

# Merry Christmas

## Last Minute Christmas Shoppers Guide Number

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### A WEEK AT A TIME

by J. M. RANKIN

**ONCE NO CHRISTMAS**

Once there was no Christmas. No time of year when men in all the parts of the earth be thought themselves of the time a child was born in the manger in Bethlehem. No Christmas. Before that time it was only in rare instances that any man might think for himself. A rare few of the people of the earth knew the faintest significance of Liberty. Learning and science were so limited that the life span of man was less than thirty years. A man was old at thirty. Civilization meant only the right, and too often the compulsion, of most men to serve another and to die for him in battle. There were no hospitals where skilled surgeons could correct many infirmities. There were no public schools where all the children could go and receive training to fit them for lives of usefulness. There were no colleges where a great proportion of the young people could have access to the wisdom of ages. There were none of the thousand things that make the civilization we know. There was speculation about immortality—as there is today. There was hope of a future life—as there is today. But little had been done to make longer and happier and more comfortable this life on this earth.

But Christ came and Christmas is held because of the Way of Life Christ held up to a world in darkness. And because of the teachings of Christ, our world is better. And though wars still take lives and though modern machines take thousands of lives, still the span of this earthly life has been doubled, that is, every child born has a life expectancy of fifty years or more. Things have changed since Christ came to this earth. They have changed because men could see the worth of Christ's teachings, and even those who have not followed Him completely, have benefitted immeasurably by the fact that His teaching is honored by millions today. Christmas is held each year. And the world is a better place in which to live since Christ and Christmas came.

### WE HOPE THE LAW

"But if there is anything more sneaking, more contemptible, it would be the taking of coins from a blind man's cup or snatching candy from a baby," says Charlie Guy in his editorial this week about the thievery and vandalism that takes or destroys Christmas decorations. "Men, say we. And we know houses in Slaton where the decorations have not been put up because decorations put up in the past year have been promptly stolen, and the proprietors do not feel they can afford to put up others for them to last only until nightfall. It is no innocent prank to steal and destroy these things, and we hope the law enforcement officials of the city will be successful in apprehending any who may practice the thievery."

### Xmas Lights Brighten City

Christmas lighting begins in Slaton with the blue cross of the Santa Fe building at the head of Texas Avenue. Surmounting the circle and cross is a star for Christmas. Other lighting in town gives the air of festivity that makes transients and homefolks feel that the Christmas season is here.

In the business section, especially on Ninth Street and Garza Street, the lights brighten the streets and the store fronts splendidly. On the store fronts are about forty of the special made to order Christmas fans of red and green, with a centerpiece of Santa Claus that so many people had a hand in making.

The residential sections of the city have a variety of lighting. Some have yard pieces and sets, some have a single growing tree gleaming from top to bottom, some have windows through which shine the lights and gleaming tinsel that are like story book Christmas trees. Some homes are festooned with strings of lights, and out on West Garza, A. E. Whitehead's reindeer and sleigh are eternally transporting old Santa to the chimney. It is recommended that the business of Slaton's residents take a few minutes some evening and drive about the city to see the lights.

### W. E. Garren Buys 9th St. Grocery

#### Former Citizen Is Back to Stay

W. E. (Boss) Garren has come back to Slaton. He has bought the building and grocery stock at 330 South Ninth Street from P. M. Porter. Mr. Garren is no stranger to the people in Slaton. He has lived here for fifteen years and was in business here many years. He plans, according to his announcement, to open the new store this week with a complete stock of staple and fancy groceries, produce, fruits, and meats and market goods.

The grocery business is not new to Mr. Garren. He has had some twelve years in the food merchandising business and another twelve years in other merchandising undertakings. He is not experimenting in the field and will not have a limited stock. "I am going," he said, "to fill the house with groceries. I am going to pile up the goods, and as fast as bargain hunters come in and carry away these bargains, I will have more goods rolling from the wholesale houses to fill the gaps."

Mr. Garren continued to say that his building is his own and is located out of the high rent area. It was built to serve as a place to sell groceries at money saving prices. "And at money saving prices is the way I will sell groceries," he said. The neat, new, building, finished in sanitary black and white, is convincing that it was planned for a food store. A neon sign that will be erected this week, and other alterations are making

### SLATONITE IS SHOPPING GUIDE

#### Claimed By Death



MRS. E. N. PICKENS

Mrs. E. N. Pickens, for twenty years a resident of the city of Slaton, died Tuesday afternoon after an illness of several months. Funeral services were held at the First Baptist Church in Slaton at three o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Rev. W. F. Ferguson and Rev. W. L. Alkin, pastor of the St. John Methodist Church in Dallas, and brother-in-law to Mr. Pickens, officiating. Burial was in Englewood Cemetery, with Williams Funeral Home in charge.

Mrs. Pickens was born at Santo, Texas, August 27, 1891. She became a Christian and united with the Baptist Church in early youth and was a consistent member of the Church until her death. She had always been an active church and social worker, and had rendered distinguished services to the community in which she lived during the past years.

She is survived by her husband, one son, Troy, a student in Texas Technological College, two brothers, George Littlefield of Van Horn, and Tom Littlefield of Santo, and two sisters, Mrs. L. E. Bradford of Idalou, and Mrs. H. O. Lambert of Houston, California.

Flower bearers were members of the Civic and Culture Club of Slaton, and pallbearers were, R. M. Champion, R. D. Hickman, C. M. Simmons, A. Dennis, W. E. Smart, Slaton, and Clifford Williams, Lubbock.

#### Mrs. W. H. Bruner Is Buried Sunday

Mrs. W. H. Bruner, 83, of Tonkawa, Oklahoma, died at her home and was buried Sunday, December 17. She is survived by her husband and many other members of the family. It was only a few months ago, she and her husband celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary. She was stricken with paralysis, however, last fall just a week before the celebration. From this illness, Mrs. Bruner

the place attractive, and Mr. Garren invites people who are fond of eating and want to save money on their food requirements to shop through his ad and come to his convenient store this week end and next Monday to stock up at these money-saving prices.

This issue of The Slatonite is designed to help everybody do his last minute shopping. All the stores of Slaton have brought to the city the finest array of Christmas merchandise ever to be put on display here. In the pages of this issue are lists and suggestions that can help solve your gift problems. And in these pages are suggestions and prices that will make you know that all you have to do is sit down for an hour and do your planning, then go to these stores and the various sales people in the stores will gladly help you settle the problems as you indicate.

Hundreds of gifts are listed. Useful gifts predominate, but the little tokens that serve mostly to carry the spirit of the season are plentiful. Gifts are illustrated that appeal to the wish for comforts and for luxuries and that add no little to the well-being of those who receive them. From automobiles of luxury and beauty, through electric gifts of comfort and utility, and fine jewelry, books and perfumes, and hundreds of other things you will have to read the ads to see about, Slaton merchants have thought of your needs and invite you to shop through their ads and then shop through their stocks that though moving rapidly, are yet complete enough for you to shop with satisfaction.

Grocery displays, too, are plentiful. Foods, contrary to the scare of last month, are lower in price for Christmas, and the prices listed in the grocery advertisements of this week's Slatonite will be definitely attractive. They can compare favorably with anybody's prices, anywhere, and offer bargains that many people will drive miles to take advantage of.

#### Holidays Begin Thursday, Dec. 21

Christmas decorations, parties, pageants, cantatas, and recitals will be the lessons which students in Slaton Public Schools will attend during the final days of 1939.

The schools progressed as usual up until Wednesday at 4:15, said Joe E. Webb, superintendent of Public Schools, however, Thursday, the holiday season started for students.

Recitals and cantatas will be presented during the yuletide, the Junior and Senior expression recital by pupils of Mrs. W. K. Fry, were presented Wednesday and Thursday respectively.

The Public is invited to attend the functions put on by the schools, and by the students of the different classes. School will be resumed January 1, 1940.

#### Two New Men At Stokes Agency

Van Stokes Motor Sales has on its staff two new men this week. The men are new to that organization, but not new to Slaton. Carl Sartain, who has charge of the mechanical department, has been a long time resident of Slaton and has had many years of experience as a motor mechanic in this city. never recovered.

She was the grandmother of Mr. T. A. Bruner of Slaton.

#### Mrs. A. J. Payne Taken by Death

Mrs. A. J. Payne, 67, died Wednesday night at her home at 330 South Eighth Street. Funeral services will be conducted from the First Methodist Church here. Rev. J. O. Quattlebaum, Jr., local pastor, officiating. Burial will be at 3:00 o'clock Friday in Englewood Cemetery. Williams Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Payne was born in Fort Smith, Arkansas, October 28, 1872. She was married to Mr. Payne at Sweetwater forty-eight years ago. To this union two children were born, a son, Forrest, now resident at Jamaica, New York, and Mrs. Nina Burns, of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Mrs. Payne came, with her husband, to Slaton in May, 1917, and from that time the two were most active in the religious, social, and business life of the city. Mr. Payne conducted for several years a large department store in Slaton, and for eight years, he was secretary-manager of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce and B. C. D. Mr. Payne resigned from the position more than a year ago, after Mrs. Payne suffered a paralytic stroke, and went to Florida with her, in the hope that she might recover, in some measure, her health. The change, however, was of little value, and they returned to Slaton a few months ago. Mrs. Payne has grown worse the past few days, and her demise was not unexpected.

Beside the husband and children, she is survived by one brother, T. W. Stonerod, of Lubbock, and three sisters, Mrs. T. B. Blair, of Houston, and Mesdames Nina Olderbolt and W. D. Collins of Chicago.

#### Bain Bros. Have Oldsmobile Agcy.

A new automobile sales agency is announced this week in the advertising columns of the Slatonite. Bain Brothers who have operated for years a wholesale and retail oil business at 850 South Ninth Street have opened an agency for Oldsmobile. They have one of the 1940 models now on display at their showroom and invite car owners to see the new beauty.

Mr. C. R. Bain, senior member of the firm is proud of the new agency. "Too many people" he said "know about Oldsmobile for me to need to tell about the economy of operation Oldsmobile owners get. And too many people know the quality of craftsmanship and for which Oldsmobile is noted for me to need to try to tell about them. But nobody can appreciate the new features of the 1940 Oldsmobile

He moved this week from Post to take the place with Mr. Stokes.

S. J. Ellis, who has lived nearly all his life in Slaton, is the service man and has had experience that qualifies him to look after the needs of your car with precision and all the speed that goes with efficient servicing. He has recently come from Clovis.

Mr. Stokes, besides his DeSoto and Plymouth Agency, has Phillips 66 motor oils and gasoline and other service needs to be found at first class service stations.

#### Fire! Fire! Watch Out Fire Marshall Wicker Warns

"Slaton's fire record for 1939 is very good up to date," said Fire Marshal R. L. Wicker Tuesday, but he issued a warning and a plea for careful observation of all standard fire prevention practices during the holidays, in the hope that the record may not be marred with a last hour conflagration.

"Even fire insurance companies do not prevent loss to the community by fires that occur," said Mr. Wicker. "And the fire insurance companies never pay for fire losses. They simply take the money from property owners and pay for the losses. And if they did not collect enough in rates this year, they raise the rates next year and get enough to pay all claims."

"So, watch out for fire," begs the Fire Marshal, "and try to save money for the individual whose property might be burned, and try to save money for everybody in Slaton who has to pay fire insurance premiums."

#### Rayburn Named Slaton C. C. Head

John Rayburn, Slaton High school instructor, was named manager of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development to succeed Raymond Lee Johns, Monday night, December 18.

Johns tendered his official resignation. He will assume duties as manager of the Lamesa Chamber of Commerce January first. Rayburn will work with Johns after closing of the schools Wednesday for Christmas.

Rayburn is a 1935 graduate of Texas Technological College in Lubbock and has done graduate work in Texas Tech and at the University of Chicago. He has taught English and History here for the past four and a half years.

He has lived here the past 11 years and is unmarried. He resides with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. James Rayburn. The father formerly was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

Johns, also a graduate of Texas Tech, became manager of the chamber here September 1, 1938. He and Mrs. Johns, the former Miss Wilma Redding of Punxsatawney, Pa., were active the past season in Little Theatre work. He is secretary-treasurer of the Slaton Rotary Club, secretary of the band board of control, member of the public relations committee of schools. Slaton roll call chairman of the Lubbock County Red Cross chapter, and superintendent of the senior division of the First Methodist church. He recently was named a director of the managers division of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber of Commerce recently sponsored a Christmas lighting contest and a cotton Christmas campaign, recently purchased a public address system for community use and has voted to sponsor a rodeo on the 29th anniversary of the city next June 14-15.

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## Methodist Circles In Abernathy Home

The Women's Missionary Circles of the First Methodist Church met in a general meeting which will close the 1939 year, Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Marvin Abernathy.

Available Resources for Meeting the New Day," was the theme of this Harvest Day program. Mrs. Harrall played, "It Came Upon a Midnight," softly until the guests had arrived and were seated. Mrs. A. E. Whitehead was leader of the program, and called the meeting to order with a Scripture taken from I John 4:9-14 and I Cor. 3:21-23.

This meeting was on the World Outlook, and is held once a month in the general assembly of the Missionary Circles. Mrs. Roy Boyd gave the Christmas story, "Silent Night, Holy Night," and Mrs. Dayton Eckert gave the meditation from The World Cry. After a silent prayer, Silent Night was played very softly to the members present.

