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A Common Paper For Common People

## STERLINGITIS

Numerous murderers and other convicts turned loose every month are wearing out the highways leading from the main 'hoosgow' where "a good time was had by all."

## STATISTICS OF NORTHWEST TEXAS CHURCH AFFAIRS

Methodists Own Churches Valued at \$4,010,925 In This Conference

The Northwest Texas conference of the Methodist church, South has 321 houses of worship valued at \$4,010,925 with indebtedness of \$469,224 against them. There are eight district parsonages, valued at \$65,000 with an indebtedness of \$14,800. There are 200 parsonages for preachers valued at \$598,000 with an indebtedness of \$40,425. The church property is insured for \$2,048,960 and the annual premium is \$1,296.

During the past year 11 churches and 4 parsonages were damaged by fire amounting to \$1,059. Superannuate homes are valued at \$4,000.

This conference has 194 pastoral charges with 432 church organizations with a membership of 66,380. During the year the church showed a gain of 764. There are 155 local preachers. Twenty new preachers were licensed during the year. Baptisms show for the year, 1905 adults and 563 children.

Within the conference are 333 Epworth Leagues, 320 Sunday schools with 4,607 officers and 50,315 enrolled. The Ceta Canyon camp ground is among the finest in the state.

The conference owns one college—McMurry at Abilene with 23 teachers and 390 students enrolled this term. This property is valued at \$385,000 with an indebtedness of \$53,000 and an endowment of \$100,000.

The Northwest Texas conference will convene in Clarendon next year when it is estimated that we will entertain the largest number of visitors in the history of the town. Plans are already in the making for taking care of the large number that is expected.

## JUNIOR COLLEGE CHEMISTRY DEPT. VISITED FRIDAY

Rotary Club is Invited To Inspect Interesting Lot Of Advanced Pupils

One often becomes so accustomed to matters even of greater importance near home that many of the most interesting assets of one's town is overlooked. In this respect, the department of chemistry of Clarendon Municipal Junior College afforded a pleasant surprise for the members of the Rotary club Friday when the Club made the visit at the invitation of the dean, W. A. Clark Jr.

Aside from some explanations at the beginning, the pupils being trained under Mr. Clark's instruction, became the instructors for the visitors in answering a multitude of questions ranging from the "simple to the scientific," during the visit and tour of inspection.

Seated in the class room, Rotarians saw experiments that were conducted by the pupils which included a range of scientific subjects. The manufacture of and explanation of the uses of "dry ice" appeared to please most. Chemicals combined at normal temperature as poured from bottles, produced heat of near five thousand degrees Fahrenheit. Other chemical experiments produced ice.

The main experimental study room was next visited. The equipment consists of that of the Grade A college discontinued by the Methodists some years ago, with quite a bit more added, much of it this year.

In this department those tests applying to Texas products were naturally the most interesting; the chief commodity being gypsum products in many and varied forms. In the main, tests were being made by more than thirty pupils, the tests extending from baking powder to building material.

An entire page of the Leader would be required to describe the equipment of the department of chemistry and biology so numerous

## MORE STUDENTS OF METHODIST FAITH AT TECH

Tabulation Shows of 1951 Enrolled, 708 Prefer Methodist Faith

According to a tabulation taken of the 1951 students at Texas Technological College at Lubbock this week, 708 gave Methodism as their choice of faith, 596 Baptists, 180 Presbyterians, 149 Church of Christ, 137 Christian, 27 Catholic, 23 Episcopal, 10 Lutheran, 7 Christian Science, 3 Evangelical, 3 Latter Day Saints, 2 Greek Orthodox, 2 Nazarine, with one each giving Confucianism, Congregational and Fundamentalist as their choice. A total of 101 had no religious preference.

These preferences were given at time of registration, and are not in any sense compulsory, but it is the policy of the school to assist each student giving a preference in finding the proper choice of his or her choice.

## Highway Department Directs Attention to Auto Law

This information is being passed to the readers of the Leader as a matter of information from the Highway Department calling attention to the law governing the registration of trailers and semi-trailers. This notice may save some one a fine as the highway police frequently are checking up here.

Section 2, Chapter 88, Page 172, General Laws, Second Called Session, 41st Legislature, provides in part:

"Every owner of a motor vehicle, trailer, or semi-trailer used or to be used upon the public highways of this state, and each chauffeur shall apply each year to the State Highway Department through the county tax collector of the county in which he resides for the registration of each such vehicle owned or controlled by him."

The penalty for failure to register the vehicle in the county in which the owner resides may be any sum up to \$200. It is unlawful to register in any other county other than that in which the owner or operator resides.

## Earthquake Disturbs Western Half of United States

Beginning at 1:10 p. m. Wednesday, quakes were registered on seismograph instruments at Salt Lake City, Denver, Berkeley and other California cities. The shocks continued until 10:10 p. m. according to radio reports this morning.

The range of the disturbance extended into practically all of the western states with no serious damage in either instance, from Canada south to Mexico and east as far as Denver.

are the many technical machines and simpler equipment.

One of the most interesting items seen on the visit was the store room where several thousand different forms of materials are kept for the experiments and study. This material is kept in containers on shelving and is classified so that any particular commodity may be found in a moment.

The most valuable portion of the equipment in general is the fact that machinery has been installed for insuring every protection to the health of instructors and pupils. Processes are used by which the air in the room is kept at a pure, even temperature at all times. No poisonous gases are permitted to escape into the room under any circumstances.

In closing it might be well to state the fact that courses in this college are offered in pre-medical nursing and engineering. Clarendon Junior College is the only Junior college in the state whose pre-medical course is recognized by the American Medical Society. This is a distinct compliment to the local school based on the high class of instruction offered, backed by equipment second to no other junior college in the South, and equal to the majority of the senior colleges.

## LOWER PRICES MAKE CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EASIER

Commodity Prices Are Made To Fit The Purse Of The Average Purchaser

Just a few days ago it was reported that hogs had reached a new low level—the lowest in 36 years. If fact about everything has reached a new low level, and this is reflected no more prominently than in the prices of our advertisers in the Leader the past few weeks. The prices this week are a "knockout" because these low prices mean a much happier Christmas for a lot of folks when they find that just a little money will go a long way toward getting practically everything they want.

The little folks we refer to as kiddies, who are and should be our first thought at Christmas time, are in good luck because toys are cheaper than for thirty years. Fruits and nuts are plenty cheap this time that every little tot should find plenty of enjoyment. The variety is even more plentiful than ever before in a town of this size.

Our merchants are offering gifts for the elders at a price within the reach of most any one if the number is limited. Of course the grown ups are going in for useful gifts, and in that they will find prices way below what is generally expected. Gifts of clothing will be easier this year with the prices lower than we have known them.

You will find prices quoted in since our childhood days.

The Leader this week that mark a new level. Prices never before known in this generation of the younger married folks. Even with farm product prices all too low, it looks like we are to have a happy Christmas after all.

## Christian Church to Have Christmas Service

The First Christian Church, will hold a special Christmas service Sunday night. "The Story of the Other Wise Man" will be presented in an unique manner, and will be illustrated with stereopticon pictures that will appeal to young and old.

Several songs will be sung that will arouse the Christmas spirit in all who attend. A large Christmas tree is being set up and trimmed and 'treats' will be given to all members of the Junior Department of the Bible School. Every one is invited to be present to enjoy the evening and to be inspired by the program.

## Fred Johnson is Seriously Ill Following Flu

Fred Johnson, former merchant of Clarendon and Goldston, and one of the older residents of this county, has been seriously ill for the past several days following what is said to be an attack of influenza. Possibly due to advanced age, he is not improving as rapidly as his friends would like to see, though he is reported today as being slightly improved.

## BEER TAX BILL GETS APPROVAL OF CONGRESS WED.

Vote Stands 230-165 Favor Beverage Revenue Bill Of \$5 a Barrel

Congressional wets stamped through a beer revenue measure Wednesday that will carry a tax of \$5 per barrel and alcoholic content of 3.2 percent instead of the 2.75 as has been the contention of wet supporters.

The final vote stood 230 to 165 following a series of heated arguments and fiery speeches led by Congressman Blanton of Abilene who fought the bill to the last ditch. The measure goes to the Senate for approval with consideration from that body soon after the Christmas holidays.

## CAROL PROGRAM AT METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY

Junior Choir And Orchestra Will Present Program At Seven O'clock

A program directed by Mrs. John M. Bass and Mrs. G. L. Boykin will be presented at the Methodist church here at 7 p. m. Sunday. Members of the junior choir and orchestra will take part in the presentation.

