

There there were no paper published the last week in December

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The Holy Gift.

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Ad lib.

1. O Beth-le-hem of Ju-dah's land, Far dis-tant tho' thou be,
2. The Gift, by prop-hets long fore-told, Lay cra-died in thy gloom,
3. O Beth-le-hem, how dark those years When Christ in thee was born,
4. But Beth-le-hem, since that dear night When an-gels sang His birth,

Thro' grate-ful tears and fleet-ing years, Our hearts turn back to thee;
For sin-ful men were heed-less when He sought for na-tal room;
The cup of dross, the cru-el cross And crown of pierc-ing thorn!
His ho-ly name, in sweet ac-claim, Has ech-od round the earth,

We dream a-gain of star-lit plain And shep-herd's peace-ful fold,
The white star's splen-dor gen-tly fell Where soft-eyed cat-tle stood,
O dark-ened hearts of sin-ful men, O priests of blind-ed eyes,
And wait-ing mor-tals still can hear That song re-sound a-gain,

Where ho-ly light streamed thro' the night As an-gel an-thems rolled,
And in its ray, the Lord Christ lay In ho-ly ba-by-hood.
The Son of God has blessed your sod And sanc-ti-fied your skies,
While earth and sky, u-nit-ed, cry The grand A-men! A-men!

When Santa Claus Came To Town



The above photo shows a large crowd of kiddies of Robert Lee and vicinity who took their picture with Santa Claus; December 7th. in the streets of Robert Lee when the Standard Times of San Angelo sent Santa Claus to Robert Lee to visit with the little children here. Note one boy sitting on Santa's shoulder.

Anyone wishing any of these pictures, can get them from Miss Christine Thetford, who has the films.

The Methodist Church

B. B. Edmiston, pastor.

Sunday School 10 A. M. opening services in the assembly rooms, J. S. Craddock general superintendent. Preaching at 11 A. M. and at 7:30 P. M. by the pastor. Special Christmas services in story and song at the morning hour. Christmas tree at the church Tuesday evening, December 24. There will be no "Church Night" meeting Wednesday, December 25, it being Christmas. The Epworth League meets Sunday evening

at 6:30. Let us celebrate Christmas, the birthday of Christ, by giving good cheer to others, thus honoring His name. May no one abuse the holy season, or refuse a loving gift of either material substance or human kindness, to those in need, but—
As Jesus gave Himself upon the cross,
That we from sin might have release,
Let us no sacrifice esteem as loss,
But count it gain to give sweet peace.

The Christmas Tree

I am a Christmas tree. I am not the kind that is all aglow one day in the year and then is cast aside and forgotten. I am a sturdy evergreen which took root in this community long ago, grew as it grew slowly, then flourished in its days of prosperity until now I stand as a landmark for the community throughout the year. But as a Christmas tree I bear upon my branches gifts for all of you. My gifts are these: News—all the news for all the people all the time; clean news, wholesome news, news of hope and not of despair; the kind of news that you can read and talk over around the family circle; Ideals and Faith and Courage—ideals toward which to strive to make our community a better place in which to live, faith in the essential righteousness and honesty of our people, courage in upholding the cause of justice and condemning the wrong; Leadership and Progressiveness and Service—leadership in those causes which make for the good of our community, progressiveness in seeing beyond the immediate need and the immediate fulfillment of that need; service to the community in protecting its people from danger and fraud and sorrow. These gifts I bear for all of you—for your schools, your churches, your public institutions, your homes, your children and for each and every one of you as individuals.

All these gifts that are freely yours to have throughout the year, I offer you again at this glad season of peace on earth, good will and happiness to all. For I am a Christmas tree. I am your HOME PAPER.

—THE PUBLISHERS

Letters to Santa Claus

Robert Lee, Texas
December 16, 1929

Dear Old Santa:

Bring me a wagon with horses hitched to it, a ball, a gun and some fire work. I also want some nuts, candy and fruit.

Your little friend,
J. I. Jr. Murtishaw.

Robert Lee, Texas
December 13, 1929

Dear Santa Clause:

How are you this present day I am just fine I would like to have a doll with long curly black hair and I also would like to have a baby buggy that I could roll it in. And my little brother says that he would like to have a little car and would also like to have a foot ball.

Yours truly
Erlene Jackson

Robert Lee Texas
Dec. 14, 1929

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring to us a pretty

doll, a piano, and a telephone that ring and fruits and candies.

Yours truly,

Zelma Pauline and
Clinton Maxine Slaughter.

Robert Lee, Texas
December 16, 1929

Dearest Santa:

Please bring me a doll, a table and two little chairs, a story book, a ball and a little cedar chest. Bring me candy nuts and fruit.

Your little friend,
Maurine Murtishaw

Bronte, Texas,
December 17, 1929.

Dear Santa Clause:

I am a little girl 11 months old have a little Christmas tree and want you to leave for me a Baby Doll, Ring Bell, Choo Choo train and a little Red Wagon a very little fruit or candy as I only have 8 teeth and can't eat much. Dont forget Mother and Daddie.

Your little friend,
Sammie Lee Good.

Christmas Tree

At this season when everyone is imbued with the Christmas spirit there is need of some avenue for the supression of it. Hence Christmas Trees.

The Baptist Sunday School is having a tree on Christmas Eve, 7: 30 P. M. the public is cordilly invited to have a part in it. Come bring the presents and the children and enjoy the occasion. Santa Clause will be there.

A good short program has been aranged and you will enjoy it as well the tree. Lets all be there, come on time. If you have told Santa Clause what to bring be sure to tell him in time for him to have it there for you.

Notice

Elder W. A. Bently of Abeline will fill his regular appointment at the Church of Christ at Robert Lee. On the 4th. Sunday and Saturday night before. Every body is invited.

Baker-Hemphill's

San Angelo,

Texas

A Merry Christmas To You All!

