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"THE PASSING SHOW"

A friend remarked to us the other day: "You don't attend picture shows much—do you?"

Our reply was: "No—there is really more that is interesting and entertaining and helpful in watching people whom we meet along the way than there is in spending our time watching the actors on the stage, playing 'make believe.'"

Truly, it has been said that this world is a stage and the actors are the sons and daughters of men—that each one plays his little part and then takes his exit forever.

The above being literally true in its declarations, this late December afternoon, as we are "turning the last page of the book of the old year," and folding the book forever, save some of the pictures of the year that will hang in Memory's Hall, some of which are beautiful and delightful, while a few are tragic and bring only sorrow, we have made our New Year Resolution, which is: "For the Glad New Year of 1937, it is our deepest purpose to 'live in our house by the side of the road and watch the race of men go by'—in other words, we are going to watch 'The Passing Show.'"

If we shall only prove true to our Resolution, there is much in store for us for the New Year, if we are privileged to live through its days to its close.

Several years ago, when Universal City at Los Angeles was the largest center of the motion picture industry, and at that time was a city of some twenty-five hundred people, everyone of whom was engaged in some way in producing motion pictures, we visited this place and spent the greater part of the day, as a visiting newspaper man. We were accorded every courtesy by everyone whom we met. When we departed from the place, one of those in the party asked us what we thought of it. Our reply was candid to the effect that absolutely there was nothing worthwhile connected with the whole city—that it was the only place we had ever entered in all of life where everything in it and about it was only "make believe." Where that is true, whether in a motion picture center, or in the life of the lowliest individual, or in the life of the world's most mighty, it is not worthwhile.

But, as we shall watch "the passing show", this year, here will be much that is worthwhile. We are going to see and study life as it is—(something we have tried to do from our youth.) And having done this, we hold now as we are past the meridian of life, that our greatest asset is in the lessons we have learned from others. For

"The lives of great men remind us,
We too can make our lives sublime."

The actors in the drama of life have always interested us—from the clown and the villain to the hero and the heroine. And it is from these just mentioned we expect to get a storehouse full this year.

It is well worth while now and then to watch "the clown"—for he is not always a "fool." Some of the highest salaried people in the world have been clowns—just giving themselves over to "make fools of themselves" for the entertainment of others. In "the passing show" we expect to meet the "clown"—and the term is used generically, meaning both sexes. Of all the "funniest clowns" we have ever seen, some were those who wore dresses. And we can expect this year to be no exception. A "woman clown" can almost "make a dead man laugh." And as we stand by the highway this year and see the "clowns" pass—those who are "acting silly," we expect almost to burst our sides with laughter. If we see no "clowns" this year we are going to be greatly disappointed—for, there will be nothing in reality to entertain us and to provoke laughter. We are glad that we learned long ago that the best way in the world to have a good laugh is just to watch people until we find someone who is "acting a fool." And we fully expect to see a goodly number of the actors in "the passing show" this year who are playing that role. We will see them in private and in public, on the highways, in the places of business, in school—and to be perfectly frank if we don't see some in this role in the churches we are going to be most wonderfully surprised, for the drama to which we are referring is so arranged that one can be a "clown" at church, whether in the pulpit or in the pew. But, unless the "actor" gets too serious about it, regardless as to where he is, we expect to take many hearty laughs before we bid adieu to 1937.

Then, as we watch "the passing show" there is one group of "actors" we really wish had no place in the "Grand Drama of 1937"—and those are the villains! God, save from them! But, it seems that they must be! Somebody, somewhere, before the glad New Year shall have hardly begun, will play the "villain" and bring shame and distress and sorrow into the world. May there be as few "villains" as possible for this New Year! Here we leave that group of the caste and turn to those who will play the nobler lines of the drama of which we write, and whose "parts" in the drama are more vitally interesting, entertaining and inspirational—those whose "parts" are the acts and deeds of those who are real "heroes and heroines in the strife of life."

Concerning the last named group—thank God, they are wonderfully in the majority! And as we shall watch them, we hope to catch inspiration from their deeds of loyalty to the better and higher things of life, and as we shall come to know about their unselfish deeds of helpfulness to others, we desire to be enlisted to become "helpers with them" and always to be associated with that group.

