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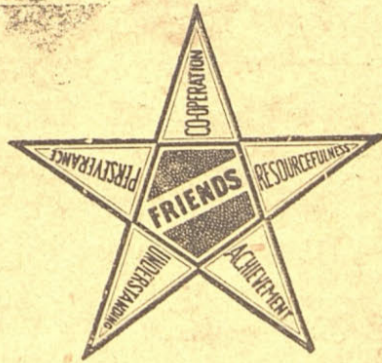
CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS, FRIDAY, DEC. 31, 1926

No 41

Cross Cut Maintains Record of New Oil Producers Each Week

This Bank's Desire in 1927

is to be one of greater service to Cross Plains and surrounding territory. To this end we shall strive, and we trust our efforts will merit your continued confidence and good will. When we can be of service to you as your banker, call on us—That's our desire.



THE FARMERS NATIONAL BANK

Officers:—Chris C. Parsons, President; S. F. Bond, Active Vice President; Taylor Bond, Cashier; R. B. McGowen, Assistant Cashier.

Read our messages appearing in Farm and Ranch



OF CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

'A Bank of Personal Service'

SANTA CLAUS AND CHRISTMAS TREES HERE

The various churches had Christmas trees here, with special programs, in which Santa Claus played the principal role. After visiting the Church programs old Santa visited the many Christmas trees in the homes of the City and made the children happy—yes, and the grown-up children, too. Christmas day was indeed a white Christmas as a light snow covered the ground during the night. But the sun was shining through a clear sky early in the day and the snow was here only a few hours, yet it was timely and gave zest to the Christmas spirit. The day was enjoyed here by many out-of-town visitors, who came to spend the day with friends and home folks. Everything passed off nicely, and now our people are looking forward to the New Year with its untold possibilities.

Elliot Bryant of the West Texas Military Academy, San Antonio is here for vacation with home folks.

CLARK—BRANSFORD

Renerick Clark of this city and Miss Billie Bransford of Fort Worth, were married Dec. 22nd at Fort Worth. They will make their home here after Jan. 6th.

The bride is the most charming and talented daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Bransford of Fort Worth. She taught in the school here last term and has a host of friends here.

Mr. Clark is with the First State Bank here and is one of our leading young business men.

The Review extends congratulations and joins their many friends in wishing them a long life of happiness and usefulness.

Patterson—Harding

Clarence Patterson of Borger Texas and Miss Irene Harding of this city, were married December 22. They will make their home at Borger.

Mrs. J. J. McDonald of Rutland Iowa is here visiting her son, M. E. Howell. This is their first meeting in twenty years. She will remain for some time.

The Cross Cut section gets more good wells. Last week the Ponder Oil Co. completed their Westernman No. 8 for 150 barrels, and this week finished their No. 9 for 100 barrels. Cosden on east Westernman No. 6 was completed for 100 barrels. The Ray Oil Co finished their Stout well for 30 barrels. The Humble Oil Co. got a nice well on their Wooldridge lease. Cunningham and McGinnis missed pay on their Teague, so did Williams and Beal on their No. 6 Wooldridge.

Operations in the local fields are expected to show increased activity after the first of the year. The Prairie Pipe Line Co. is building a large warehouse and garage building on their property here in northwest part of town.

Indications point to extensive operations in the Cross Plains fields in 1927.

No report from Wildcats this week.

ELEVEN CENT COTTON AND FORTY CENT MEAT

Mrs. S. C. Ford, Frisco, Texas

Eleven cent cotton and forty cent meat! How in the world can a poor man eat? Flour up high, cotton down low.

How in the world can we raise the dough? Our clothes worn out, shoes run down.

Old slouch hat with a hole in the crown. Backs nearly broken, fingers all sore.

Cotton going down to rise no more. Eleven cent cotton and ten dollar pants!

Who in the world has got a chance? We can't buy clothes, we can't buy meat.

Got too much cotton and nothing to eat.

We've got no homes, we've got no wealth.

Losing our credit and ruining our health.

Can't help each other. What shall we do?

I can't solve the problem—so it's up to you.

Eleven cent cotton and a carload of tax!

The load's too heavy for our poor backs.

We're a good set of farmers we all know well.

But there's something wrong as sure as well!

We all worked hard, we groaned and sweat—

Now we are ruined—we are a blowed-up set!

No use talking, any man's beat.

With eleven cent cotton and forty cent meat.

Some people refuse to make their New Year resolutions because they figure they can't live up to them. But that shouldn't keep them from trying.

Christ set an example for the Christian to live by, but should people give up Christianity because they cannot measure up to it? We can do our best.

Cross Plains is losing a few splendid families which we are going to miss.

But our loss will be the other communities gain. J. A. Atwood and wife have moved to Lubbock where they have purchased a farm. W. T. Austin and family will leave in a few days for Anson to make their home. We regret to lose these fine families but wish them health happiness and prosperity where they go.

Riley Worthy who has been with the Higginbotham Lumber Yard here for some time has moved to De Leon where he is manager of Higginbothams Yard. He took active charge of the yard there before Christmas according to the DeLeon Free Press. His many friends here will be glad to learn of his promotion and will join in wishing him success.

The Review wishes you much happiness and prosperity in the

New Year 1927

C. OF C. WANT'S \$5,000 FOR 1927 BUDGET

A. C. Dodson, president of the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce, has the support of the board of directors and business men of the city in fixing the 1927 budget for the Chamber of Commerce at \$5,000, and a campaign to get the amount subscribed is now under way. This amount must be raised if we are to retain E. M. Gwin as Secretary and have funds for road work and other improvements. It is the will of the precinct and board of directors to retain Mr. Gwin if possible as he is worth several times his salary to the city in promoting the many and varied interests, obtaining extensive publicity and in a general way looking after the city's welfare. It is no secret that other thriving west Texas cities have made Mr. Gwin some very attractive offers for his services, but he will stay in Cross Plains if the budget can be raised—and we must not fail.

When the committee calls to see you do your best. Do the big thing and do it right. The Review will publish a list of those supporting the Chamber of Commerce and the amount of money subscribed by each firm or individual. We hope to publish this list next week. The people are going to see who is backing the Chamber of Commerce. If this committee fails to see you see them and sign up. Get your name in the pot for the 1927 program.

The Chamber of Commerce has an opportunity to do something this coming year that will make history worth reading by later generations and with a man like Mr. Gwin at the throttle, we will pull in at station Progress on time, with plenty of steam up. You have a chance here—an opportunity to help put this budget over. What are you going to do with it? This is no time for playing on the job. Make up your mind to do your bit—and do it now!

