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Slaton, "Gem of the South Plains," Biggest Railroad Town in West Texas

CITIZENS BELIEVE CONDITIONS FAVOR SECURING NEW RAIL LINE. WONDERFUL LOCATION. ACCESS TO PLAINS IS MADE EASY AND MUCH MORE ECONOMICAL.

(By Hamilton Wright, Staff Correspondent, in Sunday's Fort Worth Record.)

Slaton, Dec. 16.—Slaton, "Gem of the South Plains," bids high for the proposed railroad projected from Fort Worth to the South Plains, according to the local Chamber of Commerce.

The biggest railroad town in West Texas believes that conditions favor its securing the new line. The Chamber of Commerce points out that it is situated at a point above the "caprock" where access to the Plains is made easiest and more economical. The "caprock," it has been repeatedly pointed out, has always been the bugbear to railroads which essayed to go to the Plains from the lower level. When the Santa Fe contemplated its extension from Brownwood to New Mexico this "precipice" loomed big and all but shut out hope.

Caprock Scaled.

When engineers reported to their chiefs that hundreds of thousands of dollars per mile would be the construction cost of ascending the "caprock" they turned their eyes away and more. But the Santa Fe finally came to the conclusion that this rich empire was worth it, and consequently pushed forward and spent millions. And the "caprock" was scaled at above Post City. To have gone anywhere would have entailed additional hundreds of thousands. The fact that a railroad can stare daggers at the "caprock," knock out a chunk of earth and rock, and get on top, is irrefragable. If one will go to Post, where the Santa Fe gets on top of the garden of Texas he will soon learn that this system carries its load apparently many miles out of its way in order to crawl on top. But engineers will tell you learnedly that it was necessary.

NOW WHAT'S FAVORABLE TO SLATON? Yellowhouse Canyon! Several miles east of Post a canyon furrows itself in the plains, becoming narrower as it penetrates into the inland. Up this Yellowhouse Canyon engineers say, a railroad can be laid nicely, though at considerable expense, but not of such expense that it could be compared with the abrupt climb as in the case of the Santa Fe. Slaton lies up this canyon several miles and the proposed new road, it builds up this "draw," cannot be Slaton by.

The Slaton Chamber of Commerce

does not want to be omitted in the "ministration of railroad saints." The little town of 2500 souls is now probably building more residences and new business houses than any other city on the roof garden of Texas. The assertion is not newspaper camouflage, but can readily be authenticated by the visit of the skeptic. Slaton seems to be the railroad town of the Plains—the place where the Santa Fe assembles all its ill locomotives for hospital service. It is also the district offices of the system and employs an immense army of rail employees, who, liking the water, the climate, the topography and other things about that section, have cast their lot in a sturdy way and built themselves homes. They are all interested in the development and upbuilding of their city. The town employs a paid secretary whose work is intensely constructive.

Slaton, says its Chamber of Commerce, wants the new railroad to build through Slaton if it is builded to Lubbock and west on the Plains. The accessibility of the town to such a road through Yellowhouse Canyon—"the logical route"—is an outstanding feature that the people think will be the big drawing card when actual mapping out of the road is undertaken. The fact that the town possesses a strategic position does not imbue the people to relinquish their pledges of moral and financial support. When the big meeting of representative towns of the West is held next month Slaton will be there and will make a proposition that will again reveal its loyalty and generosity.

Much Cotton Produced.

The bulk of the cotton of the plains country this year was produced in the Slaton and Lubbock sections, according to the local chamber of commerce. The statement may be verified by the visitor looking over many fields in this territory which are still partly white with the fleecy staple. The receipts of cotton at all the towns in Lubbock county have reached the \$2,000 mark. The banks reflect the prosperity of the people. The wheat production of this section is also great and the livestock interests are enormous. All these will offer immense tonnage to the new railroad that will be contributory to its financial upkeep and profit, according to the Chamber of Commerce. To the southwest the Lamesa and Tahoka branch of the Santa Fe taps a territory that is the garden spot of the West, all of whose products would be available to the proposed Fort Worth & Northwestern railroad.

Citizens feel that immediate action should be taken in regard to the proposed line. Now is the time to strike the iron that will weld together the Plains and Fort Worth. Slaton wants to present its claims, it believes, which cannot be lightly eschewed.

RETAIL MERCHANTS ASS'N. ORGANIZED TUESDAY NIGHT

Retail Merchants Association of Slaton was organized Tuesday night at the Community Club building, by Secretary-Manager Bailey of the Chamber of Commerce.

Officers elected were as follows: R. A. DeLong, president. A. L. Brannon, vice president. S. P. Bailey, secretary. B. M. Holland, treasurer.

The president then took charge and appointed the following committees: By-Laws: Secretary Bailey, Keen, and Callaway.

Membership: H. D. Talley, W. A. Dykes, and J. S. Lanham.

Entertainment: Joe Teague, A. K. Green, and R. H. Tudor.

Committee to go before City Council in interest of Association: H. D. Talley, G. C. Rhodes, M. D. Jones, H. W. Ragsdale, B. M. Holland, F. E. Callaway, S. F. King, J. S. Lanham, W. A. Dykes, and S. P. Bailey.

Committee on Fees: H. D. Talley, J. S. Lanham, and F. E. Callaway.

The following committees will be appointed at our next meeting: Committee on Legislation; Railroad and Freight Rates; Trade Extension; Roads and Agriculture.

After a general discussion of the various benefits of the Association to the community, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

Yours to serve,
S. P. BAILEY, Secy.

WORK WILL SOON BEGIN ON WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM

M. L. Friday, a member of the firm of Winslett Eldridge Co., contractors of Dallas, has arrived here with a force of mechanics and equipment, to begin work on the sewer and water system. It is also stated that the contractors have large amounts of pipe and other materials in transit on which deliveries are expected daily.

Mr. Friday has moved his family to Slaton and will remain here until this big job is completed. It will be the policy of this company to employ local laborers on this work wherever possible, as they are not importing any help except expert mechanics who understand handling their large machines.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTORS MET MONDAY

Slaton Chamber of Commerce held a called executive session of officers and directors at the Community Club building on Monday night, with a good and enthusiastic attendance.

Among the many things discussed on which action was taken, were a hotel proposition, oil mill, laundry, and a general discussion on the proposed Plains railroad.

A committee composed of Messrs. McKirahan, Overby and Bailey was appointed to let contract for a large glass case for agricultural display to be placed at the depot.

Meeting adjourned subject to call.

REQUEST THAT BUSINESS HOUSES CLOSE MONDAY

The Chamber of Commerce and Retail Merchants' Association request that all places of business close Monday and observe it as a holiday on account of Christmas falling on Sunday. This has been a custom everywhere heretofore.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

To Be Rendered Saturday Evening, Dec. 24, Beginning at 7:30.

Opening song, No. 107. Scripture and prayer, Rev. A. V. Hendricks.

Reading, Addie Fincher. Reading, T. C. Amos.

Violin solo, Howard Hoffman. Christmas Star, Boys' and Girls' Classes.

Reading, Mary Virginia Whitehead. Christmas song, Choir.

Reading, Dayton Eckert. Exercises, Exie Smith's Class.

Reading, Maggie George. Song, "Silent Night," Choir.

Exercises, Nora Davidson's Class. Drill, Boy Scouts.

Piano solo, Elsie McManus. Reading, Iris Donald.

Violin solo, Mrs. W. W. Dawson. Pantomime.

Santa Claus and distribution of presents.

J. F. CONNOR KILLED HOG THAT DRESSED 625 POUNDS

J. F. Connor reports having killed a hog for F. E. Weaver one day recently that weighed 6625 pounds after it was dressed. It was a Duroc-Jersey pig just one year and one month old, and was bred by C. A. Wild. Slaton has a nation-wide reputation for fine hogs though, and if this pig had been left alone for a year or two longer there is no telling how large it would have grown.

NOTICE!

This is to notify the public that they are forbidden to haul sand and gravel from my lease in O. L. Slaton's pasture. If you need sand and gravel see me for prices.
M. H. EDWARDS, Slaton.

Season's Greetings

—WE ARE VERY GLAD THAT THE PASSING OF ANOTHER YEAR GIVES US OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS A SINCERE APPRECIATION OF YOUR MOST LOYAL FRIENDSHIP AND TO WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPEROUS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Robertson D. G. Co.

ALLAN J. PAYNE
G. A. VAN NATTA
FRED HIGBEE

MRS. ALLAN J. PAYNE
MISS ANNIE THOMPSON
MISS LENA CASTLEBERRY

SANTA FE PAYS U. S. EIGHT MILLION IN TAXES

Amarillo, Dec. 20.—"During the year 1920 the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company collected and paid over to the United States the sum of \$8,380,706 in war taxes on freight and passenger business," said T. B. Gallaher, general freight and passenger agent of the Panhandle and Santa Fe Railway, in discussing the repeal of the transportation tax effective at the close of the year.

We figure that on account of the expected revival of business in 1922, the saving to the patrons of the Santa Fe the coming year should be approximately \$8,000,000, decreasing to that extent the cost of passenger travel and freight shipments.

PROGRAM WORKERS' MEETING, SLATON, DEC. 26 AND 27

Monday evening, 7:30. Sermon, J. F. Grizzle.

Tuesday 9:30 A. M. Devotional, J. E. Anderson.

9:45. Does the Gospel Meet the Needs of all the World, J. M. Doshier, O. P. Morrison.

10:15. More Efficient Sunday Schools, J. G. Cole, J. E. Godwin.

10:45. How to Put Over a Great Church Program, O. J. Harmonson, R. E. Cox.

11:15. Sermon, H. D. Heath.

12. Noon. Lunch served at the church.

2 P. M. Women's Work. Board Meeting.

1. Opening service, Mrs. E. C. Foster.

2. President's Message.

3. W. M. U. echoes from Convention, Mrs. Briley.

4. Personal Service, Mrs. Weaver, Tahoka.

5. Special song, Slaton Y. W. A.

6. Y. W. A. Work, Mrs. Stokes.

7. Round Table, President.

Try a Classified Ad for results.

IT'S EASY



—IT WILL BE EASY TO WRITE A CHECK FOR NEXT YEAR'S CHRISTMAS SHOPPING IF YOU WILL BEGIN DEPOSITING MONEY IN THIS BANK TODAY.

The First State Bank of Slaton

Member Federal Reserve System A Guaranty Fund Bank
Where Service is a Religion and Courtesy is Born Smiling.