The program will open with a carol, "I heard the bells on Christmas Day," to be sung by the Junior Choir.

Other numbers are: The story of the Shepherd—Drew Wilkerson. Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, a carol. The first Noel—Boy's Chorus. Christmas—Rosaly Bass. There's a Song in the Air—Jean Bourland, Carroll Holder, James Smith, Elbert Bowen. The Story of the Wise Men—Pauline Shelton. Silent Night—Duo for piano and organ. O Little Town of Bethlehem. Joy to the World.

An extra amount of attention has been given this program preparation in rehearsals under the guidance of ladies who have had excellent training. This promises to be one of the very best programs of the Yuletide season.

## Death Ends Preparations For Christmas Day

While making her customary Christmas cooking preparations in her kitchen about noon Monday, Mrs. Phin McMahan suddenly fell to the floor in death from a heart attack. Her death came as a great shock to her family and friends, and more especially because she had been enjoying her usual health dying without warning.

Her pastor, Rev. E. B. Bowen of the Methodist church, held a service at the family home Tuesday morning after which the remains were shipped to Sadler, Grayson county and laid beside other relatives, near her childhood home Wednesday.

Besides her husband she is survived by three daughters and five sons. The daughters are Mrs. Sappinfield of Whitesboro, Mrs. Chas. Anderson of Lewisville, Texas, and Lucy of Clarendon. The sons are Lewis of Crane, Texas; Harliss, Harvey, Phin and John of Clarendon.

## POULTRY SHOW WILL BE HELD OVER TWO DAYS

January 6 and 7th are Dates For County Wide Poultry Show Affair

The Donley County Poultry Show will be held January 6th and 7th. Poultry exhibitors are requested to keep the dates in mind. The show will be sponsored by the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce who own the exhibition coops already and the Vocational Agricultural boys of the High School will clerk the show and assist in other ways.

Cash premiums will be paid on the winners in each breed where there is sufficient competition in the following classes, Cock, Cockerel, Hen, Pullets and pens. Other premiums will be announced later. E. V. Quattlebaum has offered 50 baby chicks, 25 to the best boy or girl exhibitor of R. I. Reds and 25 to the best R. I. Red exhibit in the show.

There will be no entry fee, in any class and ribbons will be given to the first three places in individual breeds, champions of the show only receiving the cash awards in the classes named above.

The show will be held down town at some location not yet selected, but probably in a vacant building somewhere on main street.

## APPEAL MADE BY PARENT-TEACHERS FOR TAX MONEY

Statement Shows Only \$2250 In Taxes Paid; Board Has Borrowed \$18,000

That the finances of the Clarendon Independent school district is rapidly reaching a critical stage is shown in a circular petition distributed through the Sims Parent-Teachers Association this week in an appeal to the taxpayers to save the day.

The circular being sent to taxpayers owing on school taxes states that at the beginning of the present term of school, the School Board borrowed from the local banks a total of \$18,000.

In securing this loan, the Board pledged to the banks the State apportionment and all local school taxes until the loan is fully paid, according to the appeal that is being sent out, and the further statement is made that only \$2,250 of this year's school tax has been paid to date.

This appeal further carries the information that the average teacher in the local schools is receiving \$85 per month, and with the means at hand, this means that the teacher will receive only \$340 or exactly \$28 per month in actual cash.

Our teachers have been loyal to the schools. They are not complaining now and never have, though they are not receiving a living wage for their efforts. School warrants in the average school of the entire county mean nothing so far as cash is concerned at the present time. This appeal from the school association composed of patrons closes with the further request of "Won't you do your part?"

## Your Subscription Should Come in This Week

Those who want the Leader for the coming year should bring or send their dollar to the Leader this week. The coupon book will enable you to get your money back. The merchants have combined to see that you get the Leader free for the coming year.

When you pay your new or renewal subscription, you get a coupon book which entitles you to a 5 percent discount on all purchases from a number of the leading merchants of Clarendon. The paper costs you nothing, but the offer is for a limited time only. Your coupon book is good for a number of months, but this offer may be withdrawn soon. Attend to this matter right now before you forget about it.

## Hillcroft Golf Club Has Officer Election

Wesley Knorpp is elected president of the Club for the coming year; W. H. Cooke vice president; Seldon Bagby secretary. The board of directors are Homer Parsons, Wesley Knorpp, U. J. Boston, Doss Palmer, Milas Little, Joe Goldston, W. H. Cooke.

## GINNING REPORT LEAVES COTTON LITTLE CHANGED

Census Bureau Reports Has Decrease of 3,000,000 Over Last Season

According to the government cotton census bureau report under date of Tuesday, the United States cotton ginned up to December 13 was 12,085,648 bales. Of this amount 622,135 were round bales and 6,677 bales were of the so-called American-Egyptian cotton.

Up to that date there had been ginned in Texas a total of 4,044,459 bales, the largest cotton producing state in the Union by far.

Ginnings to the same date last year totaled 15,354,195 of which 534,064 were round bales and 7,927 American-Egyptian.

## Post Office Will Be Closed Monday; Postmaster Urges Early Parcel Mailing

## INVESTIGATION COUNTY OFFICERS FULLY EXPLAINED

State is Saved Thousands Of Dollars in Money Past Year

AUSTIN, Tex. Dec. 20.—Like a cancerous growth which must be uprooted before the patient is cured, the fee system must be abolished as a method of paying public officers in Texas, the Senate Fee Investigating Committee will report to the next legislature.

The committee reported that its activities already had caused a decline of \$633,082 in the demands upon the State Treasury, and if outstanding "receivable accounts" are collected, this will be increased to \$945,625.

The committee added, however, that complete abolition of the fee system as a bases of compensation to public officials seemed the only way to stop the drain on the State Treasury which reached its height during the worst years of the depression when every taxpayer was pressed for money to meet his taxes.

Members of the committee are: Senators J. W. E. H. Beck, of DeKalb, Chairman; Carl C. Hardin, of Stephenville, Vice-Chairman; Joe Moore of Greenville, Tom DeBerry, of Bogata; and George C. Purl, of Dallas. Their statement follows:

"The wholesale looting of the State Treasury by unscrupulous officers—sheriffs, district clerks, county clerks, justices of the peace, constables, district and county attorneys who are paid by the State under the fee system—is strikingly illustrated by the sudden decline in their demands for excessive fees since this Committee started work.

"Accomplishments of the average Committee, although praiseworthy, often are indirect and indefinable. The fee Committee is unique in that it is able to report an actual profit to the state—almost a million dollars in one year. Its benefits, moreover, will swing into the future, accruing to the taxpayer long after the Committee's official dissolution.

"Our Auditor, T. M. Markham, has made a study of fees over the past 69 months. The first startling fact in his study is that the judiciary system has cost Texas taxpayers \$12,436,106. The second startling, and to us, gratifying, fact is that in the twelve month period ended July 31, 1932, while fee officers from all over the State were testifying under oath before this Committee concerning their excess charges, fee officers, fearful of retribution, deducted \$472,449 from their accounts before submitting them to the Comptroller.

"This Committee sponsored a rider to the deficiency bill authorizing the Auditor and Comptroller to refuse payment on any padded fee accounts. Through this enactment, 107,724 has been deducted from accounts. During this same period, fee officers voluntarily, of their own free will for the most part, walked into the Comptroller's office and laid \$45,458 on his desk excess collections! A collection of \$7,976 was made on a court judgment against a fee officer whose defalcations the Committee discovered, making a tangible cash total of \$633,082.

"In addition to this cash return fee officers have been billed, but have not yet paid, 100,975 found to have been overcharges on their accounts; suits have been filed to recover \$200,000 on forged witness script; a suit has been filed to recover \$10,000 on a raised state warrant; and an uncollected judgment for \$1,041 stands against a defaulting officer. If these items are collected, the Committee will have returned \$945,625 to the State Treasury.

"Interesting is the following table on the State's fee payments, showing among other things, that

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Postmaster Chas. H. Bugbee again calls attention to the fact that no mail will be delivered either Sunday or Monday except special delivery mail. This will be the rule all over the Nation.

The postmaster makes the further announcement that "All work at post offices will be suspended from 12 midnight, December 24th, to 12 midnight December 26th. Special delivery and perishable mail will be delivered, and first class mail arriving at this office will be placed in the boxes, as well as daily papers."

"1/2 cent stamps may be used on unsealed envelopes containing Christmas cards if there is no writing on enclosed card; the name of the sender may be written but if the address of the receiver should be changed the card may not be forwarded as it is not first class mail."

"There will be only enough employees on duty to receive and handle such mail as stated above and to dispatch all outgoing first-class mail. Other incoming mail will be stored until December 27th.