We wish you the happiest of Yuletides and extend our heartiest good wishes

May the blessings of the season greet you and yours, and prosper all those about you.

We thank you for the many kind favors you have bestowed upon us this past year, and hope that we may have the pleasure of seeing you here among us many times in the future.

Wishing For Everyone a
Merry Christmas
and a Happy and
Prosperous New Year

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Save 20 per cent

on carpenter work on any building.

Let us figure your job laid down at a guaranteed price and see how much you save on your building



**W. E. Newton
Lumber Co.**

Wild Cat Meows

Mr. J. I. Murtishaw moved to Sterling City Sunday. Mrs. Annie Marr his sister, accompanied him home. She will leave some time next week for San Antonio where she expects to spend Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Kerley spent Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Tom Smith of Edith.

Miss Ila Bell Patterson spent last week-end with Miss Irma Ditmore.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Murtishaw were in town Friday on business.

Misses Beth Gilmore and Yvonne Kerley spent last week end with Miss Bart Page.

Mrs. Homer Carwile of Sanco spent last week-end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Smith.

Miss Ellie Ditmore is visiting a few days with relatives at Silver.

Mrs. W. E. Willbanks of San Angelo visited relatives here last week end.

Misses Wilfred Murtishaw Freeman Clark, Drue Scroggins Chism Brown all of Robert Lee, were out in this part of the country bird hunting Sunday.

Live Wire.

First Prayers in English
The First Book of Common Prayer, which was printed in 1549, in the time of Edward VI, substituted the English language for the Latin, in which all other service books had been written.

Happiness and Joy to You
at This Christmastide



Our Christmas wish is joy and happiness to you. It is the hope of our heart that the peace of hope, faith and love will heal all your sorrows; and that the spirit of Christmas will make you glad with the gladness of good will to men.

Christmas comes and goes, but there is an abiding presence to stand with us in all the day, to guide our hearts and make good neighbors of us.

Accept our wish for a happy, happy Christmas. Accept our greetings of a friend. We wish for you all the good things that come to anyone.



Robert Lee Gin Co.



Season's Greetings

CHRISTMAS—what memories of Love, Unfailing Service, Trust and Faith are brought to mind at this period of the year—brought to mind for expression to friends and loved ones.

Helping to bring Christmas Joy to over 33,000 families of West Texas, this servant of the people wishes its many friends—old and new—the greatest of joy and happiness and the utmost of prosperity.

The members of the West Texas Utilities Company Family unite in wishing our friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

West Texas Utilities Company

Notice of School Election for Consolidation of Common School Districts.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF COKE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That an Election Will Be Held On The 21st day of December, 1929, at the School Building in Paint Creek Common School District No. 30 in Coke County, Texas, to determine whether or not a majority of the legally qualified resident voters of said district desire that said Paint Creek Common School District No. 30, be consolidated with Wildcat Common School District No. 21 in said Coke County, Texas.

Joe Field has been appointed presiding officer for said election and he shall select two judges to assist him in holding the same and shall, within five days after said election has been held, make due return thereof to the Commissioners' Court of this County as is required by law for holding a General Election.

And all persons who are legally qualified voters of this State and of this County and who are residents of said District shall be entitled to vote at said election, and all voters desiring to support the proposition to consolidate said Common School Districts shall have written or printed on their ballots, the words:

"FOR THE CONSOLIDATION OF PAINT CREEK COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 30 WITH WILDCAT COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 21."

And those opposed to the proposition to consolidate said Common School districts shall have written or printed on their ballots, the words:

"AGAINST THE CONSOLIDATION OF PAINT CREEK COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 30 WITH WILDCAT COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 21."

Said election was ordered by the County Judge of this County by order made on the 26th day of November, A. D. 1929, and this notice is given in pursuance of said order.

Dated 26th day of November, 1929.

W. H. Bell,
County Judge of Coke County, Texas.

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Henry Ford has set the pace of Hoover's plan to speed up production and building programs of the nation's big concerns in order to help the employment situation. Ford increased the wages of his employees \$20,000,000 as a starter. Besides this vast increase, he says the 1930 output of cars will be the greatest in history. Other large concerns have assured Mr. Hoover of their cooperation in his plan, and contemplated building will be rushed to completion. Millions upon millions of dollars will be invested in new enterprises the coming year, and everything points to prosperity for Uncle Sam's domain.

More or Less True

It is a happy marriage if, when insect is mentioned, friend wife doesn't immediately think of the thing she separates from its pay envelope every Saturday night.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Looked Us Over

Bees have about 5,000 eyes. So we gather such solace as we can out of the fact that those which have lit on us have done so through careful choice.

Glacier's "Diary"

The general belief that a glacier moves slowly and smoothly down a mountainside has been shattered. Investigations covering 17 years have shown that ice fields move forward with spasmodic jerks as streams accumulate. This was shown by a "diary" in the form of lines scratched by two needles on a clock-driven disk.

For Your Scrapbook

It is the wisdom of rats that will leave a house some time before it falls.—Francis Bacon.

Boudoir; Sulking Place

Most of us refer to the dictionary only when doubt about the meaning or spelling of a word compels us; yet, picked up at odd moments, a good dictionary can be very entertaining. It answers many interesting questions. Why, for example, does a woman retire to her boudoir? Is it thought to be alone? The dictionary says: for boudoir, a word of French origin, means a sulking place!

Blacksmithing

Remember we have a Disc Roller that sharpens a Disc as good as is done in any town or city. Bring in that Disc and let us convince you.

We are well prepared for all classes of Blacksmithing, such as plow sharpening, soldering, axe grinding, etc.

J. J. Vestal & Son

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The Observer

Entered in the postoffice at Robert Lee, Texas, as second-class mail matter.

