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Merry Christmas to All

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT APPROVES COUNTY-WIDE ROAD PROJECT FOR FOARD; WORK MAY START SOON

Judge Claude Callaway announced Wednesday morning that a county-wide road project had been approved by the President for Foard County and this project will supply many men with work for several months, according to a telegram received Tuesday from Senator Morris Sheppard.

Under this project, separate projects will be set up by the commissioners and will allow road improvements and building of rock bridges with concrete flooring. The amount of money to be spent in the county-wide road project has not been announced.

Following is the telegram received from Senator Sheppard:

"Again referring to the road project, Foard County, am pleased to advise that this project has now been approved by the President and is being returned to the State WPA director at San Antonio in order that work may be inaugurated at earliest practicable date."

Judge Callaway stated that this project would possibly be started by the first of the year.

Thalia All-Stars to Meet Vernon Team at Thalia Fri. Night

The Thalia all-stars will meet the Cox & Peacock cagers from Vernon in the Thalia High School gymnasium Friday night at 7:30 o'clock.

The strong Thalia quintet will be playing a quintet made up of players who were members of the South Lockett High School team for the past four years in a game that will be one of the fastest games to be played in Thalia in some time.

Thalia players will be wearing new uniforms Friday night and they invite all their supporters to come and see the suits which their help made possible to buy.

This game will be free to everyone as a token of appreciation for the help received in obtaining the new uniforms.

BROTHER DIES

L. P. Rader, 64, brother of U. C. Rader, Mrs. C. C. Fox, Mrs. J. L. Glover and Mrs. Joe Harris, died suddenly at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Dutch Heath, in Morris, Okla., Thursday, Dec. 14, at 5 o'clock. Although Mr. Rader never lived in Foard County, he is well known here, and has owned a farm in this county for many years.

Funeral services were held Friday in Morris and were attended by U. C. Rader and son, John.

Ex-Students of Crowell High School To Hold Annual Meet In Crowell Christmas Night

The most enjoyable and entertaining programs ever held at one of the Ex-Students of Crowell High School meetings will be given Christmas night (Monday), Dec. 25, when the Premier Hotel in Crowell will be thrown open for a reception for the exes.

Magician to Entertain

The first part of the program will be devoted to renewing old acquaintances and talking over the old times and partaking of refreshments.

The second part of the program will be supplied by a noted magician and ventriloquist, Ralph DeShong of Wichita Falls, who will entertain the exes with his tricks and pranks with ever new magic and ventriloquism. Mr. DeShong has made personal appearances throughout the states of Texas and Oklahoma and will bring to the Exes' meeting his latest and most entertaining programs, as he promises to furnish plenty of thrills and laughs.

Ex-Students' Dance

Starting at 9 o'clock Monday night, the Exes will sponsor their annual dance in the Swain's Garage building one block south of the square. The Dixieland Swingsters, popular swing stars of radio station KVWC, have been engaged for the dance. Everyone is invited to attend the dance,

"The Mansion" To Be Dramatized on Christmas Eve

A dramatization of "The Mansion" by Van Dyke will be presented in the Crowell High School auditorium Christmas Eve night (Sunday) at 7:30 o'clock by the second year speech class of Crowell High School under the direction of the speech instructor, Mrs. I. T. Graves.

Two appropriate songs, "Mansions" and "Pearly White City," will be sung by Mrs. A. F. Wright between scenes to complete a program that everyone should see.

Ministers Indorse Drama

"The Mansion" was presented as an assembly program at the high school recently and met with instant approval by all those who were present. This drama has been indorsed by the ministers of Crowell and the Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian and Christian Churches in order that the members may see this outstanding drama, which will be the only Christmas Eve program in Crowell.

All churches in Crowell are invited to co-operate and suspend evening services in favor of this program.

The time of "The Mansion" is on Christmas Eve night and is a very inspirational story based on a successful business man's life, but he wants only to do things in this world that will add glory to his name, giving only where his deed would be known and ignoring helping where his name would not be used.

He appears to be very religious and in a dream he visions that he is in Heaven. There the mansions given people in which to live are based upon good deeds done while on earth. He finds that his mansion is a small hut, while those of his washwoman and others of lesser means have large, beautiful mansions.

He awakes realizing his greed for glory and begins to help others, including his son whose devotion is to work among the poor.

The characters in the drama will be portrayed by A. Y. Olds, Joe Wallace Beverly, Joyce White, Wanda Liles, Mike Bird, Jimmie Williams, W. D. Hudgeons, Bill Ownbey and John Lee Orr.

There will be no admission charged and everyone is urged to see this wonderful drama.

Christmas Program To Be Given Sunday by Thalia Churches

A union Christmas program will be given by the churches of Thalia in the new Thalia Methodist Church Sunday night, Christmas Eve, at 7 o'clock.

The program will consist of carols, readings, musical numbers and others.

The public is invited and urged to attend.

Crowell Schools to Close for Holidays

The Crowell Public Schools will dismiss on Friday afternoon for the Christmas holidays and the students will have one week free from their studies.

Classes will be resumed on New Year's Day, Monday, Jan. 1.

however, only ex-students and their wives, or husbands, are eligible to attend the reception and an admission of fifty cents per person will be charged there to help cover the expenses of the reception and the engaging of Mr. DeShong.

Record Crowd in Crowell Friday Xmas Opening

One of the largest crowds ever to gather in Crowell was present last Friday night for the merchants' annual Christmas opening.

Program Saturday

In connection with the Christmas opening celebration, the merchants here planned a gala day for Saturday with a program in which everyone will be interested. This program starts at 1 o'clock and continues throughout the afternoon and into the night. Everyone is urged to be in Crowell for this program and at the same time do last-minute shopping.

Practically every child of the county was in Crowell to see Santa Claus and receive a sack of candy, while the older people came to enjoy the musical program, which consisted of a band concert by the Five-in-One High School band, which also played in the Santa Claus parade; accordion numbers by Jimmie Johnson and Patsy Fox of Thalia; vocal numbers by Mrs. Henry Fish of Vivian, and to visit the Christmas stocked stores in the city.

Merchants of the city are to be congratulated for the beautiful display of Christmas windows which greeted visitors, as some of the best windows ever to appear in the city were unveiled.

Not only was the business section of Crowell dressed her best but the residential section of the city had some of the most appropriate decorations that have ever been displayed before in the West Texas Utilities Company's home decoration contest.

This contest will close on Christmas night and homes will be judged by disinterested judges on a night between Dec. 15 and Dec. 25. Everyone who has decorated his home is urged to have the lights burning every night until the winner is announced, as last year there was a number of homes not lighted on the night of the judging.

Entertainer



Ralph DeShong, noted magician and ventriloquist of Wichita Falls, will display his large and entertaining bag of tricks in Crowell Christmas night when he appears at the annual Ex-Students' meeting to be held in the Premier Hotel.

Vesper Christmas Services Given Sunday Evening at 6 O'clock

A large crowd was present at the Methodist Church last Sunday evening to hear a musical program which was sponsored by the Harmony Club and consisted of the old familiar Christmas carols and several special numbers.

The church was lighted entirely by white candles and the choir entered singing "O, Come All Ye Faithful," and carrying lighted candles which they placed on the altar as they passed to the choir. Miss Cora Carter was director and Mrs. A. L. Rucker served as piano accompanist for the program. Violin accompaniment was rendered by Mrs. T. B. Burrow, Mrs. Alva Spencer and T. B. Nieppel.

The following participated in the program: Miss Mary Ragland, Thompson, Miss Zelma Ferguson, Miss Virginia Thomas, Mrs. A. F. Wright, Miss Theda Wright, Mrs. Crockett Fox, Miss Anne Lee Long, Mrs. R. J. Thomas, Mrs. Stanley Sanders, Mrs. Claude Brooks, Mrs. D. R. Magee, Mrs. C. W. Thompson, Mrs. T. B. Klepper, Mrs. Hub Speck, Mrs. W. B. Hicks, Mrs. J. R. Beverly, Miss Virginia Adams, Mrs. W. B. Fitzgerald, Miss Thelma Lois Moore, and Jno. Rasor, Garland Foster, Joe Rucker, T. B. Burrow, Ebb Soales, T. T. Gougherty, Fred Priest, C. W. Thompson, A. Y. Beverly, Glenn Goodwin and Ernest King.

Man Being Hunted For Passing Bogus Check in Crowell

An unidentified man is being sought by the sheriff's department for passing a worthless check in Crowell last Saturday night.

The man entered a local business house and ordered a bill of wallpaper, paint and paste amounting to about \$10 and presented a check made to himself, however, the name was fictitious, and carried the signature of a man who had been dead for a number of years, but which was similar to that of a Foard County farmer. In the Saturday night rush the man was able to cash the check and receive his change in cash.

Many Merchants to Close Stores Here On Christmas Day

A large number of Crowell business houses will be closed on Christmas Day, Monday, Dec. 25, according to announcements made by the merchants.

Everyone is urged to take note of this and do all necessary shopping on Friday and Saturday of this week.

The Foard County News joins other local business institutions in wishing for the people of Foard County a Christmas season filled with joy and happiness. May the true spirit of Christmas abide in your hearts, not only during this Christmas season, but throughout the year.

We are deeply grateful for the pleasant business relations that have existed between this institution and its patrons and it is our sincere desire to improve these friendships through the coming days.

In the words of Charles Dickens, we say, "God Bless Us, Everyone."

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF MR. AND MRS. C. C. FOX CELEBRATED SUNDAY, DEC. 17

Fifty-nine relatives, including nine children, 27 grandchildren and three great grandchildren, gathered at the Premier Hotel Sunday from Crowell and various other points of Texas to join in the celebration of the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Fox, residents of Foard County since 1908. The hotel is the home of one of their daughters, Mrs. Ethel Scott. Mrs. Scott's daughter, Miss Thelma Johnson, of Compton, Calif., was also present.

