, little stove, little bed, set of dishes, story books and some fruits, nuts and candy.

I have a little sister and she wants you to bring her a doll, piano, little bed, set of dishes, stove and nuts, fruits and some candy.

Your little friends,  
Oneta and Carrie Bell Carter.  
Route 2, Box 2, Floydada, Texas.  
P. S. And be sure to remember all of the poor children.

**DEAR SANTA CLAUS:**  
I want a Kewpie doll with real hair. I want some candies, fruits and nuts and a little bank to keep my money in. I don't want very much. I will be satisfied with a few things. Be sure to bring my little brother, Marshall, a little car.  
Your loving little girl,  
Ruth Guthrie.

**DEAR SANTA CLAUS:**  
Bring me a doll buggy, a doll bed, rocking chair and a doll trunk, a comb, brush and mirror.  
Lola Kneirim.

**DEAR SANTA CLAUS:**  
I would like to tell you of some things I would like to have for Christmas.

I want a steam engine, a French harp, some skyrockets, a bubble blower and an erector set and some candy and nuts.

Now Santa, you don't have to get me all of these, but please bring me a steam engine and the French harp. We are going to have a Christmas Tree at the Baptist Church.  
Yours truly,  
Adam Henry Johnson.

**DEAR SANTA CLAUS:**  
I want you to be sure and come to

see me and my bubba. I want a big doll with rubber tongue, some little dishes to cook in, a little nut set, a story book and some pretty little handkerchiefs. My bubba wants a kiddie car, a shotland pony, a donkey-wagon, little drum and a kewpie and lots of things.  
Mary Anne Kimble.

**"TATLER" STUDENTS' PAPER, ISSUED WEDNESDAY**

"The Tatler," students paper issued under the auspices of the Junior Class of the High School, was issued Wednesday of this week.

The publication will deal with the school life in F. H. S., all classes of the school being represented on its staff. It will be issued bi-monthly until the close of the school year. Chauncey Garrison is editor; Ira Marshall business manager; Emma Summerville, treasurer; Margaret Grigsby, secretary; Jack Scott, Literary editor; Chester Day, Athletic editor; Rosa Jones, Society editor; Virgie Price, advertising manager. Senior reporters are Aubrey Bishop and Sidney Menefee, the sophomore class are represented on the staff by Mary Childress and Maurice Burke, the freshman class having four members on the staff in the persons of Lena Stevens, Dan Jenkins, Macyle Burke and Velma Jackson.

**MARY CHILDRESS ENTERTAINS**  
On the evening of December 11th, 1920, a party was given to a number of young people at the home of Mary Childress.

Various kinds of games were played and some of the evening was spent with music as the entertainment.

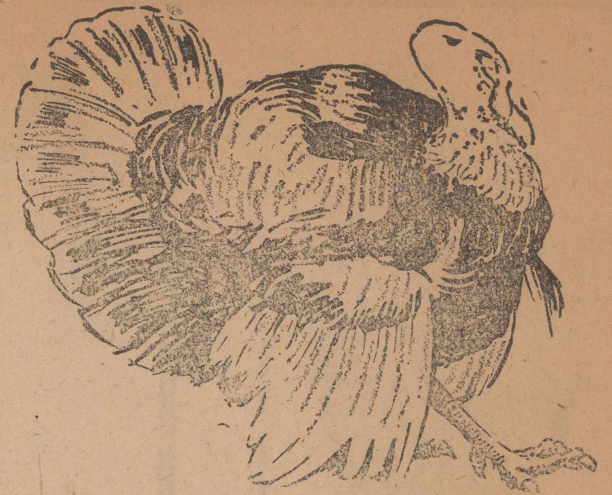
At 9:00 o'clock every one was given as much popcorn as they could eat. As the evening grew late the guests soon left, all of them declaring that they had a delightful time.

Those present were—Misses Thelma Williams, Gladys Covington, Evelyn Neil, Tommy Lee Awtry, Ermena Thompson, Allene Stovall, Margaret Grigsby; Messrs. Ira Marshall, Roy Lee Haynes, Ralph Zachry, Bill Beedy, Leslie Sarginer, Kenneth Henry, and Chauncey Garrison.

—Contributed.

R. L. Carter and family reached Floydada Saturday from Langston, Ala., where they had been making their home for the past year. Mr. Carter has bought a farm northeast of Floydada, which he will occupy.

Hesperian Want ads bring results.



**What Would Christmas Be?**

Without the goodies that mother provides to gladden the hearts of the little ones and the grown-ups, too.

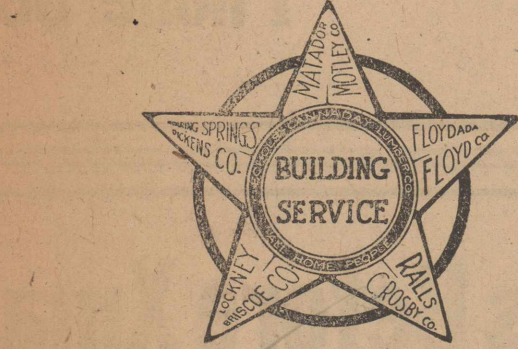
There are fruit cakes, and pies and doughnuts to make; the cookie jar to fill, and heaps of delicious things that are a real necessity at Christmas time.

For the Christmas dinner we have abundantly prepared with a splendid assortment of fresh, delicious things for your early choosing.

Most complete line California can goods in all the best brands at prices below the market today. Place your Christmas order early. All orders of \$2.00 or over delivered free. Place your order before 10 a. m. each day to get delivery that day.

**Star Cash Grocery**

J. M. HAMNER, PROPRIETOR  
South Side Square



**Your Building Requirements**

No matter what they may be, are our concern, and we have plans and suggestions that we feel sure will be of material aid, whether the building be a grain house, chicken house, or a more pretentious building.

We furnish plans and estimates on homes and buildings of all kinds.

Whether you are building a home, shed, garage or just doing some repair work we are ready and anxious to serve you.

**Echols-Cannaday Lumber Co.**  
Telephone 36  
Floydada, Texas

**SANTA CLAUS Will SOON Be HERE!**



Make OUR STORE YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING HEADQUARTERS for Desirable Gift Goods

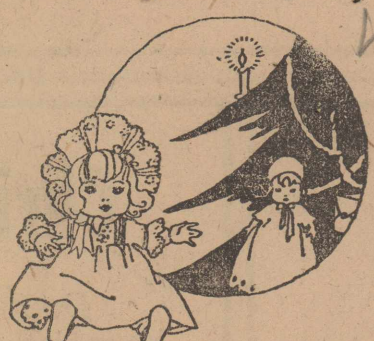


**Christmas Stationery To Her Liking**

Our artistic selections of Stationery offers a sensible suggestion for an always acceptable gift.

Stationery that is correct, dignified and fashionable.

Also a nice assortment of cards. Make your selections early.



**Toys and Dolls for the Little Folks**

See the splendid assortment of things to make glad the heart of the little folks.

**FOR The Smoker!**

Our assortment of Cigars, Cigarettes, Tobaccos, is sure to answer your every requirement.

Why not have that box of cigars or Carton of Cigarettes Laid away right now, so you'll have it for the Christmas Gift.

