

City Announces Definite Plans For Gas System

Further Negotiations With Community Gas Company Off; City Will Build System.

The Brownwood City Council voted Tuesday night to proceed with plans to build a city gas system and took options from A. D. Bruce to purchase his small plant operated in the southern part of the city. They also took an option with Jones & Dozier for a gas supply from their wells. Further plans will be announced within the next ten days, city officials stated.

The decision to go into the gas business was made at an executive session which lasted until 2:30 Wednesday morning. In an open meeting which preceded the executive session officials of the Community Gas Company presented a letter from Chester L. May of Dallas, vice president and general manager of the company, outlining the company's proposals to give the city certain gas production options to show good faith and assure the council and citizens that it has no intention of raising rates here above the present 35 cents per 1,000 cubic feet rate.

"The company is not seeking to bind the city against going into the gas business any time it wants to," C. P. Nevill, Dallas, field supervisor, told the council when he presented May's letter. "This instrument simply embodies the extent to which the company would be willing to bind itself in order that the problem may be solved in a manner which would not necessitate the city entering the gas business."

"Our proposal is intended to give the city the proper protection against increased rates, making it unnecessary to spend thousands of dollars to accomplish the same purpose."

Under the proposal made by the company they agreed to give the city a five-year option to allowable gas production from five wells owned by the company near Brownwood for six cents per 1,000 cubic feet, the option to be exercised in event the company raised its rates above 35 cents. They also agreed to sell or lease pipe lines from the wells to the city limits to the city.

McGillivray Mace, local legal representative of the company, and M. L. Bird of Abilene, division superintendent, appeared before the council to further explain the gas company's stand in not wanting the establishment of a municipal gas plant here.

Mace assured members of the council that the company would not attempt to force the city to stay out of the gas business through court action. "Municipal competition provides an endless supply of the taxpayers' money against a private company which it can never expect to overcome. This very fact would force the company to seek higher rates from its remaining customers after the city took part of its business," he added. "The city would be using money of all the people to aid a few citizens."

Councilmen held that a raise in rates by the company would send the customers to the city lines.

Bird discussed the difficulties to be encountered in establishment of a municipal plant saying that if the city goes into competition with the company it will be putting inexperienced men up against an organization that has had years of experience and training.

"This will result in a 'dog fight' unprofitable to the city as well as the company. We do not want to get into such a situation and are doing all in our power to avoid it," he declared.

Brooke Smith, ex-mayor of Brownwood and one of the fram-

Confesses Hoax in 'Kidnaping'



Confessing that his "kidnaping" was a hoax designed to gain publicity and an important stage job, Caleb Milne IV, actor of a rich Philadelphia family, shown here in a new picture, faces federal charges. The 23-year-old actor, found bound and gagged in a Doylestown, Pa., ditch, denied he was accomplice or had intended to take the \$20,000 ransom demanded.

CLERK-CARRIER TO BE EMPLOYED HERE

Applications are now being received for position of substitute clerk-carrier for the Brownwood postoffice, according to an announcement made by Clyde D. Woods, local secretary of the Civil Service Commission. Applicants must appear for examination at the local office, and the application must be on file with the manager of the Tenth U. S. Civil Service District at the Customhouse, New Orleans, not later than January 10.

22 CENTS RECEIVED FROM TURKEY POOL

Most of the checks for balance due on turkeys sold on the Christmas market have been received by members of the Southwestern Poultry Association. A substantial advance was made on all turkeys sold through the association upon their delivery.

The growers received 22 cents on No. 1 turkeys, 18 cents on old fowls and 14 cents on No. 2 birds. The checks were ready for delivery December 29, and all those which had not been called for were being mailed to the growers this week.

According to officials of the association there are very few turkeys left for sale now. Practically all those now on hand were saved by the growers for breeding stock.

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Following the arguments council put the matter to a vote in executive session, voting in favor of establishment of the municipal gas system.

FARMERS MARKETS

Growers' prices quoted in Brownwood, Thursday, January 2:	
Vegetables	
Bunch Vegetables, doz	40c
Okra, lb.	3c
B. E. Peas, lb.	2 1/2c
Tomatoes, lb.	4c
Green Pepper, lb.	3c
Butter and Cream	
Cream, lb. butter fat 27c and 28c	
Strict No. 1 Sweet Cream, lb.	30c
Poultry and Eggs	
Heavy Hens	14c
Light Hens	12c
Fryers	16c
Bakers	14c
Roosters	6c
No. 1 Turkeys	18c
No. 2 Turkeys	16c
Old Toms	14c
Eggs, dozen, No. 1	15c
Hay and Grain	
No. 1 Milling Wheat	95c
No. 1 Durum Wheat	70c
No. 2 Red Oats	24c
No. 3 Oats - 29 lb. test	23c
No. 2 Barley	35c
No. 2 White Corn	65c
No. 2 Yellow Corn	60c
Mixed Corn	53c
No. 1 Johnson Grass, ton	8.00
No. 2 Milo, cwt. Bright	75c
Cotton	
Cotton, Middling	11.85
Strict Middling	12.20

TAX COLLECTIONS TO BE MADE AT SEVERAL TOWNS DURING WEEK

Tax Assessor-Collector Winston Palmer will visit seven Brown county communities this week and next to give citizens the opportunity of paying their 1935 taxes without the necessity of coming to Brownwood. He was in Blanket Thursday, and plans to be in Bangs Friday. Other trips scheduled are: Zephyr, Monday, Jan. 6; May, Tuesday, Jan. 7; Cross Cut, Wednesday, Jan. 8; Brooksmith, Thursday, Jan. 9; Winchell, Friday, Jan. 10. Taxpayers who fail to make the payments in their communities on those dates will have to make their payment at the courthouse here.

January 31 is the last day for paying 1935 taxes without penalty and interest. This is also the last date on which poll taxes may be paid. Voters are reminded by the tax collector that 1936 is an "election year" when they may vote on everybody from the president of the United States down to precinct constables and that they must pay their poll taxes on or before January 31 to be able to vote, unless exempted by law from the payment.

GUN WOUND FATAL TO FRANK H. SWEET

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at Central Methodist Church for Frank H. Sweet, prominent Brownwood attorney, who died at 1:55 Monday afternoon from accidental gunshot wounds received last Thursday. Austin-Morris Funeral Home was in charge of funeral arrangements.

He had been in a critical condition at a local hospital since the accident, and little hope had been held for his recovery since his admission to the hospital for treatment. Mr. Sweet was injured while transacting legal business at the Tom Epley residence. A gun being cleaned in an adjoining room by Tom Epley, Jr., was accidentally discharged and the bullet went through the door striking Judge Sweet in the left side. An operation to remove the bullet was performed Thursday evening.

Mr. Sweet was the son of the late B. G. Sweet, prominent pioneer. He was born October 12, 1884, at San Augustine, Texas, and moved to Brownwood with his parents in December of that year. He was married June 24, 1914, to Miss Gertrude Lovell, who survives him. Two sons and two daughters also survive.

A graduate of Daniel Baker College and the law school of the University of Texas, Judge Sweet was prominent in political and business circles of this section of the state. He served as county judge from 1912 to 1917. He became a member of the state legislature in 1921, and was city attorney from 1922 to 1928. He had been conducting a large private law practice for several years and for the past two years had been serving as the Brown county attorney for the Home Owners Loan Corporation.

SCOUT OFFICERS TO BE NAMED JAN. 24

Election of Officers of Comanche Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America, will be held at the annual meeting to be held in Brownwood Friday, January 24. It was announced this week by Scout Executive Quill.

M. S. Sellers of Rising Star has been named chairman of the nominating committee, with Grady Pipkin of Eastland and Walter Smith of Lampasas as members. Dr. Jewel Daugherty of Brownwood is president of the council.

Details of the program for the annual meeting will be announced within the next few days.

PWA Officials To Make Visit Later

A visit of PWA officials to Brownwood for an inspection tour of the proposed Brown County Water Improvement District No. 1 irrigation project, scheduled for Friday has been postponed for a short time, according to an announcement made this week.

Herman Bellis, tax collector for the water district, and Chester Harrison, secretary of Brownwood Chamber of Commerce, conferred with state WPA officials in Fort Worth Tuesday regarding the district's application for a loan for construction of the irrigation system.

YEARBOOKS OUTLINE PROGRAM OF 1936 FOR DEMONSTRATION CLUB WORK IN BROWN COUNTY

PROGRAMS for the next year for the Home Demonstration Clubs of Brown county are outlined in the 1936 club yearbooks which will be distributed at the January meeting of the County Council Saturday. The two demonstrations included in the clubs' 1935 projects, Bedroom Demonstration and Yard Demonstration, and Texas Centennial topics are featured in the outline for the next year's work.

The yearbooks also include a register of council delegates, demonstrators, officials and standing committees, officers of the Texas Home Demonstration Association, list of club officers and club goals for 1936.

Mrs. L. V. Kimmons of Zephyr is chairman of the Brown County Home Demonstration Council. Other officials are Mrs. J. W. Phillips, Byrds, council vice-chairman, and Miss Annie Mae Lappe, May, secretary-treasurer.