A barbecued goat with many other delectable edibles, along with the wedding cake, were served in the hotel dining room at the noon hour. The dining room table was decorated with Talsimen roses and fern. The large, beautiful wedding cake centered the table, on top of which were a miniature bride and groom with "50" in raised figures at the top. Golden bells were suspended above the cake. Plate favors consisted of a pair of small china slippers tied together with gold ribbon. The honorees were white roses and all the children wore Talsimen roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Fox were the recipients of many lovely anniversary gifts.

Crockett C. Fox and Miss Addie E. Rader were married in Georgetown, Texas, at the home of Tom Lunsford on Dec. 17, 1889. Eleven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Fox, ten of whom are living. They are as follows:

Mrs. Verge Johnson, Mrs. Ethel Scott, Roy Fox, Mrs. Adrian Thompson and Mrs. Henry Earl Thompson, of Crowell; Mrs. J. E. Daniels of Houston, Mrs. W. A. Barndine of Lamesa, Mrs. Grace Honeycutt of Wichita Falls, and Crockett C. Fox Jr. of Houston.

Following Mr. and Mrs. Fox's marriage in Georgetown, they moved to a farm near Taylor where they lived for twelve years. From there they moved to the Indian Territory, near Okmulgee, which was then the capital of the Creek Nation, in the latter part of 1902 and in the first part of 1902 and in the first part of (Continued on Page Four.)

WILDCATS WIN BIG SIX GAME FROM ELECTRA

The Crowell Wildcats opened Northwest Texas Basketball Conference play Wednesday night in the Crowell High School gymnasium by defeating the invading Electra Tigers by a score of 26 to 18.

Electra jumped into the lead in the early moments of the game with two free tosses by Dietz and the score was tied seconds later when Smith found the range of the basket. Andrews put the Wildcats in the lead with two points and again the score was knotted 4-4 by Harlason but Andrews came back with two field goals to give the Crowell lads a lead which they never lost.

The end of the first quarter found the Wildcats leading 9-7 and the half closed with Crowell still in the lead 16-13. The third period ended with a 22-16 score in favor of Crowell and the final whistle blew with the Wildcats registering their first Big Six victory.

Defensive play was the feature of the game which was sluggish as both clubs seemed to be a little off stride in passing and basket shooting. The Wildcats ran into (Continued on Page Four)

Crowell Wins Opening Conference Tilt by 26-18 Score

The following new motor vehicles were registered in the office of the tax assessor-collector during the past week:

Joseph M. Dawson, Ford sedan. Antone Caron, Ford sedan. F. H. Hunter, Ford coupe. G. L. Hinds, Ford sedan. R. E. Browder, Plymouth sedan. Jim Shook, Oldsmobile sedan. H. R. Bruns, Chevrolet sedan.

NEW CAR REGISTRATIONS

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Thalia Cagers Win Second in Quail Tourney

The Thalia High School quintet captured second place in the Quail tournament last Saturday in a tourney in which some of the strongest teams in this section were represented. Carey beat Quail for third place honors.

Thalia defeated Quamab, 19-14, in the first round, and then blasted Quail, 20-14, in the semi-finals, but were nosed out in the finals by Odell, 24-22.

In this final game, both Thalia and Odell scored 9 field goals and personal fouls were the difference in the scores. Eight fouls were called against Thalia and four against Odell. Thalia, also, had the disadvantage of having to play three games in one day, while the champions, the Odell cagers, played only two.

Thalia received one of the three trophies which were awarded to the top three quintets and members of the Quail team received wrist watches.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Fox, a girl, Hilda Fern, Dec. 2.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ben Whitfield, a boy, Ben Franklin, Dec. 16.

COUNTY HOSPITAL PROJECT IS APPROVED BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IN WASHINGTON

A telegram stating that a Works Progress Administration project calling for the erection of a Foard County hospital had been approved by President Roosevelt was received Tuesday from Senator Tom Connally by Judge Claude Callaway, who is recovering from a serious illness at his home in Crowell.

Farmers' Gin To Pay \$6,000 In Dividends

The Farmers Co-Operative Gin of Crowell is making a rebate payment during this week of approximately \$6,000 to the members of the association, according to an announcement by T. V. Rascoe, manager. A little more than 2,300 bales of cotton were ginned at the Farmers' Gin this season.

The gin is paying ten cents per hundred on seed cotton and five cents per hundred on cotton seed. The checks will also include eight per cent on memberships, which is about \$2.

There are approximately 200 members of the Co-Operative Society.

Crowell Girl Makes Honorary Society

Miss Billie Brown of Crowell has been initiated into Alpha Lambda Delta, scholarship organization at Texas State College for Women, according to a news release received from the TSCW News Bureau.

Miss Brown has met the requirements for the society which means a high scholastic standing in all her subjects. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Brown and is a sophomore student at the college majoring in business administration.

NEWS ARTICLES DELETED

We were forced to omit many paragraphs from news items in this issue because of lack of space. We regret that this was necessary and ask our contributors to forgive us this time.

Annual Red Cross Roll Call Drive Goes Over the Top in Foard County; Record Number Members Obtained

The largest number of people ever to be enrolled as members of the American Red Cross in Foard County was recorded at the close of the recent Red Cross Roll Call drive, according to a statement by George Self, Foard County Red Cross chairman.

The largest membership quota for the local chapter was given for 1940 and more than this number responded to the call. The quota for 1939 was 135 members in this county and this was raised to 250 for 1940 due to the European War. Two hundred and fifty-one members were enrolled for Red Cross membership for 1940 in Foard County. This was an unusually large quota for a county the size of Foard and the attaining of it was made possible through the good response of the people.

Much credit for this excellent record goes to C. R. Seale for his splendid and untiring work as the roll call chairman, and, also, to his co-workers.

Other than Mr. Seale, those who worked in the membership drive (Continued on Page Five)

Hollis, Okla., Bows To Local Cagers, 29-20

Coach Grady Graves' Crowell Wildcats added another victory to their string last Tuesday night when they invaded Hollis, Okla., to down the Sooners by a 29 to 20 score in a game in which the Wildcats' defense was easily the feature.

As have been all of their opponents this season, the Hollis cagers were stumped by the smooth-working Crowell defense and were able to ring up only one basket with a short shot. Practically all of the Oklahomans' points were tallied from long range, over the heads of the Wildcats.

The Wildcats were never in danger but were never able to pile up a big score as they have done against other opponents. At the end of the first quarter the Wildcats were leading 5 to 2 and the half ended with the Crowell boys out in front, 11 to 6. Tre

Wildcats rang up 6 points in the third frame for a 17 to 11 margin and the game closed with 29-20 as the final score. (Continued on Page Four.)

FAVORABLE COMMENT

Abilene, Dec. 18. — Many favorable comments on its regional advertising campaign have been received by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. The campaign includes 200 large, colored poster panels scattered throughout West Texas. These were secured through co-operation of local operators.

Typical of many of the comments was one reported by the Santa Anna News which quoted a

Dallas motorist as follows: "Those billboards advertising West Texas sure stand out. Make you think of what a whopping big slice of country there is out here in West Texas, and the opportunities it offers for investments or just a place to live. I like it out here." The posters advertise West Texas as the "Nation's Happiest, Busiest, Richest Region."

If you are an old timer you can remember when the drum major in the band was always a man.

Items from Neighboring Communities

RAYLAND (By J. C. Davis)

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Odell of Thalia visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Davenport Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Quincy Rutledge of Elliott spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Rutledge.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bowers of Vernon are visiting their daughter, Mrs. T. E. Lawson, and family.

A. S. Colclozer and family have moved from a farm across the river to their home here. Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Mansel moved to the farm vacated by them, and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Haynes moved to the Mansel residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Daniel and family moved from this community to Crowell last week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Davis left Thursday for Nocona and Kilgore. They will make their home at Kilgore. Miss Juanita Mansel accompanied them to Nocona where she will visit friends and relatives.

Ewell Williams of Wichita Falls visited his mother, Mrs. Ola Williams, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Brittan and daughter, Doyle, of Amarillo visited friends here last week-end.

Bill Barrett and brother, Sylvan, of Paducah came Friday for Mrs. J. C. Davis to attend her daughter, Mrs. Bill Barrett, who is ill with erysipelas.

THALIA (By Minnie Wood)

Mrs. George Vernon of Carlsbad, N. M., visited her brother, Eudale Oliver, and family and her sister, Mrs. G. W. Scales, here last week-end.

Mrs. Raymond Oliver and children of Knox City visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Roberts, here last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Haney of Vernon were visitors here a while Friday.

Herman Dozier of Gainesville visited his father, S. N. Dozier, who is very ill, here last week-end.

H. R. Randolph and A. K. Edens of Vernon were visitors here a while Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Dunn and son of Rayland visited Jim Dunn and family here last week. Mrs. Arlie Dunn is recovering from an operation.

Homer Matthews has returned home from a visit in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Henry and son, Boots, of Quanah, Lela Belle Henry of Goodlett and Mrs. B. F. Henry of Crowell visited S. N. Dozier, who is very ill here, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. L. A. Roberts was hostess to the Idle Hour Club in her home Thursday afternoon. A Christmas tree with a gift for each one present was enjoyed by 16 members. The next meeting will be with Mrs. R. B. Cato Dec. 28.

W. O. McDaniel of Crowell visited S. N. Dozier, who is very ill here, Monday.

E. C. Huntley and family visited relatives in Memphis Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Davis of Anton and Mrs. John Bradford of Margaret visited their aunt, Mrs. J. F. Matthews, and family here

Tuesday. Mrs. E. S. Fleisher visited in Fort Worth a few days this week.