The group then sang the hymn, "Jesus Calls Us," followed by prayer led by Mrs. Proctor. The meeting was then turned back to the president, Mrs. J. E. Eckert, and the following reports were given: The Mission and Bible Study; Christian Social Relations; Spiritual Life; Supplies; Finances and Publicity. Mrs. A. E. Whitehead then gave a report on "My Gift Complete," and Mrs. H. E. Woods sang a beautiful Christmas carol.

Donna Maud Sanner, high school student, was guest and gave a Christmas reading, followed by a talk by the president, Mrs. J. E. Eckert, who gave a farewell message as president. The members gratefully acknowledge the fine work, and patience and helpfulness Mrs. Eckert has given to the organization since she has been presiding.

A silver offering was taken up for the blessing box, which will go to the "Week of Prayer" offering. The meeting was then brought to a close with prayer led by Rev.

J. O. Quattlebaum. After the meeting, a fruit plate with coffee was served to the members and guests present. Those registering were Mesdames O. D. McClintock, S. H. Adams, Roy Boyd, Dayton Eckert, F. A. Drewry, E. B. Fogle, C. A. Porter, W. H. Proctor, W. H. Smith, J. D. Hord, Otis Nell, J. E. Eckert, M. A. Pember, J. H. Brewer, R. H. Todd, J. T. Pinkston, W. R. Lovett, K. C. Scott, L. A. Harral, H. E. Woods, Fred Whitehead, G. M. Garland; special guests, Rev. J. O. Quattlebaum, Miss Donna Maud Sanner, the hostess, Mrs. Abernathy, and co-hostesses, Mesdames Vaskar Browning, C. L. Suit and George Lemon.

Mrs. Levi Self returned home Saturday night from Levelland, after spending four days visiting her aunts, Mrs. W. B. Blankenship and Mrs. W. O. Helton.

## ANNOUNCING

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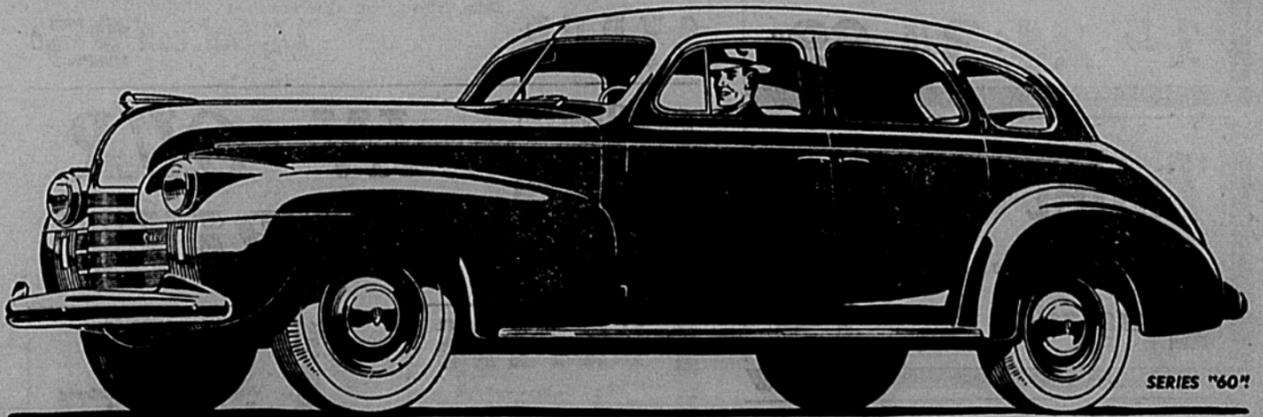
There is still time left to pick out that "last minute something" that will please every member of every family. Any employee will be glad to assist with your Christmas shopping.

All the Employees of the Entire Company take this means of wishing you and yours...

The Merriest Christmas and the Happiest of New Years

Texas-New Mexico Utilities Company

## ANNOUNCING A NEW OLDS DEALER- Bain Bros. Motor Co. Slaton, Texas AND THREE BIGGER AND BETTER OLDSMOBILES for 1940



SERIES '60'

BIG NEW LOW-PRICED "60"—BIG NEW POPULAR-PRICED "70"—BRILLIANT NEW MEDIUM-PRICED CUSTOM 8 CRUISER

OLDSMOBILE has big news for 1940—three bigger and better Oldsmobile cars and a new Oldsmobile dealer for this community! Featured in the Oldsmobile line this year are three stunning new Styleleaders—the beautiful new Olds Sixty—the new streamlined Olds Seventy—the luxurious Custom 8 Cruiser. Each of them is bigger—each of them is better—each a bigger and better value! Oldsmobile cordially invites you to see and drive these great new

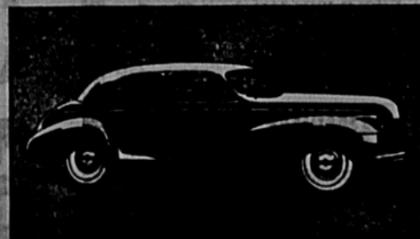
Oldsmobiles—to get acquainted with your new Oldsmobile dealer—to inspect his facilities for service. You will find his equipment modern, and his staff alert to please. Factory-trained mechanics, the latest in factory-approved tools and a complete stock of genuine Oldsmobile parts assure prompt, courteous and efficient service at reasonable rates. Visit your new Olds dealer today and see the new Oldsmobiles now on display. They're priced for everybody!

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS BY JOSEPH W. LaBINE

Russia's Ouster From League Is Empty Victory for Finland Because Geneva Is Powerless

(EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.) Released by Western Newspaper Union.

They Figured in the Battle of Nations



JOSEPH AVENOL

Secretary-general of the League, he led the special session at Finland's behest after the little Baltic nation was invaded by Russia. Purpose: To win League condemnation of Russia, possibly her expulsion, and the support of other League nations for Finland's cause.



VIACHESLAV MOLOTOV

Premier of Russia, he replied bluntly by referring Avenol to an earlier Soviet message which said Russia considered Finland's appeal "unfounded"; that Russia did not consider herself at war with Finland; that Moscow was maintaining "peaceful relations" with the Soviet sponsored Finnish "people's government"; that the regular Helsinki government no longer had authority.



KARL HAMBRO

League assembly president and representative of Norway, he was among leading pro-Finnish workers who argued for Russia's expulsion following receipt of Molotov's message. Rudolph Freyre, Argentine delegate, threatened to leave the League unless this action was taken. Finally such a resolution was passed. Avenol was ordered to give the Soviet its walking papers.



JAKOB SURITS

Russian ambassador to France and delegate to the League, he packed his bags and left Geneva silently while the forces of democracy cheered. But observers wondered about the wisdom of this gesture. Would not Russia's ouster draw the Kremlin closer to Berlin, thereby cementing war forces and spreading the conflict? Moreover, what had the defunct League gained?

THE WARS:

Western Front

"Strangers are present," said Prime Minister Chamberlain, and 15 reporters were ousted from the gallery. A few minutes later the house of commons began its first secret session since the World War. Subject: "Organization of supplies for the persecution of war."

There was probably a lot of explaining to do. First Lord of the Admiralty Winston Churchill was probably asked why Germany's \$20,000,000 Bremen was allowed to slip through the blockade and reach



BREMEN

Why, Mr. Churchill?

Hamburg, homeward bound from Murmansk.

(The admiralty had announced a British submarine had sighted the Bremen but did not attack because it would have broken international law. Germany scoffed at this report, but failed to tell why the Bremen was called home so suddenly from the alleged safety of a Russian port.)

Sir John Simon probably had to explain why Britain and France had merged their economic structure into what English financiers called

an "unbreakable combination of financial power." But aside from these matters, the allies could be fairly well pleased with the war's progress.

Day after Germany had announced her war aim was "military destruction of the enemy," three British cruisers sent the Nazi raider Admiral Graf Spee limping into the harbor of Montevideo, Uruguay, with 36 dead after a 14-hour running fight. Same day, however, this gain was offset when the British destroyer Duchess collided with another warship and went down with 122 men.

Intensified warfare was also seen on the Western front, where Nazi raiders provided a mysterious touch by attacking at night wearing black hoods and cloaks.

Northern Front

Russia could not blame little Finland for the loss of her steamer Indigirka, which went down off the coast of far-away Japan with a loss of probably 700 lives. But the Kremlin did pout that Finland's white-clad ski units were "using bandit tactics in sudden attacks."

Wrote one war correspondent to his Moscow paper: "The enemy does not engage in open battle. Hidden under white robes, they suddenly dart from the woods to shoot at our advancing units. Then in all haste they run, frequently taking off their boots to ski only in their stockings."

Finally, after 14 days of ignominious defeat, the Russians reportedly rushed up 1,500,000 men and 1,000 airplanes to bisect little Finland, whose troops were slaughtering hundreds of Reds each day, disabling tanks and capturing light artillery pieces. Britain announced she would send war materials to aid the Helsinki government, while Italy continued sending planes and pilots.

BUSINESS: Asphyxiation

Ever since its passage the 1935 public utility holding company act has been fought tooth and nail by America's No. 1 holding company, Associated Gas and Electric company. Last year a senate investigating committee was outsmarted in its sensational search for mysterious H. C. Hopson, Associated Gas' guiding spirit. Meanwhile the firm fought Henry Morgenthau's treasury department over a tax dispute, but several months ago agreed to pay \$8,700,000.

Crux of the holding company act is a "death sentence" clause providing for integration of all utility systems geographically and economically. This month, its long argument apparently lost, Associated Gas asphyxiated itself. Resigned "because of ill health" was President J. I. Mange, replaced by Roger J. Whiteford. Said the new chief: "It is my purpose to give my attention at once to simplification of the corporate system... integration or consolidation of its properties... and adjustment of the voting power..."

TREND

SLASHED—Cotton export subsidy rate, for second time in a week, from four-tenths of a cent to two-tenths of a cent.

MODIFIED—To pacify Nazis, Sweden formed a new government under Premier Albin Hansson, retiring Foreign Minister Richard Sandler who had drawn German wrath.

EXCLUDED—Mexican participation in the new low tariff on U. S. crude oil imports, as provided in the new trade pact with Venezuela. Reason: Mexico has expropriated U. S.-owned oil wells.

RAISED—U. S. tariffs on imports from Danzig and Poland, now controlled by Germany, which pays a higher duty on exports to the U. S. than any other nation.

WHITE HOUSE:

Trade Pact

At his press conference President Roosevelt noded his ship of state smack into a brewing storm that will break soon after congress convenes. He agreed with Secretary Cordell Hull that the reciprocal trade treaty act should be renewed in 1940. Though the act has been attacked by most Republicans, many Democrats and a growing body of farmers, Mr. Roosevelt said it has resulted in many American export gains. The President also:

Received a message from Finnish President Kyosti Kallio thanking him for his sympathy toward Finland. (The President announced the Red Cross is sending \$500,000 for Finnish aid; meanwhile the Finns were negotiating to buy gas masks here).

Joined California's Rep. H. Jerry Voorhis in attacking the Dies un-Americanism committee (of which Voorhis is a member) for the "undemocratic" way in which it released a report charging 13 consumer organizations with communist activities. The report, said Voorhis, was "purely and simply the opinion of J. R. Matthews," committee research director, who released it before other committee members knew it was being prepared.

Named 12 new rear admirals for the navy.

Attended the White House diplomatic reception where assembled the Washington envoys of warring Finland and Russia, Germany and France, Japan and China.

THE NEUTRALS:

Flight From Rome

In non-warring European nations, news was made by: Russia's Ambassador to Italy Nicolai Gorelchin, who arrived in Rome just as Soviet troops reached the Finnish frontier, and left abruptly for home without waiting to present his credentials. Reason: Uniformed young Fascists have stormed Rome's Russian embassy daily, protesting the Finnish invasion.

Italy's Editor Virginio Gayda, who hinted how Britain might woo and win his nation's support. Said he: Italy must have "certain free exits," all of which (Dardanelles, Suez and Gibraltar) are now controlled by Britain.

An explosion in Rumania's cellulose plant at Zarnesti, killing 80, injuring 200. Following quick on the heels of train wrecks and oil plant fires, the incident was blamed on "foreign agents" who are pressing Rumania from all sides.

LABOR:

NLRB Probe

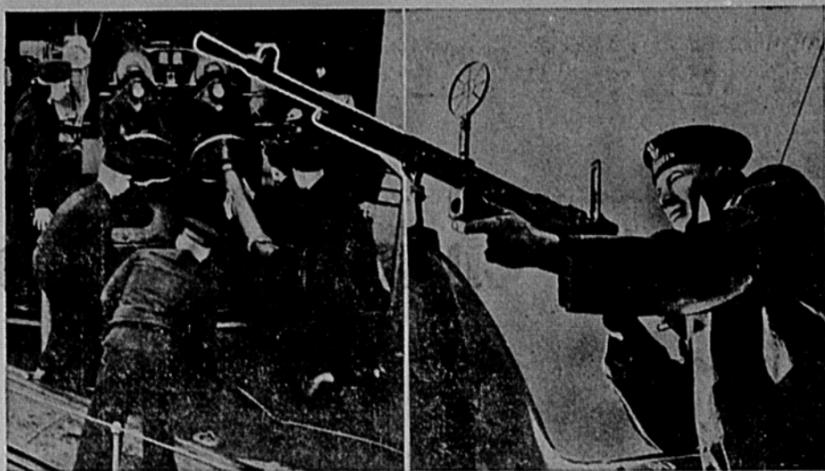
Introduced before the house committee investigating the national labor relations board was evidence designed to show NLRB is badly in need of a housecleaning. Chief prosecutor was the board's Dr. William Leiserson, whose charges of bias on the part of fellow board members (Edwin L. Smith and Warren Madden) were interspersed with revelations from the board's correspondence files. Conservative, probably favoring the American Federation of Labor against C. I. O., Dr. Leiserson has been a minority, non-co-operative member. Evidence on this and other points:

Dr. Leiserson tried to force removal of the board secretary, Nathan Witt, charging he lacked "impartiality." Unsuccessful, he occasionally declined to participate in board decisions, whereupon the other members recommended disciplinary action.