Standing committees announced are as follows:
Finance: Mrs. E. R. McQuaid, May; Mrs. L. E. Rush, Grosvenor, and Miss Odie Wilson, Winchell.
Exhibits: Miss Annie Mae Lappe, May; Mrs. Lena Davis, Grosvenor, and Mrs. B. H. Bullion, Indian Creek.
Year Book: Mrs. Roy Mathews, Bangs; Mrs. C. M. Kilgore, Zephyr, and Mrs. J. W. Phillips, Byrds.
Expansion: Miss Myrtle Gaines, Bangs.
Education: Mrs. Roy Mathews, Bangs; Mrs. E. R. McQuaid, May; Mrs. Jack Smith, Indian Creek, and Mrs. Carl Belvin, Zephyr.

Brown County Data For Guide Will Be Gathered By Oliver

Work of compiling material for the American Guide, a WPA writers' project, will start soon. Nine persons will be employed on the project in district 14. They are to prepare articles on different sections of the district and send them to district headquarters in Brownwood where they will be condensed and edited.

Ben L. Oliver of Brownwood has been named local supervisor and will prepare the article about Brown county.

The five volumes of descriptive matter on points of interest throughout the county.

The bureau of biological survey of the federal department of agriculture has 14 wildlife refuges in Florida.

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Three Are Held On Cow Theft Charge

Three arrests have been made on a grand jury indictment charging theft of a cow, and the cases will be tried in the next term of district court. Bob Scoggins was arrested Friday afternoon and was released under a \$1,500 bond. He, together with Homer Beckham and Noble Roberts, arrested previously, are charged with stealing and selling a cow owned by John T. Yantis.

Roberts is under bond, and Beckham is in county jail.

School Funds Are Sent Into County

Brownwood city schools received \$2,889 of a \$5,130 payment made schools in Brown county by the State Department of Education on this week. The payment was \$1 per capita.

County schools received \$2,889 and Bangs school received \$2,889 of the appropriation. The \$1 payment leaves \$11.50 unpaid of the \$17.50 1935-36 per capita appropriation.

School Teachers To Supervise Project

About 25 teachers, five or six of whom will be in Brown county, will be employed in WPA district 14 under an emergency education project to start soon. Under the program unemployed teachers on relief will be given employment teaching various types of classes.

Nolan Schulz, New Braunfels, is district supervisor for the project. Fifteen states will retain the same color combinations of their 1935 automobile license plates in 1936, merely reversing them as to background and numeral.

Tiresome Exercise? Not for Lions



To a human being, tussling with an auto tire is anything but fun. But to these 2-year-old jungle monarchs, frolicking on an El Monte Calif. lion farm, a few discarded auto tires provide royal sport and vital exercise. The 200-pound beasts leap 15 feet with ease. Maybe the solution of what to do with those old tires cluttering the garage is to buy a few pet lions.

MANY ENROLL FOR RESETTLEMENT AID

Since the announcement last week that the quota of rehabilitation clients for Brown county had been increased so that every farm family in distress will have an opportunity of securing assistance from the Resettlement Administration 60 new clients have been enrolled, according to T. P. Moser, Brown county supervisor for the Resettlement program. New clients are being enrolled every day at the county headquarters, third floor of the courthouse.

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NEW FORMS SENT OUT

Officials said forms and blank contracts for the 1936-1937 cotton

One official said the total might be \$20,000,000 or \$40,000,000. Officials estimated that from \$5 to 90 per cent of the 1935 crop would be moved to market by the end of this month. The price of cotton was averaged between 11c and 12c a pound most of this season.

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NEW AUTOMOBILES REGISTERED

Week Ending January 1, 1936

No.	Owner	Make	Purchased From
124-670	M. C. Hailmark, Doole	Dodge	Abney & Bohannon
124-672	W. J. Jackson, Houston	Plymouth	Harris Motor Co.
124-673	L. O. Davis, Brownwood	DeSoto	Patterson Motor Co.
124-674	Lillie Gaines, Brownwood	Ford	Weatherly Motor Co.
124-675	A. V. Roberson, Brownwood	Chevrolet	Holley-Langford Co.
124-677	Opal Fine, Brownwood	Plymouth	Patterson Motor Co.
124-678	B. A. Moore, Brownwood	Chevrolet	Holley-Langford Co.
124-679	S. A. Bushnack, Brownwood	Chevrolet	Holley-Langford Co.
124-680	N. H. Lee, Brownwood	Chevrolet	Holley-Langford Co.
124-681	W. H. Novit, Dublin	Buick	Blackwell Motor Co.
124-682	M. I. Novit, Stephenville	Buick	Blackwell Motor Co.
124-683	Holley-Langford Chevrolet	Chevrolet	Holley-Langford Co.
124-684	W. B. Howell, Brownwood	Chevrolet	Holley-Langford Co.
124-685	M. B. Healer, Brownwood	Chevrolet	Holley-Langford Co.
124-686	Dr. J. W. Tottenham, Bv.	Chevrolet	Holley-Langford Co.
124-687	A. K. Trowbridge, Brownwood	Chevrolet	Holley-Langford Co.
124-688	E. A. Shingle, Brownwood	Chevrolet	Holley-Langford Co.
124-689	Dewey Sutton, Bangs	Chevrolet	Holley-Langford Co.
124-690	E. F. George, Bangs	Chevrolet	Holley-Langford Co.
124-691	Walter Denman, Jr. Bwd.	Chevrolet	Holley-Langford Co.
124-692	W. E. Hallmark, Brownwood	Chevrolet	Holley-Langford Co.
124-693	H. P. Evans, Brownwood	Plymouth	Patterson Motor Co.
124-694	Van Ticker, Chee	Chevrolet	A. G. Motor Co.

Fund Exhausted; Relief Offices Here Shut Down

Only Unemployables To Be Taken Care Of In Future Under New Plan.

Only unemployables are now receiving aid from the Texas Relief Commission, under a new set-up which became effective January 1. The district 14-A relief headquarters office in Brownwood was closed for relief Tuesday, but will remain open for completion of clerical work until January 15.

There are about 245 cases in Brown county which for various reasons cannot be absorbed by the Works Progress Administration. These cases will be administered from the newly formed relief district 14, which includes Brown county, with headquarters at Eastland. Mrs. Boss DeBerry is case supervisor in charge of work in this county.

Adam R. Johnson, state relief director, said in an announcement from Austin that relief grants will be made after January 1 only for unemployables which include those unable to take jobs because of children at home and persons unable to work because of old age or other interfering factors such as mental or physical handicaps.

An inflexible budget of an average of \$15 per household for unemployables only will be allocated to the counties through March, 1936, after which date unemployables will become the responsibility of the communities in which they live, unless unforeseen public grants are made for them between now and April 1.

Fur Crop Is Light; \$6000 Sale Is Made

A "meat \$6000 worth of furs were sold in a sale at the Pecan street warehouse of the Central Texas Fur and Wool Company last week. A number of buyers, including two from New York were here for the sale.

The fur catch this year is about forty per cent of last year's, according to officials of the company, but the market is fairly active at this time. Prices are good on all pelts except opossum, which are moving slowly on the market.

Berlin, Pa., was named for Germany's capital by German settlers. Adjustment program are being prepared and sent to the field and that the contract sign-up campaign for next year should begin about January 15.

Several officials indicated they expected the Supreme Court to rule on constitutionality of the AAA before the sign-up campaign was opened formally. In the event the adjustment act is upheld, it was said, the AAA would be set to launch an active campaign immediately.

If the AAA should not be under way and there would be less confusion and less liquidation necessary while the farm administration sought a substitute.

MORTUARY

GODBY—William L. Godby, 29, former citizen of Brownwood, died in Fort Worth December 25. He was buried at Greenleaf cemetery in Fort Worth Friday morning.

Mr. Godby was born October 12, 1906, at Brownwood where he lived for 13 years before going to Ft. Worth to make his home. He was married to Miss Mabel Bullock October 12, 1929, and had been a member of the Baptist church for a number of years.

Mr. Godby is survived by his wife, a daughter, Billie Grace Godby, his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Godby, six sisters, Mrs. F. F. Hitt, Fort Worth; Mrs. R. F. Childress, Brownwood, and Mrs.

E. F. Robinson, Mrs. Eunice Melton, Mrs. R. P. Simmons and Mrs. R. J. Boardus, all of New York City, and three brothers, Dave, Ted, and Charles Godby, all of Ft. Worth.

STONE—John Edward Stone of Blanket died Sunday in a local hospital. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Blanket Presbyterian Church with Mr. Wilkerson and Mr. Henderson officiating. Funeral arrangements were made by White & London Funeral Home.

Mr. Stone was born February 6, 1883, in Llano county. He had lived in Blanket since moving there as a child. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Survivors are his mother, Mrs.

Annie Stone; sisters, Mrs. Vella Hibler, Blanket, Mrs. Carl Myren, Waco; Mrs. Favorite Martin, Waco; and brother, Lindsey Stone, Waco; Damon Stone, Uvalde, and Ruben Stone, Brownwood.