Therefore, this glad New Year morning we take our place in "our little house by the side of the road" to watch "The Passing Show." And we are glad that we have come to the place in life where we can see the humorous in the "whims and foibles and fancies of men and women," and this year we really expect to take "many a chuckle" as we watch the "funny side" of the activities of men and wom-

Bannowsky Home Destroyed By Fire

Fire early Monday morning destroyed the residence of C. J. Bannowsky in the north outskirts of Bronte. It was a two story structure and one of the earliest of the residents built on modern plans. It was built by W. L. Hayley, now of Norton.

Mr. Bannowsky had only recently bought the place from C. A. Taylor and had moved into same. Under agreement Mr. Taylor and family were allowed to occupy rooms in the residence with Mr. Bannowsky and family until January 1. The fire originated in one of the upper rooms or in the ceiling. The origin of the fire has not been determined. Both Mr. Bannowsky and Mr. Taylor were absent from home. There was no one in the building when the fire started except Mrs. C. A. Taylor. There was partial insurance on both the building and contents: Most of the contents were a loss.

MISS HAGEMANN DIES

Miss Rhodie Hagemann, after a few days illness of pneumonia died at her home in Bronte Monday night December 21.

Miss Rhodie was born at Boerne, Kendall County Texas, November 17, 1877. She came with her father and mother to Bronte in 1909. After her mother's death some ten years ago, she went to Junction. She has been back in Bronte the past six months.

She professed faith in Christ in 1898.

She is survived by six brothers; Mack, Ed, George, Fred, Oliver and Sam Hagemann; Also six sisters; Mrs. Walter Hensley, Mertzon; Mrs. Henry Summers, London; Mrs. Joe. Fritz, Junction; Mrs. R. L. Smith, San Angelo; Mrs. Edd Miller, St. Louis, Mo.; and Mrs. Henry Vineyard, Globe Arizona.

Pall bearers were: Clifford Hagemann, Frank Hagemann, R. L. Smith, E. P. Hallmark, Elden Hensley, and Woodrow Brunson.

The funeral services were held from Bronte Methodist church, Tuesday December 22, at 3:30 P. M. by Rev. Lewis Stuckey and Rev. J. H. Thompson.

Frank Keeney, funeral director was in charge.

The Enterprise and all its readers join in sympathy for the bereaved family.

SINGING AT TENNYSON SUNDAY AFTERNOON

J. B. Clark of Tennyson called at The Enterprise Monday afternoon and requested that we announce there will be a singing at Tennyson Sunday afternoon. The Tennyson folks are song-minded and always have some fine song programs. They are starting the New Year in a fine way—singing as they start. Mr. Clark stated that everybody is cordially invited to attend.

HIGH SCHOOL VS. TOWN

The local town basketball team who defeated the San Angelo all stars Tuesday night, will play the Bronte high school team in the Bronte Gymnasium Friday night at 7:30.

en. As for the villains, far as we can, we will not see, and when we do see, we will try to forget, unless the wrongs are too infamous and too grievous! As for the "heroes and heroines," we not only want to share the uplift their fine, splendid "parts" in life's drama may bring us, but from "our house by the side of the road" we want to hand quaffs of refreshing water to strengthen them and beautiful bouquets of kindly words that will make life full of good cheer for them, and also the proverbial "glass of water" to all who pass our doors, whether he be villain or hero.

CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

Christmas

The Christmas charm is in the air
And Christmas voices sing,
The Christmas spirit everywhere
Makes the throbbing heartstrings ring.

Such pretty plottings going on,
Such calculations wise,
Hoping to please quite everyone—
Such loving schemes devise!

And, yet, there's heartache all the while,
And sometimes tears are shed,
As some must go without a smile,
To some no word is said.

Oh, tender Christ! Oh, Lord divine!
Help us to do our best,
To make the Brilliant Star to shine
Within some other breast.