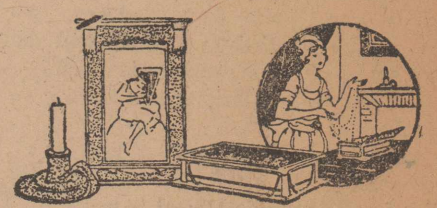
**We have the best brands --can fill orders promptly**



**Jewelry and Toilet Requisites for Men**

Our store is brimming over with just these sort of things. You can find the very thing you want for him.

We'll help you make your selections that we know will be to his liking.



**Candies--Pure Fresh and Delicious**

Christmas Candy is as much a part of the festive occasion as the Christmas Tree.

Here you will find a big assortment of regular and Novelty Boxes, Fresh and wholesome.

We have specialized this year on attractively wrapped Good Candies.

Order Her Christmas Candy now.

We have hundreds of Most Desirable Articles here suitable for gifts for all Members of the Family, from the least to the oldest. We feel sure we can help you with suggestions.

TELEPHONE 30

**Woody Drug Company**

FLOYDADA, TEXAS



**The Hesperian Want Ad Department**

**WANT ADS CASH**

We again call the attention of our advertisers that want ads are strictly cash unless the customer has a regular monthly account. Customers who do not have regular accounts with us are asked to accompany the advertisement with cash.

**FOR SALE**—1915 model Ford touring car in good running order. See O. A. Meador not later than Saturday 41-1tp.

Buy her a Western Electric Washer with swinging wringer. 41-ttc.

Look out for the little Glass jars. Slip in a coin. You may help make some kid see a good Christmas. 41-1tc

**FOR SALE**—My residence worth the money, 4 blocks south of post office. Phone 17 or see W. J. Fahey. 41-1tc

If you want your family washing done, phone 17. 41-1tc

Fancy eating apples at Collins Grocery Co. Phone 88. 41-1tc

Wanted to buy—100 acre improved farm. Must have some wheat and be worth the money. P. O. Box 571, Floydada. 41-1tp.

See a genuine indestructible pearl necklace at Glad's. 41-1tc

See the Cash Market, phone 221, before you sell your fat cows and yearlings. 27-4tc

When you think of Christmas giving—think of giving photographs. Wilson's Studio. 41-1tc

For Mother's Christmas. A portrait of her son or daughter, or baby, or a family group, will please Mother immensely around Christmas time. Wilson's Studio. 41-1tc

**LOST**—Double Laprobe at Santa Fe Station in Floydada Monday morning. Robe black one side, mixed color on other. Finder return to Hesperian office. 41-1tp

**FOR RENT**—One room for roomers only. Phone 17. 41-1tc

Buy your Christmas Candies at the Goodie Garden. 41-1tc

Buy her a Western Electric Washer with swinging wringer. 41-ttc.

**FOR SALE**—My residence worth the money, 4 blocks south of post office. Phone 17 or see W. J. Fahey. 41-1tc

Buy your Christmas oranges, real good ones, at Collins Grocery Co. Phone No. 88. 41-1tc

Some guy took \$3 out of a "Goodfellows" jar and placed in place an unsigned check. He's not our kind and we will give him a nice box of cigars for Christmas present to let us know who he is. 41-1tc

Glad's for Christmas Gifts. 41-1tc

Buy her a Western Electric Washer with swinging wringer. 41-ttc.

Our stock of extra fancy canned fruits is complete, strawberries, loganberries, gooseberries, blackberries, raspberries, plums, sliced and grated pineapple. Collins Grocery Co. Phone No. 88. 41-1tc

Write the Goodfellows" if you don't think Santa clause will see you this Christmas.

Positively no Christmas goods returned or exchanged at Glad's. 41-1tc

**FOR SALE**—75 head purebred white leghorn pullets, \$1 each. L. H. Dorrell. 40-2tp

**GINNS WILL CLOSE FOR CHRISTMAS WEDNESDAY DEC. 22**

The undersigned gins of Floydada will close for Christmas on Wednesday night, December 22nd, and will reopen on Monday morning, December 27th.

We ask our customers to keep these dates in mind and arrange their ginning accordingly.

West Texas Gin Company, Farmers' Gin Company, Lewis & Davis Gin Company. 40-2tc.

Silk shirts, fur overcoat collars, and neckwear are sensible gifts, see them at Glad's. 41-1tc

Town lots for sale in any part of Floydada, R. C. Scott. 39-tfc

**MILK COWS** for Sale—Several good red poll fresh milk cows. S. D. Bunch, at Lakeview. 39-eow-3tp

He will never get by Christmas without a tie. See them at Glad's. 41-1tc.

**NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP**

The public is hereby notified that the partnership firm of O. P. Rutledge & Co., of Floydada, Texas, composed of O. P. Rutledge and F. M. Dougherty was on the 6th day of December, 1920, dissolved, the said F. M. Dougherty selling out all of his interest therein to O. P. Rutledge. Henceforth O. P. Rutledge will carry on said business as the sole owner being alone liable for all of its liabilities both past and future. 41-4tc

A Florsheim or Edwin Clapp pair of shoes make a nice gift for the boys at Glad's. 41-1tc

**FORD TRUCK**—Brand new, for cash sale or trade for heifers. Call City Market after 2 p. m. 41-ttc.

The gift of gifts—Your Photograph It is just the right Christmas remembrance for those you love, and we can bring out the particular point they admire in you. No one else can give your friends exactly the same present, for it is almost yourself. Wilson's Studio. 41-1tc

Christmas is only ten days away. Have you made up your mind what you want to give your friends Christmas? If you haven't, why not give them the one gift of all—your photograph? Wilson's Studio. 41-1tc

ens for sale. My male bird won first prize at the poultry show. Phone 63. Mrs. W. M. Massie. 39-4tc.

**FOR SALE**—Good 5-year-old Jersey cow. Fresh. See M. F. Swain. 40-2tp.

Buy your Christmas Candies at the Goodie Garden. 41-1tc

Buy her a Western Electric Washer with swinging wringer. 41-ttc.

Just received fresh shipment of Delmonte canned fruits; peaches both halves and sliced, pears, and apricots. Collins Grocery Co. Phone 88. 41-1tc.



**Eight More Shopping Days To Xmas SHOP EARLY**

What to give and where to find it—that's the question in hundreds of minds today. A wide selection of gifts to suit all purposes. Gifts for men, gifts for women, gifts for girls, boys and babies.

If your shopping time is limited—if you are undecided as to what to buy, come here and let us help you solve your gift problems.

Our great Christmas sale offers many opportunities to save. Buy these gifts at this busy store:

GIVE DAD	GIVE MOTHER	GIVE SISTER
Neckwear	Coat Suits	Sweaters
Hosiery	Coats	Coats
Initial Handkerchiefs	Dresses	Shoes
Gloves	Bath Robes	Hosiery
Underwear	Kimonas	Toilet Water
Sweater	Silk Blouses	Ivory Sets
Bath Robe	Petticoats	Gloves
Suits	Sweaters	Camisoles
Over Coats	Ivory Sets	House Shoes
Shoes	Perfumes	Handkerchiefs
Hats	Toilet Water	
Shirts	Handkerchiefs	GIVE BABY
Fur Caps	Wool Blankets	Sweater Sets
	Silk Hosiery	Knit Booties
<b>GIVE THE BOYS</b>	Shoes	Knit Jackets
Neckwear		Shoes
Hosiery		Hose
Gloves		Dolls
Handkerchiefs		Caps
Sweaters		Blankets
Shoes		Sleeping Garment
Suits		Gowns
Over Coats		
Caps		
Mackinaws		
Leather Coats		
Belts		

**The Martin Dry Goods Company**  
The Store With the Goods—Floydada, Texas

**When in Doubt Give Photographs**

What is more appropriate for a Christmas gift? Photographs carry the personal feeling that no ready-made gift can ever convey.