LITTLETON—William Myron Littleton died Monday morning at his home at Winchell. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Cox Cemetery with the Methodist pastor of Winchell officiating. White & London Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Littleton was born November 17, 1874. He had lived in Brown county for 53 years, moving here from Hunt county. He was married to Miss Vudie Porter in 1876. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife and one son, Mack Littleton, of Winchell, five grandchildren, and four great grandchildren, and one sister, Maggie Johnson.

ATKINS—John L. Atkins, 89 year old Confederate veteran, died Saturday morning at his home in Woodland Heights. Funeral services were held at Elkins Sunday afternoon with Rev. H. D. Tucker, pastor of the Elkins church, officiating. White & London Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Atkins came to Brown county in 1900 and settled in the Elkins community. He had been making his home in Brownwood for a number of years. His wife died only two weeks ago.

He had been a member of the Methodist church for almost 70 years.

Survivors are two brothers, Jim Atkins of Hill county and Lyn Atkins of Amherst, and a sister, Mrs. Will Pyland of Amherst.

RHODES—Albert Rhodes infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Rhodes, died Saturday morning at a local hospital. He was born December 25, 1935. Funeral services were held Sunday morning with Rev. Mr. Allen officiating. White & London Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

He is survived by his parents, two brothers, Ross and Foster Rhodes, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Rhodes and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Shields.

GREEN—J. Nathan Green, former Brown county citizen, died at Amarillo early last week. Mr. Green was born in Brown county and lived here for many years. His

R. G. HALLUM, PIONEER BROWNWOOD DRUGGIST IS CALLED BY DEATH

R. G. Hallum, 74, pioneer Brownwood druggist and leading citizen of this section of the state for many years, died early Sunday morning at his home here. He had been in poor health for some time but was ill only a short time before his death.

Funeral services were held at First Presbyterian church Monday afternoon, followed by interment in Greenleaf cemetery. W. H. Foster, pastor of the church, was assisted by Rev. R. Gay Davis and Rev. S. E. Chandler in conducting the service.

Robert Green Hallum was born February 16, 1862, in Anderson county. He came to Brownwood as a young man and for a time was in the employ of Hodges & McCoy, who operated a drug department in their general merchandise store. In 1896 he established a drug store of his own and from its establishment to the time of his death he remained actively interested in his business. Throughout his entire life he maintained a high standard of equality by few in both his business and personal affairs.

Mr. Hallum was a member of the First Presbyterian church throughout his life in this community. In 1898 he was ordained a deacon, and for many years he served as church treasurer. He was elected ruling elder of the congregation in 1930 and had served faithfully as a member of the Session of the church since that time.

He married Miss Lena A. Storey December 2, 1885, and they celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary a few weeks ago. Mrs. Hallum and their six children, all of Brownwood, survive.

The children are: Robert Kent Hallum, Charles Hallum, Dr. Roy G. Hallum, Roscoe Hallum, Alva Hallum and Miss Lena Hallum. A brother, Mayor B. A. Hallum of Brady, and a sister, Mrs. W. A. Storey, of Wesson, Mississippi, also survive.

wife was Ida Mae Bowden, a daughter of W. S. Bowden of this county, and he had a number of relatives and friends in this county.

Surviving him are his wife, Mrs. Ida Mae Green; a daughter, Mrs. John Hood, Wheeler, and four sons. They are T. J. Green, Wheeler; G. G. Green, Hearne; R. C. Green, of Turkey, and Cecil N. Green, Amarillo. A brother, W. N. Green, lives at Graham.

JOHNSON—Walter Mack Johnson, 69, employe of the Frisco Railway Company, died Sunday night in a Fort Worth hospital where he had been ill for three weeks. Funeral services were held in Brownwood Tuesday. White & London Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Johnson contracted pneumonia while in Fort Worth for treatment of a leg injury which had necessitated periodic hospital visits since he received the hurt in a railroad wreck in 1903.

Survivors are his wife, three sons, Walter and Bill Johnson of Brownwood and Chester Johnson of Temple.

Baskets Given To 278 Needy Families At Christmas Time

Christmas baskets containing groceries, fruits, candies and toys were delivered to 278 needy families Christmas Eve under the direction of Brownwood Community Council. A number of local organizations and churches cooperated with the Council in the work of preparing and distributing the baskets.

Mrs. Roy Gower, director of work at the Community House, was in charge of preparation of most of the baskets. A number of Boy Scouts assisted in their delivery.

The central committee from the Council was: Mrs. J. R. Stone, chairman; Mrs. Henry Wilson, Mrs. A. P. Rowland, Mrs. E. J. Weatherby and Mrs. G. F. McKay.

"Please bear in mind," said a statement from the committee, "that our duty does not stop with this as we have many more such worthy obligations. Clothing of all kinds is needed at the Community center, especially bed clothing, shoes, underwear and all kinds of top garments."

COTTON PAYMENTS

Cotton parity checks totaling \$16,025.72 are being distributed to Brown county cotton growers by County Agent C. W. Lehberg this week. The parity checks are the last to be received by the growers operating under the government 1935 cotton control program.



WILLIAMS

The Williams Vocational Agriculture II class has just completed constructing seven book and office cabinets, which are now in use in the school. The cabinets were constructed of ordinary No. 1 lumber and are inexpensive in every respect; however, they are cabinets that fill well the purposes that they were to serve for and are also an asset of beauty to the office and all of the school rooms. All of us boys are proud of the work we have done in constructing these cabinets and are always glad to show them to visitors to the school. This construction job was a part of our supervised shop practice jobs.

The Ag. I boys have been doing a bit of berry pruning and more practice in pruning the week before the Christmas holidays. Mr. Hattox repeats that the boys are gaining a fair knowledge of the work and that he expects to have a fair terracing team by the time of the area contests.

The entire chapter has spent considerable time lately in parliamentary procedure and parliamentary drill. We boys are doing fairly well in this work and expect to enter a team in the district chapter conducting contest, which is to be held in Brownwood sometime during the latter part of January. A place on the chapter conducting team is being fought for by every member of the chapter. The plan is to have each member compete for the place he wishes to fill on the team, and it looks now as though some of the regular chapter officers may lose their jobs temporarily.

The chapter has completed a few of their most important objectives, such as holding a father and son banquet, and are hard at work on the others. The boys have already begun to look forward to the area judging contests, and each boy has picked out the team that he is going to try to make.

TILLMAN KINGSBURY, Chapter Reporter.

Tucker Rearranges Church Assignment

Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, Rev. H. D. Tucker will preach at the Brooksmith Methodist church and Sunday night at Johnson Memorial, Brownwood.

The third Sunday, Mr. Tucker will preach Sunday morning at Johnson Memorial and at night at Brooksmith.

This is a new arrangement of services for these two churches, making it possible for the pastor to be at each church twice a month. On the second and fourth Sundays Mr. Tucker preaches both morning and evening at Indian Creek and on those two afternoons he preaches at Elkins at 3 o'clock.

NAMED F. A. C. P.

Announcement was made this week that Dr. Earl Jones, of the Medical Arts Clinic, was recently elected a Fellow of the American College of Physicians, which corresponds in medical science to the American College of Surgeons in surgery.

It's PORK SAUSAGE TIME

OLD PLANTATION Farm Sausage Seasoning produces that real country sausage flavor and aroma that tenses the appetite. It is uniform. Saves time, money and meat. Many million pounds of sausage seasoned with it each year. Sausage handbook and free sample at your dealer.

257 Cash Awards
GET IT FROM YOUR LOCAL DEALER
A LEGAL PARKING COMPANY INC.

Old Plantation County Dealers

Bread & Butter Store, Brownwood, Texas.
Emtson & Son, Brownwood, Texas.
J. L. King, Brownwood, Texas.
Helpy Sely, Brownwood, Texas.
Fulton Market, Brownwood, Texas.
E. P. Agnew & Son, Brownwood, Texas.
Looney Grocery, Brownwood, Tex.
G. H. Lee, Brownwood, Texas.
E. A. Jeans, Bangs, Texas.
Southwestern Poultry, Brownwood
Meat Creamery, Brownwood, Tex.
DISTRIBUTOR
Lankin Bros., Brownwood, Texas

COUNTIES MAY STOP SALARIES OF THOSE WHO OWE TAX MONEY

San Angelo Times: A provision of the new salary law which becomes effective the first of January prohibits the payment of any salary from the 'officers' salary fund' so long as the official owes a debt to the county or state.

The restriction has been extended by the commissioners' court of Lamar county to prevent the payment by the county of any funds to any person, firm or corporation who owes the county any delinquent taxes or is indebted to the county otherwise. The officials at Paris passed an order prohibiting purchase by "the members of the commissioners' court and all other agents and employes of the county" from any debtor of the county.

Most Pay Their Taxes

The commissioners' court of Tom Green county has not considered taking any such action here. Most

of the firms and individuals with which the county does business pay taxes regularly and often mention their tax paying in soliciting for county business.

The resolution passed by the Lamar commissioners' court follows: "Whereas, the last called session of the legislature passed a law providing as follows:

"No warrant shall be drawn on said fund or funds in favor of any person indebted to the state, county or to said fund or in favor of his agent or assignee until such debt is paid."