"Since all offices are ordered to receive and store all mail other than special delivery and perishable mail packages, most offices will store, and not distribute even first class mail, and since there will be no rural or city delivery on December 25 and 26, we ask that all mail that is intended for delivery before or on those days be sent in plenty of time to reach destination and be delivered before Saturday, December 24, and recommend that late mail be sent special delivery if it is desired that it be delivered on December 25th or 26th."

## OF ALL OUR LAWS PROHIBITION LAW VIOLATED MOST

57 Percent of Those Accused Of Liquor Violations Are Never Tried

The Senate Fee investigating committee has unearthed some peculiarities in crime and prosecution in Texas during the past year. For instance, the state prohibition law is the most violated of all our laws except in 13 counties. At the same time, 57 out of every 100 charged with violations of the liquor laws in state courts are dismissed without trial.

This information was gained by the committee after a diligent search over the state during the past sixty-nine months. It indicates the abuses of the fee system now in force in this state.

While the liquor law violator has a fair chance of escaping prosecution, the chicken thief is in hard luck because only 27 out of every 100 escape prosecution after being charged with such offense.

Thirty-one out of every 100 charged with murder are never brought to trial according to the investigators. More than 43 percent of all indictments returned over the state during the past 69 months were dismissed outright. Of the cases tried, only 21.9 percent of the cases resulted in a conviction. The average cost of such conviction was \$500.48.

The investigation begun with charges brought from September 1923 to May 1, 1931. Every county in the state was checked except 13 which refused to send in information for inspection.

During this time, 113,449 indictments were returned. Of this number 24,848 were convicted and nearly twice that number, or exactly 49,829, were dismissed after an indictment was returned by a grand jury. The fee system cost the taxpayers of Texas \$12,436,106 during the same period.

During these 69 months, the following indictments were returned: prohibition law violations, 23,610; theft of all kinds, 18,863; burglary, 16,653; forgery, 13,900.

When cases came to trial the percentage of convictions were:

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Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm, or corporation which may occur in the columns of THE DONLEY COUNTY LEADER will be gladly corrected upon being brought to the attention of the management.

NOTICE—Obituaries and poetry are published in this paper at the rate of 1 cent per word. A charge of \$1.00 is made on cards of thanks. Stories of deaths and funerals published in time to retain the news value are not rated as obituaries.



West Texas Press Association

**Physiological.**

Bankers appear unable to lend anything right now except their ears, and a few noes.

**Garner's Gavel.**

What the W. C. T. U. people keep hollering about is that Garner keeps threatening to make a bung starter out of his gavel.

**The Hookey Habit.**

The boy who plays hookey in school often grows up to play hookey in the school of experience by dodging work, dodging collectors. He lives by following the course of least resistance simply because he did not learn to "face the enemy" when duty called.

**Pampa Takes Lead.**

Again that metropolis of the 'balies' takes the lead. This time she flaunts to the world that gentlemen may present a more effete appearance with shaves at 15 cents and haircuts at 25 cents. We are interested in knowing if they also make a special rate on baths, or simply use talcum.

**Statue of Liberty.**

In New York harbor is a wonderful statue of liberty "enlightening the world," according to the French nation that gave it to America. The lady who stands atop this massive masonry could more properly be referred to as "Uncle Sam's divorced wife" since the French nation has changed fronts.

**Canadian Banks.**

We hear much about Canadian banks being able to make the present grade without any failures, or possibly so few that the loss is negligible. It must be remembered that Canada has only three banks—all the rest are branches of the three. Very few small loans are made to individuals because the government takes care of that phase of Canada's financial problem.

The home maker in Canada, if he be a farmer for instance, makes a fourth payment on land approved by the government. The government then lends him lumber, seed, feed, teams and tools and takes a mortgage on the equity in the land, and the crop that is to be grown. A portion of the several crops is mortgaged to the government for several years until final payment is made.

This is the reason Canada has so few bank failures, they just don't have the liberal banking accommodations up there that we have here in Texas.

**Moral Justice.**

A number of loan companies in the central states have hit upon a plan of helping their patrons that is gaining wide attention. The mortgage holders know they cannot collect any of the principal, and are lucky to get the interest with the dollar's purchasing power so high. The amount of the mortgages are being reduced in proportion to the increased purchasing power of the dollar.

If, during the existence of a debt, a fluctuation of the purchasing power of the currency increases the purchasing power of money, it is equivalent to an increase in the debt—an increase over which the debtor has no control.

If it takes 50 cents to buy a bushel of corn, a farmer can pay off a debt of \$1,000 by selling two thousand bushels, but if the value of currency rises until it is possible to buy a bushel of corn for 20 cents, then the farmer will have to raise and sell 5,000 bushels of

**Man's Insatiable Instinct.**

Since both poles have been explored, the highest mountains scaled, the most remote recesses of the globe explored, man's insatiable instinct naturally leads him into new fields.

These new fields are machinery and science.

More patents were issued the past year than in any similar period since the nation was established. More labor-saving inventions have been made and more people are thrown out of employment than ever before during the same period. The next problem is to find worthy or profitable avenues of endeavor for those displaced by the machine age.

In the field of science great progress has been made. Surgeons perform the seemingly impossible in tampering with the human body often prolonging life far beyond the most sanguine expectations of the patient himself. The chemist brings forth from the dark recesses of nature astounding discoveries that become the valuable servants of the human family. Obtaining from coal antiseptics, paints, flavoring extracts and near eight hundred other useful commodities is but a start in the realm of the science of chemistry.

Today the dominant current of human interest is centered in commerce and industry. The next few years will bring us astounding facts that will largely change the habits and customs of the civilized world.

Miss Pauline Clark, popular teacher in the local schools, has been quite ill since Tuesday.

**Constable I. B. Pierce Offers Assistance**

Upon assuming the duties of constable of this precinct by appointment before his regular elective term begins January 1st, I. B. Pierce, wants it to be understood that he is at the service of the citizens at any time, night or day, in answering any calls for law enforcement.

He further states that his services as a finger print expert are free of any extra charge to the citizens of Donley county. The use of this method of criminal detection has been the means of capturing a number of lawbreakers from other sections, and the conviction of a number of such characters when the crime was committed in Donley county.

**Produce Market Today**

Produce buyers are paying 22 cents per dozen for hen eggs today with a fairly good supply coming in. It is not believed that the price will get much higher in an anticipated Christmas rush.

Cream offerings have dwindled since the snow storm started, though quite a bit is being brought in by those who make it a business to receive a weekly cream check. The price paid today is 17 cents.

Miss Pauline Fox left Wednesday to spend the holidays with her mother in Ft. Worth.

Phifer Estlack, student of the State University came up from Austin Tuesday to spend the Holidays in Clarendon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hill and children visited Mrs. Hill's mother in Amarillo over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Carver are spending Christmas with relatives at Buffalo, Okla.

Ancel Barton is home for the Christmas holidays. He is a student in the State University.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Dean of Dimmitt announce the birth of a daughter on the 20th.

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This is the wish of the workmen in this shop from shoe shiner to manager.

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PEACE ON EARTH GOOD WILL TO MEN

**DR. J. G. SHERMAN**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS, FOLKS**

Here's wishing you and yours a very happy Christmas. At the same time we want to thank you for the business given our firm the past year.

If anything happens to mar your holiday pleasure that a plumber can fix, call 284 and I'll be there in a jiffy.

PHONE 284

**Dewey Herndon**

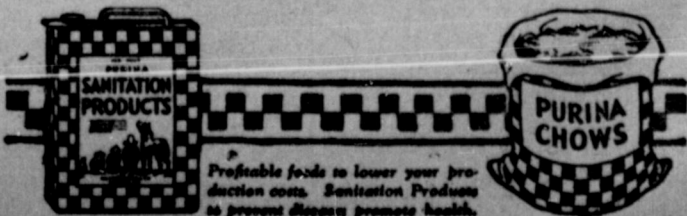
**\$25 CASH!**

FOLKS, it looks as if better times are here! Egg prices are up and today it takes less than \$6 worth of Lay Chow to get \$31 worth of eggs monthly from every 100 hens. That leaves \$25 cash from every 100 hens for you. Come in next Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday and let's talk this new deal through. It will make you some extra ready money right now.

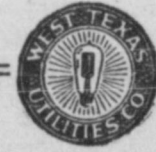


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**"Merry Christmas . . ."**

At this season of the year—when all West Texas is radiating the old pioneer Christmas spirit of "Good Will Toward Men"—it is this company's privilege to extend to its many friends and customers the sincere Christmas Greetings of its hundreds of loyal employees.