A dozen "personality portraits" luxuriously enclosed in ultrafine Folders will solve at once a dozen perplexing gift problems.

It is not too late. We can get them ready for you in time for Christmas.

**Wilson Studio**

**Select Now Your Gifts for the Holidays**

**WHY?**

Merchants are not buying large stocks of merchandise suitable for gifts. Their present stocks will be broken by the Holidays.

**SELECT USEFUL GIFTS**

**Suggestion in our line:**

- Alcazar Duplex Coal and Oil Range
- Cedar chests and Chifferobés
- Pathe machine and records
- White enamel Hoosier or Sellers
- Art Squares
- Sealy Mattresses
- Carving Sets
- Silverware
- Mantle Clocks
- Pyrex
- Universal Percolators

We Reserve Your Present. Act Now

**Kirk & Sons**

CALL 84

**Harness**

Get our price on harness and leather before you buy.

- Best horse or mule work bridle.....\$3.00
- "61" Lone Star Hames, per pair.....\$2.00
- Best "Jumbo" Collar.....\$8.50
- 18 ft. 1 1-4 In. lines, best grade.....\$8.00
- 18 ft. 1 in. lines, best grade.....\$6.50
- Tite Tied Halters.....\$2.00
- Split leather collars.....\$3.00

We can save you money on your leather and harness.

**Cltron**, orange peel, lemon peel, raisins, dates, currants, figs and nuts for that Christmas fruit cake at Collins Grocery Co. Phone No. 88 41-1tc

**CLERKS FEES CASH**

All recording fees must be cash before any instruments will be filed for record and all suits filed in the County or District Courts of Floyd County, must be accompanied by a cash deposit or a bond for costs.

We have no time to be out collecting bills.  
Lola Walling, County Clerk. 41-2tc  
G. C. Tubbs, District Clerk.

Some special bargains in made-to-measure suits, sizes 34 to 36 at \$33.50 Glad's. 41-1tc

**LOST**—Thanksgiving day between Floydada and Lockney, yellow shepherd-collie dog. Finder notify C. W. Berry, Box No. 526, Floydada 40-2tp

**FOR SALE**—A buggy, harness and a good gentle pony, safe for children to drive. L. P. Orsburn. 40-2tp

Buy your Christmas Candies at the Goodie Garden. 41-1tc

Each and every article we sell is absolutely guaranteed to please its left up to you. Collins Grocery Co. Phone No. 88. 41-1tc

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Silk shirts in Jerseys and Heavy tub silks at Glad's. 41-1tc

Buy your Christmas Candies at the Goodie Garden. 41-1tc

Buy her a Western Electric Washer with swinging wringer. 41-ttc.

Tie him at Glad's. 41-1tc

Buy your Christmas Candies at the Goodie Garden. 41-1tc

We mark no merchandise up and then cut the price to make the sale at Glad's. 41-1tc

**WANTED**—Let me do that job of carpentry work you have waited so long to get done. Build anything from a chicken coop to a cow shed or shack. Telephone 34. Robt. Menefee. 40-2tp

Let me fix that cranky door. Telephone 34. Robt. Menefee. 40-2tp

Buy your Christmas Candies at the Goodie Garden. 41-1tc

Remember him with a John B. Stetson at Glad's. 41-1tc

Having recently moved to the county I want a place for my 16-year-old boy to stay and go to school, where he can work and pay part of his board. Can milk, feed or work in store after school. Write Wm. Snell, Route 1. 41-1tp

**FOR SALE**—5 room modern residence, 2 lots, garage, sheds, etc. Close in. \$500 cash. Balance easy monthly payments. Call 95. J. M. Hughes. 40-4tc.

Buy your Christmas Candies at the Goodie Garden. 41-1tc

Buy your Christmas Candies at the Goodie Garden. 41-1tc

**FINE Barred Plymouth Rock chick FOR TERM LEASE**

640 acres close in to Amarillo. About 250 acres in cultivation. Will make splendid farm and dairy proposition. W. M. Massie & Bro. 31-ttc

Give photographs for Christmas. They carry the personal feeling that no ready-made gift can convey. A dozen "true to life" photographs solve at once a dozen perplexing gift problems. Wilson's Studio. 41-1tc

Buy your Christmas Candies at the Goodie Garden. 41-1tc

A few misfit suits left over at bargains at Glad's. 41-1tc

Buy your Christmas Candies at the Goodie Garden. 41-1tc

Do you want a gate or a door hung? Telephone 34. Robt. Menefee. 40-2tp

Miss Mollie Cram Spirella Corsetiere. 4tc

If you want a farm lease see W. M. Massie & Bro. 31-ttc

Buy your Christmas Candies at the Goodie Garden. 41-1tc

We have a 20 per cent discount on all VICTROLAS. Also giving ten records with each machine sold between now and the 20th of December. Electric Supply Shop. 39-3tc

We will accept time sales on pianos, so don't wait until next year to buy that new piano but come buy now and pay later. We will accept live stock at their value and will give you time on balance. J. W. Boyle & Son, Plainview. 34-ttc.

**A BARGAIN FOR QUICK SALE**

The Will Baird well-known 640-acre stock farm about 12 miles west of Floydada. Well improved. Subdivided into fields, hog, sheep, etc., pastures. W. M. Massie & Bro. 31-ttc

**AT THE METHODIST CHURCH**

We are having very large attendance at all our services. Nearly 300 constantly at Sunday school. More than that at church services.

We give cordial invitation to all services. Especially do we invite the young people to each and every service.

C. B. MEADOR, Pastor.

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT**

Commissioners' Court was in session in its regular monthly term Monday and Tuesday. Road matters and routine of the county's business had the major portion of the court's time.

P. M. Felton made a trip to Lubbock Sunday.



# BACK TO EARTH!

Lowest prices right now that completely anticipate any reductions that may come six months hence. We must reduce our stock before January 1st, therefore are slaughtering the prices. We cannot quote you special prices here for everything we have on sale, but this will give you a hint as to our price reductions.

## Half Price---Ladies' Suits, Coats and Dresses

Our apparel leadership was never more pronounced than this fall season. Our sales have been good in this department but we have a few suits, coats and dresses to throw on the bargain counter at HALF PRICE.

One lot Ladies' Dress Skirts in Beautiful Plaids at half price:

\$10.00 Values at .....	\$5.00
\$12.50 Values at .....	\$6.25
\$15.00 Values at .....	\$7.50
\$18.50 Values at .....	\$9.25

ONE LOT Misses' and Children's Serge Dresses HALF-PRICE.

## Big Reduction on Hosiery

Our stock of hosiery is complete in every respect and is the well known Black Cat line. None better made.