"That this law prohibits the payment to any person, firm or corporation of money out of the 'officers' salary fund' who owes the state, county or said fund any money, that this law prohibits one group of delinquent tax payers or persons indebted to the county from receiving county funds out of the 'officers' salary fund' while another group of delinquent tax payers or persons indebted to the county may receive money from other county funds; that it is the

desire of the court to deal fairly and impartially with all persons, firms and corporations that sell merchandise and supplies to the county;

"Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the members of the commissioners' court and all other agents and employes of the county are hereby prohibited from purchasing from any person, firm or corporation any merchandise or supplies of whatsoever kind or character that is indebted to the county for delinquent taxes or otherwise; that the clerk of the court shall transmit to all agents and employes of the county who are authorized to purchase merchandise and supplies a copy of this order; and that same shall become effective Jan. 1, 1936."

SINGING AT ROCKY

There will be a singing at Rocky Baptist Church Sunday afternoon, January 5. The singing will start at 2:30. Everyone is cordially invited to attend and enjoy themselves.

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HIGH POINTS IN BUSY YEAR FOR BROWNWOOD AND COUNTY

THE year 1935 was one of much activity in Brownwood and Brown county as business tediously worked its way back to normal. High points in the year's news, week by week as recorded in The Brownwood Banner during the year—the 60th in the history of this newspaper—are summarized below:

January 3
Brown county's official family for 1935 was installed Tuesday, January 1.
Taking of the Federal Farm Census in the 27 counties of the 21st Congressional District was started the first week of 1935 with W. R. Chambers as supervisor.
Rev. Robert Y. Davis arrived in Brownwood from Farmington, New Mexico, to assume duties as Rector of St. John's Episcopal church, succeeding Dr. John Power, who retired from active work after a quarter of a century of service.
January 10
Officers for 1935 were installed at the annual meeting of the Brown County Home Demonstration clubs

council held January 3, when the tenth anniversary of the council's organization was observed. Mrs. L. E. Rush of Grosvenor was the new president.
Plans for the 1935 President's Ball, sponsored locally by the Brownwood Business and Professional Women's Club were nearing completion. Mrs. Mollie W. Armstrong was general chairman.
January 17
Dr. Jewel Daugherty was re-elected president of the Comanche Trail Area, Boy Scouts of America, at the annual meeting held in Brownwood January 15.
A total of 575 men and 50 women were employed on various pro-

jects included in the CWA program which continued through February 7.
January 24
A five-year record for cold weather was established with 8-degree temperature January 18 and 19. Heavy loss to grain was prevented by rains which preceded the low temperatures.
R. O. Mathews was granted a franchise January 22 by the City of Brownwood for construction and operation of an electric light and power plant in the city.
January 31
City officials announced plans to submit application to the state PWA engineer in Fort Worth for funds for construction of a municipal light plant.
More than 2,000 people attended the second President's Birthday Ball at Sailors and Soldiers' Memorial Hall January 21. Proceeds from the ball went to charity, 70 per cent to be used locally and the remainder went to the national fund for crippled children.
February 7
A record crowd of more than 1500 teachers attended the 1935 convention of the Mid-Texas Teachers Association February 1 and 2. A. H. Smith, superintendent of the Goldthwaite schools, was elected president of the organization and Brady was selected as the 1936 meeting place.
The all-weather road from Lake Brownwood park to Brownwood via Byrds was completed.
February 14
Workings of the new corn-hog contracts were explained by County Agent C. W. Lehmborg to more than 150 farmers. About 50 growers signed contracts for the 1935 corn program.
City announced plan to extend East Broadway to connect with Highway 10.
February 21
Application was made for the continuation of the CCC camp at Lake Brownwood for another six months period.
February 28
Outline of a trade expansion program to be sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce was given at the annual membership meeting of the organization February 21. New directors were announced.
Eugene Underwood, 28, and Ward Vincent, of Brady, were killed in an automobile collision on Highway 23 near Breezy Point February 26.
March 7
A wire from United States Sen-

ator Tom Connally was received stating that the CCC camp at Lake Brownwood State Park would be retained for a second six months period.
March 14
Approximately 200 relief workers from the 22 counties comprising District 10 of the Texas Relief Commission attended a one day meeting in Brownwood March 13. Announcement was made that emergency seed loans were available to those unable to secure credit through other channels.
A bill providing for the establishment of an agricultural experiment station in the sandy land cross-timber section of Brown, Comanche, Eastland and Callahan counties was introduced in the Texas Senate by Senator E. M. Davis.
March 21
Representatives of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission started work of testing cattle in the county as a part of the Brown county program for the eradication of tuberculosis in livestock.
Commissioners court ruled that the courthouse steps could no longer be used as a public forum. The county court room was set aside for use of impromptu speakers.
Brownwood High, Junior High and Winchell were announced as champions in their respective divisions in the Brown County Inter-scholastic League contests.
April 4
More than 300 officials attended the semi-annual convention of the West Texas County Judges and Commissioners Association March 29 and 30.
Cecil Cook, 19, was burned to death March 31 when the plane he was piloting crashed in a field two miles south of Brownwood.
April 11
H. G. Lucas, Brownwood, was named a member at large of the State Cotton Advisory Committee, elected by cotton producers of Texas.
Rev. Ben F. Moore arrived in Brownwood from Smithville to assume his duties as pastor of the Austin Avenue Presbyterian church.
April 18
Dr. J. D. Robnett, founder and first president of Howard Payne College, and early citizens of the city who assisted him in his work for the college, was honored at a Founders Day program at the college April 16.
The Ophthalm-O-Graph and the Metron-O-Scope, instruments for optometric work invented by Carl Earl and Yantis Taylor of Brownwood, were demonstrated at the state convention of the Texas Optometric Association in Dallas.
Final figures on the Federal Farm Census for 1935 were sent to Washington and the district headquarters offices here were closed.
April 25
The two-day pecan school held April 23 and 24 under the supervision of C. W. Lehmborg, county agent, was attended by more than 50 pecan growers from over the county.
May 2
The Federal Radio Commission granted a permit for the construction of a municipal police radio station at Brownwood.
A Safety Lane was conducted here by state highway patrolmen under the sponsorship of Brownwood Lions Club.
Loyce G. Shields of Brookesmith was killed and five others were injured in an automobile accident near Clear Creek April 27.
May 9
Assurance that a 250-man soil erosion camp would be established in Brownwood was received from Congressman Chas. L. South. First application for the camp was filed by Chester Harrison, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, in July, 1933.
May 16
Heavy rains resulted in a rise of 5.3 feet at Lake Brownwood, bringing the lake to a new high elevation of 1413.2. Maximum depth was 83 feet, and 4800 acres were covered with water.
May 23
The Lake Brownwood Regatta Association was organized at a meeting of representatives of the Brownwood civic organizations.
A tornado swept through the town of May on May 17 completely destroying the Masonic building. No one was injured, but considerable other property damage was done.
The two small service gates at Brownwood dam were opened to lower the lake level to a point where a road north of Thrifty, under three feet of water since recent rains, would be uncovered.
Robert Dechner, director of emergency conservation work, gave his approval to the establishment of a CCC soil erosion camp in Brownwood.
Governor Allred signed a bill providing for the establishment of

agricultural experiment station in the sandy land-cross timbers belt. The bill was introduced by Senator E. M. Davis and Representative Courtney Gray, both of Brownwood.
May 30
Brownwood was made headquarters for the administrative and operating units of the Works Progress Administration for district 14. Texas wheat farmers voted 20 to 1 for continuance of the AAA production control program in a nation-wide referendum held May 25.
June 6
The Brown county canning plant, operated with relief labor, opened, running two six hour shifts daily to meet the demand for this work.
Herman Bettis, tax collector for Brown County Water Improvement District No. 1, and Mark McGee of Fort Worth, former Brownwood attorney, went to Washington, D. C., to push application for a loan from the RFC to refinance outstanding indebtedness of the water district.
June 13
Organizations throughout the city joined with railway officials and employes in local observance of National Railroad Week.
June 20
Petitions requesting City Council to call an election on a power plant franchise granted R. O. Mathews were being circulated.
June 27
Trial of Stanley Wood, charged with murder in connection with the death of Fred Brown, Talpa rancher, opened in district court here on a change of venue from Coleman county. Wood pleaded not guilty.
Placement of 57 families on Brown county farms by the Rural Rehabilitation administration was reported.
July 4
Stanley Wood was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary on a jury verdict for the murder of Fred Brown in Coleman county.
July 11
Annual two day 4-H Club Girls Encampment opened at Coggin Park July 10.
Work on a power plant for R. O. Mathews under the name of Brownwood Public Service Company was started following city council's final action in granting Mathews a franchise July 5. Council ruled that a petition seeking a referendum on the franchise had an insufficient number of signers.
Approximately 200 boys were registered for the first period of the Boy Scout Camp Billy Gibbons in San Saba county.
July 18
District headquarters for WPA district 14 opened in Brownwood with Major Karl E. Wallace, Coleman, as district director, and Carl Blasig, Brady, assistant director.
Construction work started on the CCC soil erosion camp.
Gib Calloway, local attorney, attacked District Judge E. J. Miller in District Court room knocking him from the bench. Calloway served three days in county jail and paid a fine of \$50 for contempt of court.
Dennis Orval Connor, four year old son of Mrs. Raymond Connor, died July 16 from injuries received when he was struck by a city truck driven by Ollie Allison.
Memorial services were held at Camp Billy Gibbons for the donor of the camp site, "Uncle Billy" Gibbons.
July 25
Conversion of the "Slough" into a running stream was ordered by City Council.