Throughout 1932, as in previous years, progressive cities, towns and communities in this "Land of Opportunity" have been served efficiently with dependable and inexpensive transmission line electric service from the three major generating stations of the West Texas Utilities Co.

Hundreds of farms, ranches and small communities also are served over the modern high tension transmission line system which, more than 2,500 miles in length, interlaces this vast empire.

To this progressive citizenry—with which the West Texas Utilities Company has at all times worked hand in hand for the greater development of West Texas—this company extends cordial Season's Greetings and best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year

**West Texas Utilities Company**

**TEMPLE OF TRUTH**  
By the Apostle



Did you ever see such a bunch of enthusiastic Santa letters in the Leader last week and this? Quite a few got too jubilant and forgot to sign their names. Others merely signed given names. We do not print letters unless the full name is signed. Old Santa would not know where to find you unless you had your given name and your family name that you got from your papa signed to it.

Any way, we are sorry to omit any of them. While looking them over and enjoying them first, my youngest granddaughter, Ira Jean seemed to take a great interest in them, and she was asked to add her letter to the lot. She is quite a flapper for a young lady of her age, and promised to give up cigarettes if I would get her all that she asked for this Christmas. She will be a year old next month.

Do you know Schiaparelli? Well he is the wop who is sending up a boat load of bustles. Don't get the idea that our women folks won't fall for the new-fangled idea either. That is a weakness on the part of American women—they like to ape the European. The first Clarendon merchant who offers bustles for sale, and I find it out, will get

a real write-up and I don't mean maybe.

Speaking of bustles, we endured them along about the tail end of the hoop skirt craze. I slipped on a bustle on the floor one night in the dark, and got tangled up in a hoop (one of them wired up affairs) and being a small boy is all that kept me from being involved in a domestic affair that might have ended with a military wedding. That's why I don't like either of them, bustles or hoops.

It got to be norted around that a man in Van Zandt county was so slow that after he shaved one side of his face, it grew a beard before he got the other side shaved. A Jack county man bet that he had a neighbor who was slower than that. He bet his Jack county man facing the sun in the morning was too slow to turn around in time to see it set in the west that evening. The bet between Van Zandt and Jack county was made. When that Jack county man started to turn around, he fell down and never got up until after dark. That's how the grudge got started between the inhabitants of the two counties.

I personally knew that brother down in Jack county. He was tolerable slow alright. He was at a birthday supper one night. They lost the birthday cake after it was lit because some one slipped it under this old slow boy as he sat down in a chair. He sat on the candles and cake while they hunted all over the place and the cake was not found until time for every one to go home. The next day the fellow found out about 11 o'clock that he had been burned.

During this cold spell a lot of folks kept warm over night by wearing sweaters, shirts, bathrobes, coats and anything they

could get hold of. The Apostle put all these on and then climbed into GW's pajamas and stuck a feather bed inside of them to take up the slack and slept warm every night without taking the flu. By all means keep warm through the night, no matter what you have to wear. Several hollow iron bedsteads froze and busted in sympathy with the water pipes. Air froze in casings until it rattled like marbles when cars would breeze down the street.

Early in the fall when a certain farmer got 7 cents for his cotton, he was so elated that he rushed home and hugged his wife. She began to cry loudly and the old boy wanted to know what was the matter. She said, "the neighbor has shot our dog, the turkeys have been stolen, the calves got out with the cows, Mary has the flu and here you come home drunk."

I heard a farmer this week telling a banker what a hard time he was having, and what a hard time all farmers were having. The banker listened silently for some time, then looked up and said: "Being a farmer is a hard lot all right, but think of the bankers hanging around in garages, jumping out of 14th story windows and wasting a lot of sixshooter bullets."

Suits are getting cheap, from \$4.85 up, but the merchants have lost the art of throwing in a necktie and a pair of galluses. It was worth it back in the old days because it took all day to pick the tags off a suit, now you only have to pull off a hat full.

A doctor administering first aid after a car accident on the street wanted to know of the crowd if there was an old-fashioned lady present. "Why the old lady", inquired a bystander. "Well I wanted

to find a woman wearing a petticoat so that I could get something to make bandages out of" he said. One young lady lost her dress anyhow—when she sneezed.

**Our Weekly CHURCH CHAT**

W. E. FERRELL  
Minister First Christian Church

**"CHRISTMAS" or the "BIRTH OF JESUS CHRIST."**

Midway the course of history there stands a golden mile-stone—the nativity. From it in either direction, the years take their way. It is the perennial reminder of the presence of God in our human experience. The incarnation is at once the expression of the human life of God and the divine nature of man. It is no mere episode of the past, but a perpetually renewed experience of the present and the future. The Christmas time is the sacrament of divine love and human hopes. It is the benediction of the closing year, calling forth from us, our heart-felt thanks to Almighty God for His blessing during the past, and inspiring us to live for Him in the days to come.

**OUR PRAYER.** "Father in Heaven, from whom we come, and to whom we must return, bless the great family of mankind with all the spiritual benefits that thou has promised. We thank thee for this season of love when we gather around the symbols of our Saviour's birth. Visit our homes, dear Lord, with thy healing and comforting presence. Turn the hearts of thy children to thyself so that the Christmas season may be a time of gladness. May there be

sweet music in our hearts for the love that Christ has brought. Help us to hear above the strife and confusion of the world, the angel's song of peace and good will towards all men. With child like hearts we wait upon thee and thank thee for all favors and blessings in Christ's name, Amen.

At this season, while others are giving gifts, we too wish to remember you. It is our purpose to give to you, week by week, bit of wisdom, words of comforts, and ray of light that will assist you in finding the Great Light of the World, even Christ Jesus. The wise men of old followed the light and it led them to Christ, our desire is to help you through your hours of darkness to the bright light in Christ and Christianity. If we can be of any service during the coming days, fall not to call on us. With every good wish of the season, for health, happiness and prosperity, we beg to be considered as a friend.

**LELIA LAKE**

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Reeves spent Sunday with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Mace returned Friday evening from a visit with their daughter Mr. and Mrs. Jones of Farwell, who accompanied them here for a visit.

Mrs. John Deal left Monday evening to visit with relatives at Ft. Worth.

Miss Lucy Stogner who is teaching at Adrian is home for the holidays.

W. C. Humbard and family who has lived in our community for the past two years left Monday for his old home in Tennessee.

The Sophomore class entertained their guests in the gaily decor-

ated home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Jones Friday evening.

After playing games of forty-two, touring and porchesia, a number of Christmas games were enjoyed by the group. Then Christmas candy and nuts were served to Misses Effie Dean Bullard, Dona Mae Roen, Margaret Gerner, Juanita Jones, Frances Johnston, Laura Mae Gerner, Ruby Jewel Jones, Anna Belle Creamer, Wilma King and cMsrs. James Reynolds, Billie Howard, Lawrence Koen, Bill Floyd, Mr. and Mrs. John Gerner and Mr. and Mrs. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kennedy and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Mace entertained Friday evening in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Mace with a bridge party. Those to enjoy the games and refreshments were Messrs. and Mesdames Bascom Webb, Bob Weatherly, Dial, Claude Morton, Myers, Wilton Grounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Knorpp are spending the Holidays with relatives on the Pacific coast.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McMurtry spent the past several days in Mineral Wells.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank all our loved ones, kind friends and neighbors who made our burden of grief easier to bear in our recent bereavement. We pray God's richest blessings upon each of you.

Berl Huffman  
C. D. McDowell  
And Family

Wesley Knorpp left Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays with his family in Long Beach, California.

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C. E. KILLOUGH  
Phone 44



**Greetings**

As the evergreen trees symbolize the year-round memory which the jolly Christmas holidays create --- and the glowing of lights enhances the appropriateness of the symbol --- so we repeat those simple words which so completely convey our wishes

**Merry Christmas**

**Merry Christmas**



It is our hope that the patronage we have enjoyed during the year has been justified in our service to our friends. We thank you and wish you all the happiness of the season.

**A HAPPY YULETIDE TO YOU!**



**COLD WEATHER**

**Stole a March on the Calendar this Year**

Cold weather appeared much earlier than usual this year. October started it off with some snappy days. Then in November thermometers did a "nose-dive" several times with the result that mean temperature for the month was considerably below normal. With no exception, last month was the coldest November in a quarter of a century. Over two-thirds of the days were cold enough to require heat. What a satisfaction it was to have gas heat instantly ready to make homes warm and comfortable during this cold weather! There was no more trouble than lighting a match.

Remember, your company is anxious that you secure satisfactory heating service in your home, WITHOUT WASTE. Therefore, if your heaters are not in working order, or out of adjustment, call our office, or ask a service man to help you.

