

# The Big Spring Herald

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## Development Given a Boost

Showing in O'Daniel No. 1 and Hyer's Clay No. 1 in New Oil Fields

### Well to be Completed

A 3700-acre block, whereas the big oil companies have been demanding from 10,000 to 15,000 before they would make a drilling contract.

### Magnolia's Offset Well

Progress is being made on Magnolia Petroleum Co.'s Watson well. This is an offset to the producer the Magnolia brought in four miles south. They are now drilling better in this test.

### Marland Oil Co. Drilling

Is progressing satisfactorily the test well on the Doucette ranch, 25 miles from Big Spring.

Well was spudded in last week on section 173, W. & N. W. survey.

### Start New Test

An independent oil operator is making a deep test near the ranch, work to start January 1 and 15, 1926.

It has been made as follows: southeast corner of the quarter of section 113, W. & N. W. survey.

### Deep Rock Test

Plans to fish the broken drill in the Deep Rock Oil Co.'s No. 1, on section 88, block 1, W. survey were unsuccessful. It was decided to drill a new well.

Work was re-started Monday. The drill had broken through the broken drill at 2400 foot mark.

By the time the Deep Rock Co. is going to secure a well.

### Drill S. E. of Itan

Marland Oil Company is to test for oil about a mile southeast of the company well secured by the Magnolia Oil Co., four miles south of Itan.

Work has been erected and is now moving in material to be spudded in.

Location is in the northwest quarter of section 13, Twp. 18.

### At Mc Dowell No. 2

At the Gulf of Als Mc Dowell is going forward steadily. The 15-foot of hole being drilled is now about 3750 feet deep. A good seat is encountered. The casing will be lowered to 3750 feet.

How much deeper the Gulf of Als test has not been determined.

Encountered in tests a mile to the south of the present well.

### Tests Scheduled

Contracts have been signed for tests on Mrs. Dora Roberts' 140-acre tract southeast of Itan.

Continental Oil Co. has a lease on 4450 acres near Hyer test and is to begin drilling within ninety days.

W. J. Goldman are to test in a large tract of land in the Marland Oil Co. tract, four miles southeast of Itan. A location has been secured on section 159 in the W. R. survey.

It is expected that arrangements will be completed for a deep test on section 151, block 29, W. & N. W. survey. This test is to be a 3700-acre block.

### Hyer Well a Producer

Hyer has a real producer in the Hyer well, completed on the Hyer ranch, eighteen miles southeast of Big Spring. This well is the first since the water pump was put off and has been producing 100 barrels or better each day. It is so abundant that it is a much heavier producer.

or as a four-foot and a twenty-foot stratum of oil producing sand was encountered. As these were encountered above the 1600-foot mark, the big oil companies are looking with favor on this section and a number of new tests are assured for that immediate section.

Hyer must be given praise for being a good sportsman since he had the nerve to make this test on a 3700-acre block, whereas the big oil companies have been demanding from 10,000 to 15,000 before they would make a drilling contract.

### O'Daniel Well Showing Good

That Howard county is going to be in the limelight as a producer of oil is strengthened by the good oil showing in the Choate & Henshaw O'Daniel well No. 1 in the eastern part of Howard county. This test is on section 34, block 20, Twp. 18, S. T. & P. Survey. It was given a shot last Friday and oil men believe it is going to come in for from a 50- to 200-barrel per day producer. Owing to caving, it has been impossible to clean out following the shot, and a correct gauge has been impossible so far. The well is now standing 1450 feet in oil.

This well was given a shot with eight hundred and ninety quarts of nitro-glycerin, one of the largest shots ever used in this territory. The hole was shot from 2640 to 3000 feet and bridged at 2650 feet. Oil men believe the shot has greatly helped this well, which previously had a showing of from six to ten barrels in hard lime. The total depth of the well is 3103 feet. The test is on acreage blocked by the Marland Oil Co.

If this test comes in for 50 barrels or better it will mean a five or six mile extension of the new field opened up by the Magnolia Mary Foster No. 1, 4 miles south of Itan.

It is stated that arrangements have been completed for making another deep test about midway between the O'Daniel and the Magnolia Mary Foster No. 1. Such a test would indeed prove interesting.

### COTTON RECEIPTS 13,035 BALES

Cotton has been rolling into Big Spring at the rate of one hundred and fifty bales per day the past week. Up to Thursday morning 13,035 bales had been weighed here by Public Weigher T. W. Angel. Coahoma has received in the neighborhood of 3,500 bales, making a total of more than 16,500 bales for our county.

The Big Spring Compress had received 21,030 bales up to Wednesday night. There was being held in storage and yet to be compressed 4,160 bales. These being included in the total receipts of 21,030 bales.

If favorable weather continues in force, it is thought that two or three thousand bales of cotton will be added to the total receipts of this year's crop.

### PAY \$17,000 FOR 215 ACRES

J. W. Denton of Runnels county recently purchased 215 acres of the old Robinson homestead five miles east of Big Spring for a consideration of \$12,000. This is one of the best farms in Howard county and was among the first farms to be established in this section of West Texas. Mr. Denton plans to bring his family here next week to take possession of this property.

Walter Robinson also purchased 100 acres of the Robinson farm, buying 50 acres from John and 50 acres from Charlie Robinson at \$50 per acre. This land joins Walter's 315 acres and gives him a tract of land that can not be excelled anywhere in Texas. Mr. Robinson plans to build a new home and make many other improvements on the place.

### ATTENTION BAPTISTS

On account of the pressing demand of our Foreign Mission Boards, missionary rallies have been planned for the various districts of the state.

On Sunday, Dec. 13, Dr. L. R. Scarborough of Fort Worth, Rev. Sallee, missionary from China, and Mrs. Geo. W. Truett of Dallas will speak in Abilene.

They will speak in three of the Baptist churches at eleven o'clock Sunday morning, and Mrs. Truett will also speak to the women at 3 o'clock in the afternoon at the First Baptist church.

Let all go who can from the association.

Gordon Phillips of Colorado was a visitor here Tuesday.

## County Roads Maintenance Discussed

The Need of Additional Funds to Properly Maintain Good Roads Discussed by Luncheon Club

A talk on the need of Good Roads in our county and the need of funds for adequate maintenance thereof, was the topic of discussion at the meeting of the Wednesday Luncheon Club this week.

In the absence of toastmaster, W. W. Rix, B. Reagan presided. Mr. Stark of Chicago, the guest of H. L. Rix, was the only visitor at this meeting.

Under the head of announcements, Rev. Frank Stedman, stated that Miss Mabel Lee Cooper of New York City was to hold a Story Hour and give an address at St. Mary's Episcopal church on Friday evening, and extended one and all an invitation to attend. He announced that he was keeping the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. advised that the patrons in Big Spring were entitled to better telephone service. He said he had also called the attention of the officials of the T. & P. to the need of making some improvements at and near the depot, or else provide boats for the patrons of the road when we have rainy spells.

Miss Helen Reagan gave a reading that was indeed appreciated. The poem of Edgar A. Guest entitled, "The Home Town," was especially appropriate for the occasion.

Toastmaster Reagan next called on County Judge H. R. Debenport to talk on road matters.

Judge Debenport gave an outline of the entire situation and pointed out the need of more funds if we are to properly maintain the lateral county roads built, and open up new roads. He said we were opening more new roads each year than could be maintained. With a valuation of \$5,500,000 we secured about \$8,250 each year as road tax. To this was added a like amount from automobile licenses. The county now had one road crew with tractor, truck and big grader, and another crew with nine mules. The record of work accomplished prove that three times as much work can be accomplished with the tractor than with the mule teams. Even though the tractor crew can rebuild a mile of road in a week, it will require several years to rebuild all the important lateral roads in our county; and as the country settles up more new roads must be opened up. In addition to maintaining the two road building crews, a fleet of twenty pony graders are owned by the county for use in dragging the roads after each rain. These items are mentioned to show how much money is required to do the road work that is absolutely necessary. While the county roads of our county are above the average, it can be readily seen that more funds are needed. Judge Debenport pointed out that if funds sufficient to purchase and operate one more tractor unit, some real progress might be made. Roads to the new oil fields and to parts of our county which have long needed roads could be constructed. He said the proper method would be to petition for an election to vote an additional 15-cent tax on the \$100 valuation. This would mean that you would have to pay \$1.50 tax on each \$1,000 valuation of property, a small sum compared to the value and benefit of good roads in our county. He added however that he would not be in favor of preparing or presenting a petition for this additional road maintenance tax unless a majority of the citizens of the county signed the petition.

Judge Debenport stated there seemed to be a hitch relative to opening the road from Coahoma to the O'Daniel oil well but that if it was decided this road was needed it would be built. If the present estimate of the O'Daniel well's production proved correct, he felt certain this county road was a necessity.

In closing the meeting Mr. Reagan thanked Mr. Debenport for this important information and for the efforts being put forth to improve all the roads of our county. He also called attention to the fact that the amount read to the Hyer producer is on the H. R. Clay ranch, 13 miles southeast of Big Spring should be improved. Mr. Reagan also pointed out that we should endeavor to have State Highway No. 9, travers-

ing our county from northwest to the southeast, placed as in fine shape as is the Bankhead Highway. Joe Pickle was named as toastmaster for next week's meeting.

### NEW T. & P. ENGINES ARRIVE

No. 601, one of the first of the big new engines recently purchased by the Texas & Pacific Ry., arrived in Big Spring at 7:30 p. m. Monday and No. 600 arrived at 11:30 a. m. Tuesday.

These are freight engines for use between Big Spring and Fort Worth. They are a special type designed by A. P. Pendergast, mechanical superintendent of the T. & P. Ry., have more power and use less fuel than the average locomotive.

No. 600 left Baird at 10:55 a. m. Monday with 82 cars, or 3,106 tons and after setting out and picking up cars at various stations, rolled into Big Spring at 7:30 p. m. Monday.

The powerful engine can start the long, heavy trains without any jaks or jerks.

With 250 pounds pressure they can haul a load of 3,500 tons. The 500 type locomotive have a tonnage capacity of 2,400 tons and the 800s about 1,800 tons.

Seven of these giant locomotives will be put in service between Big Spring and Fort Worth. The 900 class passenger engines, also for service between Big Spring and Fort Worth, are expected to arrive next week. These are said to be the finest engines ever constructed in the U. S.

The T. & P. purchased 10 of these giant freight engines, 5 passenger and 10 switch engines. The T. & P. has also ordered 750 all-steel freight cars of 100,000 pounds capacity. There were delivered early this year 2,000 automobile freight cars. It looks as though the officials are preparing for a big business on the Old Reliable.

### CITY COUNCIL PASSES MEASURES ON TUESDAY

The City Council held their regular monthly meeting in the office of the City Secretary on last Tuesday evening at which time it was decided to extend the date for all sewer connections which were to have been made by January 1, to March 1. This step was taken, and 60 days extension given because just at this time the people have to think about paying their taxes, and it would press too hard on some of the folks included in this district.

A measure was also passed, prohibiting the shooting of any fireworks in the district of the fire limits during the holidays. Everyone is asked to please take note of this fact, as this is a preventive step, and of importance.

It was also declared unlawful for peddlers to back their wagons and carts up by the sidewalks on Main street, or the business section of town, and peddle their fruits, nuts, or what ever else they might be selling. They either have to keep moving all the time or else rent a vacant lot and park their wagon here to dispose of their commodity. Anyone found violating this ordinance will be arrested and fined.

### ELMO WASSON ACCEPTS POSITION IN CORPUS CHRISTI

Elmo Wasson will leave this city about the first of January for Corpus Christi, Texas, where he has accepted a position with the Meehan Dry Goods Company of that city. This popular concern operates two department stores in Corpus Christi, and Elmo will be window decorator, designer and advertising man for one of these department stores.

Elmo has been associated with the Albert M. Fisher Co., since its opening in this city, and for the past three years has been writing the advertisements, designing the window displays, as well as assuming the duties of salesmanship, and he has proven himself capable in every capacity. He tries to please, employer and customer, and gives to them the best service that is in his power.

Elmo's many friends will be pleased to learn of this promotion, and wish him every success in his new work.

J. P. McCrary, owner of the Electric Shoe Shop, is now in charge of the business. W. J. Langston who had been working for Mr. McCrary, moved his family to Lubbock, where he will make his future home.

W. W. Rix made a business trip to Colorado Thursday.

## Public Schools Close Friday December 18

Student Body Given Ten-day Vacation — Work Will Be Resumed On Monday, December 28

### SCHOOLS TO CLOSE FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, FOR HOLIDAYS

The city schools and many of the country schools will close their work for this term on Friday afternoon, December 18, for the Christmas holidays. Studies will be resumed again on December 28, giving the student body ten days vacation. The enrollment in the city schools reaches the twelve hundred mark, and new pupils continue to come to the different schools each day. We can continue to expect more students each day, so long as the character of our work is being improved upon. The faculty which is composed of a strong lineup of zealous workers, cooperating together for the best interests for the boy and girl and for the school is doing its part to make the necessary improvements, and there is not a complaint to be made in regard to the spirit of the student body.

The Elks Club of the city is offering a prize to a child in school that writes the best essay on "Constitution," "Old Ironsides." The material has been supplied the schools and much interest has been shown during the contest.

The city teachers have been holding institute, five consecutive Saturdays this term, and these meetings are separate from the county teachers institute, which will be held in this city later on during the month.

### DICK COLLINS ELECTED "STEER" CAPTAIN FOR '26

Dick Collins, a Junior in the Big Spring school, and star guard and tackle in the Steer line-up this season was unanimously elected football captain of the Steers at a meeting of the football men held at the High School building last week. Collins, son of Dr. and Mrs. T. M. Collins, is an all around man, playing two positions on the team this season, and on all occasions he got the man that he went after. This is Dick's second year on the team, and during the season, he had a place in every game. With further training next season, Dick will hold a place in the Steer line-up that will be hard to fill with a substitute.

Because of his amiability, straightforwardness, and good fellowship the football men choose Dick for their leader, next year, and with him as leader he will guide the Steers into another successful season. The captain of any squad has to be one that is well liked by all of his associates and co-workers, and is admired because of his fair dealings. The test of Dick's popularity was proven at this election when he was chosen 1926 captain; a signal honor among members of the football squad.

### HOME OF S. J. HORTON DESTROYED BY FIRE

The home of S. J. Horton on West Fourth St. in the Jones Valley addition was totally destroyed by fire about 10 o'clock Monday night. The household goods were also destroyed. Mr. Horton had retired and was not awakened until the flames had spread practically thruout the house. It is supposed that the fire started in the kitchen.

On account of the great distance from a fire plug the fire department was unable to render any assistance. Mr. Horton's loss will be between \$4,000 and \$5,000 as he had only \$1,000 insurance on his home.

### ERROR IN LYRIC AD

In the advertisement of the entertainment at the R. and R. Lyric theater on next Monday and Tuesday there appears an error in the price of admission for said extra special entertainment.

The price of admission to the Lyric next Monday and Tuesday will be 20 and 50 cents, but due to the typographical error, the prices are stated as 10 and 25 cents in said advertisement.

This is one of the finest entertainments you ever enjoyed and the price of 20 and 50 cents is much less than charged for the same attraction in the larger cities.

We regret that we made this error, and you will regret it if you fail to attend this fine entertainment.

Miss Annabell Williams spent the past week end in Lamesa, on a visit to her father, and other relatives.

### NO FIREWORKS IN FIRE LIMITS

Mayor Clyde E. Thomas requests that we remind one and all that it is unlawful to discharge fireworks within the fire limits of Big Spring or upon the streets or in the alleys within the city limits.

You may have fireworks at your home if you reside outside the fire limits. All merchants selling fireworks are requested to inform the purchasers that it is unlawful to discharge same within the fire limits of our city.

Ordinances against fireworks were deemed necessary to protect property against damage by fires.

Mayor Thomas also calls attention to the warning of the State Fire Marshal against the use of candles as Christmas decorations. Many lives are lost and much property damage results due to fires started by Christmas tree candles.

Heed these warnings and play safe.

### SELLS 67 HOGS FOR \$948

C. F. Morris is now selling the hogs which he has been fattening on peanuts at his farm north of Big Spring. The hogs were turned into a peanut patch and were permitted to harvest the crop.

Mr. Morris has fattened 450 hogs on his peanut patch. The Sale Monday and Tuesday was conducted by Walter Coffee. Mostly small pigs were sold to neighboring farmers, the sale price being 12-15 cents per pound.

On next Saturday Mr. Morris plans to ship two carloads or about 150 hogs weighing 200 pounds and more to the Fort Worth market.

### BISHOP E. CECIL SEAMAN DELIVERS SERMON SUNDAY

The Rt. Rev. E. Cecil Seaman, D. D. of Amarillo, Episcopal Bishop of the North Texas District, was a visitor in our city last Sunday, and delivered inspirational sermons at the Episcopal church at 11 a. m. and at 5 p. m. The afternoon service was a community service, and the church was filled to capacity.

Out of town people who took this opportunity during Bishop Seaman were: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Charlton and family, Miss Abney, Mrs. Chas. Ernest and son, Joe; Mrs. Shropshire, Miss McComus and Thomas R. Smith of Colorado, Texas.

### TRADES DAY AT COAHOMA

An all-day Trades Day will be observed at Coahoma, Monday, Dec. 14 and a big time is in store for all who attend.

Everybody in the county is invited to attend, and each one is urged to bring anything and everything they wish to sell or trade.

Folks are requested to have their "trading clothes" on for there are going to be many opportunities to buy, sell or "swap".

Don't forget the date and arrange to join the big crowd at Coahoma on next Monday.

### W. O. W. ELECTS OFFICERS

At the regular meeting of the Woodmen of the World held in this city last Friday evening the annual election of officers was held and the present officers were re-elected for the ensuing year.

The officers are: W. R. Purser, consul commander; E. G. Towler, advisory lieutenant; B. Reagan, banker; H. S. Meskimen, clerk; J. M. Bates, escort; R. I. Puckett, watchman; Jim Couble, sentry; M. H. Morrison, auditor.

### KILLED AT NEW ORLEANS

At the St. Charles Hotel at New Orleans, La., on last Saturday, O. H. Williams was killed when he fell from the mezzanine floor to the lobby. Mr. Williams is well known to the livestock raisers of West Texas as he made his headquarters at Midland several years ago, where he represented the Chicago Livestock Co. This company loaned much money to cattlemen in this territory.

### A 15,603,000 BALE CROP

The government's final cotton estimate of 15,603,000 bales and the total reported ginned to Dec. 1 of 13,857,084 caused the price of cotton to drop \$5 per bale Tuesday.

The estimate proved much larger than had been generally expected. The government's estimate of lint cotton means a crop, including linters, etc., of 17,000,000 bales.

Mrs. Valentine Forrester of Roscoe arrived in this city Wednesday for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Mary Richardson.

**MISSIONARY MEETING**

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Christian church met this month, Dec. 7, at the pretty home of Mrs. Earle Read, with Mrs. Ruth, leader. There was a good attendance and an unusually interesting meeting.

The following program was carried out:

- Prayer by Mrs. E. W. Brown.
- Roll Call—answered by news item.
- Secretary's report.
- Treasurer's report.
- World's call report.
- Talk by vice president, Mrs. Parks.
- Paper—Altar Songs by Mrs. Ruth.
- Paper by Mrs. Clay Road.
- Benediction—followed by delicious refreshments.

We were pleased indeed to have Mrs. W. W. Ward with us, also Bro. Ruth. Our next meeting will be at Mrs. Haggel's, with Mrs. I. D. Edsine leader.

We hope to have a good attendance.

Secretary.

**BIG CUT IN PRICE OF APPLES**

To move our last car of the season, I have decided to give out to the customers that I have been giving to stores and peddlers, to move this car quick. Good, sound mountain Ben Davis and Missouri Pippins at \$1.75 for a big bushel. Bring your sack and save five cents more.

These apples are good, sound stuff and will keep over Christmas and this price is a cut of 50c per bushel as they were \$2.25 and are now \$1.75. I also have several other varieties that have been selling for more money and will also cut the price 50c on them. Watch them go at this price. Everybody wants apples for Xmas! Hurry and get yours before they are all gone.

J. R. CREATH.

**CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PROGRAM DEC. 13, 6:30 P. M.**

- Topic—Bible principles of Givng.
- Leader—Harold Yarbrough.
- Scripture Reading—Lev. 27:30; 1 Cor. 13:1-4, 14—Mrs. Milner.
- Song—129.
- Prayer—Bro. Ruth.
- Talk—Giving—Voluntarily—Mattie Lou Brown.
- Reading—Mildred Marshall.
- Talk—Two Classes of Givers—Mildred Creath.
- Piano Solo—Mrs. Hogg.
- Talk—Giving—Cheerfully—Mrs. Geo. J. Ruth.
- Song—229.
- Benediction.

Every Endeavorer is to be present and bring some one with you. Our meeting of December 6 proved to be very successful, with fourteen present, a good program, and a boost for a greater and stronger society.

**SHININ' SHOES**

Come to see the expert with your shoes. He will shine them just like they were new again. Any color; any size. Cannot be beat at any price. Can clean satin, suede, canvas, white kid, and buck shoes. Also can dye them any color.

COURTNEY DAVIES

**LEST YE FORGET**

We want to remind you that the H. E. Club of the B. S. H. S. is going to maintain a gift shop in the "M" System store, beginning Saturday morning at 8 o'clock. All kinds of lovely hand-painted articles, that will be just the thing for Christmas gifts will be on sale, such as nifty bread boards for mother, powder puffs for daughter, dolls for little sister, aprons for grandmother, candy for the kiddies, and shoe trees, coat-hangers, laundry bags, and many other useful things too numerous to mention for everybody. Come and see them Saturday, or any afternoon next week from 4 p. m. until 7 p. m.

We are endeavoring to raise funds to send our representatives to the Clothing contest, and we feel that all of you want to help us. Reporter.

**GROCERY STORE FOR SALE**

Stock and fixtures; with good lease on building and living rooms.

If sold immediately will sell at a bargain. Located at Fairview. F. H. TINER, Box 448, Big Spring, Texas. 12-2pd

Fruit cakes, Nut cakes, Sponge Layer cakes, Honey Cream cakes, Apple Sauce, Devil's Food, Angel Food, Loaf cakes—in fact any kind you want. Order them now for Christmas. Phone 142, HOME BAKERY.

T. W. Gilmore of Sweetwater is in our city looking after some construction work for the West Texas Electric Co.

You can get Home-made Date Loaf and Fudge at the Santa Claus Gift Shop, in Campbell Tailor Shop. Give it a trial—advertisement.

Drop in at the Home Bakery and order your cake for Christmas. Don't wait until it is too late. HOME BAKERY.

**COAHOMA NEWS**

The Christmas Seal campaign for the fight against tuberculosis is before us now, with Mrs. F. B. Thomason as our chairman. Mrs. H. T. Hale is vice chairman, and Misses Texie Cathey and Jessie Coffman assistants in the sale. We feel that this is a great work and one that should be carried on in a big way, and in order for us to reach our quota, it is necessary that everyone helps us with the sale. This means that each one of you must buy a seal, and in so doing save a life.