H. G. Rowley, President F. M. Culberson, Vice President
W. B. Russell, Cashier

Payments are
—SMALL—
But the Check is
—BIG—

—IF YOU WILL BEGIN DEPOSITING MONEY WITH US TODAY YOU WILL BE SURPRISED AT HOW FAST IT WILL GROW BETWEEN NOW AND NEXT HOLIDAY SEASON.

The Slaton State Bank

ACTIVE OFFICERS
B. M. HOLLAND Vice President and Cashier RAY STEPHENSON Assistant Cashier

DIRECTORS
R. J. MURRAY, President
C. C. Hoffman A. C. Benton B. M. Holland E. N. Twaddle
A. E. HOWERTON



OLD SANTA CLAUS WILL ARRIVE IN SLATON EARLY SATURDAY NIGHT, DEC. 24

The Slatonite is just in receipt of a letter from Old Santa Claus stating that he will arrive in Slaton Saturday night, Dec. 24, at an early hour, and wants all the good little boys and girls to have their stockings in place and be in bed early. He also invites you to write him what you want for Christmas and have the letters published in the Slatonite next week. Santa also sent his picture, along, which is printed at the top of this column.

Wants to Learn to Write.

Good Old Santa: You was good to me last year, and am sure proud of the nice things you brought me. But Santa, I am hoping you will bring me a doll and trunk for the doll, also some A B C blocks so I can learn to write. I live in the same place that you brought my toys to last Christmas. Please Santa, bring the other children that I play with some playthings too. I am 5 years old. Your good friend,
GEORGIE TAYLOR.

Helps Her Mother.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl seven years old. I live eight miles west of Union. I go to school and learn my lessons good. I help mother do the housework. I want you to bring me a doll that can go to sleep. Robert is five years old. He drives for daddy while he heads maize. He wants an air gun. Margaret is three years old. She wants a sleepy doll. Bring my little baby brother a doll. Bring us lots of candy, apples, oranges, bananas and nuts.

ESTELLE LAMB.

Got the Wrong Address.

Mr. Santa Claus, Sweetwater, Tex. Dear Santa: I want you to bring me two tinker toy sets and a real Irish mail. But! Santa, please don't forget the other poor children. Santa, my school teacher, Miss Reed, wants a talking machine, oak color. Santa, take my kinfolks something too. They live in Colorado. Send all the boys and girls a whole lot of candy. Santa, I hope there is snow so that the deers can pull your sled easy and fast. With love,
LA VERNE MANIRE.

From Hood County.

Dear Santa: I have been a good little girl this year and I want you to please bring me a doll baggy, a big doll and some fruit and candy. I live a long ways from Slaton but I'm sure you can find the way. Be sure and don't forget. Your little friend,
ORAN LOUISE JONES,
Lipan, Texas.

From 'Way Off in New Mexico.

Dear Ol' Santy: I am a little fellow living 'way out here in New Mexico, but I want you to bring me a baby rattle, a pacifier, and anything else you can think about. Don't forget my ma-ma and pa-pa, and my Grandpa and Grandma Watson in Slaton.
VETA LAVONA SUITE,
Magdalena, N. M.

First Letter to Santa.

Dear Old Santa: This is my first attempt to write to you, and maybe you can't read it very well. But you were so good to me last year that I want to write you while you are in this part of the country again. I certainly enjoyed the fruits, nuts, etc., that you left me in my stocking last year. Also the number of toys you left at my granddad and uncle's store for me. I am four years old and have been a real nice boy all during the year. Your little friend,
"SNOOKIE" DYER.

In Faraway Southwest Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Though I am many miles from Slaton, I feel that I should write you there, for you came to see me there last year. You will find me this time about 25 miles from Brownsville in the extreme southwest part of Texas. I will tell you my age and you can judge best about what to send me. I was three Nov. 11th. Do not forget me please.
JOY ARMISTICE DYER.

Wants Something for Christmas.

Dear Santa: I want a dolly for Christmas and some apples and candy and nuts and oranges.
HOPPER.

Just One Nice Present.

Dear Santa Claus: We are not going to ask for much this Christmas.

but please Santa, bring us one nice present anyway, and don't forget our little baby sister, as this will be the first Christmas for her to hang up her stockings. Your little friends,
KATRINA AND HELEN HOUSTON.

SECRETARY-MANAGER OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ARRIVED HERE TUESDAY

S. P. Bailey, the newly elected Secretary-Manager of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce, with his wife and daughter, arrived in Slaton Tuesday, and has assumed his duties.

Mr. Bailey comes to Slaton from the Seguin Chamber of Commerce, where his success in town and country building was phenomenal. He was prior to that with the Marlow (Okla.) Chamber of Commerce, and put that town on the map.

Although office quarters have not been secured for Mr. Bailey yet he is "on the job," getting preliminaries straightened out, preparatory to waging an active campaign to build up Slaton and its large trade territory. Slaton, as well as surrounding territory, has enjoyed the fastest and most substantial growth of any town or community in West Texas during the past few years, and with a man like Mr. Bailey on the job all the time there is no reason why we should not do even better.

In conversation with Mr. Bailey he stated that he was not here to pay social visits to the people of the town and country, but was here for promoting the best interests of the entire community, and that as soon as he was located in a permanent office he would be found there at all times except when business connected with the Chamber of Commerce called him out. Even then his office would be open and some one there to take care of the business.

A mass meeting of citizens was held at the Club House Thursday night in the interest of the Chamber of Commerce, presided over by B. M. Holland, president, at which time Mr. Bailey was introduced to the audience, and made a very pleasing address, followed by a number of local citizens. An extended report of this meeting will appear in next week's paper.

PURE FOOD AND STYLE SHOW BEGINS THURSDAY NIGHT

At 7:30 o'clock next Thursday night the doors will swing open at the Pure Food and Style Show, to be held in the Robertson block by the Young Women's Auxiliary of the Baptist church. This will be the first event of its kind ever held in Slaton and the general public are eagerly awaiting the opening night, and from all accounts they will not be disappointed.

The young ladies in charge of this affair have been untiring in their efforts to make this Pure Food and Style Show a big success—and it will be, for they have already assembled nearly \$200 worth of merchandise of practically every kind, donated by manufacturers and wholesalers from every portion of the United States. Quite a few donations have been received from local business men and firms, and others will come. Out-of-town donations are also arriving daily to swell the large amount already on hand.

The opening night will be marked by a short, but appropriate program, beginning at 7:30. The affair will continue through Friday and Saturday and will be open evenings until 10 o'clock.

The building formerly occupied by J. V. Hollingsworth, which has been donated to the young ladies through the generosity of A. L. Robertson, will be attractively decorated, booths arranged, and the decorations will everywhere carry out the Christmas spirit.

Your attention is directed to the page announcement of this affair elsewhere in the Slatonite.

Lively-Henry Nuptials.

Lonnie L. Lively and Miss Allene Henry were united in marriage at 6 o'clock last Monday evening at the Baptist parsonage, Rev. Jno. Hardesty officiating in his usual impressive way. The affair was a quiet one and came as a surprise to many friends of this popular young couple.

They left immediately for a brief honeymoon trip to other sections of the State, and are now at home to their friends in Slaton.

The bride in this happy event is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Henry, among the best known, most highly respected and most substantial citizens of the Slaton section. She is a young lady of charming personality, many accomplishments and numbers her friends by her acquaintances.

The groom is a valued employe of the Santa Fe here, coming to Slaton about a year ago from Weatherford. During his residence in Slaton he has surrounded himself with a host of warm friends.

The Slatonite joins many friends in extending congratulations and best wishes to the newly-weds.

Cole's Hot Blast Heaters are fuel savers. We are offering them at cut prices. **FOSTER & HOWERTON.**

Drug sundries, patent medicines and toilet articles at **TEAGUE'S.**

Slaton Home Mutual means protection for your family.

Genuine Edison Mazda electric lamp globes at **J. V. Hollingsworth's.**

We Print Everything But Dollar Bills.

MRS. GRAVES' BROTHER DIED IN TENNESSEE TUESDAY

Mrs. F. Graves received a message Tuesday afternoon stating that her brother, C. R. Stutts, had died at his home in Dyersburg at 1:30 the same afternoon. The cause of his death was not stated. Deceased was 59 years old, having been born Dec. 12, 1852. Besides his sister here he is survived by his wife and five children.

The Slatonite joins in extending sincere sympathy to all upon whom bereavement has fallen.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Have you membership in the Home Mutual? If not, why?

Foster & Howerton's will be headquarters for Santa Claus.

Toilet articles of the best known brands at **TEAGUE'S.**

Foster & Howerton buy second hand goods. See them before you sell.

If it's a residence lot you are looking for see R. J. Murray or J. T. Overby. We have 'em.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Piwonka were visitors in Lubbock Tuesday, where the latter is undergoing treatment.

Mrs. O. Z. Ball has returned from a several days' visit to relatives and friends at Higgins.

H. G. Rowley, president of the First State Bank, was a business visitor in Oklahoma this week.

Mail your Christmas packages early. Remember that postal employees would like to celebrate this event just the same as you.

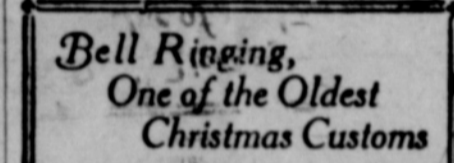
Miss Theodocia Gray, teacher in the Slaton public schools, was called to Clarendon this week on account of the severe illness of her father.

Don't wait until the last minute to do your Christmas shopping. The merchants of Slaton are prepared to supply your needs now, so why put it off until Dec. 24?

Mrs. R. A. Baldwin and children left on the early morning train today for an extended visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hollinger, at Long Beach, California.

If you have visitors during the holidays or know of any one that has gone away to visit, PLEASE call the Slatonite office and tell us. News items of any kind are always appreciated, and unless you give them to us many times they are overlooked.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Smith, and the former's father, F. D. Smith of Kansas City, have returned from a three weeks' hunting trip and outing near Del Rio. They report a good time and plenty of game.



WHAT would Christmas be without the melody of the bells ringing good will toward men?

Bell ringing is one of the oldest Christmas customs. At one time, in England, the ringers gave their services free, nor would they accept any special payment. The peal was rung as a matter of course, and was the natural expression of English joyousness. The merry music of the bells in Great Britain and wherever churches have peals of bells, is today as much a feature of Christmas as the decoration of church and home with evergreens, or the provision of the good cheer which always marks this festive season.