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**SOCIETY**  
Mrs. J. C. Estlack, Editor  
Phone 455

**PALO DURO SOCIETY DANCE**  
Members of the Palo Duro society and their invited guests enjoyed a dance at the Parish House Wednesday night. A lovely Christmas tree bearing gifts for each of those present afforded merriment preceding a buffet supper in which the Christmas colors of red and green were artistically displayed.

played. Music was furnished by Rhodin Chase and Hubert Reavis during the evening.  
Members present were Jean Bourland, Pauline Shelton, Carrol Holder, Lucile Andis, Josephine Murphy, Luree Burson, Loree Hamm, Dorothy Jo Taylor, and Mike Stricklin, Clayton Powell, Bill Word, Steve Green, Henry Wilder, Bill Wood, Silas Franklin, Hollis Leathers, Fred Bourland.  
Guests were Mrs. Penelope Ellis, Mrs. Katherine Starks, Mary Travis Dyer, Helen, Lawler, Lillian Murphy, Pauline Slover, Barbara

Smith, Elizabeth Kemp, Joe Ella Stewart, Filora Wilson, Pauline Sanford, and Roy Stargel, Willard and Carrol Hudson, Dick Nichols, Phifer Estlack, James Smith, Johnny Blocker, Bill Greene, Harry McCracken, Kenedy Davis, Winford Gattis, Homer Parsons, Bill Taylor, Arthur Davis, O. C. Watson Jr., Elery Watson, Lu McClellan, Benton Smith, Byrum Halle. Chaperones were Rev. and Mrs. L. L. Swan, Mrs. W. W. Taylor, Miss Ineva Headrick.  
**H. D. CLUB**  
Members of the Clarendon H. D.

Club entertained their husbands with a turkey dinner at the club room Wednesday evening.  
Games of 42 were played following a sumptuous meal. More than twenty members and guests were present to enjoy this delightful annual affair.  
**B & P WOMEN**  
The bi-monthly meeting of this Club was held at the Club room Tuesday evening. The program consisted of a reading by Dorothy Ann Kennedy; whistling solo by Mrs. Lester Schull; singing of Christmas carols by the group.

"Christmas Spirit" was the name of the play that was one of the many enjoyable features of the program.  
Guests of the Club were Mrs. Hudson, Mrs. Schull, Mrs. Mayburn, Mrs. Nathan Cox, Pauline Slover, Dorothy Ann Kennedy.  
**1926 BOOK CLUB**  
Members of this club held their annual Christmas party Tuesday afternoon at the home of Jennie Dale Porter with Odell Ozier, Lotta Bourland and Luma Smith as official hostesses. The rooms were lovely with mistletoe, wreaths, Christmas rope, and lighted tree loaded with gifts.  
Clever games and contests were the source of amusement with prizes in variety for the winners. Rita Stocking, in the role of Santa Claus, received much applause for her charming portrayal of that jolly old man.  
The gifts were unusually attractive and created a great deal of excitement. Santa distributed red and green tarteran stockings filled with fruit, nuts and popcorn balls. The guests were then invited to the breakfast nook for tea or coffee.  
In addition to an almost perfect attendance, Miss Lorraine Patrick, Mrs. Nathan Cox and Mrs. Walter Clifford were special guests for the afternoon.

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I am a little boy 6 years old. This is my first year in school.  
Please Santa I want you to bring me a dump truck and a sweater, also candy, nuts and fruit. I will thank you very much.  
Billy Frank Morelard.  
0-1-0  
**Dearest Santa:**  
My name is Dorothy Pearl Rhodes. I am 9 years of age. I am not going to ask for much as the times are bad. I want some dishes and a sleepy doll and some candy, nuts and fruits.  
I love you lots,  
Dorothy Rhodes.  
0-1-0  
**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I am a little girl five years old. I want you to bring me a doll, a set of dishes, a little ring, some candy, nuts and fruit.  
I love you Santa,  
Betty Jo Rhodes.  
0-1-0  
**Dearest Santa Claus:**

We are three little boys. I Grandvill want a pair of shoe strings, a top and a sack of marbles. I Robert Lee want a pair of shoe strings, a toy train and a sand dumper. I J. D. want a pair of shoe strings, a toy car and a little baseball bat.  
We are your three little friends,  
Grandvill McAnear,  
Robert Lee Kerbow,  
J. D. Hendrix.  
P. S. We would like to have some candy, fruits and nuts too Santa.  
0-1-0  
**Dear Santa Claus:**  
Christmas is almost here again and I am glad I have been a nice boy and I would like for you to bring me a tricycle, a picture book, and I have a little sister, seventeen months old you can bring her a little rocking chair, a doll, as she is too small to write you what she wants. Her name is Katherine Joe Thompson, and my name is George Parker Thompson.  
P. S. Santa Claus don't forget the nuts, candy and fruits.



## Christmas Greetings

We wish to thank our many friends for their patronage during the year 1932. We invite your patronage during 1933, wishing all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Our 1933 motto will be to Serve you Better.

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For FRIDAY and SATURDAY

<b>SWEET SPUDS</b>	<b>PORTO RICAN YAMS</b>	15c
NUTS mixed, pound	COCONUTS large size, 3 for	25c
CANDY mixed, 3 pounds	APPLES bulk, nice ones, peck	30c
<b>FLOUR</b>	<b>HOMA Guaranteed 48 lb. sack</b>	<b>75c</b>
PEANUT BUTTER, qts.	CANDY pure sugar stick, lb.	16c
COMPOUND 8 lb. bucket	COCONUT bulk, lb.	20c
<b>PEACHES</b>	<b>No. 2 1/2 Heavy Syrup, each</b>	<b>15c</b>
SOUP Van Camps vegetable, 3 for	DATES bulk, 2 lbs.	25c
OLIVES large size, qts.	LEMONS large size, dozen	30c
<b>PECANS Shelled</b>	Broken Pieces, lb.	25c
ORANGES 288, dozen	Halves, lb.	33c
ORANGES 344, dozen	ORANGES 150 size, dozen	35c
	ORANGES 126 size, dozen	39c
<b>ASPIRIN</b>	<b>CRAIGS 3 Dozen</b>	<b>25c</b>
<b>PICKLES</b>	<b>LARGE SOUR GALLON</b>	<b>49c</b>
<b>MINCE MEAT</b>	<b>WHITE SWAN Package</b>	<b>10c</b>
White King Trucks with 50c size	CATSUP Ruby 14 oz. bottle	14c
White King for	DRIED PEACHES, choice 3 lbs. for	25c
<b>GALLON PLUMS or PRUNES-- 3 for</b>		<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>ORANGES</b>	<b>Choice of sizes Per Box</b>	<b>\$3.19</b>
<b>LETTUCE</b>	<b>GOOD FIRM HEADS Each</b>	<b>6c</b>



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### SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

**Dear Santa:**  
I am a little girl nearly four years old. I have been a good little girl this year and I want you to bring me a little set of dishes, a story book, an ironing board and a new dress for my dolls. I have four dolls and I want a new dress for each of them. I also want some candy, nuts and fruit.  
Your little friend,  
Gertrude Calcote.  
0-1-0

**Dear Santa Claus:**  
I am a little boy 4 years old. Please bring me two little horses hitched to a wagon, a teddy bear, a ball, a pop gun, a horn, candy, nuts apples and oranges. I will be at my grandmothers.  
Your boy,  
Marvin Ray Jordan.



*This year of all years, when the patience and fortitude of all has been severely tested, we wish to thank our friends for their patronage - - - and wish for each and every one, a Merry Christmas and a more prosperous New Year.*

**Armstrong Grocery**

## CHRISTMAS IS HERE



*You've said Bon Voyage to arm loads of gifts ---- The carolers are awake and break into song ---- Christmas court is open ---- CHRISTMAS is here --- And today of all days our organization wants to have part in the happiness, the gaiety, the joy ---- To all we say --- A Merry Christmas ... and thank you for making our so too.*

### A FEW CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS

TIES, SOX, KERCHIEFS, MUFFLERS, HATS, LOUNGING ROBES, PAJAMAS  
EXTRA SPECIAL ON SUITS & O'COATS - EXTRA PANTS FREE  
New shipment of Ladies Friendly Five Riding Boots \$5.00  
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**Bring Orphanage Gifts To Baptist Church Sunday**

Rev. B. N. Shepherd, pastor of the First Baptist church, announces that a collection of gifts for Buckner's orphanage will be made Sunday. He asks that food and clothing intended for the Home be brought Sunday morning at the Sunday school hour.

