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Merry Christmas — 1927

Letters Awarded To Eighteen Men Of Tiger Line-up

In recognition of their excellent work on the Slaton high school football team during the past season, letters have been awarded to eighteen members of the bi-district champion Tigers, according to Coach Odus Mitchell. The team members thus honored, are: Captain Curtis Hamilton, Roy Wilmesmeier, Clarence Nichols, Irvin Bennett, Owen Bybee, "Ade" Owens, Frank Pohl, "Speedy" Cannon, Leon Austin, Paul Houston, J. E. Armes, N. H. Greer, Marion Cooper, Luke Shelby, Gerald Woolever, Raymond Dunn, Worland McAtee, and Bob Rich.

Date Cancelled for New Ford Car Here

Following the publication of an item in last week's issue of The Slatonite in which it was stated that the Slaton Motor Co. expected to have one of the new Ford cars on display here Friday and Saturday, Dec. 23 and 24, J. G. Stokes, manager of the firm, received a telegram from the Ford Motor Co. cancelling the exhibition dates, it was stated early this week by Mr. Stokes.

The telegram advised that the local Ford dealers may soon expect to receive a demonstration car, but gave no definite information as to the date it would arrive here.

Farmers of Union Will Conduct Sale

Beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., next Wednesday, Dec. 28, at the farm of S. T. Johnson, eight miles west of Slaton and one mile north of Union, a farm sale will be conducted by Earl Johnson and J. B. Shook, at which time they expect to dispose of their mules, horses and farm implements at public auction. It is announced this week by the owners.

Martindale and Henry Buy Meat Market Here

The meat market in Harry's Grocery, on the west side of the square, was recently purchased from E. M. Fincher by H. Martindale and Forey Henry, of Slaton. Mr. Martindale is actively in charge of the market, while Mr. Henry gives his time to buying, butchering, etc. The owners of the market state they will keep a good supply of fresh meats on hand at all times, including pure country pork sausage.

Otis Spewin, who has been attending the West Texas State Teachers' College, at Canyon, is spending the holiday with home folks here.

Chicago Man Pleased With Development Here

Major Robert F. Carr, president of the Dearborn Chemical Co., of Chicago, spent some time in Slaton last week visiting at the home of Attorney and Mrs. R. A. Baldwin. Major Carr has extensive property interests in the Slaton territory, being owner of four excellent and well improved farms just east of the city, occupied at present by the H. C. Moxey Dairy, E. G. Lambeth, J. C. Jones and Johnnie Collins.



Marian Clark and her father sat "listening in." It was Christmas Eve and they were alone. It was the first Christmas without the mother, who had passed on the previous summer. Marian had not gone back to college in the fall. She had not been able to make herself feel it was right to leave her father alone on the farm. Because she was always cheerful and gay, Mr. Clark hadn't fully comprehended the sacrifice Marian had made, nor how much it had meant to her to drop out her last year. Even though she might go back later, it wouldn't be her class. Marian had prevailed upon her father to get the radio a few weeks before. They called it their Christmas present to each other. Neither of them particularly enthused over the radio; yet it gave them a contact with the outside world. Tonight the Christmas carols were wakening tender memories in Mr. Clark's mind; so that even while he heard them, his thoughts were far away, living over Christmas days of the past. Marian's thoughts, too, were busy, but she was thinking of a letter that had come that day, reminding her of the extra credits she had accumulated while in college, and suggesting that if she came back the next semester, by taking a few more than the required number of hours, she could still graduate with her class. It was a temptation. Marian allowed herself to dwell on it.



phase of it; then she sat up very straight. She would not permit herself to think of it again, with the long cold winter stealing in about them. She couldn't leave her father alone with no one of his own to talk to or understand. Suddenly Marian realized that the carols had ended and a voice was asking: "Albert Clark, are you listening in? Your sister wants to get in touch with you." Marian jumped up, astonished. She shook her father now nodding in his chair: "Father, listen! It may be you!" The voice went on: "You were two orphans. You were adopted by a family called Clark, and your sister by people named Gibbons. She has never seen nor heard of you since. That was forty years ago. You are fifty-one years old. Your sister is forty-seven, and lives in Coloma, Mich. She wants to get in touch with you."

"Father, isn't that you?" Marian was staring in amazed incredulity, but the voice was repeating: "Albert Clark, are you listening in?" Three times it gave the message and at the end explained that this was the last night it would be broadcast. Albert Clark was not listening to the explanation—Coloma was only fifty miles away. There wasn't much snow, and autos were still running easily. They could start at once, and start they did, and Aunt Marian came back with them the next morning and everything was settled happily, as in fairy tales.

"Radio wasn't such a poor present after all, was it, daughter?" Farmer Clark questioned laughingly as they finished their bountiful Christmas dinner and rose to go into the living room where Christmas carols were again "coming in."

Lost—All the Joy Of Christmas. San Angelo Man To Speak Here at C. of C. Banquet

In the mad hurry and scramble always seen at Christmas time, there will probably be some Slaton people who will lose packages, purses containing money, or other valuables, in the stores or on the streets of the city. Somebody is likely to find these lost articles. And, it is barely probable that someone may be tempted to keep what they find, thinking they are that much richer and better prepared to celebrate the holiday season. But— Had you thought that it is possible that the person who, lost the package or purse of which you may be the finder might be wholly dependent upon that package or purse to furnish his loved ones with a few of the joys of Christmas? It is even possible that, should someone fail to try to return the found article to the rightful owner, some little golden-haired girl or ruddy-faced boy will be deprived of a visit from Santa Claus. And that is nothing short of a tragedy.

Good Prospects For Winning High School Cage Team

With thirty-five men reporting for training, Coach Odus Mitchell apparently has excellent prospects for shaping a champion basketball team for Slaton high school this season. The men have been undergoing hard workouts since the football season closed. A few practice games have been played, the Tigers beating Southland, Wilson and Canyon rural school in this county. The practice games have included some faculty-student contests, also.

Salvation Army Will not Have Christmas Tree

The Salvation Army will not conduct a Christmas tree in Slaton this year, as was announced in a statement from the Rev. E. L. Whiddon, special representative of the Salvation Army, which appeared in last week's issue of The Slatonite.

After making investigations here early this week, Captain Rittenbury of the Lubbock corps, found that the different church and civic organizations of Slaton are making ample arrangements for charity funds and for Christmas trees, hence the decision that the Salvation Army will not conduct a tree here.

The Lubbock county corps will proceed with charity work in Slaton, however, Captain Rittenbury stated, but it will be in the nature of distributing Christmas cheer baskets to the homes of the needy. Bill Huckabay, student at W. T. C. Canyon, is spending his holiday with his parents here.

BANKS TO CLOSE AT 2:00 P. M. SATURDAY

Banks of Slaton will close their doors at 2 o'clock p. m. Saturday, December 24, Christmas eve, and will remain closed until 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, December 27.

Chamber of Commerce News Notes

Christmas is at hand and the Slaton country has enjoyed a bounteous year of material prosperity and progress. The Season's Greetings are on everybody's lips, and this organization joins in the chorus, wishing everybody a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Your loyal help and support during the year have made possible many excellent accomplishments. We hope 1928 will bring us even greater success in our undertakings. The cotton harvesting season has been ideal with reference to weather conditions. Cotton is probably ninetenths harvested over this section, and the fine snow of this week came at a good time. It will be of great benefit to wheat crops and it put some moisture in the soil for the next crop. The total amount of building and public improvements done in Slaton in 1927 will be astonishing when the figures are published. They will be available within a few days, and it is certain that they will surpass those of any other year in Slaton's history.

Santa Fe Handles Record Volume of Mail and Express

According to W. H. Smith, local Santa Fe agent, the largest volume of U. S. Mail and express ever handled here is being cared for this season. Trains on the Lamesa branch are likewise carrying increased volumes, necessitating the addition of extra cars to accommodate the larger volume in mail and express. The same condition prevails at practically all other points on the Slaton division, it is believed. Greater prosperity and a period of rapid development on the South Plains is thought responsible for the high records being established.

Miss Pauline Hardesty, teacher in the Littlefield schools, arrived here this morning and will spend the holidays with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Jno. P. Hardesty. Company will hardly be ready to present Slaton with the complete new system and better service as a Christmas present, but officials think it won't be long after the New Year dawns until the job will be finished. Then, lift the receiver, and the operator will respond.

Gas service, new telephone plant, street paving program completed, scores of new residences, extensive improvements by the Santa Fe in the local division point facilities and numerous other pieces of development for Slaton this year. Farmers have harvested a bountiful crop and the whole country is prosperous. Santa Claus has been busy the whole year. Slaton's stocking is filled to overflowing. Claude C. Wild, manager of the San Angelo Board of City Development, will be the principal speaker at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet on Tuesday, January 10. The women of the Catholic church will serve the banquet at the high school building.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

*Star Light, Fire Light
Candle Light, Electric Light*

WHATEVER kind shines upon you and wherever its beams find you, may you be secure in the companionship of friends and loved ones, with heart lightened by happiness and face glowing with smiles as you realize to its fullest the supreme joys of the Christmas season.

Although it is our hope and aim to spread cheer and good will through all the days of the year, we find special delight in giving expression to the feeling within us and give glad welcome to the opportunity offered by the Yuletide season to broadcast our greetings.

We are thinking, too, of what our patrons have meant to us in the years past. You are our friends. For you we are constantly striving, thinking, planning. To merit the confidence you exhibit by entrusting your business to us is our highest ambition.

Today, as we look to the year ahead, we find ourselves imbued with a new spirit of service, renewed determination to press on and to make our business go beyond your expectations -- to press closer to the ideal of service and the maximum in value and quality.

We trust that we may be privileged to serve you in 1928 that we may put into practice the sentiment herein expressed.

We would not forget in this yuletide message to our friends everywhere to add a word of appreciation for patronage of the year now drawing to a close and to wish you a very happy and prosperous new year as well.



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A MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Yuletide season is here and the Christmas spirit is in the air. The year 1927 has been one of much prosperity for the people of Slaton and Slaton territory. Everyone wears a smile a feeling of good will seems everywhere to prevail. There is happiness for all and everyone seems to delight in the happiness of others.

But it is too much to say that the general and almost unprecedented wave of prosperity has not left here and there some person, some child, some family, in want and possible distress. In all our gayety and amid our festivities let us not forget those who may not be so fortunate, for after all it is the manifestation of the Christmas spirit to the unfortunate, to those upon whom the burdens of life have fallen with an unkind hand, that really counts. There is enough good will, enough generosity, enough of material things, enough Christmas spirit for all, and if the Santa Claus of our childhood is to remain the wonderful reality we have always believed, and if St. Nicholas is to leave his home in Slaton unvisited, and if the abounding Christmas cheer is to be present at every hearth and fireside on Christmas morn, those upon whom the beneficent rays of prosperity and plenty have so generously shown must lend to old St. Nick a helping hand and a warm co-operation.

And aside from spreading Christmas cheer at the Yuletide, only one thing is better. That is to spread good will and good cheer throughout the year.

One of the tragedies of life, to our way of thinking, is a little child who is obliged from poverty or from any other cause to spend a cheerless Christmas, a Christmas without love and companionship—a little child that must spend a Christmas without a toy and a bag of candy, an orange and a sack of popcorn.

Do you know of such a child or such a family? Do you? If so, what do you think of the idea of **YOU YOURSELF** in just a silent, unobtrusive sort of way, in the good old Santa Claus way and in the blessed Santa Claus spirit, playing at the game of making another heart happy?

The Slatonite believes in Santa Claus. We believe with all our heart in the Santa Claus spirit, and we have faith to believe that as the years roll by that spirit is increasing and not diminishing. We do not believe that good will is on the wane in the hearts of men and women. We believe, more and more, that the heaven is working, surely and effectively, that eventually will bring peace on earth and increase the good will among men.

We sincerely wish every man, woman, and child, in Slaton and Slaton community, and those who are our readers and those who are not—everyone—a Merry and Happy Christmas.

If a man was suddenly changed in looks to resemble a jackass, he would in most instances be able on looking into a mirror to detect the change, but the same man can go on year after year resembling the animal in his actions and never detect the change.

It is said that there is a place in Siberia half as big as Europe where ice 100 yards thick covers the ground throughout the year. That would be an excellent place to send some of our superfluous farm demonstration agents, for probably farmers in the area mentioned do really have their problems.

It seems there still remains in this country a coterie of farmers who imagine that Congress can aid them in their farming operations, but that coterie is far from remaining still.