One such case involved the President's son-in-law, Seattle Publisher John Boettiger, who complained of a board ruling but expressed the hope that Leiserson's failure to participate indicated "a change of policy."

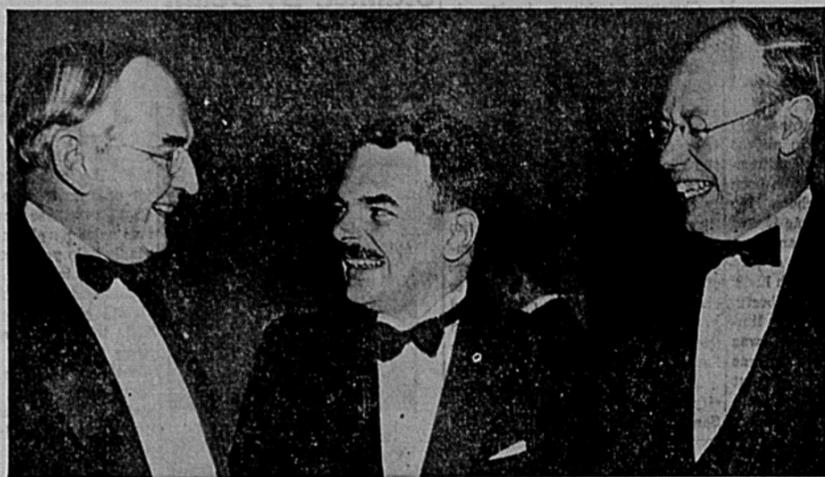
Elinore Herrick, regional NLRB director for New York, protested that two of Witt's assistants had conducted an investigation in her office in a manner "one might expect from the (Russian) O. G. P. U., but not from fellow administrators of an agency of the American government."

Vanquished Poland Still a Factor in European War



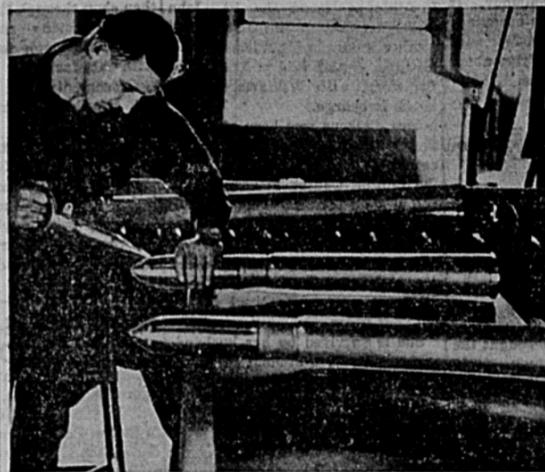
Though Poland is a vanquished nation, it is still a factor in the European war. Two Polish destroyers, the Blyskawica and the Grom, managed to reach British waters after the downfall of Poland and have been active in fighting against Germany. Left: Gunners aboard the Grom are shown loading her 4.7 guns, making her ready for action. Right: A Polish gunner, aboard the Blyskawica, man an anti-aircraft gun at anchor in a British naval base.

G. O. P. Presidential Hopefuls Meet in Washington



Three Republican presidential hopefuls meet in Washington. Left to right: Sen. Arthur Vandenberg of Michigan, District Attorney Thomas Dewey of New York and Sen. Robert Taft of Ohio. Dewey and Taft have already announced their candidacy.

He Works Next Door to Eternity



Huge gains in manufacture of munitions for domestic use is evidenced in busy munitions plants in the United States. Here a worker in a Dover, N. J., arsenal rivets the timing head on the end of a 75mm shell, one of the plant's most dangerous jobs. Workers are so busy they have little time to worry about the shadow of danger which hangs over the factory where death is packed into steel cylinders.

Navy Chieftains



When Admiral James O. Richardson, inset, becomes commander-in-chief of the U. S. fleet on January 6, succeeding Admiral Claude Bloch, retired, Vice-Admiral Charles F. Snyder, top, will become full admiral and commander of the battle force. Announcement was made recently by Acting Secretary of the Navy Charles Edison.

Crowned Nation's Healthiest Sextette



Healthiest juvenile sextette in the nation is this group of club workers who were selected at the national 4-H club congress contest in Chicago recently. Left to right: Richard Crane, 17, Rushville, Ind.; Warren Cales, 18, Sandstone, W. Va.; Ruth Fitzreiter, 16, Bel, La.; Joan N. Parks, 15, Liberty, Ind.; Carlisle Klein, 18, Black River Falls, Wis., and Leslie G. Warrant, 16, Kasota, Minn. Thousands of farm girls and boys took part in the contest.

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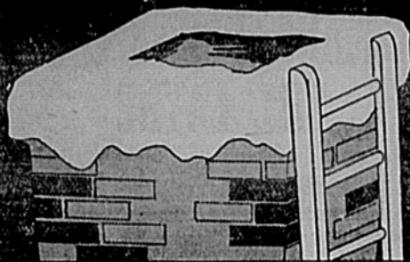
Made political news: New York's Rep. Hamilton Fish Jr., who announced he would enter the 1940 G. O. P. presidential race; Candidate Tom Dewey, who planned a New England drive; Idaho's isolationist Sen. William Borah, who fought a plan to sidetrack foreign policy as a campaign issue.

New job: Bishop John F. O'Hara, who relinquished presidency of Notre Dame university to become auxiliary army and navy bishop of the U. S. under papal appointment.



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**Posey Paragraphs**

Mrs. S. N. Gentry, Correspondent

The Posey 4-H Club boys that attended the Boys and Girls Achievement program at the Tech Gymnasium at Lubbock, Friday night are Melvin, Bud, Howard and Earl Johnson, Charles and Guy Gentry, Harold Grinstead, Clifford Behlen, Joseph and Andrew Lokey, and the sponsor, James Grinstead. Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Johnson were there also.

The Posey Women's Missionary Society met in the home of Mrs. Benton Patterson Thursday with ten members present. Mrs. Carl Miller gave a report of the Harvest Day program at Lubbock. Rev. J. R. Wood taught the Bible lesson. The group planned a Christmas party for Thursday, which will be held in the home of Mrs. T. A. Johnson. Christmas gifts will be exchanged.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Darland and children, of Morton, were guests in the home of her sister, Mrs. Elmer Fincher, Sunday.

Miss Veda Shaw spent the week end visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Smith Shaw, of Idaloo.

The Posey ladies who attended the Harvest Day program at Lub-

bock were, Mesdames J. M. Morrison, H. L. Rodgers, C. L. Davidson, M. P. Gentry, J. M. Shafer, Carl Miller and S. N. Gentry.

The Northwest Texas quarterly conference met at the Posey School House, Thursday, December 14th. Rev. J. O. Quattlebaum, Slaton Methodist pastor, delivered the message. Other pastors present were, Bro. Clark, Supt., Bro. Luther Kirk and J. R. Wood of Lubbock. Two local preachers in our community, Bro. Joe Morrison and Bro. C. L. Davidson were also present. After the sermon a business session was held and the meeting adjourned. The next quarterly conference date to be held at Canyon, will be set later.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gentry and daughters, Ruth and Annabel, and C. L. Davidson attended services at the Congregational Methodist Church at Lubbock Sunday morning.

Rev. Will Owens, of Floydada, has this church in charge. Bro. Owens accompanied the Gentry's home for supper. He was Mr. Davidson and Mrs. Gentry's pastor nineteen years ago in Cook County.

The new Posey subscribers to the Slatonite are M. P. Gentry, J. A. Carroll, Ben A. Gebert, John A.

**Miss Hannah Is Hostess to Club**

Members and guests of the Daughters of the Pioneer Study Club had their annual Christmas party Monday evening, December 18, at 8 o'clock in the home of Miss Margaret Hannah. Guests were greeted at the door by Miss Hannah, and were seated at individual tables.

During the business meeting, plans were made for the Invitation Dance to be sponsored by the club, which will be held December 25. After business, Bridge and Rook were played, high scores going to Mrs. Courtney Sanders and Mrs. C. L. Heaton.

Gifts were then handed out by the hostess, Miss Hannah. During the refreshment hour, lights were turned out, and red tapers surrounded by holly were placed on the individual tables. A salad plate was served to the following members: Mesdames Levi Self, Courtney Sanders, Earl Reasoner, Vern Johnson, Raymond Johns, C. L. Heaton, Ray Darwin, A. A. Sparkman, J. P. Halliburton, Edwin Haddock, Herschel Crawford, and Misses Joan Drewry, Gertrude Legg, Lea Beth Drewry, Doccia Tucker, Myrtle Teague, Naydienne Smith, Evelyn Mansker, and the hostess. Special guests were Miss Betty Pack and Mrs. J. Watkins.

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**Mrs. Tunnell Is Hostess to Club**

Tuesday evening, December 19, Mrs. Harvey Tunnell was hostess of the Slaton Art Club at her home in North Sixth Street. The house was beautifully decorated with magnolia and holly, and guests were greeted as they arrived by the hostess. The president, Mrs. Tanner, then took charge of the hot business meeting, and the meeting was then turned over to the program leader, Mrs. W. T. Davis. Each member answered roll call with a Bible quotation, and Mrs. Davis then gave "The Birth of Christ". Miss Blanche Adelle Gregory, special guest, and expressed a pupil of Mrs. Mary Fry, gave reading, "The New Pupil," followed by "Silent Night," sung by the club, and led by Mrs. C. F. Anderson.

Little Leonita Joyce Tunnell then played a piano solo, and Miss Claudia Anderson, guest, played "Silent Night, Holy Night," "A Little Church in the Valley," and "The Chimes of St. Cecilia." Gifts were then handed out from the beautifully decorated Christmas tree, each club member receiving some useful gift. Miss Claudia Anderson was the recipient of a shower for her helpfulness during the past club year. Refreshments of spiced cake and coffee were then served to the following members: Mesdames C. F. Anderson, A. Dennis, Hammer Dawson, W. T. Driver, M. A. Grant, D. L. Kent, J. R. McAtee, J. M. Rankin, C. L. Tanner, R. L. Wicker, Margaret Bradshaw, W. T. Davis, and three guests, Misses Claudia Anderson, Arlene Gant and Blanche Adelle Gregory. The next regular meeting will be

**Recital to be Given In Lubbock Friday**

Mrs. Lillian Butler will present her Piano and Voice students in a recital to be given Friday evening, December 22, at the First Methodist Church Chapel in Lubbock, and the public is cordially invited to attend. Those taking part in the recital are: March of the Wee Folk, Gaynor—Marilyn Jane Stotts; Silent Night, Gruber, and Busy Mill Wheel, Jesse—Leonita Tunnell; A Swiss Merry Go Round, Belden, and A Merry Go, Gurliitt—Charlotte Scogins; Little Road, Ball—Charlene Jordan; Sonata Op. 55 No. 2, Kuhlman, and Angel Voices, Burgmuller—Frances Moser; Chiquito, Berna, and Moth, Thompson—Shirley Shepard; Sylvia, Speaks—J. C. Tucker; Sonata Op. 55 No. 3, Kuhlman—Viola Martin; Minute Waltz Op. 46 No. 1, Chopin—Mary Frances Landreth; A Dream, Bartolomeo—Mrs. D. L. Kent; and Mrs. T. K. Martin, hostesses.

**Emma Gene Tonn Has Junior Recital**

Miss Emma Gene Tonn, pupil of Mrs. Lillian Butler, was presented in her Junior Piano Recital Thursday evening, December 21, at 2206 Broadway, Lubbock, at 7:30 p. m. Selections played were: Solfegieto—Bach; Sonata Op. 55 No. 3, Allegro Con Spirito, Allegretto grazioso—Kuhlman; Warrior's Song—Heller; Elfin Dance Op. 33—Jensen; La Marche—Burgmuller; The Storm—Burgmuller; Birding Op. 43 No. 4—Grieg; Scarf Dance—Chaminade and Alla Tarantella Op. 37—MacDowell. Selections played were: Solfegieto—Jean Evans; Music Box, Poldini, and Warrior's Song, Heller—Charlene Jordan; Bird Calls at Elyentide, Coats—Kathleen Hardin; Little Nigar, Debussy—Jimmie Jean Guinn; The Old Road, Scott—Mrs. K. C. Moser; The Storm, Burgmuller—Emma Gene Tonn; A Bird Note is Calling, Spross—Laura Belle Tucker; and Puck, Grieg—Elizabeth Stokes.