The above beautiful lines were the Christmas Greetings of Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Porter of Fort Worth to the editor and wife, being composed by Dr. Porter. A brief personal letter from Dr. Porter to the editor accompanied the Greetings. We take the liberty to quote from the letter, even though it is private and personal—for we appreciate and cherish the friendship of this great and good man more than we can express in words:

"I am belated in sending you this Christmas Greeting. But when I got your card and the copy of the Bronte Enterprise, with your Christmas Poem I just must write you and send this little greeting even though late in doing so. I wish you knew how I prize your friendship. God bless you as you bless others.

"I call you one of my really truest and best friends."

Bronte School News

MISS DORIS GILREATH HOSTESS AT DINNER

In her home beautifully decorated in Christmas colors Miss Doris Gilreath entertained Tuesday evening with a dinner for a group of friends.

Those present were: Iva Dell Modgling, Gladys Ash, Clarine Gilreath, Doris McAuley, Margaret Lee, Louise Chumly, Maxine Walton and Geraldine Bell.

Red and green candy suckers with a note "Lest we forget," attached to each were given the guests as remembrances.

NEW YEAR'S SERVICES

At 11 A. M. Sunday, I will preach from St. John 17-4. Subject: "God's plan for our lives."

As we look back over the past, we shall also look to the future calling on God to lead us. Come and join us in the service. You are always welcome at the Methodist Church.

J. H. Thompson, Pastor

CAMP FIRE GIRLS MEET

The Camp Fire Girls met Tuesday afternoon in a business session. A hike for next week was planned.

Carl Waldie and Miss Daisy Wallace were united in marriage on the evening of December 19, at the Methodist Parsonage. Rev. Joe H. Thompson officiating. This happy event did not come to the notice of The Enterprise until too late for last weeks issue.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Richardson of Kansas City are spending the holidays with Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Thompson. Mr. Richardson is the brother of Mrs. Thompson.

BOY SCOUTS HAVE A GOOD MEET

Nineteen members of troop 32 of the Boy Scouts met Tuesday night. Martin Baze, assistant scout master, gave a lesson on first aid.

Several lessons on scouting which will aid advancement to a higher rank are to be given in the future.

Star Scouts of the troop are assisting the other boys in passing their work.

Plans are underway to organize a troop at Tennyson for the boys who are unable to attend the meetings here.

SENIOR GIRLS CHORAL CLUB ORGANIZED

The Senior Girls Choral Club has been organized with Miss Elizabeth Leonard and Miss Fay Kirkpatrick as sponsors. Eighteen girls were enrolled some of whom have dropped out while others have been added. At present there are seventeen high school girls in the club.

The officers are: Ruby Eubanks, president; Helen Abbott, vice-president; Geraldine Bell, secretary; Vanna Ruth Caperton, reporter. Other members are: Mary Jo Robbins, Elizabeth Baker, Nona Caudle, Alma Jane Cumbie, Corinne Brunson, Montie Alexander, Sibyl Wynn, Marjorie Percifull, Wanda Davison, Mary Ruth Youngblood, and Jewel Buford.

The club meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week and a one half unit is given for a years work. Since organizing the girls have sung on two chapel programs and they also sang Christmas Carols at the morning services of both Methodist and Baptist churches.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hudman and children were Christmas visitors with relatives at Dallas and Caddo. At Dallas they visited Mrs. Hudman's sister, Miss Sadie Odum, who is a nurse in Baylor hospital, and at Caddo they visited Mr. Hudman's brother, S. P. Hudman and family.

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Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm, or corporation which may occur in the columns of this paper will be gladly corrected upon being brought to the attention of the Editor.