\$3.00 and \$2.75 Ladies' silk hose, reduced to .....	\$1.95
\$1.50 Ladies silk hose reduced to .....	\$1.15
One lot fancy silk hose .....	Half Price
\$1.25 ladies silk lisle hose reduced to 85c	
85c ladies silk lisle hose reduced to 65c	
75c Ladies silk lisle hose reduced to 55c	
50c ladies' lisle hose, reduced to .....	38c
85c Misses' Lisle hose, reduced to .....	65c
75c Misses' lisle hose, reduced to .....	55c
65c Misses' lisle hose, reduced to .....	48c
50c Misses' lisle hose, reduced to .....	38c
45c Misses' lisle hose, reduced to .....	35c
One lot 35c and 38c values .....	19c
60c value men's heavy wool hose .....	40c
75c and 85c men's heavy wool hose .....	55c
One lot men's cotton hose .....	6c
One lot men's cotton hose .....	9c

## Big Reduction in Staple Cotton Goods

All 50c gingham reduced to .....	25c
All 40c gingham reduced to .....	20c
All 50c percale, 36 inch, reduced to .....	25c
All 40c percale, 36 inch, reduced to .....	20c
All heavy shirting, 45c and 50c value .....	25c
40c 36 in. good value bleached muslin .....	18c
50c 36 inch heavy bleached muslin .....	20c
35c 36 inch heavy brown muslin .....	19c
30c 36 inch brown muslin .....	15c
35c outing, good grade .....	18c
50c outing, heavy grade .....	25c
40c canton Flannel .....	20c
50c Canton Flannel .....	25c

## Shoes! Shoes!!

Nothing reserved, all on sale.

One lot ladies' fine Boots—Blacks, browns and combination colors, in kid, leather and suede, Regular \$11.50 to

\$18.50 values, broken lots, while they last at your choice .....

One lot Utz & Dunn ladies' boots, high grade, dark brown, kid, French heel, A, B, C, widths, regular \$18.50 values, going now at .....

One lot black kid, as above, regular values \$17.50, reduced to .....

One lot \$16.50 values .....

One lot black kid, \$12.95 to \$15, at \$8.75

One lot gun metal, military and low heel, \$9.00 values, extra good school shoes, while they last .....

All others broken lots .....

## All Ferris Children's Shoes

In black and brown kid, black and brown calf, white kid, patent with white tops—

\$9.00 Values .....	\$4.50
\$8.50 Values .....	\$4.25
\$7.50 Values .....	\$3.75
\$6.50 Values .....	\$3.25
\$6.00 Values .....	\$3.00
\$5.50 Values .....	\$2.75
\$5.00 Values .....	\$2.50

Special reductions on all men's shoes.

## Night Gowns Half Price

All ladies' misses' and Children's night gowns and sleeping garments to close out—HALF PRICE.

## Holiday Goods

We have a good selection of French Ivory, Cut Glass and many other useful gifts.

## Books

Are appropriate gifts. We have them for all the children, from Mother Goose Stories to Boy Scouts.

## Blankets! Blankets!!

Our entire line of blankets consisting of fine grade wool, woolnap and cotton in beautiful plaids and solid grays.

Regular \$3.50 value cotton blankets .....	\$1.75
Regular \$4.85 value cotton blankets .....	\$2.70
Regular \$8.50 largest size woolnap plaid blankets .....	\$4.25

## Men's Furnishings

We have only 5 pair high grade plaid Wool blankets. They go at half price.

One lot of regular \$10.00 heavy gray wool army blankets .....

One lot men's heavy wool shirts in blue, gray and khaki, \$5.00 and \$6.00 values, reduced to .....

One lot heavy blue flannel shirts, regular \$3.50 values, reduced to .....

One lot men's silk shirts, regular \$10 to \$16.50 values, reduced to \$5.00 to \$9.00

One lot men's dress shirts, .....

One lot men's union suits, large size, at half price.

One lot mens high grade union suits \$3.50 and \$4.00 values, reduced to .....

One lot men's shirts and drawers, \$2.00 values at .....

One lot men's duck coats, blanket lined, regular \$6.00 values, reduced to .....

One lot extra heavy army duck coats, khaki twill lined big corduroy collar \$8.50 values, reduced to .....

One lot men's khaki twill unionalls, regular \$5.00 values, reduced to .....

One lot men's khaki twill unionalls, regular \$5.50 values, reduced to .....

One lot sheep lined moleskin coats, 32 inches long, while they last .....

One lot men's moleskin coats, sheep lined, fur collar, 36 inches, belted .....

One lot men's leather vests, chamois lined, knit writs and collar, while they last at .....

One lot mole and leather vest, full length, regular \$15 values, while they last \$7.50

One lot leatherette short coats, belted styles at .....

## Half Price---Men's and Boys' Clothing

Nothing reserved. Our entire line of men's and boys' suits—the very best styles money can buy—thrown on the market at half price or less.

Choice of any suit in the house .....	\$42.50
\$75.00 values at .....	\$37.50
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Extra Special—Nothing Reserved.

Our entire line of hats, including Stetson's and Velour's,—cut to the pre-war price level.

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This is the history event of our store. This 1-2 price offer positively closes Monday night, December 20th.

This is your opportunity to Buy your winter supply at ONE-HALF PRICE. We sold 126 pair of all leather shoes Saturday at exactly ONE-HALF PRICE.

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If you have not supplied yourself during our ONE-HALF PRICE SALE. Do so now. It will be a long time before you will have another chance to buy high class merchandise at ONE-HALF PRICE.

## SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY ONLY

We are going to put on sale as long as it lasts, 500 yards of high grade Gingham, percale, cheviot shirting, outing flannel,—Four big staples good range of patterns, old price retailed at—

**50c Per Yard, go at 10c**

While it lasts. Only 7 yards to each customer. Will not sell to merchants. Each customer will appear in person. Will not take order over telephone for this special offer. Except in case of sickness.

THIS OFFER IS FOR SATURDAY ONLY, DECEMBER 18. COME EARLY. THIS MEANS THAT YOU BUY \$3.50 WORTH OF STAPLE MERCHANDISE FOR 70c.

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### Marshall Buys Grain--- AT PUBLIC SCALES

#### SUNSET NEWS

Sunset, December 13.—We are having some pretty weather now which is fine on the farmers, while they are threshing their grain. The thresher had to quit threshing last week on account of the rain. We started up again Monday morning. Hope it continues pretty weather until threshing is over. Most everyone around here have their wheat sowed and are feeling fine over it.

A large crowd attended church Sunday morning, also Sunday school Sunday evening, and singing Sunday night. Rev. Blair delivered a fine sermon here Sunday morning.

Sid Huckabay and wife, Mr. Upton and family took dinner at Mr. Emmitt Solomon's Sunday.

Mr. Hartman and family, Ocie Pucket, Mr. Baker and Miss Pruedone Stevenson took dinner at J. H. Solomon's Sunday.

Henry Solomon, Floyd and Ella Reynolds called at Mrs. Umberson's Sunday evening.

C. A. Wilson is building an addition to their home.

Rex Blair and family spent part of Sunday at the home of Mr. Carr.

Lena and Flossie Hammit took dinner with Mr. Reynold's Sunday.

Mrs. Alma Umberson is just recovering from a spell of sickness. She is able to sit up some now.

Part of Mr. Sim's family from Roseland attended singing here Sunday night. We were glad to have them come.