**Martins Gather For Family Reunion**

The annual Martin reunion was held in Slaton Sunday, December 17, in the home of T. K. Martin, in commemoration of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Martin. Guests and members of the family arrived early Sunday morning and together, all attended the morning services at the First Baptist Church. A Christmas program followed with the following taking part: Jake T. and Charles Martin, Viola and Jean Martin, Helen Jo Graham, Janie Anderson, Lconora Browning, Doris Jane and Margaret Roberts. A hand-made record book was then presented to the family to keep the Martin record in, by Mrs. T. K. Martin, which in turn was presented by Wylie Martin to Buford Browning, secretary. T. K. Martin read the devotional, and Wylie Martin gave the history of the family. It was also planned that the next annual reunion would be in the home of Wylie Martin. Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Ferguson were guests, and he gave a very encouraging talk to the members of the family.

brothers and their families, T. K. Wylie, M. G., and J. W., and one sister, Mrs. J. A. Roberts. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taylor and family of Lorraine; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Graham, Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. Joan Browning and family of Fluvanna; Mr. and Mrs. Beuford Browning and daughter, Fluvanna; Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Browning, Dermott; Mr. and Mrs. Broadway Browning, Tahoka;

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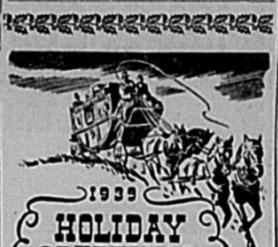
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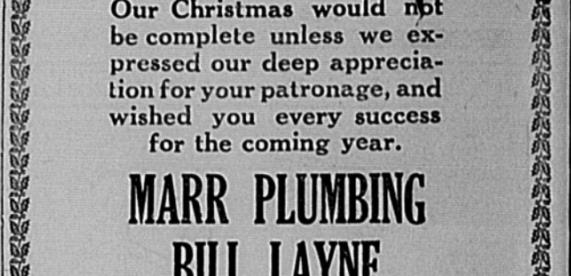
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### THE STORY THUS FAR

Left orphans by a tragic automobile accident which claimed the lives of their mother and father, three sisters, Helen, Adele and "Limp," are visited by their Aunt Olympia, politically minded wife of Senator Alencon Delaportie Slophshire. She insists that the girls return with her to Washington, to make their home with them. In addition to loving the girls, Aunt Olympia knows they will be a terrific political asset. Senator Slophshire has as his political opponent one Brother Wilkie, a minister, whose political campaign is furthered by seven "unspeakable brats" who sit on the rostrum with him while he makes speeches. Aunt Olympia and the Senator, kind and loving, nevertheless know that their three nieces will mean votes for the Senator, Senator Slophshire, a pleasantly foggy individual who depends on the astuteness of his wife, prepares for their coming. Though Limp, the youngest, is 16, and Helen, the oldest, is 21, the Senator buys them all the toys and gifts he can find, feeling that "children" should be occupied.

### CHAPTER III—Continued

"An apartment is part of a house and home is what you make it," Olympia contradicted the Senator. "And an apartment is closer together, more intimate. I want them to be intimate. I want them to get used to seeing you around and being with you and—if possible—to like you as if you were their very own. . . . Before the campaign starts," she added significantly.

It must be said for the Senator that never once had he remotely thought of the children as latent campaign material.

"Oh, they've got plenty of time to get used to me," he said mildly.

"Well, it took me a good many years to get used to you and even now sometimes I'm surprised. Very much surprised! Besides, a hotel apartment is more accessible. Accessible to newspapermen and photographers as well as constituents. . . . Fortunately, they photograph well. . . . Yes, you're right, Del. We'd better take a larger apartment and stay where we are. This year at least. Next year is another year."

Their talk during those intervening days was all of the children. The Senator wiped his glasses without intermission during a full hour while Olympia told him the sad details of the tragedy and the funeral. He did not brighten until she added thoughtfully:

"As Limp says, it's just terrifying the way things happen so out of a clear sky. But as I said to Limp, there's always something to look forward to. I was all cut up—I was terribly cut up—about this horrible tragedy." Her chin quivered a little and tears flooded her eyes. "And yet just look! Nothing else in the world could have given us those children."

"We'll be very good to them," said the Senator. "I'll buy them anything they want." The Senator's sole idea of being good to children was to buy them things.

"Del," Olympia said, almost pleadingly, "I want you to help me about something." That shocked the Senator. He was used to having his advice asked when Olympia had her mind made up. He was used to receiving orders for co-operation or for the carrying out of plans. For Olympia to ask his help, ask it pleadingly, was something new.

"Helen," she explained, tearfully, "is going home next winter and marry a grocery store. She doesn't know I know it, so kindly do not make any comments about it. She's of age and it's nobody's business but her own. Adele is so beautiful that she's bound to be gobbled up immediately and that's an end of her. But Del," Olympia began to cry softly, which so distressed the Senator that he set at once to wiping his glasses though he had no idea what she was crying about.

"Del, there's Limp! If we work this thing right, we can have Limp! She's only sixteen; she calls it seventeen minus, but she's only sixteen. If we make her happy and she learns to like us, we can have her. I—Del, I never wanted anything so much in my life." And she fell to crying again.

The Senator didn't even cough. "Ollie," he said firmly, "if you want that child, you can have her. You deserve her, Ollie. If she turns out to be a nice child and you want her, you can have her."

"She's a grand child, Del. She's just grand! And named after me, too. . . . You'd think she might like me all right, wouldn't you? . . . They're all nice children," she admitted, rather grudgingly. "Helen is a little pig-headed. You wouldn't think a person as angelic as Helen could be so pig-headed about a delivery boy. Adele's nice, too. I would have believed such a beauty could be so nice if I hadn't seen it with my own eyes. . . . But Limp—Del, Limp is the cockiest, bravest little thing you ever saw. She's—well, it made me sick to have to come away and leave her even for three weeks. I kept wanting all the time to pick her up and start running with her."

"Do you want her as much as that, Ollie?" he asked, rather awkwardly. They had been married a long time and sweet speeches between them had come to seem artificial and affected, but he really thought a great deal of Olympia; he was actually fond of her. "Ollie, you're all right! And anything you want as much as that, I'm going to see that you get!"

"It's not as simple as that," she said ruefully. "But Del, I give you my word, I—I want Limp so much that I'd rather have her than have you lick that damn preacher. I'd rather have her than the whole Senate and the House thrown in. I'd rather have her than the White House!"

That settled it for the Senator. Limp was virtually his child.

Aunt Olympia occupied herself until the girls' arrival by a systematic procedure which she called "building them up." There were details to be attended to, of course; taking a larger apartment, for instance; laying in additional household supplies; sending back almost daily the curious assortment of gifts the Senator sent up in advance of their coming. But in the main, she devoted herself to "building them up."

She saw everyone, she accepted every invitation, she resumed attendance at all her neglected clubs. She gave a large luncheon. She even went calling on just the right people. She talked constantly of "my poor dear children." She showed pictures of them, the most flattering ones. She apologized for her constant rush by saying she wanted to get everything of a social nature off her calendar before the poor dear children arrived. "Naturally, then, my place will be with them. They are very sad. Such a tragedy! But their uncle and I will do what we can to comfort them."

Every word, every gesture, was deliberately planned to whet interest.



She wrote letters to her friends at home, voters, every one!

est, to arouse sympathy, to insure a profusion of polite courtesies with attendant publicity.

She wrote letters to her friends at home—voters, every one!—recounting the tragedy and invariably added, "We shall have our three dear little nieces with us this summer. Naturally, they will make their home with us. I do want them to find new interest in life and come gradually out from this terrible shadow that has so darkened their beautiful youth. I know you will help me."

Due largely to these tireless and effectual preliminaries, the Senator got a very good press on his benign adoption of the three young orphans. He, along with Olympia and a crowd of newspapermen and photographers, met them on their arrival at Union Station. Uncle Lancy was photographed with them in many interesting poses; kissing Limp, the youngest; patting the grave Helen paternally on the shoulder; chucking the beautiful Adele under her highly photographic chin.

He was photographed, too, wiping the moisture from his glasses with a very large, very white handkerchief. It was genuine moisture. The picture was appropriately captioned "Senator Weeps Over Pretty, Pathetic Young Wards."

Even Aunt Olympia pronounced the arrival a complete success. Senator Slophshire was neither large, nor tall, nor handsome, being instead rather jauntily rotund with a ruddy pink skin. He was slightly bald and the top of his head was of a ruddy pinkness. He was definitely dapper, punctilious in every detail of dress, manner and speech.

The girls found, to their delighted relief, that for all her robust energy, Aunt Olympia was easy to live with. She was always alert, always humorously sarcastic, even bitter, but her pleasure in the girls' presence was obvious and she was flattered to rosy flushes by their spontaneous laughter at her remarks. She gave them almost unlimited freedom. She said that, in her opinion, "people should do as they pleased." If they wanted to get up for breakfast, they could. If they didn't, they could stay abed. If they wanted to come in when there were callers, she was glad to have them; if they were disinclined, she made voluble excuse for them. Best of all, she was not snooty and she never pried. Anything that

came naturally within range of her eyes or ears went immediately into her storehouse of knowledge and was used to telling effect. But she never snooped.

Helen sometimes wondered uneasily if all this "doing as she pleased" was quite the best training for Limp, at such a tender age. After all, she was only a child. One evening, as they sat together before the fireplace in the big living room, part of Olympia's persistent campaign to "make them intimate," Helen said:

"Auntie, have you inquired about a school for Limp? The second semester should begin very soon now, I think."

"Yes," said Olympia promptly. "I have a list of all the girls' schools in the District and I know just what they're good for. All Limp has to do is to decide whether she wants to educate herself up to society, to the night clubs, to get married, or go into business."

The Senator took off his glasses, wiped them thoroughly and coughed deprecatingly.

"My dear, do you think it's wise starting the child into school in the middle of the year, and such a very hard year? In my opinion, she needs a rest and a change and a little vacation. She looks thin and pale to me!"

The girls and Olympia turned shocked eyes to inspect the astonished Limp, whose face turned a deep rose from delighted excitement at thought of escaping school.

"Limp, don't you feel well? You do look feverish!" ejaculated Aunt Olympia, in a panic of alarm.

"Of course she's feverish," said the Senator. "And pale, too, for that matter. Why shouldn't she be pale and feverish? Look at all she's gone through! Too much study doesn't do a young mind any good. I say let her come around with me and see the sights and get a good rest. She can get enough schooling next year."

Aunt Olympia was more than distressed; she was terrified. This was Limp!

"Limp, do you feel sick? Have you any pain?" she quavered. And her alarm was for Limp alone. She never once thought of the danger to her campaign. "Limp, I don't believe you do look very healthy. We'll have the doctor in, right away. Maybe she'd better rest and take things easy this year."

"Of course I'm right," said the Senator, well pleased with himself. "Certainly she'd better rest and have a good time. She can read good books when she feels like it. There's real education in books. She can come up with me and listen to the Senate—though it is not usually very educational."

"I could coach her in trigonometry," said Helen. "She's going to have trouble with that when she goes to college."

"Of course!" said the Senator. "A few minutes a day won't hurt her, but don't run it into the ground."

And then suddenly Limp came to life. She bounded out of her low chair, crossed the room in two lithe leaps and landed in a heap on the Senator's rigid, unaccustomed knees. She clasped him in both arms, seriously deranging his two-dollar tie and knocking off his glasses.

"Oh, Uncle Lancy, you darling!" she cried. "You perfect old peach! What a simply swell idea. . . . Aunt Olympia, she's right! I swear I'm beginning to think maybe I very nearly do feel sick!"

There was no further trouble about being intimate with Uncle Lancy. Limp had taken him to their united bosom and he was theirs. But Helen took pains to select good books for her to read for educational purposes and gave her an hour's grilling in trigonometry every day. After all, a child that age should spend some time learning something!

On an afternoon in March, when all official Washington was beginning to fret at the unseasonable delay of adjournment, Aunt Olympia sat quietly, at peace with the world, reading the Congressional Record.

Adele stood behind the deep blue curtains at the window looking down into the hotel park. All outdoor things made her think of home and of old days and of that low mound in the cemetery back in Iowa; made her a little sad. She wore a graceful ankle-length gown of white crepe, with wide loose sleeves banded with soft black fur. Aunt Olympia had picked it out. A narrow band of black velvet confined Adele's fair curls—that was her own idea.

Hilda, the sour Swede, appeared suddenly at the door, prefacing her appearance with a suggestive cough.

"I wish you wouldn't cough," said Aunt Olympia irritably. "You sound like the Senator about to take the edge off something good. If you've got anything to say, take a cough drop and say it."

"Mr. Len Hardesty is downstairs and craves a few minutes," said Hilda.

Aunt Olympia flung the Record halfway across the room. She bounded out of her chair. She palpitated all over. Adele, turning between the curtains, regarded her with amazement. Aunt Olympia had

never before shown temper, except verbally.

"Len Hardesty! That louse! That snake-in-the-grass! I won't see him! Don't you let him cross my threshold! Tell him I'm not at home."

"Sure you're home, Ollie Slop, old top," drawled a low voice, and Len Hardesty stood in the door. "I was afraid you'd be in one of your little pre-campaign moods, so I told them to announce me in five minutes and I came right on up and tapped at the side door and a very nice young lady at the telephone let me in and motioned me down here, and here I am."

"Oh, hello, Len," said Aunt Olympia, not at all unpleasantly but rather cordially.

"How lovely and serene you are today, with the Record at your feet," he went on coolly. "Where's Sloppy?"

"If you mean the Senator, he is where he should be, trying to bring some order out of a chaotic Congress."

Her eyes went unconsciously to the motionless figure in black and white between the blue curtains. Quite naturally Len Hardesty's gaze followed hers.

Swiftly his eyes widened. Inelegantly, his jaw dropped. Wordless for once he gaped at the vision between the curtains. Then he flung his hat to the floor and clutched his head in both hands.

"My little niece, Adele, the Senator's middle ward," announced Olympia, with a smirk of smug complacency.

"Not one of the orphans! Ollie, you wouldn't do that to an old pal! You wouldn't be that low—not even you could be as low as that! You wouldn't sick your old buddy onto seven brats and a tin trumpet and then double-cross me with—heaven-on-earth! Would you do that?"