Sunday was Golden Rule Sunday and a collection was taken up for the Near East Relief, which amounted to over \$5. We feel that everyone who contributed to this cause will be more than repaid in the blessings from the Father's Hand. We are trying to carry out the Golden Rule in our society; not only at this time, but all of the time.

Visitors are always welcome, and we hope to treat you so cordially that you will decide to become a member instead of a visitor.

The society is going to have a box supper on Thursday night, Dec. 17, and everyone is invited to come and bring a box or buy one.

We missed Mr. Shive at our last meeting, but found out that he was off trapping, so we expect him home on the night of the box supper with a pocket full of money.

We will have lots of good things to eat, so be sure and put your money in the bank or some safe place until that night.

Our society is steadily increasing in interest. All of the members are becoming active, and we are proud of the fact that most everyone gives their subject in their own words, and if they feel they can't talk they are more than glad to read. Many people stay away from programs because they had a part on it, but that is not the way members of the C. E. do. They are always here when it is possible to come, and we feel sure that this is why new ones are coming in all the time, for they are getting training here for Christian work that is found nowhere else in all of the church work.

If anyone in our community feels the need of Christian training and doesn't belong to any other society, we would be glad to have them become a member of ours. We have 30 members doing splendid work, and we invite all of you to attend our meetings; and let us show you just what we are doing. You will find the programs enjoyable and interesting.

Topic for Sunday, Dec. 13—

- Subject—Givng.
- Leader—Olga Wolfe.
- Scripture Reading—Lev. 27:30; The Greater Blessing—Bessie Adams.
- Right Hand and Left—Viola Duncan.
- The Widow's Mite—Ruth E. Eche.
- Work and Give—Mrs. Eche.
- Bountiful Reaping—Inez Adams.
- Treasure in Heaven—Leroy Echols.
- The Unchangeable Gift—Opal Loveless.

Reporter

**OLD CURIOSITY REPAIR SHOP**

China, glassware, furniture, sewing machines, typewriters, guns, bicycles, electric flat irons, electric washing machines, vacuum sweepers, fans, phonographs, automobiles repaired. Hydrant bibs and cut-outs renewed. Inner tubes vulcanized. In fact, we are prepared to do all kinds of repair work. Give us a trial. Shop at 504 Jack street. J. R. CRAVEN. 22-1f

**WELFARE SERVICES HELD BY METHODISTS SUNDAY**

The Welfare Services held at the jail last Sunday afternoon at four o'clock, conducted by Rev. W. C. Hinds, newly appointed minister of the Methodist church, and other members, were of unusual interest. The worship continued in song, led by Mrs. Chas. Morris, and it was most impressive and helpful. The interest shown by the six men confined in jail, made the services seem appreciated and worthwhile.

**FRESH HOMEMADE CANDY**

Peanut brittle, peco flake divinity nougat, caramel pecan brittle, divinity; 40c, 50c, 60c per pound. CHOCOLATE SHOPPE.

**STUDY CLASS TO MEET MONDAY AFTERNOON**

The Ladies Study Class of the Methodist church will hold their regular meeting in the Rest Room at three o'clock Monday afternoon, for study. An interesting lesson will be discussed, and all of the members are urged to be present.

Now is the time to order your cake for Christmas. Phone 142 HOME BAKERY.

Jim Hughey of Sweetwater spent Wednesday in this city on business.

# CHRISTMAS

## IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

### Only 2 Weeks Away

It's time to be getting ready for the annual  
**VISIT OF SANTA CLAUS**

and we are offering some suggestions here that will please the young fellow or his "Dad," in Christmas Gifts that he can use.

### Why Not

do the handsome thing and buy him one of these handsome overcoats, or a new suit. We have a wonderful line of clothing that fit.



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## HART SCHAFFNER & MARX

made most of them, and that means the quality of material, style workmanship and coloring are all just right.

SUITS  
\$30 and better

OVERCOATS  
\$35 and better

Other makes at \$20 and better

### A BEAUTIFUL MUFFLER

is just the thing to get next to a man's heart and we are showing some beauties this season in a variety of colors to please most anyone and at prices to suit most everyone. They come in wooly Scotch plaids, Magadore striped, checked silks, knitted silks or Rayon silks that are attractive.

\$2 to \$5



### LOUNCING ROBES AND SMOKING JACKETS

are items of luxury that most any man would like to own, but very seldom buy for themselves. One of these with a pair of slippers will make a wonderful Christmas gift, and we have some beautiful ones, that he will be proud to receive and to wear.

ROBES  
\$10 to \$25

JACKETS  
\$7.50 and \$10

SLIPPERS  
\$1.75 to \$2.00

### HOW ABOUT HIS SOCKS?

We are showing them in silk, wool, silk and wool, lisle or plain cotton—in plaids, stripes and plain colors.

The newest styles and colors in woolen golf hose, that bear the British import label, can be had here too.



### Our NECKWEAR SHOWING

is wonderful, and is the most popular gift of all, because one does not have to buy them by size. We are especially proud of some ties that are fashioned of imported silks in beautiful patterns and hand-made. These hold their shape.

\$2 to \$4

Other beautiful ties for 50c and better.

### GLOVES are appropriate

and there is nothing more appreciated by the regular man. We show them in Mocha, Kid and Cape with silk lining, fleece lining, camel's hair lining, rabbit lining, lamb lining, or with no lining at all, sizes 7-12 to 10.

Lined automobile gauntlets are great in crimping weather.

### EAGLE SHIRTS for Christmas Gifts

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# CLASSIFIED ADS

## FOR SALE

**FOR SALE**—320 acres of fine farming land as can be found in Texas, 5 miles southwest of Big Spring. Fine crop on this farm. All or part for sale by owner. For terms address J. D. WILLIAMS, Box 375, Colorado, Texas. 2-

**FOR SALE**—Collie pups; males \$6, females \$4. L. SIMPSON, G. C. Rt., Big Spring, Texas. 12-2

## HOME FOR SALE

A residence and 3 1-2 lots just south of High School for sale. For particulars phone 430 or see MORGAN MARTIN, at Wolcott Motor Co. 49-tf

## LAND FOR SALE

Have improved and unimproved good farming land for sale on very easy payments in Howard, Sterling and Martin counties. See T. S. CURRIE. 51tf

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—1923 model Maxwell touring car good as new, run about 6000 miles. Will sell worth the money or trade for property. See me at Bottling Works or see car at my home, 407 Nolan. S. B. STONE. 6-tf

**FARM**—480 acres, 4 1-2 miles west of Knott. Sandy loam, cat-claw land, 75 acres in cultivation, small house, good well stock water, fenced and cross fenced. Will sell in quarter sections. A bargain. Terms to suit purchaser. Address B. F. WILLS, Van Horn, Texas 61f

**BUNDLE FEED AND MAIZE HEADS**—Good maize heads, and bundle feed for sale. Bundle feed to go at 5 cents per bundle in the field; 3 1-2 miles N. E. of Sparenberg. See or write R. M. SENTER, RFD 2, Lamesa, Texas. 104pd

**FEED**—Good headed maize, bundle feterita and sorghum, for sale. Also 4 good Jersey milk cows, for sale. Call at the home of C. M. PINKSTON, 1 mile south of Knott. 11-31-pd

**LOTS**—For cash, lots 2, 2, block 4 Jones valley, Big Spring, Texas. Write A. Threewitt, Crosby, Texas. 12-31-pd

**FOR SALE OR RENT**—640 acres, 12 miles north of Big Spring, Texas, suitable either for grazing or agriculture purposes. For sale by owner. For terms, address MRS. JENNIE McKIBBEN, Onelda, Illinois. 11-4tpd

**HOUSE**—Six-room residence on Scurry street in McDowell Heights, Phone 337 or see W. D. Green. 13tf

**FORD TRUCK**—A Ford truck in good condition for sale cheap. Phone 123 or see JOE EARLEY. 13-4tpd

**FARM**—100 acre farm, 75 acres in cultivation; team, wagon, cow, and feed, included, for sale. Price \$35 per acre, some terms. Located 5 miles north of Fairview. Write box 396, Big Spring, Texas. 13-2p

**FOR SALE CHEAP**—N. W. of 2, block 35, Rng. 1, N. Martin Co. Tex. R. P. HANDY, Oelwein, Ia. 134p

## FOR RENT

**LEASE OR SALE**—80 acres of land, new 4-room bungalow, good well water, 1 1-2 miles southeast of Big Spring to rent, lease or sell. Apply to WEB CHRISTIAN, Big Spring, Texas. 12-4t

**FOR RENT**—Comfortable upstairs apartment to rent to a couple. Very reasonable for the right party. Call at 403 Bell Street. 9tf

**ROOM**—One nicely furnished bedroom or two south rooms furnished for light housekeeping. Call at 406 Johnson St. 12-tf

**FARM**—640 acres, 3 1-2 miles south city limits Big Spring on Highway, good smooth level land, partly improved and in cultivation. Will cut in 160-acre blocks; good terms, or will trade for land on North Plains. L. B. WRIGHT, owner, Lubbock, Texas. 10-4tpd

**FOR RENT**—Nice apartment, for light housekeeping. Call at 503 Jack Street. 12-tf

**FOR RENT**—Furnished light-housekeeping rooms. Call at 507 Main, or phone 635. 1tpd

**RESIDENCE**—4-room residence and 5 1-2 lots in town of Coahoma for sale, at a bargain. See or write V. F. Roberts, Coahoma, Texas. 154

**ROOM**—Furnished bedroom for rent, or two rooms partially furnished for light housekeeping. Private entrance. Apply at 502 Runnels, or phone 660. 1t-

## WANTED

I have grass to pasture 175 head of cattle. PHILIP THOMPSON, Sterling City, Texas. 10-tf

**CATTLE WANTED**—I will buy anything in the cattle line that will ship. Will buy from 1 to 1000 head. Leave word at the West Texas National Bank or see me, DEE PRICE. Phone 633, Big Spring, Texas. 52-tf

**SALESMEN**—Magazine men, crew managers, district managers, organizers experienced on two pay plan, also special offers. Write or wire today for real proposition. State fully experience. Clyde A. Ramsey,

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**SEWING**—Mrs. E. L. Johnson, an experienced dressmaker, wishes to get sewing here. You will find her at Mrs. George Brown's home, 411 Bell St. 12-2tpd

**PLUMBING**—I am prepared to do your plumbing and steam fitting and do it right at a reasonable price. Phone 595. W. W. FISHER. 134p

## MISCELLANEOUS

**CEMENT WORK**—Am prepared to do all kinds of cement work, such as coping, walks, water troughs, tanks, etc. I refer you to any work I have done in this city as reference. A. B. WINSLOW.

**POSTED**—My pasture is posted according to law and hunting is prohibited. My friends are not going to trespass, and I expect to prosecute to the full extent of the law anyone caught hunting on my ranch. J. G. CARTER. 9-8t-pd

**TO LET**—170 acres of good cat-claw land to let to a man for cultivation for what he can make out of it. Some grubbing to be done. Plenty of water on place; also good shack to live in. Phone 301 F-31, or write B. F. MILLER, Rt. 1, Box 36, Big Spring. 13-2tpd

## FOUND

**FOUND**—Three mules, one mare other two horse mules; one roan horse; one brown mare. Owner can secure same by calling at my place four miles north of Fairview and paying for the damages. D. L. SMITH. 1-pd

**STRAY MULE**—1 bay mare mule, 3 years old, 15 hands high, branded RX on left hip, has been at my place, 6 miles NE of Big Spring, past 3 weeks. Owner please call for animal. Rufus Davidson. 1tpd

## LOST

**REWARD**—A bay pony about 14 1-2 hands high, 6 years old, no brands, split in left ear and saddle mark on right side, strayed from Waterworks pasture 6 weeks ago. Will pay \$5 for information leading to recovery. Phone 194. R. P. LOVELACE. 13-3-pd

**REWARD**—A liberal reward will be paid for information leading to the whereabouts of a Shetland pony, which strayed from my home near the high school building on Saturday night. The pony is about 7 years old, about 4 feet high and is not branded. Please write or call W. MARTIN, Big Spring, Texas. 11pd

The Davis-Bassel meeting is proving to be wonderfully successful. Great crowds are attending and responding to the Lord's call. Brother Homer Davis, preacher, and Elder B. R. Bassel, singer, are conducting this meeting in the White Tabernacle by the Central school. The services begin promptly at 7:20 each evening. The meeting will close Sunday night, December 13.

Bro. Davis and Bro. Bassel have been giving programs at the various schools here during this week. Come, and bring others with you to this meeting every night. The services are short and interesting.

## A GOOD INVESTMENT

No dollar is better invested than that one which is spent to bring out your beauty, for it carries so many desirable things in its train—Happiness, admiration and popularity, the things that make life truly worth living.

Start right now and bring out the beauty which has been hidden away behind a mask of sallow lifeless skin, dull hair, lustreless eyes and sagging muscles. Our scientific facials produce results.

Special rates offered Monday and Tuesday each week. Facial and Manicure for only \$1.50.

Our marceles are the best, price \$1.50.

Student marcel, \$0.50.

VOGUE BEAUTY SHOPPE. Phone 147.

## CITY TAX LIST READY; COME AND PAY NOW

The City Secretary announces that the city tax rolls are now ready, and requests that you come now and pay your taxes. If you start now, it will do away with the jam and rush later on when the time limit is almost up. There is no necessity in delaying longer, when you have them to pay, and it will help very much if a few of you call daily from now on. The next time it is convenient for you, come down and pay your city taxes.

## FOOD SALE AT GARY'S

The ladies of the West Side Circle of the Methodist church will conduct a food sale at Gary's store on Saturday, Dec. 12. Come and buy your Sunday supplies. All kinds of good home made cakes, pies, and other good eatables.

Arthur Woodall returned Monday from Hidalgo, in the Rio Grande Valley, where he had been summoned by the illness of his brother, Dr. Woodall.

## COUNTRY SCHOOLS RESPOND IN SALE OF HEALTH SEALS

Miss Lillian Frances Gary, general chairman of the Christmas Health Seals, made personal visits to many of the schools in Howard county the forepart of this week, to launch the sale of these seals with the children in the country and to give them an opportunity to have their part in the worldwide movement of fighting tuberculosis. A most favorable response was obtained in every place that was visited, and in almost every instance one hundred per cent of the students in every school pledged their support in furthering this sale.

The pupils at the Moore school have broken the record with their sales, having already totalled over seven dollars, and asked for more. The principal of the school, Mrs. D. F. Mims, ordered from the Health Department at Sanatorium, Texas, the little Primers on Tuberculosis, and has supplied each of the students of the school with one, and lessons from these are given in connection with their Health book. Leo Forrest and Miss Alice Pickle, other teachers at Moore, are encouraging the pupils in this fight against tuberculosis, by pushing the sale of the seals. A prize will be awarded to the room who makes the greatest amount of sales, and so far, Mr. Forrest's pupils have this honor, Miss Opal White selling more seals than any other one pupil in the school.

Miss Arah Phillips, principal of the Highway school, asked Miss Gary to present the plan to the pupils of her school, and let them decide whether or not they felt that they could help in this great cause. Miss Gary explained what the Christmas Seals are, why they are sold, and just how much they aid in stamping out the dreaded disease. The pupils gave a most encouraging response, and they kept five dollars worth of the seals to dispose of in their homes or in that community.

"How many of you know someone who is suffering from tuberculosis and know what a terrible disease it really is?" asked Miss Gary when talking to the students at the Knott school. Almost everyone present signified in the affirmative to the former question, and each one seemed to grasp the real spirit of the sale, and wanted to help in relieving the suffering of others. This school took five dollars worth of the Health Seals to sell, and with the cooperation from all of the schools, supporting the worthy cause like the pupils at Knott promise, the quota will go over the top.

Miss Ann Martin, principal of the Fairview school, and Miss Berdie Shockley, called their pupils into an assembly to hear Miss Gary's appeal for their support in the Health Seal Campaign, and the pupils most attentively listened to her plea, and in response signified that they could do as much as the other schools had promised to do. The youngsters at this school were bestly engaged in practicing their Christmas program, which will be given at the school house on Wednesday night before Christmas.

The valuable work of selling Health Seals was announced to the pupils at the Elbow school on Monday afternoon by Miss Gary, and the principal of the school, Mrs. J. F. Sellers, and also Mrs. Ermine Woodard gave Miss Gary an opportunity to tell the students the purpose of the sale, and what an important part they could play in helping promote the good work. "The larger the sale of Christmas Seals, the greater will be the health work that can be carried on next year, and each penny's worth that you sell will help just that much." The pupils assured Miss Gary that they could handle five dollars worth in their community and would endeavor to sell even more.

The lovely new building, known as the Cauble school, with Miss Mae Lytell principal and Miss Mildred Rogers, primary teacher, and a host of smiling young faces, extended a most hearty welcome to the visitor, who came to tell them of the big fight that was being waged on tuberculosis, by all of the school children selling Health Seals. The pupils became intently interested in what Miss Gary had to say, and at the conclusion of her talk, she left with the students five dollars worth of seals for them to dispose of.

It is Miss Gary's intention to make visits to the other schools in the county before the campaign closes and make another earnest appeal for the loyal support of every child in school. More people can be reached through the children than any other way, and their help in this great cause each year is what puts the thing over in a big way.

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James Wilson left Thursday morning for a visit in Dallas.

## FREE! FREE!



Will give away one pair of silk hose with each pair of Douglas shoes—to the first 50 customers on Saturday, December 12.



The prices on Douglas shoes is \$5, \$6 and \$7. Come in early and get your silk socks free.

## Williams D. G. Co.

219 Main St. Big Spring, Texas

Red Steele of Midland was a visitor here Wednesday.

There will be a Gift Shop at Smith's "M" System—advertisement.

Perry Rice returned Monday from a visit in Altus, Oklahoma.

Try that Good Amary's Flour. Smith's "M" System—advertisement.

F. P. Woodson of Coahoma was a business visitor here Thursday.

Sam Weaver leaves this evening for a business trip to Fort Worth.

Do your Christmas shopping at Smith's "M" System—advertisement.

Ivory Sets \$15 to \$50. See these while the line is complete. Clyde Fox.

Miss Emily Bradley left last Friday evening for a visit with friends in Abilene.

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Spectacles and eyeglasses are cheaper at WILKE'S than anywhere else in town—advertisement.

Miss Estelle and Madge Petty left Thursday morning for a month's visit in Brownwood and Cross Plains.

All our Ladies Wrist Watches are guaranteed to give satisfaction or your money back. Clyde Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Harrell of Fort Stockton arrived Wednesday evening for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Jones.

Mrs. J. H. Hurt left Monday for a few days visit with her daughter, Mrs. Jno. B. Thomas and family at Midland.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Leeper of Fort Worth arrived Tuesday for a visit with relatives and friends in this city.

J. C. Billingsley of Dawson county passed through this city Wednesday enroute home from a visit to Winters, Texas.

We test your eyes free and fit glasses from 50c up. Those generally retailing for \$5.00—now \$1.50. WILKE, Graduate Optometrist.

Lon J. Geer of Sweetwater, district manager of the West Texas Electric Co., was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Help the Methodist ladies by attending their food sale on Saturday at Gary's store. All kinds of good eats for Sunday.

The special investigator sent from Washington, D. C. who has made an investigation of affairs in Texas declares there was no shortage in federal funds for Texas roads.

Baxter James of Dallas, travelling time card inspector, for the Texas & Pacific Ry., held a time card examination at the Y. M. C. A. Wednesday. This meeting was for employees of the Texas & Pacific Ry.

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**WORTH THE MONEY**—Grapefruit, three for... 25c  
Green beans, 20c, two for... 35c  
Soap and Washing Power... \$1.20 worth for... \$1.00  
10-lb. prunes... \$1.25  
4-lb. raisins... 50c  
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Best season in ground in ten years. No communities and few homes enough home grown fruit.

Peaches, Plums, Pears, Figs, Nectarines, Pecans, Jujubes, Berries, and other fruits.

We have new sure-bearing varieties the old standards. Evergreens, Flowering Shrubs, Hardy Climate-proof Native Shrubs, other ornamentals.

Plans for properly planting Home Grounds sent by mail. Write for instructions.

Catalog free. We pay express, satisfaction guaranteed. Information given.

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## TEXAS TYPE OF MONSTER LOCOMOTIVES RECEIVED

Following is the description of one of the T. & P. monster type locomotives which arrived in our city recently to be operated on this line of the T. & P. A. P. Pendergast, superintendent of the T. & P. designed these engines.

The engines are what is known as the 2-10-4 type and have a booster attachment on the articulated rear section. The fire box has a heating space of 100 square feet and the engine is fed by fuel oil, the boiler carrying a pressure of 250 pounds of steam. The whistle is blown by the pressure of a button the same as an automobile, and the engine is controlled in many parts by the use of air appliances. The engine is fed by hot water instead of cold from a feed water heater that heats the water to 205 degrees, forced into the boiler by a duplex pump. The thermic siphons in the fire box section not only increase the boiler capacity, but also serve as a safety appliance in reducing the probability of boiler explosion when the water may become low from any cause. The locomotives have many new appliances and differ in appearance from any other locomotive on the road.

The big engine and tender together is 98 feet 8 inches in length and weighs 711,700 pounds with a tractive power of 97,000 pounds. The tank has capacity for 5,000 gallons of oil, enough to run from Texarkana to El Paso, and 15,000 gallons of water, enough to supply the big machine with water from Texarkana to Fort Worth. The cost of each engine is said to be \$100,000.

Ear ache remedy... We have one worth while... Cunningham & Phillips.

**METHODIST CHURCH**  
Sunday, December 13  
Be sure to attend Sunday School and church. We give you an invitation to be with us.  
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.  
Morning worship 11 a. m.  
Subject of sermon "Temptation."  
Epworth League 6 p. m.  
Evening worship 7:15. Theme for sermon: "Matchless Love."  
Prompt services. A cordial welcome.  
W. C. Hinds, Pastor.

**DELPHIAN CHAPTER**  
The Delphian Society Mrs. Milner hosts for a well attended and joyous meeting. In addition Advisory Board, three of whom were appointed, being to create more interest in contributing responsibility to the success of the meetings, will be awarded to the vote of the chapter receiving the most successful. These new committees are: Attendance Committee, and the Committee, and the Committee, which will be fifteen minute social other meeting. The change range to have an art spring by collecting and this will include the community.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Homer Martin. The subject will be "Italian Painters."

Mrs. Pete Schell, of Sparenberg, and after she will return home by her mother who will rest of the winter in Fort Worth. Mrs. Schell is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. granddaughter, little son, Charles and Russell of Austin, her two grandsons probably run over to see their grandmother there. Mother Schell will be delighted to have this happy "kids."