A. W. PUETT Editor and Business Manager

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One year in advance.....\$1.00
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The cause of human progress is our cause, the enfranchisement of human thought our supreme wish, the freedom of human conscience our mission, and the guarantee of equal rights to all people everywhere the end of our contention.

He Lives at Home

R. R. Marsh lives at Patonia, Polk County, Texas. He lives in the house he was born in sleeps in the very room where he first saw the light of day. And he has never lived anywhere else. That house was built in 1859. It is still a good house. On his farm is another good house that was built in 1848. They took time in those days and built for permanence.

Mr. Marsh lives on the farm. But don't weep for him. Save your sympathy for farmers that complain. He says in a letter to The Semi Weekly Farm News, "Never bought any feed for my stock in my life; never went to my crib but what I found corn in it; never bought a pound of bacon or a sack of meal for home use." And Mrs. Marsh, he adds, never cooked with any lard except that from hogs grown on the place.

Mr. Marsh has five boys and is proud of them. He is still partner with his wife, contented with his lot and square with the world. He keeps up with events has been reading The Semi-Weekly Farm News for forty years—and knows what is going on. But he doesn't stress farm relief in his letter. He doesn't even mention it. Mr. Marsh doesn't need anybody to help him live at home, except the people who help to make up the home. There seems to be a suggestion for thought in this case of R. R. Marsh, Patonia, Polk County. —Dallas Semi-Weekly Farm News.

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And all persons who are legally qualified voters of this State and of this County and who are residents of said District shall be entitled to vote at said election, and all voters desiring to support the proposition to consolidate said Common School Districts shall have written or printed on their ballots, the words:

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1929, and this notice is given in pursuance of said order. Dated 26th day of November, 1929.

W. H. Bell,
County Judge of Coke County,
Texas.

Bill Der Says

Build today so you won't have to move tomorrow



Merry Christmas TO ALL

It is our unbounded hope that Christmas will dawn upon an era of new happiness and prosperity for you.

It is a wish straight from our hearts that you and yours may share the victory of

"Peace Upon Earth, Good Will to Men."

You have been the mainstay and the strength of our business life, and as Christmas morning looms with its message of peace and good will, we extend to you and yours our heartiest greetings and thanks, and our wish for many more Christmas days of peace, prosperity, and happiness without end.



W. E. Newton

Don't neglect Colds

Colds in chest or throat, so often lead to something serious—you can start easing them in 5 minutes with Musterole! Applied once every hour it should bring relief. Used by millions for 20 years. Recommended by doctors and nurses.



Florida's Entry Into Family
By treaty of 1819 Spain ceded Florida to the United States on July 1, 1821. This came as a result of many long controversies between the two countries in regard to Florida. Civil government was not established until 1822.

Moon Has Little Effect
The naval observatory says that the direct effect of the moon on the temperature of the earth is entirely inappreciable.

Musical Notation
The earliest attempt at notation in music was probably made by the Hindus and Chinese at a very early date. Notation was also known to the Greeks. The modern system was devised by the Italian Guido of Arezzo.

Best Wishes to You At CHRISTMAS

As we think of the generous way in which you have patronized our business, we are moved to thank all of our friends for the good feeling shown toward us.

As Christmas approaches, we hasten to offer you our most sincere and hearty wishes for a joyful Christmas, attended with a super-abundance of good will, happiness, and well-being.

In a spirit of the greatest possible neighborliness we wish for you a Christmas unclouded by care, and brightened with all that is good.

San Angelo Telephone Co.

Christmas Greetings, Folks!



Our Christmas greeting to you is this: May your Christmas be a happy one, and may no other day be less bright.

Merry Christmas, friends.

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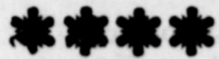
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Christmas Day



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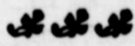


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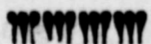
Merry Greetings for
a Happy Day



Now comes Christmas, the happiest day of the year. Families are reunited, gifts are exchanged. And there is a spirit in the day that is greater than all the treasures of the earth.

One of the greatest treasures of our business is the good will of our many loyal friends. One of our greatest pleasures is to extend you this greeting of the season, and to wish for you an unlimited drawing account on the bank of good will, peace, prosperity health, and happiness.

Please accept these words as a real expression of our feeling: Merry, merry Christmas to you!



Coke Motor Co.

NEW RADIO TRENDS STRESSED IN SHOWS

Simplified Tuning and Screen
Grid Tubes Are the
Big Features.

Simplification in tuning, popularity of screen grid tubes and exceptionally artistic cabinets for radio receivers are among the outstanding features of the radio shows which now are in progress throughout the United States. Quantity production has brought the greatest values ever offered.

An innovation is the offering by one of the largest manufacturers of the first battery operated Radiolas whose performance is comparable to those of socket power. This development, made possible by loudspeaker refinements and the increased efficiency of the screen grid at a low current consumption, is being welcomed by owners of homes unwired for electricity.

Although the screen grid leads in the new models as a radio frequency amplifier, another new Radiotron, the UX-245, is used widely as an outstanding part of the audio systems. The UY-227 and other standard tubes also retain their popularity for the specific uses for which they are best suited.

The famous super heterodyne circuit is employed in one of the newest Radiolas, attracting attention at the shows, but quantity production has put this model for the first time in a price class within the reach of the vast majority of listeners.



The entire control mechanism of one modern radio receiver. Illuminated dial numbers show on the escutcheon window when the set is turned on.

Simplified tuning in some models exhibited takes the form of tuning and volume control from one combination knob. In others it is aided by a magnified tuning scale which throws illuminated numbers of a size which can be read easily upon a translucent composition window in the escutcheon. This Radiola tuning scale is the research laboratory's answer to the problem of tuning receivers placed in positions where the light is not good.