MORE ABOUT EDWARD

If King Edward at the crucial moment had turned down Wally and kept his throne, his name would have gone down in history as that of just another king. By his abdication and his self-imposed exile for the woman he loves, he has won immortal fame. A thousand years from now perhaps the school children will read in their histories and in the classic literature of the day the story of "The King of the greatest empire of all time who gave up his throne for the love of a woman," or "How a woman won a king and shook an empire." The name of Stanley Baldwin perhaps will be long forgotten, unless it is preserved in connection with this story. What ever may be the defects in the moral character of Edward VIII, now merely Duke of Windsor, he can but be admired for his independence and courage, his disdain of prudery and wornout rules of the aristocracy whereby a king may not wed a commoner, for his deep and genuine love for a woman, for his democratic spirit and his sympathy for the laboring people of his empire. By yielding to the demands of his ministry, his bishop, and his family, that he spurn the love of Wally Warfield Simpson and retain his kingship, he might have pleased them greatly, but he would have deserved and received the contempt of most Americans and other right-thinking people. In England a king may yet be a necessary ornament and a means of holding the far-flung empire together, but we are glad that we do not have a king in this country. Furthermore, we are glad that we have no state-supported church in this country with a Bishop of Canterbury or something who has the power to prevent the marriage of our President to any intelligent and respectable woman he may love. We are glad too that no member of our Congress has the power that Stanley Baldwin as prime minister seems to wield in England. But with all their prudery and devotion to tradition, the English are a great people; and may Edward and Wally live happy ever afterward. —Yyun County News

A woman was voted the "champion liar" of 1936 by the Liar's Club of Chicago. A wise and just verdict, perhaps—for who would attempt to outwith the wits of a woman? Besides it is "so natural" for a woman to —"talk."

For West Texas, and especially that part of it in Bronteland, the New Year begins most favorably for the people generally. The early fall rains have brought small grain for pasturage, and weeds and grass in abundance for the ranchmen, with fat sheep and cattle grazing lazily here and there, and for the farmers the continued fine weather since the rains, the farms are plowed up and ready for the winter and early spring moisture that may come. All the above with the prices of ranch and farm products above the level, and the health of the people generally good, indeed, it is a beautiful situation that obtains as the last page of the book of the old year is turned and the book shut forever, save its memories, and the people open the new book of the Glad New Year of 1937. May its beginning only omen the good things that are to come to our people and our country for the year as a whole.

Mr and Mrs. Edwin Walton of Tyler were holiday guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Walton and Mr. and Mrs. G. M. McWilliams. They enjoyed a Christmas dining with Mrs. Walton's parents. Mr. and Mrs. McWilliams state that they had the happiest time of any of the family, as they had all the children with them that day. Mr. McWilliams is sending "the old home town" paper as a New Year present to Mr. and Mrs. Walton. This is a fine thing to do and many of our "home folks" could send their relatives and friends no gift that would be more appreciated by them.

BALES GINNED

The Census report shows that there were 3,555 bales of cotton ginned in Coke County from the crop of 1936 prior to December 13 as compared with 5,412 bales ginned to December 13, crop of 1935.

Rev. and Mrs. Lewis Stuckey were Christmas guests of relatives in Brownwood.

Edgar Bagwell of Hayrick who underwent an operation at Ballinger last week is reported doing fairly well, at this time.

LYNCHINGS IN 1936

Tuskegee Institute, Alabama
The Bronte Enterprise;
Dear Sir:

I am sending you the following information concerning lynchings for the year 1936. I find according to the records compiled in the Department of Records and Research of the Tuskegee Institute that there were 9 persons lynched in 1936. This is 11 less than the number 20 for 1935; 6 less than the number 15 for 1934; and 19 less than the number 28 for 1933. 6 of the persons lynched were in the hands of the law; 2 were taken from jails, and four from officers of the law outside of jails.

There were 35 instances in which officers of the law prevented lynchings. 5 of these were in Northern States and 30 in Southern States. In 30 of the instances the prisoners were removed or the guards augmented or other precautions taken. In the other 5 instances, armed force was used to repel the would be lynchers. A total of 69 persons, 7 White and 62 Negro, were thus saved from death at the hands of mobs.

Of the 9 persons lynched, all were Negroes. The offenses charged were: rape, 3; attempted rape, 3; murder, 1; activity in share cropper strike, 1; no charge reported, 1.

The States in which lynchings occurred and the number in each State are as follows: Arkansas, 2; Florida, 1; Georgia, 5; Mississippi, 1.

Yours very truly,
F. D. Patterson
President.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wall spent Christmas at Lubbock with the relatives of Mrs. Wall. They had a Christmas dining, with fifty relatives present, some of whom had not seen each other for twenty-five years. They reported a joyous time, except a car wreck in which some of the younger ones of the family were involved, but fortunately no one was injured.