AN EXHILARATING EFFECT

A bottle of Herbine on the shelf at home is like having a doctor in the house all the time. It gives instant relief when the digestion gets out of order or the bowels fail to act. One or two doses is all that is necessary to start things moving and restore that fine feeling of exhilaration and buoyancy of spirits which belongs only to perfect health. Price 60c. Sold by

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EXCHANGE SHOTS

MORE MILK PER COW

The average production of milk per cow in Texas, according to the last farm census, is 2,584 pounds, and the value of Texas dairy products averaged \$39.40 per cow. In California, the average production, according to the same census, is 5,040 pounds, and the average value per cow is \$108.10. Readers will note that while the average production in California is not twice as large as that in Texas, the average production value is nearly three times as much. In other words, all production above cost is profit and value increases more rapidly than increase in production. Why milk three cows to get three gallons when one good cow will produce that much and more? True, the one good cow will probably require a little more feed and attention than one poor cow, but not nearly as much as the three cows. With the dairy industry attracting so much attention in Texas, it is fortunate that information regarding the subject of feeding is available. Most farmers understand, these days, that the modern cow has been developed for the purpose of giving milk and lots of it. The cow in its native and wild state produced just enough milk to feed her calf. We demand more of her today, and in order to permit her to meet this unnatural demand, she has to have the material with which to make the milk and butter fat. If she is not provided with that material in right proportions, milk is not forthcoming. There are many capable cows today that do not produce their capacity in milk because their owners have the idea that if a cow's belly is full of hay, it is all sufficient. Texas and other Southwestern States have enough cows, if they were United States average producers, to supply home demand and leave some for export. We do not really need more cows, but we do need better cows owned by men who know how to feed and care for them.—
Farm and Ranch.

These thoughts are right in line with the plans under way by Slaton bankers and the Chamber of Commerce to aid the farmers of this section in improving their dairy herds under the bull circle plan and by purchasing a few cows, heifers and calves of high quality. When better cows are kept and properly cared for, this section will be much more prosperous. Cows, sows and hens are what we need more of. And always we want those of better and best quality.

SOMEBODY SAID

SOMEBODY SAID Santa Claus is finding it easier to get around to everybody this year because of the greater prosperity this country is now enjoying.

SOMEBODY SAID "Merry Christmas," and we repeat it and add to it that we also wish for everybody a Most Prosperous and Happy New Year. That's an old, old saying, and an old, old way of saying the thought involved, but it's hard to beat. "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

SOMEBODY SAID with the better financial conditions now prevailing

FOLKS WHO KNOW US BEST

Know full well that there is no show and grand stand play about our policy, so we felt the best message we could think to write would be a Merry Christmas and a **HAPPY**

PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

To all our friends and patrons. And since we really mean it we ask you to accept it as direct from our hearts to you.

Williams Transfer & Storage

L. M. WILLIAMS, Owner
9th Street Phone 51

EARNESTLY

We have been striving to merit your good will and patronage. We are thankful to each of you and send this greeting for a bright, Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

O. Z. BALL & CO.

"Pay Less and Dress Better"

A Merry Christmas

—Just the good old fashioned greeting:

From Our House
to
Your House

—and we say it because we mean it.

TEXAS GROCERY

H. G. SANDERS

all over this country, Santa Claus will probably find fewer stockings with holes in them this Christmas.

SOMEBODY SAID if people could have the true Christmas spirit at Christmas time and on throughout the year, the world would be much happier. Why so? Because the spirit of Christmas is giving, not receiving. The law of happy and successful living is summed up in one word, "Giving." The giver always receives, but shouldn't give IN ORDER TO receive. **SOMEBODY SAID** if you are at peace

with your neighbors and friends and with your fellow-men everywhere, you have a good chance to enjoy a fine Christmas. That man who holds peaceful relations with his fellows and who strives with them for the betterment and improvement of his community will be a happy man because he is giving to the world a life service.

Begin the New Year right, by paying up that subscription to The Slatonite. A year's subscription would make a nice Christmas gift to a relative or friend.

**We Extend
CORDIAL GREETINGS**

and the best of good wishes for the New Year to all our patrons everywhere.

And our dealings with you have been most pleasant.

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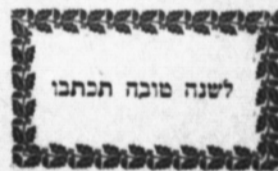
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Repeated Often Every Year

But there's hardly a thing better we can think to say than "Merry Christmas—Happy New Year".

Accept the gratitude of our hearts for your support to this business during the year now drawing to a close. We've striven earnestly to serve you that we might be considered worthy of your continued favors.

H.C. MAXEY DAIRY CO.



Happiness

A mind full and a heart full, we are wishing you at this glad Christmas-tide.

May the New Year fill your life with cheer and happiness.

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WE'D NOT FEEL RIGHT

About it if we should let Christmas pass without extending our patrons cordial Christmas greetings—not alone from our selves, but from all the people connected with this business. So we wish you the merriest sort of Christmas and a Happy New Year too.

TEXAS MARKET

PONT PIERCE, Owner

CHRISTMAS DAWN

Carries the Message of Hope and Love Around the World

We express the sincere wish that you will receive a double portion of all the joys the season affords.

To this we would add the hope that a full measure of the good things of life will come to you and yours in 1928.

SLATON CANDY KITCHEN

CHARLES F. MURRAY

Just a Kindly Greeting

To wish you Christmas cheer and health, happiness and prosperity throughout the New Year.

How grateful we are to you, our friends, for your loyal support during the past year. If it is to be our pleasure to serve you in 1928 we'll be found putting forth our very best efforts to merit every trust placed in us.

SLATON STEAM LAUNDRY

Texas Ave. Phone 112

WE WELCOME 1928

THE NEW STARTING POINT

Every New Year brings us the opportunity to "start over again"—to make new resolves.

Our first resolution is that we are going to do our dead level best for those who have been so good to us in 1927.

We thank you, kind friends, one and all, for your patronage, large and small. May the New Year crown your efforts with success and satisfaction.

SLATON FEED MILLING CO.

J. A. BARTLETT, Prop.

HE HAD FOUND THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS

OVER Jude's hills the Star shone resplendent. The ancients believed that stars were windows through which God disclosed a glimpse of the shining glory of heaven. They regarded the stars as guides and when the stars could not be seen it was a token of impending danger. On the first Christmas Eve a star shone. Kepler, the noted astronomer, calculated that conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn took place. The star attracted the attention of three wise men who followed it. Tradition informs us they were three kings and "in one of the cathedrals of Europe can be found their skulls, each adorned with a jeweled crown." Another tradition says they were three spirits, representing the three great families of the earth. They came from the East, perhaps from far-away Arabia. They brought costly presents with them. The first held in his hand a casket of gold; the second, frankincense, and the third, myrrh. Some persons have seen in this three-fold gift a beautiful symbolism; the myrrh having been offered to a mortal, the gold to a king, and the frankincense to a God.

Tradition tells us of a Roman prince who, while feasting in his palace on Christmas Eve, heard a rap at the window. Looking toward it he saw a beautiful face of a little child, and then heard a voice which, like music, whispered, "The Christ Child is hungry." Angered at the interruption, the prince commanded his soldiers to drive the child away and immediately the food upon his table turned to sand. Again he heard the voice, "The Christ Child is cold." The soldiers drove the child away once more. At the same time the fire upon the hearth turned to darkness and the cold of winter dispelled the warmth of the palace. The selfish heart of the prince melted. He commanded his soldiers to search for the child. Presently they brought the child, together with other hungry children, to the palace. Henceforth his table was their table, his palace their home. The prince had found the joy of Christmas by first giving it to others.

The hunger of the race is three-fold for food, truth, and God. These hungers are satisfied not by hanging all our gifts upon our own Christmas tree, but by sharing with those less fortunate than ourselves the blessings of life.—Leonard A. Barrett.
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THE GIRL, THE BANK, AND HER CHRISTMAS

"YES, mam, overdrawn. Well, I believe the check was one hundred and twenty. You will make it good? Yes, right away, if you please."

The receiver was replaced on the hook by Mr. Reid, vice president of the Valor County Trust and Savings bank. The clerk in the cage alongside of the vice president's office, although apparently busy attending a client's wants, had overheard the conversation. When the account had been entered, he turned to Mr. Reid.

"Isn't that girl you just talked with the one who makes weekly visits here to get money? She wears a bluish ensemble which matches the blue in her eyes exactly, and—"

"Yes, Frank. My, but you are observing and may I add, that your memory does not fail you. It seems, or rather she tells me, she wrote this check a month or so ago and thought it had been cashed, so now has overdrawn her account. She hasn't quite enough to cover the check, and she doesn't want to part with the amount she has, for she tells me that will spoil her plans for Christmas presents. So there you are."

Frank said no more but fell to figuring with pencil and paper. A few moments later, "Mr. Reid, I'll cover that check."

Christmas Eve Frank sat in his room reading his paper when the telephone rang.

"Mr. Sweet? This is Miss Johnson. It has taken me all this time to extract a statement from Mr. Reid as to who so kindly indorsed my check. I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for making my Christmas."

Frank gasped, gulped—
 "Now, don't you think it would be possible for you to take dinner with us tomorrow? It will be rather lonely to eat Christmas dinner in a restaurant."

Frank's head reeled. "Yes, thank you, most certainly. Merry Christmas until tomorrow."—Eleanor E. King.
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Oldest Feast Period

As a time of feasting the Christmas period is one of the oldest in the calendar. The ancient sun worshippers probably started it with their celebrations and rejoicing over the return of the sun, signifying the beginning of the end of winter.—Copper's Weekly.

Puritan Fathers' Christmas

The first Christmas celebrated in our land was when the Puritan fathers finished their first house at Plymouth, having spent more than a month in wandering about in search of a place for settlement.—Farm and Ranch.

CHRISTMAS CLIMAX THAT WAS WELCOME

THIS practical and pleasing gift was planned by a son and daughter for their aged parents, who claimed that the joy it carried through the year was a climax to all previous Christmas love tokens. When the package, on which was written, "Dear Father and Mother, with greetings and our love," was opened there were revealed twelve parcels of various sizes, shapes and colors.

In the December envelope, which was decorated with scenes, Santa Claus pictures, holly, etc., was a five-year subscription to the home newspaper, with snapshots of the grandchildren, scenes in the son's and daughter's home, friends, etc.

The January package had a small January calendar on it which held a receipt for a year's subscription to a fashion magazine.

February's box contained a valentine with an original verse which explained a surprise that would arrive early in the month. The surprise proved to be two current magazines, one on Hunting, Trapping, Winter Sports and a Woman's Household and Handwork Magazine.

Comic pictures of March capers decorated the March parcel, which promised, by a receipt inside, a Home and Gardening publication.

April was in the form of a joke, with a note on which was written in large letters, "When? What? Why?—April Fool." Through the month a popular weekly Farm and Home Journal arrived each week.

A May basket held coins with lines to the effect that the father and mother could purchase whatever they most desired.

For June was a letter, fittingly decorated, in which were congratulations—the wedding anniversary of the parents occurred in this month. There was also forthcoming an "Outing" publication.

As July and August were the months in which the birthday anniversaries of the parents occurred, these packages were wrapped together. In a paper boat, on which was pasted a flag, was wrapped a check to cover a trip to the homes of the son and daughter with instructions to purchase a popular Recreation Magazine, as well as highway guides and maps, for the father had a hobby of studying road guides and maps.

When the September magazine arrived it contained a number of greeting postal cards which the parents could send to their friends.

October's envelope was an order for a religious publication.

November's was a copy of a magazine reviewing the interesting topics of the past twelve months, as a fitting climax to the year's reading material which had given such satisfaction.

The son and daughter had arranged with a book stand to deliver the magazines. What a joy they must have experienced in planning this gift, which was indeed a Christmas climax that lasted throughout the year!—Gertrude Walton.
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At Christmas Time

AT CHRISTMAS TIME Bethlehem is the famous capitol of all the earth. Then, the star of Bethlehem outranks all the flaming constellations. Then angels and archangels crowd the sky and fill the night with chants and praise. Then the shepherds come to seek for Mary's child. Wise men come, with gold for a new-born king—with frankincense for the high priest of all the ages and with myrrh for the sacrificial lamb. At Christmas time the manger is a sacred shrine and the swaddled babe is king of all the earth—Christmas the greatest day of all the year.—William L. Gaston.
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Ain't It So!



"What are men's fashions coming to next?"
 "Lord knows! What do you think of a guy that wears red knickers?"
 "Well, who in the world does that?"
 "Santa Claus."

Several Santas

There are several Santas, including Kris Kringle and St. Nick or Nicholas. The original St. Nick was a bishop who is said to have lived to take part in the historic Council of Nice. This is disputed by historians, but he certainly lived prior to the reign of Justinian, in whose time several churches in Constantinople were dedicated to St. Nicholas.—Copper's Weekly.

If in Need of Milk, Call
THE SWASTIKA DAIRY
 Phone 27-F2

Greetings

Not alone from our selves, but from all of our organization we send this Christmas message to our patrons with whom our business relationship has been most pleasant.