"Oh, that's only one of them," said Aunt Olympia happily. "We have three! They adore the Senator!"

"You couldn't have three! There couldn't be three. There are no miracles, not even in politics. She's not flesh and blood anyhow. She's wax. She's an automaton you've rigged up to throw a scare into me—and successfully, I admit that, most successfully!"

Adele, being stared at, dropped a very slight curtsy and smiled.

"You pulled a wire!" Len Hardesty accused Aunt Olympia. "You know you pulled a wire. She's a female Charlie McCarthy, that's what she is; but much better-looking."

"Well, what of it? Charlie seems to be doing all right for himself. And so Adele, if you ask me. . . . Sit down, darling. The warmth of her smile for Adele was beatific.

"Ollie, I want to make a deal with you," said Len Hardesty earnestly. "I'll swap you the brats, all seven of 'em, and the bellwether too, for this one; just this one. You can keep the others."

"Not interested. Definitely not interested," said Aunt Olympia. "You admit, then, that when I pick campaign material, I pick it."

"I'll throw in two of Brother Wilkie's best sermons and the tin trumpet. I'll throw in the cane, too."

Aunt Olympia waved the idea from her with a happy gesture.

Len Hardesty took another look at the smiling Adele. "To tell you the truth, Ollie," he said, humbly, "I'm not sure but I'll throw in the Governor. . . . Yes, come to think of it, I will! I'll throw in the Governor."

"I wouldn't have him for fish bait," she said contemptuously. "You made your political bed, now lie in it. If you can find room among the brats and the tin horn."

"I'd better have a drink, Ollie. I'd better have two drinks. I feel very badly. Low! Very low. She"—he nodded his head dolorously toward Adele—"wouldn't know what we are talking about, Ollie, but you and I know. Well, I feel very bad in the pit of my stomach."

"Oh, I know about the pit of the stomach," said Adele brightly. "It's where you feel the most all-gone when you feel all-gone."

"I'll probably need three drinks, Ring, Ollie," he said dully.

Aunt Olympia, quivering with pleasure, rang for Hilda.

"Since this snake-in-the-grass is bent on drinking himself to death, we may as well do what we can to help along the good cause. Scotch and soda, Hilda, and a plain lemonade for Miss Adele."

Len Hardesty, still holding his head in both hands, stared uninterceptedly at Adele.

"Can't I do something for you? Can't I be helpful? May I offer you a cigarette?"

"Not now, thanks," said Adele politely.

"What do you mean, 'Not now, thanks'? Don't you smoke?" he asked moodily.

"Oh, Aunt Olympia! Adele cried reproachfully. "You said no one would ever suspect we don't smoke if we just say, 'Not now, thanks.'"

"So she's teaching you your lines, eh? I might have known it. I suppose it was she who taught you to run your eyelashes up and down like that and give a guy goose flesh."

"No, I must have got that from God. But she told me what to say about drinking."

"What did she tell you to say?" he asked in sepulchral tones. "Whatever it is, it's going to be a vote-getter."

"She said if a gentleman simply insists that you take a drink. . . . Now, you pretend you're a gentleman and insist that I have a drink and I'll give you a demonstration. I need practice anyhow."

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### Bruckart's Washington Digest

## Some Good May Come to America Out of Awful Finnish Catastrophe

### Mask Pulled Off Communism in United States and Left It Thoroughly Damned; Ways of Helping Finland Freely Discussed in Washington.

By WILLIAM BRUCKART  
WNU Service, National Press Bldg., Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON.—Press and radio have been filled for days with news of the cowardly and ruthless attack by Russia upon the defenseless and harmless Finns. So sickening has this assault been that millions of Americans have all but forgotten the movements of that predatory animal called Hitler. Indeed, the brutality of the drive upon the Finns has practically forced news about Hitler's war with Britain and France to disappear from the front pages. The "sit-down" war still goes on but it has failed to create interest in America.

But I believe that, for us, there is some good coming out of that awful Finnish catastrophe. It is a paradox that anything good could come from such a stench as Russia, but I am certain of the results in that regard.

*For one thing, the latest sordid page in Soviet history has pulled the mask off of communism. It has left communism standing before Americans, nude and thoroughly damned, with its hands dripping with human blood, with gory filth oozing from every pore, and its true rapacious character exposed to the last grimy detail.*

Moreover, the Soviet destruction, or near-destruction of the helpless Finns has posed questions to be answered in this country by a good many thousands who have held up communism as the acme in government theory. Those folks now are called upon to attempt a justification of the great "liberalism" which has used miserable excuses to invade and bomb and mutilate. It is time for the parlor pinks, the so-called "intelligentsia" of the colleges and universities and the "movements for freedom," as well as the real scheming, lynx-eyed foreigners to try to explain away what has happened.

### May Compel Everyone to Unite for American Way

Thus, when I observed above that I believe some good will come out of the hellhole of Russia, I was thinking how the situation abroad is going to compel most everyone to unite for the American way.

These latest ventures of the Russian bear "that walks like a man" bring into bold relief again certain things that happened back about November 16, 1933. They remind us of the various glowing statements that were forthcoming as to the value, in a material way, of diplomatic recognition of Russia.

Maxim Litvinov was here, you will remember. He bargained for American recognition of his nation, and got it upon a promise that Russia would quit her attempts to spread the doctrine of communism in this country. There were bombastic statements of millions of dollars in trade that would flow from the agreement worked out between President Roosevelt and the Russian commissar. As I remember it, Senator Borah, the Idaho Republican, had conducted practically a one-man campaign for Russian recognition long before Litvinov arrived. Predictions were glowing, but neither Mr. Roosevelt nor Senator Borah ever suggested that the "glowing" was going to be the sheen of flowing blood of helpless women and children and their men.

A lot of things are happening as regards this new situation. For example, the Reconstruction Finance corporation has agreed to extend a credit of \$10,000,000 to the Finnish government "for the purchase of agricultural surpluses in the United States." There is talk also of using the recently remitted Finnish debt payment in some way for the aid of the stricken people of the only nation that has made good on repayment of money borrowed during and after the World War. We are likely to hear a great deal more about active help from this side of the Atlantic ocean because American hearts are tender but there is danger in the action that has just been taken.

### Pushed Soviet Buyers Out And Told Them to Stay Out

There is danger in that proposal, however our hearts may desire that we help the Finns. As I have so often said in these columns: it is Europe's war, and we can and must stay out of it. If we, as a nation, start helping Finland, it strikes me that somebody's face is liable to get slapped, and immediately, of course, there will be the kind of hatred arise

that will drag us into the flaming cauldron.

Mr. Roosevelt did an admirable job, I believe, when he placed an unofficial, but very effective, embargo on the further purchase of airplanes in this country by the Soviet. It is generally understood that a Soviet mission was wandering around this country at the time, seeking to buy hundreds of airplanes.

There is a difference in helping Finland in that manner than by extending a helping hand affirmatively. Mr. Roosevelt's action, simply stated, pushed the Soviet buyers out and told them to stay away—to go

### HELPING THE FINNS

American sympathy has been deeply touched by the plight of the Finns, says William Bruckart in his column today. Americans are eager to help. There are proper ways to help. But there are also dangerous proposals. President Roosevelt did an admirable job, says Bruckart, when he placed an unofficial but effective embargo on airplane purchases in the U. S. by the Soviets. That is action taken on our own soil. However, Senator Vandenberg's suggestion that we recall our ambassador goes beyond that. It would be fraught with war peril.

Another thing that is happening and it is taking on quite a bit of steam is the demand that the United States recall our ambassador, cut loose the diplomatic ties to the extent that withdrawing an ambassador shows disgust and disapproval.

### Might Be Unwise to Recall Our Ambassador to Russia

Recall of the ambassador has been strongly advocated by Sen. Arthur Vandenberg, Michigan Republican, who is out looking around for delegates to the Republican national convention next year. A dozen or so other Republicans have taken the same position, and the department of state and the President have been urged by numerous Democrats to show the American position in that manner. It seems unlikely that such a thing will happen, nor am I convinced that it is the wise thing to do.

### Soviet officials, if they desired, could interpret such an action as amounting to a declaration of war on our part.

We have seen enough of their operations to suspect that they will do most anything which will further their own ends—things just as ridiculous as announcing to their ignorant and illiterate millions that Finland was planning to "capture" Leningrad, a great industrial city. I doubt that Mr. Roosevelt ought to recall the ambassador, but I do not see how Constantine Oumansky, the Soviet ambassador to Washington, can remain in the great and lavishly furnished embassy here with any feeling that his presence is desired by the bulk of the Americans.

### But what is this Russian "defense" against Finnish "attacks" leading to? What brought it about?

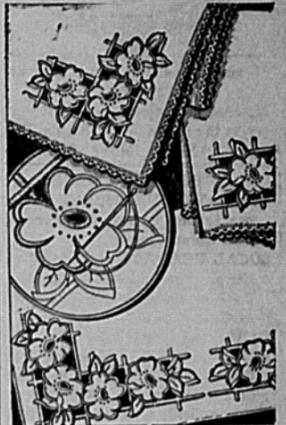
The answer is that the reds have started west. They have entertained fears, I am informed, that some nation that has been friendly with Finland was preparing eventually to use Finnish land and sea areas as a base of attack. To preclude that, so it is said, the reds want a Baltic outlet.

### Many Believe That Stalin Double Crossed Hitler

There are many persons in official life here who believe that Stalin has double crossed Hitler, and most of us add that there is little to choose between the two. It is plain to see that Hitler's plan to seize Poland was approved by Stalin who was bought with a share. But the inside rumor is that Hitler never approved of the westward march upon which Stalin is now engaged, nor is there any ground for belief that Hitler welcomes the threats at Rumania and some of the areas to the east that are being made from the den of the Russian bear. Just as a thought, then, we hear it suggested that perhaps Stalin trapped Hitler by letting him enter Poland—that the Soviet eventually may be in a position to crowd Germany by the type of persuasion given off from bombs and bayonets. I do not outline this as a fact; I toss it in here because it is the subject of military discussions and it certainly is a possibility.

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### HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONS



Read the labels on canned foods. Many tell the number of slices contained in the can. Others give additional useful information about the contents.

About Grapefruit.—A soft, discolored area at the stem end of a grapefruit indicates decay and decay, even in one small spot, will affect the flavor of the whole fruit.

Making Muffins.—Muffins should be mixed just enough to moisten all ingredients, but should not be stirred. Stirring develops gluten in the flour and makes the muffins elastic and tough.

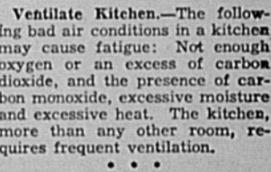
Milk will not scorch or stick to the pan when boiling it if the saucapan is rinsed with boiling water just prior to putting in the milk.

Picking Lemons.—Lemons that have a fine-textured skin and are heavy for their size are usually of a better quality and have more juice than those that are coarse-textured and light in weight.

Protect House Plants.—Drafts of cold air or night temperatures that approach freezing handicap house plants. It is best to remove them from windows for the night.

Ventilate Kitchen.—The following bad air conditions in a kitchen may cause fatigue: Not enough oxygen or an excess of carbon dioxide, and the presence of carbon monoxide, excessive moisture and excessive heat. The kitchen, more than any other room, requires frequent ventilation.

Use for Pickle Liquid.—Liquid left over from mustard pickles is excellent to mix with chopped meat or fish and use in sandwich fillings.



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SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Table with columns for Dec. 10 and Dec. 17, listing attendance for Methodist, Baptist, Church of Christ, Christian, and Presbyterian.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Litchfield and R. L. DeBusk, Jr., arrived Tuesday afternoon from Pomona, California, and will spend the Christmas holidays in the R. L. DeBusk home. Mrs. Litchfield is a sister of Mrs. DeBusk, and R. L. is the son of Mr. and Mrs. DeBusk.

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Group Hospitalization Ten Years Old

This month, December 21, marks the 10th Anniversary of the Group Hospital Service movement. The plan was originated in Texas in 1929. The originators of the movement, the hospitals themselves, banded themselves together into a common cause to serve humanity. At the request of the hospitals, the Texas Legislature enacted a law which allowed this non-profit organization to incorporate—thus was created the Group Hospital Service, Inc., of Texas. The movement is wholeheartedly endorsed by the Texas State Medical Association; by the State Hospital Association; and by the State Department of Insurance. The non-profit, non-commercial plan has spread until today there are 56 approved plans in operation in the United States. On October 1 there were 4,013,347 subscribers enrolled, and at the present rate of growth the total membership will probably exceed 6 million by the first of January.

In Texas a man with a wife and two children can have this service for a total cost of \$21.60 a year for the entire family, or \$1.80 a month. For this nominal sum he is providing each member of his family with 35 days each, per year, in the hospital of their choice. Other benefits provided include private room service, meals, general nursing care, prescriptions, dressings, laboratory service, use of operating room and anesthesia as often as needed, emergency room and X-ray service in case of accident, and one-half of all hospital charges in maternity cases.

Mrs. Adams Gives 1 O'Clock Luncheon

Mrs. S. H. Adams was hostess to the Civic and Culture Club with a one o'clock, two-course, turkey luncheon at her home, 255 South 10th Street, Saturday, December 16.

After the business session, the program was turned over to the leader, Mrs. J. C. Jenkins. Mrs. James Rayburn gave a Bible story. Mrs. Ralph O. Hayes gave a St. Nicholas story. Mrs. K. S. McKinnon played and Mrs. R. G. Shankle led in the Christmas carol singing.