Douglas Coalson was elected chairman of the Brown county prohibition forces.
The Brown county soil erosion CCC camp was designated as a veterans camp.
E. B. Gilliam, Sr., charged with embezzlement of Daniel Baker College funds, was found guilty and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Attorneys filed notice of appeal.
August 1
Cotton farmers began their fight to retain benefits of the Bankhead Act. Plans for a court fight to test the constitutionality of the protective tariffs for industries were being completed as a part of the active opposition of cotton growers to ginners as the result of their enjoining the issuance of Bankhead tags required for the movement of cotton.
Frank Davis, 50, farmer of near Rising Star, was killed when run over by an automobile on the highway near his home.
August 8
Mrs. Roy Mathews of Bangs was elected president at large of Home Demonstration clubs of Texas at the annual Short Course at College Station.
An estimated crowd of 10,000 people attended the first annual Lake Brownwood Regatta August 3 and 4.
August 15
Offices for relief district 14-A, which included Brown, Coleman, McCulloch, Runnels and Concho counties opened in Brownwood.
The Brownwood Soil Conservation Association, organized to assist members of the SCS staff and the soil erosion camp in the soil program, held its initial meeting August 10.
Brown county prohibition forces were holding rallies in every voting precinct in the county.
August 22
Application for a third six months period for occupation of the CCC camp at Lake Brownwood was made.
Commissioners Court agreed to furnish county road machinery for terracing work.
August 29
Brown county's status as a "dry" county was maintained in a special election August 24 with voters turning in a more than two to one vote against the repeal of prohibition in Texas.

Announcement of three new business firms to be opened in Brownwood was made. They were two ladies ready-to-wear shops, one to be operated by Mrs. J. J. Spence and the other by Miss Lois Stampfer, and a men's store to be opened by Gus J. Rosenberg.
September 5
Organization of the Brownwood Federal Savings and Loan Association, with a capital stock of \$50,000 was perfected at a meeting of the stockholders. Dr. Ben M. Shelton was elected president of the organization.
Sponsors of WPA projects were rushing plans to make the deadline set for September 7.
September 12
Members of the WPA district 14

headquarters staff worked all night September 12 to get approved projects to the state office at San Antonio by the deadline for acceptance. Projects for \$2,540,871 were approved in the Brownwood office.
September 19
Brownwood's three football teams went into action for the 1935 grid season.
More than 250 exhibits were shown in the May community fair September 14, which attracted more people to the town than had been brought to May in the past ten years.
J. C. Darroch appointed special master to study a temporary injunction suit filed by Texas Power

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When the Soviet government of Russia reached its ascendancy, all religious forms of ceremonies were abolished, for to the Soviet, there is no religion. Among the other customs that were forbidden was the observance of Christmas, and so with Christmas, Santa Claus was forced to abdicate from the land of the Russians.

We have no record of the sorrow among the Russian children at his parting, but we can imagine the joy of the youth of today in that far away land, since the government has decreed that on January 1, all children may celebrate the appearance of "Grandfather Frost" who will come in the night and leave gifts for all good little boys and girls.

It matters little that the Grandfather bears no kinship to Old Saint Nick, or that his coming has no connection with Christmas. It occasions only a little disappointment that his visit is delayed for a week after Santa has made his rounds. After all, Santa is a reasonably young gentleman, and while he wears a beard, he is withal spry enough to make his rounds with an alacrity hardly to be expected of a Grandfather. And so, Grandfather Frost no doubt will prove an acceptable substitute for the discarded Santa Claus.

The incident is interesting largely because it is a powerful demonstration of the psychological fact that the Soviet government, with all its power in regulating the lives of its subjects, is not great enough to banish the desire for happiness from the hearts of a people. No law can be made strong enough to drive from the hearts of men the ambition for greater things, for better times, and, more important, the driving desire to bring happiness to their loved ones. No parent is going to stand by, no matter how great his loyalty, and see a government decree that he must snatch from his children's hands the unshadowed delight that can come only during the brief span of childhood's years. No doubt many a surreptitious Santa stole forth in the cold Russian night during the stern years, to bring unbridled if unlawful joy to peasant boys and girls who counted his coming as the one bright spot in a dreary year.

Some will regret that the new herald of childhood happiness will not come at Christmas time, while others might shudder at the icy implication of his name. But those are unimportant matters, after all. The important thing is that once again Soviet children in greater numbers and in open abandon will know the joys of a happy holiday season; and that Russian parents again will take pride and delight in making their children happy.

On the eve of the New Year, Samuel Insull, former utility czar, who reached the dizzy heights of financial supremacy during the boom days of 1929, and was for a year or more a fugitive from justice when an investigation into his financial affairs disclosed dubious dealings, announces that he is building up a radio broadcasting chain.

The idea is not new, for broadcasting chains came almost with the coming of the radio, and have been more or less successful on a national scale. Mr. Insull plans to unite a group of Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana stations of low power into a sectional chain. He has pointed out to the owners of these stations that there is a real field for additional revenue through binding together. In addition, they will be able to provide their listeners with better sustaining programs at no increase in cost. And some 25 or more owners have agreed with him and plan to enter the new arrangement.

No doubt it will prove a successful venture, and we hope that it does. Aside from bringing Mr. Insull back into the newspaper headlines for a time, the announcement is interesting. It is always interesting to see a man who was down and out, who lost everything through business failure, making a worthy effort to continue his usefulness and to recoup some of his lost fortunes. It is doubly interesting when, as in the case of Mr. Insull, the subject is 76 years of age.

Most men of half that age, having achieved such eminent financial success as had Mr. Insull, then lost everything and having been dragged through a spectacular trial, would have given up. But the forcefulness that took Mr. Insull to the top evidently is coming to his rescue now, and he is endeavoring to apply it again to his own gain.

It matters not that we thought him guilty when a court found that he was not. We wish him well in this new endeavor, for it takes nerve for a man of 76, down and out and apparently disgraced, to make a serious effort to reach the top again.

All the major reel producers, according to news dispatches, got mad at the Rose Bowl authorities and refused to make motion pictures of the New Year's Day game at Pasadena between Southern Methodist University and Stanford. The trouble arose because a motion picture concern was given exclusive picture rights for the day, and news reel concerns were given only a limited time for taking shots of the big game.

It is seldom that spite hurts the person it is directed against, and certainly failure to take pictures of the game didn't hurt attendance at the game this year, nor will it affect future games. It did not affect the columns of publicity given the game by newspapers throughout the United States.

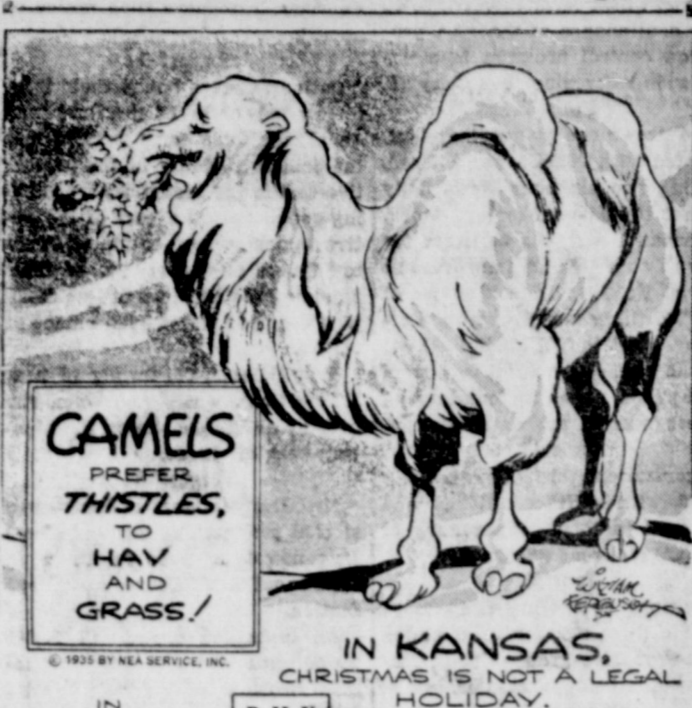
The only effect the action will have will be to serve to make the news reels less interesting to those who pay to see them and who like football pictures with their news. And if the game was the big news event that almost everyone seemed to think it was, then the news reels fell down on the job by not recording it; for the customers have a right to expect coverage of such events by news reels as well as by newspapers. Apparently the only ones who will be disappointed are the movie fans; the only ones hurt, the news reel makers.

Another reason why we would like to live life over again is because we could make a new lot of mistakes.—Pittsburgh Gazette.

We cling to the "everybody free and equal" shibboleth until we try to get into a woman's club or college fraternity.—Greenville Banner.