Mrs. Juanita Huston and children of Memphis are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Huntley, this week.

The Methodist folks will meet in their new church Sunday for Sunday School and preaching. It will be the first service to be held in the new building. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mrs. Norman Gray was hostess to the Methodist W. M. S. in her home Monday afternoon. A very fine program was given with Mrs. M. C. Adkins as leader. Those taking part on the program were: Mrs. Homer McBeath, Mrs. C. C. Lindsey, Mrs. W. G. Chapman, Mrs. H. W. Gray, Mrs. H. L. Swan, Miss Minnie Wood and Mrs. Langley. Mrs. J. L. McBeath led in prayer. A Christmas tree was enjoyed from which each member received a gift revealing the unknown friends. Fruit and candy were served to 18 members.

T. A. Burson of Lorenzo came Sunday to make his home with his daughter, Mrs. E. J. McKinley, here.

RIVERSIDE (By Bonnie Schroeder)

Mr. and Mrs. Jady Tole were Wichita Falls visitors Monday. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tole of Five-in-One.

Mr. and Mrs. Blake McDaniel of Foard City spent Wednesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Beidleman.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Zeislar and children of Five-in-One, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Simmonds of South Lockett, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hlavaty and daughters of Thalia, and J. H. Bursey, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Simmonds and son and Mr. and Mrs. Jady Tole and daughter were visitors in the Otto Schroeder home Sunday afternoon and night.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Adkins and family, Mrs. Allie Huntley and Mrs. Bertha Shultz of Thalia visited Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson of Black Sunday.

V. A. Thomas of Henderson spent Wednesday night in the C. L. Adkins home. He was accompanied home by his wife and children, who had been visiting here.

Miss Lola Jean Fox underwent a tonsil operation in a Quanah hospital last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Powell of Crowell were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Bailey Rennels and Mrs. J. L. Rennels Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Carvin and sons of Crowell visited Mr. and Mrs. Luther Tamplin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Blevins and family attended a birthday dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hudgins of Gambleville Sunday. The dinner was given in celebration of Mr. Hudgins' birthday.

John Young and Retta Bradford spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Bradford of Margaret.

Students of the Riverside school will present a Christmas program in the school auditorium Friday night, Dec. 22 at 7:30 o'clock. Included on the program is a Christmas pageant, "The Quest of the Wise Men," and numbers by the school rhythm band. At the conclusion of the program gifts will be distributed from the community Christmas trees.

Miss Helen Zacek, who is employed in Vernon, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ignac Zacek. Mr. and Mrs. John Reithmayer and children of Springdale, Ark., visited from Thursday until Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Herman Gloyna.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Steele of Crowell visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bursey Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. T. W. Underwood and children of Vernon visited in the D. H. Skelton home Sunday afternoon.

Weston Ward, who is attending a business school in Wichita Falls, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ward.

Raymond Shumake and family of Melrose, N. M., spent Sunday and Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Luther Cribbs.

James Adkins accompanied other members of the Thalia basketball team to Quail where they played in the ball tournament Saturday and Sunday night.

Mrs. Loyd Whitten attended the golden wedding anniversary celebration of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Fox, at the Premier Hotel in Crowell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Pope and children, Zelma, Kenneth and Frances, are attending the bedside of Mrs. Pope's mother, Mrs. Sallie Martindale, of Purcell, Okla.

J. S. Ray, E. B. Schroeder, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Karcher, Emma and Bonnie Schroeder attended the funeral of Mrs. Kate Kern in the Peace Lutheran Church in Lockett Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Walker and son, Bill, left Monday for Floydada where they have established their home.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Ray returned home Tuesday from Lagrange, Mo., where they visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mussetter, and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bradford and children spent Sunday afternoon with Ralph Bradford and family of Margaret.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Hudgins

and family spent the week-end with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Deloyd Roberson, of Amarillo.

Herbert Maas Jr., Jimmie Lomis and Leonard Alexander of Vernon were visitors in this community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Belew of Vernon visited their daughter, Mrs. Clifford Cribbs, and family Sunday.

Mrs. George Vernon of Carlsbad, N. M., visited Mrs. G. W. Scales and family Friday night. Mrs. Vernon and Mrs. Scales are sisters.

A three-act comedy play, "Civil Service," will be presented in the Riverside school auditorium Thursday night, Dec. 21, at 7:30. Admission charges will be 10c and 20c and the proceeds will go to the Parent-Teachers Association which is sponsoring the play.

Two Minute Sermon (By Thomas Hastwell)

A Disciple or An Apostle—Which: After two years of teaching by word and miracle, the religion that Christ had come to earth to reveal to man, he took his disciples aside one day and told them that from then on they were to go forth and carry this message to others. He warned them that this would not be easy, that they would meet with resistance and opposition but this should not daunt or deter them—they must carry on. This was a new experience to the disciples. From that day forward instead of being merely disciples, learners of his word, they were to become doers of his word. They were to interpret in terms of human living the message of Christ's gospel. They were to bring Christ to others. Hence forth they were to be apostles instead of disciples, teachers instead of merely learners. If they had failed no other way was provided to bring this philosophy of living to mankind. I have often thought of this incident in connection with the church and the religious experience of many today. They are admirable disciples. They attend church regularly and are diligent students of God's word, but go no further. They stop there. They never make their religion a vital, usable thing. They remain disciples always, never becoming apostles to carry to others the message they have learned of Christ.

NEWLY DISCOVERED STARS

Austin, Dec. 18.—A new type of star, yet unnamed, has been discovered by astronomers at McDonald Observatory, they have informed University of Texas officials here.

Dr. Gerald P. Kuiper, observatory research associate at the University plant in West Texas, has observed some 60 stars "of a type not formerly recognized by astronomers," Dr. Otto Struve, director, reported.

"This is a new group of stars, whose dimensions are from one-third to one-half those of the sun," Dr. Struve said.

Due to the small content of hydrogen existing in the stars discovered, Dr. Struve believed them to be the oldest members of our galaxy, traveling inner routes at tremendous rates of speed.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- 1. How many children in the Secretary of War Woodring's family?
2. In what state is the town known as The Dalles located?
3. What two well known movie stars who appear in the well known picture, "The Thin Man," are now appearing in the new picture, "Another Thin Man?"
4. In what southern state was a gold mine recently discovered?
5. In what state is the stadium known as the Sugar Bowl located?
6. For what purpose is a pulmotor used?
7. What is the name of the new rifle being supplied infantry units of the United States Army?
8. What well known European character lives at Doorn, in the Netherlands?
9. What is the nature of Rus-

sian demands upon Finland?
10. What position under the federal government is held by William Bullert?
(Answers on page 3).

INSURANCE FIRE, TORNADO, Hail, Etc. Mrs. A. E. McLaughlin

H. SCHINDLER DENTIST Office Hours: 8 to 12 and 1 to 5 Crowell, — — — Texas



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A Yuletide Wish



To You . . . and You . . . and You

May Old Santa remember you with many things in token of our appreciation of the many kindnesses with which you have remembered us during the past.

Merry Christmas Prosperous New Year

SELF MOTOR COMPANY

Advertisement for Texas Natural Gas Co. featuring a Christmas tree illustration and the text 'Around the Christmas Tree' and 'TEXAS NATURAL GAS CO.'

Advertisement for W. R. WOMACK featuring the text 'Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year' and 'This Store Is Appreciative and Deeply Grateful To Everyone'.

Items from Neighboring Communities

TRUSCOTT

(By Chrystalene Chilcoat)

Miss Mildred Black, who has been ill with scarlet fever for the past two weeks, is reported to be improving nicely at this writing.

Mrs. Joe W. English has been in Lubbock several days, where she went through the Clinic for a medical examination. It is feared that she will have to undergo operation before she is able to return home. Rev. English joined her in Lubbock Monday.

Mrs. Tom Masterson Jr. is visiting her parents in Louisiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Myers entertained the people of the Humane Station with a party in their home Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. McMinn

and children, Frank Jr., Frances and Betty Anne, are planning on visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McMinn, of Abilene, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. McBroom, of Canyon, during the Christmas holidays.

The executive committee of the Knox County interscholastic league will meet Tuesday night, Jan. 2, in Benjamin to determine the dates and places of the events of the county meet.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morton are planning a trip to Tularosa, N. M., where they will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. McGuire.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Chowning and Bill Nichols spent the week-end visiting relatives in Jacksboro.

Roy Davidson visited in Aspermont Monday.

Mrs. Frank Moorehouse and Mrs. Lee Coffman of Benjamin visited in the home of Mrs. V. W. Browning Wednesday afternoon.

Raymond Black, who has been working in Buttonwillow, Calif., returned to his home here Sunday.

John Graham and daughter, Odella, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Russell visited in Olden Sunday.

A group of the young married people were entertained with a dance in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Seth Woods Saturday night.

Misses Marjory Browning, Estelle Chilcoat, Vandolyn Joyce Browning and Dorothy Jeanne Chilcoat visited in Crowell Saturday.

Misses Ophelia and Vada Gra-

ham, Miss Ruth Holmes and Mrs. Jack Russell visited friends in Knox City Sunday afternoon.

The Baptist Woman's Missionary Union postponed their regular meeting until Monday night when they presented a Christmas program. It was enjoyed by everyone who attended.

Marion Ryder Jr., who has been attending college in Fresno, Calif., returned to his home in Gilliland to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. V. W. Browning and Mrs. Oscar Solomon visited in Vernon Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Jameson are planning to spend the Christmas vacation in Vernon and Truscott this year.