THE JUDGE MAY RECOVER WITH CAREFUL NURSING

Claude Hunnicut was arranged before Judge Huffle last Friday on a charge of burglary. Young Lawyer Sims made the following plea in defense of Hunnicut:

"Your Honor, the evidence shows that my client did not enter the room at all. He merely inserted his arm through an open window and took a few trifles. His arms being only a small part of himself why should you cause his whole body to suffer because of one offending member?"

"Very well" said the Judge, with a twinkle in his eye. Your logic is good. I therefore sentence your clients arm to one year in jail. Your client may accompany it or not as he pleases."

Whereupon the defendant unscrewed his cork arm laid it on the Judges desk and walked out!—Exchange.

Mrs. J. T. Lawrence and children of Wichita Falls are visiting relatives here.

1927 AT HAND

The year 1927 is at hand. The Review's policy will be to give the best newspaper possible with the support and co-operation of the citizenship and to give printing service that will meet the approval of each patron. We shall endeavor to contribute in a greater way to the development and progress of our town and community. There are several things that we will contend for earnestly, but always in the spirit of fairness, with the best interest of our people at heart. A newspaper that does not endeavor to promote and strive to accomplish things worth while for the welfare of the community in which it is published does not deserve the support of the people of that community. There are problems to solve, victories to win and failures to overcome in any community, and the Review will always be found fostering every worthy movement for Cross Plains. The Review is YOUR home paper. We want every reader to feel a personal interest in it. You are always welcome. Call and look over the plant. Feel at home here.

RESOLVE NOW to Build that Home!

While making your New Years' Resolutions, resolve to build that long-contemplated home, and start the new year right. We have resolved to give you the very best service possible in 1927, as we have this year. So, let us figure on that new home, plumbing job or any building job you may be planning.

RIG TIMBERS

CROSS PLAINS LUMBER COMPANY

Phone 18

S. R. Jackson, Mgr

LOCAL BASKETEERS DEFEAT RISING STAR

On Wednesday, Dec. 22nd, the Cross Plains girl basket ball team played the Rising Star team and won the game by a score of 24 to 16. However the Rising Star team took their defeat nobly and went down fighting.

A slumber party was given to the Cross Plains team by Miss Zella Barr to celebrate their victory. The Cross Plains team has high hopes of becoming a championship team.

There has been much accomplished in Cross Plains the past year and our town and community has made a splendid growth. The spirit of Progress and aggressiveness is evident everywhere. The offensive is on. Those who say we can't go over the top had just as well surrender and stack arms.

After Christmas Sale on all Novelties gifts, metal hats, underwear, new spring coats and dresses.
Mrs. Corrie B. West

BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES

We have gotten moved, and are very happy in our new work. We greatly appreciated the wonderful reception given us by the Church on our arrival in the city.

Also appreciated the splendid pound- ing given which contained many good eats. We covet the full co-operation of each member of the church through the New Year, and in return we promise you our very best. And wish for each person in the city a prosperous New Year. And extend to you a cordial invitation to all of our services.

As the old year goes and the new comes, may we highly resolve that we will hence forth be courageously in- hospitable towards that which harms mankind and aggressively co-operate with that which helps, and that we will ever seek to leave all the circles of life with the spirit of the golden rule, and we shall ever live on the highest service to God and man.
James H. Hunt,
Phone No. 57.

G. C. Miller of the Gorman Progress was a pleasant visitor at the Review Office Monday.

DRUGS

Best Wishes to You for the New Year!

When you need drugs or anything in the drug line, we will be pleased to serve you. Make this store your trading headquarters in 1927!

City Drug Store

(YOUR STORE)

The Review

wishes you much happiness and prosperity in the

New Year 1927

Your 1927 Banking Business Solicited



The New Year—1927, is here and we meet it with confidence and assurance, feeling that our efforts to serve the people of this community, as bankers, will be rewarded. And it is our hope to serve you in a greater way in 1927 than in the past year. We solicit your banking business. Welcome to this bank.

Member Federal Reserve System

THE FIRST STATE BANK

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

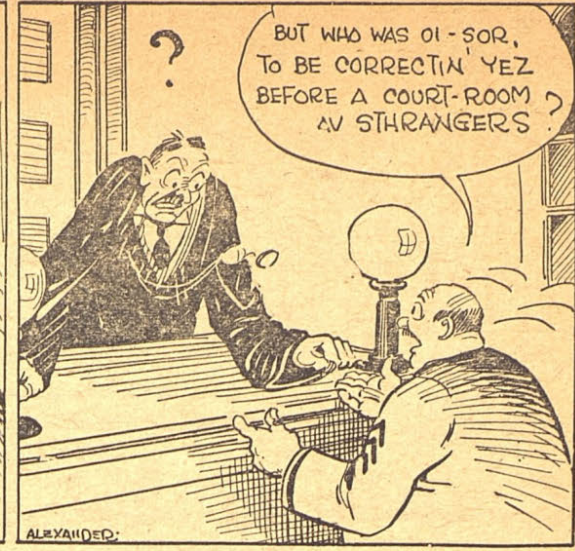
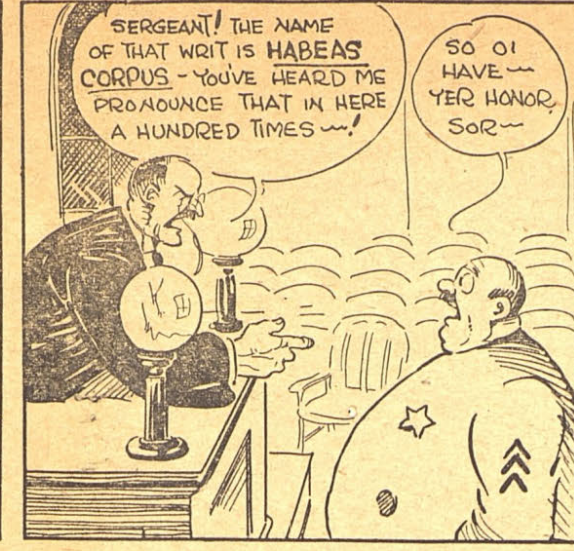
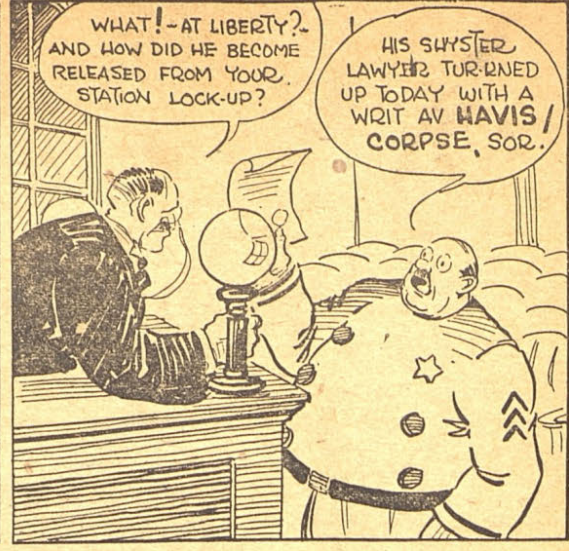
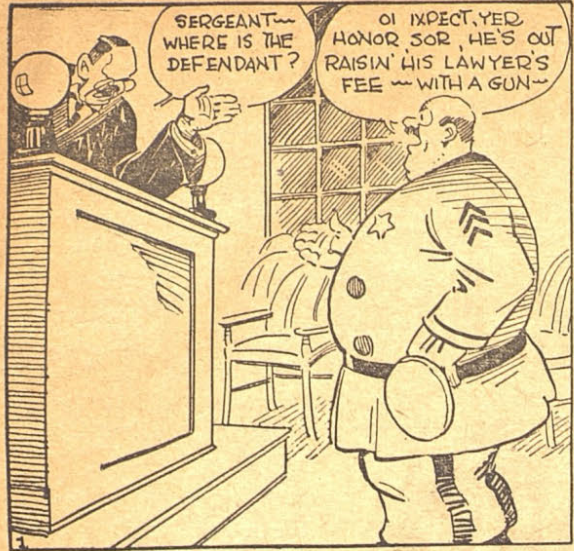
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A. Bar, vice-Pres.