We thank you sincerely for favors of the past and express the hope that we will not be disappointed as we look forward to a continuation of pleasant associations in the days to come.

GATE'S DRY GOODS, Inc.

...centuries ago near the little town of it comes echoing through the years, carried to earth by the voices of men.

...the voice of this Servant of the People reaf-of Christmas its heartfelt wish of peace, good served. In the house of this Servant a candle ung; faith in mankind is high; gratitude is rve and call our friends.

...at joy among us; the joy that springs from an and the joy of knowing that in our hearts rve well. It is a joy shared by each officer is organization.

...ny wishes to publicly acknowledge the debt reds of faithful employees, whose earnest la-have made such service to you possible.

...Christmas, and around the fireplace tonight sands in the South Plains of Texas. From re comes ringing through the centuries again ains, its charm lifts the voices of the world to

...agement catches up the strain, a lineman, ht, carries it on. Above the drum of the d. It is the voice of 200 employees of this from their hearts:

'H, GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN'

Texas es Company

Shool Items Reported For The Tiger's Cage

TENNIS REPORT.

At the last meeting of the Tennis Club, it was decided that two more courts should be prepared to play on. Mr. Sone was kind enough to allow us part of the Athletic fees to finance the finishing of the courts.

The Club decided that it would be interesting to challenge other towns near Slaton in matches, both boys and girls singles and doubles. This will call for matches in the school first.

There is no reason why every student in this high school should not be interested in Tennis. With the co-operation of all the school, tennis can make one of the major athletics.

MORRISON'S FISH.

The Freshmen of Miss Morrison's room wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Miss Morrison will spend the holidays at her home in Commerce, Tex. Juanita Miller will spend her holidays with her grandparents at Commerce, Texas.

Ada Belle Johnson will visit in Wichita Falls.

Truvus Campbell hopes to visit in Waco.

CAPTAIN DUCK.

The captain elect of the football team is Gerald Woolever, a Junior. The Junior Class is proud of Duck. Quoting Coach Mitchell, "Gerald Woolever is one of the most powerful men the school has known. He is a line plunger—very hard to stop. He made long gains for the team of '27 that won the Bi-District Championship. He has good speed and will be a good broken field runner by next year." "Duck" is a fellow who never says anything on the field of play, but he likes plenty of action and the boys will be glad to follow him next year.

We all believe in him and feel sure he will be an example for the boys to follow who are good trainers and willing to co-operate with and work for the good of the team."

J. E. Armes was elected Co-Captain. Duck is also Captain of the Juniors' baseball team.

GLEE CLUB OF '27-'28.

At last the singing boys of the Slaton High School are doing some good work toward their goal, but—

Ashes to ashes, dust to dust.

If we don't have some support Our voice will rust.

With the following line-up we will bring home the bacon, in the spring:

- Mr. Wilhite, director
- LaVerne Manire, high tenor
- James Collar, high tenor
- Carl Self (Skin), high tenor
- Wayne Smith, second tenor
- Everett Young, second tenor
- Lakry Taylor, baritone
- Raymond Dunn, baritone
- Leroy Campbell, bass.

Miss Dean—You can tell a Freshman, but you can't tell him much.

Mr. Mitchell—Pearl, are you paying attention to this algebra problem?

Pearl B.—Yes sir, I can work all of them.

Mr. Mitchell—Can you work this one. (In a few minutes).

Pearl B.—I forgot how to work them. I did know.

CHAPEL PROGRAMS.

Wednesday, Dec. 7, an interesting talk was given by Mr. Sone.

Friday, Dec. 9, the student body was entertained by piano solos by Lorene McClintock and Zona Florence.

Monday, Dec. 12, the Methodist Pastor, Reverend Leverage, gave a most interesting talk on "The Value of Time."

Wednesday, Dec. 14, after Scripture

Reading by Mr. Nash, the Juniors, directed by Miss Dean, presented a "darky" program.

Friday, Dec. 16, Frankie McAtee, accompanied by Miss Ramsey, rendered a very beautiful violin solo. Miss Philips favored the audience with two two or three Dutch readings.

Monday, Dec. 19—Scripture Reading, Miss Dean; Quartet, Glee Club.

Wednesday, Dec. 21—Scripture Reading, Miss Watson; Program, Sophomores Room 9.

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But these things rather add to our enjoyment of the beautiful sentiment which permeates the Christmas holidays, for this is a time for sentiment, the tenderest the human heart knows.

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And now we wish for everyone a merry, merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

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Each meter customer of the Texas Utilities Co., living at Slaton and Southland, is to receive a 100-watt Mazda inside-frosted lamp as a Christmas gift from the company, it has been announced by J. A. Elliott, manager of the company's affairs for the two towns.

In making distribution of these lamps, Mr. Elliott explains, it is the desire of his company that users of electricity become better acquainted with the advantages of the inside frosted lamps. The frosting consumes only one and one-half percent of the light, it is stated, and produces a white light which is much easier on the eye than the old style clear bulb.

All Utilities customers who have not received their 100-watt lamp by Dec. 23 are requested to call at the company's office in Slaton, where they will be given one with the compliments of the company.

GREAT CAST IN FILM AT PALACE CHRISTMAS, DEC 26

Few films produced this year can boast of better casts or more perfect acting than "Judgment of the Hills," the F. B. O. Gold Bond coming to the Palace theatre, Slaton, Dec. 26. The acting throughout is splendid, every member of the cast filling his or her role to perfection, and acting as if they really meant their role.

Little Frankie Darro is superb as the kid brother and manages through his appealing manner to invest a difficult role and series of situations with a heart interest it would not have had without his excellent performance.

Virginia Vall gives, what is undoubtedly one of her finest performances as the school teacher who Tad loves, and who eventually manages to infuse some self respect into the brother. The brother, Brant Dennison, is played by Orville Caldwell, who was the knight in "The Passion Play," and this superb actor excels himself in all of his scenes. Caldwell's was a hard role to fill and the actor deserves a world of credit for his clever and sympathetic performances.

The director also deserves no little praise for his skillful work. "Judgment of the Hills" takes place with "Mother," "The Magic Garden," "Laddie" and the rest of the J. Leo Meehan productions, among which there is not one picture that is not entertainment to the last foot.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION, THE STATE OF TEXAS.

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

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to summon Mrs. E. R. Slater, the Unknown heirs of Mrs. E. R. Slater, E. R. Slater, and the unknown heirs of E. R. Slater, deceased, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, to appear at the next regular term of the 99th Judicial District Court of Lubbock County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Lubbock, Texas, on the 2nd Monday in January, A. D. 1928, then and there to answer plaintiff's first amended original petition filed in said Court on the 6th day of December, A. D. 1927, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 3025, wherein R. A. Lincoln is plaintiff and Mrs. E. R. Slater, a feme sole, the unknown heirs of Mrs. E. R. Slater, E. R. Slater, and the unknown heirs of E. R. Slater, deceased, are defendants; plaintiff's original petition having been filed on July 25, 1927, in cause No. 3025, wherein R. A. Lincoln is plaintiff and Mrs. E. R. Slater is defendant; said amended petition alleging:

That plaintiff R. A. Lincoln and defendants Mrs. E. R. Slater, the unknown heirs of Mrs. E. R. Slater, E. R. Slater and the unknown heirs of E. R. Slater, deceased, are the joint owners in fee simple of the following described land and premises situated in Lubbock County, Texas, to-wit:

First Tract: Tract patented to T. E. Burns by the State of Texas on the 27th day of May, A. D. 1910, by Patent No. 407, Vol. 40, known as the northwest part of Section No. 101, Block No. 20, B. G. Glaser S. F. 137 about 10 miles south of Lubbock and described as beginning at an iron pipe 4 pits the N. E. corner of No. 24, Block E; thence west on the N. E.

line of No. 24, 695 varas to a pine stake and 2 pits for the most of N. W. corner of this survey; thence north 294 varas to iron pipe and 2 pits for the N. W. corner of this survey; thence east 1288 varas to an iron pipe and 2 pits in the W. B. line of J. L. Obanon survey; thence south 1655.9 of J. H. Standifer survey No. 110; thence west 593 varas to a stake and 2 pits in the E. B. line of No. 24, Block E 1461.4 varas to the place of beginning, containing 200 acres of land, and being Abstract No. 1233.

Second tract: Being the tract patented to T. E. Burns by the State of Texas on the 27th day of May, A. D. 1910, by patent No. 406, Vol. 40, known and described as the north 11-16 of Section No. 24, Block E., E. L. & R. R. Railway Company, certificate No. 965, about 10 miles south of Lubbock beginning at Wagon Spindle set in ground N. E. Corner of No. 23 same Block, for N. W. corner

of this survey; thence east 1901 varas to an iron pipe 4 pits for N. E. Corner of this survey; thence south on E. B. line of No. 24, Block E, 1306.7 varas to stake for S. E. corner of this survey; thence west 1901 varas to an iron pipe set in W. B. line of No. 24 for S. W. corner of this survey; thence north 1306.7 varas to place of beginning and containing 440 acres of land, and being Abstract No. 964;

That plaintiff is the owner of an undivided one-half interest in said land and that the said defendants named in the amended petition are the joint owners of the other undivided one-half interest in said land and premises; that plaintiff and defendants are the sole owners thereof, and that the estimated value of said land is twenty-five thousand dollars.

Plaintiff prays that he have judgment for the partition and division of said land; that commissioners be appointed and writ of partition issue, and for possession of that portion of said land that by judgment of court be ascertained and declared to be the property of plaintiff; and for all further relief, etc.

Herein Fail Not, and 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 HAND and the Seal of said Court, at office in Lubbock, Texas, this the 6th day of December, A. D. 1927.
(SEAL) FLORA GREEN, Clerk, District Court, Lubbock County 15-41

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Come to see us!

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Both Sides of Ninth St.

"Peace On Earth, Good Will to Men"

ANGELS sang this refrain centuries ago near the little town of Bethlehem. Today it comes echoing through the years, carried to the corners of the earth by the voices of men.

IN THAT chorus is the voice of this Servant of the People reaffirming on the Eve of Christmas its heartfelt wish of peace, good will for those it has served. In the house of this Servant a candle is lit and a carol is sung; faith in mankind is high; gratitude is deep for those we serve and call our friends.

AND THERE is great joy among us; the joy that springs from an opportunity to serve, and the joy of knowing that in our hearts we have striven to serve well. It is a joy shared by each officer and employee of this organization.

TODAY this Company wishes to publicly acknowledge the debt it owes to its hundreds of faithful employees, whose earnest labors during the year have made such service to you possible.

NOW it is the Eve of Christmas, and around the fireplace tonight there sit tens of thousands in the South Plains of Texas. From the star-lit plains there comes ringing through the centuries again that sweetest of refrains, its charm lifts the voices of the world to rejoicing.

TONIGHT the management catches up the strain, a lineman, somewhere in the night, carries it on. Above the drum of the power-house it is heard. It is the voice of 200 employees of this Company, singing from their hearts:

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IT WAS Christmas Eve—quite the most glorious Christmas Eve Virginia Ray had ever known. Everything was ready for the party—her party—from the "Merry Christmas" place-cards to the splendid Christmas tree that would be ablaze all evening with little lights and colors.

Virginia pinned the last red stocking to the mantel, and turned to her mother. "I think it was real mean of George not to offer to play Santa Claus for me," she said. "After his having such a nice Christmas, too."

"But, dear," her mother answered. "How could he when you quarreled? I didn't know you had invited him."

"I didn't, but of course I would have, if he had been just the least bit nice," Virginia pouted, and hurried off to get ready to receive her guests. Her mother, busy with last-minute details, smiled in what might have been reminiscence of her own youth.

A few minutes later she went to the phone, held a brief conversation, and as she hung up the receiver she called up the stairs: "Hurry, dear. I do believe some of your guests are coming."

"I'll be right down," Virginia's voice preceded its owner by only a second. "Do I look all right, mother?" "All right," said Mrs. Ray's voice, and her eyes said, "Lovely," and her heart said, "My own darling!"

Virginia, responding to an urgent bur-inggg! admitted her earliest guests. Half an hour later, when the rooms were filled with merry, chattering young people, the orchestra struck up the first dance. Escorts led their laughing partners to the center of the floor, but Virginia did not dance the first number—she had not invited George. Neither had she invited, as her partner, anyone else.

That dance was over, and another, and another. The Christmas tree was admired; the mistletoe was found, and put to its proper use; occasional silences made clear the distant sound of carolers; the clock struck ten—eleven—twelve.

At that moment the guests were surprised (and so was Virginia) by the sound of sleighbells, a hearty "Merry Christmas," and the appearance, from somewhere near the tree, of as jolly a Santa as one could imagine. Near beside him stood Mrs. Ray.