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**Tuesday, Dec. 15, we offer quality**  
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- AMS**  
Skinned, per pound ..... 28c
- PEACHES**  
Sunkest sliced, No. 2 1-2 can ..... 26c
- CORN**  
White Swan, No. 2 can ..... 17c
- WATERMELON**  
Sunkest crushed, tall can ..... 19c
- SOAP**  
Crystal White, 25 bars ..... \$1.00

All of the above subject to stock.  
 You will find at this store the best flour  
 money can buy  
 as easy to shop and easy on your purse

## SMITH'S



Big  
Spring  
Texas

Store Where Low Prices Keep Company With High Quality

### MEETING AT COAHOMA

Presbyterian District meeting in Coahoma, Texas, Tuesday, Dec. 12, with visitors from Coahoma, Big Spring in attendance. Members of the Presbyterian church of this city were guests at this occasion. A dinner was served the evening of the Coahoma ladies, following an interesting program given. Leon Moffet of Coahoma, Tex., presided at the assemblage on the subject of "The Church has Helped Me." The point of view as that of the church. Reverend J. L. McDaniel of the Coahoma Presbyterian church, talked to the group on the subject of "Why We Should Survey of the Home Mission of El Paso," was given by J. L. McDaniel, superintendent of the Coahoma district, with headquarters in Coahoma, Tex. A general round table discussion followed the addresses at which many problems of the district were thrashed out. The following district meeting took place: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harding and son, Fay, returned Monday from Lubbock, where they had been for the last three weeks at the bedside of Mr. Harding's sister, Miss Martha Harding, who has been critically ill with pneumonia. She was much improved when they left Lubbock, and is expected to be able to be up again shortly.

### ALL THE CHILDREN WRITE SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

It is a very short time now until Santa Claus will be here with his bag of toys, and when he comes he will want to know what each good little boy will want left in his stocking or hung on the Christmas tree. In order that Santa Claus will know exactly what to bring to Big Spring with him, the Herald is going to ask them to write him letters. Address them in care of us, and we will publish them each week. Some little boys and girls have mailed us letters this week, and they will appear in print in our next issue. Hurry and send them in for it is only a short time, and none of you want to be disappointed on Christmas morning.

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### UNCLE JACK WILSON HONORED AT DINNER PARTY

A. J. "Uncle Jack" Wilson, was the guest of honor at a dinner held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wilson on Sunday, December 8, when relatives and a few friends gathered there to celebrate his 77th birthday anniversary, and his 75th anniversary as a native of Texas.

### TEJAS CAMP FIRE GIRLS

The Tejas Camp Fire Girls held their meeting at the Junior High School building Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 8, with twenty-nine members present. Plans for selling Red Cross Christmas Seals on Saturday, 11, were made following which an interesting story from the "Every Girl Magazine" was read. The members of this organization expect to sell a large number of Seals on Saturday, and they request the support of ev-



### FEDERATION PARTY HELD AT Y. M. C. A. LAST FRIDAY

The beautiful and colorful suggestions of the approaching Christmas was the inspiration for the lovely decorations used in adorning the entertaining rooms at the Y. M. C. A. on last Friday afternoon, when the officers of the Federation and members entertained in honor of the Eleventh Birthday anniversary of the City Federation. Shaggy chrysanthemums massed in vases and jardiniere lent the floral effect used in the decorations, and brilliant poinsettias, wreaths, streamers emblematic of the Yuletide season, draped the windows. A cozy atmosphere was created by the two flickering fires in the fireplaces, which cast a soft radiance over the festive scene.

Between the hours of three and five, the friends who called were entertained in this environment of rare charm. Greetings were extended by Mrs. L. L. Freeman, president of the Federation, and Mrs. Chas. Koberg, with the other officers of the organization assisting in entertaining.

A most delightful program consisting of songs, readings, and musical selections was given throughout the hours, and each one participating responded most kindly to encores. Mrs. Chas. Morris played several piano selections. Mrs. V. H. Flewellen and Miss Otero Lloyd gave vocal numbers, and Mrs. Priddy and Mrs. McLennan rendered delightful readings.

The lovely birthday cake, topped with eleven candles, was placed on a beautifully appointed table, guarded on each side by tall red candles in handsome candle sticks. Here, Mrs. H. DeVries presided over the wish book, and had each guest write in it good wishes for the Federation.

Those present at this delightful hour with Charles Ray were: Jake Bishop Jr., George Wesley Paylor, Frances Cathryn Paylor, Preston Lovelace, Gene Hardy, Flewellen, Billie Bess Shives, Edith Dow Cordill, Charles Yarnell, Lulu Hatch Ashley, and Olive Cordill Jr.

### WORTHWHILE GIRLS ENTERTAINED

Miss Ida Lee Landis was the delightful hostess at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Jones, Monday evening, when she entertained the members of the Worthwhile Girls.

A discussion of what the class should contribute to the Orphans Home was held, and everyone agreed to send toys. The remainder of the time was spent in talk, laughter, games and music, at the close of which were served refreshments, consisting of sandwiches, olives, hot chocolate and wafers.

Those participating in this splendid entertainment were: Mrs. B. Reagan; the members of the class: Misses Maude Estes, Juanita Ralph, Arthur Hawk, Grace Hatchet, Lillie Opal Fitzgerald, Mary Cavanaugh, Marguerite Burns, Elizabeth Barton and Mamie Leach.

The members of the class were honored with the presence of the following guests: Mary Happel, Burnice Burroughs, Julia Bess Nowell, Helen Reagan, Nell Brown, Lillian Shick and Alice Graham Bishop.

### CHRISTMAS MOTIF USED PRETTILY AT ROOK PARTY

The Yuletide motif was prettily expressed in the decorations used in the rooms on last Thursday afternoon, when members of the Thursday Rook Club were the guests of Mrs. J. T. Bell. Colorful poinsettias and other adornment symbolic of the holiday season made a pretty setting in which the tables were arranged for the playing of a series of games. At the end of the play Mrs. H. M. Williamson and Mrs. Chas. Koberg had tied for the honor of club top score, and visitors high score was made by Mrs. Felton Smith.

At the refreshment hour, a two course luncheon, further carrying out the Christmas motif, was served. The menu consisted of Poinsettia salad, chicken sandwiches, olives, sweet pickles, plum pudding and hot coffee. Plate favors passed to each guest were Christmas baskets filled with dainty and varicolored candies.

and served to sixty-three guests, those being: Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Hull and two children; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Fryar and baby; Mr. and Mrs. Allen Rogers; W. C. Rogers; Miss Lillie Hollis of the Salem community; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fryar and children; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rogers and children; Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Fryar and baby; Esta Mae Woods of the Fairview community; Mrs. Green Hull and son; Mr. and Mrs. Riley Hull and baby of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Wilson and brother; Mr. and Mrs. Tom G. Graca; Albert Wilson and sons; Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Hull and son; Vere McBee; Margarita Leach of Colorado; Mrs. J. E. Montleth and daughter of Big Lake. Mrs. J. W. Fryar and Mrs. J. E. Montleth were the only children present at this happy occasion with their father.

### CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY WITH PARTY

Charles Ray Settles was the happy little host on last Thursday afternoon, when he entertained a group of little friends at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Settles, in celebration of his sixth birthday anniversary. The merry group of youngsters assembled and played games until they were invited into the dining room. Here a beautiful scene awaited their eager eyes. The dining table was prettily decorated with miniature baskets filled with candy, and centering it was the birthday cake, which held the candles all alight. Each little guest blew out a candle, and made a wish for the happiness of the host.

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## County Teachers Institute

Following is the Program for the Howard County Teachers Institute, to be held at Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 19 to 23, inclusive:

MONDAY FORENOON, DEC. 21	
9:00	Music.....Miss Anne Owen
	Devotional.....Rev. Stedman
	Welcome.....Mayor Thomas
	Response.....Mrs. Priddy
10:00	Intermission
10:15	Address, "The Bible in the Public School".....Rev. Heard, Organization.
AFTERNOON	
1:00	Music.....Miss Willis
	Reading.....Local Teacher
1:30	Song.....Goodpastor, Hardy
	School Survey.....Chap. 1, W. F. Cox; Chap. 2, H. R. Debenport.
2:30	Intermission.
2:45	Professional Period.....Entire Institute
	Subject, Spelling in Primary Intermediate.....Miss Johnston
	Reading in Primary and Intermediate.....Miss Bacon
3:45	Intermission.
4:00	School Survey, Vol. 8, Chap. 3.....John Priddy
5:00	Professional Period
	Primary and Intermediate Numbers.....Misses Mann and Antley
	High School English in Rural High Schools.....Miss C. Pool
TUESDAY FORENOON, DECEMBER 22	
9:00	Devotional.....Rev. Hinds
9:20	Music.....Prof. Dawes
	Reading.....Miss Reagan
	Song.....Prof. Dawes
9:45	School Survey, Vol. 8, Chap. 4.....C. W. Roberts
10:45	Intermission.
11:00	Address.....Rev. Owen
FORENOON	
1:00	Music.....Mrs. John Priddy
1:30	Professional Period
	Writing and Drawing.....Miss Gilla Lawrence
2:30	Intermission.
2:45	Affiliating Country and Town Schools.....Prof. Bittle
3:45	Intermission.
4:10	School Survey, Chap. 7.....Mr. A. L. Fain
4:00	Music.....Wilson
5:00	Primary and Intermediate Discipline.....Miss Grace Cantrell
	High School Agriculture.....J. F. Priddy
WEDNESDAY FORENOON, DEC. 23	
9:00	Devotional.....Rev. Ruth
	Music.....
	Reading.....
	Song.....
9:50	School Survey, Chaps. 9 and 10.....Miss Anne Martin
10:00	Intermission.
11:00	Professional Period
	The Present Certificate Law.....Mr. A. J. Oliver
	Consolidation of Rural Schools.....R. B. Hood
AFTERNOON	
1:00	School Survey, Chaps. 11 and 12.....Miss Arah Phillips
2:00	Report of Committees.
2:30	Intermission.
2:45	Professional Period
	Athletics, Declamations, Contests.....Mr. Edwards
	Policies of State Superintendent.....Mr. Miller
	General Discussion.

### OFFICERS ELECTED AT MEETING OF METHODIST AUXILIARY

The election of officers was the business carried out at the regular meeting of the Methodist Missionary Auxiliary, which was held in the Rest Room at the courthouse last Monday afternoon at three o'clock. This meeting was marked with a splendid attendance, and proved to be one of the most interesting ones held throughout the year.

Following is a list of the officers to serve during the ensuing year: President, Mrs. J. B. Pickle; vice president, Mrs. Frank Reynolds; recording secretary, Mrs. E. M. LaBoff; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Fox Stripling; treasurer, Mrs. Ira Driver; superintendent of study, Mrs. Chas. Morris; superintendent of social service, Mrs. Clarence Shives; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. Burroughs; superintendent of publicity, Mrs. Chas. Yarnell; superintendent of local work, Mrs. T. E. Paylor; superintendent of treasurer, Mrs. W. A. Miller; superintendent of voice, Mrs. Musgroves.

The next regular meeting of the Auxiliary will be held in the Rest Room at three o'clock Monday afternoon for the study lesson, and all of the members are urged to attend this meeting.

### MRS. REAGAN TO MAKE REPORT AT JOINT MEETING OF P. T. A.

Mrs. B. Reagan, president of the High School Parent-Teacher Association, and who attended the State convention of P. T. A. at El Paso two weeks ago, will give a report of the work done at this convention at the joint meeting of the High School Parent-Teacher Association and the Junior High, which will be held at the Junior High school building at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, December 15. This report will be of interest to every parent, and a most cordial invitation is extended to everyone of them to come. Whether you are a member of the Parent-Teacher Association or not, you are extended a welcome to attend this meeting and hear the convention report made by Mrs. Reagan. Mrs. Reagan has given her report before a meeting of the members of the South Ward P. T. A., and those of you who did not get to hear her at this time are offered this splendid opportunity to hear her now. This will be the last time that Mrs. Reagan will make this talk, so every one come out to hear her report.

Since the H. S. P. T. A. is holding this joint meeting with the Junior

their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, but will hold their next meeting on the third Thursday in January, which will be January 21. All of the members and interested friends are urged to be present.

### "LIGHTNIN'" FAITHFUL TRANSCRIPTION OF STAGE PLAY

The photoplay version of John Golden's well known stage success, "Lightnin'" will be shown at the R. and R. Lyric theater Monday and Tuesday, December 14 and 15.

The William Fox production of the celebrated Frank Bacon play is extremely satisfying, and is a faithful adaptation of the original piece. It is well to say that the producer has not changed the story of Old Bill Jones. The compelling tale of "Lightnin'" Bill Jones' eccentricities is still there—not gushed up with a load of commonplace motion picture hokum. The picture is superior to the stage play because of the extensive opportunities for narration the studio possesses. A more complete story is presented by the photoplay version. A large number of theater goers familiar with Old Bill Jones, as created on the stage by the late Frank Bacon, Jay Hunt, in the same character in the picture, is a remarkable actor. He plays "Lightnin'" with a great understanding—the same whimsical old coddler that Bacon made him. The resemblance between Hunt and Bacon is little short of phenomenal, and this, in no little measure, adds to the enjoyment of the picture.

"Lightnin'" is a thoroughly enjoyable production, and the host of celebrities that fill the leading roles are all stars in their respective characterizations. Madge Bellamy, Wallace McDonald, J. Farrell MacDonald, Ethel Clayton, Richard Travers, Edythe Chapman, Brandon Hurst, and Oth Harlan fill the feature roles.

"Lightnin'" was adapted to the screen from the stage play by Frances Marjon and directed by John Ford, who was also responsible for the mighty epic, "The Iron Horse." Prices for this big attraction will be 20c for children, adults 50c.

### IMPROVING ROAD TO VEALMOOR

One of the county road construction gangs is to start near Fairview next Monday and rebuild the highway to the county line near Vealmoor. This is an important road and this is the first time it has been repaired in several years.

Order your Cakes now for Christ-

# CLASSIFIED ADS

## FOR SALE

**FOR SALE**—320 acres of a fine farming land as can be found in Texas, 5 miles southwest of Big Spring. Fine crop on this farm. All or part for sale by owner. For terms address J. D. WILLIAMS, Box 375, Colorado, Texas. 2-

**FOR SALE**—Collie pups; males \$6, females \$4. L. SIMPSON, G. C. Rt., Big Spring, Texas. 12-2

## HOME FOR SALE

A residence and 3 1-2 lots just south of High School for sale. For particulars phone 430 or see MORGAN MARTIN, at Wolcott Motor Co. 49-tf

## LAND FOR SALE

Have improved and unimproved good farming land for sale on very easy payments in Howard, Sterling and Martin counties. See T. S. CURRIE. 51tf

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—1923 model Maxwell touring car good as new, run about 6000 miles. Will sell worth the money or trade for property. See me at Bottling Works or see car at my home, 407 Nolan. S. B. STONE. 6-tf

**FARM**—480 acres, 4 1-2 miles west of Knott, Sandy loam, cat-claw land, 75 acres in cultivation, small house, good well stock water, fenced and cross fenced. Will sell in quarter sections. A bargain. Terms to suit purchaser. Address B. F. WILLS, Van Horn, Texas 6tf

**BUNDLE FEED AND MAIZE HEADS**—Good maize heads, and bundle feed for sale. Bundle feed to go at 5 cents per bundle in the field; 3 1-2 miles N. E. of Sparenberg. See or write R. M. SENTER, RFD 2, Lamesa, Texas. 104pd

**FEED**—Good headed maize, bundle feterita and sorghum, for sale. Also 4 good Jersey milk cows, for sale. Call at the home of C. M. PINKSTON, 1 mile south of Knott. 11-3t-pd

**LOTS**—For cash, lots 2, 2, block 4 Jones valley, Big Spring, Texas. Write A. Threewitt, Crosby, Texas. 12-3t-pd

**FOR SALE OR RENT**—640 acres, 12 miles north of Big Spring, Texas, suitable either for grazing or agriculture purposes. For sale by owner. For terms, address MRS. JENNIE McKIBBEN, Oneida, Illinois. 11-4tpd

**HOUSE**—Six-room residence on Scurry street in McEwell Heights, Phone 337 or see W. D. Green. 13tf

**FORD TRUCK**—A Ford truck in good condition for sale cheap. Phone 123 or see JOE EARLEY. 13-4tpd

**FARM**—160 acre farm, 75 acres in cultivation; team, wagon, cow, and feed, included, for sale. Price \$35 per acre, some terms. Located 3 miles north of Fairview. Write box 396, Big Spring, Texas. 13-2p

**FOR SALE CHEAP**—N. W. of 2. block 35, Rng. 1, N. Martin Co. Tex. R. P. HANDY, Oelwein, Ia. 134p

## FOR RENT

**LEASE OR SALE**—80 acres of land, new 4-room bungalow, good well water, 1 1-2 miles southeast of Big Spring to rent, lease or sell. Apply to WEB CHRISTIAN, Big Spring, Texas. 12-4t

**FOR RENT**—Comfortable upstairs apartment to rent to a couple. Very reasonable for the right party. Call at 403 Bell Street. 9tf

**ROOM**—One nicely furnished bedroom or two south rooms furnished for light housekeeping. Call at 406 Johnson St. 12-tf

**FARM**—640 acres, 3 1-2 miles south city limits Big Spring on Highway, good smooth level land, partly improved and in cultivation. Will cut in 160-acre blocks; good terms, or will trade for land on North Plains. L. B. WRIGHT, owner, Lubbock, Texas. 10-4tpd

**FOR RENT**—Nice apartment, for light housekeeping. Call at 503 Jack Street. 10-4tpd

**FOR RENT**—Furnished light-housekeeping rooms. Call at 507 Main, or phone 635. 1tpd

**RESIDENCE**—4-room residence and 5 1-2 lots in town of Coahoma for sale, at a bargain. See or write V. F. Roberts, Coahoma, Texas. 134

**ROOM**—Furnished bedroom for rent, or two rooms partially furnished for light housekeeping. Private entrance. Apply at 503 Runnels, or phone 660. 1t-

## WANTED

I have grass to pasture 175 head of cattle. PHILIP THOMPSON, Sterling City, Texas. 10-tf

**CATTLE WANTED**—I will buy anything in the cattle line that will ship. Will buy from 1 to 1000 head. Leave word at the West Texas National Bank or see me. DEB PRICE. Phone 633, Big Spring, Texas. 62-tf

**SALESMEN**—Magazine men, crew managers, district managers, organizers experienced on two pay plan, also special offers. Write or wire today for real proposition. State fully experience, Clyde A. Ramsey,

25-27 Opera Place, Cincinnati, Ohio.

**SALESMEN**—Experienced two payment magazine men to open office covering entire district. Full cooperation and protection. Sen \$1.00 for supplies and complete information. Clyde A. Ramsey, 25-27 Opera Place, Cincinnati, Ohio. 10-4t

**SEWING**—Mrs. E. L. Johnson, an experienced dressmaker, wishes to get sewing here. You will find her at Mrs. George Brown's home, 411 Bell St. 12-2tpd

**PLUMBING**—I am prepared to do your plumbing and steam fitting and do it right at a reasonable price. Phone 595. W. W. FISHER. 134p

## MISCELLANEOUS

**CEMENT WORK**—Am prepared to do all kinds of cement work, such as coping, walks, water troughs, tanks, etc. I refer you to any work I have done in this city as reference. A. B. WINSLOW.

**POSTED**—My pasture is posted according to law and hunting is prohibited. My friends are not going to trespass, and I expect to prosecute to the full extent of the law anyone caught hunting on my ranch. J. G. CARTER. 9-81-pd

**TO LET**—170 acres of good cat-claw land to let to a man for cultivation for what he can make out of it. Some grubbing to be done. Plenty of water on place; also good shack to live in. Phone 301 F-31, or write B. F. MILLER, Rt. 1 Box 36, Big Spring. 13-2tpd

## FOUND

**FOUND**—Three mules, one mare other two horse mules; one roan horse; one brown mare. Owner can secure same by calling at my place four miles north of Fairview and paying for the damages. D. L. SMITH. 1-pd

**STRAY MULE**—1 bay mare mule, 3 years old, 15 hands high, branded RX on left hip, has been at my place, 5 miles NE of Big Spring, past 3 weeks. Owner please call for animal. Rufus Davidson. 11pd

## LOST

**REWARD**—A bay pony about 14 1-2 hands high, 6 years old, no brands, split in left ear and saddle mark on right side, strayed from Waterworks pasture 6 weeks ago. Will pay \$5 for information leading to recovery. Phone 194. B. P. LOVELACE. 13-2pd

**REWARD**—A liberal reward will be paid for information leading to the whereabouts of a Shetland pony, which strayed from my home near the high school building on Saturday night. The pony is about 7 years old, about 4 feet high and is not branded. Please write or call W. MARTIN, Big Spring, Texas. 11pd

The Davis-Bassel meeting proving to be wonderfully successful. Great crowds are attending and responding to the Lord's call. Brother Homer Davis, preacher, and Elder B. R. Bassel, singer, are conducting this meeting in the White Tabernacle by the Central school. The services begin promptly at 7:20 each evening. The meeting will close Sunday night, December 13.

Bro. Davis and Bro. Bassel have been giving programs at the schools here during this week. Come, and bring others with you to this meeting every night. The services are short and interesting.

## A GOOD INVESTMENT

No dollar is better invested than that one which is spent to bring out your beauty, for it carries so many desirable things in its train—happiness, admiration and popularity, the things that make life truly worth living.

Start right now and bring out the beauty which has been hidden away behind a mask of sallow complexion, dull hair, lustreless eyes and sagging muscles. Our scientific facials produce results.

Special rates offered Monday and Tuesday each week. Facial and Manicure for only \$1.50.

Our marcel is the best, price \$1.50.

Student marcel, \$0.50. VOGUE BEAUTY SHOPPE, Phone 147.

## CITY TAX LIST READY; COME AND PAY NOW

The City Secretary announces that the city tax rolls are now ready, and requests that you come now and pay your taxes. If you start now, it will do away with the jam and rush later on when the time limit is almost up. There is no necessity in delaying longer, when you have them to pay, and it will help very much if a few of you call daily from now on. The next time it is convenient for you, come down and pay your city taxes.

## FOOD SALE AT GARY'S

The ladies of the West Side Circle of the Methodist church will conduct a food sale at Gary's store on Saturday, Dec. 12. Come and buy your Sunday supplies. All kinds of good home made cakes, pies, and other good eatables.

Arthur Woodall returned Monday from Hidalgo, in the Rio Grande Valley, where he had been summoned by the illness of his brother, Dr. Woodall.

## COUNTRY SCHOOLS RESPOND IN SALE OF HEALTH SEALS

Miss Lillian Frances Gary, general chairman of the Christmas Health Seals, made personal visits to many of the schools in Howard county the forepart of this week, to launch the sale of these seals with the children in the country and to give them an opportunity to have their part in the worldwide movement of fighting tuberculosis. A most favorable response was obtained in every place that was visited, and in almost every instance one hundred per cent of the students in every school pledged their support in furthering this sale.

The pupils at the Moore school have broken the record with their sales, having already totalled over seven dollars, and asked for more. The principal of the school, Mrs. D. F. Mims, ordered from the Health Department at Sanatorium, Texas, the little Primers on Tuberculosis, and has supplied each of the students of the school with one, and lessons from these are given in connection with their Health book. Leo Forrest and Miss Alice Pickle, other teachers at Moore, are encouraging the pupils in this fight against tuberculosis, by pushing the sale of the seals. A prize will be awarded to the room who makes the greatest amount of sales, and so far, Mr. Forrest's pupils have this honor, Miss Opal White selling more seals than any other one pupil in the school.