Christmas decorations were used throughout the house. Holly formed the centerpiece and was used as plate favors. Red tapers were used throughout, and Santa Claus delivered the gifts from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree, at the proper time.

Members present were: Mesdames J. S. Bates, R. M. Champion, Essie M. Donald, J. A. Elliott, W. P. Florence, Ralph O. Hayes, Henry Hollis, J. C. Jenkins, Raymond Johnson, W. R. Lovett, K. S. McKinnon, M. A. Pember, James Rayburn, Laura Rhodes, H. G. Sanders, R. G. Shankle, W. E. Smart, A. C. Strickland, C. L. Suit, R. H. Todd, Joe E. Webb, one associate member, Mrs. R. A. Baldwin of Lubbock, and one guest, Mrs. P. G. Stokes of Abilene.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Joe E. Webb, Saturday, January 13.

Wed. Study Club Entertains Husbands

The Wednesday Study Club met Wednesday evening, December 20, for their annual Christmas Party. Members and their husbands left Slaton for the Mexican Inn in Lubbock where they had dinner, followed by bridge.

The high score was given to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brewer, for having the highest total of husband and wife.

Those attending were Messrs. and Mesdames R. B. Bechtel, J. H. Brewer, T. A. Bruner, W. T. Davis, R. D. Hickman, Roy Mack, S. A. Peavy, R. W. Ragsdale, K. C. Scott, J. Paul Stevens, Harry Stokes, and the hostesses and husbands, Messrs. and Mesdames Curtis Hamilton, M. W. Abernathy, K. L. Scudder, Bentley Page, Govan Stokes and C. W. Taylor. Special guests were Dr. and Mrs. O. D. Groshart.

Xmas Program at Christian Church

Sunday, 7 p. m.
The following program is planned for Sunday evening services at the First Christian Church:

- Processional—O Come All Ye Faithful.
Hymn—Joy to the World.
Prayer.
Piano Solo—Virginia Brasfield.
While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks—Lori Ann Young.
O Little Town of Bethlehem—Congregation.
I Want to Send a Whisper—Doris Nell Gentry.
Violin Duet, While Angels Sing—Emma Euinne Young and Mary Brasfield.
If I Could Borrow a Star—Betty Jo Gentry.
Angels From the Realms of Glory—Congregation.
Visit from Santa Claus.
Silent Night—Congregation.
Benediction.

CHRISTMAS MEDITATION. What is Religion's Place in the Modern World, and Why?

The above question grew out of a mother's anxiety over her son's consignment of religion in his college studies to the same place of uselessness as that of Greek and Sanskrit. It confronts all with a supremely important problem. This problem is based on whether there is a spiritual or supernatural life, without which Christmas would be a hoax.

Religion is "a belief binding the spiritual nature of man to a supernatural being." The common notion of that religion is that of creature to his creator with obligations that must be fulfilled for the creature's happiness. The word originated when men generally recognized that their destiny is rightfully in the power of God.

But now, since so many think they are god of their own happiness, religion may be defined as a belief in and practice of any system for obtaining happiness. This modern religion grows out of the doctrine that all happiness is derived through human effort based on useful education. That doctrine started in the Garden of Eden with advice to ignore God and become yourself a god. Some so zealously detest divine religion that being non-religious becomes their religion.

According to the Christian religion, ultimate happiness is conscious possession of eternal life of joy sponsored through this life by a comforting fatherly Holy Spirit responsive to all our needs and soul calls. Some of the strictest religionists asked Jesus how to obtain this eternal life; thus showing that the practice of religious forms is not sufficient. They were told that they must be spiritually reborn from above and be a new creature growing out of faith in Christ. When we thus become new creatures we naturally live the religion that brings happiness. Then the more educated and useful we are the more happiness we gain.

True religion is a comforting stabilizer even to modern life. The problem is to find it and the solution is in diligent search of the Scriptures, with prayer for divine guidance.

Proper understanding of religion involves answer to the question of its place in the modern world. W. P. FLORENCE, Slaton, Texas.

Woodrow Wilson Has P. T. A. Meeting

The Woodrow Wilson P. T. A. met Thursday, December 7, at 3 o'clock, following the Mother's Study Group at 2 o'clock.

After a short business meeting, Mrs. R. H. Todd gave a talk, "Peace on Earth." Mrs. Tudor and Mrs. Jenkins' rooms tied for the attendance prize.

At the close of the meeting, lovely home made candy was served to twenty members and guests.

The next meeting will be Thursday, January 5, and all parents are urged to be present.

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Gertrude Legg Is Complimented Sat.

Monday morning, December 18, Miss Gertrude Legg, bride-elect of Mr. Max Arrants, was honored with a morning coffee at the home of Mrs. S. H. Adams, 255 South 10th Street, from 9:30 until 11:30.

Mrs. Adams greeted guests at the door as they arrived, and were presented to a receiving line made up of Mrs. E. R. Legg, the honoree, Mrs. M. G. Davis and Mrs. W. T. Davis.

In the house party were Messrs. S. H. Adams, C. F. Anderson, R. H. Todd, W. T. Davis, O. D. McClintock, G. M. Harlan, Allen Ferrell, L. A. Harrah, Dayton Eckert, J. O. Quattlebaum, and Frank Merrill.

The house decorations carried out the Christmas motif, with a Christmas tree, beautifully decorated, and a miniature manger with Mary, Joseph and the Infant Jesus. In the dining room, the centerpiece was a poinsettia, and at either end, red tapers were lighted in brass holders. Mrs. Frank Merrill presided in the dining room, and Mrs. G. M. Harlan gave plate favors of holly.

Mrs. Allen Ferrell played piano selections throughout the morning.

In the bedrooms, there was a display of the gifts, with Mrs. C. F. Anderson presiding over the bride's book. Eighty guests registered.

White chrysanthemums and cyclamen were used for floral decorations in the bedrooms.

The honoree, Miss Gertrude Legg, wore a frock of Honolulu blue, with a corsage of pink gladioli and corresponding accessories.

After the wedding, which will take place December 21, the couple will make their home in Calhoun, Tennessee, where Mr. Arrants is head coach of the Charleston High School.

Have your prescriptions filled at TEAGUE DRUG STORE by a Registered Pharmacist

Mrs. Jack Watkins and her son, Mike, left Thursday for a holiday visit with friends and relatives in Missouri.

The Movie Reporter

"Ginger" Jane Withers, Hollywood's bundle of joy, returns to the Palace Theatre Friday and Saturday after a prolonged absence. I am sure that all her fans will want to see her in her new picture, "Chicken Wagon Family".

As a Christmas attraction, the Palace Theatre offers "The Housekeeper's Daughter," the howling hit that has America in stitches, starring Joan Bennett and Adolphe Menjou. Five men ran after the Housekeeper's Daughter, who did things to them she hadn't oughter! Lefty... a big bad wolf 'til Hilda tamed him! Screw-Loose Benny—the lady killer, even he was Hilda's fella! Ed—he and the Deacon ate together, lived together, were pals to the end—and Hilda was the end! The Deacon—Percy, the Passion Flower, they called him. He thought he knew women—'til he met Hilda! For the fifth man's escapade with Hilda, I advise you to attend the Palace Theatre either at the Prevue Saturday night or Sunday and Monday.

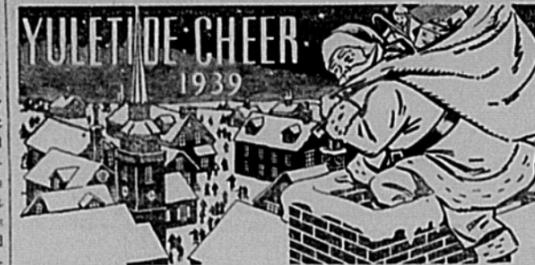
This week's pass goes to Mr. J. C. Fincher and family, Rt. 1, by presenting this notation to the box office.

Next Tuesday, the Palace Theatre offers its greatest Bargain Day attraction. Elsa Maxwell's, "Hotel For Women," with Linda Darnell, Ann Sothern and many others. Don't miss it!

You enjoyed the series of Dr. Kildare pictures, for they are truly great entertainment, and each new picture is a little better than the one preceding it. Lew Ayres, as Dr. Kildare and Lionel Barrymore as Dr. Gillespie, return to the Palace.

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The Order of the Eastern Star entertained their families on Monday evening at the Masonic Hall. After partaking of a bountiful dinner, they were entertained with a splendid program and Christmas tree. The timely arrival of Santa Claus added much to the enjoyment of the evening.

Miss Maxine Odom presented a number of her Littlefield pupils at the Cotton Carnival at Littlefield early this week. Miss Connie Henry, of Slaton, assisted by giving several numbers.

The Palace Theatre screen next Wednesday and Thursday in "The Secrets of Dr. Kildare," without a doubt, the best of them all!

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**Letters To Santa Claus**

Dear Santa,  
I am writing this letter to thank you for the nice things you have done for us. I have a few more things I want you to do. I want you to bring the President of the City Line Club a bushel of cooperation from the members. Wrap this with a spirit of happiness and tie it with a big red bow. Bring the treasurer a budget so balanced that she will have funds for all the things she will want to do the whole year. Then to each member, and to Miss Lewis and Mrs. Arthur, bring another supply of loving kindness.

Don't forget to visit your friend, Modin Drusa, in her work of cheer.  
Your friend,  
MINNIANN.

Dear Santa Clause,  
I want a big doll with hair and a Bible, some candy and nuts.  
Don't forget my little cousins, Neta Tunnell at Slaton, Willie and Dow Vessels at Eastland.  
I am a little girl seven years old. Be good to everybody.  
Your Friend,  
Johnnie Pearl Peebles

Dear Santa  
Will you please bring me a set of tires and tubes for my bicycle. Would like a tractor and some clothes.  
Will try to study a lot and learn fast and will appreciate all that you bring.  
Lovingly,  
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Dear Santa  
Will you please bring me a nice wagon and some other toys, also some clothes. Would like a nice pair of boots. Will be glad to get

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**Board of City Development and Chamber of Commerce News**

RAYMOND LEE JOHNS, MANAGER

**CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST**

This is to inform all who are entering the Christmas lighting contest this year to keep your lights on from 7 until 10 o'clock each night from now until December 27, between now and which time judging will take place. Prizes will be awarded after Christmas.

OPEN LETTER To The Board of Directors of The Slaton Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development, and To The People of Slaton:

With regret I resign my duties as manager of your Chamber of Commerce, effective January 1, 1940, to accept a similar post in another West Texas town, but I feel the opportunity to go there is of such importance to me, personally, that I cannot afford to decline. Hence, and for that reason only, I have accepted it.

In a few brief words, may I express my hearty and lasting appreciation of the co-operation, the assistance, encouragement and support which everyone in Slaton has given me during the sixteen months I have served you in an official capacity.

I shall always, as in the past, rejoice in the progress and advancement of the city of Slaton and of the surrounding territory, and if it is ever possible for me to render any helpful service to any citizen of Slaton or this section of the South Plains, I hope that I may be called upon, as it will give me much joy to respond in any way that is within my power.

May I also ask that every citizen of Slaton give to my successor, John Rayburn, the same attention and cooperation that have been given me. May I express the hope and anything you bring. Have been a pretty good boy this year.

With love  
Dan Holt

Dear Santa,  
Will you please bring me a big doll that goes to sleep and cries, and a buggy for it, also a tricycle. Would like a pretty coat and some shoes.

With Love  
Bonnie

belief that the Slaton Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development will continue to serve this city and this section in an ever-increasing degree of importance, for the development and improvement of this wonderful territory.

I would explain that my decision to accept a post elsewhere was not based upon the mere fact of an increase in remuneration, but because of the larger field and greater opportunity which I hope to enjoy there in making advancement in the profession I have chosen.

In leaving Slaton I wish to express also to all of our citizenship my cordial good will and sincere good wishes for their health, happiness and progress through all the years of the future.

Respectfully,  
RAYMOND LEE JOHNS.

Miss Monette Patterson, of Amarillo, is spending the holidays visiting in the home of Mrs. Guy Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Smith are expecting their daughter, Mrs. R. A. DeLong, with Mr. DeLong and their son, to come from El Paso to spend the holidays here.



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**Mrs. Dayton Eckert Has Birthday Party**

Tuesday evening, December 19, at eight o'clock, Mrs. Dayton Eckert was hostess to the annual Yuletide meeting of the Junior Civic and Culture Club at her home on West Garza Street.

The home was decorated, carrying out the Christmas motif, and a Christmas dinner with all the trimmings was served on individual trays to the members and guests present.

After the dinner, Mrs. Robert Collins gave Dickens' story of Scrooge, and Miss Ura Mae Haggart gave some Christmas poems. The group then sang Christmas carols.

Gifts were exchanged, each member receiving some useful and beautiful gift.

Members attending were Meadames Vasker Browning, Walter Hord, George S. Lemon, Jack Miller, Otis Neill, Jack Shepard, Joe Bob Stevens, D. W. Thompson, Robert Collins, Misses Ruby Lee Wal-

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**Boy Scout Troop No. 29 Report**

Boy Scout Troop 29 had its regular meeting Tuesday night, December 19, with twenty-two Scouts present. Mr. G. E. Welch, district chairman, and Billy Bob Tippe from Troop 28, visited during the meeting. Plans were perfected for the distribution of toys to the needy children of our city. We also had a Christmas tree, each boy bringing and receiving gifts. Several

ler, Faye Coltharp, Julia Austin, Ura Mae Haggart, Gertrude King, Addie Lea Morrison; two out-of-town guests, Misses Edith Marrs and Miss Minnie Lee McMurry, and the hostess, Mrs. Eckert.

of the toys received by the boys were donated to the needy families.