"Why, Mr. Santa Claus, I do believe," and then she presented him to the company. "My old childhood friend, Mr. Santa Claus, has come to pay us a visit, and as he is all loaded down with his various gifts, which must be delivered by tomorrow morning, I suggest that he give any of us who are to receive his attentions, our presents now."

"I didn't know, Virginia," said Pudgy Clark, the fat and awkward youth who had stepped on Virginia's toes during the last dance. "I didn't know you believed in Santa Claus."

"I don't," Virginia snapped. "All right," he laughed, "you needn't bite my head off."

The favors distributed, Mrs. Ray called Virginia "Here, dear, you and Santa lead the grand march. If you will all follow, I think we might find some refreshments in another room."

"Righto!" said Santa in a decided but unfriendly voice. Somehow, Santa knew just where to go. But then, of course, Santa Claus knows everything. He even knew a few moments later when Virginia escaped herself from the party, and slipped back to the other room, now in a state of partial disarray, and (for even the orchestra members were enjoying the repast in the other room) forlorn in its emptiness. Virginia was feeling particularly forlorn and particularly proud.

Santa Claus must know everything, for he knew just how long to wait before he, too, wandered from the merry group, and joined Virginia. And he (or was it Cupid?) knew just what to say to make this really the most wonderful Christmas Eve in all Virginia's life. Just what it was, I am not sure, but he must have told Virginia, for presently she said, "I know; I know," and she had cheered up quite a bit before he put his arm around her. Somehow she wasn't so forlorn—nor quite so proud.

After a while they walked over to the tree together, and they listened to the carolers; and then, somehow, they stopped right under the mistletoe! What George said was whispered in her ear, so we shall never know, but Virginia was laughing as she answered him.

"Why, George," she said, "why dare you say I don't believe in Santa Claus?"

Greetings!

As the time of Good Cheer and Friendliness draws near, we remember more than ever those who have materially helped this organization to expand.

Because of your co-operation we are closing the most prosperous year of our history—and in expressing our thanks to you we heartily extend our Good Wishes for a Merry Christmas and hope that the New Year will bring you Prosperity and Happiness.

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Merry
Christmas

Happy
New Year

Luther Powers Legion Post has Regular Meeting

The Luther Powers Post of the American Legion, Slaton World War veterans' organization, held its regular meeting last Monday evening in the Odd Fellows' hall. About fifteen members attended. Post Commander D. E. Kemp presided throughout the evening. A brief business session was held, and the announcement was made that the post's charter would likely be received soon. Application for it was made recently.

After the business session, Rev. B. G. Holloway, a World War veteran, now pastor of the Baptist church here, made an address, emphasizing the

ways in which the American Legion may be of service to its members and to the country.

P. G. Meading, post member, and recently elected mess sergeant, had ready a steaming urn of coffee and plenty of sandwiches with which he served the members at the close of the session.

The next meeting of the post will be held Monday night, January 2, in the Odd Fellows' hall, permanent arrangements having been made for meeting there, it is announced. All officers and members of the post are urged to be present at the meeting. All ex-service men, too, whether members of the post now or not, are invited to attend. New members are desired, and all former service men should join the post here, officers have said. There are thirty or forty members now, and others are coming in.

M. J. Nelson and L. A. Wilson will arrange the program for the next meeting.

BETTER-LATE-THAN- NEVER XMAS GIFT

EVERY other teacher in Grant school received some sort of a Christmas remembrance from their kiddies but me," was the mournful message that drifted through the transom of the Mattocks home to the ears of Dorothy Littleton and Grace Carter. "I've tried so hard to please them and I love everyone of them, but I guess I'm just a dismal failure."

True enough, the girls of the grammar room of the Grant school thought to break Miss Mattocks, their teacher, of being strict with them, they would see that she received no Christmas present. They had gotten it into their fair heads that Miss Mattocks was their enemy, but now—Dorothy and Grace had discovered that Miss Mattocks was only human and that—well, it couldn't be possible—she loved them.

About ten o'clock, the Mattocks sisters were startled by the peal of their doorbell. Most every student of the grammar room of Grant school was there on the little porch. "We thought we would do something different this year," they chimed when she opened the door. They had brought along a gay tree, all decorated and a whole shower of nice presents. Perhaps those were last-minute presents, but Miss Mattocks didn't know that, and since the children were sorry for the way they had misjudged her and she was so happy, what did it matter?—L. B. Lyons.

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Two Weeks of Christmas

In bygone times in "merric" England, Christmas used to last two weeks, until Twelfth night. Now one day suffices unless we include the customary 30-day shopping drive.—Capper's Weekly.

Christmas in Bohemia

The children in Bohemia are taught to listen on Christmas Eve for a chariot, drawn by two beautiful white horses, bearing the Christ child and the gifts He will distribute among them.—Farm and Ranch.

Christmas in Italy

The children of Italy are taken to the churches and cathedrals where they receive their gifts from the Bambino, which means the infant Christ.—Farm and Ranch.

"Wassail"

"Wassail"—"your health"—was the Anglo-Saxon drinking pledge, taken with the wassail bowl, containing a concoction called "lamb's wool," made of ale, apples, sugar and spices.



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SLATON REPRESENTED IN BOTH ALL-DISTRICT AND STATE CLASS B SCHOOLS

Bennett, a Tiger linesman, has been mentioned on the honor roll of outstanding players of the State. Among those Tigers listed on the All-District eleven were Captain Hamilton, tackle; Armes, end; Owens, half-back, and Bennett, guard; these being mentioned on the first team. On the second team, Pohl half-back; Shelby, tackle, and Nichols, end, were mentioned. These players have brought publicity to Slaton, honor and glory to the Tiger school, although this honor and glory is rightly shared by their teammates and their faithful and successful coach, Odus Mitchell.

PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Nash will spend Christmas with their friends in Slaton.
Miss Lois Cone will spend the holidays with her parents in Lubbock.
Miss Maud Dean will spend the holidays with her parents in Morgan.
Miss Nina Blair will spend Christmas with her parents at Denton.
Miss Iva Cary will spend Christmas with her parents at Pampa.
Miss Eda Watson will spend holidays at her home in Berry.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilhite and son will spend Christmas at Pecos, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Pevhouse will spend the holidays at Lubbock and Strawn.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Sone will spend the holidays with their daughter at Panhandle.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Mitchell will spend the holidays at Childress and Canyon.

Miss Frances Guffin will spend Christmas at her home in Roswell, New Mexico.

Miss Grace Bailey will spend her holiday in Monday.

SENIORS' AVERAGES.

Ruby Catching	99.6
C. S. Greer	98.75
Alma Patterson	96.33
Leon Austin	95.5
Jewel Johnson	94.2
Fairy Butler	93.67
Beryl Hardesty	93.33
Mary Foley	93.4
Ben Klattenhoff	93.25
Clarice Gumm	93.
Opal Young	93.
Tommie Wicker	92.5
Alton Sumrall	92.4
LaVerne Manire	92.25
Jeffie Melton	92.
Lucy Myrl Hastings	91.6
Earl Brasfield	91.17
Ray Darwin	90.75
Over 25 percent of the Senior Class averaged over 90 this month.	

SERVE NUTS AFTER CHRISTMAS DINNER

FROM the days of our venerable forefathers it has been the custom to close our holiday dinners with nuts. Not only do they balance the more cloying sweetness of plum pudding and hard sauce and spice-dinner bon bons, but they represent in themselves the observance of the pleasant-est of old customs.

Many of us have seen on the shelves of confectioners and high-class grocery stores jars and boxes and cans of salted nuts, plump, brown and inviting. We have inquired the price, or even dared to ask timidly for a very small quantity. They were delicious, it's true, but prohibitive in price for the ordinary family.

Happy nuts can be salted and spiced at home, and those best adapted for this use—peanuts and almonds—are not fabulously expensive, bought in quantity and in condition for home treatment.

In purchasing nuts, however, whether shelled or in their shells, insist on being allowed to make sure that they are free from insects and imperfections. Ascertain as well as you can whether they are really fresh. Otherwise your labor will be in vain. If pecans are a favorite in the family, it is best to buy your supply already shelled, for they are difficult to remove. Peanuts bought for home use should be raw. To blanch your holiday nuts, place them in a pan and pour boiling water over them, allowing them to remain in it for two minutes. Then the water is drained away and cold water is run over them until they are cool. The skins should then slip off readily. When they are removed the nuts should be dried with a towel. Occasionally nuts, such as filberts and pistachio nuts, part with their skins rather unwillingly. They will have to take a hot bath of three to five minutes' duration before their coats will come off.

Our "home-made" nuts may be browned on top of the stove, in the oven or in deep frying fat, as is most convenient. Experience, however, has proved that the latter method is by far the most uniformly satisfactory. Good vegetable fat or olive oil is necessary for browning. It must be put in a deep kettle and brought to a heat of 300 degrees. To insure success, a deep fat thermometer should be used. The nuts, thoroughly dry by now, are placed evenly in a layer in the bottom of a frying basket and immersed in the hot fat to fry for two minutes. When a delicate brown they must be removed immediately and placed on a sheet of brown paper or toweling to drain. They should be sprinkled with plenty of table salt and spread out to grow dry and crisp before serving.

If you prefer even browning to the above method, place your blanched nuts in a shallow pan containing fat, put in a 350-degree oven and roast the nuts until delicately brown, stirring them often. For browning on top of the stove a tablespoonful of fat oil is allowed to each cup of nuts. They are distributed evenly over the surface of the pan and fried with constant stirring until they are the right color. When your nuts are browned you may make a mixture of three-fourths of a teaspoonful of salt, half a teaspoonful each of cinnamon, cloves and allspice to each cupful of nuts and sprinkle the spicy mixture freely over them.—Frank H. Sweet.

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Christmas Trust

DURING the Christmas rush in one of America's many towns, not much attention was paid to names on envelopes and packages, but only to addressee, and all those not found at the addresses marked were returned by the carriers to the post office with a "not at this address" written across the top.

They were sorting these out at the main post office when they noticed the name of one which had a "not at this address" across the top.

It was addressed to Santa Claus, and the street number was one before which a Santa Claus had stood during the last holiday season.—Mary Graham Bonner.

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Shake!



"I don't like the Christmas gifts I got."
"And I don't get the Christmas gifts I like."

The Yuletide

Christmas, the season for the renewal of old friendships, for the forgetting of differences, for the expression of good will and kindness, is here.

Business Firms Extend Greetings Through Slatonite

This week, readers of The Slatonite will read with interest the many advertisements carried in this issue of the paper conveying the season's greetings of Slaton business firms and business men to their customers and friends. It is the hope of The Slatonite management that each reader will study these holiday messages of good will and get the true meaning they contain. Look for the messages of the firms with which you do business. Read them and let the spirit of these greetings get right into your heart, for Slaton business men are speaking out of their deepest appreciation to you.

Long Troubled by Constipation

"Black-Draught has been a family medicine with us for fifteen years," says Mr. F. M. Huntley, of Neesho, Mo. "I read about it first in the Ladies Birthday Almanac and what I read there sounded so convincing I made up my mind to try Black-Draught, as I had been troubled with constipation for a long time.

"I found Black-Draught to be the ideal medicine for this trouble. It gave me quick relief. Frequently I had had headaches and pains, due to toxic poison. By taking a course of Black-Draught I gave my system a thorough cleansing, and I have had little or no trouble since then.

"Now, if I am becoming constipated, I take several small doses of Black-Draught, and am very soon feeling fine."

Costs only 1 cent a dose.



Dear kind Santa Claus,
I am sending you many thanks for the things you sent me last Christmas. I wish you would send me a big doll this Christmas and candy and apples.

Yours truly,

MARYLEE HODGES.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl three years old. I have been a good girl since you came

last. I want a doll, a set of dishes, a stove, and some oranges, nuts and candy. Don't forget my sister and my two brothers.

IMOGENE SLEDGE.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a blue doll buggy, and a set of dishes. This is all I want, dear Santa. From

MARY LEE THOMPSON.

In Offering the Prizes

for the best letters on "Why Mother Should Buy a Roper Gas Range," we have had a committee of 5 disinterested parties to pass on the letters and they have decided that the 1st prize of \$15.00 should go to Dale Dickey; 2nd to J. R. Porter, and 3rd to R. L. Debusk, Jr.

THE HOME FURNITURE CO.
The House of Service

ALL GOOD CHRISTMAS WISHES

For you and those you want to see made happy.

We thank you most sincerely for patronage of the past and assure you we will be anxious to serve you in 1928.
Big Special Turkey Dinner Christmas.

BON TON CAFE
W. E. DORSETT

P-L-E-A-S-E

Accept this little message as a sign of our appreciation of your patronage and good will. May your trail thru 1928 be marked with good health, peace and plenty.