Miss Arah Phillips, principal of the Highway school, asked Miss Gary to present the plan to the pupils of her school, and let them decide whether or not they felt that they could help in this great cause. Miss Gary explained what the Christmas Seals are, why they are sold, and just how much they aid in stamping out the dreaded disease. The pupils gave a most encouraging response, and they kept five dollars worth of the seals to dispose of in their homes or in that community.

"How many of you know someone who is suffering from tuberculosis and know what a terrible disease it really is?" asked Miss Gary when talking to the students at the Knott school. Almost everyone present signified in the affirmative to the former question, and each one seemed to grasp the real spirit of the sale, and wanted to help in relieving the suffering of others. This school took five dollars worth of the Health Seals to sell, and with the cooperation from all of the schools, supporting the worthy cause like the pupils at Knott promise, the quota will go over the top.

Miss Ann Martin, principal of the Fairview school, and Miss Berdie Shockey, called their pupils into an assembly to hear Miss Gary's appeal for their support in the Health Seal Campaign, and the pupils most attentively listened to her plea, and in response signified that they could do as much as the other schools had promised to do. The youngsters at this school were highly engaged in practicing their Christmas program, which will be given at the school house on Wednesday night before Christmas.

The valuable work of selling Health Seals was announced to the pupils at the Elbow school on Monday afternoon by Miss Gary, and the principal of the school, Mrs. J. F. Sellers, and also Mrs. Ermine Woodard gave Miss Gary an opportunity to tell the students the purpose of the sale, and what an important part they could play in helping promote the good work. "The larger the sale of Christmas Seals, the greater will be the health work that can be carried on next year, and each penny's worth that you sell will help just that much." The pupils assured Miss Gary that they could handle five dollars worth in their community and would endeavor to sell even more.

The lovely new building, known as the Cauble school, with Miss Mae Lytell principal and Miss Mildred Rogers, primary teacher, and a host of smiling young faces, extended a most hearty welcome to the visitor, who came to tell them of the big fight that was being waged on tuberculosis, by all of the school children selling Health Seals. The pupils became intensely interested in what Miss Gary had to say, and at the conclusion of her talk, she left with the students five dollars worth of seals for them to dispose of.

It is Miss Gary's intention to make visits to the other schools in the county before the campaign closes and make another earnest appeal for the loyal support of every child in school. More people can be reached through the children than any other way, and their help in this great cause each year is what puts the thing over in a big way.

**SPECTACLES AND EYE GLASSES**—We sell 'em for less, and guarantee to please. GEO. L. WILKE, Registered Optician.

James Wilson left Thursday morning for a visit in Dallas.

## FREE! FREE!



Will give away one pair of silk hose with each pair of Douglas shoes—to the first 50 customers on Saturday, December 12.



The prices on Douglas shoes is \$5, \$6 and \$7. Come in early and get your silk socks free.

**Williams D. G. Co.**  
219 Main St. — Big Spring, Texas

Red Steele of Midland was a visitor here Wednesday.

There will be a Gift Shop at Smith's "M" System—advertisement.

Perry Rice returned Monday from a visit in Altus, Oklahoma.

Try that Good Amary's Flour, Smith's "M" System—advertisement.

F. P. Woodson of Coahoma was a business visitor here Thursday.

Sam Weaver leaves this evening for a business trip to Fort Worth.

Do your Christmas shopping at Smith's "M" System—advertisement.

Ivory Sets \$15 to \$50. See these while the line is complete. Clyde Fox.

Miss Emily Bradley left last Friday evening for a visit with friends in Abilene.

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Spectacles and eyeglasses are cheaper at WILKE'S than anywhere else in town—advertisement.

Miss Estelle and Madge Petty left Thursday morning for a month's visit in Brownwood and Cross Plains.

All our Ladies Wrist Watches are guaranteed to give satisfaction or your money back. Clyde Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Hamill of Fort Stockton arrived Wednesday evening for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Jones.

Mrs. J. H. Hurt left Monday for a few days visit with her daughter, Mrs. Jno. B. Thomas and family at Midland.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Leeper of Fort Worth arrived Tuesday for a visit with relatives and friends in this city.

J. C. Billingsley of Dawson county passed through this city Wednesday enroute home from a visit to Winters, Texas.

We test your eyes free and fit glasses from 50c up. Those generally retailing for \$5.00—now \$1.50. WILKE, Graduate Optometrist.

Lon J. Geer of Sweetwater, district manager of the West Texas Electric Co., was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Help the Methodist ladies by attending their food sale on Saturday at Gary's store. All kinds of good eats for Sunday.

The special investigator sent from Washington, D. C. who has made an investigation of affairs in Texas declares there was no shortage in federal funds for Texas roads.

Baxter James of Dallas, travelling time card inspector, for the Texas & Pacific Ry., held a time card examination at the Y. M. C. A. Wednesday. This meeting was for employees of the Texas & Pacific Ry.

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Best season in ground in ten years. No communities and few homes enough home grown fruit.

Peaches, Plums, Pears, Figs, Nectar Pecans, Jujubes, Berries, and other fruit

We have new sure-bearing varieties the old standards.

Evergreens, Flowering Shrubs, Hardy Climate-proof Native Shrubs other ornamentals.

Plans for properly planting Grounds sent by mail. Write for instructions.

Catalog free. We pay express, satisfaction guaranteed. Information given.

F. T. RAMSEY & SON  
Austin, Texas Since

## TEXAS TYPE OF MONSTER LOCOMOTIVES RECEIVED

Following is the description of one of the T. & P. monster type locomotives which arrived in our city recently to be operated on this line of the T. & P. A. P. Pendergast, superintendent of the T. & P. designed these engines.

The engines are what is known as the 2-10-4 type and have a booster attachment on the articulated rear section. The fire box has a heating space of 100 square feet and the engine is fed by fuel oil, the boiler carrying a pressure of 250 pounds of steam. The whistle is blown by the pressure of a button the same as an automobile, and the engine is controlled in many parts by the use of air appliances. The engine is fed by hot water instead of cold from a feed water heater that heats the water to 205 degrees, forced into the boiler by a duplex pump. The thermic siphons in the fire box section not only increase the boiler capacity, but also serve as a safety appliance in reducing the probability of boiler explosion when the water may become low from any cause. The locomotives have many new appliances and differ in appearance from any other locomotive on the road.

The big engine and tender together is 93 feet 8 inches in length and weighs 711,700 pounds with a tractive power of 97,000 pounds.

The tank has capacity for 5,000 gallons of oil, enough to run from Texarkana to El Paso, and 15,000 gallons of water, enough to supply the big machine to Fort Worth. The cost of each engine is said to be \$100,000.

Ear ache remedy. We have one worth while. . . . Cunningham & Phillips.

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## METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, December 13  
Be sure to attend Sunday School and church. We give you an invitation to be with us.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.  
Morning worship 11 a. m.  
Subject of sermon "Temptation."  
Epworth League 6 p. m.  
Evening worship 7:15. Theme for sermon: "Matchless Love."

Prompt services. A cordial welcome.  
W. C. Hinds, Pastor.

## WORTH THE MONEY

Grapefruit, three for . . . . .35c  
Green beans, 20c, two for . . . . .35c  
Soap and Washing Power . . . . .  
\$1.30 worth for . . . . . \$1.00

10-lb. prunes . . . . . \$1.25  
4-lb. raisins . . . . . \$1.00  
1 doz. Libby's Pork & Beans \$1.15  
Full gallon pickles . . . . . \$1.00

P. & F. COMPANY

**SHOES & HARNES REPAIRED**  
I am now prepared to repair shoes, harness, etc. Prompt work and satisfaction guaranteed. The Electric Shoe Shop, J. T. McCrary, Proprietor, On West First Street, just east of Herald office. 13-3

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## EPWORTH LEAGUE

Next Sunday, Dec. 13, be a district meet of the Leagues of this district. Everyone is invited and like for Big Spring to be showing than any of towns there.

The League attendees kept up very well until when it fell below the average one came next Sunday.

With our new pastor, we expect to accomplish as he takes a great deal in our young people and Mr. Hinds has started a campaign which will improve later on.

Regardless of the moro, we will have our program Sunday night at 6 o'clock.

Subject—Bible Principles to Christian Giving.

Leader—Elizabeth Crook.

Song—Scripture Reading, Lu. Prayer.

Daily Bible Readings. Song.

Improper Motives Giving—Hazel Line.

Proper Motives in Christian Giving—Mildred Rogers.

Song—Reading—T. B. Reeves Announcements.

Benediction.

## DELPHIAN CHAPTER

The Delphian Society Mrs. Milner hosted for was a well attended and enjoyable meeting. In addition to the Advisory Board, three members were appointed being to create more interest in contributing responsibility to the community.

The next meeting will be awarded to the vote of the chapter succeeding the most successful.

These new committees a tennance Committee, a Committee, and the committee, which will be fifteen minute social other meeting. The change to have an art spring by collecting and this will include the community.

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# Fill Your Pantry

With good things to eat at right prices

Saturday, Dec. 12, Monday, Dec. 14,  
Tuesday, Dec. 15, we offer quality  
merchandise at the following prices:

- SKINNED, per pound ..... 28c
- SLICED, No. 2 1-2 can ..... 26c
- White Swan, No. 2 can ..... 17c
- Crushed, tall can ..... 19c
- Crystal White, 25 bars ..... \$1.00

All of the above subject to stock.  
You will find at this store the best flour  
money can buy  
easy to shop and easy on your purse

SMITH'S



Big  
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## MEETING AT COAHOMA

Presbyterian District meeting at Coahoma, Texas, Tuesday, Dec. 11, with visitors from College Spring in attendance. Members of the Presbyterian church in this city were guests at this occasion. A dinner was served the evening of the Coahoma ladies, following an interesting program given. Leon Moffet of College Spring in attendance. The church has helped me. Reverend of the Colorado Presbyterian, talked to the group and why we should survey of the Home Mission of El Paso, was given by superintendent of headquarters in a general round table discussed the addresses at many problems of the district meeting. This district meeting was: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harding, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. S. Curran, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Tammitt and children, W. L. Owen.

## ALL THE CHILDREN WRITE SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

It is a very short time now until Santa Claus will be here with his bag of toys, and when he comes he will want to know what each good little boy will want left in his stocking or hung on the Christmas tree. In order that Santa Claus will know exactly what to bring to Big Spring with him, the Herald is going to ask them to write him letters. Address them in care of us, and we will publish them each week. Some little boys and girls have mailed us letters this week, and they will appear in print in our next issue. Hurry and send them in for it is only a short time, and none of you want to be disappointed on Christmas morning.

## SPECTACLES AND EYE GLASSES

We sell 'em for less, and guarantee to please. GEO. L. WILKE, Registered Optician.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harding and son, Fay, returned Monday from Lubbock, where they had been for the last three weeks at the bedside of Mr. Harding's sister, Miss Martha Harding, who has been critically ill with pneumonia. She was much improved when they left Lubbock, and is expected to be able to be up again shortly.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Robinson of Toyah, enroute to Fort Worth, Oxford, La., and Miami, Florida, for a month's visit with relatives and friends, spent several days in the city this week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Can Powell, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Tammitt and other relatives.

Spectacles and eyeglasses are cheaper at WILKE'S than anywhere else in town. advertisement.

The Texas Camp Fire Girls will sell Christmas Health Seals all day Saturday. The proceeds from the sale will be used to help blot out Tuberculosis in America. Do your bit by buying seals.



## FEDERATION PARTY HELD AT Y. M. C. A. LAST FRIDAY

The beautiful and colorful suggestions of the approaching Christmas was the inspiration for the lovely decorations used in adorning the entertaining rooms at the Y. M. C. A. on last Friday afternoon, when the officers of the Federation and members entertained in honor of the Eleventh Birthday anniversary of the City Federation. Shaggy chrysanthemums massed in vases and jardiniere lent the floral effect used in the decorations, and brilliant poinsettias, wreaths, streamers emblematic of the Yuletide season, draped the windows. A cozy atmosphere was created by the two flickering fires in the fireplaces, which cast a soft radiance over the festive scene.

Between the hours of three and five, the friends who called were entertained in this environment of rare charm. Greetings were extended by Mrs. L. L. Freeman, president of the Federation, and Mrs. Chas. Koberg, with the other officers of the organization assisting in entertaining.

A most delightful program consisting of songs, readings, and musical selections was given throughout the hours, and each one participating responded most kindly to encores. Mrs. Chas. Morris played several piano selections. Mrs. V. H. Flewelling and Miss Otero Lloyd gave vocal numbers, and Mrs. Piddly and Mrs. McLennan rendered delightful readings.

The lovely birthday cake, topped with eleven candles, was placed on a beautifully appointed table, guarded on each side by tall red candles in handsome candle sticks. Here, Mrs. H. DeVries presided over the wish book, and had each guest write in it good wishes for the Federation. Passing to either side, from here, the guests went to the tea tables, where from lovely service, Mrs. Sam Hall and Mrs. Bernard Fisher poured tea, which was served with sandwiches, olives and sweet wafers.

This was the first birthday party ever given in honor of the City Federation, and it is hoped that because of the thorough delightfulness of the affair that it will become an annual custom.

## AN ATTRACTIVE CHRISTMAS PARTY TUESDAY AFTERNOON

The Whatsoever Circle entertained the members of the other Presbyterian circles with a beautiful Christmas party at the home of Mrs. J. L. McDowell last Tuesday afternoon. This was an unselfish Christmas affair, as each guest and the hostesses brought gifts for the Mexican girls in the Presbyterian Mexican School at Taft, Texas, and no gifts at all for themselves. After the crowd had gathered and chatted awhile, the double doors between the dining room and reception hall were thrown open and a lovely Christmas scene was revealed. A beautiful little tree on the dining table, all decorated with bright ornaments, and the windows, walls and buffet adorned with Christmas bells, poinsettias, and red and green garlands, all presented a very festive appearance.

Little Miss Virginia Cushing, attired as a little Mexican girl stepped forward and recited a most appropriate poem composed by her mother, Mrs. W. F. Cushing, whom the Whatsoevers are proud to claim as one of their number. The guests then gathered around the tree, and eagerly examined the many dainty and useful gifts. Some of the packages were done up so beautifully that in spite of woman's curiosity, it was decided to let them be sent unopened. The homefolks were not entirely overlooked, for each one received a stick of candy. Refreshments of sandwiches, olives and tea were served.

It is hoped that the Mexican maidens at the school receive as much pleasure from the box when it reaches them, as the ladies who attended this party obtained in preparing it.

## UNCLE JACK WILSON HONORED AT DINNER PARTY

A. J. "Uncle Jack" Wilson, was the guest of honor at a dinner held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wilson on Sunday, December 6, when relatives and a few friends gathered there to celebrate his 87th birthday anniversary, and his 25th anniversary as a native of Texas.

Uncle Jack was born in Jackson County, Alabama, on Dec. 8, 1838, moving to Texas, in December 1899, and living in Eastland county, until he moved to Howard county in 1905.

and served to sixty-three guests, those being: Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Hull and two children; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Fryar and baby; Mr. and Mrs. Allen Rogers; W. C. Rogers; Miss Lillie Hollis of the Salem community; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fryar and children; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rogers and children; Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Fryar and baby; Esta Mae Woods of the Fairview community; Mrs. Green Hull and son; Mr. and Mrs. Riley Hull and baby of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Wilson and brother; Mr. and Mrs. Tom G. Grace; Albert Wilson and sons; Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Hull and son; Vere McHee; Margarita Leach of Colorado; Mrs. J. E. Montith and daughter of Big Lake. Mrs. J. W. Fryar and Mrs. J. E. Montith were the only children present at this happy occasion with their father.

## CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY WITH PARTY

Charles Ray Settles was the happy little host on last Thursday afternoon, when he entertained a group of little friends at the home of his parents. Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Settles, in celebration of his sixth birthday anniversary. The merry group of youngsters assembled and played games until they were invited into the dining room. Here a beautiful scene awaited their eager eyes. The dining table was prettily decorated with miniature baskets filled with candy, and centering it was the birthday cake, which held the candles all alight. Each little guest blew out a candle, and made a wish for the happiness of the host.

Those present at this delightful hour with Charles Ray were: Jake Bishop Jr., George Wesley Paylor, Frances Cathryn Paylor, Preston Lovelace, Gene Hardy Flewelling, Billie Bess Shives, Edith Dow Cordill, Charles Yarnell, Lulu Hatch Ashley, and Olie Cordill Jr.

## WORTHWHILE GIRLS ENTERTAINED

Miss Ida Lee Landis was the delightful hostess at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Jones, Monday evening, when she entertained the members of the Worthwhile Girls.

A discussion of what the class should contribute to the Orphans Home was held, and everyone agreed to send toys. The remainder of the time was spent in talk, laughter, games and music, at the close of which were served refreshments, consisting of sandwiches, olives, hot chocolate and wafers.

Those participating in this splendid entertainment were: Mrs. B. Reagan; the members of the class: Misses Maude Estes, Juanita Ralph, Arthur Hawk, Grace Hatchel, Lillie Opal Fitzgerald, Mary Cavanaugh, Marguerite Burns, Elizabeth Barton and Mamie Leach.

The members of the class were honored with the presence of the following guests: Mary Happel, Burnice Burroughs, Julia Bess Nowell, Helen Reagan, Nell Brown, Lillian Shick and Alice Graham Bishop.

## CHRISTMAS MOTIF USED PRETTILY AT ROOK PARTY

The Yuletide motif was prettily expressed in the decorations used in the rooms on last Thursday afternoon, when members of the Thursday Rook Club were the guests of Mrs. J. T. Bell. Colorful poinsettias and other adornment symbolic of the holiday season made a pretty setting in which the tables were arranged for the playing of a series of games. At the end of the play Mrs. H. M. Williamson and Mrs. Chas. Koberg had tied for the honor of club top score, and visitors high score was made by Mrs. Felton Smith.

At the refreshment hour, a two course luncheon, further carrying out the Christmas motif, was served. The menu consisted of Poinsettia salad, chicken sandwiches, olives, sweet pickles, plum pudding and hot coffee. Plate favors passed to each guest were Christmas-baskets filled with dainty and varicolored candies.

## TEXAS CAMP FIRE GIRLS

The Texas Camp Fire Girls held their meeting at the Junior High School building Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 8, with twenty-nine members present. Plans for selling Red Cross Christmas Seals on Saturday 11, were made following which an interesting story from the "Every Girls Magazine" was read. The members of this organization expect to sell a large number of Seals on Saturday, and they request the support of ev-

## County Teachers Institute

Following is the Program for the Howard County Teachers Institute, to be held at Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 19 to 23, inclusive:

MONDAY FORENOON, DEC. 31	
9:00	Music.....Miss Anne Owen
	Devotional.....Rev. Stedman
	Welcome.....Mayor Thomas
	Response.....Mrs. Priddy
10:00	Intermission.
10:15	Address, "The Bible in the Public School".....Rev. Heard.
	Organization.
AFTERNOON	
1:00	Music.....Miss Willis
	Reading.....Local Teacher
	Song.....Goodpastor, Hardy
1:30	School Survey.....Chap. 1, W. F. Cox; Chap. 2, H. R. Debenport.
2:30	Intermission.
2:45	Professional Period.....Entire Institute
	Subject, Spelling in Primary Intermediate.....Miss Bacon
	Reading in Primary and Intermediate.....Miss Bacon
3:45	Intermission.
4:00	School Survey, Vol. 8, Chap. 3.....John Priddy
5:00	Professional Period
	Primary and Intermediate Numbers.....Misses Mann and Antley
	High School English in Rural High Schools.....Miss C. Pool
TUESDAY FORENOON, DECEMBER 22	
9:00	Devotional.....Rev. Hinds
9:20	Music.....Prof. Dawes
	Reading.....Miss Reagan
	Song.....Prof. Dawes
9:45	School Survey, Vol. 8, Chap. 4.....C. W. Roberts
10:45	Intermission.
11:00	Address.....Rev. Owen
FORENOON	
1:00	Music.....Mrs. John Priddy
	Reading.....Mrs. John Priddy
1:30	Professional Period
	Writing and Drawing.....Miss Gilla Lawrence
2:30	Intermission.
2:45	Affiliating Country and Town Schools.....Prof. Bittle
3:45	Intermission.
4:10	School Survey, Chap. 7.....Mr. A. L. Fain
4:00	Music.....Wilson
5:00	Primary and Intermediate Disciplines.....Miss Grace Cantrell
	High School Agriculture.....J. F. Priddy
WEDNESDAY FORENOON, DEC. 23	
9:00	Devotional.....Rev. Ruth
	Music.....
	Reading.....
	Song.....
9:50	School Survey, Chaps. 9 and 10.....Miss Anne Martin
10:00	Intermission.
11:00	Professional Period
	The Present Certificate Law.....Mr. A. J. Oliver
	Consolidation of Rural Schools.....R. B. Hood
AFTERNOON	
1:00	School Survey, Chaps. 11 and 12.....Miss Arah Phillips
2:00	Report of Committees.
2:30	Intermission.
2:45	Professional Period
	Athletics, Declamations, Contests.....Mr. Edwards
	Policies of State Superintendent.....Mr. Miller
	General Discussion.

## OFFICERS ELECTED AT MEET OF METHODIST AUXILIARY

The election of officers was the business carried out at the regular meeting of the Methodist Missionary Auxiliary, which was held in the Rest Room at the courthouse last Monday afternoon at three o'clock. This meeting was marked with a splendid attendance, and proved to be one of the most interesting ones held throughout the year.

Following is a list of the officers to serve during the ensuing year: President, Mrs. J. B. Pickle; vice president, Mrs. Frank Reynolds; recording secretary, Mrs. E. M. LaBoff; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Fox Stripling; treasurer, Mrs. Ira Driver; superintendent of study, Mrs. Chas. Morris; superintendent of social service, Mrs. Clarence Shives; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. Burroughs; superintendent of publicity, Mrs. Chas. Yarnell; superintendent of local work, Mrs. T. E. Paylor; superintendent of treasurer, Mrs. W. A. Miller; superintendent of voice, Mrs. Musgroves.

The next regular meeting of the Auxiliary will be held in the Rest Room at three o'clock Monday afternoon for the study lesson, and all of the members are urged to attend this meeting.

## MRS. REAGAN TO MAKE REPORT AT JOINT MEETING OF P. T. A.

Mrs. B. Reagan, president of the High School Parent-Teacher Association, and who attended the State convention of P. T. A. at El Paso two weeks ago, will give a report of the work done at this convention at the joint meeting of the High School Parent-Teacher Association and the Junior High, which will be held at the Junior High school building at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, December 15. This report will be of interest to every parent, and a most cordial invitation is extended to everyone of them to come. Whether you are a member of the Parent-Teacher Association or not, you are extended a welcome to attend this meeting and hear the convention report made by Mrs. Reagan. Mrs. Reagan has given her report before a meeting of the members of the South Ward P. T. A., and those of you who did not get to hear her at this time are offered this splendid opportunity to hear her now. This will be the last time that Mrs. Reagan will make this talk, so every one come out to hear her report.