Geo. B. Scott, Cashier
J. D. Conlee, Asst. cashier

A. R. Clark, assistant cashier
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FINNEY OF THE FORCE

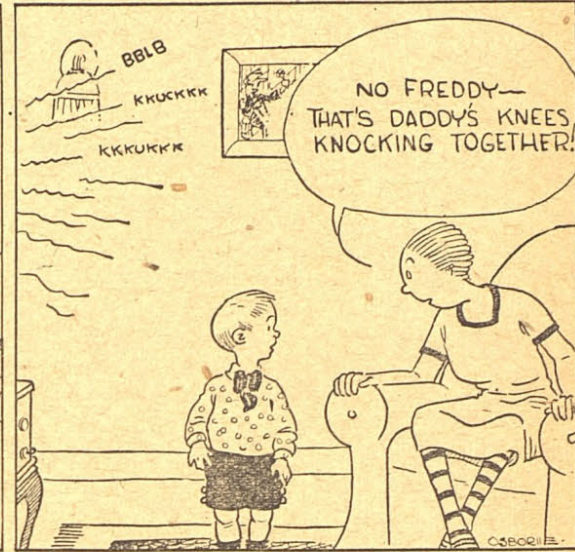
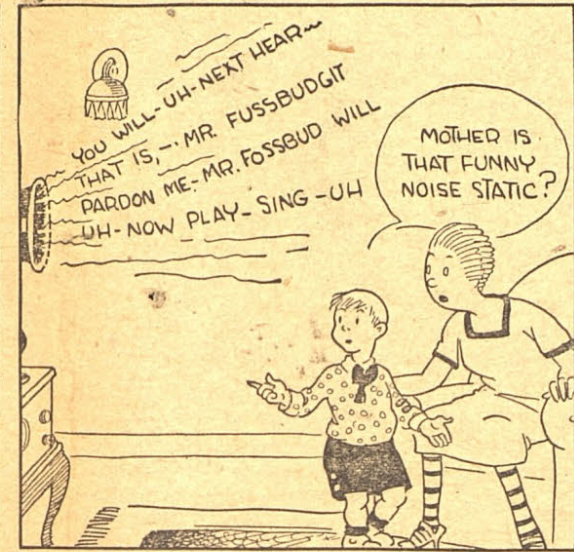
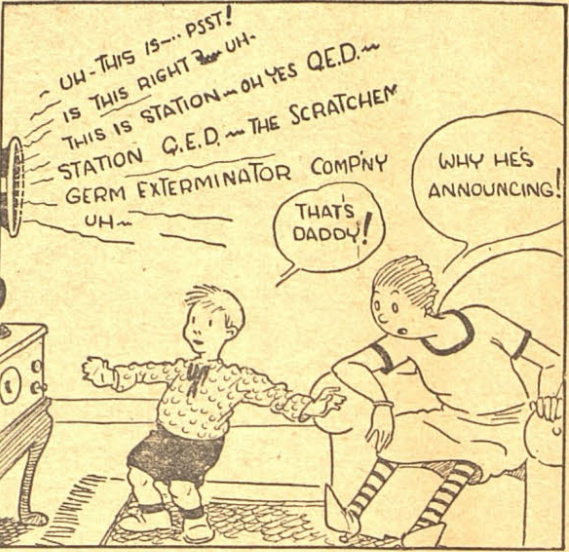
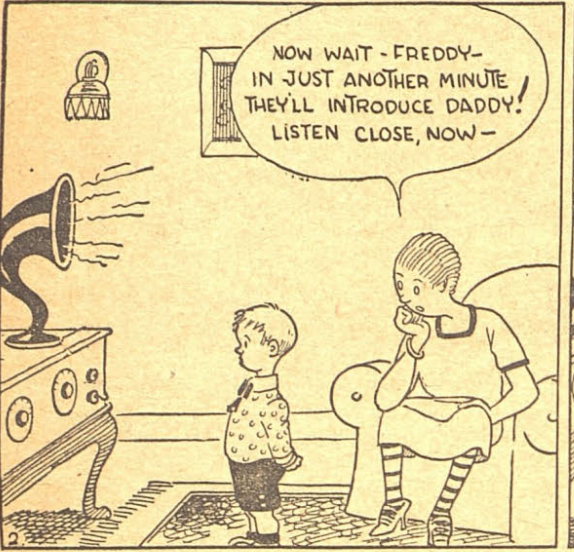
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Western Newspaper Union