This is an annual custom observed by the Baptist church at this time of the year and means much pleasure to those able to render aid, as well as those who are to become the beneficiaries. Please don't overlook the date and hour.

**Christmas Program by Pupils Of Mrs. Bass Saturday**

Fourteen pupils of Mrs. John M. Bass will appear in a musical program at the Club Room next Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

Those who will take a part in this program are Geraldine Clay-

ton, Dorothy Ann Kennedy, Billie Gilbert, Dan Boston, Zella Ruth Nored, Fhebe Ann Buntin, Ila Deal Eliose Hill, Price Whitlock, Ruth Donnell, Virginia McGowan, Lovie Beavers, Rosalyn Bass, Mrs. Jane Bownds.

The public is cordially invited to hear this program.

**Episcopal Church to Hold Special Night Service**

A choral celebration of the Holy Communion and "The Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord" will be observed at midnight Saturday by members of the St. John Baptist church under direction of the Rector, Rev. L. L. Swan.

A similar service will be held again Sunday morning at nine a. m. for the benefit of those who are unable to attend the preceding night service. The music for both services will be of a Christmas nature. The public is cordially invited to attend either or both services.

**Little Theatre Elects New Official Family**

Miss Katherine Patrick will guide the destiny of the Little Theatre movement in Clarendon for the coming year as president. Miss Anna Moores, who has had much experience as a director of plays, dramatic art and singer, was elected vice president. Mrs. McHenry Lane is the new secretary and Tom F. Connally business manager and treasurer. Mrs. Frank A. Stocking is director in which she will be ably assisted by Miss Anna Moores.

The board of directors is chosen each year from the civic clubs, each club having two representatives on the Board. The B & P Women will be represented by Misses Julia Mae Caraway and Fannie Perry. Pathfinder Club, Mrs. Simmons Powell and Miss Marie Thornton; Lions club, T. D. Nored and Tom F. Connally; Rotary Club, C. C. Powell and Dr. O. L. Jenkins; 1926 Book Club, Mrs. McHenry Lane and Mrs. H. D. Toomb.

A. J., son of Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Smith continues to improve at A-dair hospital where he has been a patient following operations of five weeks ago.

**MARTIN**

Due to the snow and weather Sunday there wasn't any Sunday school or church.

Mr. and Mrs. Parmer Thompson and children of Pleasant Valley were Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Ros. Jones and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Jones and daughter spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Wood and son, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Roberts

and daughter spent Sunday with the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hodges.

Roy Pittman from Anton, Texas is here to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Pittman.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Talley spent last Tuesday at Clarendon with Mr. and Mrs. Chester Talley. Mrs. Chester Talley has been quite ill with the flu, but is reported to be recovering.

Mr. Sam Tankersley spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Noel Harvey.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Jordan and son spent Sunday with the lady's parents Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Easterling.

Mr. and Mrs. John Endsley and children and Pete Blair spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Tolbert. The day was spent in butchering hogs.

**PLEASANT VALLEY**

There has been quite a bit of sickness the past week due to the flu epidemic. Most everyone is better at this writing.

Mrs. Charles Kernes and children, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wilson and children of Eaton, Colorado spent Saturday night in the P. H. Longan home. They were enroute to Edinburg, Texas to spend the holidays with their relatives. They are coming back by New Year and visit with the Longans.

Mr. Corder and Mrs. Lizzie Rawley spent Saturday night and Sunday in the Charlie Corder home.

Mr. Homer Beach Sr. and sons, O. L. and Homer Jr. of Plainview spent from Saturday until Monday morning in the Nelson Robinson home.

Miss Nan Potter spent Saturday night in Clarendon with her sister, Mrs. Elmer Drennon.

**CHURCHES**

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Robert S. McKee, pastor Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. The birthday of Christ ought to be the best day of the year to attend Sunday school and church. Morning worship, 11 o'clock. A Christmas message on, "Why God became Man." Evening Bible Study. The Study will be on the Book of Leviticus.

**St. John Baptist Church (Episcopal)**

Rev. L. L. Swan, Rector. "The feast of the Nativity of our Lord" commonly called Christmas Day will be observed by a choral celebration of the Holy Communion at midnight Saturday, followed by a second celebration on Sunday morning at 9 o'clock for those unable to attend the earlier service. The music will be of a strictly Christmas nature and every one is cordially invited to join us in our worship of our new-born King.

Benton Smith is another State University student to arrive this week to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. B. G. Smith and other relatives and friends here.

Mrs. C. M. Lane is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. H. Dean and husband at Dimmitt this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rayburn Stegall are receiving the congratulations of their many friends on the arrival of a ten pound daughter born the 14th.

**ASHTOLA**

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hunsucker have moved to Clarendon to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Allen are visiting relatives in Amarillo. Mr. and Mrs. Ottis Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mason and Miss Jewell Smith were Amarillo shoppers Tuesday.

Martin basketball team played Ashtola basketball team Friday on the home court. The scores were 16-6 in favor of Ashtola.

Miss Muffet Merrel spent Saturday night in Clarendon with her

grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Sims Sr.

Ashtola school will turn out Friday and be dismissed until Tuesday morning the 26th.

Those on the sick list are Mr. and Mrs. Calwell and family, Mr. Clark, Mr. Lee Everett, Mr. Walling.

Friends of Mrs. Gobel Barker and babies and Mrs. Earl Holley and babe will be glad to learn that they are improving nicely.

Mr. Sam Evans took advantage

of the first pretty day since the snow storm, and butchered some hogs Monday.

Mrs. Cleo Nichols of Newlin spent Monday night and Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. Gobel Barker.

Grandpa Cook of Clarendon who has been spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. W. P. Holley has returned home.

Mrs. Bennett of Newlin who has been at the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Gobel Barker, returned home Monday afternoon.

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1 gallon White Karo	61c
2 lb. can Cocoa	28c
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10 lb. can smoke Salt	75c
3 lb. can Maxwell House Coffee	98c
2 lb. pkg. White House Rice	15c
10 lbs. Pinto Beans	29c
Catsup—12 oz. bottle	15c
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Evaporated Peaches	10c lb.
10 lbs. Great Northern Beans	49c

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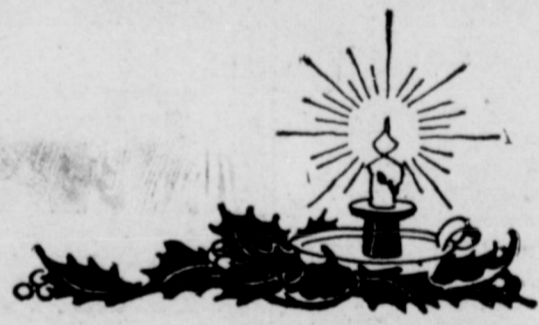
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**Merry Christmas**

"The Old Strong Bank"

**The First National Bank**

W. H. Patrick, President

W. W. Taylor, Cashier

EDUCATIONAL DIGEST

In 1920 illiteracy of all classes of people in Texas was 5.3 per cent in 1930 it was 6.8 per cent, a decrease of 1.5 per cent.

A state can afford to lose time

on the construction of a road, a bridge, or a building, and by speeding up construction at a later time possibly catch up, but education must be continuous.

Millions of children and young people follow the old worn way to the schoolhouse. There they must at the opportunities offered so freely to their predecessors.

OUR SCHOOLS MUST BE MAINTAINED.

—W. F. Bigelow, Editor, Good Housekeeping.

The people of Texas spend 39.98 per cent as much for education as they spend for luxuries. In other words, when we spend approximately 40 cents for education we spend one dollar for non-essentials.

We are so poor in Texas that we cannot adequately support our system free public education, but on the other hand, we are able to spend as much for tobacco as we do in support of our free schools.

It costs \$13.42 per capita population in Texas to support free public education. It does not take any mathematical genius to figure that the per capita cost of education in Texas is less than four cents per day.

A CHILD IN SCHOOL IS: Under the influence of trained and capable advisers and teachers. Safe from traffic hazards.

A CHILD ON THE STREETS IS: Under the influence of the knockabouts of the streets—generally undesirable.

Education is the only thing that can kick ignorance off the face of the earth. Are we going to let ignorance kick us off?

The children of the depression are as important as the children of prosperity and in periods of unemployment and economic stress

educational facilities should be expanded—not decreased.

In the nations where education is widely defused, the people demand better dwellings, better clothing, better food, better transportation, better sanitation, and better facilities for recreation and learning.

In short, education and business go hand in hand. Taken by the large, business is good where education is good.

CAN YOU MAKE A LIVING

Mr. Hoover was defeated for President. Clemenceau, Edison, Eastman, Briand, Doumer, Stresemann and Lenin are dead.