What an outcry there would be if an edict were issued forbidding the ringing of the bells during the coming festive season! Yet this was actually done during the Commonwealth, for in 1652 the wise men of parliament gave orders that "no observation shall be had of the five-and-twentieth day of December, commonly called Christmas day."

It is quite certain that this edict was disregarded in many places, while in others it led to open rioting. At Canterbury the mayor of the city tried to enforce the new rule, but the people were not going to be deprived of their pleasures so easily, so they took the law into their own hands, broke the mayor's windows—and some of his bones as well—and affirmed their intention of keeping their Christmas in their own fashion, just as their fathers had done before them.

A Good Modeling Material.

It is often very difficult to keep a child confined to the house amused. But with a modeling material with which they can make animals, beads, etc., they can be kept amused for hours. Take four tablespoonfuls cornstarch, eight tablespoonfuls salt and eight tablespoonfuls boiling water. Mix the dry ingredients and pour on the boiling water, stirring until the mixture is soft. Put on the fire and stir until it forms a soft ball then remove from the stove and stir for ten minutes. A little color may be added. Wrap in oiled paper when not in use to keep from hardening.

The Home Mutual needs you, and you and yours need protection. Join.

Meat Salt. A large shipment just received. **DYKES' GROCERY CO.**

HALE CENTER MAIL CARRIER SHOT IN LEG WITH PISTOL

Hale Center, Dec. 13.—Cecil Foster, Star mail carrier, accidentally shot himself Friday as he was preparing to carry mail from Hale Center to Bartonside. As Foster started from his room, his revolver fell from the scabbard in which he was carrying it, and the hammer struck the floor, firing a bullet through his leg.

Foster was carrying the gun in accordance with instructions from the postal department.

The wound is not considered serious.

SITE HAS BEEN PURCHASED FOR SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANT

Mayor R. J. Murray has closed a deal for a tract of land northeast of town to be used for a sewage disposal plant. Work will begin at an early date on the waterworks and sewer system, it is stated.

CEDAR FENCE POSTS.

If you are in the market for fence or any other kind of posts, see me before you buy. I can supply your needs at a price you can afford.
W. J. KLATTENHOFF.

NOTICE!

This is to notify the public that they are forbidden to haul sand and gravel from my lease in O. L. Slaton's pasture. If you need sand and gravel see me for prices.
M. H. EDWARDS, Slaton.

RETAIL CREDIT MEN'S ASSOCIATION TO BE ORGANIZED

S. P. Bailey, Secretary-Manager of the Chamber of Commerce, is in receipt of a letter from the State Secretary of the Retail Credit Men's Association, advising that he will be in Slaton next week for the purpose of organizing the local business people. Mr. Bailey states that quite a few of the business have indicated a desire for such an association, and invites others who might be interested to see him.

Later: A meeting for Tuesday night has been announced to be held at the Club House, for the purpose of organizing. Every business and professional man in the town is invited to be present.

ODD FELLOWS VISITED TAHOKA SATURDAY NIGHT

The degree team of Slaton lodge I. O. O. F., together a number of other members, twenty in all, accepted an invitation and visited the Tahoka lodge Saturday night to confer the first and second degrees on a number of candidates.

The visitors were royally entertained with supper at the Leedy hotel upon their arrival and with a lunch at midnight.

Trees beautify the town.

CLASSIFIED ADS

ROOMS furnished for light house-keeping. **CANNON HOUSE.**

FOR SALE: Three dandy residence lots, in fine community, well located, near schools. Or would consider to trade for lots in East Slaton. See **W. DONALD,** at Slatonite office.

FOR SALE: Registered Poland-China hogs, either sex; sired by the 600-lb. Yearling Amador No. 46528. **HENRY WESTERHOFF.**

FOR SALE: 1 fresh milch cow, 2 wagons and teams, and farm implements, 3 Duroc Jersey sows and 14 shoats. See **J. M. DAVIS,** 12 miles west of Slaton, on Mrs. Lulu Morris farm.

FOR RENT: 4-room furnished house, \$30 per month.—**M. B. TATE.**

WANTED A JOB: Experienced grocery clerk, meat cutter or carpenter, or will take farm work.—**C. B. Mc-**

QUEEN, Rt. 1, Slaton, Texas. **FOR SALE** or trade: Studebaker six, in good condition. **EARL EDWARDS,** at Fember's Insurance Office.

MOORE BROS., Lubbock, for auto tops and curtains, made or repaired.

40 ACRES of land for sale, 2 miles north of town. I also have town lots for sale.—**J. M. OLIVE.**

MR. AND MRS. MONROE PLAYERS ARE DELIGHTING LARGE CROWDS NIGHTLY

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Hopkins Players opened a week's engagement at the Wilselma Theatre last Monday night and were greeted with a packed house. They have been playing some splendid bills and each performance has been pleasing the large audiences. They will be here the remainder of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Hopkins and their company are not strangers in Slaton, having played the Wilselma Theatre here last year, and made many friends on their former visit. From the press notices they have received all over this section of the State it is noted that they are favorites everywhere they play.

Remember, tonight and Saturday night they have two more good bills to offer you.

PAPER WILL BE ISSUED ONE DAY EARLY NEXT WEEK

On account of the approaching holidays the Slatonite will be issued one day early next week. Those having advertisements or copy of any kind for the paper please be governed accordingly.

If the Slaton country is your home help your Home Mutual; join now.

Foster & Howerton's will be headquarters for Santa Claus.

Buy Good Cotton Seed

—WE HAVE A LIMITED AMOUNT OF MEBANE, LATE IMPROVED TRIUMPH SEED, DIRECT FROM HIS OWN COMPANY, WE CAN FURNISH YOU FOR \$2.25. CONCENTRATE YOUR ORDERS WITH US AND SAVE HEAVY FREIGHT. AFFIDAVIT COMES WITH BILL OF LADING THAT THEY ARE FIRST YEAR SEED FROM BREEDING BLOCK. ALSO ORDERS TAKEN FOR TRUIT AND CASH SEED. HAVE PLENTY OF LONE STAR IN STOCK.

—JUST RECEIVED CAR OF BARB WIRE, HOG FENCE, POULTRY NETTING, ETC. SEE US IF IN THE MARKET.

SLATON COAL & GRAIN CO.

TELEPHONE 23 SLATON, TEXAS

Do Your Christmas Shopping Early

You will find at this Store apples all kinds and sizes, oranges, nuts.

THE BLUE FRONT GROCERY

TELEPHONE 94 SLATON, TEXAS



TOYTOWN

WE ARE HEADQUARTERS IN SLATON FOR TOYS AND EVERYTHING THAT THE KIDDIES LIKE. OUR ASSORTMENT OF TOYS AND NOVELTY GOODS IS VERY COMPLETE, AND THE PRICES ARE IN KEEPING WITH THE TIMES. COME IN AND LOOK OVER OUR SELECTION BEFORE YOU BUY.

USEFUL GIFTS

—GIFTS THAT ARE USEFUL ARE ALWAYS APPRECIATED. YOU CAN FIND THEM HERE AT ANY PRICE THAT SUITS YOUR POCKET BOOK. FURNITURE, RUGS, DRAPERIES, PHONOGRAPHS, RECORDS, CHINA AND QUEENSWARE, CARVING SETS, SILVER SETS ARE ALL VERY DESIRABLE AS GIFTS.

—We want to express our sincere appreciation to every one for the splendid business we have enjoyed, and wish each of you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

FOSTER & HOWERTON

HARDWARE, FURNITURE, UNDERTAKING. SLATON, TEXAS



**Honest
Prices**

—WHEN YOU BUY GROCERIES HERE YOU KNOW THAT THE PRICE IS LOW ENOUGH. WE ARE CONSTANTLY REDUCING PRICES ON MANY ITEMS. OUR BUSINESS IS GROWING, WHICH WE ATTRIBUTE TO OUR LOW PRICES, HIGH CLASS GROCERIES AND PROMPT SERVICE.

2½ lb. Bucket Folger's Coffee \$1.10
3 lbs. White House Coffee, \$1.50 value, for \$1.25
(Other Groceries in Proportion)

Headquarters for Christmas Apples, Candies and Holiday "Eats."

—We want to extend the season's greetings to every one and may the year 1922 be one of happiness, peace and prosperity for you and yours, is our wish.

Dykes' Grocery Co.

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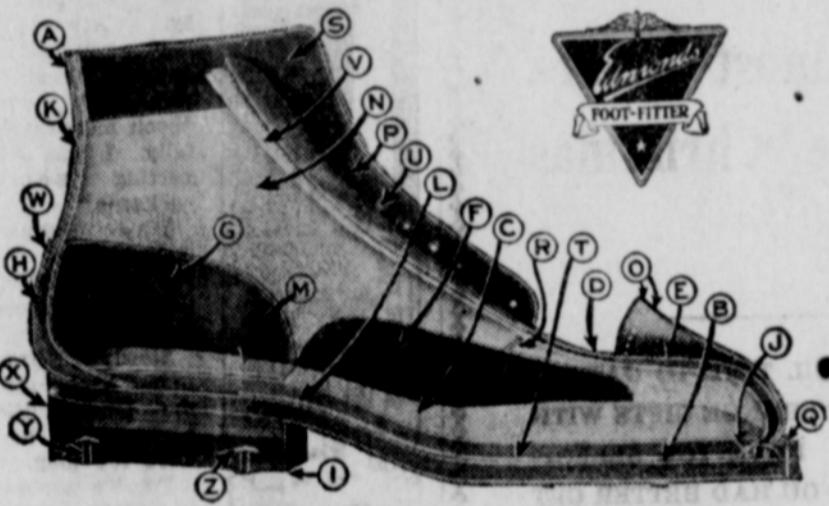
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—I now have the agency for the Lubbock Laundry, and will call for laundry and deliver. Also clean and press, and have a nice line of samples from which to order suits. Prompt and good service is promised.

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- A—Full Grain Calfskin Rich Mahogany shade.
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- M—Calfskin Heel Pad.
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- O—Four rows Tip Stitching.
- P—Calfskin Eyelet Stay.
- Q—Best Quality Braid Lock Stitch Sole Thread.
- R—Silk Blucher Bar.
- S—Calfskin Top Facing.
- T—Felt Bottom Filler.
- U—Fast Color Hooks and Eyelets.
- V—Felt Lined Tongue.
- W—2 rows single needle vamping.
- X—Full Grain Sole Leather Whole Lift Heel Base.
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"FOOT-FITTERS" ARE THE ONLY SHOES IN THE WORLD WHICH HAVE ALL THE ABOVE SPECIFICATIONS.