Since the H. S. P. T. A. is holding this joint meeting with the Junior

their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, but will hold their next meeting on the third Thursday in January, which will be January 21. All of the members and interested friends are urged to be present.

## "LIGHTNIN'" FAITHFUL TRANSCRIPTION OF STAGE PLAY

The photoplay version of John Golden's well known stage success, "Lightnin'" will be shown at the B. and R. Lyric theater Monday and Tuesday, December 14 and 15.

The William Fox production of the celebrated Frank Bacon play is extremely satisfying, and is a faithful adaptation of the original piece. It is well to say that the producer has not changed the story of Old Bill Jones. The compelling tale of "Lightnin'" Bill Jones' eccentricities is still there—not gushed up with a load of commonplace motion picture hokum. The picture is superior to the stage play because of the extensive opportunities for narration the studio possesses. A more complete story is presented by the photoplay version.

A large number of theater goers are familiar with Old Bill Jones, as created on the stage by the late Frank Bacon. Jay Hunt, in the same character in the picture, is a remarkable actor. He plays "Lightnin'" with a great understanding—the same whimsical old coddler that Bacon made him. The resemblance between Hunt and Bacon is little short of phenomenal, and this, in no little measure, adds to the enjoyment of the picture.

"Lightnin'" is a thoroughly enjoyable production, and the host of celebrities that fill the leading roles are all stars in their respective characterizations.

Madge Bellamy, Wallace McDonald, J. Farrell MacDonald, Ethel Clayton, Richard Travers, Edythe Chapman, Brandon Hurst, and Otha Harlan fill the feature roles.

"Lightnin'" was adapted to the screen from the stage play by Frances Marion and directed by John Ford, who was also responsible for the mighty epic, "The Iron Horse." Prices for this big attraction will be 20c for children, adults 50c.

## IMPROVING ROAD TO VEALMOOR

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### Sipping, Like the Tasters

By EDGAR T. MONTFORT

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**TASTER:** One who tests the quality of teas, etc., by tasting, for trade purposes. Persons who engage in this work can only pursue it for a short time as the constant repetition of new flavors confuses the taste senses.

Jim Langston tossed his cigarette stub in the direction of the waste basket and leaned forward in his chair, his face tense as he stared at the rug at his feet. For five years he had been a business tramp—a hobo in the world of affairs. He had drifted from one thing to another. After graduating from college he had gone into the office of a real estate man. A few months and he was fired. Next came bonds. He had no facility for meeting people and persuading them to hand over their money. Certainly he was no salesman, and after weeks of struggle he found that he had earned exactly \$48.50 in commissions. One thing after another he tried—more real estate, insurance, pianos, vitamins. He liked music. Then back to bonds again and out again.

"I'm bitterly disappointed, son," his mother had said. "I was sure that it was just the work for you. There is something so dignified and gentlemanly about the bond business."

"Dignified and gentlemanly, thunder! You know what I always wanted to do."

Mrs. Langston merely shrugged. "We won't talk about that any more. I've suffered enough already."

After many wire pullings and using all the influence she had Mrs. Langston succeeded in getting a position for Jim in a bank, the president of which was a friend of hers.

"I'll be glad to give him a trial, Mrs. Langston," Mr. Miller had said, "but he'll have to make good if he hopes to stay here. Pull may help a young man to get a position but it won't help him to hold it in the business world today. There are too many hustling young fellows aching for the chance to make good."

"Oh, I'm not uneasy about Jim," Mrs. Langston had said with a slight hauteur in her voice. But Mr. Miller did not respond very heartily to her remark.

"Well, we'll see how he gets along. Send him down Monday morning." He rose and bowed her to the door.

The work at the bank was chiefly clerical and Jim was not clerically inclined. Miss Margaret Wallace, secretary to the president and pretty, watched him with sympathetic interest. The third week she was an unwilling spectator of the abrupt dismissal of Mr. Jim Langston.

As he passed out of the president's office Margaret managed to slip out with him.

"Please ask me to lunch with you this afternoon. I want to talk," she said.

So they lunched together. "I'm glad old Miller fired you," was her opening remark. "And now, Jim, I want you to find out what you want to do and do it."

"Find out! I know what I want to do all right," he burst out bitterly. "But mother'd go up in smoke if I tried it."

"What is it, Jim?" She leaned forward eagerly, her face alight with interest.

"I want to be a wholesale commission merchant and sell farmers' products; an honest one—one who won't cheat people who don't know enough about the market to protect themselves."

He stopped suddenly confused by his own enthusiasm, and waited for her to speak.

"Why, Jim, I think that's just wonderful. That's what you must do. Let's think now. . . . Suppose we get Mr. Miller not to tell your mother you're fired until you get a good start at your new work?"

"That would be splendid. I could begin tomorrow. There's an old empty building I've been watching for weeks down at Broad street and Seventh I could use as my warehouse. I would start out on a small scale and work up. And you could be official adviser. If I could come over about twice a week and talk things over. . . ."

"I'd love to have you."

"Partners then. Shake." He held his hand across the table and almost crushed hers in his enthusiasm.

The first few months were hard sledding but after a while things went better. His reputation and experience grew and business increased and at the end of four months he had earned more than he had in any one whole year of his previous careers.

"I'm so glad we had lunch together that day," sighed Margaret happily one evening as they sat talking things over.

"So am I! My account would show a deficit of one perfectly good business, one contented soul and one absolutely indispensable little partner and sweetheart."

"Who said anything about sweetheart?" she countered mischievously.

"I did," he replied, "and I'm the boss of this concern."

"Isn't it funny," said Margaret reminiscently, after a while, "how one man prospers in one calling and another in another, and there's never any telling why?"

"It may be funny, but it's true," he answered soberly. "Unless we find what we want to do and do it, we drift around in the business world sipping here and there like the tasters, and losing our enthusiasm for all things."

### Who Won Those Bets

By H. IRVING KING

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**JOHN CRAMNER** asked Amelia Washburn to be his wife and she said to him nay. "Oh, what do I care?" thought Johnny to himself. "I'll look around—go for a trip abroad maybe. I'll find some girl who can appreciate a first-class offer of marriage."

And Amelia thought: "Johnny Cramner always was a conceited creature. Why, he acted as if he thought I would drop into his mouth like a ripe plum. This will teach him a lesson. There are plenty of young men fully as desirable as Johnny."

The fact was that, in addition to being naturally endowed with the gift of self-appreciation, Amelia and Johnny had been brought up to think extremely well of themselves. On the night of his rejection by Amelia John sought out a disreputable friend of his with whom he played cards until all hours in the morning. To this friend he confided the fact that Amelia Washburn had rejected him.

"Heart broken?" inquired the friend.

"Not a crack," replied Johnny.

"Then it's your vanity that has been wounded," declared the friend. "Some thing is worrying you."

"Nonsense," cried Johnny. "I haven't any vanity and nothing is worrying me. Deal the cards."

Amelia's sleep was broken that night. She was afraid she had not been gentle enough in her dismissal of Johnny—but then, he only got what he deserved. No, she did not regret her action in the least. She would not marry John Cramner if he asked her fifty times. She could look higher, she hoped. At breakfast the next morning she reminded her father of that trip to California upon which he had been promising to take her. And, the idea falling in with the father's inclinations, it was agreed that they should start for the Climate state at once.

"It is high time I was considering the subject of matrimony," she told her father. "The first thing you know you will have an old maid on your hands. I want to look around the world and see people, and pick out a suitable person for a husband."

"Well, look around then," replied Washburn. "See the many men of many climes; but I bet you a new car you marry a New York man after all."

"Against that car I'll bet you a new hat that I pick up a husband in my travels," retorted Amelia.

"I am going to sail on the Platonic next Wednesday," Johnny told his friend. "I shall take a good look about the world and probably bring back a wife with me when I return. I am tired of a single life—it's time I settled down."

"Bet you a hundred you come back single as you depart," said the friend.

"Bet you the same I find a wife abroad," said Johnny. And so it happened that while Amelia was speeding West by train, Johnny was speeding East by steamer, both on a similar mission. When Johnny had tired of Europe he went on to India and beyond. And when Amelia had tired of the Pacific coast she pushed on to the Hawaiian Islands and beyond.

Kipling has said that "East is East and West is West, and never the twain shall meet." But he was wrong about that—geographically, at any rate. They meet at the one hundred and eightieth degree of longitude, about half way across the Pacific, where you gain a day or lose a day, depending upon which direction you are traveling. Also if one person starts west and keeps going, and another starts east and keeps going, there is every chance that they will meet somewhere on the trip. And thus it happened that Johnny and Amelia met in Tokyo, at an exceedingly expensive hotel and were actually glad to see each other.

A whole year had passed since that little proposal and rejection affair of theirs, and if you had witnessed their meeting you would have supposed that they had forgotten all about the trifling incident. But they hadn't—and each was exceedingly curious to know if the other had been married, become engaged, or fallen in love in the meantime. Amelia was the first to exhibit her laudable curiosity. "Are you still unmarried?" she asked lightly.

"Yes," replied Johnny; "and you—are you Miss Washburn still?"

"I am," she replied calmly.

"Amelia," began Johnny earnestly, "just one year ago—" She looked at him keenly. There could be no doubt what he was going to say—he was going to renew that year-old proposal of his.

Amelia grasped the situation in an instant and broke in hastily: "You asked me if I was still Miss Washburn. I am—but I shall not be so very long. I think I expect to be married as soon as I return to New York."

Johnny sat silent for a long time and then asked dolefully: "May I ask who is the fortunate man?"

"Why," laughed Amelia, "it's you—your goose. I have reconsidered my refusal of last year."

Now that is all right, and as it should be—but who was those bets?

#### Entirely Personal

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She—Don't like absurd. I've no fault to find with the ring!

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We are still making lots of mattresses. J. R. CREATH. 11

P. G. Stokes was here from Slaton the forepart of the week.

Judge J. L. Shepherd of Cisco was a business visitor here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ricker left Sunday for a visit in New Braunfels.

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R. P. Ricker and Calvin Griffin of San Angelo were business visitors here this week.

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Ray Wilcox returned Wednesday morning from a business trip to Houston.

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Ben Toney of Lamoca is here for a visit with J. J. Sligh and family. Mr. Toney is an uncle of Mrs. Sligh.

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#### PRESBYTERIAN AUX.

The Auxiliary will meet at 3 o'clock. All members to attend. The following will be rendered.

Hymn—All Hail the Jesus' Name.

Devotional—Mrs. Mann.

Roll Call—Answer with missionary to Mexico.

Graybill Memorial School.

Cushing.

Mexican Marriage—Mrs. Poem—Our Call to Mrs. Barnett.

Christmas Story—Mrs. Dowell.

Hymn—Mrs. Owen.

Prayer—Mrs. Owen.

L. E. Dix of Dallas, fuel for the Texas & Pacific fuel conservation meeting M. C. A. Tuesday night. railroad men were present.

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### Provisions of the Will

By CLARISSA MACKIE

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OLD Judge Kimber settled his gold spectacles firmly on his bony nose and regarded the three heirs of his deceased client, Alexander Dilway, with puzzled eyes.

"Ahem, I may say that I am astonished at the conditions of this will, which must have been drawn up by Mr. Dilway, during my absence in Europe last summer. Two years ago, he made a will in which he divided his estate into three parts, leaving his homestead and a generous income to his cousin, Sophia Laddlaw," he bowed toward the shabbily dressed little woman on his right. "The rest of the estate was evenly divided between these distant young cousins, Charlotte Dilway West and Robert Alex. Dilway. It was his desire that these distant young cousins keep the money intact by marrying each other."

Sophia Laddlaw clucked her tongue sympathetically, for, old maid that she was, she believed that every woman should have the right of choice of her future mate. "That was just like Alexander Dilway, planning somebody else's life for 'em," she brooded. She had often thought of the Dilway homestead where her grandfather lived. There she could give up dressmaking, and live restfully on the income, but she suddenly leaned forward because the judge was talking once more.

"That was the will made and signed by Alexander Dilway two years ago. Last summer he made another which I found in his safe deposit box—and I regret to say that this will leaves an annuity of \$500 a year to Sophia Laddlaw, and all the rest of the property, homestead and real and personal estate, is left jointly to Charlotte and Robert, provided they marry each other."

Dead silence fell in the judge's office. After awhile Sophia sighed softly and the girl arose swiftly and vanished through the door.

"Five hundred a year is about ten dollars a week and it will give me a little rest now and then," said Sophia meekly, as she followed Charlotte.

The young man and the old one faced each other. "What can I do, Judge?" pleaded Robert.

The judge smiled kindly. "Think it over, Mr. Dilway."

Bob Dilway thought it over so long that he believed he really detested Charlotte West, nice as she was.

The first person he met was Charlotte, walking in the garden with Miss Sophia Laddlaw. "Cousin Sophia is going to show me the old box-wood maze, planted a hundred years ago, and declared to be the most difficult one to get out of in New England," said the girl coolly.

Miss Sophia smiled kindly. "Better come with us, Robert, we may need your advice," she urged and presently he followed.

Half an hour later found an extraordinary situation in the garden. The three heirs of Alexander Dilway, all very hot and angry, were glaring at each other from different sections of the maze. "Of all things," snapped Sophia, "Here I am in the heart of the puzzle, settin' on a bench, and Miss Peterkin's voile dress promised to be finished tonight!"

"If we ever get out," said the girl in a strained voice, "I will help you finish it if it takes until midnight. I'm tired. I shall sit down on the path." She promptly dropped out of sight.

"I'll follow suit," said Robert from his distant vantage, and he, too, dropped.

Out of sight in the coolness of the hedge, he tried to think of some way to rescue these women from their plight. He blamed them for their folly in trapping themselves and him within the clever maze. If—hang it all, if Cousin Dilway hadn't specified that he should marry Charlotte, he could fall head over heels in love with the girl. He pulled out his stout jackknife and began to hack away the branches of the shrubby growth. In half an hour he crawled through to the next path, nearer Charlotte. He was hot and scratched and disheveled, but he made another attack and another, and presently appeared close beside the astonished girl. There were traces of tears on her cheeks.

"Oh, I say," panted Bob contritely.

"Hello!" shouted a stentorian voice and they stood up and looked out to the edge of the maze where Judge Kimber stood, his big panama hat pushed back from his heated face, and waving a folded paper in one hand. "Come out of that!" he added.

"Reprieve! Reprieve!" whispered the girl softly, and meeting Bob's eyes they both gave way to laughter.

"Whatever do you mean, Judge?" squealed Miss Sophia, peering over the hedge top.

"I found another will," announced the legal gentleman, importantly, "made just before he died—homestead and most everything goes to Sophia, and you youngsters get the rest, and he don't care a hang whether you ever marry or not or die in single blessedness. I'll tell you how to get out of that maze—the secret is among the papers belonging to the estate."

"But I care—whether we marry," muttered Bob Dilway, and Charlotte, hearing him, and being free to choose now, blushed divine approval in her shy eyes.

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Telling of a boyhood trip to a reformatory, where the warden stated that most of the inmates were there "because in their boyhood they were neither taught any useful calling nor required to do any labor," with true Marshallian penetration the late vice-president used this as the introduction to a withering attack on the proposed "Child-Labor Amendment."

"If we can just succeed in passing the so-called Child-Labor Amendment to the Constitution of the United States," said Marshall, "we shall not lack for a crop of young criminals at any time in the future."

The youth of the present crop of criminals has been a frequent subject of comment. Without doubt most of them come from the ranks of youth without occupation or responsibility. The solution is in the hands of parents, who, if they truly care for the future of their offspring, will see that the latter are protected from the vicious influences of idleness.—Farm and Ranch.

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The world is full of average men—men who are just getting by. They are good citizens in most respects and carry the burden of Government, but they are not successful. The average worker is seldom promoted. Less seldom is he given charge of a department. The average teacher never becomes the principal or superintendent; the average lawyer is not rushed with business nor is the average physician overworked.

The thing to do is for every average man and woman to make an effort to rise above the average. If enough succeed the average will be raised to a point where most men will be successful. Those who do not come up to the mark will then be forced to seek other fields of endeavor in which there may prove more adapted.—Farm and Ranch.

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Miss Cooper will take up the first fifteen minutes of her program with story telling, and later will talk on "Religious Pedagogy. For years Miss Cooper has been on the summer faculty of the University of Tennessee, and was also Psychologist in the public schools of Memphis, Tenn.

Every father, mother and child is urged to attend this interesting talk. It is for grownups as well as children, and a most cordial welcome is extended the public to come and hear Miss Cooper.

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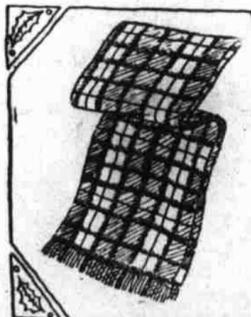
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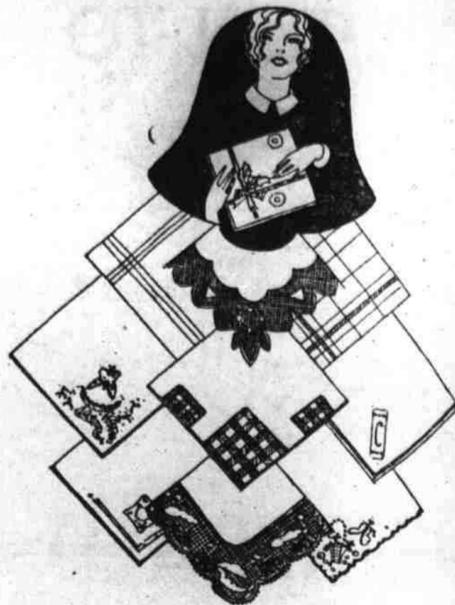
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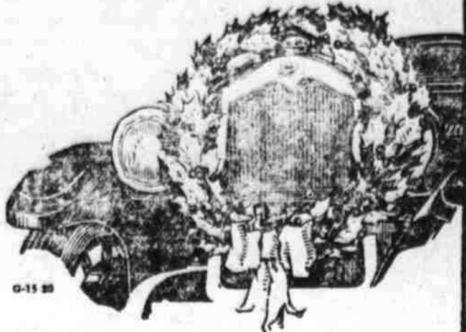
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**MOTHERS EARN \$17,000,000,000 ANNUALLY; TEXAS SCORES ANOTHER TOUCHDOWN**

By Phebe K. Warner  
A few weeks ago the laundry men of the United States and Canada held their annual convention in the city of Chicago. It was a great meeting. Great in attendance, great in spirit, great in its mission to humanity. There were more than 2,500 laundry owners and other business men interested in the laundry industry registered at that convention beside the five hundred wives they brought with them. One of the most striking features of that industrial convention was the number of women present. But I suppose that was partly because the wives of those fellows did not have to stay at home to wash on Monday, for the meeting began that day and they were all there.

Now what do you suppose those 2500 men talked about for the five whole days? Washing powders, soap, wages, hours of service, delivery wagons? Yes, all those things came in for their share of time and attention and scores of other things were discussed. But would you believe it? The most universal topic at that meeting was WOMEN.

What will the women think? How can we help them? How can we save their time and health and strength? And it wasn't all sentiment, either. Most of those fellows looked married and well past the sentimental period of life. There wasn't any sentiment about that convention. It was strictly a business man's meeting conducted on a straight business basis. Those men were trying to study ways and means of building up their business, which is washing dirty clothes. And you know and everybody knows that washing has always been considered a woman's privilege, a woman's duty and a woman's job. But there is something queer about it. I have never heard the women working over the men taking their place at the washtub like you heard some of the men worrying over women - taking their place at the ballot box and in the office. But of course the average woman don't lose much financially or socially when she yields the family washing up to the power laundry.

Now the president of the Laundry Owners' National Association happens to be a Texas man, "Bill" Johnson, they call him, of Galveston. Let me say just here, get that he-wash-woman picture out of your head. For Bill Johnson, president of the Laundry Owners' National Association, looks more like a governor, or a well-fed banker, or a dressed up oil man than he looks like the he-species of the be-draggled and dilapidated human species usually classified as wash-women. But that's because Bill Johnson mixes business sense instead of sentiment in his suds. And in talking with a Chicago Tribune reporter he tried to inject a little business sense into the U. S. press, relative to this delicate and sentimental subject, "The Family Washing." And whew! That it struck a responsive chord in the heart of the press was evident from the flood of comments that followed.

And this is what he said: "If the 22,000,000 home managers of this Nation were allowed a minimum wage (or allowance, if it sounds better) of \$15 a week for the work they do in their homes and for their families, it would amount to \$330,000,000 a week or \$17,000,000,000 annually! And with this amount the mothers of this Nation might run their homes on a more business-like system, and quite naturally more of them would send their family washing to the laundry instead of spending the same amount on patent medicines."  
And he had just two ideas in his head: One was simple justice for women in general and the other was more business for the laundries. Now can you see anything wrong about that?  
No! Nor anybody else, with a grain of common sense. The staggering



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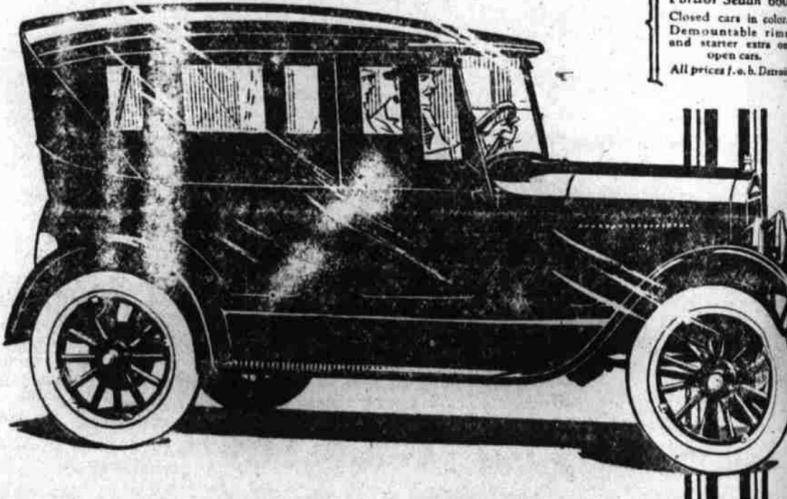
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could not gulp down so suddenly was that the women of this Nation actually do \$17,000,000,000 worth of work every year and the most of them do not receive enough cash for their toil to hire the laundry work done by power.

But regardless of the sentimental jokes and cartoons the American press pulled off at the expense of Bill Johnson of Galveston, Texas, his declaration on the minimum value of woman's work in the home has stirred a few new thoughts loose in the minds of the people. And let us hope these new thoughts will bear rich fruit in the heart of the home, for truly the most underpaid and unappreciated toiler in this Nation as compared to the importance and necessity of her work is none other than the American Mother, the Queen of the Kitchen of the American Man's home.

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Dayton Daytonite: There are always some people who are non-progressive. They are always "agin" everything. But such people should not be censured; they should be pitied. Communities, towns and cities progress in spite of these kicking, knocking "agin" fellows and make conditions better for them.