CHRISTMAS QUIETLY OBSERVED AT BRONTE

The Christmas holidays were quietly observed in and around Bronte. There were no accidental deaths, or otherwise, and no car wrecks to mar the delights of the glad season. Home gatherings with the members of the family from other places returning for the occasion were the chief features of the days.

A Happy New Year

IS

OUR SINCERE WISH FOR EVERYBODY

And especially do we send Greetings to all our friends and customers. We just want to say

"Thank You"

For your business patronage and loyalty and to assure you that through the days of the New Year we want to serve you as heretofore—as promptly and courteously as we know how.

H. P. HUDMAN

THE FEED MAN

GREETINGS

A Happy New Year

The Stockholders, Members of the Board of Directors and the Officers of this Bank in the glad spirit of the New Year, wish all our friends and customers and the people generally of West Texas the best and the happiest of all the years.

1936

The year 1936 is now history. No wish of yours or ours could possibly change it, however, let us hope for you and yours a better, more prosperous 1937, bringing you health and happiness to the fullest extent.

1937

DEPOSITS INSURED BY The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation WASHINGTON, D. C. \$5000 MAXIMUM INSURANCE FOR EACH DEPOSITOR \$5000

FIRST NATIONAL BANK in Bronte

L. T. YOUNGBLOOD, PRESIDENT

IN THE GLAD SPIRIT OF THE NEW YEAR

We send Greetings to all our friends and patrons. Our wish for you and everyone is that 1937 may be

A Prosperous Happy Year

And that all of our country and the people generally may have unmeasured blessings. Let us express to you who have always been our customers.

Our Sincere Thanks

For your continued business confidence. As always in the past we shall strive every reasonable way to serve those who need building material supplies.

South Texas Lumber Co.
O. H. WILLOUGHBY, MANAGER

CONTRACTOR'S NOTICE OF TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for constructing 14.400 miles of Caliche Base Course with Asphalt Seal Coat from the Nolan County Line to Bronte on Highway No. 70, covered by Control 264-4-5, in Coke County, will be received at the State Highway Department, Austin, until 9:00 A. M., January 4, 1937, and then publicly opened and read.

The attention of bidders is directed to the Special Provisions concerning prevailing and minimum wage rates and hours of employment included in the proposals in compliance with House Bill No. 54 of the 43rd Legislature of the State of Texas, and House Bill No. 115 of the 44th Legislature of the State of Texas. The prevailing wage rates listed below shall apply as minimum wage rates on this project.

Title of "Laborer" "Workman" or "Mechanic"	Prevailing Minimum Per Diem Wage (Based on Eight (8) Hour Working Day)
Pump Operator	8.60
Roller Operator	3.60
Asphalt Distributor Operator	3.60
Asphalt Distributor Driver	3.60
Tractor Operator	3.60
Blade Grader Operator	3.60
Elevating Grader Operator	6.00
Power Shovel Operator	6.00
Power Shovel Oiler	3.60
Truck Driver (over 1 1/2 tons)	3.60
Truck Driver (1 1/2 tons and less)	2.40
Compressor Operator	3.60
Air Hammer Operator	3.60
Powder Man	3.60
Teamster	2.40
Dumper	2.40
Blacksmith	3.60
Cook	2.40
Water Boy	2.00
Watchman	2.40
Mechanic	3.60
Unskilled Laborer	2.40
Fireman	3.60
Crusher Operator	3.60
Head Form Setter	3.60

Overtime and legal holiday work shall be paid for at the regular governing rates.