We make this statement without fear of contradiction. Positively no leather substitution in the construction of "Foot-Fitters." We Guarantee "Foot-Fitters" to be made of Solid Leather all through. No paper fibre or substitutions used in "Foot-Fitters."

—We have just been appointed Exclusive agents for these wonderful shoes. Come into our store and be fitted with a pair of "Foot-Fitters." Nothing like it in this city. "Foot-Fitters" are the best shoe construction ever attempted. All shapes, sizes and widths—

**\$7.50 Per Pair
KESSEL'S**

WILSON.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Metcalfe and "Grandma" Standifer visited Grandpa and Grandma Metcalfe at Southland Sunday.

D. L. Adair and wife of Bangs have moved here. Mr. Adair has accepted a position with the Santa Fe that was held by Mr. Baker, who has been transferred to Lorenzo.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Lumsden returned Thursday from a visit with relatives in South Texas.

Edwin May carried his sisters, Misses Clara and Celia, to Lubbock Sunday, where they will attend the Teachers' Institute. Our other teachers will also attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Hughes spent Sunday night here with Homer Scott and family. They returned to Tahoka Monday, where Clay is working at the carpenter's trade.

Everyone is invited to attend the Christmas tree at the church Christmas eve night, Dec. 24th.

Rev. H. D. Heath spent Sunday at the home of H. B. Crosby.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Williams and son Webster, visited in Lubbock Sunday afternoon.

W. F. Pinion and family were business visitors in Lubbock Monday.

Grandma and Grandpa Hendrix and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hendrix visited at the home of T. A. Hendrix Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Cummings and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brown were Slaton visitors Wednesday.

A LADIES' CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR SLATON

To the ladies of Slaton and vicinity: I am depending on the ladies, through their Chamber of Commerce for a great deal of assistance and co-operation. On you and your organization depends the beautifying of our Park and streets, the sanitary condition of our town, in fact any movement for the progress of our city; especially our churches, schools, homes and city hall. You can and will play the most prominent part.

What is everybody's business is nobody's business and never gets beyond the talk stage, but through the Ladies' Chamber of Commerce we must and will get action in a telling way. There are burdens to bear and responsibilities to shoulder; the harder the fight the greater the victory, and here in this patriotic home and city building organization will be work for everybody who has that pride and love for Slaton and home so essential in making out of our city that which appeals to all—a clean and beautiful city.

Watch for a call for a mass meeting for ladies, and I trust you will arrange to attend and enlist, so when the smoke of battle clears away each one can say: "We killed a bear."

Yours to serve,
S. P. BAILEY,
Secy-Manager.

The Star-Telegram or Fort Worth Record, Daily and Sunday, and The Slaton Slatonite, one year each, for only \$7.75. Not good after Jan. 4th.

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See me at Forrest Lumber Co.
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Slaton Second Hand And Racket Store

Every day brings more people to our city—people who intend to stay—and like other towns, there are others who are moving. The latter prefer to sell their Furniture, and the new-comer wants to buy. I am able to give you the best of service, whether you intend to Buy or Sell.

—If you have any wagons, buggies, farm implements or machinery of any kind to sell I will handle them for 10 per cent commission. Call and see me.

SLATON SECOND HAND And Racket Store

G. L. SLEDGE, Manager
Telephone 184 Slaton, Texas

Home Bargains—

—I have a new 5-room and bath, four blocks east of square, that I can sell at \$1500, with only \$150 cash and balance monthly payments. This house has never been occupied and is a good bargain for some one. Let me show it to you.

—The best bargain in my list today is a dandy 5-room and bath, in east end, has windmill, barn and sheds, fine grape arbor, trees, house newly papered and painted, extra large east front lot, and can deliver same for \$2300.00, on good terms. You couldn't duplicate the place for less than \$2800.

—I have some of the best vacant lots in town listed with me and can fit you out in any part of town. Have lots at \$65 to \$250, cash and on terms.

—Call and see me, and if you need Insurance I can write any kind you need.

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SINGLETON HOTEL BLOCK

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ELECTRIC SHOE AND
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—I have now equipped my shop with electrical driven machinery for both Shoe and Harness Repairing and can give you quicker service than ever before, and work the equal of any better than some. Bring in your work; it is always appreciated, and the price is no higher than you pay for inferior work in other towns.

Located First Floor Singleton Hotel Building, Slaton, Texas.

Make this a Musical Christmas in Your Home



—BUT BE SURE IT IS A
VICTROLA — LOOK UNDER THE LID.



Mrs. C. F. Anderson
See Our Booth at The Pure Food
and Style Show, Robertson Block

FOSTER'S WEATHER BULLETIN. (Copyrighted)

Washington, Dec. 20.—During last week in December a series of bad storms will organize in the far northwest and the continent will get little rest from these disturbances until after Jan. 10th. Everything on the calendar of bad Winter storms may be expected during that three weeks. Unusually warm weather will prevail all over the continent for several days near Dec. 28, and then look out for bad storms everywhere, rains south, snows and blizzards north, but no deep snows and no general heavy rains. The precipitation will average unusually small for such great storms. These storms are expected to be on meridian 90 near Dec. 29, the countries west of that line one or two days later. A great warm wave will precede these storms and a great cold wave follow them.

One-third of the cropweather Winter had gone on Dec. 21 and an unusually warm and pleasant Winter it has been. All North America—except this writer—swore that it would be the coldest and hardest on record. The coal people are overstocked, heavy clothing merchants are scared, natural ice packers do not know where to find ice. Best thing all of them can do hereafter is to read Foster's Weather Bulletin and quit running after the goose bones, the heavy corn husks, the squirrel nests of nuts. Ther will be some cold weather, of course, January, February, March, but the evaporation of ocean waters that supplies the storms with moisture will come from the wrong ocean to bring an exceedingly cold Winter, even after the new year. But the last half of the cropweather Winter will be colder than the first half.

Storms will be rather moderate after Jan. 10th. Most severe will be near Jan. 15 and 21. In general averages precipitation will be short, increasing in amount from Gulf of Mexico northward. Not good cropweather for Winter grain, as an average, in America; better in Canada. But this will not fit all sections. Topography makes the difference. That is a good word and I must use it; look it up in your dictionary. It is of much importance in weatherology.

I repeat it; no such world cropweather and crops have been for 100 years, as will be for 1922 and 1923. I am giving you a warning that you will see verified if you live thru those two years. I do not mean that all sections of North America will produce bumper crops, but I assert that large sections will, and that the total of North America will, at least, be equal to the 10-year averages. I have the records covering 100 years. By them my theories have been thoroughly tested and I have not been able to find where they have not been supported by the records as to continental cropweather and crops. I have made some mistakes as to small sections. The coming conditions will be momentous, exceedingly important for North America. My long experience as a newspaper writer and editor impresses the fact that repetitions must be made before the great masses of people will catch on to important facts. This subject demands repetition. Next to the World War it is the most important of all events that will have occurred. Nothing but weather events; I am not an astrologer.

THE TYLER COMMERCIAL COLLEGE CLOSES VERY SUCCESSFUL YEAR

The Tyler Commercial College of Tyler, Texas, enjoyed the biggest enrollment of their history in 1920. All previous records were broken by the total enrollment of four thousand four hundred and eighty-three; the largest annual enrollment of any American business college. By the end of this year, they intend to beat that record. Last month, the total enrollment was ahead of the same period the previous year. The wide-awake, progressive young people of the Southwest have been coming to this great institution by the hundreds all thru the year.

There is a reason for the big business enjoyed by this school—the fact that since the beginning of the school, they have always been ready to extend a helping hand to their students or graduates. This policy has won the friendship and good will of their former students and caused them to send relatives and friends to Tyler, knowing that they will receive the most thorough business training to be had, in the shortest time at the least cost.

An example of their policy of helpfulness is the maintenance of the students loan fund. Any ambitious young person who wants a business training but hasn't sufficient funds can secure financial assistance with which to get a business course thru this Students Loan Fund, paying it back after he has finished his course and has taken a position, which the College will secure for him. This makes it possible for every young man or woman who is really sincerely anxious to get an education and make a start in the world to do so.

The College also maintains a Service Department, which is absolutely free to all graduates. Any graduate of the school may, at any time, call on the Service Department for information on any question or problem of a business character and the desired information will be gladly given. They are always ready to assist a former student in any way possible.

For complete information and large free catalogue, fill in and mail coupon.
Name _____
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Interested in Students Loan Fund? _____

Do You Want to Please Some Man With a Christmas Present?

—THE PLACE TO BUY THINGS THAT PLEASE MEN IS AT A MAN'S SHOP. WE SELL MEN'S THINGS AND WE KNOW WHAT MEN IN GENERAL LIKE AND WHAT MANY INDIVIDUAL MEN PREFER. IT IS OUR BUSINESS TO HELP MEN SELECT THEIR PURCHASES. WE CAN AID YOU IN GETTING THE GIFTS THAT WILL GIVE PLEASURE AND SATISFACTION. MANY WOMEN ARE MAKING USE OF OUR EXPERT SERVICE IN THE SELECTION OF MEN'S THINGS. BELOW WE OFFER A FEW SUGGESTIONS FOR GIFTS. MANY OF THESE ARE PUT UP IN HOLIDAY BOXES:

HOSIERY	SWEATERS	PAJAMAS
SHIRTS	TIE CLASPS	UNDERWEAR
COLLARS	COLLAR PINS	SUITS
TIES	COLLAR BUTTONS	GLOVES
HANDKERCHIEFS	CUFF BUTTONS	OVERCOATS
BELTS	CAPS	SUIT CASE
SUSPENDERS	BATH ROBES	HAND BAGS

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THE MERCHANT TAILOR

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

The State of Texas,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Lubbock County, Greeting:

You are commanded to summon S. P. Martin by making publication of this Citation once each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the nearest county to said Lubbock County; to appear at the next regular term of the Justice's Court in Precinct No. 2, Lubbock County, to be holden at Slaton, in said Lubbock County, on the second day of January, A. D. 1922, then and there to answer

a petition filed in said Court on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1921, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 105, wherein the Guaranty State Bank of Greenville, Texas, a banking corporation under the laws of the State of Texas is Plaintiff, and S. P. Martin is Defendant, and said petition alleging that defendant owes plaintiff balance of \$150.00 principal on a note executed by defendant to plaintiff on January 17, 1921, due April 1st after date, with interest and attorney's fees as provided in said note, same having been placed in the hands of an attorney for collection after maturity, and plaintiff has caused attachment to issue and to be levied on Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Block No. 98 in the Original Town of Slaton,

Texas, and prays for judgment against defendant for its debt, costs and after judgment for execution against said property and sale thereof in satisfaction of said debt and costs.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my official signature, office in Slaton, Texas, this the 30th day of November, A. D. 1921.