In the Sixth Annual Radio World's Fair in New York a radio Pageant of Progress, prepared at a cost of more than \$100,000 by the Exhibition Division of the Radio-Victor Corporation, traced by means of historic apparatus, replicas and true to scale models the story of radio from Marconi to the present. Similar historical exhibits of radio are being placed by Radio-Victor in other shows. George Clark, manager of the Exhibition Division, is secretary of a committee cooperating with the Smithsonian Institution and government officials in creating a national museum of radio, which eventually will house many of the exhibits being shown by his company.

Television demonstrations under the auspices of the Radio Corporation at the New York show indicated real progress, but the engineers whose brilliant work was responsible for the improvements were careful to point out that other problems still remained to be solved before television would be practical for home sets.

Nature's Protection

The leaf butterfly is so named because its gayly colored wings fold together when it alights and it becomes so like a leaf in appearance that even the sharpest eyes pass it unnoticed.

Wisdom From Plutarch

Persistence is more prevailing than violence, and many things which cannot be overcome when they are together yield themselves up when taken little by little.—From Dryden's translation of Plutarch's Lives Plutarch (46-120 A. D.) (?), in "Life of Sertorius."

Christmas Comes to Open Hearts



All the glory of Christmas comes to those who live in peace on earth with good will to men. May it come as a brightly welcome day to you, reviving you with happiness, filling you with joy

We would not feel that Christmas had really come if we did not express our greeting to you, and our hearty hope that all is well with you.

So please regard this simple message to you as our appreciation of you, written in friendship with the hope that you will be blessed with all good things of Christmas.

South Side
Service Station

J. K. IOFTON Prop.



May Your
CHRISTMAS
Be a Happy One

As the year draws to its close, and the celestial bells of Christmas joy chime out the old, old message of peace on earth, good will to men, tranquility and happiness reign again in the hearts of mankind.

Our wish for you is that this Christmas will be the cheeriest day that you have ever known, that you will long cherish it in your heart as a bright day of peace, good will, and happiness.

May you be blessed with full understanding and sympathy for your fellowmen, peace, health, and prosperity. We wish this for you, and extend our greeting of a merry Christmas to you.

Percifull & Dodson
The Gin Men

MAY CHRISTMAS FIND YOU GLAD AND Light-Hearted



It is too little we can say to you as the dawn of Christmas day waits in the east. It is not enough that we can thank you for what you have done for us, and not enough that we wish all good things for you.

But we hope that you will accept this, our earnest greeting to you, as a token of the regard we have for you as neighbors and friends.

The truth beams down upon all with the white message of hope and faith:

**Peace Upon Earth
Good Will to Men**

At this new Christmas please accept our heart-felt hope that all is well with you, and that gladness and peace will abide with you.

W. H. BELL
County Judge



Our Heart Is In Our Wish Of MERRY CHRISTMAS to You



Words cannot frame our Christmas greetings. We are too full of appreciation for words to be large enough to express our feeling at this time.

But by saying again the old familiar greeting,

Merry Christmas

We hope to let you know that we truly appreciate your patronage, and that we truly wish for you all the best things that Christmas time can bring.

May you be showered with prosperity health and happiness. May you and yours be blessed with a joyous day long remembered. And we hope that in the midst of your happiness you will hear our greeting merry Christmas.



City Drug Store

H. C. Allen

G. C. Allen

RADIO TELEGRAPH EXPANDS SERVICE

Recent additions to the radio telegraph service from the United States are of special interest now as indications that America is striving to hold her own in a radio telegraph leadership, which is made more difficult to maintain by the British merger of radio telegraph and cables. The announcement that R.C.A. Communications, Inc., will begin work at once to establish an inland telegraph network in fourteen strategic cities in the United States, with plans for 29 inland stations, as wave lengths are granted, also has added to the country-wide attention to this modern means of communication.

Within the last few weeks three new direct international circuits have been announced by W. A. Winterbottom, Vice-President in charge of Communications of R.C.A. Communications, Inc., to Spain, Syria and Costa Rica.

Several reductions of rates for radio telegraph service also have been announced recently by Mr. Winterbottom. It was the competition of radio telegraph which forced a reduction of cable rates by which users have saved \$50,000,000 in the last eight years.

OWNERS OF RADIO IN EVERY STATE

An interesting insight into the widely distributed ownership of the radio industry in the United States is given by the summary and classification of the stock of the Radio Corporation of America, the largest radio organization in the world. The latest statement shows stockholders in every State in the Union. Ninety-nine per cent of the class A common stock is owned in the United States, much of it being in the hands of small investors.

Although there is a good showing in the industrial East, as in the case of all stocks, New York State having 1,291 class A common stockholders, Illinois has 357 stockholders in the same classification. California lists 134 class A common stockholders, almost as many as New Jersey, which has 140.

Among the thirty-four foreign countries in which there are holders of class A common stock are such widely separated points as Argentina, Austria, British Guiana, Honduras, Egypt, India, Venezuela, Norway, Japan and Ireland.

Light Belt in Sky

The milky way is the great belt or zone of light which stretches across the sky at an angle of about 63 degrees to the equinoctial and extends from horizon to horizon. It is produced by blended light of myriads of stars, though when viewed with unaided eye it appears as a great expanse of diffused light. Stars are not distributed uniformly throughout the milky way and many of them, it is thought, are suns, the centers of planetary systems.

Islands Well Wooded

The area of the six islands of the Samoan Archipelago belonging to the United States is 60,000 acres, says the American Tree association. The forest area is perhaps 70 per cent of this, or 42,500 acres.

Women Get the Money

Women are beneficiaries of \$70,000,000,000 of life insurance in the United States. They receive 70 per cent of all legacies left by men and 64 per cent of those left by women.—American Magazine.

Mother Nature's Wisdom

A strange provision of nature protects the knob-cone pine of the Pacific coast. Seeds of the cones are rarely discharged until the tree has been destroyed by a forest fire, when the heat liberates the seeds to establish new growth.