Why should a nonprogressive be pitied? Usually the mossback esteems himself as superior to sympathy. He fancies that sympathy should go to those who risk their money or reputation in new departures. Diogenes was a mossback. He regarded Alexander as a radical young man who would come to grief in some pitfall lurking in the untrodden paths the King had set his feet in. In fact, to Diogenes the Macedonian meteor seemed equivalent to the modern smart-aleck Alexander. While it is possible to progress too rapidly, it is not possible to stand still, neither as an individual nor as a group. Towns go forward or they go backward, same as a man does. As a rule, all the people of a community want it to grow, but some among them want it to grow without any cost to themselves. The reactionary is usually a man hopeful of gain in property without investment in progress. If Adam had been a mossback he would have stuck it out in Eden with the devil for a neighbor. If Noah had been a mossback he would have hooted at the advice he got from on high and derided the ark he was directed to build. If Abraham had been a mossback he would have stuck around Mesopotamia and sneered at the rough country which was promised him. If Moses had been a mossback he would have stayed in Egypt and grown up with the Egyptians. If George Washington had been a mossback he would have continued his work as a surveyor and talked down all proposals for American independence. If State Press had been a mossback he would have remained a ferryman on Red River and never uplifted Journalism. Mossbackery is easy, but gets one nowhere.—State Press in Dallas News.

The little folks have been invited to attend the E. H. Party on Friday morning, Dec. 12th. Arrangements are being made to entertain from 12 to 15 children on that date. at the Lyric theatre and distribution of Christmas packages will be the program.

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**HOW GOVERNMENTS ARE DESTROYED**

"The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God."—Psalms.

President Coolidge recently gave utterance to a thought which proved that he delves beneath the surface of things in his thinking. He was pondering on fundamentals when he said, "The utmost ingenuity on the part of the police powers will be substantially wasted in an effort to enforce the law if there does not exist a strong and vigorous determination on the part of the people to observe the law. Such a determination can not be produced by the Government. My opinion is that it is furnished by religion."

The observation of the President quoted followed a remark he had just made to the effect that lawlessness is altogether "too prevalent." Certainly we all agree with him as to his statement, and those who think deeply, fundamentally, analytically, will agree with his statement that a determination on the part of the people to observe the law can not be produced by the Government.

While this remark of the President was being incorporated into this article a copy of The Dallas Journal was brought in containing an account of another of the many crimes which have of late challenged the thoughtful consideration of every good citizen. It was one of those crimes committed by young men, or boys, which have been more numerous in the recent past than ever before—murder! A 19-year-old boy had killed his friend of about the same age because, as he himself expressed it, according to the press dispatches, he "got the notion" to do so. Then he took \$5.60 from his dead friend "which he spent playing pool, going to a movie and buying ice cream sodas for three girl friends."

It probably will not be disputed by those who love their country and mankind, and who watch with deep interest social and governmental conditions, that there is a greater interest in things that "amuse" than ever before in the history of our country. Such a condition has always in the history of governments portended decadence. It recalls to mind the remark by the Apostle in predicting conditions which were to obtain at a certain period in the world's history wherein alluding to the worldly-mindedness of the people he said they would be "lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God."

Surely when one surveys social conditions at the present time he must concede that the time and thought and effort devoted to the attainment of happiness through material pleasures is greater than ever before in America. And yet it never was and never can be attained in that way.

**Appalling Indifference**

The hurry and confusion of everyday life and the never-ending search for amusement accounts in large measure for the appalling indifference so manifest on the part of millions to spiritual and moral and patriotic things.

It has been proved by the experience of the ages with regard to nations as well as individuals, that the less they regard God the sooner they come to grief!

Also as with individuals, nations must be established on the Rock of Truth, on the eternal laws of God, and adhere to them, or go down in disintegration and decay. It is inevitable, else He and His laws would not be either eternal or all-wise. This is so because righteousness is the basis of economics as well as a spiritual necessity.

It has been remarked in these columns before as now that when the higher things of life, spiritual growth, culture, refinement, mind cultivation, ethical aspiration, are made to give place to the frivolous, the superficial, the trivial, it is a sure index to the trend of the times.

When more attention is given to sports and amusement; when the public eye is fixed most upon those whose doings are not productive of constructive achievement; when the pursuit of material wealth supercedes all thought of spiritual well-being, and patriotic zeal becomes diminished to a degree that makes it practically negligible, then indeed have we come to the place where Hope has cause to fold her wings, Faith to tremble, and Peace and Contentment to shudder with anticipations of despair and desolation.

Often it requires the cohesive strength resident in a common danger to bring a people to a realization of their imperative need. This need is unity of interest and co-operative endeavor. Common cause makes unified effort.

In proportion as God is NOT forgotten in the daily life of the peo-

There needs to be an infusion of new patriotic blood, a new sense of individual action, regardless of personal cost and discomfort. This can come only from awakened consciences, revival of acknowledged duty to State and Nation—religious influence.

He is a poor patriot indeed who is willing to see party or persons win at the expense of the commonweal of State or Nation.

**Internal Causes Destructive**  
Governments disintegrate because of internal, rather than external, causes.

Indifference of the people, neglect of patriotic duty, resulting in corruption in office and maladministration of government, have destroyed more governments than have the armies and navies of their enemies.

No government can endure longer than its laws are respected by its own people.

He who disobeys the laws of his country is attacking his government.

This fact is at once seen when it is admitted, as it must be, that government is maintained by law. To disobey a law means to attempt to destroy its usefulness. He who encourages another, either directly or indirectly, in disobeying a law of the land, is in no sense a patriot. He is not a good citizen, and it doesn't matter what law it is.

A true patriot is one who not only obeys the laws—all of them—of his country, but aids in every way he can in the promotion of its machinery of government by fulfilling the duties of a citizen. He votes when election day comes around. He takes the right sort of interest in its politics. He advocates measures more than men and concerns himself more about principles than about persons.

Partisanship and patriotism are seldom linked together in the true sense. About the most worthwhile utterance credited to Rutherford B. Hayes was this: "He serves his party best who serves his country best." And the doughty and sturdy Grover Cleveland said, "Party honesty is party expediency." These are utterances worthy of true patriots.

The indifferent citizen may be likened to the worm which strips the tree of its leaves; the lawbreaking citizen to the one which destroys its fruit; while he who does both of these things and supplements them with open condemnation of the Government, although not openly in rebellion against it, is the worm which is at work at the root of the tree and will sooner or later destroy it. The unchecked depredations of these insects must ultimate in destruction.

The worms and other insects which denude the tree of its foliage do not kill it nearly so soon as does the worm working at its roots.

The tree of Government needs to be sprayed from time to time with a solution composed of honesty and patriotism, if it would be all the time rid of insect pests consisting of reckless law-breakers and corrupt law-makers.

**Why Religion Is Needed**

Religion is needed in Government because it exalts the right.

It is needed in business and society for the same reason. Religion is not only spiritual, but economic.

It seeks to arouse and maintain the best that is in men. Its purpose is to exalt the true and denounce the false.

It conserves mental, moral and physical strength and uses its best efforts in applying them to things that are good and true and beautiful.

Its influence on the individual is necessarily for his uplift and establishment on the sure foundation, and when the individual is so influenced his efforts in turn are devoted less to causes which make for the betterment of men and nations, which means their greater permanence.

It increases the capacity of the individual, which means increased production of life's necessities, and this means placing them within closer reach of those who are in need.

It preserves peace and harmony among workers, which means happier conditions for those who labor.

It means greater love of country and its institutions, which impels respect for its law and the machinery of government.

It means above all reverence for and love of the Almighty Father all that is. This alone will bring about all those things just enumerated.

The motto of too many citizens is, "Let the matter of public duty be. Let George do it." The result is that the Government's business is sadly neglected.

The cat wants to eat fish without getting her feet wet. Men want the benefits of government without doing their part in maintaining it.

The demagogue gets into office, he does so by the consent and votes of those who claim to be good citi-

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succeeded by corruption in office. Man's duty and responsibility never stop with himself. The selfishness of one compels the sacrifice of another.

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thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms."—Dallas Morning News, (Dec. 6, 1925).

Howard county farmers who expect to plant cotton next year should make arrangements for a supply of home grown, pure bred seed. Home grown seed is better than that imported. Good seed is going to be in demand at planting time next Spring.

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In the District Court of Howard County Texas  
W. F. White, plaintiff, vs Houston Bostic, defendant. Whereas by virtue of an execution issued out of the District Court of Howard County, Texas, on a judgment in said Court on the 22nd day of September A. D. 1925, in favor of the said W. F. White and against the said Houston Bostic, No. 970 on the docket of said court, I did on the 28th day of November A. D. 1925 at ten o'clock A. M. levy upon the following described tract and parcel of land situated in Howard county, Texas, the same being the land upon which plaintiff W. F. White, claims to have a Mechanics Lien, the same being the North Half (N. 1-2) of lot No. 3, in block No. 12, in the town of Ackerly in Howard county, Texas, and on the 5th day of January, 1926, being the first Tuesday of said month between the hours of Ten O'Clock A. M. and Four O'Clock P. M. on said day, at the court house door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash all the right title and interest of the said Houston Bostic, the defendant in this case in and to said property.  
Dated at Big Spring, Texas, this 28th day of November A. D. 1925  
A. S. SMITH,  
Constable of Precinct No. 1, Howard County, Texas. 12-3

**CAMP FIRE GIRLS IN CHARGE  
OF SEAL SALE SATURDAY**

Camp Fire Girls, under the direction of their leader, Miss Mary Duncan, will conduct the sales of the Christmas Health Seals on the streets of the city Saturday. This will be a splendid opportunity for all of those who desire to help in this valuable work, to make purchases from the Girl Scouts on Saturday and encourage their willingness to promote the fight against tuberculosis. Every cent's worth that you buy counts just that much, so do your part by buying from the Camp Fire Girls on Saturday.

The street sale last week was in charge of the assistant chairman Mrs. Homer McNew, who appointed her assistants, and as a result of this sale, a nice sum was realized for the fund, which has almost reached the \$300 mark.

The Big Spring Fuel Co. Can warm you up right soon With either coal or stove wood. Make December feel like June. Phone 64.—advertisement.

**JUST TO REMIND  
MEMBERS TO CANVASS**

This notice is just to remind every member of the church to get busy and canvass members for Sunday, December 20. I want the people out, give yourself to these services; that's what we want and not your money.

Every member should put forth special effort in getting all members out to services on Sunday, December 20.  
Frank H. Stedman, Rector.

Table lamps. Look at our stock

**MAJESTIC ATTRACTION TO  
APPEAR AT R. & R. LYRIC**

Henrietta Shaw, and her eight Melody Boys will appear in a program of delight, mirth and good cheer on next Monday and Tuesday evenings at the R. and R. Lyric theater. This attraction was formerly billed with the Keith Orpheum Circuit, which has recently completed a tour of the middle western states. The program will consist of singing, dancing, and orchestra music. Miss Shaw, a petite little dancer, will charm the audience with her grace and vivaciousness, and one of the feature numbers on the program will be the demonstration of the Charleston, the most modern dance step that has taken the country by storm.

Not only will this delightful program of music, dances and songs be presented on this night, but the manager of the theater also offers the big screen hit "Lightnin'" for your approval.

"Lightnin'" will strike this town next week! This is not merely a prediction; it is a certainty. However, it will not be serious. On the contrary, it will be highly entertaining, because "Lightnin'" will hit here as one of the season's most promising photoplays, being booked as the attraction at the R. and R. Lyric theater, Monday and Tuesday, December 14 and 15. Jay Hunt will be seen in the role of "Lightnin'" Bill Jones, a character made famous by the late Frank Bacon on the stage. Supporting Mr. Hunt will be Madge Bellamy, Ethel Clayton, Edythe Chapman, Otis Harlan, J. Farrell MacDonald, James Marcus, Wallace McDonald, Brandon Hurst and Richard Travers.

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To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of gripe, influenza, sore throat or tonsillitis, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotabs, the purified and refined calomel compound tablet that gives you the effects of calomel as salts combined, without the unpleasant effects of either.  
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Get a family package, containing full directions, only 35 cents. At any drug store. (adv)

**CHURCH OF CHRIST NOTES**

We are having fine attendance every Lord's day. Our Bible school is growing all of the time. A fine meeting is being conducted by our pastor, Brother Homer Davis, and Brother Bassell of Plainview is doing some fine singing for us. The meeting will continue over Sunday, Dec. 13. We are having fine attendance. If you are missing this meeting you are missing some real real Gospel preaching. There is plenty of room in the Tabernacle. Everyone is extended a most cordial welcome, to be with us.

**GIFT SHOP TO BE CONDUCTED  
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Anyone desiring stuffed toys for the children, hand made and attractively attired is invited to pay a visit to the Gift Shop being conducted in the Campbell Tailor Shop from now until Christmas, and select from the array of toy animals that you will find there. All of them are reasonably priced, and the kiddies will delight in playing with them. Come and look over what we have in our Santa Claus Gift Shop.  
—advertisement.

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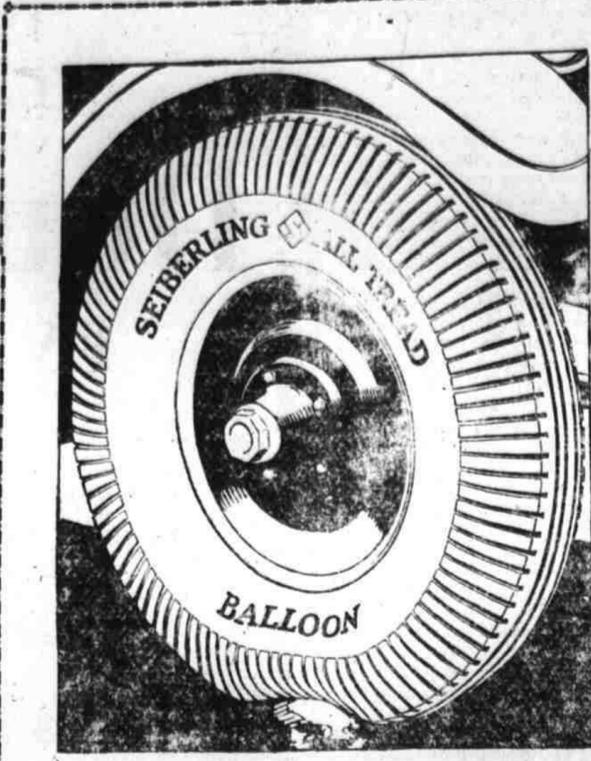
So many neglected lots we find, Out at the cemetery—bear in mind Jim Winslow can, with his good concrete, Have them looking nice and neat. Phone 306.—advertisement.

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Citizens who think, and who are accepting their responsibility in Government, are sending out a warning cry against centralized Government and rule by politicians. By politicians we do not mean the man who runs for local office or even for governor, but the 500,000 men in Federal employ who receive their power and authority through the appointive power of the President and delegated by him to department and bureau heads. These men are out of your control. You do not elect them nor can you dispose of them except through political influence. They are everywhere, either making their own rules, which are law to you, or giving their own interpretation to rules made by the bureau chiefs under whom they work. Go where you will, you will find Government agents, inspectors, and sleuths. They are not out enforcing the laws made by Congress, but are enforcing rules and regulations—the laws of bureaus and commissions—which may be changed, repealed or revised at the stroke of the pen without consulting your wishes.

Out of 500,000 enforcement officers, agents, and inspectors and others with whom the people come into contact, directly and indirectly, the President of the United States is the only one elected by the people, and his election is indirect, and not always the result of majority vote. The other 499,999 officers, or thereabouts, are supposed to be under the direction of the President, but he probably could count those whom he knows or even heard of on the fingers of his hands. It is humanly impossible for any man or collection of men to keep in touch with the ramifications of the Government, so complicated has it become, and so Congress votes appropriations for this bureau or that commission almost blindly, and the political appointees go about making rules and imposing their will upon the people in a promiscuous manner. The worst of it is that unless one is rich or influential, he must accept the interpretation of these rules made by some Government agent who knows but little about the matter or else suffer the penalty. It takes more money than the average citizen has at his command to make an appeal to Washington, and so most of them accept the ruling no matter how unjust.

Washington is the headquarters for numerous "kitchen cabinets," lobby rings, and propaganda organizations. Individuals and so-called reform organizations have found it much easier to frighten Congress into accepting their point of view than it is to win the favor of all of the State Legislatures. Therefore, they concentrate in the Capitol city, and by making much noise they make our congressmen and senators believe that there are millions of voters behind them, and what some members of Congress would do for the favor of some alleged Nation-wide organization is beyond even the matter of speculation.

Organized propaganda put out by the "kitchen cabinet" is responsible for the Sheppard-Towner Act, other

This law, on its face, had a good appearance. Much sentiment was attached to it. The saving of mothers and babies by appropriating Federal money on the fifty-fifty plan seemed as important as the saving of the farmer's hogs or his crops by the Government through the same means, but on final analysis the two cases are not parallel. Thus far the Maternity bill has not proved to be practical. The Child-Labor Amendment was put over Congress in the same manner, and should enough States ratify the amendment, it means a great enlargement of the present Child Welfare Bureau, or the creation of another bureau with thousands of new appointees and the expenditure of many millions of dollars annually. It means that inspectors will visit homes and enforce their interpretation of the law and the rulings of the bureau as they are now doing in other matters, and people will accept because the average citizen still holds Federal laws and Federal officers in more or less fear and respect. A local officer they might argue with because he holds office by will of the voters, but a Federal officer is not responsible to them, and most of them are "hard-boiled."

State and local self-Government is becoming a thing of the past. We can not build railroads without the permission of a Government commission; we can't regulate our own rates in intrastate shipments. There are mighty few things we can do for ourselves without first appealing to Washington. In a few years, unless we awaken to our own responsibility in Government, we might as well wipe out our State lines and let the Nation be divided up into administration districts under the control of Washington. It would be cheaper and probably just as satisfactory as our present weak effort to govern ourselves. Then we will have an inspector in every home and our children will be brought up without any direct parental responsibility.—Farm and Ranch.

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### Men's Work CLOTHING

Men's leather coats, former  
price \$10.50, now.....\$7.98  
Men's sheepskin lined coats,  
\$10 values..... \$7.98  
\$12.50 values.....\$9.98  
\$7.50 and \$8.50 raincoats \$4.79  
Men's army shirts, all wool,  
black color.....\$2.50

### Men's LUMBER JACKS

\$4.00 values ..... \$3.19  
\$5.00 values ..... \$4.49  
\$6.50 values ..... \$5.49  
\$7.50 values ..... \$6.19

### CHILDREN'S SHOES

Every pair of childrens shoes  
in our big stock will go at  
great reductions --- and right  
now is your best chance to  
fit the little ones at great sav-  
ings.

#### SPECIAL

A big counter of Childrens  
Shoes, odds and ends --- to  
close out at

#### HALF PRICE

SEE THEM

36-inch outing, light or dark  
colors, yard..... 17c

\$1.50 "Humming Bird" silk  
hose, all colors; guaranteed.. \$1.29

36-inch Hope domestic, extra  
good quality..... 15c

27-inch book-fold gingham,  
20c grade ..... 11c

Good heavy cotton blankets,  
\$2.50 grade, pair..... \$1.98

Extra good comforts, heavy  
and large, each..... \$1.98

Ladies house shoes, all colors,  
\$1.00 grade..... 79c

Our Entire Stock of Ladies and Chil-  
dren Sweaters at a Big Reduction!

## Special Bargains on Saturday

### WOOL DRESSES

of styles and material,  
and for this great sale

now.....\$4.49  
now.....\$5.98  
now.....\$7.98  
now.....\$11.98

### Childrens Wool Dresses

Our entire stock on sale at a big saving  
over former prices

\$5.50 values.....\$4.19  
\$6.50 to \$7.50 values.....\$4.79  
\$7.00 to \$8.00 values.....\$5.98  
\$8.50 to \$10.00 values.....\$6.98

## LEADER

Director

RING, TEXAS

### NOTICE

Every article in our big stock  
is reduced to the lowest prices  
ever known---everything is

PLAINLY MARKED

### A BIG SALE OF

## Ladies Fine Coats

One lot ladies coats, last year's stock, but  
good looking and good values. Prices were  
formerly \$16.50 to \$27.50

CHOICE .....\$8.98

Ladies fine coats, worth up to \$27.50

NOW .....\$17.95

Fine coats, worth up to \$42.50

NOW .....\$27.45

The best coats in our stock, former prices  
up to \$65.00

NOW .....\$43.85



**FROM CALIFORNIA**

I promised to write to so many of my friends at Big Spring that I have decided to fulfill that promise with one operation, through the Herald.

Being a sort of history hound, I had not been in Sacramento long before I went to the city library and read up on California and Sacramento history, and learned that I was on historic ground here. And there are a few striking parallels between the early history of this country and that of Texas. For example, California was originally a Mexican province, and the first American settlement began under a colonization permit, just as it did in Texas. In 1839 John A. Sutter, a former sea captain, obtained permission from the Mexican governor of California to explore the Sacramento River and to locate a colony in that region. In August of that year he planted a settlement on the present site of Sacramento, near the junction of the Sacramento and American Rivers. This was the same year and the same month in which the city of Austin, Texas, was laid out and settled; so the capital of California and the capital of Texas are exactly the same age. Sutter established a fort here, as a protection against the Indians, and "Sutter's Fort" still survives, in the heart of the city of Sacramento, having been rehabilitated and maintained as a historic landmark by a state society. I have recently visited Sutter's Fort, and found many relics of the ancient days, including several overland stage coaches which did service before the railroads came. Sutter sent one of his men, James Marshall, up the American River to establish a sawmill, and in the process of completing the mill-race Marshall accidentally discovered gold, this being in January, 1848. The news of the find got out and travelled over the country, and the "gold rush" to California of 1849 and subsequent years was the result.

Sacramento is now a city claiming a population of 100,000, and seems to be enjoying considerable growth. The building operations just completed or now under way place it high up on the list of cities in this particular. A new high school building, costing a million and a half, has just been completed and occupied. A new Elk's home, costing the same figure, is in course of construction. A new passenger station, which, with terminal facilities, is to cost \$2,000,000, is going up. There are also two immense State buildings, a new auditorium, a new Methodist church (North), and many smaller buildings going up. The Sacramento Valley is a perfect bee-hive of industry and irrigation, of railroads and trolley lines, and the Sacramento River, navigable for vessels of considerable size, is full of shipping. One may obtain an idea of

how busy this section of California is from the fact that within a limited area hereabout, including San Francisco and Sacramento, there are seven cities having a combined population of more than a million and a quarter.

Our own church in this city goes back to 1850, coming in with the gold rush—one of the oldest in California. It now occupies a very pretty building on a prominent down-town corner, with a two-story parsonage adjoining. So we are living, in the thick of things, with lines of street cars on every hand, and big business blocks in every direction. A ten-story telephone building is on the same block, and the new municipal auditorium, costing \$750,000, is going up just across the street. We have an offer of \$80,000 for our lot alone. The church wants more, and in the course of the year may sell out and move farther out.