Plans and specifications available at the office of A. F. Moursund, Division Engineer, San Angelo, Texas, and State Highway Department, Austin.

the "odorless" pipe of "Uncle Bill" Kellis, editor of the Sterling City News-Record. The facts (?) as disclosed to us by our informants seem to be about as follows:

"Uncle Bill through his many, many years as editor of his paper at Sterling City has established for himself quite a reputation as one who believes in "the freedom of the press"—always insisting that the press should be left unhampered and unembarrassed to print the facts as they are concerning whatever is of public interest. A circle of the friends of "Uncle Bill" in his home town believing thoroughly in his absolute sincerity with reference to "press freedom," believed he would print anything that was printable. Especially did they feel thus after his many years on "the yearlings making a pasture of the county's corner house lawn," and also with reference to the cats and dogs of his vicinity—relating how they always "hi-tailed" the tall weeds" when he got after them with a bottle of "high life," and about "the kids shootin' fireworks under his office door." It seems that "Uncle Bill" is addicted to smoking—something that no real printer is supposed to refrain from. The friends of "Uncle Bill" involved in the story, it seems, do not object to the fact that "Uncle Bill smokes—yes, verily, they are proud of that fact, it being a distinct mark of a good printer and capable country newspaper editor. But, prouder still, his friends assert, are they of his pipe. For, they assure this writer that no polecat has ever invaded a hen roost in any section of their town anywhere near the office of "Uncle Bill." And they attribute that fine situation to the fact that not even a polecat can withstand the fragrant(?) odor of the pipe of unknown vintage of "Uncle Bill." Therefore, these friends got together in private and grave conclave and passed res-

Air Men of the best	
Powder Man	3.60
Teamster	2.40
Dumper	2.40
Blacksmith	3.60
Cook	2.40
Water Boy	2.00
Watchman	2.40
Mechanic	3.60
Unskilled Laborer	2.40
Fireman	3.60
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the censored lines of England's newspapers and Wallie were like a nation-wide radio broadcast compared with what "Uncle Bill" did to his friends and their beautiful (?) lines.

The populace of his town becoming stirred about the obstinacy of "Uncle Bill" have appealed to us to aid them in maintaining "the freedom of the press" in giving all news in which the general public is interested. We, therefore can do nothing else than reproduce the lines and let the "big-eyed" world know that there is no "news suppression" around this office.

Seriously, when one has resided in a community for the long, long years that "Uncle Bill" has in his home town, and edited the newspaper of his community as "Uncle Bill" has in Sterling City, and has come to where "the shadows of life's day are lengthening," and yet is full of aspiration as ambitious almost as youth, and full of hope and good humor and vision, surrounded by friends, such as "Uncle Bill" has, as is disclosed in this good-natured joke they have perpetrated on him, indeed, he has not lived in vain. In a personal letter to us requesting that the above lines appear in our columns, the one writing us said kindly and beautiful things about "Uncle Bill." And with these friends and his other many friends throughout the West, extend happiest New Year Greetings to this good, kind, splendid gentleman of the old South, and seer of West Texas. He has lived among the Sterling folk until he become almost a prophet to them and they already rec-

Miss Iva Dell Modgling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Modgling is spending the holidays at home. Miss Modgling is a student of Mary Hardin-Baylor College at Belton. Miss Modgling states that she is enjoying her stay at college and her college work immensely.

Write it 1937.

New Year Resolutions

No better resolution could be made by anyone this New Year, than one resolving to pay cash for all foods used during the year 1937. Paying for foods after they are consumed is a hard bill to pay, besides everyone knows that it cost a grocer a lot to extend credit and that foods cost much more when charged. You will always save the most if your foods come from San Angelo's O. P. Skaggs System store.

Shortening

8 lbs. For 95c
All brands 8 lb. carton of Lard on sale this week for 95c each. 10 lb. cloth sacks sugar 55c. 100 lb. bags Butter milk Laying Mash \$2.95.

48 LB. SACK GUARANTEED FLOUR \$1.39

Our last car of O. P. S. fancy patent, all purpose, family flour contracted before wheat prices advanced, is being sold this week at \$1.39 per 48 lb. sack. No better flour can be had at any price. Every sack carries an unconditional, printed money back guarantee. O. P. S. is our own flour. Its our pride. Don't fail to get at least one sack this week.

CASH PAID FOR BUTTER AND EGGS

O.P. SKAGGS
COOK SYSTEM STORES

"A Surety of Purity"

As the New Year Dawns This Morning

WE EXTEND

HAPPIEST GREETINGS TO ALL

May Health, Prosperity and Happiness be the Portion of Everyone And May

1937

Be the best and happiest year everwise for all the people of Bronte and the Bronte country.