SMITH'S SERVICE STATION
PHONE 330

WE ARE REMEMBERING OUR PATRONS

With Best Wishes for Christmas And 1928

May the season bring you more joy than you anticipated and may the New Year bring you more blessings than you have hoped for.

With this expression we send also our thanks for all favors of the past, and hope to serve you better in the future.

We are offering from now till the 1st of the year:

- Beds\$6.00
- Cane Bottom Chairs\$1.00 each
- Comforts, as long as they last .\$.175
- 20% off on all wool rugs.

Extra Specials on everything in the Second Hand Department.

Again Wishing You a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous 1928.

ELROD FURNITURE

Texas Ave. Phone 321

Slaton Hardware Co.

Merry Christmas

May the Spirit of Christmas Abide in Your Heart and Ours

In other words, may the spirit of UNSELFISH SERVICE be prevalent everywhere.

We believe our city and community comes as near showing this spirit as any on earth.

A city, a firm, or an individual need have little fear of ultimate success if the guiding light of either could be said to be "the spirit of Christmas".

Happy New Year

YOUR PATRONAGE!

We greatly appreciate it and shall continue to do our best to merit whatever business you turn our way.

A. G. TAGGART, Manager

A Wreath and a Candle Spoke From the Window

"PLEASE, lady, won't you buy some tulips?"

Ann Dawson, belle of her set, stepping briskly out of a department store, her arms filled with Christmas packages, looked down into the searching eyes of two poorly clad little girls.

"Tulips?" she repeated, smiling. "Why, tulips are not due yet. You should have red roses, poinsettias, and holly at Christmas time."

"Yes'm, I know," said the one carrying the basket of wax flowers, "but we don't know how to make anything but tulips. They are all red, though, and just a quarter for three."

"I see," said Anna. "Making some extra money, aren't you, to buy something pretty for mamma?"

"No, ma'm," answered the sister. "I wish we could buy something pretty for mother, but we are trying to get us some school shoes before time to go back after Christmas."

Anna's eyes sought the children's feet and her throat filled with a choking lump.

"Why—why—yes, I'll buy a dollar's worth. Will that help much?"

"Oh, yes'm," from both simultaneously. Their eyes sought each other's in happy anticipation while Anna, struggling with her packages, clumsily extracted the bill from her purse.

"Now tell me where you live, little tulip makers. I might want some more of them sometime," taking the bunch held out to her. The address was carefully noted, and thoughtfully Anna stood watching the children as they became lost in the street crowd. For the first time, her eyes had been opened to a new life.

Next day a rap on the door of a cottage in a poor section of the city brought an answer from one of the flower girls. No one was in sight, but as the door opened a big car was seen moving away and on the porch was a large well-filled basket ornamented with holly and one big red candle. When the basket was taken inside and examined many useful gifts for mother and the girls were disclosed as well as a generous supply of fruit, nuts and candy. The card read:

"I shall drive by on Christmas night. If you are happy let the wreath and lighted candle speak from your windows."

Was the candle burning? And did the wreath adorn the other front window? Well, yes; and the bright faces within the well-lighted room brought to Anna Dawson far greater joy than the handsome gifts that were hers on Christmas morning.—Lily Rutherford Morris.

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Stray Bits of Wisdom.
Childhood is like a mirror, which reflects in after life the images first presented to it.—Samuel Smiles.

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 8 years old. I go to school, am in the 2 grade. I love my teacher and I love my mother and daddy and big sister too, and I love you lots, so please bring me a cedar chest, a doll cart, a pair of seats, a croquet set, a doll that sleeps has curly hair and says mamma, a car and a set of tinker toys.
Now, Santa if I have asked for too

much please bring me what you can and dont forget to bring some candy and nuts.

Your dear friend,
MELBA STOTTLEMIRE.

P. S. Either bring my things here Friday night or to Wellington, Kansas Sunday morning as I am going up there to see my Grandma.

MELBA.

With Deep Appreciation of THE RELATIONS OF 1927

We are looking forward to a continuation of pleasant associations in the days that are to come in 1928.

WHITE STAR AND PIGGLY WIGGLY MARKETS
E. M. FINCHER

YOUR FATE IS SEALED.
You will be an Old Man or a Dead Man—
If you are an Old Man, you will need money.
If you are a Dead Man, your folks must have money.
GRADIE W. BOWNS, Special Agent
American Central Life Insurance Co.
Old Line Legal Reserve Established 1899

TANKS
All kinds of storage and stock water tanks. Also Casing and other Sheet Metal Work.
LILES SHEET METAL WORKS
SLATON, TEXAS

May Your Stocking Be Filled With Plenty On This Happy Christmas Day

1927

1928

Our store has made many new friends and customers during the year 1927, and we want to take this opportunity of thanking those who have filled our stocking with business.

May the coming year be one of the most successful of your life. We hope that throughout the coming year our service shall continue to be the kind you like, and we hope to receive your patronage in the future as we have in the past.

OUR NEW YEAR'S PLEDGE

All the employees of our store pledge to you a service that will be even better in the future than it has been in the past, and that is promising a lot, for our service has been admired for years.

Chick's Market & Grocery

L. T. GARLAND, Owner

Give Us Your Job Printing --- We Know How.

While Christmas Fires are Burning

We'll Be Thinking of You

Thinking of the pleasant relations we have had with our patrons during the past year and of the loyalty of friends who have not only patronized us but who have spoken kind words in our behalf. We thank you a thousand times and assure you that through the year ahead we will be found doing all within our power to please you and serve you even better.

May joy, like you knew in happy childhood be yours during Christmas and may the New Year unfold before your vision paths you'll find pleasure and profit in traveling.

THE SLATON STATE BANK
W. E. OLIVE, Vice President
Slaton, Texas

THE FIRST STATE BANK
J. H. BREWER, President
Slaton, Texas

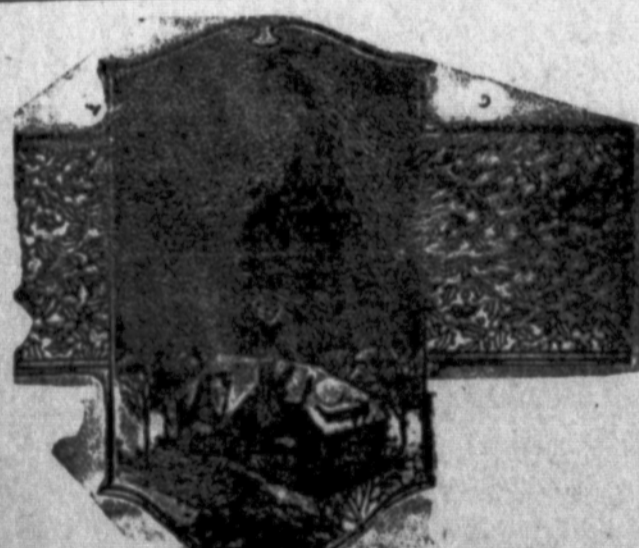


Hokus Pokus Specials for Saturday

SUGAR	IMPERIAL, in Cloth Bags, 10 lbs.	\$.68
CANDY	SPECIAL MIXED, Per lb.	.12
ORANGES	RED BALL, Per Dozen	.23
HONEY	SOUTH TEXAS Ext., 10 lb. Pails	1.14
PEACHES	NO. 2 1/2 Cans	.17
JAM	DEL MONTE, 4 lbs., 8 oz. Tins PEACH AND APRICOTS, Per can	.79
PRUNES	10 lb. Box, 60-70 size,	.89
COCOANUTS	FRESH AND FINE, each	.09
PORK & BEANS	PER CAN	.08
CRACKERS	3 lb. B C C, Per Box	.35
COCOANUT	BAKERS, 1/2 lb.	.19
SPUDS	IDAHO, No. 1, 10 lbs.	.25
BEANS	CUT STRINGLESS, No. 2 Cans	.13

AMOUNTS OF \$2.50 AND OVER
DELIVERED. PHONE NO. 197.

Money Talks



Holiday Greetings

from
the men and women who every
day throughout the year earnestly
try to give you the best
possible telephone service.

SOUTHWESTERN BELL
TELEPHONE COMPANY

SOCIETY and PERSONAL

MRS. S. E. STAGGS

Telephone No. 227

Wishing that Santa Claus comes
To all the little children—the hippy ones;
and sad ones;
The sober and the silent ones; the
boisterous and the glad ones;
The good ones—yes, the good ones,
too; and all the lovely bad ones.
—Riley.

MARRIED AT POST

Miss Fleda Gilliam and Mr. Lonnie D. Howell were married at the Baptist parsonage at Post by Rev. Davis at 8:30 Thursday evening.

Miss Gilliam is one of our popular young school teachers, while Mr. Howell is a young business man of Post. We extend congratulations to this young man, and wish them both joy and happiness.

Mrs. G. R. Miller, of West Lubbock St., was hostess to the Three Table bridge club last Thursday afternoon. Bridge and conversation, and a lovely lunch charmingly served by Mrs. Miller, who was assisted by Miss Davis and Mrs. E. B. Carroway, after which the club held a short business session. Business called to order by the chairman, Mrs. N. A. Stuart. Mrs. Fogerson was elected vice chairman. Plans were made for the club party. Those present were Mesdames Rogers, McAtee, Wolfskill, Stuart, Scott, Baldwin, Brewer, Fogerson, Staggs and the hostess, Mrs. Miller. The guests were Mrs. Kirby Brown, Miss Davis and Mrs. E. B. Carroway.

Miss Joe Bailey and Miss Elizabeth Smith were hostess to the What Next club, on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. L. C. Odom. Those present were Miss Joan Bullock, Miss Alene Phillips, Miss Iva Cary, Miss Clarice and Elizabeth Smith, Miss Nina Blair and Miss Jerry Pirtle and Miss Fleda Gilliam. The club guests were Miss Frances Blundell, Alene Tucker, Josephine McHugh and Mrs. Odom, Mrs. I. M. Brewer and Mrs. Dick Ragsdale. There was a Santa Claus and candy for each one, but only one doll. Suffice to say everyone had a jolly time and after a delightful lunch, departed vowing Miss Bailey was the best Santa ever, and Miss Smith was a close second.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Barton and daughter will spend Christmas with Mrs. Barton's sister in Kansas City.

Miss Betty Pack accompanied her grandparents to Oklahoma City to spend the holidays with them.

Miss Inez Roper, teacher, of Ranger, Texas, is spending the Christmas holidays with her sister, Mrs. C. J. Wolfskill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Monatgue and son, "Nick," left Wednesday evening for El Paso, where they will visit for a few days.

Mrs. A. L. Robertson visited her daughter, Mrs. Kenneth Kimbro, of Lubbock, last week.

Mesdames Joy Wolfskill, Korn, Sam Staggs and Amanda Staggs were Lubbock shoppers Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilhite had as their dinner guests Saturday, Miss Iva Carey, Miss Lois Cone and Miss Frances Guffin.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Homer McDonald have returned from Bovina, Texas, where they had been attending the funeral of a brother whose death occurred at Clovis hospital after a serious operation. This community extends sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Dr. G. W. Shanks, dentist, is spending Christmas holidays with his parents and other freinds at Lockhart and Dallas.

Preston Guthrie, of Abilene, is home for the holidays.

There will be Services at the Presbyterian church Sunday night by the Episcopal Rector from Lubbock, 7:30. You are cordially invited.

Miss Jeannette Ramsey, head of the music department in the Slaton schools, is spending the holidays with home folks in East Texas.

Miss Elizabeth Smith is spending her vacation with home folks at Whitewright. Miss Morrison at Commerce, the Misses Blair at Denton, Mr. Brinker at Sulphur Springs.

The families of Ed Tonn, E. L. Blundell, Jas. Wallace are spending Christmas with relatives at Amarillo.

MARRIED SUNDAY

At the M. E. Parsonage by Rev. M. S. Lovings, William E. Martin and Miss Maymie Green Beaver. These young people are well known and highly respected, and we are wishing them health, happiness and prosperity in their new life.

Mrs. F. A. Donnell, Mrs. Kirby Brown, Miss Metz and Mrs. McAtee were Lubbock visitors one day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bob McAtee and J. R. McAtee, of Flomot, will spend Christmas in Slaton, visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McAtee.

Mrs. T. L. Hancock, of Dalhart, is spending Christmas with her daughter Mrs. Z. P. Fogerson.

The Catholic school children gave a lovely entertainment. The Christmas motif was carried out in the tastefully decorated rooms, the children taking parts on the program did exceedingly well, showing what painstaking care was involved in their training.

Walter McAtee of, St. Edwards' University, at Austin, arrived home Wednesday to spend the holidays with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Drew Hobdy are having for their holiday guest a fine baby boy, born Dec. 19, named Samuel Drew Hobdy.