A. F. McMinn attended a meeting of the superintendents, teachers and trustees of district 3, in Childress last week. The meeting was called by the district deputy superintendent, S. Z. Murdock.

The principal speaker of the evening was the State Superintendent, L. A. Woods.

FOARD CITY

(By Mrs. J. L. Farrar)

Mesdames C. G. McLain, J. L. Farrar, Lee Lefevre, accompanied Mrs. Ella Lawhon to Paducah on last Wednesday, where they visited Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Denton and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fox.

Fate McDougale left Sunday for Truscott where he will work for Elmo Todd during the next two weeks while Mr. and Mrs. Todd are visiting relatives in Norman, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walker and children, Jackie and Maxine, moved from the Minnick ranch Monday to Crowell where Mr. Walker will work for Boone Implement Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Recie Womack of Crowell spent Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McDaniel and Mr. and Mrs. Blake McDaniel.

Mr. and Mrs. Blake McDaniel spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Beidleman of Riverside.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Stewart of Waco arrived last Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Stewart's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Borchardt, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Callaway of Crowell visited in the J. H. McDaniel home last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock Borchardt and son, Wayne, spent last Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Shannon of Vernon.

Mrs. J. E. Ferris has returned to her home in Wichita Falls after a week's visit with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Manning, and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Lilly left Thursday for a two months' visit with relatives in San Benito, Burkett and Corpus Christi, and other points in Texas and New Mexico.

Mrs. Earl Patterson and daughter, Claudia, left Tuesday morning for Frankston to spend the holidays with her father, T. M. Davis.

Miss Jewel Patterson, home demonstration agent of Wise County, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Patterson.

Mrs. A. W. Barker spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barker of Crowell.

U. C. Rader was called to Morris, Okla., on last Sunday to attend funeral services of a brother, Clarence Rader.

Bryant Johnson is having some repair work done on his house this week. Tom Callaway is doing the work.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sprinkle of Crowell spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rollins.

Mr. and Mrs. John Callaway of Wylie visited W. L. and Tom Callaway last week.

Mrs. Joe Ward and daughter, Melba, Mrs. E. A. Barker and Miss Joellene Vannoy of Crowell attended a covered dish luncheon and Christmas party at the club house here on Tuesday.

Grandma McLain, mother of Mesdames T. F. Welch and R. L. Taylor, has been seriously ill for the last week, but is improving.

Mrs. Lee Lefevre, Mrs. C. G. McLain and Mrs. Blake McDaniel were joint hostesses at a lovely dinner on last Tuesday honoring Mrs. J. L. Farrar and Mrs. Tom Lilly on their birthdays. Present for the occasion were the honored guest and their families, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Canup and son, Harold Lynn, of Crowell; Cecil Farley, Mr. and Mrs. Blake McDaniel, Mrs. Lee Lefevre and Lavoyce Lefevre and Fate McDougale.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Autrey took their son, J. C., to Quanah on Tuesday afternoon where he was given a medical examination.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Autrey and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Solomon of Gambelville.

Hughston McLain visited Fate McDougale at Truscott on last Sunday night.

Mrs. Claude Dodd of Crowell and Mrs. Raymond Shufake and children of New Mexico visited Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Owens last Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Owens, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Owens and Mrs. Lee Lefevre and Fate McDougale attended a recital in Truscott on last Friday night. Patsy Owens, a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Owens, appeared in the recital.

Marine Corps Office Opened in Abilene

Because of an avalanche of applications for service with the United States Marine Corps received from young men of West Texas during the latter part of the closing year, Captain J. D. O'Leary, Officer in Charge of Marine Corps Recruiting Stations in the state of Texas, has established a permanent recruiting office in Abilene. Information may be obtained at the post office.

This new Marine Corps station will offer thousands of young men the chance to investigate the career opportunities offered by the U. S. Marines and save them the added expense of traveling to a more distant city for entrance examinations.

Sergeant Franklin D. Marcom will be in charge of the Abilene office and he invites the parents of interested young men, particularly the parents of those under 21 years of age, to visit the recruiting office and let him explain the many advantages the Marine Corps offers young men who are from 18 to 30 years old and of good moral character and sound physique.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Fruit cake that has become dry may be moistened by saturating a clean cloth with spiced or spiked fruit juice, wrapping the cake in the cloth and returning it to its airtight container for a day or two.

To make pumpkin pies bake a rich golden brown, add a tablespoon of molasses to the filling.

Pared apples will not darken if dipped in lemon, orange, grapefruit or pineapple juice.

ANSWERS

1. Three.
2. Oregon.
3. Myrna Loy and William Powell.
4. Georgia.
5. Louisiana.
6. As a resuscitator to restore suspended breathing.

7. Garand.
8. Former Kaiser Wilhelm II of Germany.
9. That Finland allow the Red Government to locate Russian gun bases on Finnish soil to aid Russia in controlling the Baltic sea.
10. He is United States Ambassador to France.

ALL HAVE LICENSES

The director of the South Dakota State Game and Fish Department recently was dismissed when he was caught by one of his own wardens hunting without a license. That can hardly happen in Texas because the executive secretary of the State Game Department insists that all wardens and other employees of the department who hunt or fish purchase licenses and he is generally the first one to obtain them.

Over 4,000 books have been written on the life of Abraham Lincoln.

THOUGHTS OF SERIOUS MOMENTS

A really great man is known by three signs—Generosity in the design, humanity in the execution, moderation in success.—Bismark.

The greatest man is he who chooses the right with invincible resolution; and whose reliance on truth, on virtue, and on God, is most unflinching.—William Ellery Channing.

The study of God's word, for the purpose of discovering God's will, is the secret discipline which has formed the greatest characters.—J. W. Alexander.

Only those men and women gain greatness who gain themselves in a complete subordination of self.—Mary Baker Eddy.

INTERESTING FACTS OF THIS AND THAT

Carl Sandburg's life of Abraham Lincoln in four volumes, recently completed, contains 2,724 pages, 1,500,000 words.

John O. Garland, inventor of the new automatic rifle which is replacing the Springfield in the United States army, turned down flattering offers for the patent from American arms manufacturers and foreign governments and gave the gun to the United States government.



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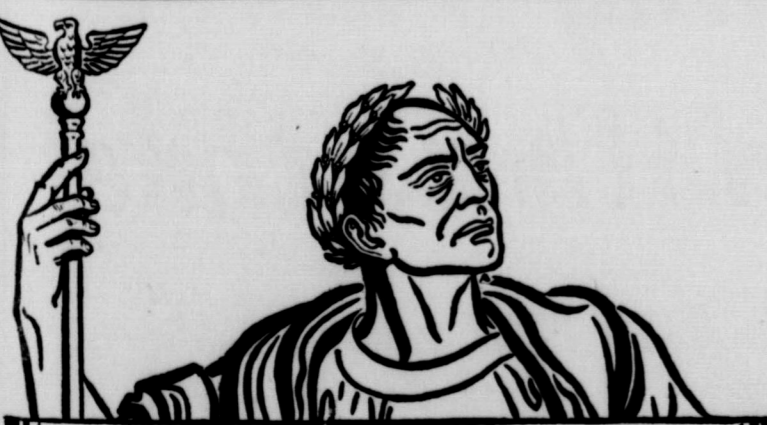
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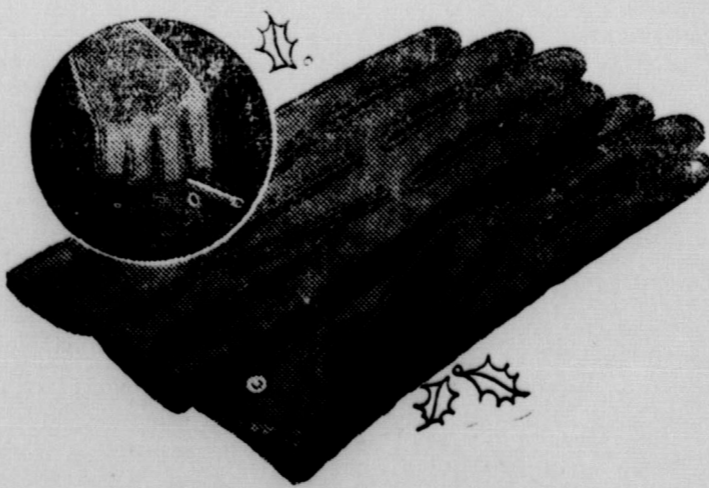
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EVERYTHING for the WELL DRESSED MAN

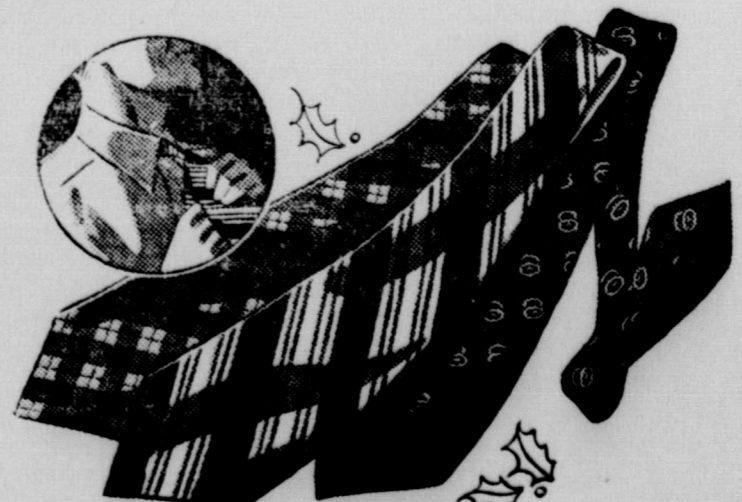


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THE Foard County News

F. B. KLEPPER, Editor-Owner
HENRY ASHFORD, Reporter

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Crowell, Texas, December 21, 1939

Two Foard County Boys Starring With Rattler Cage Team

Garland Taylor and Garrett Middlebrook, former Crowell Wildcat basketball stars, are members of the St. Mary's University cage team this season and both are doing excellent jobs in the forward positions, according to San Antonio sports papers reaching Crowell.