It does look as if a public that can spend \$2,000,000,000 (billions) on a prize fight, and probably as much on a series of ball games ought to be able to care for its needy without demanding too much help from the government.—Bonham Favorite.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson



IN KANSAS, CHRISTMAS IS NOT A LEGAL HOLIDAY. IN GRINNEL, IOWA, TWO ALBINO ROBINS HATCHED FROM A CLUTCH OF THREE EGGS; THE OTHER FLEDGLING, AND THE PARENTS, WERE NORMAL.



Little Lights on Living by MARIA LEONARD Dean of Women, University of Illinois Western Newspaper Union. SYMMETRY IN LIVING

There are two symmetries in life which each individual must master, if he would adapt himself to the fine art of fine living. The first one lies within himself, which gives him perfect equilibrium of spirit. This comes from a deep assurance and certainty that his life is built securely on the fundamentals of right living.

I regret for our youth today, that our older generation has failed to pass on to them this sense of security and beauty of symmetry in our modern expressions of living, such as our unexplainable modern art, some of our dissonant music, and our silver screen distortions of sex, love, and home life.

The love of beauty in the ancient Greeks caused their time to be called the Classic age, because it has endured throughout the ages. Standing on the Acropolis one full moon night, I saw the silvered Parthenon. I should rather say I felt it in my heart. That was only symmetry in cold stone, how far greater when found in human life.

Four avenues we have for self-realization, which must precede our self-expression, if we would have symmetry in living. They are, "work, play, emotional control and spiritual nutrition." Our inner symmetry must balance all of these. If we be weak in any one, we are only as strong as our weakest point. It is not what we do but what we are that brings us to our highest level.

Winfield, one of the largest Kansas cities, checked in a recent monthly report of fire losses at an even \$5. There were only six alarms and the only damage was to automobiles.

GOVERNOR LANDON TO FARM BOYS

Governor Alfred M. Landon, of Kansas, who may be the next Republican Presidential nominee, contributes some sound advice in one of a series of "Success Talks for Farm Boys" now appearing in The Progressive Farmer. Says Governor Landon:

"In response to The Progressive Farmer's request, I am happy to mention a few qualities which I believe are marks of true success, whether on the farm or in our greatest metropolis. "Man has no greater asset than sound and upright character. To build fine character one must have a well-balanced sense of values. It is vital to know the value of a dollar, but money will not buy loyalty, friendship, and love, which are priceless. If this civilization is to continue the test must be not what a man is worth in money, but what he is worth in character.

"An appreciation of beauty in nature, art, and music makes life more truly enjoyable wherever one may be. There is place for courage, kindness, tolerance, understanding, and humor in every life as well as for justice and sternness. Good health is a stepping stone to much real attainment, for it makes great effort possible, and gives zest to so much that is worth while. Any training that helps to make these attributes available is worth the expenditure of a deal of energy.

"The record of progress written by the farm boys and girls of the country is an inspiration to all, and the youth of the Southern States is doing its part in this development. The way our boys and girls are clinging to sound values despite hard times and the manner in which they are preparing for life—all this is refreshing and inspiring.

"The 4-H clubs, Future Farmer clubs, and schools with vocational training are giving farm boys and girls a practical education for life. They are teaching sound principles for the developing of character, intelligence, straight thinking, art, and culture."

An all-time record for motor vehicle registration in California was being written as the year drew to a close, with 2,195,699 vehicles listed in the first 10 months, compared with 2,107,275 in 1931, the previous record.

CLOSEUP and COMEDY by DAN THOMAS — GEORGE SCARBO



ON TEXAS FARMS

Crowell—Fifty-four feet of shelving has been added to her cellar by Mrs. C. H. Broomer, farm food supply demonstrator for the Good Creek home demonstration club in Foard county, in order to provide room for her supply of canned food, according to Miss Myrna Holman, home demonstration agent.

The shelves were made wide enough to hold two rows of jars and are about ten and one-half inches apart. They were made from one by fours, a small crack being left where the two boards were fitted together. This was not large enough to interfere with the placing of jars but did allow for ventilation.

The wood ceiling of the cellar was whitewashed and the walls were covered with pasteboard and whitewashed. The lime cost 30 cents and the lumber for the shelves cost \$2.65, making the total cost \$2.95.

Falfourias—A mattress costing only \$3.20 cash for 10 yards of eight ounce feather ticking and 15 cents for thread and mattress cord has recently been made by Mrs. Elmer J. Rupp of the Flowella home demonstration club in Brooks county, according to Miss Louise Hogie, home demonstration agent. The mattress was made from 50 pounds of white home grown cotton. It is 59 by 82 inches.

Valuing the mattress at \$20 which is the valuation placed by a mattress factory on a similar one Mrs. Rupp has a profit of \$16.75.

Waxahachie—A front lawn with a ditch washed across it has been transformed into a level lawn sodded with Bermuda grass since last February by Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Johns of Ellis county as a part of their yard improvement plan, according to Miss Irma Ross, home demonstration agent. Mrs. Johns is yard demonstrator in the Sims Home Demonstration Club.

"We put several wagon loads of dirt on the lawn and leveled it, then transplanted the Bermuda grass in rows. Now it is almost solid," Mrs. Johns said. A shallow ditch was necessary between the road and the lawn for drainage, so the yard was given a smooth, even slope and sodded to the road. In addition to making the yard more attractive, the grass prevents washing and helps to keep down the weeds.

Franklin—Nearly four times the average community yield of corn per acre is the 1935 record of Harwood Whittington, Robertson county 4-H club boy, according to V. L. Sandlin, county agricultural agent. Harwood produced 564 bushels of yellow dent corn and 1000 pounds of pea hay on one measured acre of sandy land, while the community average yield of corn was a little less than 15 bushels per acre. The second highest yield in his vicinity was 17 bushels per acre.

Spacing his rows 60 inches apart, using good seed planted thick in the drill, the use of 300 pounds of commercial fertilizer, proper cultural methods, and the planting of field peas between the corn rows are the factors enumerated by Harwood in accounting for the unusual amount of feed produced.

Gall—A net profit of \$205.22 on 108 white leghorn hens was made

during the past year by Nolan von Roeder of Borden county, according to Cline E. Morris, county agricultural agent. Von Roeder had a total income of \$262.36 and the total feed cost was \$57.14. The hens produced 1581 dozen eggs at a feed cost per dozen of 37 cents.

Von Roeder credits his success to his practice of getting his baby chicks from a reliable breeder, the feeding of plenty of good feed and a balanced ration, the use of a warm hen house free of all parasites, and good management.

Crane—A coyote poisoning campaign that secured excellent results in Ector, Andrews and Crane counties last spring is to be repeated on a wider scale this winter, according to H. L. Atkins, Jr., county agricultural agent. In the previous drive, 9,000 baits were distributed over the three counties and more than 200 coyotes were reported killed. This campaign calls for 20,000 baits.

The low price of furs last season caused trappers to lose interest in catching coyotes, Atkins reports, resulting in an unusually large increase in numbers with attendant increase in the losses of calves.

"Eight or 10 calves saved will off-set the cost of the 20,000 baits," Atkins said, "and as one cowman has reported the loss of four calves out of 60 due to coyotes it is evident that a rapid and extensive campaign must be waged if huge losses are to be avoided."

From two rows planted in her garden, Thelma Rossenow, garden demonstrator for the Wood Glen girls' 4-H club in Rusk county, gathered 17 bushels of beans, 350 pints of which she canned. According to Thelma the large yield was due to the fact that the ground on which they were planted was

NUECES IS LEADER IN COTTON GINNING

Nueces county led the State in cotton ginnings December 13, Department of Commerce report showed Wednesday, with Jones, Navarro, McLennan, Hill and Ellis counties ranking next in order. Cotton ginned to Dec. 13 was 2,570,845 bales, compared with 2,212,325 bales last year. Nueces county reported 87,469 bales ginned, compared with 65,787 last year.

Jones county ginned 62,655 bales, compared with 19,419; Navarro county 50,986, compared with 44,100; McLennan county 50,642, compared with 41,554; Hill county 49,491, compared with 45,926, and Ellis county, 39,010, compared with 55,608.

Ginning reported in other counties included: Anderson, 12,863 and 9,931; Bell, 83,306 and 38,848; Bexar, 3,236 and 9,531; Bowie, 12,839 and 15,896; Cameron, 11,092 and 21,757; Cooke, 9,392 and 6,232; Dallas, 19,977 and 20,061; El Paso, 27,481 and 41,194; Gray, 1,727 and 1,227; Grayson, 24,063 and 20,496; Gregg, 4,194 and 3,588; Hale, 16,128 and 6,896; Harris, 6,797 and 7,208; Hidalgo, 18,510 and 22,792; Howard, 12,740 and 9,386; Hunt, 28,850 and 34,619; Lamar, 16,675 and 26,272; Lubbock, 38,786 and 6,632; Smith, 20,979 and 16,388; Tarrant, 11,437 and 7,822; Taylor, 29,373 and 18,022; Tom Green, 10,871 and 6,883; Travis, 13,908 and 23,202; Wichita, 15,065 and 8,399, and Wilbarger, 25,632 and 13,063.

Nine states selected a combination of black with orange or yellow for their 1936 automobile license plates; eight, blue and white, and seven, black and white.

covered with well rotted barnyard fertilizer early in January and then plowed deep and allowed to stand until the first of March when it was thoroughly cultivated and planted.