Pierce Youngblood leaves Friday for Claude, where he will spend the holidays with his wife and baby, who are there on account of the serious illness of Mrs. Youngblood's mother.

Dr. J. L. Conger, chirpractor, left this week for her former home at Utica, New York.

Public Sale

We will sell at S. T. Johnson's Farm, 8 miles west of Slaton and 1 mile north of Union

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28

BEGINNING AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Following Described Property:

- 1 Bay Horse, 8 yrs. old, wt. about 1,200 lbs.
- 1 Bay Horse, 9 yrs. old, wt. about 1,000 lbs.
- 1 Dun Mare, 8 yrs. old, wt. about 1,200 lbs.
- 1 Sorrel Horse, 8 yrs. old, wt. about 1,200 lbs.
- 1 span Mules, 6 and 7yrs. old, wt. 1,950 lbs.
- 1 span Horses, 11 years old, 2,200 lbs.
- 1 Horse, 10 years old, about 1,050 lbs.
- 1 Horse, 9 years old, about 900 lbs.
- 1 Horse, 12 years old, about 1,000 lbs.
- 1 Two-Row J. I. Case Lister-Planter, as good as new.
- 1 Two-Row Emerson Go-Devil, good condition.
- 1 Oliver Cultivator, 1-row.
- 1 Bradley Cultivator, 1-row.
- Harness, Hoes and Sweeps, all go.
- 2 J. I. Case power-lift Planters, 2-row, been run two years.
- 1 International Cultipacker.
- 2 1-row Oliver sled Go-Devils.
- 90 feet of good Garden Hose.

Other things not listed.
TERMS OF SALE: Cash. Nothing to be removed until settled for.

Free Lunch at Noon. Everybody Bring Cups.

Earl Johnson & J.B. Shook

Clarence Johnson, Auct. V. N. Oldham, Clerk

Send Youth, Leisure and Happiness

WITH YOUR GIFT

We are offering a Premier Duplex for a limited time at a small initial payment. Customers may pay balance on deferred payment plan. It's your chance to get powerful cleaning help for a lifetime, and pay for it so easily that you barely miss the sum.

Clean with Double
Action

A motor driven brush and strong suction work together with double-action. They get high dust and low grit.

And you need never give a moment to the care of the cleaner itself. It is ball-bearing. You don't even have to oil. The Premier Duplex will clean for you for a lifetime. And it will cut down your cleaning hours and lengthen your leisure ones!

Premier Duplex



Liberal Allowance on Your Old Cleaner.— Trade in your old vacuum for a shiny new PREMIER DUPLEX.

SEE A DEMONSTRATION TODAY!

Home Furniture Co.

PHONE 28

When Phillip Received That Christmas Gift

PRISCILLA was making pumpkin pies. The fruit cake had been ripened and the turkey lay in festive state, stuffed with sage and onion. Although it was really a chicken, one didn't mention that, no more than one mentioned the fact that daddy was Santa Claus, or that the little black stockings which hung before the hearth fire would not be very full.

There was only one blot in Priscilla's Christmas joy. "I can't give Phillip anything," she said to her mother, worriedly. "It isn't as if he were a youngster and satisfied with red-yeared mittens, or as if he were a poor boy, even, but when he sends me orchids, mother, I—I don't know what to do." Phillip was the young man from the city who had been exceedingly attentive to Priscilla. Flowers he sent, and fruits and dainty candies, but not the simple, homely kind to which she had been accustomed. It was not this air of richness though that made Priscilla's heart beat quick and throb. It was the simple, boyish way of him. Dear? Yes, she had just admitted it to herself.

And now he was coming to Christmas dinner with her and her happy, humble family and Priscilla in her unworidliness, felt that she had no gift for him. Her mother, though, was wiser. She looked with a tender, wistful pride at her fair young daughter, the daughter with soft eyes shining, with hair curled gayly in the steam of the fragrant kitchen, with rose-petal cheeks, blushed warm by young love and by Christmas. She finished her cooking and set the long white table where the hearth fire glowed and the Christmas tree was festive with red and tinsel.

Then Phillip had come and the dinner was progressing, fluffy potatoes and gravy all brown, the roasted turkey which was a chicken, really, the old fruit cake and, last of all, the spicy pumpkin pie. The mother watched and smiled, but her eyes were moist a little, for every bit of food Priscilla served was as a gift. If only Phil could know.

But no one could explain to Phil. After the meal was over and extravagantly praised, the rich boy from the city seemed comfortably at home. He and Priscilla took a walk through the crisp, snowy Christmas starlight and still she could not tell him that she had no gift for him. Back to the front steps they came, then out of the shadows Buddie jumped and ran into the house. Phillip saw the mistletoe first and suddenly there was no need for explanations. The stars and the snowflakes saw him take the sweetest gift of all.—Maxine Chapman.
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CHRISTMAS IN THE APARTMENT HOUSE

JEANETTE KIRBY hurriedly finished dressing and proceeded to tap on the bathroom door and inform her husband, Edwin Kirby, that if he didn't hurry, they'd be late for the Christmas party. Edwin didn't want to go, she knew, but she had insisted, so he acquiesced.

On the other side of the wall, or rather in the other half of the house, dear little Mrs. Whitley paced the floor gowned in a quaint old dress of other days, and a modest little bonnet topped her silver locks. The Union church had promised to call for her by motor to carry her to their annual holiday party and she was very happy as a result.

Thus it was, when the clock sounded out the hour of eight, tears flooded the eyes of both women—one because she had been forgotten and the other because her spouse wouldn't hurry. Both women had opened the front doors of their apartments and had stepped out upon the porch. A beautiful snow had begun to cover the ground and Jeanette knew Edwin hated tramping through a snowstorm, while she, herself, loved it. Mrs. Whitley concluded that the young folks of Union church had decided she shouldn't venture out in a snowstorm. Neither woman noticed the other until a low sob escaped the lips of the elder one.

It was but a few moments until the two women had sobbed out their own selfish griefs and had decided to have a Christmas party all their own. Edwin Kirby joined most heartily in their plans and made numerous trips to the basement for canned fruit and potatoes, and to the attic where he found the folded patent Christmas tree, some candles, some red bells and roping, and a huge sack of dry popcorn.

What a party! The Kirbys forgot their differences in making dear Mrs. Whitley happy and, in turn, Mrs. Whitley loved the company of young folks. "Never since pa died, have I had such a wonderful Christmas party," declared Mrs. Whitley, when she bade the happy child-like couple good morning at her door a number of hours afterward.

"Some good must come out of every misunderstanding," thought both women as they closed their eyes in sleep at the end of such a happy Christmas eve.—L. B. Lyons.
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WHAT TO MAKE FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

"WHAT shall I make for Christmas?" has puzzled so many children whose means are limited, that a few suggestions should be welcome.

First on the list comes mother, who doubtless would appreciate a needle-book, cut from flannel or any other soft woolen material, with the edges neatly hemmed. The cover may be of colored silk, or the whole may be cut in the outline of a cat, flower or other object.

A boy may prefer to grow a plant in a neighbor's hothouse. Particularly at the Christmas season, when the general aspect is rather gloomy, a flower or fern will find a welcome. The ideal gift for a sick person, a plant is quite as appropriate for one in good health.

Waste baskets are far from a usual gift, and they are always acceptable. Unless one is already skilled in basketry, it would be unwise to attempt weaving one, but heavy cardboard covered with scraps of wall paper may be used. This basket should be square, with a cardboard bottom pasted in. The wide ribbon may be run through slits near the top and tied in a bow at one corner. Sealing wax will also lend distinction, and this form of decoration may be used on wicker baskets as well.

A dainty lingerie perfumer which any woman or girl would prize can be made by saving the petals of red roses. These are dried and sprinkled with salt, and should be stirred every morning for about ten days. For two quarts of petals, mix separately quarter ounce each of ground mace, cloves and allspice, half ounce ground cinnamon, two ounces powderedorris root, and quarter pound dried lavender flowers. Any other flowers that retain their fragrance after drying may be added. This mixture (or any other recipe for pot-pourri) is added to the rose petals.

A cupful or more of these dried petals are then tied in a bag of silk or mesh and finished with an artificial flower or any other dainty top. If preferred, smaller ones may be made, containing about half a cupful each. These should be presented in groups of three.—Heien Gaisford.
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The Christmas Tree

According to a Germanic legend, all trees blossomed on Christmas Eve. To make fact agree with legend, small cherry twigs were properly cultivated at home so as to bloom about Christmas time.

Pere Noel in France

Children in France look for the coming of Pere Noel with the same pleasure and impatience as ours do for the coming of Santa Claus.—Farr and Rauch.



Piggly Wiggly Extends to You a Merry Christmas

PIGGLY WIGGLY
It's Foolish to Pay More and Risky to Pay Less

Christmas Specials For Friday and Saturday

Sugar IMPERIAL PURE CANE, 10 lb. Cloth Bag **.69**

SUGAR Imperial Pure Cane 25 Pound Cloth Bag **1.74**

Walnuts CALIFORNIA Genuine No. 1's Per Pound **.29**

Oranges RED BALLS Large Size, per doz. **.55**

ORANGES Medium Size, Per doz. **.38**

Apples Extra Fancy Winesaps Large Size, per doz. **.55**

APPLES Small Size, per dozen **.33**

CELERY PER BUNCH **.17**

CRANBERRIES PER POUND **.27**

Lard WHITE CLOUD 8 Pound Pails **1.28**

ELGIN THE SEAL OF GOOD HOUSEKEEPING ON EVERY BOTTLE 8 oz. Sandwich Spread 8 oz. Mayonnaise 8 oz. Thousand Island JAR **.23**

ELGIN THE SEAL OF GOOD HOUSEKEEPING ON EVERY BOTTLE 3 1/2 oz. Sandwich Spread 3 1/2 oz. Mayonnaise 3 1/2 oz. Thousand Island JAR **.12 1/2**

Preserves EVERBEST, 4 lb. jar Pure Fruit Strawberry **1.06**

PINEAPPLE Del Monte, Crushed or Sliced, No. 1 Flat **.12 1/2**

Peaches DEL MONTE Melba Halves 2 1-2 can **.23**

Potatoes IDAHO RURALS 10 Pounds **.28**

PICKLES Happy Vale Quart Sours **.29**

Almonds PER POUND **.25**

Brazil Nuts PER POUND **.29**

BEEF ROAST Per Pound **.19**

FRESH SPARE RIBS Per Pound **.22**

The American Turkey

PERHAPS the most distinctive feature of our American Christmas dinner is the turkey. This noble bird is a Christmas feast requirement, whether the dinner be prepared in Texas or Wisconsin, New York or California. It is interesting to recall the origin of our national Christmas bird. The story of Capt. John Smith, fresh from his wars with the Turks, surveying the wild fowl in the forests of Virginia and of his uproarious laughter upon seeing the turkey gobbler strut proudly before the hens is perhaps fresher in the minds of our school children than in our own. At any rate, we agree with his comparison of the proud gobbler, for he "is exactly like the proud Turk showing off before his harem." So the name turkey is no longer familiar just to Americans, but has fast become an international medium of celebrating the happy Christmas season.—Frank H. Sweet.
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Mistletoe and Kissing

The mistletoe and kissing are inseparably connected in the minds of Europeans, and as far back as tradition and history can go the quaint berried plant and kissing have always gone hand in hand together.

Christmas Day

Christmas is the sweetest day of the year, for the reason that it is, in its proper observance, utterly unselfish, and because it is the golden link of time that serves to bind heaven and earth in a closer understanding.

Singing Christmas Carols

Christmas carols were sung as far back as 1521 and were said to be the songs sung by angels of the birth of Christ.

First Christmas Observance

The observance of Christmas began about the Fourth century. It became a general custom only in the Thirteenth century.

Holly Unlucky

In some parts of England there is a superstition that it is unlucky to take holly into the house before Christmas.

MERRY CHRISTMAS To All And "SPECIAL DELIVERY"

IS OUR CHRISTMAS EVE PICTURE

Featuring **Eddy Cantor**
A Positive Entertainment Knockout!
SAT., Dec. 24th
MATINEE, 2:30, and NITE
Christmas Day, Dec. 26th
Matinee at 2:30, Night starting at 6:25, 2 full performances.

Palace Theatre

The Bright Spot of Slaton

Screen's Greatest Boy Star!
FRANKIE DARRO—with **VIRGINIA VALLI**

"JUDGMENT OF THE HILLS"

The Kid Who Steals Your Heart!

The boy who has flashed to leadership among the juvenile stars in the greatest drama of the year. Colossal in its infinite appeal—mighty in its stark drama—tender in the boyish worship of its little star. You'll learn to love him. The Whole World's Little Pal! **Mighty! Majestic!** Though a bully and a coward, the love of a woman and the trust of a tiny boy help bring a man through an inferno of doubt and pain.