The George Washington Bridge, the longest suspension bridge in the world, has been completed.

But, what has all these things to do with the many thousands of young men and women who are about to finish, or have just finished high school and are standing on the threshold of their future and are facing the problem of making a living.

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Goldston School News

HONOR ROLL

- First Grade First Honor Roll: L. E. Lynn—92 Lynn Goldston—90 Second Honor Roll: Bill Mooring—88 Georgia Lee Barrow—87

NAYLOR

Sunday afternoon Clyde Bain came in bringing with him a fine young lady introducing her as Mrs. Clyde Bain, known to us and loved by us as Miss Marion Hicks of Hedley.

Betty Nell of Hedley spent week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rich Bowlin.

W. M. Pickering took a truck load of sweet potatoes to Amarillo this week. When the market calls W. M., he is always ready with the goods, despite the weather.

Leroy Tidrow, who is in school at Hedley spent week end with his parents.

Perry Tunnell and sons Russell and Burt spent week end at Amarillo on business.

We have plenty of snow and hog killing for the past week and enjoy both.

Frank Tidrow and A. O. Hefner attended the big sale at Lelia Lake Tuesday.

Here's to you for a Merry Xmas and a full S— dinner, turkey and all the trimmings.

GOLDSTON

Due to the snow and severe cold weather Sunday school and church was postponed.

Raymond Farr and Cleo Gray were married at Clarendon last Friday.

The bride is the daughter of W. H. Gray of this place. The bride-

groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Farr of Caddo Mills, but has been making his home here for the past three or four years.

They will make their home in Goldston where their hosts of friends wishes them much happiness and success.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Bryant entertained a number of their friends with a dance at their home Saturday night.

The many friends of Mr. Fred Johnson were very sorry to learn of his illness. We are hoping to see him up and back in Goldston soon.

George McConal was found unconscious at his home three miles northeast of Goldston Saturday morning. Dr. Jenkins was called and Mr. McConal was taken to the Adair hospital. Last news heard, he had not yet gained consciousness.

Goldston school was dismissed Wednesday for the Holidays. Quite a lot of the people in our community are sick with flu and bad colds.

Ruth Kerbow of Brice visited in the J. W. Rhodes home Monday night.

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS. As we come to the close of the year, may we at this time express to each and every one our sincere appreciation of your friendship. We have done our best to add to the sum of your happiness and prosperity by selling you good merchandise at the lowest price possible. The fact that our business has increased through the year leads us to believe that you have appreciated our efforts to serve you. We feel encouraged and will do our dead level best to beat the record in 1933. LEMONS-THOMPSON GRAIN CO. S. B. Kutch, Manager. Phone 19-M

Pastime Theatre. Friday and Saturday 23-24th Hoot Gibson —in— "The Local Bad Man" A good western with plenty of action and thrills. Also a good comedy "Roaming" MATINEE 10-15c—Night 10-25c Monday and Tuesday 26-27th Maurice Chevalier and Jeanette McDonald —in— "LOVE ME TONIGHT" He was naughty. She was haughty but they fell in love. You'll adore the greater than ever Chevalier as the French tailor who sets the style in love. Also showing Paramount News and Short subject. 10-25c Wednesday and Thursday 28-29th Phillip Holmes and Dorothy Jordan —in— "70,000 WITNESSES" Death struck before the eyes of 70,000 witnesses, who did it? The most amazing murder ever committed, yet none knew who did it. See if you can solve it. Also showing selected short subjects. 10-25c COMING SOON— "The Phantom President."

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Goldston School News HONOR ROLL First Grade First Honor Roll: L. E. Lynn—92 Lynn Goldston—90 Second Honor Roll: Bill Mooring—88 Georgia Lee Barrow—87 Second Grade First Honor Roll: J. J. Goldston—95 Ruth Risley—90 Second Honor Roll: Dorris Gene Morgan—85 Third Grade First Honor Roll: Geraldine Jordan—93 Second Honor Roll: Kenneth Dyer—87 Bonny Joe Mooring—85 Fourth Grade First Honor Roll: Junior Spier—92 Elgin Risley—91 Second Honor Roll: Junior Lynn—87 Fifth Grade First Honor Roll: Edith Earthman—90 Odell Davis—90 Second Honor Roll: Cora Lee Jordan—88 Seventh Grade Second Honor Roll: Harold Simmons—86 Eighth Grade First Honor Roll: Mary Earthman—94 Lottie Margret Barrow—92 NAYLOR Sunday afternoon Clyde Bain came in bringing with him a fine young lady introducing her as Mrs. Clyde Bain, known to us and loved by us as Miss Marion Hicks of Hedley. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bain will be at home to their many friends at the Tom Bain home. We are more than pleased to have them live among us and wish for them a long and happy life. Tom Nayor was a Christmas shopper Tuesday at Clarendon. Mrs. H. L. Whitfield and baby

Free! Free!! Basket Fruit to be given away Saturday 4:30 p.m. Fresh Fruits & Vegetables RED HOT CHRISTMAS PRICES Pecans, 4 pounds 25c Oranges, big Cali. doz. 35c Nigger Toes, lb. 18c Grapes, extra fancy, 4-lbs. 25c Walnuts (English) 18c Oranges, Texas full of juice, doz. 26c Almonds, pound 18c Grapefruit, big ones, 6 for 25c Bananas, 1 doz. 15c Grapefruit, fine, 3 for 10c Dates, 2 pounds 25c Grapefruit, 2 for 5c Apples, mammoth Delicious, doz. 45c Lemons, large ones, doz. 35c Apples, Delicious extra fancy, doz. 25c Cranberries, quart 15c (Cheaper by the box) Apples, nice ones in the bulk, pk. 35c Tangerines, dozen only 24c Oranges, California, dozen 20c & 30c Coconuts, large fellows, 2 for 15c Celery, 2 for 18c Cabbage, per lb. 1 1/2c Spinach, 3 lbs. for 25c Onions 1 1/4c lb. Carrots, 2 for 15c Spuds 20c peck New Potatoes 5c lb. Tomatoes 10c lb. Sweet Potatoes 1 1/2c lb. Fresh green Beans, 2 lbs. 35c Sanitary Market Fresh Fruits & Vegetables Queen Theatre building. MOSLEY & MOSLEY

**A Letter to Santa**



of them and try to be a good boy next year.

You can bring me some nuts, candy, apples and oranges if you have any to spare.

Please Santa bring my tricycle any way. I'll be looking for you.

Love to Santa  
Roy Wayburn Mace.  
Lelia Lake.

Dear Santa:

I'm a little girl 11 months old. I want you to bring me a toy dog, big ball, a red wagon, pair of shoes and a little doll. Santa, don't bring anything to eat except oranges.

Love,  
Ira Jean Estlack.

Dear Santa:

Santa:  
I am a little boy six years old, going to school and have tried to be a good boy.

I want you to bring me a try-with horn, tail light, numbers fenders—one that's got every thing. I want a black board and of chalk. I will take good care

We are three little country children. We live at Naylor, Texas. I am nine years old. I have pulled lots of cotton the most being 300 pounds in one day, so I want a doll, a tea set and plenty to eat. I Clifford am seven and say you ought to see me get that cotton. I want something for a real boy such as a football, a harp

or a coaster. Don't bring me any sissy thing. I Voneta am five today, Dec. 12th. I want a doll, a cooking set and something to cook and plenty of nuts, fruit and candy. Thanking you in advance, and hoping a merry Christmas to you, we are

Lois Clifford  
Voneta Arnold.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am eight years old and have been a good girl this year. Please bring me some warm gloves to wear to school, a few toys and some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget mother and daddy.

With love,  
Maxine Ayres.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy three years old. I wish you would bring me a tractor that will climb, a monkey an orphan Annie, a man driving a wagon with horses and please bring me a few story books, so I can read by the fireplace while my mother sews.

Love,  
James W. Palmer.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me some Tinkertoys and an air gun, a little iron car and train; and some candy and nuts, also some fruit and a box of caps.

Jack Nelson Riley.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you? I am fine. I am a little boy 6 years old. Will you please bring me a double barrel pop-gun and a box of paints and some nuts, apples, oranges and candy and I'll not ask for any more, times are so hard and you have so many other little boys and girls to go to see so goodbye.

Your little friend,  
Jauan Tucker.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you, will you please bring me a football, a sweater or turk transport with 3 cars of apples and oranges and candy, nuts. I have tried to be a good boy. I will not ask for any more, for you have so many little boys and girls to see so goodbye.

Walton Tucker.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 6 years old and in the first grade. Please bring me a ball bat.