I arrived on the morning of Nov. 20, and found a welcoming party both at the station and at the parsonage, where lunch was had at noon. On Sunday, the 22d, I "broke the ice" to a crowded house, and they repeated at night, and a more cordial welcome or more tokens of appreciation I have never found anywhere. So that a fellow couldn't get homesick if he wanted to. A pipe organ and a choir of twenty voices make a musical program for our church which is hardly surpassed in the city, I am told.

Early in the week following my arrival I attended the minister's union, as it is called, where forty ministers were present. There were two new ones to be introduced—myself, and a colored brother, himself a Methodist transfer from Missouri. At the close we all sat down to lunch together—the preachers, five or six women, and one "nigger." That was surely a new experience for me.

Our freedom here from cold and the Texas northers makes it a welcome change to me. The temperature varies but very little from day to day. The nights are cool and foggy, but from about nine in the morning until dusk in the evening, it is delightful. Some rain has been falling during the last day or two, and they say the "rainy season" is about due. The cost of living I think on the whole is lower than it is in Texas. Everything is "cash and carry," and everybody goes to market with their bags, and these women lug home burdens which most Texas women would have "sent up." Everything can be bought already cooked and prepared to set on the table. I took dinner Thanksgiving day with a doctor and wife, who went to one of the bake ovens and brought their turkey home ready for serving.

From my brief survey of the situation, I am well pleased, and am convinced that our church has a

great field. The boys are well started in school; the rest of the folks are to be up from Los Angeles in a couple of weeks, and if I succeed here according to my expectations—well, I shall probably be a Californian for some time to come.

M. P.

1427 J. St.,  
Sacramento, Calif.

**ROMANCE**

If you look for romance, it is there!

In the streets you are most accustomed, in the places from your window, in the walls where you labor, at your desk or at your workbench, everywhere is romance!

In the trudge of the passer, in the stillness, silence all about you, or the busy hum of motors, fire of engines, smoke of boilers rising higher, sweeping low. In your part of business' greatness; in the work that must be done, Cogs are grinding, wheels that turn, speed of traffic all day long. Greater business, greater glory gods of men that are ambitious. Churches, schools, happy faces; faces that smile and faces glum. Aspirations, great success, failure, fortunes, unhappiness. Human beings working, moiling, toiling, sweating, griminess. These are things that make romance!

Break your gaze, for the moment, from whatever you're doing now; think of years almost forgotten; see the romance hidden there. Think of labor put forth then for that first bright dollar earned; think of times about the fireside, memories of simple pleasures. Up through life you grew to manhood; think of struggles, pleasure seeking; think of love, of joy, of sadness; there is romance cached there!

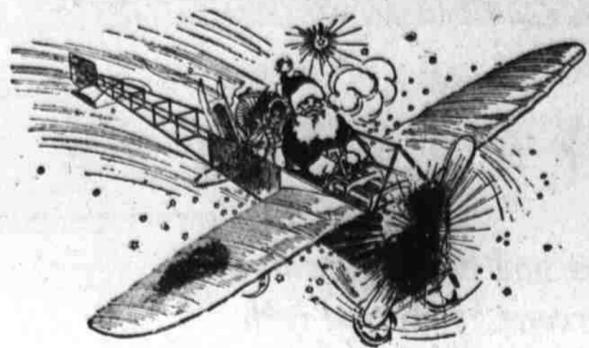
Think no longer in retrospect; look about from without your window, at the distance far away. Set your heart to longing, praying, hoping for the years to come. There ambitions to achieve, great or small as you may be; there are joys yet unperceived; sorrows, ideals, yet unborn. Surely, there is romance there!—W. D. Trotter in South-western Machinery.

Don't forget the roof to mend, Before Christmas comes my friend; At Bell's Tin Shop stop and see What he can do for you and me. Phone 23.—advertisement.

The City Marshal of Sweetwater has been instructed to file complaints against owners of property in the business district who keep rubbish or garbage on sidewalks or in alleys near their premises.

Mrs. Bertha Smith, who has been very ill the past week, is able to be back at work this week.

Perfumery is always a desirable gift. . . . . Cunningham & Phillips.



**Santa Claus**

HAS decided to make his headquarters at our store, where you

**Will Find the Biggest Stock of Choice Holiday Goods**

**DOLLS — DOLLS — DOLLS**

We have the biggest and best line ever. Priced from 10c to \$12.50. Effanbee unbreakable dolls, Mama dolls, Twin dolls, Bylo dolls.

A complete line of Toys and Games, Automobiles, Bicycles, Tricycles, Wagons, Wheelbarrows, Toddler Toys, Toddler Bicycles, Doll Buggies, Doll Dishes, Doll Beds, Airguns, Player Piano and 1000 other suitable holiday gifts.

**COMMUNITY SILVER FOR CHRISTMAS GIVING**

We can furnish Community Silver ware in 26 sets with 20- to 50-year guarantee. Also odd pieces in Community Silver at most reasonable prices.

**COME VISIT OUR STORE**

We have the best lines, most reasonable prices --- and plenty of room to show our holiday goods.

WE WOULD APPRECIATE A VISIT FROM YOU

**Big Spring Hardware Co**

115-117 Main Street

BIG SPRING, TEXAS

**Courteous Service**

**FOR 35 YEARS**



1890

1925

**STATEMENT**

STATEMENT SEPTEMBER 29, 1925

**RESOURCES**

Loans and Discounts.....\$626,545.83  
U. S. and Other Bonds..... 82,397.50  
Banking House, F. & F..... 20,058.00  
Redemption Fund..... 2,500.00  
Federal Reserve Bank Stock.. 4,500.00  
CASH..... 111,051.00

TOTAL.....\$847,052.33

**LIABILITIES**

Capital Stock.....\$ 50,000.00  
Surplus and Profits..... 137,309.35  
Circulation..... 50,000.00  
DEPOSITS..... 609,742.98

TOTAL.....\$847,052.33

**RESOURCES OVER \$800,000.00**

PROGRESSIVE SAFE LIBERAL  
**The First National Bank**  
OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS.

**TH' OLE GROUCH**

I MAY BE "TH' OLE GROUCH," AS FOLKS CALL ME, BUT YOU DON'T HEAR ME KNOCKIN' OUR CITY OFFICIALS, WHO SPEND THEIR TIME AND ENERGY ON TH' PUBLIC'S BUSINESS AND GET NOTHIN' IN RETURN BUT CRITICISM AND ABUSE!



MEN??? OR (MALE OF THE SPECIES) ARE HARD TO BUY FOR BUT WE HAVE A FEW REAL "HE" GIFTS.....COME EARLY AND STAY LATE...TAKE YOUR TIME AND LOOK THEM OVER.....CUNNINGHAM & PHILLIPS.

The cash now being received for oil leases by land owners in Howard and adjoining counties comes in mighty handy, and is about the only "velvet" the lucky owners ever remember of being handed. The bringing in of more wells will mean more land owners coming in for this new kind of crop cash.

Something substantial you should buy for Christmas, and I'll tell you why: Hardware stuff does not "grow old." The Big Spring Hardware Co. is "good as gold."—advertisement.

A big assortment of diamonds. All prices. A small payment down, balance easy terms. Clyde Fox.

Pay your Doctor. You may need him again some time. . . . . Cunningham & Phillips.

**What My Neighbor Says**

Is of Interest to Big Spring Folks.

When one has had the misfortune to suffer from backache, headaches, lizziness, urinary disorders and other kidney ills—and has found relief from all this sickness and suffering, that person's advice is of untold value to friends and neighbors. The following case is only one of many thousands, but it is that of a Big Spring resident. Who could ask for a better example?

G. D. Griffice, prop. of blacksmith pains across my kidneys and if I bent for any length of time, it was hard to straighten, my back hurt so. There was a constant ache in my back and I was also troubled with my kidneys acting too freely. Doan's Pills soon eased the pain in my back and regulated my kidneys. Before long I was entirely cured." Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Pills—the same that Mr. Griffice had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.—advertisement.

**STATES WITH STRAIGHT-LINE BOUNDARIES**

Colorado and Wyoming are the only States in the Union having unbroken straight-line boundaries on all sides. Each covers the same number of degrees of latitude and longitude namely four of latitude and seven of longitude, yet because of the convergence of the meridians toward the north the area of Wyoming is 6,934 square miles less than that of Colorado.

**FRESH HOMEMADE CANDY**

Peanut brittle, peco flake divinity nougat, caramel pecan brittle, divinity; 40c, 50c, 60c per pound. CHOCOLATE SHOPPE.

Sweetwater is working to secure a milk condensery. If this is secured it will mean many more dairy cows will be owned in Nolan county. Ten cows should bring in \$150 per month if the condensery is there to afford a market for all milk produced.

WE HAVE A STORE FULL AND RUNNING OVER WITH REAL GIFTS. A MAN WITH A FEW DOLLARS IN HIS POCKET CAN SHOP LIKE A RICH MAN WITH US. . . . . CUNNINGHAM & PHILLIPS.

Time is the only form of wealth that you can not increase by your own effort—and when time is worth

**PINK BOLL WORMS**

Washington, Nov. 25.—A car of good Louisiana arrive today or tomorrow. CREATH'S. \$2 a bushel.

J. D. Stamper left Big Spring for Blackey and other Kentucky, where he will visit his wife, Mrs. Stamper, and her daughter, Mrs. Blackey, the past afternoon.

We have two floor plans we know that they are what we are asking for. Cunningham & Phillips. Your men are your men which you win or lose. Conditions so that they can advantage, and you are excellent dividends in the put.

BARRELS—Some wool 50-gallon capacity for sale at the Home Bakery.

It is with narrow-necked bottles with narrow-necked bottles they have in them, the they make pouring it out.

The penitentiary is not a journalist—it takes too long to write sentences there. . . . .

Xmas trees and decorations.

## SAY MR. RENTER —

money you pay for rent on residence or on a farm buy the place. Come and tell me what you want. — LOOK THESE OVER —

4-room and bath all newly papered and painted; \$710 cash, balance \$30.00 per month, no interest.

acres close-in; 70 in cultivation; 1-2 mile of city \$95.00 per acre. \$1,000 cash, balance \$200 a year. A ready proposition.

acres, 400 in cultivation; one 5-room, one 3-room large barns and other improvements. \$60 per acre; cash, balance 14 to 20 years, at 5 1-2 to 8 per cent

acres, 600 in cultivation; 3 sets of improvements, 2 barns, good school adjoins this land on Highway. \$6,000 cash, balance easy.

acres, 5-room house, good barn, well and windmill, all with chicken-proof wire; adjoins city. No better for poultry farm or dairy; the best buy I know of. \$2,000 cash, balance easy.

see others, or if you want to buy a good business I am the exclusive agent for what I sell and add and charge a commission of 3 per cent.

see and see me if you want to buy or sell. Office Home Bottling Works, or phone 462. I sell only How-land and city property.

**S. B. STONE, Realtor**

## Announcement!

Dr. G. T. Hall and M. H. Bennett wish to announce their association in the practice of medicine.

Offices over First National Bank

Office Telephone 510

**E. H. JOSEY**  
**BUILDER**  
of  
"BETTER HOMES"

PHONE 50

**A. Gilmour**  
**LUMBER**

Western, Bath Tubs, Commodes, Sinks and Fixings at low prices you can afford.  
Phone 565  
Big Spring, Texas

For old Gold, Plati-um, silver, dia-monds, mas-sets etc. jewelry, any-thing. Mail today. Cash by check.  
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Room Barber Shop  
PHONE 482

AND LONG

MAINTENANCE

## FOR SALE

Carload of good young mules — priced right. Also carload of Cliett Superior Cotton Seed.

See **Joe Stokes**  
BIG SPRING, TEXAS

## GIVE US A SHOW

**Davidson & Watkins**  
DRAY & TRANSFER

Office at Joe B. Neel's Barn. We have Trucks and Teams and will haul your goods anywhere

PHONE 61

Day Phone 291 — Night Phone 92  
**Dr. Otto Wolfe**

ALL KINDS OF

MAINTENANCE

## MORE TROUBLE FOUND IN THE FARMING BUSINESS

"The chief trouble in the farming business," observes the Topeka State Journal, "is that there are so many persons engaged in it who don't know anything about it." The State Journal might have stopped short of the final clause, for the chief trouble in the farming business is that there are so many persons engaged in it. Too many farmers. It is a simple diagnosis. But it makes out a special case for its special finding, quoting a writer in Commercial West (Minneapolis):

"In an area of Montana where farm failures were greatest it was found that 51 per cent of those who went on the land were without previous farming experience and 30 per cent had no capital. Among them were men from sixty-three occupations other than farming."

As the State Journal says, farming is now an occupation for experienced and expert men. There is no doubt about that. Advice is a fine thing, but advice won't raise a crop. The man who does raise a crop has to have a head on his shoulders. He will not lack for advice. But his principal problem, after that of the actual labor which he will have to get done, is discarding advice not applicable to his farm.

The city man sometimes assumes that the farmer who has a hard time is either ignorant or shiftless. But when the city man swaps places with him he will find that he requires a brand new set of muscles, as well as a brand new set of muscles. Still, the city man usually takes to the farm with the idea of making a business of it. He fails, however, in considering that if it takes business sense to succeed on the farm he himself ought to have succeeded in town. For the average successful farmer would have been a success in any place, so far as the quality of his brain is concerned. But if every farmer in the United States were capable of making a perfect crop every year the country would be pretty nearly ruined financially. The tendency toward fewer farmers and better farms is logical until the urban population learns to eat as heavily as the rural population can grow things to eat. — Dallas News.

## SELLING FIGS

The way to sell figs is to advertise them, says Mefo in the Houston Chronicle, speaking of an effort to popularize the South Texas fig.

The best place to advertise anything is the newspaper, goes on Mefo. His argument is:

"For the benefit of the Chamber of Commerce and the fig growers of Houston, we might modestly mention that one way to sell figs and to tell the world that South Texas raises the best figs in all the country is to buy newspaper advertising space. A few letters, a few samples and a few show window displays may be of temporary help, but you can not make the world eat more figs of more rice or more anything else if you fail to use the real medium of publicity.

"How did California get its fruits on nearly every fruit stand in the United States? How did Florida sell its citrus groves and its city lots? How does Wrigley sell chewing gum, or Ford automobiles? What makes it possible for one manufacturer to sell a five-cent package of crackers to millions yearly? Why are the most successful department stores in Houston the biggest advertisers? Newspaper advertising is the answer."

Newspaper advertising has become a science, one of the most exact known to man. The users of space have means of checking up on the results they get from newspaper advertising. The fact that they continue to use the newspapers is proof that they receive their money's worth.

Tens and hundreds of millions in good United States money is spent every year for newspaper advertising. If such advertising did not pay, it would't keep on growing in volume every year. — Abilene Reporter.



No matter what ails your watch we can repair it. **WILKE'S** Jewelry and Optical Shop.

We claim that we have the finest assortment of candles that has ever been shown in the city. — Cunningham & Phillips.

all prices. Clyde

## CHURCHES

### CHURCH OF CHRIST TABERNACLE

207 West Fourth Street  
HOMER DAVIS, Preacher  
Res. 211 West 4th St., Phone 135  
Bible School 9:45 a. m.  
Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.  
Tuesday 4 p. m. Ladies Bible Study.  
Thursday 7:15 p. m. Bible Study.  
Come hear the Gospel in the large dirt floor Tabernacle.

### E. THIRD ST. BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner East Third and Goliad Streets  
REV. D. G. WELLS, Pastor  
Services each Sunday.  
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. M. H. Morrison, Superintendent.  
Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.  
B. Y. F. U. 6:30 p. m.  
Prayer meeting each Wednesday night.  
A welcome awaits you.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner Main and Sixth Streets  
D. H. HEARD, Pastor  
Res. 1411 Scurry Street  
Phone: Res. 492; church 460  
Services Each Sunday  
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.  
Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.  
Mid-week service Wed. 8 p. m.  
Women meet each Monday, 3:30.  
Strangers especially invited.

### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Corner Main and Fifth Street  
R. L. OWEN, Pastor  
Phone 369  
Services each Sabbath, except the third.  
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.  
Morning worship 11 o'clock.  
Evening worship 8 o'clock.  
Mid-week service, 8 p. m. Wed.  
A glad-hand welcomes YOU.

### FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

W. C. HINDS, Pastor  
Residence 404 Scurry Street  
Phone 342  
Sunday services:  
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.  
Epworth League 7 p. m.  
Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.  
All services are being held temporarily in the District Court room at the court house.

### FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

5th and Scurry Streets  
GEO. J. RUTH, Minister  
Res. 506 Rannels St. Phone 96  
Bible school 9:45 a. m.  
Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.  
Prayer meeting Wed. 7:30 p. m.  
You are always welcome and we will try to make you feel at home.

### CHURCH OF GOD

Corner Tenth and Main Streets  
G. B. WALTERS, Pastor  
Sunday school 10 a. m. each Sunday.  
Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m., except third Sunday.  
A cordial welcome to visitors.

### CATHOLIC CHURCH

Main Street on North Side  
REV. KISTNER, Pastor  
Mass every second and fourth Sunday at 10 a. m.  
Strangers especially invited.

### EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Mary's Church  
501 Rannels Street  
FRANK H. STEDMAN, Rector  
Church School 9:45 a. m.  
Morning Prayer 11 a. m.

### OUTLAW FIRE CARELESSNESS

The individual property owner can fix his own insurance rate to a great extent. A man or firm can get a low insurance rate by furnishing a good fire risk. He can construct a safe building, or cut down the hazard of an older building. He can keep his premises clear of rubbish and inflammable material, and cooperate with insurance companies by removing a hazard when he is asked to do so.

The man who keeps a dirty shop or store or other building where the risk of fire is constant, and expects to collect insurance in case of fire, is no better than the arsonist. He is an enemy not simply of the insurance companies but of the community.

Fire losses will be reduced, when there is a general awakening to the seriousness of the situation; when there is less individual carelessness; less deliberate destruction of property for the sake of insurance; and better building codes.

You had better be stepping about if you have any Christmas shopping to do for the all-important day of the year is only about eleven shopping days away. It's foolish to wait until the last minute to do Christmas shopping.

Any sane girl would be glad to get the gifts at Biles Drug store you can get. See for yourself how they please the eye. Stop and examine before you buy. — advertisement

### TEXAS STATE FLOWER

Wear your State Flower on your wedding ring. Texas Blue Bonnet

**BUY GIFTS NOW YOU PAY LATER!**

You can get the Jewelry Gifts you desire at our store now — and you can pay for it in convenient amounts. Come in — make your choice — anything your heart desires — pay as you can.

**CLYDE FOX**  
Jewelry & Drug Co.  
Big Spring, Texas

## Apples Apples

Price cut from \$2.25 to \$1.75 for a big bushel to move the last car of the season.

They are fine sound New Mexico Mountain apples.

**BUY THEM BY THE BUSHEL AND LET THE KIDDIES FILL UP**

## J. R. CREATH

First Door North First National Bank  
Phone 34

## Gifts Rare and Beautiful



It isn't too early in the season to decide what you are going to give your family and your friends for Christmas. Avoid the usual rush, and come to our store and see the lovely line of articles we have for you to choose from. If you do not care to buy just now, look over our line and get suggestions. It will make your Christmas shopping problem easier.

We have unique gifts that are appropriate, not only for Christmas presents, but also for birthdays, anniversaries, and prizes at parties.

We carry a full line of toilet articles, candles, etc., and everything found in a drug store is here.

We Are a Member of The Texas Qualified Druggists' League

**J. D. BILES**  
DRUGGIST

Phone 87

Big Spring, Texas

# Save now for a Chevrolet



We Pay You 6%

Get ready to drive a new Chevrolet. It's easy to do the Certificate way.

Come in tomorrow and choose the model you prefer. Make the first down payment—say \$5—and we issue to you a Chevrolet Purchase Certificate that pays you 6%. Weekly or monthly you keep adding to your Certificate savings. When your payments plus this 6% interest equal the cash delivery payment, you drive the car away and take care of the balance in regular monthly installments on the lowest time payment plan in existence.

All money which you pay on your Certificate is deposited in a trust fund at a bank. In addition to this safeguard for your Certificate payments, both the bank and we ourselves are insured by a strong, well-known insurance company so that absolute protection for your funds is assured.

If you now own a car, we will credit your Certificate with an additional 6% on all service, repairs, and accessories which you buy from us. This is in addition to the 6% interest earned on the money you invest in your Certificate.

Here is the simplest, safest, easiest, thriftiest way to buy a car ever devised. Come in today! Learn how easy it is to own a quality Chevrolet.



- Touring - \$525
  - Roadster - 525
  - Coupe - 675
  - Coach - 695
  - Sedan - 775
  - Commercial Chassis - 425
  - Express Truck Chassis - 550
- ALL PRICES F. O. B. FLINT, MICHIGAN

**King Chevrolet Co.**  
BIG SPRING, TEXAS

QUALITY AT LOW COST

## FIRE! FIRE! FIRE!

Most fires are preventable. Many are caused by defective electric wiring. If you wish to protect your property by eliminating Fire Hazards—let us inspect your house wiring and remove any dangerous fire hazards.

We are trouble shooters for anything in the electric line.

Phone 35 and we will come in a hurry

**CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY**

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**35000 bargains**  
that mean money saved to you!

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**SEND TODAY** for this wonderful book of savings. Its 800 pages are literally bursting with bargain prices on the world's best merchandise. Almost everything you need is listed among the 35,000 items pictured, described and plainly priced—priced at a very definite and substantial saving for you.

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Send Latest General Catalog

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Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**DIAMONDS — DIAMONDS**  
Beautiful Diamond Rings, at remarkably low prices; from \$7.50 to \$350.00. See our \$50.00 special—it's a jim-dandy. WILKE'S Jewelry and Optical Shop.

Let not the winter your pleasure mar. Get good fare from Nail & Lamar. Shut out the cold you're happy now? It's just as simple as can be. Phone 271—advertisement.

Ear ache remedy.. We have one worth while... Cunningham & Phillips.

**Dr. Campbell**  
OF ABILENE  
Practice limited to the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, and the fitting of glasses.

in Big Spring every SATURDAY

**PRESBYTERIAN CONGREGATION WELCOMES METHODIST PASTOR**

Rev. R. L. Owen, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and his congregation dispensed with services last Sunday night so they could attend the Methodist services and welcome the new Methodist pastor, W. C. Hinds.

Rev. Owens requested permission to say a few words and devoted his remarks to extending a hearty welcome to Rev. Hinds and family. He extended the welcome in behalf of himself and his congregation, on behalf of the minister's association and also on behalf of the entire citizenship.

In responding to this royal welcome Rev. Hinds was almost at a loss for words to express his deep appreciation.

**SIX PER CENT INTEREST**  
Money to loan on farms and ranches. Seven per cent paid semi-annually cancels the debt in 33 years. This is the easiest and best way to obtain cheap money if you want to run a long time.

Call for circular at West Texas National Bank, or see B. REAGAN, 7-4t.

The oil development in our section should tend to turn loose quite a bit of cold cash and this should cause conditions to be above the average. While no boom is anticipated, an extensive drilling campaign is planned for this section of West Texas.