**J. W. SMITH ENLISTS IN UNITED STATES ARMY**

J. W. Smith, 550 West Lubbock Street, enlisted December 18th, in the United States Army and was assigned to Cavalry unassigned, Fort Bliss, Texas.

A few vacancies still exist for assignment in the above Organization, of well qualified young men who are between the ages of 18 and 35 years of the white race, and who are well recommended by reputable citizens of the community where they reside and who are without dependents.

M. G. DAVIS, reporter.



Merry Christmas to you—our friends, neighbors and customers. We gladly join with others whose privilege it has been to serve you, in sending our heartiest holiday greetings!

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**Miss Legg Honored At Morning Coffee**

Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Miss Gertrude Legg, bride-elect of Max Arrants, was complimented with a China shower at the home of Miss Maxine Odom, 420 West Lubbock, with Miss Lea Beth Drewry and Mrs. Baxter Bardwell, assistant hostesses.

Bridge was played, high score going to Mrs. J. P. Haliburton and Miss Myrtle Teague.

The gifts were presented to the honoree, Miss Legg, and afterward a salad plate was served to the following guests: Mesdames Raymond Johns, Herschel Crawford, Ed Haddock, A. C. Sanders, Jr., of Lubbock, Courtney Sanders, J. P. Haliburton, Frank Wright, Ray Darwin, and Misses Florence Baldwin, Lubbock, Myrtle Teague, Betty McKee, Joan Drewry, Mary Watkins, the honoree, Miss Legg and the host-

**Posey H. D. Club Has Xmas Dinner**

The Posey Home Demonstration Club had their annual Christmas dinner for their families and friends Tuesday evening, December 19, at 6 p. m., at the Slaton Club House. Visitors were Hettie Reitman, Ruth Picket Maeker, and Shaw, Wanda and Patsy Marr, and Messrs. and Mesdames Nathan Johnson, O. R. Richardson, Albert Johnson, and James Cloninger.

Club members with their families present were: Mesdames A. J. Bell, T. A. Johnson, E. R. Fincher, L. K. Hart, G. J. Vivial, O. R. Patterson, C. Z. Fine, Benton Patterson, A. B. Cloninger, Louie Melcher, Sam Gentry and Willie Wilkie.

During the refreshment period, Mrs. E. R. Legg and Misses Evelyn and Bertha Abbott, of Lubbock, were guests.

**KESSELS HOME FOR CHRISTMAS**

Mrs. A. Kessel is rejoicing that her sons will be home for the holidays. Milton arrived Tuesday, Bertram, a student at the University of Texas, will come today, and Julian, of Roswell, will be here for Sunday. Mr. Norton Kessel, brother of the Slaton man, will also be here with his family for Sunday celebration.

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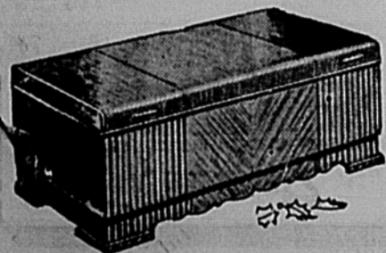
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Pamela, on the other hand, spent her time thinking that it was high time John popped the question!

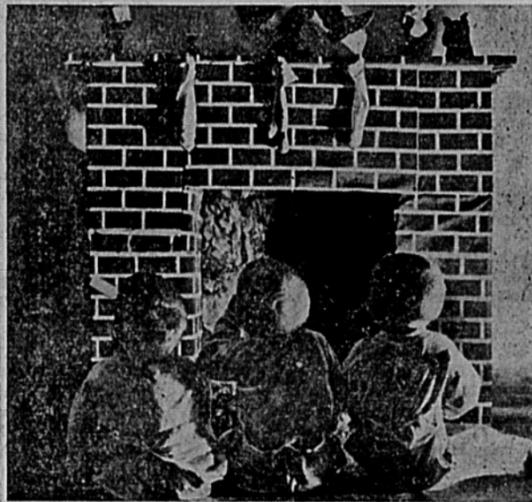
One night he came to the point. "Pamela, Pamela," he urged, "will you marry me?"

"You bet," she replied briskly. "I know, darling," he answered, ashamed. "But if you'll only say 'Yes,' I'll promise never to back another horse!"

## CHRISTMAS CROSS-INDEXED

| COUNTRY | SANTA CLAUS                                    | MERRY CHRISTMAS        | HAPPY NEW YEAR              |
|---------|--|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| FRANCE  | Pere Noel                                      | Joyeux Noel!           | Bonne Annee!                |
| SPAIN   | Three Wise Men: Melchior, Gaspar and Balthasar | Felis Pascuas          | Feliz Ano Nuevo!            |
| ITALY   | La Befana                                      | Buon Natale            | Buon Capo d'Anno            |
| SWEDEN  | Jultomte                                       | God Jul                | Got Nytt Ar                 |
| NORWAY  | Julenissen                                     | Gladlig Jul            | Godt Nytt Aar               |
| GERMANY | Sankt Nicholas                                 | Froehliche Weihnachten | Ein Glueckliches Neues Jahr |
| HOLLAND | Sint Nicolaas                                  | Plezierig Kerstfeest   | Gelukkig Nieuwjaar          |

### Well... What's Holdin' Him Up?



All ready for bed, these inquisitive young men don't believe what most boys and girls know—that Santa Claus is not only a very busy fellow but that he usually comes when nobody's watching.

### Hide Away Extra Toys So You'll Have Reserve For 'Indoor' Days Later

Most children are flooded with so many toys on Christmas day that they're positively bewildered and therefore jump from one plaything to another uncertainly. This is why so many child experts recommend that mothers take away and store out of sight certain of the youngsters' new possessions. When a spell of bad weather comes later to



Too many toys confuse the child.

keep the children in the house, bring out one or more of the toys in this reserve supply. Or do it when you have special company of your own and want to be sure of peace and quiet. There are two reasons for this. First, children enjoy playing intensively with a few things than being "snowed under" with too many gifts. In the second place, some of the toys they receive at Christmas time may be too complicated for their age.

### Watch Your Weather During Christmas Day!

Remember these old superstitions about Christmas weather: If the sun shines through the apple tree on Christmas day, there will be a good crop the following year.

If ice will bear a man before Christmas, it will not bear a mouse afterward.

Thunder and lightning Christmas week means much snow the rest of the winter.

Wet causes more damage than frost before and after Christmas.

If it snows Christmas night, the hop crop will be good next year.

At Christmas meadows green, at Easter covered with frost.

If windy Christmas day, trees will bear much fruit.

Christmas wet gives empty granary and barrel.

A green Christmas makes a fat graveyard.

A warm Christmas, a cold Easter.

### Salvation Lassies Retain Yule Spirit Of Founder Booth

Christmas will be happier for thousands of homeless people this year because Catherine and William Booth carried the torch of evangelism from their New Connexion church in England in 1861 and started the Salvation Army. Today that torch is being carried by the second Booth to succeed the founder, Gen. Evangeline Booth, who in turn succeeded Bramwell Booth in 1934.

So familiar at Christmas time, the Salvation Army's group singing on street corners and "boiling kettles" for which contributions are solicited, had their beginning in the youthful reformer of 19 who was almost stoned to death preaching in slums and denouncing "rum." Penniless and with four children, the Booths worked tirelessly in London amid taunts of critics, yet Old General Booth lived to banter with jovial King Edward.

He also lived to see the Salvation Army become better established in the United States than in England, to see it acquire banks, insurance companies, factories, public houses, farms, hospitals and cadet schools, all the outgrowth of the "expeditionary" force of seven lassies sent here in 1860 under George Scott Railson.

### Broken-Down Organ Responsible for 'Silent Night'

Rushing to the 25-year-old parish priest, Joseph Mohr, he cried: "Father, unless we can find music so simple it can be sung without rehearsal our Christmas service will be without any music."

The young priest, called out into the storm to a home where a first-born son had just arrived, returned a few hours later and wrote the words; Gruber stayed up all night writing the music.

## Improved Uniform SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D., Dean of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. (Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

### Lesson for December 24

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#### THE CHILD AND THE KINGDOM

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 1:18-25; 18:14; 19:13-15.  
GOLDEN TEXT—A little child shall lead them.—Isaiah 11:8.

The children's holiday! Yes, Christmas is the children's day of days, and it is also the day for those who have been "converted and become as little children" (Matt. 18:3). It is quite proper that it should be so, for Christmas really means nothing very significant except as we gather at Bethlehem's manger and there we find a child, the Christ-child. Those who come on the morrow to do homage to Him in the spirit of childlike faith will truly keep Christmas. In that spirit the writer of these notes wishes for you who read these lines just that kind of a holy day of joy and gladness.

Let us then go first of all to Bethlehem, and there having seen the One who "became flesh and dwelt among us" as a little child, we shall be ready to go on and learn from Him what a blessed example, responsibility, and opportunity there is in the childhood which we see all around us.

#### I. The Child—Jesus Our Saviour (Matt. 1:18-25).

The virgin mother Mary "brought forth her firstborn son" and "called his name Jesus"—the one who should "save his people from their sins" (vv. 21, 25). In order that He might be the Saviour, He had to be both God and man. This could only be true as God sent His own only-begotten Son into the world by giving to Him a human mother in whom He as the eternal Son of God was "conceived by the Holy Ghost" (as we express it in the creed) and became the Son of Man.

For anyone who believes that God has all power and all wisdom to do what He wills and as He wills, and who further believes that Christ was pre-existent as the Son of God before His incarnation, there is no difficulty in believing in the virgin birth. In fact, no other manner of incarnation would have been possible. It necessarily follows that the one who denies the virgin birth of Christ thereby declares that He does not believe in the God of the Scriptures and in Jesus Christ His Son our Lord.

#### II. The Child—Our Example (18:14).

The disciples had been having a discussion about who was to be the greatest in the Kingdom of heaven. This was not because they desired their brothers' advancement, for each one wanted to be the greatest (Luke 9:46).

Jesus frankly told them that they needed a real change of heart, a conversion. True greatness is not a matter of worldly position or ambition, but of a childlike humility. Such an idea was absolutely revolutionary in the day of Jesus, and in fact sounds unbelievable to the worldly man today. But it is nonetheless true that the great man or woman is the one who knows and recognizes himself to be utterly dependent on God in every moment, every circumstance, every trial, and in every opportunity of life. We need to learn of our children.

#### III. The Child—Our Responsibility (18:5, 6).

These awful, solemn words should be considered with great care. What a terrible judgment awaits those who cause little ones to stumble by reason of their false teaching, their failure to bring God's Word to bear upon their lives, improper discipline in the home, or the influence of a bad example. There are probably preachers, teachers in the Sunday School, grandparents, uncles, aunts, mothers, fathers, yes, even friends of little children who need to reread these verses and then cry out to God in repentance before it is too late.

#### IV. The Child—Our Opportunity (19:13-15).

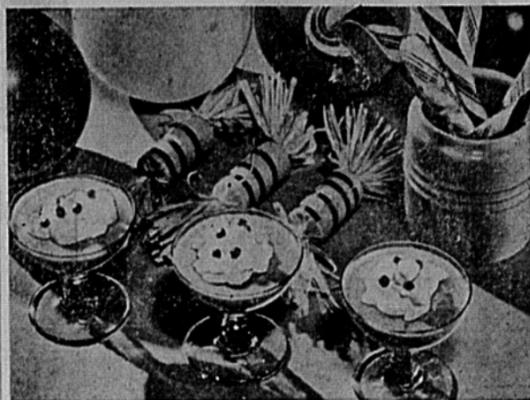
Jesus knew the real value of a child and His loving heart reached out to invite the children to come unto Him in love, in obedience, and in trust. When they came, He never failed to bless them.

The glorious thing is that we are privileged to thus bring little children to Him. Someone may say, "Jesus is no longer on earth, I cannot take my child to Him." Jesus is not here in the flesh, but He is here ever present with His children. You can bring your child to Him, for the coming which He has in mind in these verses is not in any physical sense but rather spiritual. The parents who teach their little ones about the birth of Christ on this Christmas day have brought them to Him. Every word of instruction, every encouragement to pray, every example of devotion to Christ which the child may follow is the true bringing of that child to Him.

Will you do it this Christmas—in the home, in the Sunday School, in the church, anywhere? If you do, there will be blessing beyond your ability to contain it and you will have

A Blessed Christmas!

## Household News By Eleanor Howe



### FESTIVE TRIUMPH FOR CHILDREN'S PARTY (See Recipes Below)

#### Children Need Parties Too

With all the holiday festivities for grown folks and for older sisters and brothers, it's not strange that the youngest members of the family beg for a party, too!

Children's parties must be colorful, the entertainment simple, and the refreshments very light. If the party is to be a success (and why give one if it isn't?) the activities of the youngsters must be wisely directed from the moment they arrive, until they leave.

Choose, to direct the entertainment, the wisest, jolliest, child-loving adult you know. Plan games that are simple, and make sure that all the children are included. Remember, too, that children weary quickly of any one activity, so plan a variety of games and get the new one under way before interest in the old one vanishes.

Party refreshments, of course, must be geared to the age of the guests. If they are very young, it's a good idea to serve the feast at the end of the party, so that it takes the place of the regular evening meal.

Decorate the table with snapping crackers, colored balloons, and peppermint canes to give a really festive setting for the occasion.