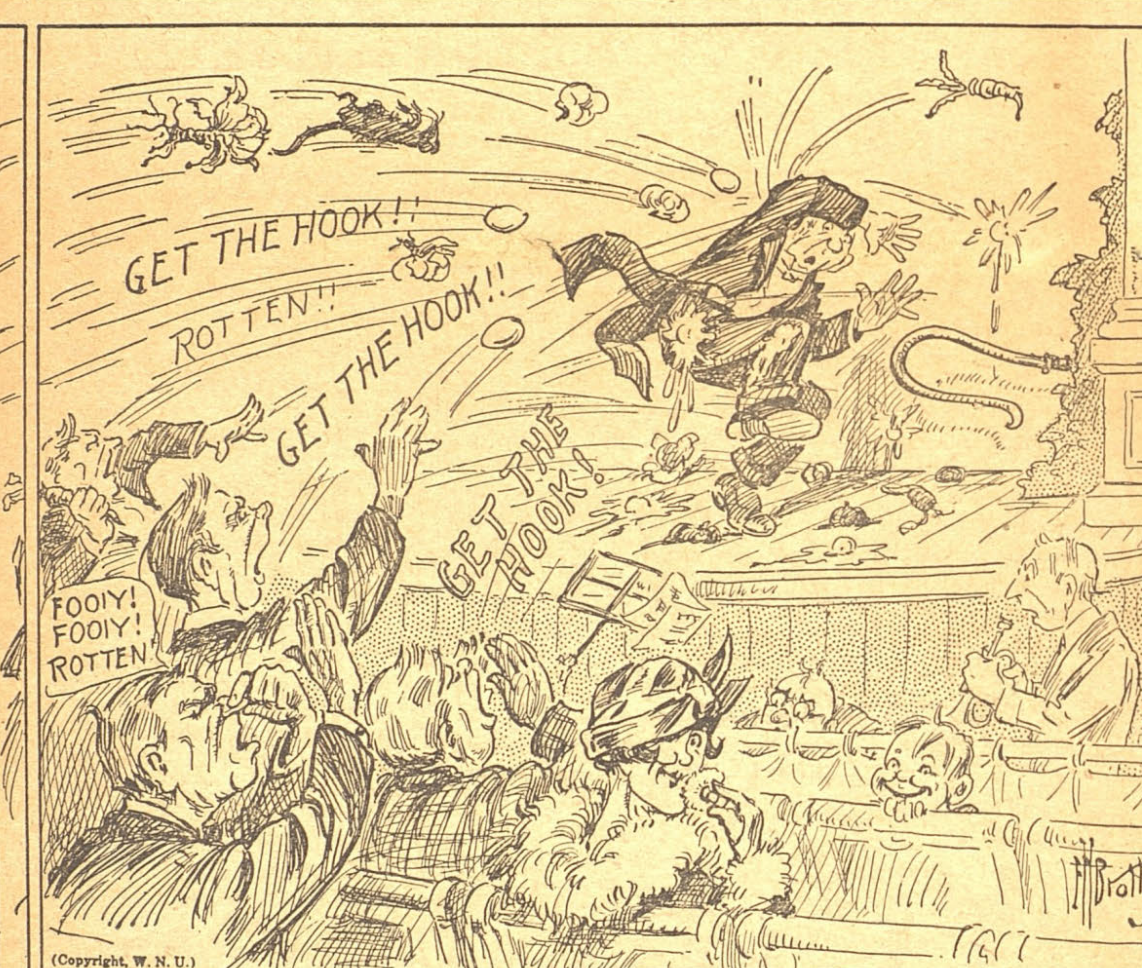
Who, Indeed?
Saz Finney -- a beggary -- a judge may have the power to pronounce a heavy sentence without the ability to pronounce the dago words, that go with it.

THE FEATHERHEADS

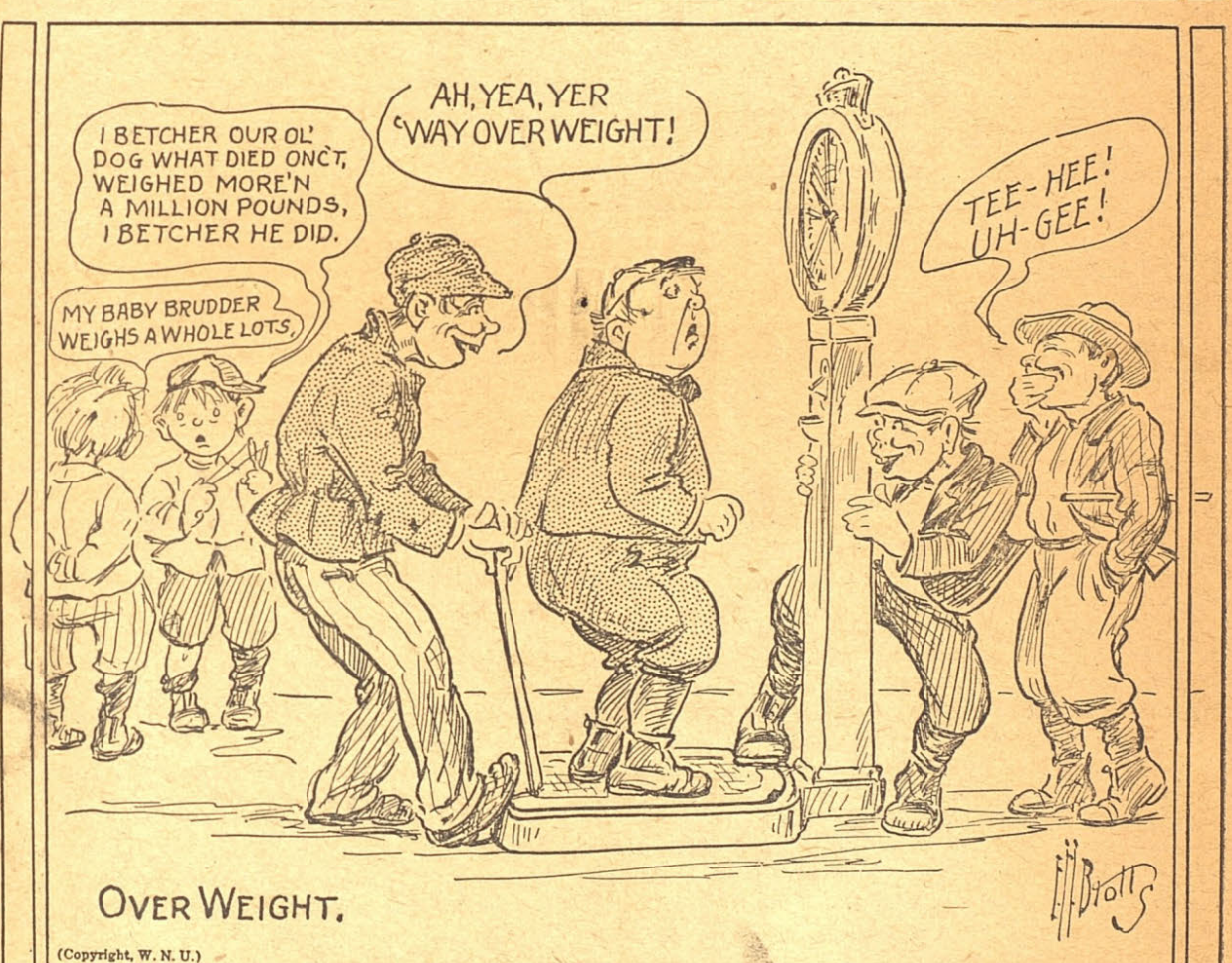
By Osborne
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Famous Last Words