**DIAMONDS — DIAMONDS**  
Beautiful Diamond Rings, at remarkably low prices; from \$7.50 to \$350.00. See our \$50.00 special—it's a jim-dandy. WILKE'S Jewelry and Optical Shop.

**SPECTACLES** — Anything from 50c to \$25.00. We give you a thorough examination, and guarantee a fit. WILKE, Registered Optometrist.

Johnston's candy.. Always more than welcome as a gift... Cunningham & Phillips.

### INCREASING OUR PER-ACRE YIELDS BIGGEST PROBLEM

We ask your serious consideration of what we conceive to be the most important material problem before the people of Texas today. Just after the Civil War, Texas produced 236 pounds of lint cotton per acre. There has been a gradual decrease in the per-acre yield since that time until the yield now averages only about 135 pounds. Sixty years ago, \$3 to \$5 land yielded 236 pounds of lint cotton per acre; now \$50 to \$150 land yields only 135 pounds of lint cotton per acre.

Under average conditions, the present per-acre yields in Texas means little or no profit; but the farmer who makes from a half to two thirds of a bale of cotton and thirty to forty bushels of corn per acre, receives fair wages for his labor and a reasonable profit. The farmer who harvests poor crops reaps the poverty that such crops entail while the rich-land farmer is prosperous and happy.

There is much yet to be learned about increasing the fertility of Texas soils, but all agree that we should reduce washing to the minimum by terracing, deep plowing, and plowing under vegetable matter; reduce leaching to the minimum, by keeping a green crop growing on the land at all times; grow soil-enriching as well as soil-robbing crops; but up and plow under all stalks and other vegetable matter to add humus and plant food to the soil, and make liberal applications of commercial fertilizers wherever needed.

It is almost out of the question to attempt to increase the fertility of the soil until washing is reduced to the minimum. Deep plowing, rotation of crops, including legumes, the application of manures, lime and commercial fertilizers—all combined will not rapidly increase the productivity of the soil unless excessive washing is prevented. The soil may be deepened, filled full of humus and covered with growing crops twelve months in the year, but heavy rains will nearly always wash the soil unless broad embankments are provided with a fall to carry the surplus water out of the fields.

The problem of getting rich land and then keeping it rich is one of many phases, all of which are very important; however, properly laid-out and constructed, broad terraces must always come first—supplemented, of course, with summer and winter cover crops, an abundance of humus and deep plowing. After we reduce washing to a minimum, we are ready to do some soil-building and for this purpose summer and winter legumes must come first.

The average Texas farmer has not yet learned that winter and summer legumes must be grown on land often and that large amounts of vegetable matter must be plowed under frequently to economically build up and maintain a rich soil. If the majority of our farmers could fully realize the fact that nitrogen and humus are our greatest soil needs and that in supplying these, the legumes are unsurpassed in economy and efficiency, the soil fertility problem would be largely solved.

There is still a foolish prejudice in some quarters against the use of commercial fertilizers. No system of cropping or farming will add to the store of phosphorus or potassium in the soil. All crops reduce the supplies of these two elements in the soil and they can only be supplied to the soil through purchases of commercial fertilizers. Phosphorus and potassium should by all means be applied to the soil wherever the soil responds to their use.

Nitrogen is the first big need of the average Texas farm with humus a close second. The legumes supply both these and do it more economically than they can be obtained by any other means. Of course, nitrogen can be supplied in the form of nitrate of soda, sulphate of ammonia, cottonseed meal, or some other nitrogenous fertilizer.

Let us plead with you to stop the washing of land, fill it full of humus and nitrogen, add liberal quantities of phosphorus and potassium whenever necessary and thereby greatly increase the per-acre yields in Texas within the next few years.—The Progressive Farmer.

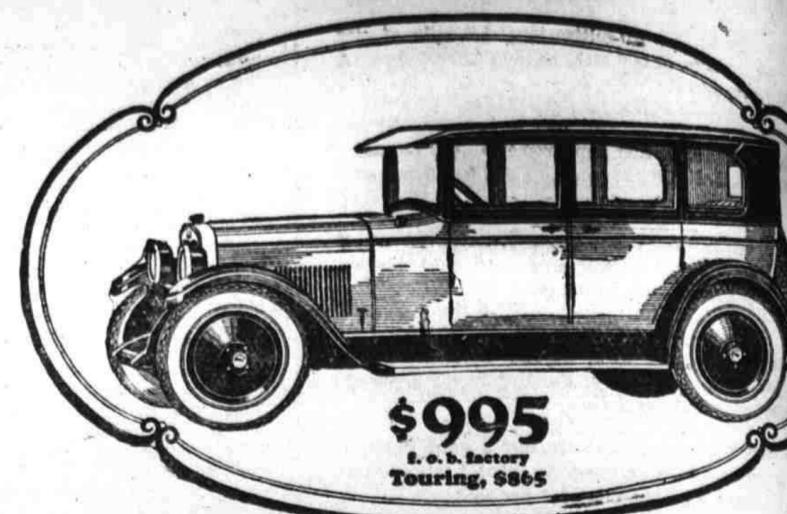
**6 0/0 — Farm and Ranch Loans — 6 0/0**  
Pay 3 1/2 per cent every 6 months and the debt is cancelled in 33 years. Dallas Joint Stock Land Bank Correspondent.

**West Texas National Bank, Big Spring, Texas**  
Try one of Miss Sims' steam mangles. They stay in. Phone 147 for appointment—advertisement.

Table lamps.. Look them over... Cunningham & Phillips.

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NASH-BUILT



**The Ajax specifications prove that you need not deny yourself a single one of ALL these features in the \$1000 field—**

- 4 Door Sedan
  - 6-Cylinder Motor
  - Force-Feed Lubrication—
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- YOU GET ALL OF THESE IN THE AJAX AND IT'S NASH-BUILT!**

**Big Spring Nash Company**  
SALES AND SERVICE Phone 119, Big Spring

I. J. Robb, Dealer



### WHAT TO DO WITH 1923 CROP MONEY

1. Every farmer who has been trying to make a living by working with only one horse—which is just as bad as if he were trying to work with only one arm—ought to put aside enough extra money to buy an extra horse. In like fashion farmers who already have two or more horses may also profitably increase their horsepower.

2. Farmers who do not have to put aside money either to avoid time prices or to increase horsepower should first of all consider what improved equipment is necessary to increase their earning power and then give the preference to such "productive purchases" rather than consumptive purchases.

3. Next after producing expenditures should come purchases that have permanent value in promoting the daily comfort and efficiency of the farm household—paint, lights, waterworks, music, etc.—The Progressive Farmer.

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The Wigwam Restaurant of Horn Serves at evening, noon and morn. Excellent meals for man and maid. Of ptomaines never feel afraid. Phone 350.—advertisement.

Mrs. S. Tamsitt returned home Monday morning from an extended visit with relatives in Louisiana, Dallas and Electra.

Try one of Miss Sims' steam mangles. They stay in. Phone 147 for appointment—advertisement.

Our old friend John C. Wells has been re-elected secretary of the Willis Point Chamber of Commerce.

**Dr. J. H. Busby's Business College**  
Abilene & Wichita Falls, Texas  
A Good Position—a big salary in what counts on the success. We quickly train you for a position in a bank, wholesale house, mercantile establishment, and secure position for you. Coupon will bring SPECIAL information today.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Many cotton growers of our county lost much money this fall because they could not have their crops harvested properly. Many Mexican cotton pickers refused to work in the cotton fields unless they were allowed to "pull" instead of pick the cotton, and the farmers submitted because they couldn't help themselves. The growers paid more for having the cotton pulled, and the grade was much inferior than it would have been if the cotton had been picked.

**WRIST WATCHES** — the finest line ever seen in Big Spring—40 to select from, at prices from \$4.00 to \$75.00. See our \$50.00 special—it's a humdinger—equal to any \$45.00 watch. WILKE'S Jewelry & Optical Shop.

It seems that too many of our folks have the "dumps" these days. Little is to be gained by a fellow feeling sorry for himself. It's the fellow who gets busy and hustles just a little harder when times are hard who keeps moving ahead. Times are just what we make them and there is nothing to be gained by complaining.

At Smith's Quick Service Station should you car get full of tricks. He's prepared to serve you tully. And all your worries fix. On Gall road—advertisement.

A complete line of Cigars in Xmas boxes. Clyde Fox.

### Are You a Suffering



Waco, Texas—"I was months and months ago head-achy, my stomach was all wrong, and I learned from Dr. J. H. Busby's Business College that I was suffering from indigestion and I took the course and I feel like a new man."

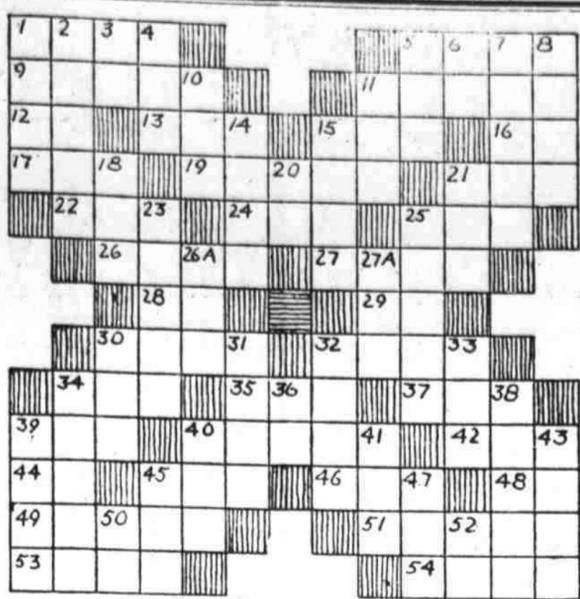
In a well-baked ham Let the family rejoice. At Pool-Reed's you'll find A most excellent choice. Phone 145.—advertisement.

N. W. McCleskey and left last Sunday for the Valley, where they will week. They took their keep any deer from the out of the woods while that territory.

**SPECTACLES** — Anything from 50c to \$25.00. We give you a thorough examination, and guarantee a fit. WILKE, Registered Optometrist and Optical Shop.

Kodaks.. We have line of Eastman kodaks

**Extra Special**  
**CLOSING OUT SALE**  
of our entire stock of  
**Wall Paper**  
**SALE STARTED**  
**November 24**  
**ENDS JANUARY 1, 1926**  
**PRICES RANGE FROM**  
**3 cents to 20 cents per**  
**single roll**  
Many beautiful designs to  
select from. Some rare bar-  
gains await you.  
**COME AND SEE**  
**H. H. Hardin**  
**Lumber Co.**  
**Big Spring, Texas**



- (© 1925, Western Newspaper Union.)
- Horizontal.**  
1—Transparent coating  
5—Roman senator's costume  
9—Concerning  
12—Part of "to be"  
15—Fluid of a tree  
16—Middlewestern state (abbr.)  
17—Limb  
22—Woman under religious vows  
24—Rule  
27—Painful  
29—Negative  
32—Material out of which rope is made  
34—To remunerate  
35—Period of time  
37—Atmosphere  
39—To stroke gently  
40—To bear  
44—Indefinite article  
45—Animal's protective coat  
46—Encountered  
48—Middlewestern state (abbr.)  
49—Boundary  
53—Mark left by a wound  
54—English school for boys
- Vertical.**  
1—To be unsuccessful  
2—Author of "Ghosts" and "The Doll's House"  
4—Drinking vessel  
5—To open a keg  
6—Conjunction  
7—Grain to be ground  
8—East Indian nurse  
10—Light brown  
14—Yellow of an egg  
15—Stitches  
18—Elastic confection  
20—Southern state (abbr.)  
21—Part of "to be"  
23—Poverty stricken  
25—Fragrance  
26A—To terminate  
27A—Single  
30—To consume  
31—Period of time  
32—To hurt  
33—Small spike used in dressmaking  
34—Mob hysteria  
36—Railroad (abbr.)  
38—Famous Shakespearean lover  
39—Companions  
40—To sever  
41—Affirmative answer  
42—Small city  
45—Kind of pine tree  
47—Definite article  
52—Right (abbr.)  
50—Moth
- Solution will appear in next issue.



**WHEN TO MAIL CHRISTMAS CARDS AND PARCELS**

Christmas gifts and cards addressed to points within one day's travel should be mailed not later than December 20; within two day's travel, not later than December 18; within three days' travel, not later than December 16; for more distant points, not later than December 14. Parcels and cards for local delivery should be mailed not later than Dec. 22.

Parcels and Envelopes may be indorsed "Please do not open until Christmas."  
The early mailing of Christmas cards is just as important as parcels. Millions of these cards, separate and in envelopes, are mailed each Christmas. Consequently, great congestion and delay occurs in large post offices, where they are all mailed within a day or two of Christmas. Therefore, if you want your Christmas greetings to reach your relatives and friends on or before Christmas Day, follow the instructions in the preceding paragraph relative to mailing early and be certain of delivery before Christmas.

**RADIO FUTURE**

Radio has a future in which entire newspapers will be flashed as complete pictures, international broadcasting will be commonplace, entertainment and instruction will penetrate to remotest corners of the world and static will be eliminated, believes Major General James G. Harbord, president of the Radio Corporation of America.

Our country leads in radio communication, having more than 600 broadcasting stations. The radio business has grown from a total of approximately \$2,000,000 in 1920 to \$350,000,000 in 1924 and to an estimated total of \$500,000,000 this year.

The problems of the industry and of its future fall into three classes: technical, commercial and those touching public and governmental relations.

A Dodge car is a pretty sight; If you love your home just right Park one in the family barn and see What a pleasure to all the gift will be...advertisement.

Miss Tommie Preston, a teacher in the Sparanberg schools, visited her sister, Mrs. Jones Lamar here the past week end.

**THERE'S ALWAYS A WAY**

Success, like other things worth while, goes where it is wanted. Of course, a man may sit and hope and wish; in fact, go through all sorts of mental anguish, and yet fail thoroughly in his desire. But the man we are thinking about is of the "go-getter" variety; the man who makes his wants realities.

Often we see, two men of apparently equal mental capacity and training, of similar personality and engaged in the same work, and yet one makes a great success and the second as great a failure.

There are many men in this country of ours who have had similar training in the business world and possibly greater advantages than Herbert Hoover, yet few of them have equalled him in accomplishments. Hoover, from early years, has shown an enormous ability for work and for doing what was apparently impossible. Thus his success; for success comes from doing things, from the pursuit of work rather than the pursuit of success.

A story was recently told in McClure's of Herbert Hoover when he was at a tender age. Hoover looked young for 23, and his only chance of defying Time was to grow a full beard, which he did while traveling across the continent and the Atlantic.

At this time, Hoover was in the employ of Louis Janin, one of the foremost mining engineers on the Pacific Coast. He impressed Janin with his ability and Janin recommended Hoover for a position with an English firm.

On the eve of his departure for London, Hoover was called to Janin's office.

"See here, Hoover," remarked the older man, "I've cabled to London swearing to your full technical qualifications, and I'm not afraid that you'll let me down on that. But these conservative Englishmen have stipulated that you should be 35 years old. I have wired them that you were 33. Don't forget my reputation depends on your looking 33 by the time you get to London." W. D. Trotter, in Southwestern Machinery.

A whole big case of the choice gifts L. E. Coleman has on display. Stop and examine at leisure At his shop on State Hi-Way. —advertisement.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Williamson sympathize with them in the loss of their infant daughter, who was born Monday, December 7, and died four hours after birth.

Have you been to Cunningham-Philips. To see the gifts so rare They have in great profusion? Be sure to get your share. —advertisement

Mrs. Vaston Merrick, Mrs. Glenn Roberts and Mrs. Bertha Smith went to Stanton Sunday to visit Mrs.

**Figure It Out For Yourself**

The farmer who lets his grain and feed crops or his live stock suffer for want of weather-proof shelter, now pays for it in dollars where he used to pay for it in cents.

Farm implements and machinery are so high priced that it is wanton waste to allow it to stand in the open and go to ruin years before its time.

Can you afford NOT to erect this fall the farm buildings you need?

**Figure It Out For Yourself**

If you figure that good lumber and good paint are cheaper than depreciation, and grain and stock losses, we will be more than glad to assist you in figuring costs and in selecting proper and economical materials.

**Rockwell Bros. & Co.**

**Lumbermen**  
**Phone --- --- --- --- 57**

**The Entire Family Pleased**



with the real service that they get from us. The busy housewife, the tired business man, and the hungry school boy let us satisfy their needs.

They know that when they place an order with us, that we will fill it with the best that we have in stock and do it promptly. When the family comes to the table at meal time, each one wears a broad smile, because there is so many good "eatables" there --- and they leave smiling because they have had just what they want.

Our beautiful, savory cuts of meat are fully appreciated by each member of the family, because they are so tender and delicious. Our meats are always fresh, and cut from the choicest high grade cattle. Also Fresh Oysters and Fish

Place an order for groceries and meat with us, and see if you aren't convinced of our quality and service.

**WE DELIVER**  
**POOL-REED CO.**  
**GROCERY AND MARKET**  
**Phone 145**



Our **Work** **Pleases**  
This young fellow is smiling because he is pleased. He lets

his **CLEANING** and **PRESSING** and don't keep from smiling when we bring clothes home just like new.

WE DELIVER  
**HARRY LEES**  
Anything in Tailoring  
420 --- --- Big Spring, Texas

**Our Painless Extractions are absolutely Painless and "We Don't Mean Mabe"**  
If your plates do not fit, we can make them fit. It makes no difference who made them  
We Especially Invite Hard Jobs  
**M. Watkins and Associates, Dentists**  
DR. JOHNSON, Associate.  
Special Leading Plate Specialists in Texas' Best City.  
153 1-2 Cypress Street  
ARLINGTON, TEXAS

**Let Us Do The Work**

We are prepared to promptly and satisfactorily do your washing and ironing. Let us have an opportunity to relieve you of a burden. **PHONE NO. 17.**

**Big Spring Laundry**

**SANITARY THROUGHOUT**

# Furniture at Your Own Price

POSSIBLE DURING OUR BIG STOCK REDUCING SALE STARTING  
**Saturday, Dec. 12 -- Ending Dec. 31**

We are going to reduce our stock \$15,000 before January 1st. You can't help but buy if you see the values

Like most merchants in West Texas we anticipated a big crop and overstocked; so it is now up to us to carry this stock over into next year or sell it at a smashing reduction so we can pay the manufacturers now, and stock up next season. We prefer to sell at a sacrifice and give our customers an opportunity to secure needed FURNITURE and HOUSE FURNISHINGS at a lower price than ever before offered.

The big slash in prices comes at a most opportune time. You can make this a real Christmas by buying something useful for the home -- come and see what big bargains we can make on any and every article in our immense stock.

**These Prices are  
For Spot CASH**



**We need the Cash  
You Need Our Goods**

*Some Specials That  
Represent  
Big Values*

- CANE CHAIRS, 6 to the customer ---  
Each ..... 95c

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- SIMMONS BEDS, no better bed on the  
market ..... \$7.95 up

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- SIMMONS SPRINGS, no better spring on  
the market ..... \$3.15 up

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- PRINCESS and HIGH BASE DRESSERS;  
oak, walnut, ivory; 14x26 mirror; regular  
prices, \$22.50 ..... \$14.95 up

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- HAYNES or SEALY MATTRESSES.  
Haynes guaranteed for ever... \$37.95 each

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- Gold Seal Congoleum Rugs ..... \$14.85
- Pab Colin Congoleum Rugs ..... \$13.85

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- Bed, Spring, and Mattress, can be bought  
for ..... \$19.05

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- Cheaper Rugs, grass, wool and fiber  
..... \$5.95 to \$24.85

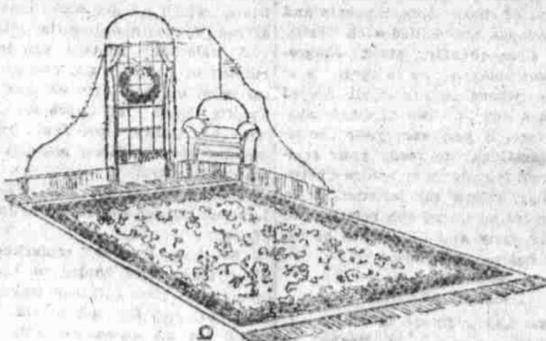
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- Cedar Chests for Xmas... \$13.85 to \$33.95

## IMPORTANT! READ THIS

*4-piece Ivory Bedroom Suite on display in window to be given away to the one holding lucky number.*

*Drawing to be at 4 o'clock, Dec. 31.*



- BED ROOM SUITES; ivory, grey, walnut  
four-pieces, vanity, bench, bed, chiffoniere  
forette ..... \$64.95 up

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- LIVING ROOM SUITES; velour tapestry  
Leatherette, Jacquards velour, and mohair  
..... \$51.95 up

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- DINING ROOM SUITES; 8 pieces; French  
walnut, American walnut, Huguenot walnut,  
oak ..... \$55.65 up

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- Linoleum ..... 98c yd
- Congoleum ..... 79c yd

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- \$2,000,000 Axminster Rugs 9x12, must be  
sacrificed ..... \$34.95 up

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- You have wanted a Sellers Kitchen Cabinet  
originally \$62.50 to \$92.50, now... \$49.95  
to \$79.85.

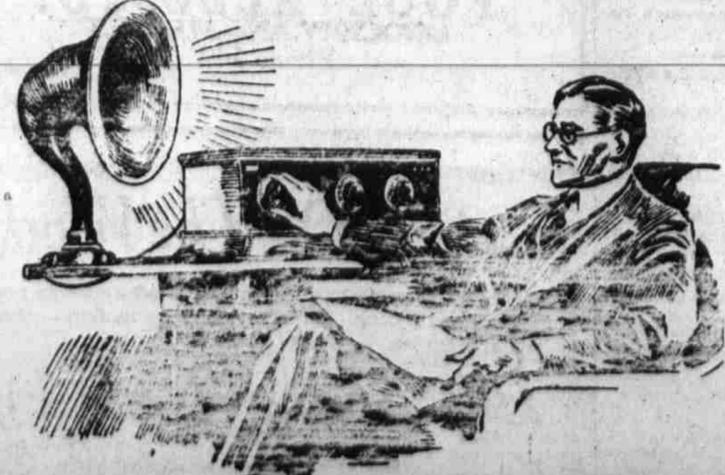
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- Cheaper cabinets ..... \$19.85 to \$49.95

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- HEATERS, COOK STOVES, RANGES  
33 1-3 OFF

Pandora, Erla, and Sonora Radio 5- and 6-tube sets at from \$110 up. Nothing finer for a Christmas Gift.



*A Beautiful, 4-piece Ivory Bed Room Suite, to be given away absolutely free on New Year's Eve.*

See it on display in our show window. With every dollar cash and every dollar paid on account during our Big Sale you will be given a ticket; and on New Year's Eve this handsome prize will be awarded to the one holding the lucky number.

Spend your Christmas money wisely for something permanent and practical, that will give comfort and service in the home. If you need furniture or household effects you will never have a greater opportunity to secure them at Rock Bottom Prices. You must call and learn our prices to appreciate the sacrifices we are making to reduce our stock.

**W. R. PURSER & SONS**  
BIG SPRING The Store That Economical Merchandising Built STANTON