PAUL P. MURRAY,
Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 2, Lubbock County, Texas.

Slaton Home Mutual means protection for your family.

Why Throw Away Your Money?

—This is exactly what happens when you allow your machinery to stand out in the weather. It depreciates about thirty per cent a year. We will be glad to assist you in planning an economical covering for your machinery.

PANHANDLE LUMBER CO.

OUR AIM — TO HELP IMPROVE THE PANHANDLE

See Our Christmas Show Window

THIS IS THE PLACE TO GET YOUR CHRISTMAS CANDIES, FRUITS, NUTS, ETC. SEE THE DISPLAY IN OUR WINDOW. OR IF IT'S GROCERIES FOR THE HOLIDAYS OR ANY OTHER TIME, YOU WILL FIND THEM HERE PRICED RIGHT AND HIGH IN QUALITY. WE TAKE PRIDE IN GIVING PROMPT SERVICE AND LOW PRICES. CALL US AND SEE.

Slaton Sanitary Grocery

H. W. RAGSDALE & SON

PHONE 19, SLATON, TEX.

CHRISTMAS · GIFT · SUGGESTIONS

—WE'VE GOT THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT RIGHT THIS YEAR AND HAVE STOCKED THE LARGEST ASSORTMENT OF GIFT GOODS EVER IN THE HISTORY OF THE STORE. THEY ARE USEFUL GIFTS TOO, NOT CHEAP, GAUDY THINGS, BUT SOMETHING YOU WILL BE PROUD TO GIVE OR RECEIVE EITHER. WE HAVE SOMETHING SUITABLE FOR FATHER, MOTHER, BROTHER, SISTER OR SWEETHEART. THEY ARE ALL PUT UP IN ELEGANT CASES AND HOLIDAY BOXES, AND PRICED WORTH THE MONEY, TOO. BELOW WE NAME A FEW OF THE ITEMS. WE HAVE MANY OTHERS:

GILLETTE RAZORS
SHAVING SETS
SMOKING SETS
PIPES
CIGARS IN SMALL BOXES
FLASHLIGHTS

COLLAR BUTTONS
STICK PINS
COLLAR BAGS
STATIONERY
LADIES' TOILET SETS
MANICURE SETS

CUFF BUTTONS
IVORY SETS
FOUNTAIN PENS
EVERSHARP PENCILS
EASTMAN KODAKS
CANDIES

CHRISTMAS FOLDERS
CHRISTMAS CARDS
CUT GLASS
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Announcement!

—WE HAVE SECURED THE EXCLUSIVE AGENCY FOR SLATON AND TERRITORY FOR A WHEEL TIGHTENER THAT WILL DO THE WORK.

—We will tighten your wheels, either wood or steel rim, and guarantee them to stay tight. Why take chances on a breakdown, perhaps with fatal results, when we can put all of your wheels in first class condition for so little? Come in and see us about it. Prompt and courteous service at all times.

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"Stockmen Attention"

—We manufacture 45 per cent Cottonseed Cake and Meal, and can save you money as we are the closest mill to you. We are prepared to make quick shipments on all orders. Write or wire us for quotations before you buy.

Fuller Cotton Oil Company

SNYDER, TEXAS

To Our Slaton Friends:

—At considerable expense we have compiled an abstractor's Tract Index of the whole town of Slaton for the convenience of our Slaton patrons, and same can now be found at M. A. Pember's office. We will also furnish Mr. Pember with all the daily filings from the County Clerk's office affecting Slaton property, thus keeping this book up-to-date.

—If you want to know the record owner of any Slaton lots call at Pember's office and this information will be furnished you absolutely free, and we hope you will use this service and feel sure you will find it a great convenience.

—Mr. Pember will be glad to take your order for any abstract work you may need, thus saving you the trouble and expense of sending it, or if you prefer send it direct to us.

—This service is in keeping with the progressive spirit of the great South Plains and of our determination to continually offer you the services of the best equipped abstract plant in West Texas.

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TICKVILLE.

At preaching last Sunday Raz Barlow was so dressed up very few of his friends knew him and he didn't know anybody.

Poke Eazley observes that battleships are dropping a little in price, as a person can get a fairly good one now for 42 million dollars f. o. b. his front gate.

Gander Creek, after being almost dry nearly all Summer, is again full of water, and Sidney Hocks says he bets the fish are glad, as at times last Summer the creek was so dry he noticed some of the fish had dust on their backs.

Sim Flinders was in the Calf Ribs neighborhood one day recently and reports that he found a man who was so cross-eyed he could cry on a fishing pole.

Sile Kildew came within an inch of having good grounds to sue the Tickville railroad one day last week, as he was sitting on the track talking business with a man, and the train like to of run over him without whistling.

Miss Peachie Sims sang "The Last Rose of Summer," at the entertainment Wednesday night. Sid Hocks says while the roses may be all gone, there are lots of Winter onions to take their place.

Atlas Peck's wife sent him to the Rye Straw store Thursday morning after a box of snuff, but as he just had a dime and needed some chewing tobacco he forgot what she sent him after.

Ellick Helwanger started home from the moonshine still day before yesterday with two jugs, but full, and, with one in each hand he didn't get overbalanced a single time.

The Excelsior Fiddling Band, it is noticed, is up to its old tricks again, as it goes out serenading now nearly every night, and as a result the members may be seen wending their way homeward at a late hour with sacks of sweet potatoes and turnips on their backs.

The Tickville Tidings is bragging about the fact that nobody has gone crazy in this section in several months—that is, crazy enough to be taken up.

Dock Hocks says if men paid as much attention to their complexions as women do, some of us would be as good looking as some women. But, it wouldn't do to paste a man's eyebrows down, as he uses them to register that he is worried.

A man in Tickville was intending to drive through to Florida for the Winter, but by the time he got his car in shape to stand the trip he didn't have any money left.

PLAINVIEW RAISED \$4,150 TO DEEPEN BLEDSOE TEST

It Is Estimated That \$7,500 Will Be Required from Plainview and Similar Amount from Lubbock.

Plainview, Dec. 20.—Forty-one hundred and fifty of the estimated necessary \$7,500 from Plainview has been raised to carry the Bledsoe test well near Abernathy down to a depth of 3,500 feet. Lists have been circulated and the subscriptions are for amounts not in excess of \$100.

The Chamber of Commerce at its noon luncheon endorsed the proposition and President A. E. Boyd appointed a committee to work on raising the funds. E. B. Rosser, who is much interested in seeing the test well completed to a good depth, has been at work on the proposition for the past few days and has made good headway.

The Lubbock Chamber of Commerce is at work on the proposition there, but no report has been received today on the progress they are making.

Big Sale

Beginning Saturday, Dec. 10th

—IN ORDER TO REDUCE MY STOCK OF GROCERIES I WILL MAKE THE FOLLOWING PRICES:

15 lbs Sugar -----	\$1.00	No. 2½ Tomatoes -----	15c
48-lb sack American Beauty Flour -----	\$2.00	Big Round cans Sardines..	20c
24-lb sack American Beauty Flour, as long as it lasts	\$1.05	3 bars Swift's Quick Naptha Soap and 1 washing powder for only	25c
Good Smoked Bacon -----	20c	25 bars Swift's White Laundry Soap -----	\$1.00
Pure Hog Lard -----	15c	32 bars Luna Soap ----	\$1.00
3 lbs Elegant Coffee --	\$1.25	White aKro Syrup, gal --	65c
Maxwell House Coffee --	\$1.15	Blue Karo Syrup, gal ----	60c
Golden Gate Coffe 2½ lbs	\$1.20	Peaberry Coffee -----	25c
No. 2½ Colton Peaches --	25c	4 cans Hebe Milk -----	25c
No. 3 Kraut -----	15c	Pie Peaches -----	20c
No. 2½ Hominy -----	15c		

—Gallon Fruits of all kinds, a good supply of Christmas Candies, and more coming. Nothing to give away but a Graphophone, which will be given away Dec. 24th. Every 25 cent purchase gets a chance. You will find my prices right on everything, and will try and give you good service, so come and get your share of these bargains while theylast. Yours to please.

City Market & Grocery

G. C. RHODES, Propr.

TELEPHONE 43

What Shall I Give this Christmas? Your Photograph Will Solve the Problem

—Of course you will have your picture taken this year. Yourself—"just as you are," speaking from the portrait. What better gift; what better time? Even today is not too early, later a hundred and one things may interfere if you put it off. Arrange for asitting today.

—THERE'S NO GIFT LIKE A GOOD PORTRAIT—NOTHING SO PERSONAL AND SO SURE TO PLEASE.



Mrs. E. B. MANIRE

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Slaton, Texas



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THE UNIVERSAL CAR

**Sixteen
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Coupe \$595
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With Starter and Demountable Rims

THE Ford car is so simple in construction, so dependable in its action, so easy to operate and handle that almost anybody and everybody can safely drive it.

The Ford Coupe, permanently enclosed with sliding glass windows, is cozy, and roomy—modest and refined—a car that you, your wife or daughter will be proud to own and drive.

And of course it has all the Ford economies of operation and maintenance.

Call and look over the Ford Coupe. Reasonably prompt delivery can be made if you order at once.

SLATON MOTOR CO.
H. G. STOKES, Manager SLATON, TEXAS

Christmas

SOUND over all waters, reach out from all lands,
The chorus of voices, the clasping of hands;
Sing hymns that were sung by the stars of the morn,
Sing songs of the angels when Jesus was born!

With glad jubilation
Bring hope to the nations!
The dark night is ending and dawn has begun;
Rise, hope of the ages, arise like the sun,
All speech flow to music, all hearts beat as one!
Sing the bridal of nations, with chorals of love,
Sing out the war culture and sing in the dove,
Till the hearts of the people keep time in accord
And the voice of the world is the voice of the Lord!