D. A. James has doubled the carrying capacity of the pastures on the Bennett Ranch in Jackson county which he has seeded to Dallis grass. Fall seeding with about 10 pounds of seed per acre has proved most satisfactory. And a good seed is developed about a year earlier if it is sown in a field following a row crop rather than in the native sod.

Cattle prefer it to other grasses, and is always the first to put out following a heavy frost, James stated. This grass seeds freely and James is devising a seed harvester to use in the spring, so that he might seed his entire pasture just as fast as practical.

In a recent radio address which R. M. Gibson of the Alameda community in Gray county made over the Farm and Home Hour of KGNC, he said in part:

"If anyone had had any doubt about the value of terracing and contour rows for the prevention of wind erosion, all doubt would have been removed had they been on my farm this spring. All of the unterraced farms around me were blowing—and my place was not blowing at all with the exception of some of the soil blown on the place from neighboring farms was shifting about a little. While the unterraced farms were being blown away, my farm was being built up with their best soil."

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News of Brown County Communities

Ebony

The Christmas holidays began in this community with a Christmas tree and program at the schoolhouse Friday before Christmas. Games on the playground followed in the afternoon.

One of the most outstanding happenings during the holidays was the marriage of Miss Wilma Cummings, the primary teacher, to Marion Perkins. We hear they are to live on the Yates place.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Sinsleton of Oakland, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Griffin and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Reeves enjoyed Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Singleton.

Miss Marie Wilmeth, assistant home demonstration agent for Rusk county, laden with holly and vauvon from the woods of East Texas, came in Saturday before Christmas to spend the holidays with home folks. She was accompanied by Grace Briley of Fort Worth who came to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Briley. While here, Miss Wilmeth visited friends at Brownwood and at Coleman.

Members of the J. W. Roberts family were guests of Mrs. P. R. Reid for Christmas dinner. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Reid, Dale Reid, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whitteber, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Roberts, Charlie Roberts, Dervin Roberts, Miss Odene Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Billie McNair, Norville McNair, and Mr. and Mrs. Mayfield of Brownwood.

Billie Burt Crowder's mother, Mrs. Wilhelmina Crowder, of San Angelo, came for him Sunday before Christmas and took him to San Angelo where he will be in school the rest of the year. Billie Burt

Dallas.

Andrew Cloud, Stewart Rasberry and L. A. Kirksey, Jr., came in from the CCC camp to spend Christmas with home folks.

Lester Buford and family left Monday for his home at Odessa after spending the holidays here with relatives.

Miss Dora Thomas left Monday for a visit with her brother, J. H. Thomas of Vernon, Texas.

A. C. Floyd and family of Brownwood spent Saturday afternoon in May with old friends.

will be greatly missed from the school here.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Mitchell and their small daughter, Marilyn, of Bailey spent Christmas week with Mrs. Mitchell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Briley.

Mrs. Charlie Roberts was taken very sick several days ago. They started with her to the sanitarium at Santa Anna, but she was too sick to make the trip, so they took her to her mother's, Mrs. Perkins, near Brownwood. We have not heard the latest report but we hope she is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Austin Cawyer and their daughter, Edna Beth, of Pasche were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Dwyer during the holidays.

Mrs. Finis Wade of Snyder was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jim Wilmeth all during the holidays. They were joined Christmas day by their only other sister, Mrs. Willie Beakly, of Pear Valley, who stayed until Sunday.

Other guests at different times during the holidays at the Wilmeth home were Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Wade and Lowell Jr. of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Beakly and baby of Winchell, Miss Vivian Day of Brownwood, Miss Letha Saunders and Miss Sadie Livingston of Coleman, Misses Grover and Gwendolyn Beakly of Pear Valley, Mr. and Mrs. John Hancock of Eastland, and Cecil Wade of Snyder.

Mrs. Clara Wilmeth and Mrs. Malone were guests for Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Briley.

Mr. and Mrs. Morrie White and children of San Angelo spent Christmas with Mrs. White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cloud. They also visited other relatives here.

Miss Lucille Wilmeth of Abilene Christian College spent Christmas at home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Ketchum and family have moved to a farm in San Saba county.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Egger have moved to the Liguist farm in the Oakland community.

Ralph Wilmeth spent Christmas at Bonham.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Reeves spent Christmas with Mrs. Reeves' parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Guthrie, at Mullin.

Miss Evelyn Mashburn spent Christmas with her aunt, Miss Zeola Phalen, at Brownwood.

Several enjoyed a forty-two party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Clements Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Guthrie of Brownwood visited Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Reeves Friday.

Mrs. Cloud Mashburn and Mrs. Ernest Russell called on Mrs. Geo. Jones Sunday afternoon.

Miss Ruth Mashburn spent the week-end in Brownwood, the guest of her aunt, Miss Zeola Phalen.

The Egger family met for a reunion at Grandma Egger's home Sunday. They spread their dinner out in the yard. Sixty-one were present. Grandma Egger is one of the few remaining pioneers of this section of the country.

Honoring the Estes kin who came from a distance to spend a part of the Christmas holidays near the homestead of their parents, Mrs. Janie Estes Hanna and Mrs. A. W. Hanna served a very enjoyable dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hanna Saturday, December 28. The honored guests were Miss Melba Estes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Estes of Wilcox, Arizona; Gilbert Estes and Alvin Estes of California, sons of Mrs. Addie Estes of Sweetwater; Walter Estes and Mrs. Elsie Hendrix of Sweetwater, also children of Mrs. Addie Estes, and Miss Marjorie, a

daughter of Mrs. Hendrix. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Egger, Edwin Patrick and Miss Mildred Roper of Bowser, Truman, Nannie and Miss Letty Crowder of Oakland. Dinner was served in cafeteria style, and most everyone took part in the dishwashing making a minimum of work for the hostesses and joy for everybody. After expressing their delight at the pleasure of the day, the distant visitors left for Brownwood to visit other relatives.

Union Grove

Bad weather is with us again—raining tonight (Monday).

Waldo Wilcox and Claude Foster of Rising Star were attending to business here Monday.

Mr. Elith Waldrip of Woodson visited his nephews, J. A. and W. F. Waldrip, last week.

Little Misses Iris Jean and Annie Davis spent the holidays with their grandparents near Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Goss had as their guest Mrs. Edna Hancock.

Mr. and Mrs. N. N. Clark went to Eastland county accompanied by their daughters, Misses Dorothy and Edna and sons, Oval and Sam.

News has been received of the death of Mrs. Leonard Hull of Coloma who many years ago lived here.

Mr. John Hancock and son, John, and daughter, Miss Lenore, of Eastland, and Mrs. Myrtle Billingsly of Dunn were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hancock Saturday. Christmas was very quiet here. Moving is next in order.

Troy Crowover of Anahuac spent Christmas day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Crowover. They also had as dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Clark Crowover, Mr. and Mrs. Bus Crowover and little daughter of Rising Star and Mr. and Mrs. Ward Robinson and children of Amola.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Kennedy, in company with Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Stapp and children of Holder, went to Carlsbad to visit Mr. Stapp's daughter, Mrs. Wilma McBride, who is in the hospital there.

Mrs. Will Owens and daughter, Miss Georgia Lee, were week-end visitors near Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Hardy of Colorado were here for the holidays with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Waldrip of Goldsmith spent Christmas day with relatives. They were accompanied by their boys, Bennie James and Billie Jack.

Mury Newton spent last week at Cross Plains and Brownwood.

Ernest Weaver of Salt Lake City, Utah, is here visiting his mother, Mrs. F. E. Weaver, and other relatives.

Blanket

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Bird, who for the past several months have lived in Bonhom, will be pleased to learn that they are again comfortably located in their residence on Fifth Street and will again make Blanket their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Blanks, who formerly occupied the Bird residence, are now occupying the Baptist parsonage on Main street.

Mrs. Mont Vernon spent several days of last week in Temple visiting in the home of her son, Frank Vernon, and family. She was accompanied by her son, J. D. Vernon, and wife of Cisco and Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds Hobson and family of Hazel Dell, Comanche county, moved to our community last week.

Mr. Ernest Allen, Jr., who is attending school at the State University, spent the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Allen.

Dr. and Mrs. Earl Skinner of Tyler spent Monday here the guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. Hobson. Mrs. Skinner will be remembered as Miss Grace Moore.

Miss Maurine Bird, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Bird, became the bride of Mr. Wilburn Underwood Saturday, December 21, at 5 o'clock at the Baptist church. Rev. Judson Prince of Hamilton officiated. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attired in white satin bridal gown, her finger tip veil was trimmed in orange blossoms. She carried a bridal bouquet of calla lilies. Miss Cleo Bird was maid of honor and Miss Willie Minnie Murphy of Brownwood and Miss Ernestine Richmond of Brownwood were bridesmaids, all being attired in velvet gowns and carried bouquets of bronze chrysanthemums. Felton Underwood of Stamford, was best man, and Roy Bird and Jack Underwood were groomsmen. Emma Sue Swartz and Louise Lanford were flower girls, while Tommie Hall was ring bearer. Preceding the ceremony Misses Allene, Eddie Lake and Anna Sue Tate of Brownwood sang the Rosary and I Love You Truly, with Mrs. McAdoo Keaton at the piano. After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents on Fifth street. The happy young couple left immediately for San Antonio on a wedding trip and on their return they will be at home in Rochelle, where Mr. Underwood is teacher in the high school faculty. The out of town guests for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Bird of Hobbs, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. B. Barnes of Fort Sumner, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Alton Underwood, Big Spring; Mrs. Felton and Mr. Jack Underwood of Stanton; Mr. J. C. Underwood and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Sullivan of Winters; Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Tull, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Baldrice, Misses Tate, Cavness, and Barfoot, and Miss Springer of Rochelle and a number of Brownwood guests.