With love,  
John Earl Ryan.

Dear Santa:

I am 8 years old and in the 2nd grade. Would like to have a doll, some dishes and most anything you have.

With love,  
Geraldine Ryan.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy 8 years. I want a knife.

Your little friend,  
Billie Jack Green.

Dear Santa:

I'm a little boy eight years old and in the 2nd grade. I have been a good little boy. I want you to bring me a set of tinkertoys, apples, oranges, nuts and candy and Santa please remember all of my little cousins.

David Peabody.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a story book and a bicycle and some skates and a doll buggy and a doll trunk.

Candy, fruit, nuts.  
Your little friend,  
Roxie Lawler.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a pair of skates, please do not forget the poor children.

Your little friend,  
Zona Pat Grady.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a set of dishes and some boots that tie at the top and I have a little baby brother and I want you to bring him something too.

From your friend,  
Marilyn Sawyer.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am eight years old. I want some modeling clay. Don't forget the orphans, fruit and candy and nuts.

Your friend,  
Nelda Sue Burton.

Dear Santa:

I want you to bring me a pair of boots.

Your friend,  
Geraldine Clayton.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy. I am nine years old. I want a gun and some

candy, fruit and nuts.

Your little friend,  
C. G. Kirkland.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl three years old. And would like for you to bring me a dail, telephone, stove, doll bed and dresser. And some fruit, candy, nuts and chewing gum. Don't forget my mother and dady.

A little friend,  
Paphine Roberson.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle, a baby doll, and a sack of nuts and some candy. Please remember the orphans.

Your little friend,  
Annie Ree Porter.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a baby doll and some candy, fruit and nuts. I am in the second grade. My teacher is Miss Fay. She is a very good teacher.

Your little friend,  
Elsie Clark.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am eight years old. I am in

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the second grade. My teacher is Miss Fox. Please bring me a jig saw-puzzle, a pair of house shoes, and a telephone.

Your little friend,  
Bobby Jo La Fon.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am eight years old. I want you to bring me a new bicycle, please.

Your little friend,  
Clyde B. Douglas.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl seven years old. I like for you to come to granddads. I want a doll in a trunk. Your little friend, Cassandra Sims Morris.

Your little friend,  
Joan Hillman.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want some skates and candy, nuts and fruit.

Your friend,  
Naomi Morris.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll and some candy

and fruit and nuts.

Your little friend,  
Loretta Dye.

Dear Santa:

I am seven. I want a set of tools. Your little friend, Billy May.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a pair of skates. I want some fruit and candy. I am seven. Your friend, Wanda Pew Fitzgerald.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a telephone. Be sure to remember and bring my father and mother some money. I am a girl of seven years. Have you found my bro telephone.

Your little friend,  
Joan Hillman.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a scooter. I am a boy 8

years old.

Your little friend,  
J. V. Mosley.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a living room housefull of furniture. That is all I want. Your little friend, Ella Gene Speed.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a new eversharp pencil. I am a little girl 7 years old. Your little friend, Vera Harp.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a new suit, scarf and a Bible and some kind of a game. I have tried to be a good boy.

J. V. Mosley.

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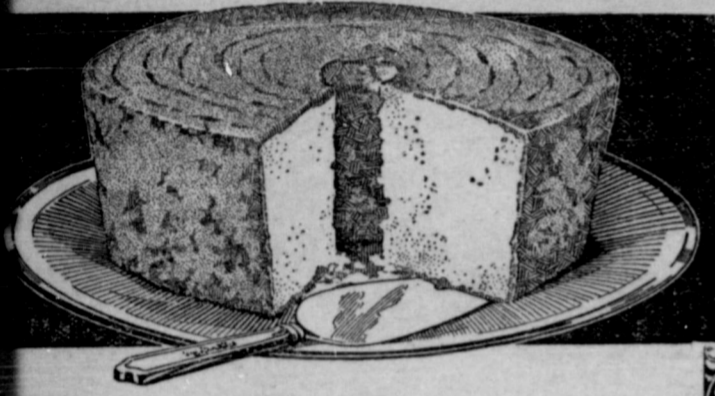


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Drs. Mark and C. G. Stricklin were called to Lufkin, Texas the first of the week when their mother passed away.

Mrs. Uel Tullas of San Antonio is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Peebles through the holidays.

S. B. Louder of Canyon, an acquaintance and friend of many years of Lee and Joe Holland, visited them here Tuesday.

Mrs. W. H. Rodgers and Mrs. W. M. Rodgers are visiting Mr. and Mrs. "Boy" Rodgers at Kilgore this week.



# Christmas Greetings

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### OF ALL OUR LAWS—

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burglary, 38.8; forgery, 31.4; theft, 26.1; prohibition law, 17.4.

In concluding their report, the fee investigating committee said: "It should be noted that the fee costs which the state pays are paid in most instances regardless of whether the defendant is convicted or acquitted. This committee has concluded that in many counties in Texas, violators of the criminal laws are arrested and brought into court solely for the purpose of collecting fees, and with no intent to send the culprits to the penitentiary."

### INVESTIGATION—

(continued from front page)

the abuse of the fee system as a bases of compensation to public officials reached its full flower during the years of 1930 and 1931 when the world-wide depression was at its height and every taxpayer hardpressed for money:

(Fiscal) Year	Amount
1926	\$ 914,276
1927	1,086,163
1928	1,156,900
1929	1,216,917
1930	1,348,705
1931	1,446,606
1932	987,825

Year	Increase or Decrease
1926 (Increase)	\$109,182
1927 (Increase)	171,886
1928 (Increase)	70,737
1929 (Increase)	60,016
1930 (Increase)	131,788
1931 (Increase)	97,900
1932 (decrease)	458,780

Year	Percent increase or decrease
1926 (increase)	13.5
1927 (increase)	18.8
1928 (increase)	6.5
1929 (increase)	5.1
1930 (increase)	10.8
1931 (increase)	7.2
1932 (decrease)	31.7

"Further evidence of the fundamental rottenness of the fee system as a bases of compensation to public officials is found in the criminal prosecutions initiated by this Committee. Nine sheriffs, and ex-sheriffs, and one deputy sheriff have been indicted, all except one for extortion. Six were prosecuted and convicted by District Attorney Henry Brooks of Travis County. One was acquitted, and one conviction reversed on appeal. One ex-district clerk and one ex-deputy district clerk have taken their own lives. Another district clerk is in the penitentiary.

"These unsavory facts can lead to but a single conclusion: The fee system as a bases of compensation to public officials must go. Like a cancerous growth, whittling at the edges may temporarily alleviate the pain, but does not and cannot cure the evil. Unfortunately the fee system is prescribed by our State Constitution, whose writers did not anticipate its degradation. It will therefore, require an amendment to the constitution to abolish the system, and that, in turn, requires two years for final action by the people.

"Meanwhile the Committee will seek to stop some of the larger leaks in the State Treasury, pending the certain approval of the amendment, by a series of new bills. They will be directed at those evils best known to members of the committee who have wrestled nearly two years with the complex problem.

"These bills are now being prepared and will be offered, for the approval of the legislature and for the protection of the taxpayers, when the 43rd legislature meets. And Senate Joint Resolution No. 1 will propose an amendment to the Constitution once and forever abolishing the pernicious fee system of paying public officers in Texas."

### Bible Class Makes Change In Meeting Place

The "Come As You Are, Men's Bible Class", which has been meeting in the Pastime Theatre, since it was organized last summer, has decided to meet in the basement of the First Christian Church, during the next few weeks.

This class was organized last July and the men of the community were invited to attend. The cold weather has been somewhat of a handicap and it was thought that the church would make a more suitable and comfortable meeting place until the weather warms up.

All members of the class are urged to be present at the next class meeting Sunday morning, and the old slogan is still in effect: "COME AS YOU ARE."

Mr. and Mrs. T. Jones returned from their New Mexico vacation trip Wednesday which was begun in July. Mrs. Jones bagged her limit of deer and one 350 pound black bear. Both came home well and happy.

### CLASSIFIED ADS

#### FOR SALE

FOR SALE at a Bargain—Atwater Kent radio, battery set, table model. New tubes. A-1 condition. New set of batteries can be bought for \$12.50. Or might trade. See it at the W. A. Davis home on West First street. 42-p

FOR SALE—Milk cows for sale. See E. M. Ozier. 37fc.

FOR SALE—12 gauge double barrel hammerless shotgun at a bargain. E. H. Estlack, Naylor Route. 36fc.

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ANY ONE wishing to have threshing done, see me at Farmers Grain & Implement Co. H. L. Brady, Clarendon. 42-c

#### FOR RENT

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