Clasp hands of the nations
In strong gratulations;
The dark night is ending and dawn has begun;
Rise, hope of the ages, arise like the sun,
All speech flow to music, all hearts beat as one!
Blow, bugles of battle, the marches of peace;
East, west, north and south, let the long quarrel cease.
Sing of glory to God, peace to men of good will!

Hark, joining in chorus,
The heavens bend o'er us!
The dark night is ending and dawn has begun;
Rise, hope of the ages, arise like the sun,
And speech flow to music, all hearts beat as one!

—John Greenleaf Whittier.

And the Postman Passed the House
By MARY GRAHAM BONNER

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IT WAS Christmas morning. Old Hiram Palmer sat by the window waiting for the postman. Christmas eve had been rather bleak. He had seen, from the window, groups of people passing from time to time, hurrying, smiling, such gay, happy people.

Hiram was old, too old. He had outlived his friends, his immediate family, his day had long since gone by. He had given generously to hospitals and charitable institutions and a number of personal presents. He always, for example, sent some of the large baskets of fruit the town's leading shop arranged so attractively, to those he knew would never buy themselves such delicacies.

The last Christmas he had only received two presents. One from his nephew out West and another from a grandchild.

He was waiting for these now.

The postman came along the street. Eagerly old Hiram waited. And then he got up and went to the door.

But the postman had passed by. "Are you sure you have nothing for me?" he called out. "Look more carefully. I was expecting some packages."

The postman looked again.

"I'm sorry, Mr. Palmer, but there is nothing here."

Slowly Hiram went back into the lonely little house. He had lived too long.

For his nephew had said:

"I guess I won't bother about Uncle Hiram this year. It's a nuisance to shop, and anyway what does he care about a necktie? He can buy all he wants!"

And his grandchild had said:

"I've got to cut down my Christmas list. It's so long."

And she had run her pencil through her grandfather's name.

For she had said:

"Christmas is for young people. He's too old to care about presents and a handkerchief or two which I might send him!"

CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

"THE best thing to give to your enemy is forgiveness; to an opponent, tolerance; to a friend, your heart; to your child, a good example; to a father, deference; to a mother, conduct that will make her proud of you; to yourself, respect; to all men, charity."—F. M. Balfour.



We have a Big Load of Christmas Gifts for You.

—WE HAVE LOADED UP WITH A FINE LINE OF CHRISTMAS GOODS. DON'T PUT OFF BUT COME TODAY AND SELECT WHAT YOU LIKE. YOU WILL BE PLEASED WITH THE MANY LOVELY THINGS WE HAVE THAT WILL DELIGHT THE LITTLE FOLKS AS WELL AS THE GROWN-UPS. THE EARLIER YOU COME, THE BETTER THE SELECTION. MANY OF OUR HANDSOME GIFTS COME IN SPECIAL XMAS BOXES. THERE IS NO TROUBLE TO SELECT IDEAL PRESENTS AT OUR STORE.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Mason of Littlefield were Friday prospecting with a view to locating in Slaton.

Jack Watkins Jr., has gone to Houston to spend the holidays with his uncle Cal Watkins and family.

Jack Watkins Sr., connected with the Santa Fe here, is on a business trip to Topeka, Kansas.

G. G. Thompson of Floydada, conductor for the Santa Fe, was here this week greeting old home friends.

Mrs. L. F. Craft, teacher in the Tahoma public schools, has arrived here to spend the holidays with home folk.

Allan J. Payne, manager of the Robertson Dry Goods Co., was a business visitor in Lubbock Monday.

Miss Myrtle Barber, English teacher in Slaton high school, has gone to Abilene to spend the holidays.

Mrs. A. L. Foster of Wilson is here to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. M. A. Evens and other relatives.

Miss Ottie Belle Craft of Blackwell, arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with her brother, L. F. Craft and wife.

H. G. Rowley, president of the First State Bank, has returned from a several days' business trip to points in Oklahoma.

Miss Mattie and Pauline Lokey, students in C. I. A. at Denton, have arrived home to spend the holidays with their father, J. W. Lokey and family.

Misses Lois, Ruth, and Master Paul Clem are spending the holidays with their sister, Mrs. A. J. McBrayer, in Carrizosa, N. M.

A. C. Tate has gone to his home at Williamsburg, Mo., after spending several months here with his uncle, M. B. Tate and family.

J. N. Harrison left Monday for his home at Mountainair, N. M., after a visit to his son, A. C. Harrison and family.

Miss Ruth Evans, teacher in Wayland College, Plainview, has arrived home to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. M. A. Evans.

Freeman Martin, teacher in the Tahoma public schools, has arrived home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Martin.

F. M. Culberson, vice president of First State Bank, left today for Fort Sumner and Albuquerque, N. M., to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

W. D. Harris has gone to Fluvanna to join his wife who is visiting relatives there, and they will visit relatives and friends in Snyder and Merd during the holidays.

Miss Frances Hoffman, student in Southern Methodist University, Dallas, has arrived home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hoffman.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Howerton, who moved to Los Angeles, California, a few months ago, have arrived in Slaton to spend the holidays with old home friends.

Miss Dorothy Levey, student in the West Texas State Normal College at Canyon, has arrived home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Levey.

Misses Maurice and Erma Mae Hardy, teachers in the Brownfield public schools, have arrived home to spend the holidays with their parents, Rev. Mrs. Jno. P. Hardesty.

R. McAttee of Richland Springs, was here this week and bought former Lanham home from Messrs. Levey, and will move his family here in January.

Mrs. J. W. McDonald and daughters Marie and Aileen, and son, are here from Merkel to spend the holidays with Mr. McDonald and home friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Montague and children Virginia and Nicholas, are on extended holiday trip to visit relatives and friends in Kansas City and Oklahoma points.

Mr. A. L. Robertson and daughter left Wednesday for Abilene to spend the holidays with Mrs. A. B. Robertson and other relatives. Mr. Robertson and son Sug, will leave Friday to join them in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Martin have returned home from their honeymoon at various points of interest in California. The bride in this happy event is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Bennett, highly respected citizens living just north of town.

H. Heinen and family left this morning for Littlefield to make their future home. Mr. Heinen said, "while leaving for Littlefield I am still thinking for Slaton, and the town will always have a warm place in my heart. We hope Mr. Heinen and family will have much happiness and prosperity in their new home."



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Spring Miss Lucile Langhorne.

Jno. P. Hardesty entertained home last Saturday evening for Miss Lucile Langhorne, the guest of her daughters, Misses Erma and Erma Mae Hardesty, all of whom are teachers in the Brownfield school. The party was made up of members of the B. Y. P. U. and Y. W. C. A. societies of the Baptist church and several invited guests.

The house was made beautiful with decorations suggestive of the approaching holidays. Numerous house plants were enjoyed and at 10 o'clock were served with hot chocolate topped cream and cake. Little pieces of stick candy and marshmallows and dressed in green and pink paper were given as plate favors. All present report an unusually successful evening spent.

Junior Missionary Society.
The Methodist Junior Missionary Society met at the church Sunday, Dec. 18th, at 3:30 p. m. and were led by Golda Tunnell, with the following program:
Opening song, "Jesus Loves Me."
Prayer by Mesdames Amos and Hendricks.
Roll call and reading of minutes by Retha Amos, secretary pro tem
Reading of 7th Psalm by Retha Amos.
Story by Bonnie Abel.
Memory verse, Acts 10:16, repeated in unison.
Three new members, seventeen present, several visitors.
Dismissal, Lord's prayer in unison.

The Home Mutual needs you, and you and yours need protection. Join.

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**OUR GREETINGS IN THE
MEANING OF CHRISTMAS**

In the true spirit of the occasion and with due appreciation of all it implies, we extend Christmas greetings to the readers of The Slatonite. Christmas has a meaning possessed by no other holiday throughout the world. America has its national and special holidays, other countries have theirs; Christmas is the only one alike in spirit and celebrated in all Christian lands. So pure is its principle that it commands respect and admiration among people who worship their Creator in different ways from ours.

Christmas typifies all that is best in mankind. It is the culmination of the human mind throughout the ages dwelling upon the wonders and mysteries of existence, turning to a reverence for God and His representative on earth. It expresses the ascendancy of spirit, the realization of men of their interdependency and their duty to one another; and so it is marked by the bestowal of gifts and other sentiments of benevolence and well wishing.

The makers of newspapers, concerned as they are with the doings, manifestations and thoughts of their respective communities and the world at large, and recording them in their more important aspects for the information, mayhap the education of readers, are brought into an intimate sense of the spirit and meaning of Christmas. Would that we could express to you all the good that we see in the hearts of men and the increased brilliancy behind a few shadows of the light which has upheld the world for so many centuries. In the happy auguries we see for the future of Slaton and surrounding territory, there is every reason to be merry.

Our Yuletide thoughts go out to the people of this community and our thanks are due the patrons and kind friends who have given us practical support or extended encouragement during the year. May this be the best Christmas you have ever spent, is our wish to all.

W. DONALD, Publisher.

**SLATON EDITOR TAKES RAP AT
THE NEWS.**

In the last issue of the Slaton Slatonite, Editor Donald states in a lengthy editorial that Tahoka is not on the Gulf to Colorado Highway, as was stated in the News' columns a few weeks ago.

Donald states that this highway runs through Amarillo, Plainview, Slaton, Post, Snyder and Sweetwater. Donald admits that Tahoka is on the Canada to Gulf Highway, which was officially announced at a recent meeting held in Lubbock and attended by hundreds from Tahoka, Lamesa, and Big Spring, while the towns of Slaton, Post, Snyder and Sweetwater were not represented by one human being.

Donald states in his sheet that this so happened because they were not invited to attend the highway meeting. In other words, a poor excuse is better than none at all. The News has noticed for some time that Donald has had his stinger out.

He has a vague idea that the burg of Slaton can compete with a city the size of Lubbock, because Slaton has a 2x4 round house and a Fred Harvey eating house. In his mention of the various highway routes, none of them came through Lubbock, not even the Gulf to Colorado.

Very well, Brother Donald, we will admit that we got slightly mixed in our mention of these highways, but please tell the world that Lynn county has 'em all skinned when it comes to real, honest-to-goodness graded dirt roads and that we are on the Canada-to-Gulf Highway.—Lynn Co. News.

We are pleased to note that you admit that you got slightly balled up in your previous article. You could not do anything else though when your "hand" was called. Even yet you have not found out what highway you are on—it is the Puget Sound to Gulf Highway and not the Canada to Gulf. Get that straight in your memory.