—2-Act Fun Comedy—
"SEEING STARS"

Engagement Extraordinary
WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY
Dec. 28-29

"UNDER-WORLD"

With Clive Brook, George Bancroft, Evelyn Brent, Larry Seamon. A Paramount Picture. An actual story of the Underworld! Written especially for the screen by Ben Hecht, a reporter who has seen the scenes that have been filmed! A tale of modern gangster feuds—of No Man's Land in a twentieth century metropolis! That—and much more! Expect to see something Big—You won't be disappointed.

Coming Soon
"2 ARABIAN KNIGHTS"

CHURCHES

First Christian Church

Panhandle Ave. and East Scurry
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m., J. D. Norris, Supt.

St. Joseph's Catholic Church

Sunday, Dec. 25, 1927.
Priest in charge, Rev. Father O'Brien.
Mass and Sermon, at 8 and 10 a. m.
Special services each evening except Friday. Midnight Mass Christmas Eve.
Everyone invited.

Lutheran Church.

Possey: Children's service Saturday, 6 p. m.
Holy Communion services, 2:30 p. m.
Southland: Holy Communion services, 10:30 a. m., Children's service, 6 p. m.
Let us attend all services and worship Christ our King.

FIDELIS CLASS.

The Fidelis Class of the Baptist Sunday School met at the home of Mrs. J. F. Smith on Dec. 14th, in the regular monthly business and social meeting. Reporter.

TO USE IN LIEU OF A CHRISTMAS TREE

PERHAPS you may want to vary the time-honored custom of having a Christmas tree. If so, here are some substitutes that may appeal to you because of their novelty or practicality:

A Christmas umbrella lends itself well to living room decoration and requires less work in preparation and clearing away than a tree. Get a large, colored umbrella, the kind in use for advertising purposes, or utilize any old umbrella that may be on hand. Put a heavy string through a hole bored in the top just below the ferrule by means of which to suspend the open umbrella from the ceiling. The frame may be decorated in any desired manner. A good effect is obtained by covering the inner and outer surface with green crepe paper and relieving the severity with tinsel festooning. A green paper-covered umbrella decorated with "ticles" and snow like that used on Christmas trees also makes a strong appeal. Strings of popcorn, festooning of any kind, bright-colored paper chains, ornaments, in fact, anything that is used to decorate the Christmas tree may be pressed into service on the Christmas umbrella.

Fasten pin hooks, such as are used to hang draperies, to the under side of the umbrella for holding the Christmas gifts. The heavier articles should be hung along the ribs to insure safety, but light gifts can be distributed all over the surface.

A Christmas cornucopia is an interesting and unique solution of the problem of gift distribution. Make a large cornucopia out of cardboard and cover it with green or gilt paper. Hang this from the ceiling so that the large end is considerably lower than the small one.

Before hanging the cornucopia, place in it the various gifts well wrapped so as to prevent breakage. Fasten a cover firmly over the open end and decorate it to correspond with the cornucopia. It is well to have the large end so arranged in hanging that when the covering is removed the gifts will land on the table.

A Christmas chariot gives little folks a fine chance to help in the distribution of gifts. By using a few laths, some stiff wire and an old baby cart, the framework of the Christmas chariot may be easily fashioned. This can be decorated with crepe paper, tinsel or the like. The little fairy queen, airily dressed, should be seated in the chariot drawn by several of the other children appropriately gowned. The gift packages which the fairy queen distributes should be tied in white paper with tinsel cord or delicately colored ribbons to harmonize with the occasion.

A Christmas cross is easily constructed and quite effective as a substitute for the time-honored tree. The cross may be made of two rough boards securely fastened to a base and the entire surface covered with laurel, evergreen branches, or green paper festooning. If small electric lights are available a pretty effect can be obtained by outlining the cross with colored bulbs. Gifts may be hung on the cross by means of screw eyes or small hooks.

While not inappropriate for the home, nevertheless, the Christmas cross seems especially well adapted for use in the church where an interesting program may center around it.—Alice Crowell Hoffman.
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Presbyterian Church

West Lubbock and 11 St.
Sunday School, 9:45, S. A. Peavy, Supt.
Preaching by Rector L. G. H. Williams, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, of Lubbock, Sunday evening, 7:30.
Everyone is cordially invited to all services.

Methodist Church.

Cor. West Lubbock and 10 St.
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.
W. E. Olive, Supt.
Preaching, by Pastor M. F. Lever-edge.
Morning Sermon, 11 a. m.
Evening Sermon, 7 p. m.
League, 6 p. m.
All are cordially invited to these services.

WEDNESDAY EVENING PROGRAM, CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Dec. 28, 1927.
Song Leader—Paul Foutz.
Leader—Bill Self.

Scripture Reading—II Timothy 3.
Why Christians go Wrong—G. M. Cullar.
Subject of selection—Bro. Swindell.
Special Song—By the Selfs.
Subject of selection—Mrs. J. W. Wallace.
Memory Verses and Blackboard by the Children—Conducted by F. J. Berry.

The Christmas Bells

THE bells of Christmas exercise a mystic spell. . . . They awaken rhythm and music not sensed at . . . other times. The best within us awakens with the first joyous pealing of these bells, and we are glad! . . . Everyone is glad on Christmas. . . . Frivolous and feasting bespeak only the joy of the occasion. The bountiful platter, the full cup, and the hearty greeting indicate but faintly the warmth of friendliness and good-will which lies so deep within us. . . . Let the bells continue to ring "A Merry Christmas!"—W. D. Pennypacker.
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Church of Christ.

Division and 11th Sts.
Sunday School, 9:45.
Preaching, 11 a. m.
Communion, 12 M.
Evening Sermon, 7:30, by Pastor Rev. Berry.
Young People's Training Class, 6:30.
Everyone welcome to all services.

Baptist Church.

Sunday School, 9:45, G. J. Catching, Supt.
Preaching by B. J. Holloway, Pastor.

Morning Service, 11 a. m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p. m.
B. Y. P. U., 6:30 p. m.
Workers' Council, 7:30, Wednesday evening.

Christmas Greeting Cards
Christmas greeting cards will cost this country \$55,000,000, and that does not take into account the time lost in trying to remember to whom they should be sent.

Make Some One Happy
Make some one's Christmas merry and your own will care for itself.

As You Thumb the Calender Leaves —of 1928—

May you find each day brighter, happier and more fruitful of good. That is our wish for those who have been so loyal to us in the year just closing.

To us it has been a pleasure to be in business in a city where we could deal with such a citizenry as have come our way. We have been inspired by your generous support to strive to attain the maximum in value giving and service and in addition to do our utmost to scatter sunshine along the way as we come in contact with our patrons.

We ask that you accept the gratitude that we today feel in our hearts. You have enabled us to get a broader vision of our opportunity for usefulness. On each transaction during the coming year we pledge you the best that is in us.

De Long
THE MERCHANT TAILOR

Willys Knight — Whippet

will make the most delightful and lasting "Christmas Gift" you can buy.

We have a complete stock for immediate delivery.

We appreciate your patronage.

PIEDMONT GARAGE

K. L. SCUDDER

A Letter to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus:

Right now we are not so much concerned about what we are going to get for Christmas, but we have a lot of friends, young and old, that we ask you to remember.

Please bring, if you will, to each of our friends and customers a large bundle of smiles, some happiness, pleasant associations with friends and loved ones, good health, opportunity to make others happy and a liberal portion of loving kindness. We know you always have a big stock of these things and we hope you will not disappoint our friends.

Sincerely,

PANHANDLE LUMBER CO.

Christmas -and- YOU

Makes a Real Christmas for Us

How could we forget YOU, you who have been so good to us through these many years, you who have had complete confidence in us and who have served us as patrons as well as we have served you as providers of good values and reliable service in our line.

We thank you and wish for all of YOU and all of YOURS the best Christmas and the happiest New Year of your lives.

Paynes
DRY GOODS

Slaton, Texas
 Dear Santa,
 We are twin boys, eight years old. Will you please bring us a pair of boxing gloves apiece, a big Christmas stocking filled with toys, also a painting outfit.
 And candy, nuts and fruit. Also some fireworks, and don't forget our baby brother, bring him a real pretty rattler.
 Lots of Love,
 MUTT AND JEFF MARTIN.
 LORENE GENTRY.

Good old Santa,
 Please bring me a nice baby doll, a set of dishes and a doll buggy if you have one.
 I have been a pretty good little girl.
 Please don't forget my little brother and sister. Charles wants a tinker toy set and a little gun.
 Baby Ruth wants a doll that cries.
 Goodbye dear old Santa,
 LORENE GENTRY.



CHRISTMAS SAUCES

THE first sauce which comes to mind when thinking of Christmas is, of course, cranberry sauce. While it is not liked by everyone, it has many devotees, and both for them and for the others it will take on new charm when the sauce made from one pound of cranberries one can of crushed Hawaiian pineapple is added.
 Not for the dinner in the following sauce but for the fruit salad which is the chief supper dish for Christmas evening. Combine four egg yolks or two whole eggs with one-eighth teaspoon of salt, two tablespoons of sugar and one cup of pineapple syrup. Cook in a double boiler stirring constantly until the mixture thickens, remove from the fire at once, add one teaspoon of lemon juice, strain and cool. When cold add one-half pint of cream which has been beaten stiff. Serve with any fruit salad. A No. 2 1/2 size can of sliced pineapple yields one cup of syrup.

Pineapple Foamy Sauce: Melt two tablespoons of butter with two tablespoons of flour in a double boiler and add gradually one cup of pineapple syrup, stirring until mixture thickens. Remove from the fire, and pour one egg white, slightly salted and beaten stiff with one-fourth cup of sugar. Season with one tablespoon of lemon juice and serve hot.
Pineapple Pudding Sauce: Cream one-half cup of butter with one cup of powdered sugar. Heat one cup of pineapple syrup and pour over one tablespoon of cornstarch smoothed to a paste in two tablespoons of cold water. Bring to the boiling point and cook until clear. Combine with the creamed butter and sugar, and stir briskly. Season with a little grated lemon rind and serve.
Pineapple Soufflé Sauce: Beat two egg whites until stiff, and gradually add one-half cup of sugar, beating constantly. When stiff as for meringue, fold in one cup of crushed Hawaiian pineapple. Season with salt and a little lemon rind and serve. A hot sauce can be prepared by heating the pineapple to the boiling point before combining it with the meringue.

Sauces from Pineapple
 There are several sauces suitable for serving over plum pudding which are superior to many of the more customary ones.

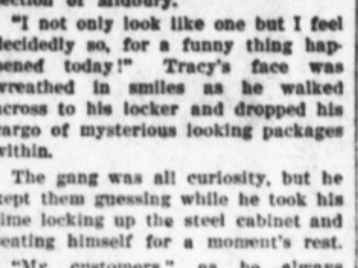
Christmas Presents and Things That Can Be Made

ONE of the annually recurring problems of the Christmas season is: "What unusual and attractive gifts are simple and inexpensive enough for the children to make?" Here are a few suggestions:
 Among the easiest is a lovely perfume made by sticking an apple with cloves until it is completely covered, and appears to be a brown ball. It will last for years, lending a delicate fragrance to lingerie or handkerchiefs.
 The hostess who entertains often will welcome a scrap book of party ideas, games, refreshments, etc., which may be clipped from the newspapers and magazines. These may be grouped as to seasons—Christmas, Halloween or Thanksgiving. How-to-do-something items and recipes also make good collections. The latter may be either arranged as menus or classed as soups, vegetables, etc. These books should preferably be of the loose-leaf type, and in any case, the pages should be numbered and the items indexed.
 A dainty pinholder may be made from six empty match boxes, pasted together to form a chest of drawers. Cover the front and back of each inner box, glue the outer boxes together, and paste a colored cover around the top, bottom and sides. If cloth is used, unless it is exceptionally heavy, it will be necessary to paste a cover of white paper on first, so that the printing on the match boxes will not show through. To each drawer attach a hook, snap, button, pin, etc., to serve as a handle and to indicate its contents.