The Rattlers recently defeated Monterrey, Mexico, by a score of 66 to 39 and a sports writer has the following to say concerning Middlebrook:

"Garrett Middlebrook, the red-headed man-about-the-court, led the Rattlers' scoring with 18 points written after his name."

Later, on Dec. 11, the Rattlers nosed out the Texas Aggies, 48-47, and according to the following clipping Taylor seems to have been the star:

"Only thirty seconds remained in the contest when Garland Taylor, forward, thrilled the crowd with a field goal that put St. Mary's into the lead again, 48 to 46."

50th Anniversary—

(Continued from Page One)
1903, Mr. Fox leased land near what is now Morris, Okla., and broke out a farm in what had been a range country. The couple lived on this farm for five years. In 1908 they moved to Foard County and bought a farm one mile east of Foard City, living there until they moved to Crowell three years ago.

Following is the list of children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, who attended the cele-

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE NEWS BEING GIVEN FOR CHRISTMAS; 32 RENEWALS SINCE DEC. 13

Crowell Blasts Munday Cagers By 59-17 Tally

The Crowell Wildcats' powerful defense and sizzling offense smothered the Munday Moguls under a 59 to 17 score in their practice session in the Crowell High School gymnasium last Thursday night.

Coach Grady Graves' cohorts grabbed an early lead while the Moguls were trying to penetrate the "stone wall" defense offered by the local lads. By the time the visitors had vetted trying for close shots, the Wildcats had piled up a score which was near impossible to overtake, and the long range shots of the Moguls were not connecting.

Reserves Play

The Crowell reserves completed the night by ringing up a 31 to 6 victory over the Munday reserves.

The reserves have been drawing much interest from the Crowell fans, as these boys will form the Wildcats' regular quintet next season and from their performance in the two games this year they show great promise of taking over when the 1939-40 team graduates next spring.

bration Sunday:

Mr. and Mrs. Verge Johnson and children, Mildred, Oran and Doris Evelyn, Crowell; Mrs. Ethel Scott of Crowell and her daughter, Miss Thelma Johnson of Compton, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fox and their children, Mr. and Mrs. George Fox of Crowell, Mrs. Loyd Whitten of Riverside, Mrs. D. A. Davis and baby son of Alvord, and Edith, Lola Mae and Jimmie; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Johnson and son, Donald Carpenter and wife, of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Daniels and three children, James Neil, Nettie Sue and Tola, of Vernon; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Burdine and six children, Mabel Claire, Wilbur, Melvin, Crockett, Dora Sue, June and Donna, of Lamesa; Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Thomson and son, Gordon, of Crowell; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Earl Thomson and three children, Harold, Joyzell and Earl Wayne, of Crowell; Mr. and Mrs. Crockett C. Fox Jr. of Houston.

Others present were Mrs. Mary Fox and daughter, Miss Mary Lena, of Taylor; Mr. and Mrs. Alton Bowen and daughter, Margie Belle, of Georgetown; Mrs. J. L. Glover, Mrs. Ona Harris and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Thompson of Crowell.

All grandchildren were present with the exception of J. C. Johnson of Houston, Wilburn Johnson of Compton, Calif., and Joe Fox, who is in a CCC camp in Wyoming; one great grandchild, Gayne Johnson of Compton, Calif.

Electra—

(Continued from Page One)

their best defensive club to date but managed to work their opponents for many shots at the basket. In the meantime, the Tigers were resorting to long shots over the Wildcats' zone defense.

Advice on Hog Killing Is Released by Agent

County Agent John Nagy advises swine owners that now is the time to kill their meat and also advises that they kill, cut-up and prepare the meat according to the methods approved by the Extension Service.

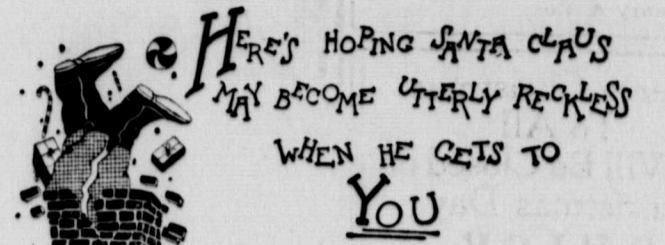
All farmers who want this information can obtain books, free of charge, at the county agent's office in Crowell at any time.



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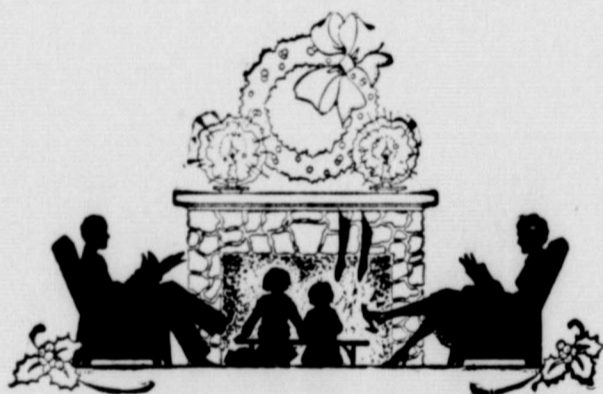
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A Merry Christmas

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A Happy New Year

Having been very ill for the past thirty days, and Mrs. Callaway being my nurse both day and night with the exception of the eight days Mrs. C. E. Holcomb, formerly Mrs. Bulah Pate, was with us, it has been physically impossible for us to have the happy privilege of sending our multitude of friends a Christmas card to express to each of you our feeling toward you and appreciation for you.

Therefore, we are using this method of expressing our humble appreciation for the many kind things that have been done, the many interesting inquiries that you have made, the interest you manifested in us, and the part that each of you has taken in helping to make it possible for my work to be carried on, just as though I had been there. As this paper goes to press, I am able to sit up a few hours each day and feel now that I am improving very fast.

As these great holidays are just ahead of us, I know of no greater wish that I could make you than to say that I hope the Christmas will be as merry and the New Year as happy for each and every person in Foard County and every subscriber of this paper, as it will be for my family if I continue to improve.

**MR. and MRS. CLAUDE CALLAWAY
and FAMILY**

Ramblings... at Christmas time

... Your thoughtfulness during the past year . . . the many friendly associations . . . the splendid patronage that has been ours . . . the courtesies and favors that have been extended us . . . the spirit of co-operation on the part of the

citizens of this fine community . . . their loyalty and belief in progress . . . all in all . . . we find many things that make us happy that this is our home . . . may we wish you all that's fine in appreciation of these delightful memories.



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Locals

Practically everything at greatly reduced prices, now to Dec. 23, 6 p. m.—W. R. Womack.

Good News—10 per cent off on Xmas gifts Dec. 23rd and 24th at Reeder's Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Crockett Fox of Houston visited over the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Fox and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Thompson.

Who wants a Superflex used oil heater? Two on hand.—W. R. Womack.

Miss Ann Mabe, student nurse in a Fort Worth hospital, spent Monday and Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Mabe.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Bell and daughter, Carolyn, left Saturday for Houston where they will spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Bell's parents.

Rugs as low as \$3.95 to \$42.00, rockers \$1.95 to \$22.00, bed room suites \$25.95 to \$88.00.—W. R. Womack.

Mrs. F. W. Mabe and daughter, Miss Ann, and Miss Ruth Ferguson spent Monday in Knox City visiting Mrs. Fred Mabe and baby son, Don Robert.

Big sale is still on.—W. R. Womack.

Fifty cents off on tricycles at M. S. Henry & Co.

Good News—10 per cent off on Xmas gifts Dec. 23rd and 24th at Reeder's Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Farr of Seymour are visiting in the home of Mrs. Farr's parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Hicks.

B. C. Newton of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Ritchey Newton of Dallas were week-end guests in the home of their sister and aunt, Mrs. T. B. Klepper.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Cooper returned Wednesday from Ireland, Texas, where they joined relatives for a family reunion.

Gold Seal first quality 8x12 rugs, \$5.75, others \$3.95 up.—W. R. Womack.

R. K. Ayers and Bennett Cooksey, Boy Scout field executives of Vernon, were here Tuesday visiting Crowell scouts. Mr. Cooksey in the new field executive for this district and will spend a week in each town.

One-third off on all mirrors and pictures Friday and Saturday at M. S. Henry & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Shumate and children, Helen, Betty Jane, J. R. Jr. and Shirley Pats, of Melrose, N. M., were here Friday and Saturday visiting in the home of Mrs. Shumate's cousin, C. R. Dodd. Mr. and Mrs. Shumate are former residents of Foard County, Mrs. Shumate being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Dodd. The family left here in 1923.

One-third off on all mirrors and pictures Friday and Saturday at M. S. Henry & Co.

Clarence Johnson of Dallas, service man for the Minneapolis-Moline Power & Implement Co., spent Tuesday afternoon and night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Johnson, and other relatives. Mr. Johnson has recently moved his family from Wichita Falls to Dallas.

Three-room house for sale or trade, must be moved.—M. S. Henry & Co.

M. O'Connell returned Monday night from a two-weeks' visit with his brothers, Dan and Ed O'Connell, in Los Angeles and Long Beach, Calif. Mr. O'Connell had not seen his brothers in 18 years. On the way to Los Angeles, Mr. O'Connell spent a night with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ricks at Colton, Calif. He also visited other friends in and around Los Angeles, who are former residents of Margaret.

Joe Roberts, who has been in Jackson, Miss., for several weeks, returned Wednesday to spend the holidays with his family.