Your reference to Lubbock, our neighboring city, was uncalled for. We did not mention Lubbock, threw no stones at Lubbock, and even if we had, that city is better able to take care of its fights than are you.

With reference to a 2x4 round house in Slaton. You will have to admit that you went wrong there, for you often come to Slaton on your way to Lubbock (being the only route, as all traffic to anywhere has to come through Slaton) and you know that you spend the hours of waiting here inspecting the big round house, machine and car repair shops, reading room, Harvey House, the long miles and miles of trackage, the millions of cross ties that are stacked high on the right-of-way for two miles, the new 125-foot addition to the division office building, the numerous busy switch engines and yard crews handling the long lines of freight cars filled with merchandise that are assembled here to be distributed to every point of the compass from Slaton, the

many passenger trains that come in here from every direction loaded with people from every section of the globe, and many other things of interest to be seen around this big railroad plant too numerous to mention. In fact, you get so absorbed in the wonderful things to be seen down about the railroad that you rarely have the time or the inclination to pay the newspaper office a visit. Still it's a 2x4 round house according to your latest version. Where did you ever see a round house before?

Your reference to Slaton being uninvited is meant for a slur we are assuming. It is better for your town that we were not invited. It we had been represented there Tahoka would not have been on the "Canada to Gulf Highway" as you term it. We do things in Slaton. We get what we go after—that's why the town is growing so fast.

Your reference to the editor of this paper having his stinger out is also uncalled for, as you can not cite a single instance where we have prodded any community, newspaper or individual that did not first make some statement about Slaton that was misleading, erroneous or positively untrue. WE JUST WANT TO KEEP THE RECORD STRAIGHT. "I Like Slaton and Boost it; when I can't I'll move."

If you will read the front page of last Sunday's Fort Worth Record you will be convinced that Slaton is on the way and there to stay. This is not publicity sent out by our Chamber of Commerce either, but was written by one of the best known staff correspondents in Texas, and without the knowledge of any person in Slaton. Get a copy and read it, then file the paper away for future use, so that when you are tempted to say something little, babyish, and mean about Slaton you can refresh your memory with it.

COME TO SLATON, THE "GEM OF THE SOUTH PLAINS."

THE TOWN GOSSIP.

It was an awful mistake
And last night
After I'd gone to bed
And couldn't go to sleep
For the longest time
And yesterday morning
Alex DeLong came in
With an advertisement
He wanted in the paper
About some new suits
He was offering the public
At less than cost
And he brought a cut
Around with the ad
And told me to run it
In the same space
And I told him I would
And took the cut and the ad
Back into the shop
And it was set up in type
And put in the paper
And for some reason or other
Proof wasn't read on it
We got ready to go to press
And the press started
And I grabbed up
The first paper that came off
And went up to the front
To look it over
And see if we'd made
Any special mistakes
And I turned the pages over
And there was DeLong's ad
Set up attractively
With the heading:
"Every man in Slaton
"Should wear one of these"
And then it happened
That I stopped breathing
For a solid minute
Because somehow or other
We had got the cut
That Alex brought in
Mixed up with another one
That belonged to A. J. Payne
And which showed three women
Standing around
Wearing corsets
And then again
I looked at the heading
"Every man in Slaton
"Should wear one of these"
And I broke all records
Getting back to the press
And stopping it
And making the change
And even now
When I think about it
And try to realize
What Alex would have said
If that corset cut
Had gone through
It makes the cold chills
Run up and down my back.

FOR SALE

—There are some few business lots left on the south and east side of the square that we can sell you for \$500, and give you terms on them. They are selling fast. Buy now, for if you wait you may be too late.

—Five room house, two east front lots, highly improved, well, mill and tank, bath. Price \$3,000.00. One-half cash, balance like rent.

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**FOUR HURT WHEN CAR
AT TAHOKA TURNS OVER**

Tahoka, Dec. 19.—Hardy Powers suffered two broken ribs and was probably internally injured Sunday when the car he was driving with three other young people turned over on the road north of here. Powers was taken to a Lubbock sanitarium, where it is said his condition is not serious.

Misses Lola Donaldson and Ann Martin and Carl Griffin, assistant cashier of the Guaranty State Bank of Tahoka, received slight bruises.

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FOR SALE: 1 fresh milch cow, 2 wagons and teams, and farm implements, 3 Duroc Jersey sows and 14 shoats. See J. M. DAVIS, 12 miles west of Slaton, on Mrs. Lulu Morris farm.

FOR SALE or trade: Studebaker six, in good condition. EARL EDWARDS, at Pember's Insurance Office.

MOORE BROS., Lubbock, for auto tops and curtains, made or repaired.

LOST: A 12x14 rug somewhere about 2 miles south town and 1 mile west. Please return to C. A. CASHON.

WANTED: Work by graduate nurse, reasonable price. Call MISS IVEY, 540, Lubbock, Texas.

—A new heater installed, and for the benefit of those who knew of so many of my flowers being killed from an explosion of the oil stove. Most of them are coming out nicely, and I am receiving new orders each week. Will soon be able to furnish anything in the line of pot plants again. Your patronage appreciated.

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Mrs. C. Jacobson, Florist, Slaton, Tex.

"Tom's coming home!"



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—This is a story of the mother whose children no longer seemed to want her. Suddenly they have all grown up and left her—the babies she used to tuck in bed at night. The old house is empty and silent. All have forgotten her. Her birthdays pass unnoticed. Each child has embarked on a drama of his own. Never before has the screen touched with such beauty and such dramatic force a subject which finds an echo in the lives of every one of us.

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—TONIGHT (THURSDAY) AT SEVEN O'CLOCK, THE CURTAIN WILL BE DRAWN ON THE PURE FOOD AND STYLE SHOW TO BE GIVEN BY THE YOUNG WOMEN'S AUXILIARY, IN THE ROBERTSON BUILDING, FORMERLY OCCUPIED BY THE SLATON DRUG CO. WE WILL HAVE MANY THINGS SUITABLE FOR GIFTS AND INVITE YOU TO CALL AND INSPECT THEM. BELOW IS A COMPLETE LIST OF THE CONTRIBUTORS UP TO WEDNESDAY:

- PAUL OWENS, Jeweler and Optometrist, merchandise, value \$4.50.
- MRS. E. C. FOSTER, Holiday Goods, Merchandise, \$5.00.
- WILSELMA THEATRE, Screen Advertising.
- W. DONALD, Publisher, Merchandise \$15.00.
- GEO RAMSEY, Sign Painter, Banner, \$10.00.
- UNION BAKERY, Cakes and Pastry, \$16.00.
- J. V. HOLLINGSWORTH, Drugs and Drug Sundries, Jewelry \$10.00.
- A. L. ROBERTSON, Cattleman, donated building.
- O. Z. BALL, Tailor and Gents' Furnishings, Mdse. 6.00.
- McGEHEE BAKERY, Fancy Cake, \$10.00.
- MRS. F. GRAVES, Dry Goods, Merchandise \$5.85.
- D. J. HUBBARD, grocery salesman, Merchandise \$1.00.
- MRS. C. F. ANDERSON, use of Victrola.
- A. R. Hill, cuff buttons, \$4.50.
- Robertson D. G. Co., Mdse. \$10.00.
- Brannon Hardware, Mdse. \$5.60.
- J. C. Stewart, 2 policies, \$10.00.
- Triangle Oil Co., Mdse. \$5.25.
- Slaton D. G. Co., Mdse. \$5.00.
- First State Bank, check \$5.00.
- G. C. Rhodes, grocer, Mdse. \$2.00.
- Blue Front Grocery, Mdse. \$5.00.
- Slaton State Bank, check \$10.00.
- City Cafe, Mdse. \$5.00.
- Rockwell Bros. & Co., lumber.
- Dykes Grocery, Mdse. \$5.00.
- Bourland Music Co., use of Player Piano.
- R. A. DeLong, Gents' Furnishings, Mdse. \$4.00.
- J. H. Teague & Son, Confectionery and Drug Sundries, candy \$3.00.
- BURRUS MILL & ELEV. CO., Ft. Worth, flour \$2.25.
- PEACH BLO CO., New Orleans, Toilet goods, \$20.00.
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- W. B. RODDENBURY, Cairo, Ga., Syrup, \$16.80.
- ARMAND CO., Des Moines, Iowa, Face Powder, \$20.00.
- GREAT WEST MILL & ELEV. CO., Amarillo, Flour, \$2.30.
- SANGER BROS., Dallas, Waste Basket, \$5.00.
- POSTUM CEREAL CO., Battle Creek, Mich., Postum, \$30.00.
- CROWDUS DRUG CO., Dallas, Face Cream, \$6.00.
- BROWN SHOE CO., St. Louis, Souvenirs, \$1.60.
- SKINNER MFG. CO., Omaha, Neb., Macaroni, \$6.00.
- FRIEDMAN-SHELBY SHOE CO., St. Louis, Shoes, \$12.50.
- WARREN FEATHERBONE CO., Three Oaks, Okla., Mdse. \$12.00.
- E. R. DURKEE & CO., N. Y. City, Salad Dressing, \$6.00.
- JACQUES MFG. CO., Chicago, Ill., B. C. Baking Powder, \$5.40.
- J. F. DYER & SON, Olney, Texas, Purse, \$7.50.
- OKLA. CITY HARDWARE, Okla. City, Auto Robe, \$10.00.
- MERCH & CO., N. Y. City, Antiseptic Powders, \$3.00.
- HOME BAKERY, Stamford, Bread \$4.00.
- H. J. HEINZ CO., Okla. City, Canned Beans, \$5.00.
- Central Cigar Co., Dallas, cigars valued at \$5.00.
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MISS MADELINE SCOTT, GIFTED YOUNG COMPOSER

Miss Madeline Scott, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Scott of Omaha, Nebraska, but was a visitor in Slaton for some time during the summer of 1920, with her parents. Mr. Scott is well known in Slaton, where he owns considerable property, and often visits here.

The December number of The Musical Observer, published at New York City, and one of the best known magazines of its kind published in the United States, contains two piano solos composed by Miss Scott, selected as first choice in the Music Competition for December. It also contains a photograph of Miss Scott, together with the following complimentary mention:

"Considerable interest attaches to the two descriptive piano solos offered in this month's music supplement as first choice of the Music Competition Committee for December. The numbers are unusually creditable and their composer, Miss Madeline Scott, is a gifted pupil of Mr. Cecil Berryman, one of the best known concert pianists and teachers of Omaha.