WE DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR FRIENDSHIP AND BUSINESS CONFIDENCE

Miss Iva Dell Modgling, Sib-roe Williams read the New Year Poems.

The hostess served a salad course to Mesdames Charles Baker, Cumbie Ivey, Lewis Stuckey, Roe Williams; Misses Geraldine Bell, Elizabeth Leonard, Martha Hunter, Ruby Eubanks, and Pauline Bell.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY PLANS WORK

Nine members of the Methodist Missionary Society met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. O. H. Willoughby.

Mrs. Floyd Bridges gave a devotional after which the time was spent in making plans for the New Years work. The hostess served refreshments.

BAPTIST W. M. S. MEETS AT MRS. YOUNGBLOODS

The Baptist Missionary Society met in a business session Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. L. T. Youngblood. Eight members were present.

All Baptist ladies are urged to attend an all day quarterly meeting at Ballinger, Wednesday, Jan. 7, 1937.

The primary grades are taking for their Art project this month Eskimo life.

The class of Tumblers has improved rapidly in their stunts. They have tumbled once in chapel and once in P. T. A. The class has twenty members.

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Beginning on Friday evening January 15, and continuing thru Saturday and Saturday evening of the 16th a basketball tournament will be held in the Bronte gymnasium. All teams from this part of the state will attend. The public is invited to attend these games.

Come to P. T. A. Tuesday afternoon January 12, at 8:15 and hear an interesting program on "Efficiency" to be discussed by Mrs. Irvin Cumbie and Mrs. F. S. Higginbotham. Other certain members are invited.

REMEMBER: Our gin plant will be gone over in due time and every piece of machinery will be in first class condition for ginning when the first bate is ready next ginning season.

FARMERS' GIN

BRONTE J. D. LUTTRELI, Manager TEXAS

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1936

The First National Bank of Ballinger Ballinger, Texas

To Our Customers and Friends:

On behalf of every director, officer and employee of this bank, we wish, as the New Year dawns, to express to you our appreciation of your friendship and patronage.

Together we have swung once more "around the circle" and with each passing year we appreciate more keenly what our friends mean to us. We shall continue to devote our best efforts to your service.

According to our usual custom for thirty-one years, we will have for distribution

Beginning Saturday, January 2, 1937, Our Calendars for the New Year

"SUNRISE"

A reproduction of original painting by Maxfield Parrish.

Calendars will not be mailed. Children must have written order from parent or guardian.

May the New Year be rich in well-deserved rewards for you.

Member: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
Ballinger, Texas

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means to thank the people of this community in their efforts to save our home. Mere words are insufficient to express our gratitude.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Bannowsky and family.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Clark gave a Christmas dining, Christmas Day, having as guests their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. George Clark of McLean, and Mrs. Clark's two brothers and families, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Percifull of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Jess Percifull.

NOTICE

My farm south of Bronte for lease.

Jack Norman. It.

an empire. The name of Stanley Baldwin perhaps will be long forgotten, unless it is preserved in connection with this story. What ever may be the defects in the moral character of Edward VIII, now merely Duke of Windsor, he can but be admired for his independence and courage, his disdain of prudery and wornout rules of the aristocracy whereby a king may not wed a commoner, for his deep and genuine love for a woman, for his democratic spirit and his sympathy for the laboring people of his empire. By yielding to the demands of his ministry, his bishop, and his family, that he spurn the love of Wally Warfield Simpson and retain his kingship, he might have pleased them greatly, but he would have deserved and received the contempt of most Americans and other right-thinking people. In England a king may yet be a necessary ornament and a means of holding the far-flung empire together, but we are glad that we do not have a king in this country. Futhermore, we are glad that we have no state-supported church in this country with a Bishop of Canterbury or something who has the power to prevent the marriage of our President to any intelligent and respectable woman he may love. We are glad too that no member of our Congress has the power that Stanley Baldwin as prime minister seems to wield in England. But with all their prudery and devotion to tradition, the English are a great people; and may Edward and Wally live happy ever afterward. —Yynn County News

A woman was voted the "champion liar" of 1936 by the Liar's Club of Chicago. A wise and just verdict, perhaps—for who would attempt to outwith the wits of a woman? Besides it is "so natural" for a woman to —"talk."