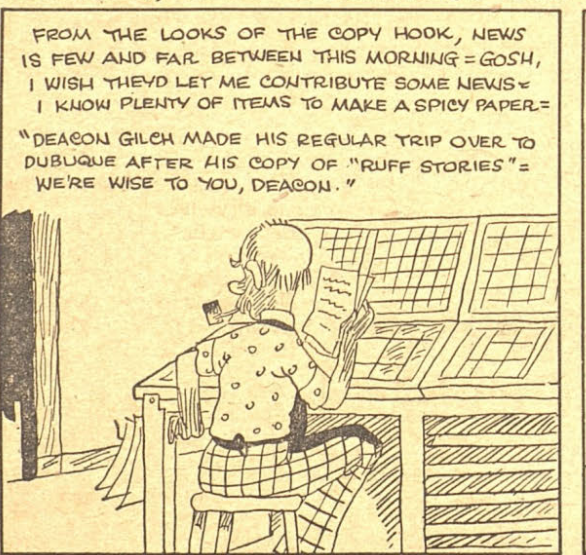


Events in the Lives of Little Men



Mickie's Corner
EDITED BY MICKIE HIMSELF
\$6
KIDS, I AM GOING TO DIVIDE ALL THIS BOOBY AMONG THEM WHAT WILL SEND IN THE THREE BEST NAMES IN MY BIG DOG NAME CONTEST!
Mickie
STOCKTON, ILL.

MICKIE, THE PRINTER'S DEVIL



"HENRY HOGGRASSLE HAS GONE UP TO TH' LAKES TO SPEND A FEW DAYS. AS HENRY AINT DONE ANYTHING FER YEARS, HE CANT REALLY CALL IT A VACATION!"
"MISS YESSIE GUGG HAS RESIGNED AS STENOGRAPHER FER A. WORTHINGTON GRUMP. SHE SEZ TH' ONLY REASON SHE STOOD THE OL' GROUND SO LONG WUZ BECUZ HE OWED HER BACK-WAGES."

Not "The News That's Fit to Print"

"MRS. O. WATTA SAPP, THE WELL-KNOWN SOCIAL LEADER, IS RECUPERATING AT HOT SPRINGS FROM TH' STRENUOUS SEASON = OL' MAN GRUMP SEZ IT'S THE TOWN WHICH IS RECUPERATING FROM MRS. SAPP."

"PHOTOGRAPHER LENZE IS CONSIDERING ENTERING THE STOCK FOOD BUSINESS = HE SEZ THE DAILY STUNT OF TRYIN' TO MAKE CABBAGES INTO ROSES IS DERU TRYIN', IF WE KNOW WHAT HE MEANS!"

THE CLANCY KIDS
Buddie Has a Little Horse Sense
By PERCY L. CROSBY
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Wishing You and Yours A Very Happy and Prosperous NEW YEAR

West Texas Utilities
Company

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May it be filled
to overflowing
with the good
things of life
for you and yours

THE OLD YEAR IS GONE

But it brought us many new friends and strengthened old ones. We are truly thankful for the favors of 1926.

And we wish to say that we will try and serve you with a better and more complete line of gents clothing for 1927. And don't forget that beginning about Jan. 15th we will have a line of Ladies Ready-to-Wear in connection with the men's line. Also ladies' hats. We will have a new and complete line of Gordon knit underwear and hosiery. Ladies' Walkover Shoes and Spring Coats. Everything will be of the latest in design and patterns, with new stock of Dresses, Hats and coats each week to pick from.

Thanking you again for your 1926 patronage and wishing one and all a happy and plentiful New Year, we remain yours for Quality and Service.

Buy Men's and Women's Clothing
at Man's and Woman's Store

The Toggery

BERTRAND'S CAFE

Always on the job. We try to please all by giving each one the same personal service. Courtesy and moderate prices, always.

Phone 181

Arel A. Bertrand, Prop.

SUBSCRIBER WANTS MORE IMPROVEMENTS DURING 1927

Christmas has come and gone like sunny weather after a rain, or spell of bad weather.

1926 is gone like muddy water over the dam!

1927 is upon us with cool clear and crystal water to start off the New Year clean and with a good spirit.

It is going to take lots of this good spirit and clear water to make things what they should be in Cross Plains in 1927.

Let everyone get their shoulder to the wheel and push our little city out of its rut and make it a real city with a population of at least 5,000 to 7,000 by the time old man 1927 is ready to give up his throne to young Mr. 1928.

Paved streets are one thing that Cross Plains needs and needs bad. It is going to take a little energy and pep on everyone's part to put this over; think of how nice it would be to walk or ride down a paved street, no ruts to toss you to the roof of your car, or throw you from one side of the car to the other.

With paved streets you can park your car in the center of the street and regardless of the weather conditions, you can get to your car without wading mud up to your ankles.

Come on now Brother citizens let us all get together and make it a go, and a real town to live in.

With a new school there is going to be a demand for more new houses, in 1927 than ever before. Come on now, think these things over deep down in your own heart and see for yourself.

We can have a town of 5,000 by next school term if everyone will join in and help.

Our new school is going to bring more people here to live, that their children can go to school and enjoy a good education. We are at least 100 homes short in Cross Plains, and have been for some time. We can never expect to make this a larger place than it is if we don't jar loose and put the things in the town that are needed to induce others to move in and enjoy the town with us.

You might say let the Chamber of Commerce see to these things, and do them. Remember the present Chamber of Commerce has done more for Cross Plains in the past two years than has ever been done before.

We have a good, live, wide awake secretary, that is on the job every minute of the day trying to help the town along, are we going to sleep on the job and let him do it all, or are we going to help him?

The Writer of this article personally knows that if we don't give him the support that it takes for him to get results from his undertakings, we are going to awaken some of these fine mornings and find ourselves without a man that is trying to do his best. Without support, and find him moving to where people are progressive and ready to help him put over any and everything that it takes to make a real town grow.

Among the other things that we need is a modern brick hotel, a first class eating house, a real coffee shop, a good opera house where we can go and after a hard days work and enjoy a real show with real actors, a show that we can hear as well as see, one that has a real moral ending.

Office rooms is another thing that we need as much as anything else.

With a modern brick hotel here, it would mean that Oil men would stay here overnight, instead of going to Cis-

co or some place else for their nights lodging. If they can get hotel accommodations here they are sure to look for office rooms as well and there is any amount of Oil companies that would bring their branch offices here, which would also mean more people for the town.

Cross Plains has many opportunities for other business houses as well, a good laundry, an improved telephone system, one that we can get the best of service from; a good candy kitchen and fruit store combined; an exclusive shoe store an exclusive electrical shop for real battery and ignition service, on our car a home building and Loan Co. should do good here to help those who want to build a home to do it.