Mr. Hammit's daughter and her husband from near Floydada, spent Saturday night and Sunday with them.

Mr. Emmitt Solomon and wife spent Monday with their parents.

Mr. Hewitt is building a new home.

Mr. Yeary has just finished building on their house. They will entertain the young folks with a party Saturday night.

Mrs. G. Pebensen of Chicago is visiting her mother, Mrs. W. M. Light, who lives on the Zimmerman Ranch, southeast of Floydada.

#### FAIRVIEW

Fairview, December 14.—Quite a large number attended Sunday School last Sunday. The superintendent being absent John Austin served in his stead.

Mesdames Crabtree and Bullard were visitors with Mrs. Kimble Sunday afternoon.

The Misses Choate visited at the Neely home Sunday.

Bertie Mae Pollan spent Tuesday night with Glennie Austin.

A large percentage of our community are busy threshing maize this week.

The school attendance has lowered this week since the weather is favorable for cotton picking.

The Rushing family took dinner at the Nix home Sunday.

The Fulkerson girls from the Ramsey community, were visitors with the Misses Gordon a few days of last week.

Carmon Irwin and Everett Nix visited with Mr. and Mrs. Reid a while Sunday night.

Mitt and Edd Bullard took dinner with John Austin Sunday.

It has been decided that the Sunday school will have a Christmas Tree. Everyone is invited to attend.

A crowd of the young people visited at the Rushing home Sunday night.

Mrs. J. C. Crabtree called to see Mrs. Jackson Monday evening.

The little folks in Sunday school ask us to say for them that they are very anxious for Santa Claus to come. They have had good lessons, have been good boys and girls and want to see Santa Claus at Fairview on December 24th, with many nice presents for each of them. Their names are as follows: John Nix, Grace Latham, Gordon Bullard, Virdene Snodgrass, Eugenia Hoffman, Bernice Crabtree, Preston Bullard, Hulbert Austin, George Kneirim, Lewis Austin, Lola Kneirim, Edith Crabtree, Ola Gregory, Gladys Pollan, John Hoffman, Evelyn Cope, J. B. Burgett, Truett Austin, Marguerite Nix, Vernon Elmore, Leo Jackson, shopping.

### Wanted

To lease one thousand acres, ten and twenty year commercial leases. Will pay fifty cents and one dollar per acre respectively. If interested give full descriptions and we will send you details.

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Fort Worth, Texas

### WANT AD COLUMN

Used Ford touring car in good shape for sale or trade. See S. E. Thurmon. 41-2tp.

LOST—Monday on Matador road east of Floydada, gray fox muff. Finder return to Hesperian office and get reward. 41-1tc

FOR RENT—4 room house with 17 1-2 acres of land and want to sell 2 good Jersey cows, giving milk. Also some fullblood Rhode Island chickens, both white and red. Also a good piano. See E.E. Low, Box 225 41-2tp

FOR TRADE—Good span of mares and mule colt for Ford car in good shape. E. E. Lowe, Box 225. 41-1tp

Otha Johnson, V. R. Choate, Willie Jackson.

Noreene Pitts, 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pitts of Lakeview, is convalescing this week following an operation last Friday at the Childers Sanitarium for appendicitis.

Claud Thornton and family, of Lockney, were in Floydada Tuesday shopping.

### Useful Xmas Gifts

Are the kind that bring constant remembrance of the one who gives them and render a service to the one who receives them.

We are prepared to assist you in selecting useful gifts.

Our prices are greatly reduced on furniture and rugs and you could not please mother, sister, wife or daughter better any other way than give them a rug, dining room suite, living room suite, dresser, rocker or Dreamland mattresses. Casseroles, cut glass, dinner sets, aluminum ware and silverware are useful gifts.

If you care to remember the men folk buy them an auto robe, pocket knife, razor, rifle or shot gun.

The boys, everyone of them are worth all that you are able to buy for them. We have repeating rifles for the larger ones. For the smaller ones we have air rifles, wagons, tricycles and pocket knives.

If you are thinking of giving a useful gift visit our store before you buy.

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Hardware and Furniture



**CHRISTMAS BELLS**

Hark! Hark! I hear a distant bell,  
And now a chime—they softly ring;  
What joyful tidings do they tell  
As back and forth they swing.

'Tis mid of night—who rings those bells?  
Perhaps some doves there nesting,  
And while each little bosom swells,  
And warm, they touch with gentle wing  
The tuneful metal, and it feels  
So incubated it would swing  
To life, and wake the world with peals  
Of gladness as for new-crowned King.

Those midnight bells, how sweet they chime;  
The welkin vibrates with their sound;  
To hearts attune they are sublime,  
Nor spread they dread alarm around.

Lo! now I see, from East afar  
A light shines through the steeple's  
frame.

'Tis brighter than the brightest star,  
It glids the bells with golden flame;  
There, too, I see some cherubs cling  
Fast hold the ropes. How fair they be!  
They swing the bells and sweetly sing  
"This is the Christ's nativity."

Wake every heart, join in their song  
Of praise to Christ, our new-born King;  
To him our sweetest strains belong,  
And his, our richest offering.

When wakes the god of day, and shines  
Athwart the heavens, what of glee  
Will wake as well? With box and pines  
And flowers gay, yon house will be  
Adorned, and while the anthem swells  
With organ's voice, all Christendom  
Will vibrate be as are those bells  
That Christ's nativity has come.  
—J. William Pope.

Miss Frances Edwards of Petersburg is visiting with her sisters, Mesdames A. N. Gamble and John W. Smith.

**PRAYED FOR RAIN,  
ONLY LIGHT SHOWER**

Pana, Illinois is out of water, and last week three mines were shut down for that reason and 1500 miners were thrown out of work. There is no water for city purposes and the distress is acute. Last Saturday the Presbyterian minister announced that special services would be held at his church on Sunday for the purpose of praying for rain. The services were held and all the congregation prayed earnestly for rain. Their prayers were answered and a rain came Sunday night, but it was only a light shower, hardly enough to lay the dust.

The trouble was, they forgot to specify that they wanted a good, big soaking rain. They should have been like the good old Baptist minister down in Franklin county, who, after a protracted drought held a meeting to pray for rain, and he led off with the following petition:

"O Lord, we want rain. Don't send us a light rain, but send us a gully-washer, a goose drowner, a hill-leveler and a hell-soaker!"—Exchange.

**PRIVATE BANK AT PADUCAH  
SUSPENDS BUSINESS**

Paducah, Dec. 10.—The Farmers and Merchants Bank of this city posted a notice of suspension of business this morning. General business conditions were given as the reasons for failing to open.

The bank, which is a private concern, was organized in 1920 with O. J. Combest as president. The capital was \$60,000 and the surplus 2,600.

**ANCIENT CHRISTMAS TOYS**

**Dolls That Delighted Children of Rome and Greece in Early Days Recently Excavated.**

Rag dolls are as old as the hills and so are dolls with movable arms and legs, toy dogs, rocking horses and a host of other things that bring delight to the children on Christmas morning.

Recent excavations in the ruins of ancient Rome, Greece and Egypt have placed the British museum in possession of an interesting assortment of these relics of early Christian days, some of which may possibly have been given to the children of the followers of Christ at a time when the observation of Christmas day was an innovation.