For West Texas, and especially that part of it in Bronteland, the New Year begins most favorably for the people generally. The early fall rains have brought small grain for pasturage, and weeds and grass in abundance for ranchmen with fat sheep and cattle grazing lazily.

This Glad New Year Morning

I SEND

My Heartiest Greetings

TO ALL MY FRIENDS IN BRONTE AND

Throughout Coke County. May life's richest and fairest blessings come to our county and people this year, is my deepest wish for all.

COMMAND ME WHEN I CAN SERVE YOU AS YOUR COUNTY CLERK

Willis Smith

GREETINGS FOR

The Happy New Year of 1937

May the New Year be bright and happy, day by day, as it comes and goes and may as few sorrows possible fall upon you, is my deepest wish this glad New Year morning for all my friends and patrons. And I pause here to

"THANK YOU"

Heartily and sincerely for the continued patronage given me by each of you through the past. For the New Year I will be at my shop, ready to do your blacksmithing, acetylene and electric welding and all other work in my line.

D. Y. Roberts

BLACKSMITHING, ACETYLENE and ELECTRIC WELDING

MARRIED

The Enterprise has received the announcement of the marriage of Mr. Fred C. Anderson and Miss Edna Adelle Thomason, both of Austin, at Ballinger, at six o'clock, on the evening of December 25, 1936, at the home of Rev. Wallace Jones, pastor of the First Christian church of that city, Rev. Jones officiating.

Mr. Anderson has been connected with the American Surety Company of Dallas and Austin for several years.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Marshall of Maverick. She has been a teacher in the music department of the Austin public schools for years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are widely known and have many friends who wish them increasing happiness in life. The two departed immediately after their marriage for Monterey, Mexico on a short honeymoon, following which they will be at home in Austin.

Dwain Leonard is spending the holidays at home, from Canyon where he is a student in college.

AN ELEGANT DINING

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Robinson were host and hostess at a dining Sunday, to a group of their friends, at their home, north of town.

A table literally burdened with all the delicacies almost known to culinary art, and served in good old-fashioned southern style made up the menu. Mrs. Robinson was assisted in serving by her daughter, Mrs. Joe Warner. Some forty guests were present, including the editor and Mrs. editor, who relished the delicious lunch as well as enjoying the social features of the day.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire in this way to express our deepest thanks to all our friends and the good people generally of Bronte for their kindness to our sister, Miss Rhodie Hagemann, during her illness and for your kindly ministries in putting her body away, when she died. Her brothers and sisters

LOST OR STOLEN

Dark gray overcoat in either Robert Lee, Bronte, Blackwell or on the highway. Return to Nathan W. Coulter, San Angelo, Texas.

LET US EXTEND TO OUR FRIENDS

Our Greetings For

THE GLAD NEW YEAR, 1937

May the very best of all things come to you during the incoming year. Accept our Thanks.

Please

For your continued business, loyalty and patronage.

City Drug Store

MRS. L. JOHNSON, Owner

New Year Greetings

TO OUR FRIENDS IN BRONTE AND ON THE BALLINGER MAIL STAR ROUTE

Let us haul your packages for you this New Year. Strict attention to every parcel entrusted to us for transmission. It will be greatly appreciated.

M. M. EVANS

BALLINGER STAR ROUTE MAIL CARRIER

GREETINGS

Happy New Year

Members of the Board of Directors and the Officers of spirit of the New Year, wish all our friends and people generally of West Texas the best and the hap-

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For Thirty-one Years

It has been our privilege and joy to live among and associate with and work together with the good people of Bronte and the Bronte country. Hence there is no people and no community to us like the people and the community in and around Bronte.

The Results of Our Labors Together

Have been fruitful. We have had but few sorrows possible fall upon you, is my deepest wish this glad New Year morning for all my friends and patrons. And I pause here to

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We have much in with you through the past. For the New Year I will be at my shop, ready to do your blacksmithing, acetylene and electric welding and all other work in my line.

NATIONAL BANK

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YOUNGBLOOD, PRESIDENT