Our little city is far from being a dead one, when we have business houses here that do around one million dollars worth of business a month, not to say what they all do combined; think of a \$150,000 payroll here, monthly, as well as the freight and express receipts for a month will make a nice little fortune of \$70,000 to \$80,000. So why not join the boosters and put your shoulder to the wheel with the rest of us and make the town a real city, with plenty of pep one that the other towns will envy of its pride.

A Subscriber.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Buckingham of Gainesville are visiting relatives here.

Porter Henderson and Ralph Buckingham left Tuesday for Lubbock and other points in West Texas.

A Scientific Massage

soothing for pain and restful to the patient. We are at your service.

—Chiropractors and Masseurs—
DOCTORS:

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Office hours, 9 a. m. to 6 p. m.
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KEEN MINDS STURDY BODIES

Those who occupy positions of importance possess alert minds and strong bodies. Therefore, decide *today* to discard the handicap of ill health and supplant it with new vigor, increased energy and greater strength by taking **FORCE TONIC**.

For Sale by Cross Plains Drug Store, R. Robertson, Prop.

New Year Thoughts



At the dawn of the New Year it is with pleasure that we reflect back over the past years work. We've enjoyed a liberal patronage and we appreciate it. We hope to merit a continuation of your patronage and your friendship in 1927. We also take this opportunity to extend best wishes for the new year to you and yours.

Cross Plains Furniture Co

ATTENTION



We wish to call your attention to the fact that we have a few choice Gifts left which we are going to sell at actual cost. Come in and see them.

Caskey Drug Store

Wilson & Kendrick Fire Insurance Real Estate and Leases

JACKSON ABSTRACT COMPANY

Rupert Jackson, Mgr.
ABSTRACTORS
Baird, Texas K. of P. Bldg. Phone 59

Pre-Inventory BARGAINS

We are offering many Pre-Inventory Bargains this week, and we can save you money on many articles you may need.

We are sure you enjoyed a Merry Christmas and we wish you much happiness and prosperity during the year 1927.

And we take this opportunity to again express our appreciation for your liberal patronage in the past and we hope that we may continue to serve you.

We are going to try to make 1927 the best year in the history of our business--and expect to accomplish that by rendering courteous, prompt and satisfactory service, with Quality merchandise and Reasonable prices.

W.A. McGowen & Sons

"A Good Place to Trade"

At The Close of The Old Year--1926

we wish to express to you our appreciation for the pleasant business associations with you which it has been our privilege to enjoy the past year, and may we express a hope that those pleasant relations may continue throughout the new year.

And May 1927 bring you happiness and material prosperity, is our wish.

C.P. Hardware Co.

"A GOOD PLACE TO TRADE"

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PROGRAM A WEDDING SERVICE

Hymn--Work for the night is Coming
Sentence Prayers.
Response by officers in unison, John 9:4
Hymn--Work for the night is Coming
Response by Chairmen in unison, 1 Cor. 14:26
Installation Address By Pastor
Responses: President, 1 Cor. 14:26
Vice President, Exodus, 17:24
Secretaries, Exodus, 17:14
Treasurer, Mal. 3: 8-10
Pianist, Ps. 150:3-6
Lookout Com., 1: 45-46
Prayer Meeting, Acts, 1:14
Music, Ps. 98: 4-6
Missionary, Matt., 28: 19-20
Social, Luke 5:29
Publicity, Ps. 68:11
Flower, Isa., 40:8
Quiet Hour Ps., 102:1
Junior Supt., John 21:15-19

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Underwood and little son visited relatives at Gorman Christmas day. Mrs. Underwood remained on account of a severe attack of appendicitis. She was improving Tuesday.

FOR SALE

Buckeye Incubators
1 600 Egg Size Used One season.
1 250 Egg Size Used One Season.
1 175 Egg Size, Shop Worn Only
1 175 Egg Size Never Unerated
1 110 Egg Size Shop Worn.
All at Prices Priced To sell Quickly
Safety Hatch Incubators
1 110 Egg Size Used Two seasons.
1 100 Egg Size Used Two Seasons
1 250 Egg Size Used Three Seasons
2 500 Chick Size brooder never Used
1 500 Chick size brooder Used one
These were not bought to keep they are for sale and you can save some money right here.
J. E. Henkel, Cross Plains, Texas.

FOR SALE

1 Wicker Dining Room Suite
1 Dresser.
2 Iron Beds.
1 good Cabinet.
1 China Closet
1 Table
1 3 burner gas Cook stove
4 chairs
Window Shades
See Mrs. Sherman Geherett two blocks west of Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Britton and little son Jack spent the holidays with relatives at Mineral Wells.

Ollie Dennis and family of Abilene are here for the week.

Hale Lancaster and family spent the Yuletide with relatives at Dublin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Barnes spent Xmas with relatives at San Angelo.

Charley Adams of Lubbock is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Adams.

T. A. McDonald visited Mrs. C. E. Scott at Cisco Christmas day.

Christine Cunningham who attends McMurray College, is home for the holidays.

Ethel and Lucille Hicks of Cisco are spending the holidays with Aletha Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Anderson spent the holidays with Mrs. Anderson's Mother at Walnut Springs.

Buell Benham is spending the holidays at his home in Waco.

Miss Lma Jones spent the holidays at her home in Abilene.

Mrs. Ethel Carson and little daughter Sammy, have moved to Dallas where she will have a position with Southwestern Life Insurance Co.

Foster Bond visited his wife and daughter at Gatesville Sunday where his wife has been ill for some time.

P. P. Bond and family of Santa Anna were visiting relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Geherett and Mrs. Penny and daughter Katherine Rose, went to Brownwood Sunday afternoon to visit Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Snearley and baby, who were visiting relatives there.

Miss Alma Warren and N. C. Mitchell spent the holidays with Miss Warren's parents at Dublin.

Mr. and Mrs. George Forbes of Cisco visited relatives here during the holidays.

Go to Church Sunday.

LYRIC Theatre, B'wood

Matinee and Night
TUESDAY, JANUARY 4th.