Bill folds for him at M. S. Henry & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Carter and daughters, Jan and Sandra, are visiting in the home of Mrs. Pearl Carter during the Christmas holidays.

Special low prices on some high grade oil stoves.—W. R. Womack.

Bed lamps, wall lamps and floor lamps at M. S. Henry & Co.

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Roller skates for the kids at M. S. Henry & Co.

Reduced prices, for cash, now.—W. R. Womack.

Red Cross—

(Continued from Page 1) in the city of Crowell were D. R. Magee, Leslie Thomas, Mrs. Henry Borchardt, John Rasor, Mrs. W. B. Johnson, Miss Joellene Vannoy, T. S. Haney, Mrs. H. Schindler, Henry Black, Mrs. F. A. Davis and Mrs. L. A. Andrews.

Community workers were Mrs. W. A. Dunn, Margaret; Mrs. T. W. Cooper, Vivian; Mrs. A. B. Wisdom, Thalia; Mrs. John S. Ray, Rayland; Mrs. Frank Cates, Four Corners; Mrs. Alton Miller, Texaco, and Mrs. Blake McDaniel, Foard City.

These workers, and the officials who attend to the business of the Crowell Red Cross Chapter throughout the year, should be highly commended as they give their time and work in order that such a noble organization as the Red Cross might be kept in operation to help suffering humanity in disasters and war.

The Girl Scouts aided in the drive in Crowell and their wholehearted co-operation was deeply appreciated by those in charge of the roll call.

Fifty per cent of the money raised in the roll call, which includes about \$10 in personal donations, will be sent to the National Chapter and the remainder will remain in the local treasury for use in emergency relief cases.

During 1939, the Crowell chapter has used \$82 to help 62 persons or parties in emergency relief, and this money was spent under the supervision of Mr. Self and Judge Claude Callaway. Money is spent by the local chapter only in cases of emergency relief.

Hunters! Lots of shotgun shells for ducks, geese, quail.—W. R. Womack.

McMINNS ENTERTAIN

Members of the board of trustees of the Truscott school and their wives and teachers and their wives and husbands were entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. McMinn in Truscott Friday night of last week.

Those present were: Miss Eileen Motley, Mrs. Alice Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Acker, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morton, Miss Lelah Jones, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Jameson, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Westbrook, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Whitaker, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Browder, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hickman, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Solomon, and Mr. and Mrs. McMinn.

County H. D. Council Met Saturday, Dec. 16

The Home Demonstration Council met in the office of the home demonstration agent, Miss Joellene Vannoy, Saturday, Dec. 16.

The chairman of the exhibit committee and two 4-H Club girls will visit the outstanding club girl of each club that has completed two years of 4-H club work and will select the "Gold Star" girl of Foard County.

One hundred and one women exhibited a jar of fruit and vegetables each in the Ball jar canning contest. The Ball Jar Co. gave \$15.00 as a prize. Half of this money was given to the Council and the other half was given to the first, second and third winners in the fruit and vegetable divisions. Winners in this contest follow:

Fruit—Mrs. T. W. Cooper of Vivian, first, \$2.00 on pears; Mrs. A. L. Davis of Foard City, second, \$1.00 on berries; Mrs. S. E. Tate of West Side, third, 75c on peaches.

Vegetables—Mrs. Otto Schroeder of Riverside, first, \$2.00 on cream peas; Miss Mildred Solis of Gambelville, second, \$1.00 on green beans; Mrs. E. L. Bishop of Vivian, third, 75c on black-eyed peas.

One jar each of vegetables and fruits were given to Judge Claude Callaway, George Self and W. R. Womack, for helping with the annual exhibit at the Self Motor Co. show room.

The broadcast over station KWVC at 7 p. m. Wednesday, Dec. 20, will be an extemporaneous interview by Mrs. T. W. Cooper on her pantry, and Christmas carols sung by Mrs. Henry Fish.

A down comfort demonstration was given in Miss Vannoy's office Friday afternoon and the ladies of Crowell were invited to watch it.

Margaret All-Stars Defeat Thalia In Game Wednesday

In the first all-star game to be played on the Crowell court this season, Margaret handed Thalia a 39-26 defeat in the second game of the basketball program at the Crowell gymnasium Wednesday night.

Thalia took an early lead in the first period and were leading 10-9 at the end of the first quarter, but the lead vanished in the second period when Margaret took command, 19-14. The third frame was played on even terms, but in the last period, the Margaret cagers found their stride to tally 15 points while holding Thalia to five points.



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TOWNSEND MEETING

The Crowell Townsend Club will meet in the district court room in Crowell Thursday night (tonight) at 7:30 o'clock at which time officers for 1940 will be elected. Every member of the

club is urged to take part in the election.

John Ford and his string band will furnish music during the entertainment hour and there will be a Christmas surprise which will be of interest to those present. The public is invited to attend this program.

Rialto Theatre PREVIEW ONLY, FRI., DEC. 22—ADULTS ONLY

Advertisement for Rialto Theatre featuring 'The Sensation of the Year!' and 'Never Before Shown in Crowell'. Includes text: 'DESTROYER OF SOULS', 'Protect Them! Warn Them!', 'TELL Your Children They May Be Next!', 'Bold! Frank! True!', 'Positively NO ONE Under 18 Admitted!', 'PREVIEW FRI. DEC. 22', 'All Seats 25c'.

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RED PITTED CHERRIES, No. 2 can 12c
PORK CHOPS, per lb. 15c
GOLDEN FRUIT BANANAS, dozen 15c

A Christmas Thought



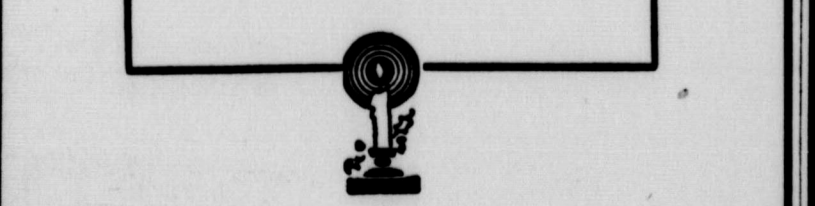
As you gather with your friends and loved ones for a happy Christmas, and as we gather with ours, remember that we shall be thinking of the innumerable associations that have meant so much to us. That's why we'll be thinking of you. Your friendships has made our Christmas happy.

AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

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FOR SALE—1937 Chevrolet town sedan.—A. T. McWilliams, 26-3tc

FOR SALE—Young turkey Toms. Will deliver them at 12c per lb. Call W. B. Tysinger. 27-1tp

MR. AND MRS. T. L. WARD of Route Two have complimentary guest tickets awaiting them at the News office to see "On Your Toes" at the Rialto Theatre at the Saturday night preview, Sunday or Monday.

FOR SALE—White sow and 9 pigs.—R. L. Woodard, cemetery sexton. 27-1tp

FOR SALE Real Estate and Life Insurance

J. P. DAVIDSON, Office City Hotel 50-1tc

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WANTED — Used water stock tanks.—W. B. Jones, Foard City. 26-2tp

CHAS. HATHAWAY and MOTHER of Thalia have complimentary guest tickets awaiting them at the News office to see "On Your Toes" at the Rialto Theatre at the Saturday night preview, Sunday or Monday.

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HAVE YOU EVER HAD

A DAY when you felt tense, jumpy, irritable?

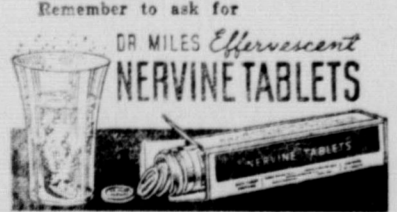
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Over-taxed nerves are likely to cause loss of friends, loss of sleep, loss of pleasure, time missed from work, family quarrels, physical and mental suffering.

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NOTICE

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STATED MEETING of Crowell Lodge No. 840, A. F. & A. M., Dec. 25, 7:30 pm. Members urged to attend, visitors welcome. C. B. GRAHAM, W. M. D. R. MAGEE, Secretary

Thalia Lodge No. 666, A. F. & A. M., STATED MEETING Saturday Night, December 23, 1939

Members urged to attend. Visitors always welcome. C. C. WISDOM, W. M. C. H. WOOD, Secretary.

Meets tonight (Thursday), at 7:30 at the Odd Fellows hall. All members are urged to attend.

M. N. MORRIS, N. G. T. M. WHITBY, Sec.

No Trespassing

NOTICE—No hunting, fishing or trespassing of any kind allowed on my land.—Furd Haisell. 15-1tc

TRESPASS NOTICE

No fishing or hunting allowed on my premises.—Leslie McAdams. 15-1tc

FARM LOANS

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TREE PLANTING

Abilene, Dec. 18.—Enlargement of the federal government's tree planting program in the Shelterbelt district of the high plains of West Texas was advocated at a meeting of West Texas Chamber of Commerce directors from that region in Childress recently.

W. B. Hamilton, Wichita Falls, chairman of the WTCC natural resources committee presided. Representatives of the group will ask their Congressmen to seek larger bulk appropriations of Shelterbelt work. The U. S. Forest Service administers the projects, using at present WPA labor to assist landowners and farmers and working on man-hour-month grants from WPA. This method of financing is considered precarious, it was said at the Childress meeting.

The first Shelterbelt planting in Texas was in Childress county in the late spring of 1935. Since then 1,599 miles of trees have been planted on 2,046 farms in the 31-county district, at an overall cost of less than 6 cents per tree.

The project has proved a powerful factor in minimizing dust-storms, increasing the money return from the land, beautifying the country side and providing a coverage for wild life, speakers said at the meeting. By the end of this year, 22 million trees will have been planted. Some of the early plantings are now 30 feet high and 8 to 10 inches in diameter.