In the nursery of a newly excavated house at Behnesa, Egypt, a fairly well preserved rag doll was found with arms and legs still intact and painted face. The doll is by no means a beauty and does not compare with the Christmas dolls of today, but nevertheless it must have brought joy to a little girl's heart nearly 2,000 years ago.

The jointed dolls of long ago were made to sit down, stand up and move their arms, but they didn't close their eyes or squeak "mamma." Among the toy dogs, horses and donkeys are some made of stone and baked clay and others carved out of wood.

**A CONVENIENCE.**



"So you think the Santa Claus myth is a good thing?"

"Yes, it's a great convenience to have some imaginary person to take the responsibility when the children are disappointed Christmas morning."

**A Christmas "Suppose."**

We would not change the children's Christmas. But suppose all the grown-up people were to say to one another: "This year, instead of my giving you a present and your giving me a present, let us club together and give our present to some poor child who will not have any Christmas. There are hundreds of them somewhere. Or, if we do not know of such a child, let us give our present to a hospital for children, a home for crippled children, for incurables—for the aged, the blind, the feeble-minded." This to be, of course, in addition to what we usually give to charities at this season. Why could we not try this as an experiment, and see what the result would be?—Christian Register.

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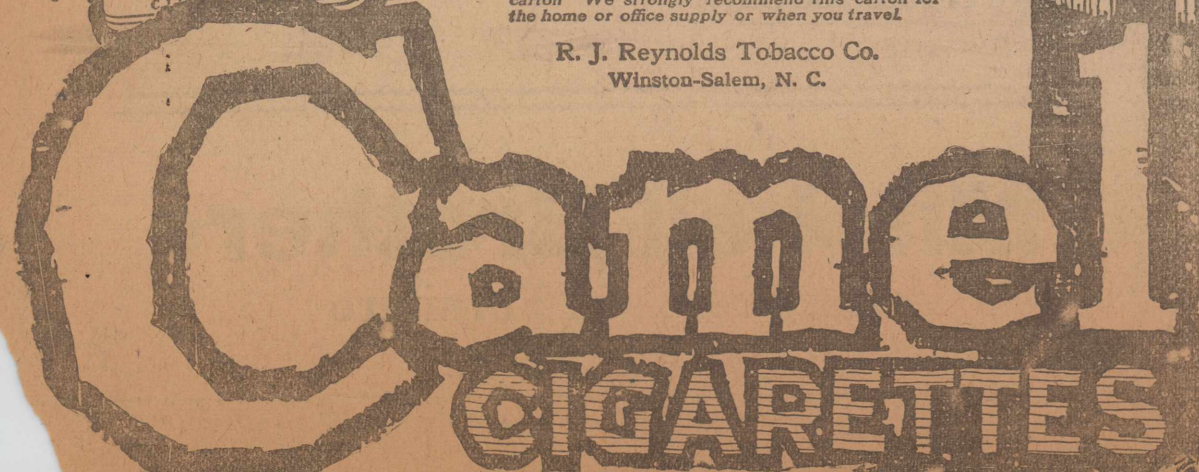
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**HOLIDAY SALE OF HOME FURNISHINGS**

Do not forget to see and get prices before you buy. BIG REDUCTION SALE lasts until January 1st. We are selling way below cost.

- 40 lb. all cotton, absolutely new mattresses.....\$7.00
- 50 lb special order mattress, with feather tick, this year's cotton.....\$10.00
- Duofold \$10 Mattresses.....\$6.00
- \$45.00 Chifforobes in the sale at.....\$30.00
- \$35 Dressers, during the sale at.....\$22.50
- Buffets, during the sale at.....\$30.00
- \$65.00 Duofolds, now.....\$45.00
- \$80 Axminster Rugs, seamless, 9x12.....\$55.00
- \$60.00 Axminster seamless rugs, 9x12.....\$30.00
- \$15 2-inch post steel beds.....\$12.50
- \$14.50 Bed springs, 99 quoil.....\$ 8.00
- No. 3 Heavy Zinc Tubs.....\$1.50
- No. 2 Heavy zinc tubs.....\$1.25
- \$6.50 Fumed Oak Dining Chairs, at.....\$5.00
- \$3.50 Oak dining chairs, at.....\$2.50
- \$20 Rocker, full leather bottom, at.....\$10.00
- 48 inch fumed oak dining tables, formerly priced at \$50, now.....\$30.00
- 42 inch fumed oak dining tables, formerly \$25, at.....\$20.00
- 4 burner Perfection stoves (second hand).....\$15.00
- \$250 Talking Machines.....\$150.00
- Grass rugs, formerly \$18, size 9x12 now.....\$10.00
- 6 foot linoleum, formerly \$1.65 square yard, in this sale at.....75c
- 12 foot linoleum, burlap back, formerly sold at \$1.75, now per square yard.....\$1.25
- \$110 Singer Sewing Machines, now.....\$70.00
- \$104 Singer Sewing Machines, now.....\$65.00
- \$90 and \$100 Electric Singer Sewing Machines.....\$40.00
- Two eye Bachelor Stoves, formerly \$8.50 now.....\$6.00
- Trunks, all kinds \$5.50.....and up
- Blankets.....\$2.50 to \$4.00
- Comforts.....\$2.50 to \$4.00

EVERYTHING ELSE PRICED IN PROPORTION

THESE PRICES ARE EFFECTIVE ONLY UNTIL JANUARY 1st, AND ARE STRICTLY CASH

**UNBREAKABLE GLASS**

Work has been started on the lepidolite deposits in southern Taos county, some forty miles north of this city for the purpose of making unbreakable glass and a glazing for porcelain which cannot be chipped. A New York firm has taken an option on the deposits and will ship the rock to Wheeling, West Va., where it is made into the desired products without any chemical treatment.

The unbreakable glass is believed to be the solution for the prevention of many bank robberies, as not even a bullet will go through the new product.

It is likely that this spot of the country will build up rapidly as immense deposits of the rock have been opened up.—New Mexico (Santa Fe) Station Record.

**LONG PANTS FOR REPUBLICAN PARTY IN TEXAS**

Austin, Dec. 8.—Because the Republican party polled more than 100,000 votes in the general election Nov. 2, it will be required under the Terrell election law to hold a primary in the future for all officers for which it offers a candidate. Since the passage of the Terrell election law the Democratic party has been the only party in Texas that has voted 100,000 or more and therefore has been the only party that has been required to hold a primary.

During the past twenty-five years the Republicans have voted more than 100,000 in Texas, but it was before the passage of the Terrell election law. All parties, regardless of their voting strength, have been required to hold primaries to decide on their candidate for the United States Senate. The Republicans' voting strength registered at the polls Nov. 2 was 115,640.

Mr. and Mrs. Barrett of Ralls were shopping here Thursday.

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**PROVIDENCE NEWS**

Providence, December 8th.—Following is the program for the Christmas exercises of Providence School:  
Song—"The Christmas Song,"—By School.

Reading—"Santa Claus' Letter."  
Song—"Dolly, you must go to bed."  
Reading—"Christmas Signs."  
Pantomime—"Holy Night."  
Song—"Christmas Bells."  
Dialogue—Toy Celebration.

Reading—"A Christmas letter."  
Everybody is invited to attend the Xmas tree at Providence Christmas Eve.

Miss Flo Pullen gave a party Tuesday night. It was well attended and everybody reported a good time.