Speed: Slate Quarrying

The wire saw has revolutionized slate quarrying in Pennsylvania. The general average of cutting is about twenty to twenty-five square feet per hour. The traveling speed of the wire is about fifteen feet per second.

Eastern Superstition

The faces of 'jables in India and Persia are often washed in the liquid in which holly bark has been soaked, as a charm against evil spirits.

HAPPINESS TO YOU Peace to Those You Love

To you, our good friends and good neighbors, we extend the greeting of this happy season.

May the star of peace shine steadfastly above your home, and the spirit of good will dwell in your heart. This is our earnest Christmas wish.

May you have the triumphant victory of the true Christmas spirit of peace and good will. May your heart expand and the joy of life broaden in you as this spirit grows in you.

We wish for you the happiness of an unbroken household, the joy of friendly living, and the peace of prosperity.



C. M. Barger



WE GREET YOU AT CHRISTMAS

With a wish for your happiness we greet you. With thanks for your friendship and good will we greet you. We greet you with a wish that your disappointment fade to nothing, and your happiness increase a thousandfold.

We cannot say what we would like to say to you as the spirit of Christmas is over the land. What we would like to say is too big for words.

As the morning of Christmas breaks over the roof of your home, we wish happiness, peace, prosperity, and lightness of heart for you. We wish for you such a joy as you have never known before, and sincerely hope that it will be with you time without end.



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May Your Christmas Be Happy

The good will of our patrons and friends is one of our most valuable assets: The spirit of the season brings to us renewed appreciation of old associates and new friends. May your Christmas be happy and may success attend your New Year, is the cordial wish of

W. M. SIMPSON



Friends, We Wish Much HAPPINESS FOR YOU

The day approaches when each human heart is mellowed with the spirit of Him who spoke the words of peace upon earth and good will to men.

As Christmas day comes nearer to our homes and our hearts, we offer to you the most sincere greeting that we can put into words.

May your Christmas and all the rest of the days of your life be better and happier for the spirit of peace and good will. May a harvest of concord and good fellowship be yours. May happiness be your lot, and the abundance of joy that belongs to good friends and good neighbors.

G. A. Harmon

Tax Assessor

Lost Boy

MOTHER SEEKS word from **DAVID J. CHODROWE** David, please write to your distracted parents. Hope news of boy will prolong grandmother's life.

His grandmother is critically ill, and it is hoped that news of his safety would prolong her life.

His mother thinks he may be using name of "David James."

For those whom a y h a v e seen the lad, or may see him in the future, the mother gives this description:

His height: 6 feet 1 1-2 in;
Weight: about 190 pounds;
Eye brows: dark and very heavy; and almost meet at bridge of nose;

Hair: dark brown, and coarse;

Eyes: hazel;

Complexion: medium, tanned from sun.

Appears to be about 21 or 22 years of age. He is quiet, and does not make friends; uses perfect English, and is a lover of good literature—visits libraries.

His mother will be glad to know if anyone has seen him within past six months, and where.

Write to Mrs. Celia Chodrowe, 121 Daviston St., Springfield, Mass. If anyone knows his whereabouts now, please telegraph her.

How Times Change

Formerly it was the general idea that men played golf not because they liked the game but because it was accepted as indicating they could afford to meet people who professed to like it.—American Magazine.

Early Written Works

Illuminated manuscripts are those whose texts are brightened and heightened by vignettes and otherwise decorated in colors or in gold and silver. Fifteen centuries before Christ the papyrus rolls of the Book of the Dead were illuminated with brilliantly colored scenes. Later, as writing became alphabetic, the important letters were illuminated.

Common Fault

"In studyin' a great man," said Uncle Eben, "you is liable to find it too easy to imitate his little weaknesses instead of his big strength."—Washington Star.

Another Myth?

It is usually believed that our troops in the Revolution wore no uniforms or if they did they were all ways in rags. It is another of the myths that have become our heritage.—Woman's Home Companion.

Beyond Praise

Doth perfect beauty stand in need of praise at all? Nay; no more than law, no more than truth, no more than loving kindness, nor than modesty.—Marcus Aurelius Antoninus (121-180 A. D.), "Meditations."

Provident Ant

The eggs of a certain aphid, which are of no direct use to the ants, are brought into the nest and protected carefully from the severity of winter until the warm weather comes, when the young aphides are brought out and put on their food plants, walled in by little "cattle pens" of earth. By keeping these eggs safe for six months the ants insure a supply of the food delicacy during the following summer.

Relief From Windstorms

Swinging windows, hinged skylights or roof panels in buildings located in storm-swept areas will prevent much of the damage resulting from tornadoes. By placing the automatic air vents in from 10 to 15 per cent of the walls and roof the explosive effect caused by the sudden lowering of the air pressure outside of the structure will be robbed of much of its destructive force.

Happy Christmas Good People!



Truly Christmas is the spirit of real and abiding happiness. Truly all men are brothers, and the law of the earth is peace and good will.

Accept our Christmas greeting as a wish for the happiness of you and those you love. May your friends be as numerous as the sands of the seaside, and your blessings of peace and prosperity as far-reaching as the limits of infinity.

To you, because you are a friend, we offer a message of hope and faith at Christmas time, a hope that you will be filled with joy and contentment, and faith in you as a neighbor and comrade.



S. J. RUSSELL
Sheriff



Good Morning! Happy Christmas!

Christmas will be here soon now. The time of buying and selling will be forgotten. For Christmas goes into the hearts of everyone.

It is our true hope that Christmas morning will dawn upon you as it dawned those hundreds of years ago across the plains of Palestine, upon a scene where truly there was peace, good will, and happiness.

At Christmas time we offer to you our sincere thanks for the kindness you have shown to our business. We offer our thanks for your neighborliness and the friendliness of the dealing we have had with you.