#### When Five and Six-Year Olds Get Together

Special Peanut Butter Sandwiches  
Raw Carrot Strips  
Peppermint Stick Tapioca Cream  
Cocoa  
Peppermint Stick Tapioca Cream. (Serves 8)

2 egg yolks  
4 cups milk  
1/2 cup quick-cooking tapioca  
1/2 red cinnamon candies, crushed  
peppermint sticks, or crushed clear fruit-flavored candies  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
2 egg whites

Mix egg yolk with small amount of milk in top of double boiler. Add quick-cooking tapioca, candies, salt and remaining milk.

Place over rapidly boiling water and cook 10 to 12 minutes after water boils again, stirring frequently. Remove from fire. (Tapioca will be well distributed throughout, but mixture will be thin. Do not overcook.) Beat egg white until just stiff enough to hold shape. Fold hot tapioca mixture gradually into egg white. Cool—mixture thickens as it cools. Chill.

Serve in sherbet glasses. Garnish with whipped cream and colored candies.

#### Special Peanut Butter Sandwiches. (Makes 1 cup filling)

1 ripe banana  
1 cup peanut butter  
1/4 cup dates (cut fine)  
1 teaspoon lemon juice

Mash banana with a fork and thoroughly blend in remaining ingredients. Eat between slices of whole wheat bread.

#### Orange Ice.

1 cup granulated sugar  
2 cups water  
1 teaspoon gelatin  
1 tablespoon cold water  
2 cups orange juice  
2 tablespoons lemon juice  
1 teaspoon lemon extract  
1/4 teaspoon orange extract

Make a syrup of the sugar and water and boil for five minutes. Remove from fire and add gelatin, which has been softened in cold water. Stir until the gelatin is entirely dissolved and then add fruit juices and flavoring extracts, and pour into freezing tray of mechanical refrigerator. Turn cold control to lowest temperature for rapid freezing. Stir three times at half-hour intervals after the ice has begun to freeze. When almost frozen,

place the mixture in a chilled bowl and beat with a rotary egg beater; then return to tray and complete the freezing.

#### Little Silver Cakes.

3/4 cup shortening  
1 1/2 cups granulated sugar  
2 3/4 cups cake flour  
3 teaspoons baking powder  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1 cup milk  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
4 egg whites

Cream the shortening, add the sugar, and beat well. Sift the flour, baking powder, and salt; add alternately with the milk and vanilla. Beat the egg whites until stiff and fold into the cake. Bake in greased muffin tins in a moderate oven (350 degrees) for approximately 15 to 20 minutes.

#### Grilled Bacon Sandwiches.

Remove crusts from slices of bread and toast bread on one side only. Spread untoasted side with peanut butter and top with slices of bacon. Preheat broiler to 350 degrees. Place sandwiches on broiler rack, 3/4 inches from flame. Broil until bacon is crisp and brown, approximately 7 minutes. Serve very hot.

#### Sugared Doughnuts.

4 eggs  
1 cup sugar  
4 tablespoons shortening (melted)  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
2 1/2 to 3 cups cake flour  
3/4 teaspoon salt  
3/4 teaspoon baking powder  
1 teaspoon cinnamon

Beat the eggs until light. Add sugar slowly and continue beating until foamy. Add melted shortening and vanilla extract. Mix and sift two cups of flour and all the other dry ingredients and fold into the egg mixture. Add just enough more flour to make a soft dough which can be handled. Place on lightly floured board and roll dough out to 1/4-inch thickness. Cut, and fry in deep fat (370 degrees) and drain on unglazed paper.

#### Hot Spiced Cider.

2 quarts cider  
1 cup brown sugar  
1 six-inch stick cinnamon  
6 whole cloves  
1 teaspoon allspice

Add spices and sugar to cider, place in kettle and let simmer over heat (not boil) for 15 minutes. Strain and serve hot in small glasses. Add a little grated nutmeg.

Stand for Vegetables. To be sure, we all know that vegetables in one form or another are an important part of the diet. But when you're confronted with the problem of getting Junior to eat his carrots, just how will you get around that? Next week I'll give you my suggestions for solving that particular problem. Be sure and watch for them in this column next week.

Have you sent for your leaflet of "Holiday Recipes," by Eleanor Howe? Plum puddings, cakes rich with fruit and nuts, cookies for all kinds of parties, and confections, too—you'll find recipes for all of these, in this specially compiled leaflet. Send 10 cents in coin to "Holiday Recipes," care of Eleanor Howe, 919 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and get your copy, now.

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### Electric Outlets Needed For Kitchen Efficiency

When electric outlets are being planned in a new house for lamps, clocks, and radios, the kitchen is often neglected. In reality, it has more uses for plugs than any other room.

Within reasonable limits, there cannot be too many appliance outlets in the kitchen. In this room electricity is used both for lighting and for motivating power. Consumption of current varies widely with kitchen appliances, and special attention should be given to the load the outlet is expected to carry.

## Smiles

Helpful Squall  
"This is a wonderful cake, darling."  
"Yes. Cook made it for the milkman, but they quarreled this morning."

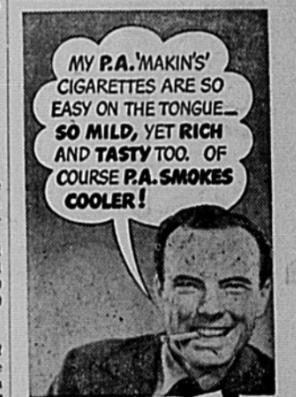
So She Said  
"But your wife said she'd forgive and forget."  
"Yes. She's forgotten she'd forgiven."

Thinks Better  
"Daddy, what's a bachelor?"  
"It's a man who thinks before he acts—and then doesn't act at all."

Asked if the coffee was all right, the diner replied: "It would be if it was called soup and used for shaving."

Willing to Chance It  
"Dad, do my homework for me."  
"Now, son, you know that wouldn't be right."  
"Praps not, dad; but you might have a go at it."

Might Need Several  
Doctor—You should take a bath before you retire.  
Patient—But, doctor, I don't expect to retire for another five years.



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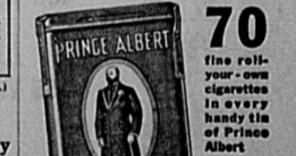
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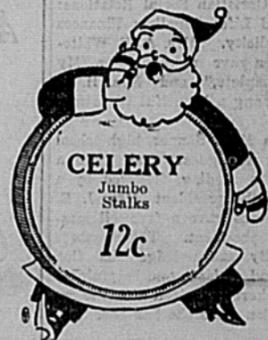
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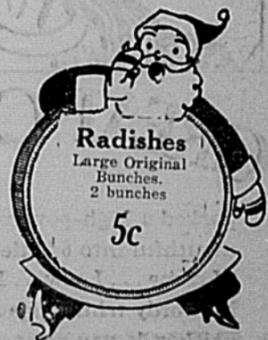
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**Pioneer Study Club  
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Announcement was made this week that the Daughters of the Pioneer Study Club will sponsor a Christmas invitation dance for members and friends, the evening of December 25 at nine o'clock at the American Legion Hall. Invitations were sent out the early part of the week, and plans are being made for a gala affair. An invitation committee composed of Mesdames Ed Haddock, Ray Darwin, Herschel Crawford and Miss Evelyn Mansker, was appointed Monday night at the club meeting. Those interested in securing invitations can get in touch with any member of the committee.

**James Douglas Oats  
Has Birthday Party**

James Douglas Oats was honored on his fifth birthday Tuesday afternoon by his mother, Mrs. W. D. Donald and his grandmother, Mrs. J. I. Drewry, at 330 South 12th Street, from 3:30 to 5 o'clock. The honoree received many useful gifts and was presented with a birthday cake from his mother. The guests were served jello, cake, punch and candy. Those attending were, Bonnie Alice Lowe, Anna Bell Lowe, Elizabeth Sims, Wanda Martin, C. B. Martin, Joe Thomas Tucker, Caroline Cates, Charlotte Cates, James Berry, Harold Dean Berry, Earnestine English and Morris Webb.

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**GREETINGS**



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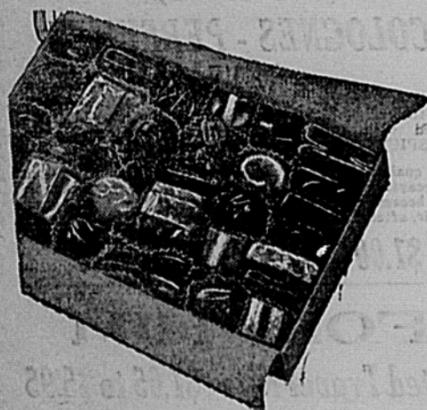


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## METHODIST CHURCH

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The climax of a series of Christmas services will be reached in the services at the Methodist Church Sunday morning. (No evening services).

Each department of the Sunday School will present programs at the regular Sunday School hour, 9:45 o'clock. Packages will be brought as gifts to the needy.

At 11 a. m., the pastor will speak on the subject, The Birth of Jesus in Human Hearts. Mr. William Sewell of Levelland will sing, "The Holy City".

Surely to be in the place of worship is a tribute we may all bring to the memory of the "Birthday of The King."

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School will be held at 9:45 a. m., and the special Christmas Morning Service at 11 a. m.

Subject for morning sermon: "There Was Room".

Special music and a special Christmas Anthem will be given by the choir.

There will be no Pioneer Meeting Sunday night, or any evening service.



## CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Services for Christmas Eve will be held at the Church Sunday morning. The text of the morning sermon is, "Heaven and How to Gain It".

The services will follow the Christmas theme, and at the evening service, there will be a substitute preacher.

All are invited to come and worship with us.

## ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH.

Rev. T. D. O'Brien, Pastor

Christmas Morning Services, 8 a. m. and 9:30 a. m.

Special Christmas Mass, 12:01 a. m., Monday morning, Christmas Day.

## BAPTIST CHURCH.

At the morning service, there will be a special Christmas program and message. Special music will be offered, and efforts are being made to have the people of the community observe Sunday as Go-To-Church Day.

Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.

Church Services, 11 a. m.

At the evening services, there will be a special musical program, with Mary Frances Landreth, Laura Belle Tucker, Jimmie Faye Ward, Juanita Elliott, and Kenneth Tanner participating.

Now, perhaps more than at any other time, you need your Church . . . and by the same token, your Church needs you. In these times of trouble and strife none of us can afford to be without the spiritual guidance offered by our churches. It is the duty, as well as the need, of each of us to express and affirm his belief in the Glory of God and his faith that righteousness will triumph. Attend church regularly, no matter what your faith; there you'll find the solace and guidance that all of us need . . . come to church Christmas!



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## Legion Meet Omitted

The regular meeting of Luther Powers Post of the American Legion falling on Christmas Day will be omitted, according to announcement this week from Post Commander Arthur Dennis. The next meeting will be held January 8th at 7:15, at which time a change of meeting date will be discussed.

## LOVELESS-GROSHART CLING BIRTHS.

12-12 To Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Todd, a son.

12-15 To Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Carter, at Mercy Hospital a daughter, Julie Nell.

12-17 To Mr. and Mrs. Dub Dunnegan, a daughter, named Caroline.

12-18 To Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Campbell, a daughter, Ronda Gayle.

12-20 To Mr. and Mrs. Bill King, a daughter, Minna Delores.

12-20 To Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Clark, a son.

Tonsillectomy: 12-12, Mrs. Coy Sullivan.

## J. J. RINEY GREW UP WITH COUNTRY

J. J. Riney, pioneer farmer living on the Wilson highway five miles southwest of Slaton, was shopping in Slaton Monday. He came to the country in 1915 and built the first house east of the railroad—or rather, the first shack, he amended. He now farms a half section where he first settled and, as most other farmers have one, he has shifted from draft horses to a tractor.

## WICKERS AND REASONERS LEAVE FRIDAY

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wicker and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Reasoner left Friday morning for Taylor where they will spend the Christmas vacation with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Jack Nowlin.

They will do some fishing on the coast while there, and will also visit in Austin, before returning home.

Joe Teague III, a student in Texas University, is expected home for the holiday today.

Mrs. O. V. Sims has word that her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Y. Bicknell, of Crosbyton, will visit here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob O'Conner and daughters, Joan and Pat, and son, of Kansas, arrived this week and are visiting his mother, Mrs. Daisy O'Conner, and grandmother, Mrs. R. A. Henderson, 640 S. 12th St.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Garren and son, Willie Joe, have moved again into Slaton. Mr. Garren will manage the Grocery store on South 9th Street. He recently was associated with the P. and G. Drug Store at Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest McCoy and son, Lowell Dean, will leave Sunday at noon for Victoria, where they will spend the Christmas holidays visiting Mr. McCoy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McCoy.

Mrs. Clifford Simmons left Thursday, December 14, for Denver, Colorado, where she will spend the Christmas holidays visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles E. Travis.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Nix, of Canadian and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Ringham and daughter, La Trice, of Phillips, will spend the Christmas holidays in the home of Mrs. Nix and Mrs. Ringham's parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. O. Quattlebaum.

Miss Betty Pack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Pack, arrived the first of the week and will spend the Christmas holidays in the home of her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Smith expect to have all their children visiting them during the holidays. Beside the daughter, Mrs. K. C. Scott, who lives here, Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Ball and son, of Texarkana, Mr. and Mrs. George Everline and three daughters, of Amarillo, and Mr. and Mrs. Hurdle Smith and daughter, of Glazier, will make the full complement.

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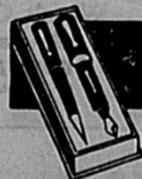
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