The Supreme Court of the United States has declared unconstitutional any law or ordinance prohibiting the distribution of had bills.

Only two states, Vermont and Connecticut, have reported no cases of tularemia or rabbit fever. Tularemia or rabbit fever results fatally in only about one out of twenty cases.

CHURCHES

Christian Science Church Sunday School at 10 a. m. Sunday services at 11 a. m. Wednesday evening services at 8 o'clock. Sunday, December 24, 1939. Subject: "Christian Science." The public is cordially invited.

East Side Church of Christ Bible classes at 10 o'clock Sunday morning. Communion at 11 a. m. Everyone is invited to come and worship with us.

Vivian Church

There will be church at the Vivian school building every Wednesday and Saturday nights at 7:15 o'clock. Bro. Hasting will preach Saturday night and at the 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. services Sunday. Everyone is invited to worship with us.—Reporter.

Baptist Church News

Inasmuch as people's minds are turned towards Christmas, and giving one another gifts, we should remember that, after all, it is Christ's birthday. Therefore, we are asking all Baptists to give a gift to Christ's work next Sunday morning. This gift will be given to missions. Before you come to church, read Matthew 2:11, 10:42; John 14:31, and Acts 20:35. Wishing you a merry Christmas. W. B. Fitzgerald, Pastor.

Christian Science Services

"Christian Science" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, December 24.

The Golden Text is: "Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for the Lord hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem" (Isaiah).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ" (Revelation 12:10).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "The great miracle, to human sense, is divine Love, and the grand necessity of existence is to gain the true idea of what constitutes the kingdom of heaven in man" (page 560).

First Methodist Church

Faithfulness is the great word that should be at the center of life. It is the foundation of every achievement. Its flame keeps warm and glowing the Christian spirit. The strength of character is determined by fidelity. You cannot build Christian character on infidelity any more than a skyscraper on mud.

Faithfulness is not a spontaneous grace. It is not the result of wishful thinking. You can no more wish yourself good than you can wish yourself wise. Fidelity comes not from talking but from doing. Character is not a gift, it is an achievement. Goodness is not something handed over to you, it is won.

"Faithful unto Death." You cannot loaf on yesterday's fidelity. The duties of the past done, atone not for the duties of the future undone. In one unfaithful day the patient achievement of a lifetime may be destroyed. So may we think of God's great gift to the world as faithful to every task of life. May we be faithful to our town, home, church, and to the God of our very life.

Go to church next Sunday and show your great appreciation for God's great gift to you.

We are striving to have 200 in Sunday School next Sunday. Why not come and help with your presence? Form the habit of giving God one day of your life each week.

W. B. HICKS, Pastor.

Our Weekly Sermon

By Dr. P. B. Fitzwater, Director of Pastors' Course, Moody Bible Institute, Chicago.

Christ's Sheep

The relationship of the believer to the Lord Jesus Christ is beautifully illustrated by the figure of the sheep and the shepherd. This relationship is a most personal one. The Lord knows every one of His children. And He not only knows them, but He personally leads every one into the ways of life. He goes before to lead the way and to defend the believer against every danger and every foe. So devoted is He to them, He even gave His life for them. This He did on Calvary.

In the light of the teaching of the Good Shepherd as set forth in the tenth chapter of John, it is interesting to note some characteristics of the sheep.

They recognize the Shepherd's voice. There are many voices in the world—the voice of the hireling, the voice of the thief, and the voice of the stranger. But none of these voices will the sheep hear. The very tone of the voice of the Divine Shepherd is recognized by His sheep, even in the midst of the world's babel of voices.

His sheep give heed to the voice of their Shepherd. They not merely know the voice as that of the Shepherd, but this voice is as

Oil Industry Pays a Fair Share of Taxes of the State

Dallas, Dec. 20, (Special)—The youth of Texas have a big stake in the future welfare of the oil industry of the State, which already is its outstanding industrial enterprise, with a \$230,000,000 annual payroll, from which lives one-sixth of the population, declared George C. Gibbons, executive vice president of the Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association, in an address here.

Gibbons told the Civic Federation of Dallas that the maintenance of a public attitude that will foster development and expansion of the industry means profitable employment and greater opportunity to engage in individual business enterprise for the on-coming generation of Texans, both in oil and in other industrial activity that will develop in Texas, with public encouragement.

"The petroleum industry and its allied branches spent in Texas last year \$755,000,000 for leases and royalties, payrolls, materials, supplies and taxes," Gibbons said. "It refines 80 per cent of all the crude oil produced in the state and produces 40 per cent of all the manufactured products of Texas, being by far the State's largest manufacturing enterprise."

The most widespread misconception in Texas today is the belief that the oil industry is paying less than its fair share of the taxes in this State, Gibbons declared.

"There is but one way to answer this oft-repeated misstatement, and that is to give the exact figures," he said.

"In 1938, Texas oil producers paid in State and local taxes more than \$44,000,000, according to official figures taken from the tax records of the State and its local taxing subdivisions, and it was divided as follows: "State gross production tax, at 2 1/2 per cent, \$15,333,421; State regulatory tax, at 3-1/2 of one per cent per barrel, \$892,862; State franchise, gross receipts, social security, permits, car and truck licenses and gasoline taxes paid by its own vehicles, \$3,432,625; State ad valorem taxes, \$4,886,380.

"To this must be added \$19,545,520 of ad valorem taxes paid to local subdivisions of Texas that are empowered to levy taxes, making the total \$44,000,808. Dividing this figure by 476 million barrels of oil produced in 1938 gives an average tax figure of 9.3 cents that was paid on every barrel of oil produced.

"Studies projected for 1939 on the basis of the 1938 tax rolls indicate at this time that the total State and local taxes this year will average at least 9.8 cents per barrel. This is the highest tax collected on oil among all of the oil producing states."

Pointing out that potential profits of the industry are still largely underground, in the form of oil reserves, Gibbons stated that under proration it will be many years before the average oil operator can recover his original investments in wells.

"We have seen our market demand in Texas shrink by 50 million barrels within the past two years, due largely to the fact that other oil producing states have the advantage of Texas in their proximity to consuming markets, transportation rates and taxation," Gibbons said. "Unfortunately, Texas has no monopoly on oil production. Within a short time, much new production has come into the picture in Illinois, Arkansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, and Nebraska. Some of these states have no restriction on production, and all have lower tax rates than

sweet music in their ears. This means that the believer's soul is in sympathetic accord with his Lord and Saviour, and also with His instructions to him. This means that the sheep will follow the Shepherd.

And following Him is proof of their being His. The one who professes to be a follower of Christ but does not obey Him is clearly not one of His sheep.

They not only are in sympathetic accord with Him, but they have unquestioned faith in His ability and wisdom to lead them and protect them. Therefore, regardless of the darkness, the dangers and the difficulties of the way, they will turn from the voice of those who follow Him, and implicitly follow His. This should be a solemn warning to all professing Christians. The true sheep will not only refuse to listen to the voice of strangers, but will even flee from them.

The Shepherd knows His sheep. He knows every one of them by name. He knows their particular weakness, their particular need. The provision for them is according to His knowledge of their need. How wonderful is the love and care of the blessed Shepherd. May this truth encourage and strengthen all to repose their lives and interests into the hands of the Shepherd.

Then, too, the sheep are utterly secure. Though they are in themselves helpless, they are entirely secure in the hands of the Shepherd. They not only depend entirely upon the Shepherd, but do not seek help from others. It is the Shepherd's business to look after the sheep and not the sheep's business to defend themselves. He leads them into green pastures and beside still waters. He provides for their food, and makes their entire satisfaction a reality. May we utterly cast ourselves upon our Great Shepherd's care!

Texas." Permanence of the oil industry, he said, is assured by the fact that there are now proved reserves sufficient to maintain present production rates for 21 years in Texas, with much exploration and development under way that will largely increase these reserves. Latest figures, Gibbons said, show there is oil or gas production in 147 counties, with exploration under way in 98 additional counties, leaving only nine of the 254 Texas counties without oil exploration activity under way at present.

Educational Matter to Be Distributed

Austin, Dec. 13.—"The Division of Vocational Agriculture of the State Department of Education will co-operate with the State-Wide Cotton Committee of Texas in distributing educational material regarding state trade barriers and their effect upon agriculture," announced Rob't. A. Manire, Director of Agricultural Education.

"Material being distributed," Burris C. Jackson, chairman of the State-Wide Cotton Committee, "traces the historical and economical background of the subject and the constitutional right to all the markets of the nation once enjoyed by every farmer of every state. The article points out that local interests hoping to profit through monopolizing markets for their own goods within their own states have resorted to devious methods of evading the Constitutional prohibition against state tariffs.

"One particular type of trade barrier most harmful to the Texas cotton industry," remarked Jackson, "are the prevailing discriminatory and prohibitive taxes, license fees and other restrictions on the use and sale of margarine, because this product is the second largest outlet for cottonseed oil."

Besides actively combating trade barriers, the State-Wide Cotton Committee of Texas has sections dealing specifically with better ginning, greater consumption, new uses, staple quality, and insect control.

One of the points demanded in the Chrysler strike was that the employees have the right to say how fast the assembly should move, or, in other words, how many cars should be turned out during a working day. When the management of any industry accedes to this demand it surrenders to the industry to the workers. This is what has been done in Russia under Stalin.

The six years period between 1909 and 1915 is referred to as the golden period of American agriculture. During these years a given amount of farm products would buy about 22 per cent more manufactured goods than the same amount will buy today.

Our Letter to Santa Claus!