And it is the greatest wish we have that this Christmas will long stand in your memory as one of the outstanding happy days of your life.

E. T. Sparks

Cotton Weigher

AMERICA'S RADIO LEAD IN DANGER

Gen. J. G. Harbord Sees a Threat
to Our Nation's Place in
British Merger.

The recent successful effort of the British to bring about consolidation of their cable and radio interests is a serious challenge to the radio supremacy of the United States, and of more importance to our country than all other merchant marine at this moment, according to General J. G. Harbord, who was chief of staff of the A. E. F. and now is President of the Radio Corporation of America.

"Great Britain being the great cable-controlling power of our planet," General Harbord explained, "the combination there of cables and radio im-



GENERAL J. G. HARBORD

perils American leadership more directly than that of any other country.

"The answer to this challenge cannot be made by private interests under our existing laws. It is for our people to decide whether they think it is worth making, and if so, to make it possible. It is a case where no action, or action much delayed is surrender; or even worse, aid and comfort to foreign against American industry."

Other Countries Alert

The effect of this advanced system of international communication is a subject of discussion in the chancelleries of the world, General Harbord says, and is not viewed with indifference by any great nation aspiring to foreign commerce, unless it be the United States.

"Communications play an important part in national defense," he continues. "This is especially true of radio, and with countries having distant possessions such as the Philippines, Alaska and Hawaii or Australia, Canada, South Africa and India."

Great Britain approached this problem with the seriousness its importance demanded, in the opinion of General Harbord, and on March 15 of last year, as a result, the principal communications rivals in Great Britain, the Eastern Telegraph Company, Limited, representing cables, and the Marconi company, radio, announced a merger in the form of a holding company. The government will have representation on the board of directors, which with the vote of either the cable or radio interest, will be controlling. The press approved this merger.

"This new combined British communications interest will affect American relationships in every part of the world," General Harbord asserts. "There will hardly be a port or principal city on the planet which will not be reached by British communications. American trade in every quarter of the globe cannot but be profoundly affected. The national defense of the United States must reckon with the planetary domination of communications by the British. Such is the result of the action of the far-seeing British race under the lash which American progress in radio has applied—a wise old people which centuries ago underwent the diseases of national adolescence through which we still are passing. Her politicians abuse one another, as do our own, but as against the outside world Britain's policy changes little with the advent of one party or another on the political stage.

Hard to Understand

"The time when Great Britain, France, Italy and Germany are uniting radio and cables seems to be the time taken by our country to keep them apart. What others unite to secure leadership in communications we divide. The long deliberations which preceded the consummation of the cables-radio merger in Great Britain saw in our country the enactment of the White Act of 1927, which in plain terms forbids any purchase of radio

SCREEN GRID GIVES FARM NEW RADIO



One Example of the Newest Battery Sets Which Offer Really Modern Radio to Unwired Homes.

"The real split between the requirements of rural and city listener came with the introduction of the loud-speaker in place of head-phones," says E. A. Nicholas, Vice-President of the Radio-Victor Corporation of America. "Until then the usual battery radio set, especially when operated with dry cells, could serve both rural and city family equally well. With the loud-speaker there arose a demand for more power and better tone, with a decrease in operating cost, all of which led to socket-power.

"Now radio engineers have turned to the requirements of the un electrified home, eager to duplicate what has been achieved for city and town. Starting with current conservation as the ideal, they have evolved loud-speakers supplying ample volume and rich tone from a minimum input.

"The recent development of the screen-grid tube, with an amplification factor several times that of the usual three-element or standard battery tube, also has been a step in the direction of the ideal battery set. Indeed, with a single screen-grid tube replacing between two and three of

the usual tubes for the radio frequency end, and, when also used as the detector, replacing the first audio tube as well, battery current consumption has been reduced to new low levels.

"These current economies, combined with the possibilities of greater volume and better tone through refined loud-speaker design, have made possible a battery-operated radio set about on a par with the average socket-powered radio set, plus the advantage of a noiseless background for tuning distant stations.

"The combined engineering and research forces of the Radio Corporation of America have been at work on this new conception of an efficient battery-operated radio receiver. After many months of intensive effort, such Radiolas have been developed. These new sets are not simply revamped versions of old storage battery or dry battery radio sets. They are entirely new conceptions of battery-operated sets, designed to establish rural radio more on a par with metropolitan radio. In sensitivity, selectivity, simplicity, economy, tone and power, there is little more to ask."

Sales Silence

The first thing for a man to do if he wants to sell, is to train himself to become a good listener.—American Magazine.

BY CABLES OR WIRE TUBES. THIS provision is understood to have been inserted under the minority lash in the last days of the drafting of the law, its purpose no doubt was to preserve the competition, in form at least, between the two methods of international communication—radio and cables.

"Sitting between the hind legs of the British lion with the tail of that noble beast wrapped around his neck is a poor perch for the American eagle from which to recover lost leadership in world communications."

Old Educational Idea

One of the first records we have of the student exchange idea among the universities of the world is dated 1843, at which time a home was established at Bologna for the Spanish students attending university there. It was a common custom during the Fourteenth, Fifteenth and Sixteenth centuries for all of the larger countries to establish residences in Rome for their respective students.

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express, that you find yourself on
Christmas morning blessed with more
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Mrs. G. A. Rambin
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The Veteran Wireless Operators'
Association medal in a speech by
David Sarnoff in New York to Malcolm
P. Hanson, radio operator with Byrd,
listening by radio in the Antarctic
wastes near the South Pole.