Not alone women, but men, too, appreciate handkerchiefs. Some are made of crepe de chine or georgette and edged with lace. Colored threads may be drawn in them, although this work is easier in pongee or linen. To make them exceptionally distinctive and personal, in place of an initial or monogram, trace and embroider the signature of the person for whom they are intended.—Helen Galsford.
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The Postman Was Loaded With a Burden of Love
 "WELL, John Tracy, you look like old Santa, himself!" called Postmaster Briggs to John Tracy, the veteran mail carrier of the Heights section of Midbury.
 "I not only look like one but I feel decidedly so, for a funny thing happened today!" Tracy's face was wreathed in smiles as he walked across to his locker and dropped his cargo of mysterious looking packages within.
 The gang was all curiosity, but he kept them guessing while he took his time looking up the steel cabinet and seating himself for a moment's rest.
 "My customers," as he always termed his patrons or the community which he served, "planned a job on me. They appointed a committee, I understand, to interview every family on my route. They asked that everyone refrain from mailing one thing this morning, that I would be empty handed unless it be a present for me. For a couple of blocks I didn't know what to think, but at almost every house I found a package for me, and then I began to get wise. So—to make a long story short—I carried nothing back with me but things addressed to myself. But, Briggs, it sure was a burden of love! Gosh, I didn't dream folks thought that much of only THEIR POSTMAN!"—L. B. Lyons.
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Counting the Chickens
 "Have you finished your Christmas shopping yet?"
 "Heavens, yes! I've already figured out what I'm going to receive and how many exchanges I'll make."
Singing Christmas Carols
 The old custom of singing carols in the streets was revived in 1917. In 1918 thirty cities co-operated. It is expected that carols will be sung this Christmas eve on the streets, in the parks, as well as in the churches, schools and public institutions of communities.
Tree Decorations
 In spite of glittering decorations, the Christmas tree would only remain a dark pageant, were it not for the many colored electric lights which are deftly fastened all over it, and which, when lighted up, make it for the young people a thing of beauty and a joy for that night at least!



Christmas Dolls
 THE modern Christmas doll, so dear to the hearts of little maids of all nations, had its origin in the days of long, long ago.
 Dolls were once regarded as sacred objects, and the word "doll" is believed to be a corruption of the word "idol." The dolls or idols of early days were carved out of wood or bone, and the dolls of later days were probably reproductions of the idols, used in worship.
 Dolls are comparatively modern playthings in this country, and the oldest museum specimens only go back to Queen Anne's days, before which time there are no records of their use by British children. They were introduced from Flanders, and were called "Flanders babies," or "children's babies."
 Montreal Star.

Russian Christmas Table
 In the center of his Christmas table the Russian peasant places a bundle of straw, symbolic of the manger, and, before the meal, each guest draws from the bundle a blade of straw, the one who draws the longest being destined to live the longest.

St. Nicholas
 St. Nicholas, as the patron saint of Christmas, seems to have been adopted by America; Father Christmas is indigenous to Britain, Santa Claus to Germany, and Kriss Kringle to Holland, but they all seem to be variants of the first-named.—Montreal Star.

Candles Are Dangerous
 Matches should always be kept out of the reach of children and parents should be especially cautious around the holiday season when there is so much extra inflammable material in the house, suggests the national safety council.

CHILDREN'S FATAL DISEASES
 Worms and parasites in the intestines of children undermine health and so weaken their vitality that they are unable to resist the diseases so fatal to child life. The safe course is to give a few doses of White's Cream Vermifuge. It destroys and expels the worms without the slightest injury to the health or activity of the child. Price 35c. Sold by CATCHING'S DRUG STORE!

We Wish You
 A NEW YEAR BRIGHT ALL
 THROUGH

and if there is anything better we wish that for you, too.

And we would not forget to add that we thank you, oh, ever so much for your favors during 1927.

JACKSON CHEVROLET CO.
 F. C. JACKSON

The Slatonite for Good Job Printing

BOYD & WARD

We offer our thanks for the Insurance business that has been given us by the people of Slaton and surrounding territory and we shall thank you in advance for a proportionate part of your insurance in the coming year. Wishing you

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

BOYD & WARD
 Insurance Agents
 Phone 39 I. O. O. F. Bldg.

MANY HEARTY GOOD WISHES

For quite the merriest Christmas and decidedly the happiest and most prosperous New Year you and yours ever enjoyed.

We are grateful for the patronage accorded this business during 1927. It will be our aim and hope to so serve you in 1928 that you'll be glad you are one of our patrons.

OUTLET STORE
 175 Texas Ave.

MAY THE JOLLY CHRISTMAS TIME

Hold rich treasures of happiness for you and as you are engulfed in the spirit of the season may you have no other desire than to be happy and to make those about you happy, too.

We ask that you also accept, with this Christmas message, our thanks for your business during 1927.

HARRY'S GROCERY
 9th Street—Phone 343
 H. C. BURRUS, Owner

Counting the Chickens

Singing Christmas Carols

Tree Decorations

To All Those of Our Friends and Customers

who contributed to the grand success of our Anniversary Event, we wish to express our most sincere appreciation, for it is through them that our business in Slaton has shown such phenomenal growth and it seems especially fitting at this time of year, to wish for everyone continued prosperity and rededicate our store to the interests and welfare of this community, and pledge ourselves to maintain the Low Acorn Store Prices on Standard grade merchandise.

In our recent baby contest, wherein over one hundred babies were examined by Miss Bursleson, of the Lubbock Hospital, Little Miss Ruth Elizabeth Austin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Austin, was declared the nearest perfect, and is entitled to receive the prize.

The ACORN STORE
 ALWAYS
 DEPENDABLE MERCHANDISE

Classified Advertising

ALL MERCHANTS will close their places of business all day Monday, Dec. 26, account Christmas coming on Sunday. Retail Merchants Association. 15-3tc.

FOR SALE or trade—Five acres, well improved, and will rent.—E. R. Burns. 35-3c.

SOME nice Barred Rock Cockerels for sale cheap.—A. A. Devore, 935 S. 14 St. 17-4c

See Elrod Furniture's Christmas ad.

WINDERGARTEN—Foundation and First Grade work.—Mrs. J. P. Adams, 316 S. 11th street. 15-4t

FOR SALE—One male, one gilt, out of litter of 13, full blood Poland

Chinas.—E. Denny, Union Store, Rt. 1, Slaton. 1p

TYPEWRITERS—For rent or sale.—G. W. Bownds. 50-1tc

FOR SALE—First class Charter Oak coal range at bargain.—E. Barton, phone 88. 14-1tc

See Elrod Furniture's Christmas ad.

BUNDLE Sorghum and Higeras, 5c delivered.—Jno. P. Hardesty, 2 miles southeast city. Box 157. 14-1tc

A GRAND CHRISTMAS present—A \$500.00 piano for \$250.00. The price holds good until 12 o'clock Saturday, Dec. 24th. Also a fine Player Piano, at a Special Bargain. See me at the Acorn Store, or at O. Z. Ball's Tailor Shop, Phone 16.—G. W. Bourland, Salesman. 1p

A SHETLAND PONY FOR CHRISTMAS—Have a sorrel Shetland pony that is gentle, dependable and easily kept, for sale cheap.—A. L. Robertson, phone 805-F2.

FOR SALE—Heating stove equipped with good oil burner and pipes and nearly new oil cook stove.—C. L. Triner, 335 S. 9th St. 16-2p

FOR RENT—5-room stucco on Lynn St.—G. W. Bourland, phone 16. 1c

LADY WANTS WORK in home or hotel. Anything considered. Telephone 297-J. 1pd

HOT BATHS—In every room at the Tourist Hotel. 1c

CROP PAYMENT

We have a few choice quarters of the best cotton land on the plains to sell on the crop payment plan. This land is well located. Good shallow water; convenient to schools and will grow anything you want to raise.

WHY PAY RENT?

When you can buy good plains land with this part of your crop. The crop payment plan is the BEST AND SAFEST WAY FOR YOU TO OWN YOUR OWN HOME.

Jarrott Brothers, Owners, Lubbock, Texas Room 204, Leader Building, West Broadway. 14-8c

FOR SALE—My home at 725 West Garza St., on pavement and natural gas. Terms.—L. F. Piwonka. 17-2c

See Elrod Furniture's Christmas ad.

FOUND—Purse, containing some money.—R. L. Hagler, Rt. 1, Southland, Texas. 1p

HOUSE WANTED—I want a small, well built, 3 or 4 room house, I can move to my farm. Have good trade to offer or will buy. Call at Slatonite office. 1tc

TO MY PATRONS—Thank you for the splendid cooperation you have given me so far. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.—MRS. J. P. ADAMS. 1tc

WANTED—Two girls for general housework. Answer to P. O. Box 2413, Amarillo, Texas. 14-3pd.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP

Notice is hereby given that the partnership between K. L. Scudder and Ollie Waynick was dissolved on the 29th day of Nov., A. D. 1927. All debts due to said partnership are to be paid, and those due from same discharged at the Sam Selman Bldg., on corner of 9th and Lynn Sts., in city of Slaton, Tex., where the business will be continued by said K. L. Scudder, under the firm name of "Piedmont Garage". Witness our hands, this the 2nd day of December, A. D. 1927.

K. L. SCUDDER, 15-4t; OLLIE WAYNICK.

The Way He Figures



"I'm afraid child, you are asking old Santa for too much this year."
"Well, it is a good bit, mother, but with all the toys he's got he'll never miss 'em."

Lots Like Him December 25

Mrs. Bum—Harry took part in a Christmas play last night and today he's so hoarse he can hardly talk.
Mrs. Bum—Oh, he was the leading man, then?
"No, he was the prompter."

Christmas Superstition

There is an old superstition that nine holly leaves tied in a handkerchief with nine knots and placed under the pillow on Christmas night will cause the sleeper to dream of his or her future wife or husband.

Drinking the Wassail

The ancient custom of wassailing was always an indispensable factor to the celebration attendant to the old-time Christmas, New Year's and Twelfth Night.

Rosemary for Christmas

Rosemary once played a far greater part than holly in Christmas decorations.

WHERE OUR TEACHERS WILL SPEND THE HOLIDAYS

Miss Maud Dean, with her parents at Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Odus Mitchell at Childress and Canyon.

Miss Frances Guffin with home folks at Roswell.

Miss Iva Cary with homefolks at Pampa.

Miss Edna Watson with home folks at Berry.

Supt. and Mrs. C. L. Sone with their daughter at Panhandle.

Miss Grace L. Bailey with her parents at Munday.

Mrs. W. O. Moon, mother of Mrs. L. A. Wilson, reached Slaton Saturday to be with her daughter and family. She has been with her other daughter at El Dorado, Ark., for several weeks, and also visited her son at New Iberia, La., while away. She expects to make Slaton her home.

Evans' Cleaning Plant has added a new Chevrolet panel truck to its delivery service.

Mrs. A. B. Robertson is spending the Christmas holidays with her son, Briggs, and family, in Ft. Worth. Her grandson, Sugg, accompanied her, and went on to Houston, where he is visiting with friends.

Mrs. Clifford Simmons expects to visit during the holidays with relatives at Amarillo, and Woodward, Okla.

Mrs. Tom Blair and son, Junior, returned Wednesday from a two weeks' visit in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Green returned Saturday from Dallas, where Mr. Green recently underwent an operation at the Baylor hospital. A tumor was removed from his brain, it was stated.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. L. E. McCranie, Monday, Dec. 19, a nine and one-fourth pound boy. Mr. McCranie is advertising manager for the Acorn store here.

Mrs. R. C. Stark and baby returned here Sunday, after visiting several weeks with her parents at Petersburg, in Hale county.

Mrs. D. I. Skelton, daughter of Mrs. Geo. Marriott, left Saturday evening for Shreveport to spend the holidays with friends and relatives.

MERRY CHRISTMAS—

At this season of the year our thoughts revert gratefully to those whose courtesy, co-operation and loyalty have assisted in our progress. To you we extend our heartiest wishes for Happiness and Prosperity.

THE SLATON SLATONITE

The Slatonite for Good Job Printing

P-L-E-A-S-E

Accept this little message as a sign of our appreciation of your patronage and good will. May your trail through 1928 be marked with good health, peace and plenty.

Pember & Staggs

Happy Days of Friends and Loved Ones

The Season's Best For You

You have been good to us —we hope you feel that we have been good to you.

SLATON HOME MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE ASS'N. RAGSDALE INSURANCE AGENCY

May your days throughout 1928 and each New Year thereafter be filled with usefulness, health, happiness and prosperity.

And a Happy New Year Too!

1927 ----- 1928

Achievements

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WROUGHT

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F. C. RECTOR

DICK RAGSDALE

Specials for Saturday

NO. 2, 3 cans TOMATOES 25

NO. 2 CRUSHED, can PINEAPPLE ?

BULK, Per lb. POP CORN .09

FRENCH SALAD DRESSING 22

6 POUND BOX CRAX .73

2 POUND SALTINE CRAX .29

2 POUNDS PRESERVES ?

1 POUND PRESERVES .32

MARKET SPECIALS

PER POUND DRESSED HENS ?

PER POUND BOLOGNA .23

PER POUND PORK ROAST ?

See Our Window for Extra Specials



SLATON'S PIONEER SELF-SERVING GROCERY

PIONEER M SYSTEM OF THE SOUTH PLAINS