The two oldest children of Bussy Durham have the diptheria.  
Roy Ooley and Marvin Kramer are back at school after being absent on account of sickness.

**R. O. FIELDS SELLING ARMY ESCORT WAGONS**

R. O. Fields, who is now making his home in San Antonio, Texas, was here for several days last week and this on business.

Mr. Fields has contracted for the sale of several thousand government wagons of the army style, a number of which he has in storage here.

**B. Y. P. U. SOCIAL**

Under the auspices of the B. Y. P. U., a social will be given Friday evening at the home of Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Darden.

Claude Johnson of Ralls was in Floydada Sunday.

Roscoe Stark of Lockney was here Sunday.



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## NEWS OF LOCKNEY

From the Beacon:

Uncle James Shaw, who was living with his son, Lank Shaw, of Tascosa, passed away on October 19. Uncle James Shaw settled on a farm about three miles northeast of Lockney in 1888. Later when Lockney became quite a little town he moved into town with his family. It is said he purchased the first dollars worth of sugar that was sold in Lockney. At the time he came to Floyd county there were only a few families here. He assisted in the organization of the county. About two years ago uncle James Shaw and his wife left Lockney and went to Tascosa to live with a married son and daughter. About three months ago his aged wife departed this life.

They have a son, Lank Shaw, and a daughter, Mrs. Don Muncy, and six grand children, all of Tascosa, as well as a host of friends, to mourn their loss.

Mr. John Stevenson, who lives about 12 miles north of Lockney, was in town last Saturday, and told the writer of a hog he butchered last week that dressed 1,000 pounds. The hog he butchered was 3 years old last July, and was the Big Bone Poland China type.

Last Friday night the Dry Goods Department of Baker Mercantile Co. was entered and burglarized. A quantity of merchandise was taken. No clue has been announced as to who did the work.

There are a series of burglaries, bank robberies and hold-ups sweeping the country. The tightening up of money matters, and the habit the people have gotten into in spending so much money foolishly, seems to have ushered in this reign of thievery.

### BAPTISTS WILL HAVE TREE

Arrangements were made and committees appointed last Sunday morning for an Xmas Tree at the First Baptist Church on Xmas Eve. A short program will be rendered. Every one is invited to attend.

### THERE'S A SONG IN THE AIR

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

There's a tumult of joy  
O'er the wonderful birth,  
For the Virgin's sweet boy  
Is the Lord of the earth.  
Aye! the star rains its fire  
While the beautiful sing,  
For the manger of Bethlehem  
Cradles a king!

In the light of that star  
Lie the ages imperiled,  
And that song from afar  
Has swept o'er the world.  
Every hearth is aflame,  
And the beautiful sing  
In the homes of the nations  
That Jesus is King!

We rejoice in the light,  
And we echo the song  
That comes down through the night  
From the heavenly throng.  
Aye! we shout to the lovely  
Evangel they bring.  
And we greet in his cradle  
Our Savior and King.  
—Josiah G. Holland.



### LORE OF THE YULE LOG

Should Be Lighted From Portion of Last Year's Which Should Be Preserved for Good Luck.

The Yule-log, a probable variant of the bonfire—so characteristic of sun-festivals—has some interesting folklore of its own.

In medieval England, its duration coincided with the Christmas revels. As long as it burned, the tenant had a right to feed at the lord's expense. The log was often cut from an ash-tree—the sacred tree of our Saxon forefathers. There is a gypsy legend that our Lord was born in a field and brought up by an ash-fire.

The log should, properly, be lighted with a portion of last year's log, a piece of which is always supposed to be preserved for luck. At the same time that the Christmas fire was lit, the Christmas candle had to be lighted. (A portion of last year's taper has also to be kept.) It was unlucky to snuff the Christmas candle, which burned for 12 days—the period of festivity. At St. John's college, Oxford, can still be seen the ancient stone socket with the Agnus Dei stamp, in which the Christmas candle was placed on the high table.

On the Isle of Man, the folk formerly carried long tapers to church on Christmas eve.

### AND BEFORE CHRISTMAS, TOO.



"Jeanette, you are the light of my life. You're my sun, my stars, my all, you're my—"  
"Yes, George. I know all that; but you're broke."

The Bubble Burst.  
Young Tom was spending Christmas in the country and had been invited to the beautiful home of a sweet young thing named Agnes.

"What a charming place!" he said enthusiastically, to Agnes' proud parents. "Does it go as far as those woods over there?"

"It does," remarked the somewhat unsympathetic father.

"Ah," said Tom, still cheerily; "and to that old stone wall over there, sir?"

"It does," came the gruff answer; "and it goes as far as the river on the south, and to the main road on the north."

"Beautiful!" put in Tom.  
"Yes," went on the old man, "but it doesn't go with Agnes!"

Then Tom faded peacefully from view.

Hesperian Want ads bring results

### TEST NEW AFRICAN VARIETIES AS TO ADAPTABILITY TO U. S.

Sixteen hundred lots of seeds and plants of African fruits, vegetables, grains, and flowers not common to this country have been sent to the United States Department of Agriculture for a test as to their adaptability to American soil as a result of a trip made by Dr. H. L. Shantz, as agricultural explorer. Dr. Shantz accompanied the Smithsonian-African expedition, which made a tour of interior Africa from Cape Town to Cairo, penetrating the Orange Free State, the Transvaal, the Congo, East Africa, the Sudan, and Egypt, with side trips to other parts of the continent and adjacent islands.

Among the many new crops, one that is viewed with interest is a gourd 2 feet long which contains 2 gallons of succulent seed about the size of an almond. The meat of these seeds resembles that of the butternut in taste, and in addition to their possibilities as a nut substitute they are rich in oil. Many new kafir corns and sorghums, as well as grasses, suitable for the semiarid west as well as the pine lands of the south, some excellent new mangoes, a number of oil plants, some dry-land rice, and a large number of grains and grasses are among the specimens. The department has found that several crops which flourish in central Africa are adapted to the southern parts of the southwestern United States. The American-Egyptian cotton and Sudan grass are among the noteworthy acquisitions as a result of previous expeditions.

### 20,000,000 CHINESE ARE REPORTED STARVING

New York, Dec. 10.—The Chinese famine, for the relief of which President Wilson yesterday announced the appointment of a national committee, affects five provinces in Northern China. Their total population is estimated at 87,000,000 persons, of whom almost 50,000,000 are in want. Of these, 20,000,000 actually are starving.

The famine followed a year of drouth, after three or four years of failing crops.

Admiral Tsai Ting-Kan reported that all of the people of some districts are living on weeds and leaves. Entire families have taken their own lives, while parents are selling and drowning their children.

Thousands of sufferers are reported wandering about the country in search of food.

### LOCKNEY COUPLE MARRIED

Fred Payne and Miss Linnie Harris, both of Lockney were married Saturday afternoon at the County Judge's office in Floydada Judge W. B. Clark officiating.

They will make their home in Lockney.

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P. S. A bank book is a nice present for the Grown-up children, too.

## First National Bank

Floydada, Texas

### CARE OF RETURNED SOLDIERS TO HAVE LEGION ATTENTION

The American Legion, conforming to a comprehensive plan just being put into effect, will make a nation wide effort to bring proper attention and care to disabled veterans in the hospitals. In this connection the National Commander of the Legion has issued the following statement, to which attention is called by McDermott Post of Floydada:

Two years ago the disabled were

the Nation's heroes and the nation's charges. To-day they are the nation's charges.