SEATS NOW SELLING

METRO-GOLDWYN-MAYER
IN ARRANGEMENT WITH
ABRAHAM L. ERLANGER,
C.B. DILLINGHAM & ZIEGFELD, JR.
PRESENT
GEN. LEW WALLACE'S
IMMORTAL STORY
BEN-HUR
Directed by FRED NIBLO
with RAMON NOVARRO
BETTY BRONSON MAY SHAWVOY
FRANCIS X. BUSHMAN, CARMEL MYERS

The GREAT CIRCUS-dash and thrill at the mad dash of forty-eight SWIFT HORSES in the CHARIOT RACE
The Thrilling Galley Scene and Sea Fight
The Romance of Esther and the Prince of Judah
A Treasure House of Beauty and Art
Breath-Taking Climaxes - 150,000 people
Production that was THREE YEARS in the making and COST \$4,000,000

ALL SEATS RESERVED
TICKETS SELLING IN ADVANCE FOR ALL PERFORMANCES

TO MISS BEN-HUR WILL BE A SOURCE OF LIFETIME REGRET

PRICES
Matinee, 50c, 75c, \$1.00
NIGHT, 50c, 1.10, 1.65

J. C. Sindorf of Swensendale Texas, and son Herman, of Seminole, Okla., visited son and brother, John Sindorf Christmas day

Dan G. Wilson spent the holidays with his mother at Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Powell spent the holidays in Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Crabb returned Tuesday from a trip to Fort Worth and Comanche. At Comanche they visited Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gray and Son Donald of Ferris Texas spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Harpole and family.

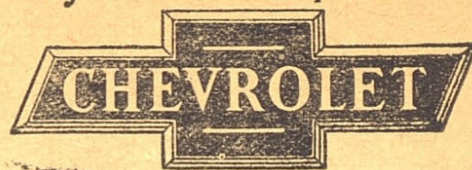
Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Pierce, Mrs. E. C. Forbes and little son, Truman Lee, Thelbert Harris of Cisco, Grandma Pierce and Ethel Pierce, Deer Plains; Carl Childs and family of Cross Plains all enjoyed a big turkey dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Pierce on Christmas day.

FOR SALE

ONE good "One Minute" Washing Machine.
ONE good "Rotarex" Washing Machine
All these were taken in on sales of the "Easy" Washers we are selling. Sold on terms. J. E. Henkel.

Olon Mitchell who is attending business College in Fort Worth came home for Christmas.

for Economical Transportation



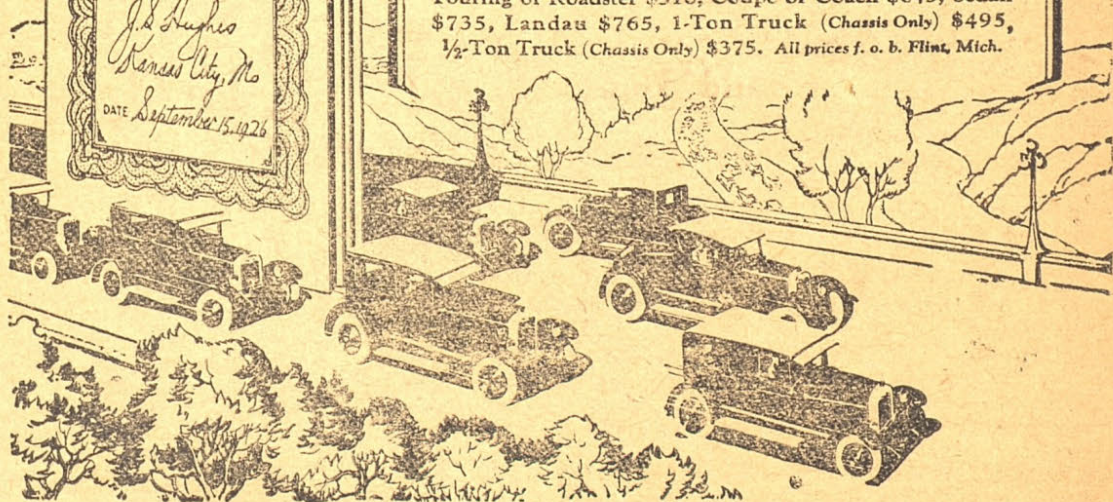
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We Thank All Our Friends and Customers

for their liberal patronage and friendship the
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We shall strive to serve you better in 1927.

Our Motto is Honest Merchandise at Fair
prices.

Wishing You a Prosperous 1927.

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BABY CHICKS

Custom Hatching, Setting Every Mon.

We will have a full line of electric and oil burning brooders. Poultry
supplies and remedies

Davis Hatchery & Poultry Farm

One half mile south of town.

Martin Neeb, Porter Davis and
Robt. Cunningham, motored to East-
land last week to attend a poultry and
dairy meeting. They enjoyed the trip
very much and heard some valuable
points on poultry and dairy industries.

Dr. Raymond Cook who is a profes-
sor in the Education Department of
Texas University, is spending the
holidays with his cousins Pat and Slim
McNeel.

Miss Eoise Haley of C. I. A. Denton
is spending the holidays with parents
here.

Oran Williams, George Bennett,
Raymond Cross and Eder Marshall
who are attending John Tarleton College
came home to spend the holidays with
their respective families.

Jack Scott who is attending Simmons
University, is home for the holidays.

EXPLAINING DAD

When a son of a family gets old
enough to marry, dad may drop a few
hints about the advisability of selecting
a nice, sensible girl; but he does not in-
tend to intrude offensively, for down in his heart
he feels that the affair is none of his
business. All males have inalienable
rights in these matters, even sons.

Daughters case is another matter.
Dad remembers that he was a devil
with the ladies. Dad remembers that
he tried to kiss each girl he went with
and he is suspicious of all the young
males who hang about. He eyes them
coldly. The young rascals! They
needn't look so innocent. Dad knows.

And when it appears that daughter
really is in love with one of them and
on the verge of marrying, Dad begins
to storm. He is helpless and he knows
it. But helplessness only serves to stir
his wrath. He punts. He makes path-
etic remarks how the little girl he has
slaved for loves him in return. He is
coldly polite when the young man is
present.

Now what's the matter with the old
chap? Dad's trouble is jealousy, noth-
ing more. There is bred into his cos-
mos of conviction that the male is and
of right ought to be head of his clan,
tribe and family. The advent of fem-
inism may have turned the world
topsy-turvy, and made the woman boss,
but it hasn't taken away the male in-
stinct.

Think of the daughter looking up to
some other man—petting some other
man—asking some other man's advice.
Why it means abdication! It means
that old dad is a has been, a toothless
old wolf is no longer revered as the
leader of the pack.

And mother makes matters worse.
She smiles on the young man. She
praises him. The King is dead; long
live the King!

Poor dad! Poor forlorn, side-tracked
old ex-chief.—Corsicana Sun.

B. A. Pierce and J. C. Garrett had
business in Millersview and Paint Rock
Tuesday.

Ollie Deanis and family of Abilene
spent Christmas here and Ollie filled
the pulpit at the Baptist Church Sunday
in absence of the pastor Rev. Hunt who
with his wife enjoyed the day attend-
ing a family reunion of Mrs. Hunt's
people at Zephyr.

Go to Church Sunday.