Somehow we just know you won't overlook our friends, the people of this community. They've been mighty good, every one of them, and they deserve the best you've got. We enjoy every one of the 365 days in the year among them; that's why we are sure that you'll manage to squeeze in just one day. And you'll leave happier because you'll see that here, indeed, among these fine people, is the true spirit of Christmas.

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OUT OF THE PAST

The Christmas and New Year Season brings to mind the gratitude that is in our hearts for all the blessings that have come our way. In the past the friends of this organization have made possible progress and a certain amount of prosperity. Through these friendships life has been an enjoyable experience, one in which we have the confidence and esteem of the people whom we serve. All we ask is the pleasure of a continuance of these fine relationships—so that we may look with a genuine enthusiasm toward the future.

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Haskell Telephone Company

Items from Neighboring Communities

BLACK (Mrs. Sherman Nichols) Tuesday. Carroll Mathis and family of Qoanah visited W. C. Trammell and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Simmons of Crowell visited John Nichols and wife Sunday evening. The home of Mrs. Rosalie Pechacek was the scene of a happy gathering last Sunday.



GREETINGS May the bells keep ringing a song of joy for everybody!

VIVIAN (By Rosalie Fish) Mrs. E. J. Arant of Shallowater is here visiting in the home of her brother, J. M. Marr, and family.

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Your Horoscope

December 19, 20.—You have strong inclinations toward the finer arts, music and art. You are interested in the scientific and like to delve into the worthwhile things in life. You should relax and take more recreation.

NOBODY'S BUSINESS

BY JULIAN CAPERS JR.

Austin.—The Legislature's definition of an "open saloon," under which the State Liquor Control board issues licenses to "beer joints" throughout the State, is legally valid, Attorney General Gerald Mann ruled, in answer to a request from Dr. J. A. Bradfield, veteran prohibition campaigner, and new chairman of the liquor board.

Oil and Industrialization All this talk of industrializing Texas which has sprung up since Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel started it last summer has directed attention to the very substantial contribution toward industrializing Texas which the oil industry has made.

New Economic Theory Students of taxation in Texas, who heard Dr. Clarence Ayers, professor of economics at the University of Texas speak on taxation before the Dallas Open Forum last week, listened to some economic theorizing that seems somewhat to the left even of the New Deal.

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Illustration of a family with a starburst. Text: May the Light of Joy and Happiness Keep Shining for You and Yours. OWENS AUTO SUPPLY

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APRICOTS, 2 lbs.
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CHINAWARE, pkg.
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- CATSUP, 14-oz. bottle 10c; gallon 45c
- Marshmallows, 1-lb. cellophane bag 16c
- SODA, Arm & Hammer, 2 pkgs. 15c
- TISSUE, Ft. Howard, 3 rolls 18c
- MIXED NUTS, pound 18c
- GRAPEFRUIT, small size, dozen 15c
- BANANAS MEDIUM FRUIT, GOLDEN 15c
YELLOW, dozen
- ONIONS, yellow, 3 pounds 8c
- SPUDS, 15-lb. peck 25c
- PLENTY of FRESH VEGETABLES
- PURE RIBBON CANE 1/2 gallon 31c
1 gallon 59c
- ORANGES SUNKIST NAVELS, 18c
288 size, Dozen
- Pork Chops 18c Bologna, 2 lbs 25c
- Cheese 21c Butter Gate City 30c
- Sausage, lb. 18c Fresh Fish, Oysters

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Crowell Couples Married in Abilene Sunday Evening

ELLIS-LANIER

The marriage of Miss Annie Mae Ellis to J. H. Lanier Jr. was solemnized at the Methodist parsonage in Abilene Sunday night with Rev. J. H. Hamblen officiating in the ceremony. Rev. Hamblen was at one time pastor of the Crowell church.

Mrs. Lanier is the daughter of B. F. Ellis of McCamey and has lived for the most of her life in Crowell. She graduated from Crowell High School in 1923. She has been employed as cashier at Lanier's Grocery for the past four years.

Mr. Lanier is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lanier Sr. and has been reared to manhood here. He is a graduate of Crowell High School. He is now connected with the Lanier Grocery firm. Mr. and Mrs. Lanier have rooms at Alfred Eddy's home for the present.

PHILLIPS-GORRELL

Miss Opal Phillips of this place, formerly of Haskell, became the

bride of Lee Gorrell Sunday night at the Methodist parsonage in Abilene. Rev. J. H. Hamblen, a former pastor of the Crowell Methodist Church, performed the ceremony.

Mrs. Gorrell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Phillips of Haskell and was reared at that place. She has resided in Crowell since November 1st and has been employed at Alfred Eddy's Cafe.

Mr. Gorrell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gorrell and has been reared in Crowell. He has been in the employ of Cameron Lumber Co. here for a number of years.

Mr. and Mrs. Gorrell are making their home at Mrs. B. F. Ringgold's residence.

Christmas Breakfast for Columbian Club

A delightful party of the Christmas season was a breakfast at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Self last Wednesday morning from 9 until 11 o'clock with Mrs. Self as hostess and the members of the Columbian Club as guests. Additional guests included, Mrs. J. C. Self of Wichita Falls, Mrs. H. K. Edwards, Mrs. W. B. Johnson, Mrs. Paul Shirley, Mrs. Joe Roberts, Mrs. John Hutchison, Mrs. O. R. Boman and Mrs. C. P. Sandifer.

The house was beautiful with its Christmas decorations of evergreens and flowers and berries. The mantle was banked with pyracantha berries and pine boughs and lighted candles.

The dining table was laid with a cloth of Italian cut work and the quartet tables had Madeira linen covers. Each table was centered with white candles in crystal holders and attractively arranged with red and white candy canes which served as plate favors. Quail on toast was the feature of the lovely breakfast.

Christmas carols were sung by Billie Billington, La Rue Graves and Sharon Sue Haney. They were accompanied by Mrs. Shirley.

Mrs. Grady Halbert gave the original "The American Christmas," then appeared in colonial costume and presented a monologue taken from the one-act play, "The Beau of Bath."

Distribution of gifts from a pretty Christmas tree was the climax of the program features.

Christmas Party Given Local Harmony Club

Mesdames C. W. Thompson and T. B. Klepper and Miss Mary Ragland Thompson were joint hostesses at a Christmas party Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Klepper with their guests the members of the Harmony Club.

The Christmas theme was featured in the house decorations and in all appointments of the party. Games of 42 were played at the close of which Miss Cora Carter received the floating prize, a box of chocolates. A Christmas contest was also used in the diversion.

A refreshment plate, which further carried out the Christmas motif was served by the hostesses.

A Christmas tree, which bore a gift for each one present, added to the decorative scheme.

ADELPHIAN CLUB

Mrs. Floyd Marshall led a program for the Adelpian Club last week on Ernst Hartner's book, "Home at Last." She gave an excellent paper on the life of the author, explaining that this German writer was of Jewish ancestry. This fact explains his interest in the Jews and the reason for his writing the book.

Mrs. L. A. Andrews reviewed the book in an intensely interesting manner. It is a book of history and travel and gives 3,000 years of Jewish history, together with the Jewish problems.

Mrs. John Rasor was hostess to club members and served a Christmas refreshment plate.

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

The Christmas party of the Home Makers' Class of the First Baptist Church was given Dec. 14 by Mrs. J. L. Brock, Mrs. J. Moore and Mrs. E. J. Cummings at the home of Mrs. Brock.

A pretty Christmas tree was placed in the center of the dining table. Each guest brought a gift and the gifts were numbered and placed around the tree.

The program was opened with a prayer by Mrs. Frank Moore, followed by the devotional by Mrs. Bill Bell, Billie Billington, Sharon Sue Haney and Larue Graves sang several Christmas carols. Mrs. Fitzgerald told a story of the birth of Christ.

P. T. A.

The highlight of the December P. T. A. meeting was a Christmas playlet by members of the seventh grade in the auditorium of the High School Tuesday afternoon. The impressive program was under the direction of Mrs. I. T. Graves and the accompaniment to the musical numbers was played by Miss Anne Lee Long.

Mrs. W. B. Tysinger was leader of the program which had for its main number the resume of an

article, "For Want of a Nail," from the National Parent-Teacher magazine by Mrs. Allen Sanders. The thought that the ability to choose right and wrong had much to do with the development of character, was brought out by Mrs. Sanders.

Following a business session over which Mrs. Tanner Billington presided, tea and cakes were served

by the Executive Board from a beautifully decorated table arranged in the main hall.

ROTARY CLUB

A talk on the progress and future plans of the Crowell Chapter of Future Farmers of America by Bill Ownbey featured the pro-

gram of the Crowell Rotary Club Wednesday at noon. Visitors at this meeting, in addition to Bill were Marvin Myers, F. F. A. Visser, and Rotarian Carl Vestal of Quanah.

Good News—10 per cent off Xmas gifts Dec. 23rd and 24th at Reeder's Drug Store.

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LAST TIME THURSDAY

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ZORINA in "ON YOUR TOES"

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"THE CAT and The CANARY"

TUESDAY

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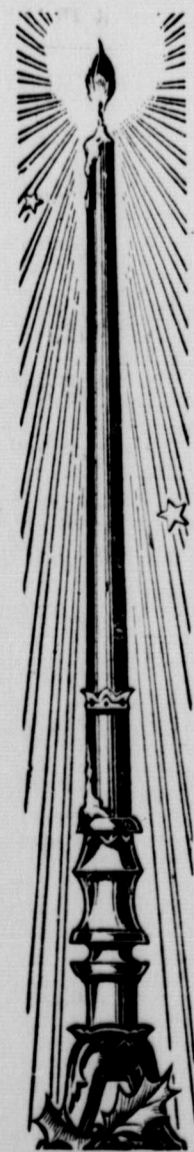
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