Mr. Sarnoff, Executive Vice-Pres-
ident of the Radio Corporation, prais-
ing Hanson, mentioned also the fortu-
tude of the wife of the operator, who
had consented that her husband go on
the hazardous expedition for the sake
of science. After she had received the
medal for safe keeping, Mrs. Hanson,
deeply touched, spoke to her husband
across the vast distance. Within a



Mrs. Malcolm P. Hanson, Holding
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few minutes Hanson's reply came by
radio telegraph through the receiving
station of R. C. A. Communications,
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World's Fair, where the presentation
was made, an uncounted throng heard
the tribute over the network of the
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"It is my privilege," Mr. Sarnoff
said, "to pay tribute tonight to a man
who has made an unusual contribution
to science and civilization. Although
he is 11,000 miles distant from this
glass-enclosed room in Madison Square
Garden, where I now stand, he is
nevertheless able, through the instru-
mentality of Radio, to listen to the
sound of my voice. That fact alone is
worthy of commemoration, even in this
day of extraordinary progress in
science.

"Malcolm P. Hanson, as Chief Radio
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distinguished contribution, by a radio
operator, in 1929, to wireless communi-
cation. As a member of that associa-
tion, with some knowledge of its ro-
mantic traditions and standards of
service, I feel that the award is well
earned and well deserved."

Mr. Sarnoff related how Hanson
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edge of the great ice barrier, cheered
his comrades with news from home
and gave the world for the first time
a thrilling daily account of a polar
expedition. Those things alone would
have been a contribution to history,
he said, but Hanson added to radio
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the polar sky, observed the phenomena
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Not merely in words that cannot fully express what we would like to say, but with a deep regard for you as congenial fellow citizens and friends, we wish for you a Christmas of abundant happiness.

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To the Young and to the Old We Wish the Happiest Of All CHRISTMASSES

Christmas comes and we welcome it. We unlock ourselves to its message of peace and good will. We rejoice in the spirit of the day. And we extend to you, our friends, a wish that can be only poorly put into words.

We wish for you a full cup of happiness, a generous share of prosperity, and peace that will abide with you thru the last day of your life.

It is our hope that Christmas will dawn upon you surrounded by those you love. It is our hope that you will accept this simple message of greeting in the sincerity we feel in saying it:

**A Merry, Merry
Christmas to You**

**Mrs. Mattie Daniels
County Treasurer**

Lost Boy

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From DAVID J. CHODROWE David, please write to your distracted parents. Hope news of boy will prolong grandmother's life.

His grandmother is critically ill, and it is hoped that news of his safety would prolong her life.

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Lonesome Individual

Aside from 12 official dinners, the President of the United States is not permitted by custom to accept any invitations to dinners, luncheons or other social events.—American Magazine.

Fruit Grower

Pomology is the science and practice of fruit growing—horticulture dealing with the cultivation of fruits. "Pomum" is the Latin word for "fruit."

Making the Grade

"And I thought my son, Hank, was doing so well, too," said the disappointed parent of the youth who failed to graduate. "The teacher told me only recently that if Hank had only a little more sense he would be a moron."—Pathfinder Magazine.

Fresh-Water "Seas"

Among the largest fresh-water lakes are Lake Superior, 81,516 square miles; Victoria Nyanza, 26,000; Aral, 24,000; Huron, 23,100; Michigan, 22,400; Nyasa, 14,200, and Balkal, 13,200 square miles.

Boys' Capital

The best advantage any boy can have is a desire to do useful work in the world and the companionship of a good father.—American Magazine.

Just as Good

There being no vice president in Cuba, about the only way a native can lose his identity is by having himself appointed post laureate.—Louisville Times.

Embarrassing Moments

Among life's perplexing situations is that of being in a position where you're expected to say something and have nothing to say.—Toledo Blade.

Acknowledge Debt to Tools

Hindus in the Madras area of India observe Ayudha Pujā in the fall, at which time farmers worship the tools and implements which they say give them their livelihood.

Improving Gasoline

Something can be added to gasoline which will increase the ability to stand high compression. The chief ingredient added is tetra-ethyl lead, which is the chief constituent of ethyl gas. The pure substance is not sold to the general public because it is very poisonous, and can be handled without danger only under certain conditions.

A Bright Christmas to You



The things of the heart are greater than the things of the head. And at this season, when the old, old message of peace on earth, good will to men, becomes so fresh and new again, we must wish for you a Merry Christmas.

A truer and deeper meaning comes into Christmas with each passing year. We hope that each Christmas that sends its heartening spirit across the earth will find an abiding place in you, giving you a new happiness.

May you be happier because Christmas has come. bigger with peace and contentment.



**W. K. Simpson
& Company**

Merry Christmas! Merry Christmas to You

Words are too slender to hold the fulness of our message to you as the morning of Christmas day draws so near.

In a feeling of deepest sincerity and the fullest appreciation of you as friends and neighbors, we offer our Christmas wish to you of happiness without blemish, of cloudless peace, of the spirit of faith, hope and love that passes all understanding.

In the truest sense we can do no more than to say that we hope for you every blessing of material prosperity and spiritual contentment.

May each Christmas day find you happier than the one before, and may each day of your life be filled with the spirit of Christmas.

J. J. Vestal & Son

LOCALS AND PERSONALS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Shackelford Thursday morning a great big 7 lb. baby girl.

For well drilling at a dollar per foot for the first hundred feet, and a 25c raise per foot for each hundred feet thereafter, see me; will take trade at a fair price. B. M. Mundell.

The 1930 car licenses are now on sale at the Tax Collectors office better get them early and avoid the rush.

The Christmas tree at Paint Creek Wednesday night was attended by a large crowd.

The play put on by the pupils of that school was greatly enjoyed. Bump made a wonderful Santa Claus.

Cherry Belle flour and Cream meal at Cumbie Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Itell, and Floyd Warren of San Antonio visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Warren here over the week-end.

DR. W. N. JONES, Dentist over First National Bank, San Angelo, Texas.