"War stuff" became mighty unpopular soon after the signing of the Armistice. "Everyone" agreed that everything possible should be done for the disabled—then "everyones" promptly relegated the doing to a few persons in governmental bureaus.

These Government bureaus could not perform miracles and miracles were necessary when the nation neglected to provide sufficient hospitals

for the derelicts who floated back from European battlefields. Today, twenty thousand sick and maimed heroes are receiving hospital treatment from the Government. They are in such hospitals as will take them, and are being cared for by persons paid to do the caring. They have passed from the memories of the hundred million Americans who, two years ago proclaimed them the saviors of the country. They have become 20 thousand "cases," represented by so many sheaves of paper at Washing-

ton They are numbers, not men—these heroes of yesterday.

The two million who are their buddies and are banded together in The American Legion are determined that the hundred million shall not forget. These Legion men will visit every hospital in the United States to inquire into the care and well being of these men. The official visits will be followed by brotherly calls, where-in the hand of fellowship, which is warm in the Legion, shall be extended in place of the hand of charity, which is cold. These men shall be our comrades—not "cases."

In this work of giving the disabled man a fair deal and making him content we shall ask the co-operation of every loyal American, especially in those communities where hospitals are located. We, who are their comrades, know that the twenty thousand are still the nation's heroes, not merely its charges. We fought together and we will stick together.

Another phase of work for disabled men to have the attention of the Legion is set out in a recent issue of the American Legion:

While the "humanizing" move for the maimed should care for their bodily comfort, the census of the disabled which is to be carried out at the same time is framed to clear up all outstanding cases of compensation. The compensation census plan calls for the establishment of a Legion paper work office in every community where claims are to be handled.

Every Legionnaire is to consider himself a committee of one to take to his local office every person who has a claim for compensation that has not been adjusted or expects to have one as the result of injuries or disease contracted in the military service and to get that person on record.

This man-to-man contact is expected to bring results and the paper work offices already opened are busy places these days. All cases are to be cleared through the various Department Headquarters and from there will be taken up direct with the Bureau of War Risk Insurance. They will be pressed until completed and those cases which are not settled by the War Risk Bureau within thirty days from the time they were presented by Department Headquarters will be referred to National Headquarters to place the entire influence of the united Legion behind each individual case.

In these two great activities—the extending of a helping hand to the disabled in their forgotten plight and the adjustment of compensation claims—the strength and organization of the Legion will be tested from National Headquarters to the smallest post with the main burden resting on the posts. It is a case of keeping the faith with the men who have sacrificed their health and the joy of living in the war and, from present indications, the Legion will not fail either the disabled comrade or itself.

Mrs. I. E. Martin, of Matador, was in Floydada Tuesday shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wilson made a business trip to Plainview Thursday.

## THE FIRST STATE BANK

Extends hearties good wishes for a very merry Christmas to its every friend and customer, in the hope that this Yuletide will bring you many pleasures.

Floydada, Texas

### Local and Personal

Lloyd A. Wicks, of Ralls, was in Floydada Tuesday.

Tom Osborne, of Lockney, was a visitor in Floydada Saturday.

Farris Fish of Matador was here on business last Tuesday.

W. H. Seale left Sunday morning for Dallas to be gone several days on business.

Mrs. J. M. Wise and daughter Myrtle and niece, Miss Grace Wise, of Quitaque, were shopping in Floydada Tuesday.

C. F. Crafton of Ralls was here on business Tuesday.

F. C. Bourland and Bill Pipkins of Matador were in Floydada Friday night.

Mrs. S. W. Ross spent Monday in Plainview.

J. T. Scott, of Plainview, manager of the Texas Utilities Company, was here Tuesday morning on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom B. Triplet spent the latter part of last week in Amarillo.

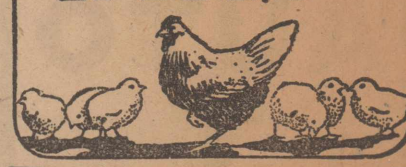
Dale Orsburn left last Sunday for Burk Burnett, Texas, where he has accepted a position.

Edd Cammack of Matador was here Thursday.

Carliss Russell left Sunday for Paragould, Ark., where he will spend Xmas with his parents.

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## POULTRY FACTS



### PAINT AIDS POULTRY HOUSE

Adds Greatly to Appearance and Service of Buildings—Whitewash Is Cheapest.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Painting adds greatly to the appearance and service of all buildings and appliances. One may buy ready-mixed paints or may purchase paste pigments and oil and mix them. All surfaces should be clean and dry before they are painted. Use a priming coat made of equal parts of paint and linseed oil and cover with one or more coats of paint, which should be thoroughly brushed into the surface.

Whitewash is the cheapest of all paints, and may be used either for exterior or interior surfaces. It can be made by slaking about ten pounds of quicklime in a pail with two gallons of water, covering the pail with cloth or burlap and allowing it to slake for one hour. Water is then added to bring the whitewash to a consistency which may be applied readily. A weatherproof whitewash for exterior surfaces may be made as follows: (1) Slake 1 bushel of quicklime in 12 gallons of hot water; (2) dissolve 2 pounds of common salt and 1 pound of sulphate of zinc in 2 gallons of boiling water; pour (2) into (1), then add 2 gallons of skim milk and mix thoroughly. Whitewash is spread lightly over the surface with a broad brush.

## KINGS CHRISTMAS CANDIES

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Apples  
Bananas  
Cocoanuts  
Grapefruit  
Pecans  
Filberts  
Brazil Nuts  
Walnuts  
Peanuts  
Almonds  
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Ground Nut Meats  
Bottled Cherries

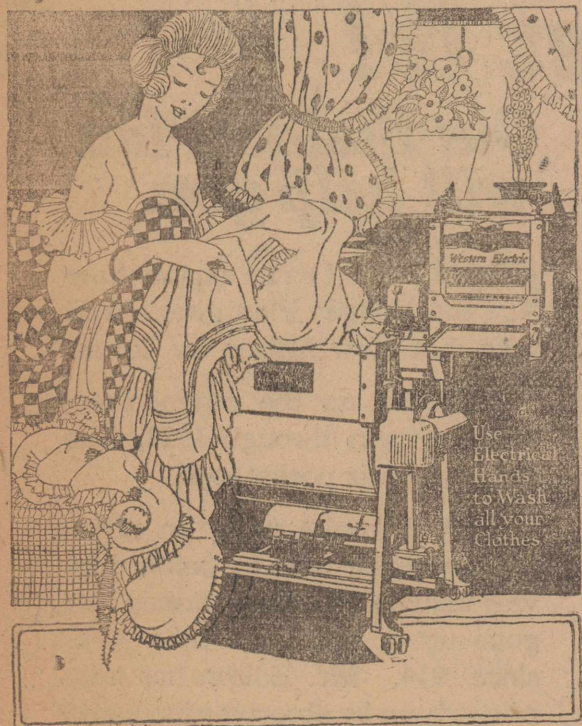
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Dates  
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Citron  
Currants  
Raisins  
Orange Peel  
Lemon Peel  
Cake Coloring  
Swan's Down  
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