"Miss Scott is a native of Little Sioux, Iowa, where she was born August 18, 1901. Most of her life has been spent in Omaha. She began her piano lessons at eleven with Miss Lillie Bookmeyer, studying later for several years with Mrs. Frances Baetens. At the age of fifteen she commenced her studies in piano and theory with Cecil Berryman. Her first indication of creative ability was the writing of a choral almost without mistakes and without previous knowledge of harmony. In one year she wrote seventy-five compositions including a sonata for piano in four movements. In another year seventy or more compositions were memorized, including a concerto and several sonatas. She has shown talent in drawing and painting. At eighteen she gave a recital, playing seven of her own compositions and movements from the Greig Sonata and Concerto. At present she is a student in the University of Omaha, standing high in all her classes. She has acted as accompanist for some excellent local singers and is a member of the Junior Musical, a young peoples' organization, founded by Mrs. C. W. Axtell, in which the best younger talent of the city appears. One of the best organists, Mrs. Louise Zabriskie, a member of the Guild of American Organists, played "The Festival," one of the

numbers printed in this issue, on one of her Sunday evening programs. Miss Scott's further career will be watched with considerable interest and it is to be hoped that the wider attention accorded her through presentation of some of her creative efforts, will be the means of encouraging her to ever-increased and more serious work."

SLAT'S DIARY.

Friday: just got home from a party wich I attended tonite. J. E. E. played post Offis wich mostly is kissin who Eever you want 2. Wen my turn cum 2 call sum 1 in 2 kiss I called fer J. E. for a 3 set stamp wich is 3 kisses then I got worried & thot may Be she wud get mad, so wen she cum in the rume I sed now if you dont want me 2 kiss you turn jure hed. She dident & I did. Man O man it was just like berrying jure face in a handful of fresh dewey vilet. & I used 2 think ice Cream was good. Wen I went out they ast J. E. to call a customer & she sed nothing doing Im sold out & she cum out with me. Guess may be I aint strong. No sleep for me tonite.

Saturday: Had nother fite today with Slimey Lukens. come home kinda mused all up & ma sed 2 me youve ben fiteing agen & Im ashamed of you & I replied if she cud see Slimey she wud be mitey proud of me.

Sunday: after sunday skool Jake & me found a nest of little bitay robbens wich had just a little bit of hare on their backs. The cutest little things.

Tuesday: Squeaky Stone has got the meenest pa in this here hole town. his pa give him a dime if he wud go 2 bed at nite without his supper. Wich he did, and this morning his pa charged him a dime for his breakfast before he wud let him eat any. Sed he et 2 much.

Wednesday: pa was out pritty late las nite & ma loekd the dore on him & wen pa tride 2 get in he cudent. Finely ma wen 2 the winder & sed wot do you want & pa ansered & sed I want 2 stay here all nite & ma sed all rite go ahead and stay there. Wich he did. It was a nice warm nite tho. but pa diddent seam 2 like it much.

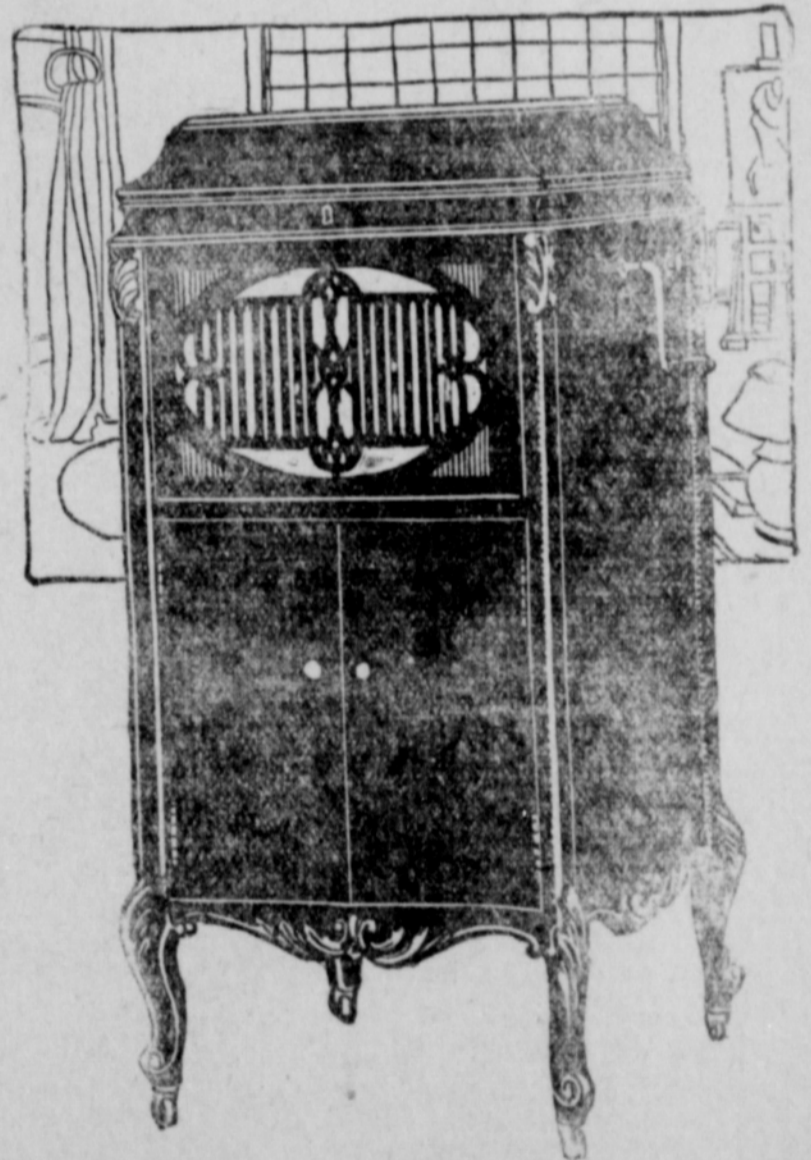
Thursday: teecher was explaineing how you cant add trees & men nor take ottomobeels frum hosses and etc. & jake ast if you cudent take milk frum cows & I sed ma cud take money frum pas pocket if he wus asleep.

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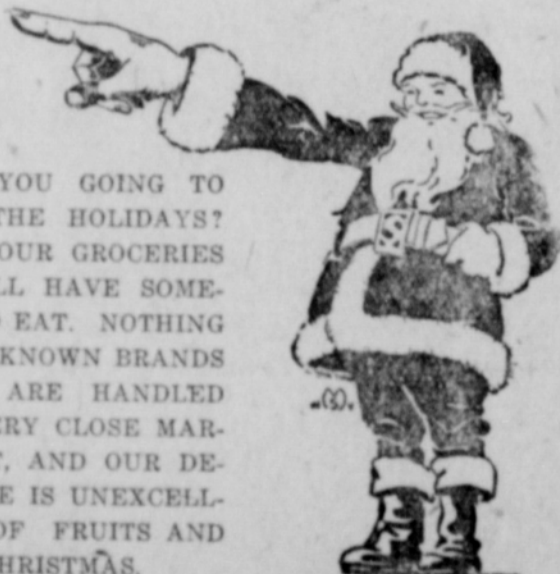
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The Christmas Spirit

AFTER a year of strife and confusion the world is about to declare an armistice for the observance of Christmas. It is curious how the essence of Christianity gets itself recognized and practiced in spite of the world, the flesh and the devil.

In this time of good will everybody becomes Christian, for Christmas is simply the substitution of the spirit of giving for the spirit of getting.

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem there came to the world a new conception of God and of his relations with man. The Child lying in the Bethlehem manger will forever symbolize and express the world-moving truth that God is love and, therefore, He gives Himself to and for men made in His image.

Tradition records that when the Wise Men from the East journeyed to Bethlehem to worship the new-born Child, they brought gifts.

The gift of God is life eternal, here and hereafter. When this divine spark animates the bosoms of men, they, too, begin to give.

Giving is the chief business of life for God and men alike. What a man gives he has. He loses all else. Earthly immortality lies in whatever one gives to one's fellows in service and friendship and healing.

I wonder if we shall ever be able to practice the Christmas spirit the year round!

If that time ever comes we shall find that most of our personal and social problems, perplexities, animosities and failures are unnecessary. If we want spring and summer and golden harvest, we must have the sun.—Dr. Charles Aubrey Eaton in Leslie's.

SAINT OF VIRTUE AND PIETY

St. Nicholas Was of Unblemished Character, According to Hone's "Ancient Mysteries."

ACCORDING to Hone's "Ancient Mysteries" Saint Nicholas, bishop of Myra, was a saint of great virtue and piety. The old legend is that the sons of a rich Asiatic, on their way to Athens for education, were slain by a robber innkeeper, dismembered and their parts hidden in a brine tub. In the morning came the saint, whose visions had warned him of the crime, whose authority forced confession, and whose prayers restored the boys to life.

St. Nicholas is the grand patron of the children of France, to whom he brings bonbons for the good, but a cane for the naughty child. In Germany he acts as an advance courier, examining into the conduct of the children, distributing goodies and promises to those with good records, a further reward which the Christ Child brings at Christmas time. But his own peculiar celebration takes place in a tiny seaport in southern Italy.

On St. Nicholas day, December 6, the sailors of the port take the saint's image from the beautiful Church of St. Nicholas, and with a long procession of boats carry it far out to sea. Returning with it at nightfall they are met by bonfires, torches, all the townspeople and hundreds of quaintly dressed pilgrims, who welcome the returning saint with songs and carry him to visit one shrine after another, before returning him to the custody of the canons.

Chambers' "Book of Days" says: "Through the native rock which forms the tomb of the saint, water constantly exudes, which is collected by the canons on a sponge attached to a reed, squeezed into bottles and sold to pilgrims as a miraculous specific under the name of the 'manna of St. Nicholas.'"

S. P. BAILEY LEAVES.

Mr. S. P. Bailey, who resigned his position as Secretary-Manager of the Seguin Chamber of Commerce a month ago, left Sunday with his family for Slaton, Lubbock County, where he has accepted the same position with the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Bailey is full of energy and enterprise and while here inaugurated a number of moves for the advancement of our city. Intensely loyal to the place in which he lives he makes every effort to harmonize all interests, and to create a friendly feeling and a sincere desire to work together for the good of the town.

We are sorry to lose Mr. and Mrs. Bailey as citizens and heartily commend them to the people among whom they will live.—Seguin Enterprise.

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