Zephyr

Miss Alla Rae Coffey, who is now teaching school at Vealmore, Texas, spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. R. Coffey.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Clayburn and daughter spent Christmas day in Rising Star with Mrs. Clayburn's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jefferies of Longview have been visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Mosier.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Baker and family and Mr. Campbell Baker of Blair, Texas, and Mrs. Chapman of Austin were Christmas holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Locks.

Mrs. Murphey Petty and children spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Deewe of Mullin.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Kinsey of Sweetwater who spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wood, returned home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harrington spent Christmas week with Mrs. Harrington's relatives in Lometa.

Mr. Franz Coffey of San Antonio, who is in the U. S. army, spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Z. B. Coffey.

Mr. Dick Brewer, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Brewer of Post, Texas, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Brewer and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Henderson entertained a number of their friends Wednesday night. Everyone reported a grand time.

Misses Agnes and Elsie Cunningham spent Christmas in Brownwood with Mrs. J. R. Stewart.

Miss Norma Ruth Johnston underwent an appendix operation Thursday morning at the Scott & White hospital in Temple. She is reported resting fine.

Mrs. Mary Forsythe and her brother, Mr. Jack Stipes, left Wednesday for East Texas where they will visit for two months.

Mr. and Mrs. Simpson Martin and Dr. Hicks Martin spent Christmas day with old friends in Rochelle.

Mrs. Eva B. Piper of Kerrville is visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary Williams.

Miss Roberta Bingham of Wink is spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williams.

Mrs. Allen Forsythe and daughter, Eva Jack, of Monahans spent Wednesday with Mr. and G. P. Matson.

Mr. Luther and Miss Artie Mosier and Mr. Sonnie Pittman were Brownwood visitors Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Reasoner and daughters of Scalorne spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reasoner.

Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Heath spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reasoner.

Miss Debbie Askew of Lott was visiting friends here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smith of Comanche are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Beavin during the holidays.

Mr. Oscar Chesser of Mullin spent Wednesday night with Mrs. Nettie Chesser.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Matson announce the marriage of their son, Perry, to Miss Bobbie Womack, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Womack of Corpus Christi. Perry is well known in Zephyr as he has lived here most of his life. He is now an employee of the Campbell-Turner Oil Company of Corpus Christi. We wish for them much happiness and success.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Longley entertained a number of their friends at their home Friday night. All had a very enjoyable evening.

Miss Leona Thomas was shopping in Brownwood Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Quiri and Mr. and Mrs. Reece Quiri who have been visiting with relatives for the past month, returned to their home in Teton, Idaho, this week.

Miss Lillie Mae Hallmark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hallmark, Brownwood, underwent an appendix operation at the Central Texas Hospital Friday afternoon. She is reported resting fine. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Quiri entertained a number of their friends in Zephyr with a party at their home Saturday night. Everyone reported a grand time.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Mosier were shipping in Brownwood Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elzie Pittman and Mr. Henry Pittman were Brownwood visitors Saturday.

Rev. Wilkerson preached at the Methodist church Sunday night. A large crowd attended.

Mr. Max Cole is visiting Mrs. R. A. Scott this week.

Miss Novyce Shelton, a nurse of Scott & White hospital, Temple, spent three days this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Shelton.

Miss Lucille Locks was given a surprise birthday party at her home Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boniter of Tuscola have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Carlisle.

Mr. C. B. Smith of Eola spent the Christmas holidays with his brother, Jack Smith.

Miss Ruth Woolridge of Brownwood spent Friday night with her cousin, Mildred Mills.

Mr. Belve Bean of Comanche visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carlisle Sunday.

Mr. Weldon Chambers of May has been visiting his sisters, Mrs. W. A. Triplett and Mrs. R. L. Mills, the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Reed of Goldthwaite have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Carlisle.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation for the beautiful quilt given us Christmas Eve. May God bless each and every one of you in our wish. Signed: Lucille, Cleo, LeeRoy and Delva Priest.

Mukewater

A black cloud of sorrow overshadowed our community Wednesday morning, December 11, as the grim reaper of Death entered our fair community and claimed as its victim Mr. Willys Brooks.

Mr. Brooks was injured in an automobile accident at County Line Filling Station at 10:45 a. m. Tuesday, December 19. He was rushed to the Sealey hospital at Santa Anna where every means known to medical science was in vain. God said, Enough, and his spirit winced its way to that home eternal not made with hands, where there will be no pain, sorrow or death, at 7 o'clock Wednesday morning. The service was held at 1:30 Friday afternoon at the First Baptist church. Bangs, by the pastor, Rev. J. A. Hall, assisted by Rev. C. V. Carroll of Brownwood. Interment followed in the Mukewater cemetery with Hosh Bros. Funeral Home in charge. The body was sorrowfully lowered to its last earthly resting place by the side of his father who passed away just a little over a year ago. Mr. Brooks had been a citizen of our community for a number of years, until a year ago, when he moved away, but returned a few weeks ago, taking over the management of the County Line Filling Station, where he resided until death. Mr. Brooks was converted at an early age of life and had been a member of the Baptist congregation ever since. Mr. Brooks is survived by his mother, a sister, wife and two children and a number of uncles, aunts, etc. Our entire community extends sincere sympathy to the bereaved loved ones.

Messrs. Harold Halford, Ennis Brooks and Alton Halford have returned from a trip to Roby and other western points.

Mrs. Bard and daughter, Miss Minnie, entertained a few friends

on Wednesday evening. After a number of musical selections had been rendered that were enjoyed by all present, refreshments consisting of hot chocolate and cake were served to the following guests: William Drury and family, Miss Rosie Rutherford and mother, and Miss Florene Kellogg and Miss Estelle Mosler.

A splendid Christmas program was rendered by the school Friday evening, December 20, after which Santa Claus arrived and distributed the gifts that had been placed on the tree.

The singing at the school building the Fourth Sunday afternoon was fairly well attended. The class president, M. L. Brooks, was not present due to illness of his mother, who lives at Rising Star.

Rev. Edgar Owen attended the Baptist workers conference at First Baptist church at Brownwood recently.

Mrs. Robert Fields and son, Otis, of Merkel spent the Christmas holidays in the home of Mrs. Fields daughter.

Cal Fritz and family were guests in the home of their daughter and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rian, of Brownwood Friday.

John Peyton was a Brownwood visitor Saturday.

Henry Rian and wife of Brownwood, M. K. Clark and wife from Comanche and Miss Billie Louise McCamey of Howard Payne College spent the holidays in the home of Cal Fritz and family.

Mrs. Violet Eaton from Robert Lee is visiting her parents, S. J. Cox, and other relatives.

Doyle Brooks and wife, Roscoe Brooks and family, Glenn Brooks and family of Brownwood spent Christmas in the home of their parents, F. H. Brooks and wife.

Willie Peyton from San Angelo, A. B. Peyton and family from Buffalo spent the Christmas holidays with John Peyton and wife.

Alva Peterson and wife of Merkel returned home Sunday after a short visit with their sister, Mrs. M. C. Bagley, and other relatives.

M. L. Brooks and wife have returned home after several days duration at the bedside of his mother in Rising Star. Mr. Brooks re-

ports his mother as improving nicely.

Rev. Edgar Owen will fill his regular appointment at the school building the second Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Kye Pritts and wife entertained with a forty-two party one evening last week.

Stanley Swenson and family spent Christmas day with Mrs. Swenson's sister, Mrs. Wm. Dray, and family.

Mrs. L. A. Babley has been on the sick list for several days. We sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Rhoades in the passing of their infant child.

R. B. Bagley and children from Early High visited his mother Sunday.

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May

Mr. and Mrs. Ewell Brewer had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Williams of Cross Plains and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Thompson of Brownwood.

The fifth Sunday singing at the Baptist church was well attended. Norris Hickman returned from a visit with his relatives in Oklahoma Saturday.

Frank Robinson and family of Ft. Worth visited relatives here Christmas day.

Mrs. Ed T. Cox and daughter and Mrs. Robert Ferrell of Eastland visited here Christmas.

F. M. Hudler and family visited his sons at Monahans during the holidays.

Mr. Tate of Olden was a business visitor in May Wednesday.

Allen Petty of Big Spring spent Christmas with his brother, Norman Petty.

The Elvis Shults family spent Christmas with Mrs. Shults' mother, Mrs. J. A. Hobbs, of Wilson, Texas.

W. P. Wiggins and Heblin Bowden spent the past week-end in

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