NOTICE TAX PAYERS

As I have been unable to secure an
office downtown, I have arranged my
office at my residence, one block east
of Tom Anderson residence, where your
city and local school taxes may be
paid.

Respectfully,
Wm Neeb, Tax Collector.

Mrs. Ollie Williams and sons, of
De Leon spent Christmas here with
parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McGowen.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Smith of Ferris,
were Christmas visitors here with
J. H. Moragne and family. Mrs. Smith
and Mrs. Moragne are sisters. Mr.
Smith operates a brick yard at Ferris.

Misses Ethel and Effie Starnater
spent the holidays at their home in Ab-
ilene.

Mrs. Bennett of Wichita Falls visited
her son B. G. Garner and Wife during
holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clegg of Breck-
enridge, visited Mr. and Mrs. R. G.
Garner Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson and
children visited Mr. and Mrs. Harry
Baker of Coleman Christmas day.

Mrs. Harry Baker of Coleman was a
Cross Plains visitor Tuesday.

J. E. Gaines and family of San An-
tonio are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Lutgens and children spent the
holidays with husband and father at
Santa Anna.

Tom Bryant and family spent Christ-
mas in Cisco with friends.

Mrs. Taylor and son, Bud, of Brown-
wood, were Xmas visitors here with
daughter and sister Mrs. J. H. Moseley.

K. J. Preston and family visited re-
latives at Gatesville during Christmas.

Gene Dico and family visited Mrs.
Dice's parents at Temple during the
holidays. Mrs. Dice and children
remained on account of roads being in
bad condition.

Robert Howard and Lindsey Tyson
who attend Howard Payne College are
home for the holidays.

The Misses Kathleen Neeb and Opal
Mitchell were De Leon visitors Saturday
and Sunday.

WANTED—To buy some baited pen-
nants. Phone 228, Cross Plains.

ATTENTION

I will begin my kindergarten work
after Jan. 1st. Parents interested,
urged to see me at once. Mrs. Murphy
at Mrs. J. H. Cansy, residence.

In 1927 we want the streets paved
we want a modern brick hotel; we
want an up-to-date office building; we
want more business houses in which
more enterprises may be opened; we
want these things because we need
them—and we must have them if we
stay in sight of the greater Cross Plains
which we feel is sure to be, if we roll
up our sleeves and go after the things
mentioned above. There are other
things we need, but we have mentioned
a few of the outstanding needs—and
these necessary improvements are
within our reach. We can have them
will we? Where do you stand? What
will you do?

Born to Mr. and Mrs. M. Kohlman,
Dec. 22, a fine girl.

Mrs. G. W. Adair of Sipe Springs,
visited her daughter, Mrs. C. M. Wyatt
and Miss Norvella Adair, last week.

NOTICE

Construction work on the Cross
Plains Sewer System has been complet-
ed and the entire system is now ready
for use. All property owners desiring
to connect will please pay for permits
to City Plumbing Inspector. No tapping
fee will be charged prior to Feb., 1st
1927.

Copies of City Plumbing Ordinance,
defining sanitary district and stating
all requirements can be obtained at City
Water Office.

FRESH FLORIDA ORANGES

Fresh Sweet Florida oranges \$3 per box
of three hundred large size. Sound
fruit and satisfaction guaranteed or
money back. We pay express charges. A
box of these makes an appreciated
Christmas Gift. Remit with order.
ACME FARMS, Gainesville, Florida.

FOR RENT—A five room bungalow to
party who will buy the furniture in
three rooms. Two rooms are rented
for indefinite time. See W. A. Huckaby,

-BIG SPECIAL- Ideal Theatre

Midnite Matinee
Friday Night-New Year's Eve
Only

Fred Thomson

In The

"Mask of Lopez"

The POSTMAN and CHRISTMAS



EVER since she had been a child
she had thought that the post-
man was about the most inter-
esting person in the world. He it was
who brought all the letters and pack-
ages and papers and magazines, who
always might be bringing any number
of surprises.

To be sure, he often passed the
house without leaving anything, but
then there was always the chance that
he might bring anything.

At Christmas time he was the most
wonderful sort of a person, with his
bag filled with presents and cards and
calendars and letters from friends she

was sure would
not forget her,
and from friends
she was so pleased
had not forgot-
ten her.

Sometimes he
brought just the
most delicious
mail of all—some-
times he brought
a fruit cake, or a
box of candy that
a friend of hers
had made.

So it was that
she, Minnie, had
always loved
postmen in gen-
eral, and now it
seemed as though
she were being

particularly fond of one postman in
particular. He was on their route and
he often came in and chatted after
the day's work was over.

She had gone to school with him
and she had always liked him. The
old postman was a dear—no matter
how many bundles he was carrying at
Christmas time he always seemed to
be happy that his load was heavy, be-
cause it meant just that much more
joy along the route.

But he had retired and now every
Christmas they took his present to
him and sat and chatted with him and
with his wife, who always brought out
her Christmas cake to be shared by all

She had not been displeased when
the school day friend had been given
this route.

Not displeased at all.
Ray was tall and very good-looking.
She thought he looked so well in his
postman's uniform. And certainly he
seemed a little interested in her.
She was not displeased in this.

Not displeased at all.
Christmas Day, he had said, there
would be no mail delivery. So she was
a little surprised to see him coming
down the street and up the steps of
their house.

"I wonder if we're going to have
mail after all," she said to herself.
It hadn't occurred to her that he was

not in his post-
man's uniform,
and that he was
coming just to see
her. To be sure,
he stopped in
when he was off
duty, but she had
never quite felt he
was so much in-
terested in her as
that he enjoyed
the whole family.

She did belong to
such a nice fam-
ily, so jolly and
cordial and friend-
ly as they all
were, and such
fun.

And then it was
all so clear, as
they sat before the fire that Christmas
afternoon, that he was interested in
her—very, very much interested in
her. More so than she had even
thought or hoped or dreamed.

In fact, he told her all about it.
And she was not displeased.
Not displeased at all.
Nor was he displeased.
Not displeased at all.

For she agreed that to be a post-
man's wife was not such a bad idea,
and that, apart from everything else,
it would be so particularly nice to
know that the postman was going to
come to one's house every single day
in the whole year—to their own house.

And, as she said, it was such fun
being engaged to a postman in the
Christmas season.
He had not been too busy to think
of her!

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Ye editor and family will attend a
family reunion at Breckenridge, Satur-
day.

Picture Program

Friday, "Buck Jones"

Saturday, "Lucky Spurs"

Monday, Big Pathe Production

Tues. & Wed., The Flaming Frontier
With Hoot Gibson

RIC THEATRE



Tuesday - Wednesday

The Flaming Frontier Electric Theatre