Jim Burroughs and family of Lubbock visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Douglas Price of Dallas, is visiting her Grandmother Mrs. T. E. Puett during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierce McFarland of Winters visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob McFarland last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Dixon have moved here to make this their home another year. Mr. Dixon is a brother to W. E. Dixon.

G. P. Kirkland a good old democrat from the Hayrick community, was in the capital city Tuesday.

W. E. Newton sold Henry Briscoe a house pattern for a new rent house this week.

John Norman of Skating Rink headquarters at Hale center is here for the holidays.

For sale or trade for good mules, cattle, goats or sheep, three good stallions—steeldust government breeding—ages 8, 4, and 6 years. See them at my place at McKenzie.

H. C. Allen sold to W. B. Middleton a section and a half of land, including his ranch house, and bought one and three-quarter sections from Clayton Carsway Tuesday.

Sam Williams is confined to his bed with bronchial pneumonia this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Theatford Mrs. H. C. Vest Virginia and Christine Theatford, were Ballinger shoppers Tuesday.

The Coke County Teachers Institute met here Thursday with nearly 100 per cent attendance and the program was carried out to the letter.

Mrs. Susie Woodward of Metropolis Illinois who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Maxwell for the past two months returned home Thursday.

No Paper Next Week

Since Christmas comes in the middle of the week this year we will not attempt to put out a paper.

We too, would enjoy a weeks holidays and work at the Job of getting new subscribers and renewals. So if you get hit up for a Smacker during Christmas week, don't be shocked.

THE EDITOR

Baptist Church Notes

Last Sunday was a high light in our Sunday School and especially at the preaching services. There were more residents members in attend once on this service than any in the last three years. The attendance approached the 100% mark. It would be remarkable if we could reach it by the close of the year. Will you help us by attending Sunday School next Sunday.

Don't forget the Christmas tree next Tuesday.

Jan. A. Corder Pastor

Notice

Friday December 27th is the last day of the ginning season for the year.

Robert Lee Gin Co.

The United States Senate last week, refused to seat William S. Vare, elected to the senate from Penn. an account of him spending the neat sum of \$785,000 in 1926 to get elected, to the office that pays only \$12,000 a year. At that rate he would have to keep the office about 65 years to get his money back. Ah, Boy: There is a bag under the chip somewhere.

E. B. Eason who was found unconscience about 6 miles north of Bronte on October 31st on the highway and who has just been released from the hospitale at San Angelo, was brought to Robert Lee Friday by Sheriff Russell, and lodged in Jail. He waived preliminary hearing Saturday morning in Justice N. C. Brown's court and was released on \$750.00 Bond. He was charged with driving a car while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jim McCutchen, Thursday morning a bouncing baby girl.

Old Custom Survives

In some of the small villages of Great Britain, it is said, the ministers still adhere to the age-old custom of reading each verse of the hymn before the congregation sings it. This custom is a survival from the time when the majority of the congregation could not read. It is strange that it should still survive after so many years of compulsory education.

Add Life to Umbrella

A little vaseline injected into the hinge portions of the frame of a new umbrella will not spread like other oil and is a sure prevention against rust.

Speeds Slate Quarrying

The wire saw has revolutionized slate quarrying in Pennsylvania. The general average of cutting is about twenty to twenty-five square feet per hour. The traveling speed of the wire is about 1000 feet per minute.

This Week

by Arthur Brisbane

Letting Convicts Read Taking Babies Away A New Standard Lady The Family Without a Car

Warden Lawes of Sing Sing prison, wise man, says: "I shall let my convicts read in newspapers accounts of the outbreak in the Auburn penitentiary. There will be a good deal of buzzing when they read them. But the effect on their morale of withholding the newspapers would be worse than allowing them to see them."

That's an intelligent man. The cars might be rulling yet had they known enough to let the people know the facts.

Information and discussion supply a great safety valve.

The warden of Auburn prison, captured by convicts in rebellion, said the convicts, of whom many are dead, were made desperate by the knowledge that if they failed, they would surely go to the electric chair. In this case, at least, capital punishment did not deter men from murder.

An "expert" of the Russian government proposes that all babies be taken from their mothers, "immediately after birth" and brought up by the state. He wouldn't even give them time to be weaned.

Somebody should tell that gentleman the difference between mother's milk and other milk.

Also somebody should tell Stalin, Russia's real ruler, that while human beings will stand much regulating, women rule in the end and will not allow their children to be taken from them.

Sparta tried that, although it didn't take unweaned babies from their mothers. Sparta did not live.

Ignorance unfortunately accompanies the raising of children in spiritual and in material things.

An able physician says "99 per cent of families are ignorant of the proper care of children."

Nevertheless, an ignorant mother is better for the child than the most scientific and cold-blooded government institution.

The United States bureau of standards says the ideal woman is now "the perfect 34," not the "perfect 36" of days before the "boyish figure."

If your bust is 36, your waist should measure 33 inches, hips 39 inches.

Thirty-four bust, 28-inch waist, 37-inch hips, is the "standard lady," according to the bureau, which, however, knows nothing about it.

Abraham Lincoln's mother wasn't a "standard 34" nor was "Bertha with the big feet," mother of Charlemagne.

For a cloak model, the "perfect 34" is ideal, perhaps.

For an efficient mother, which is what counts, bigger busts, bigger waists, bigger hips.

Somebody supposed to be an expert says that the United States will manufacture in 1930, 1,000,000 fewer automobiles than in 1929.

That prediction, probably mistaken, is not creditable to the people's intelligence.

Many things a family can do without, but no family, properly organized can do without a good automobile.

The country, apparently, is still doing business. "Big Steel," Wall Street's name for the United States Steel corporation, shows unfilled orders for steel tonnage increased by 26,768 tons last month.

The company has a total of unfilled orders amounting to 4,125,845 tons, which does not look much like a "panic."

"As a sheep before her shearers is dumb." That's from the Bible.

"As a lamb after its shearing is dumb" may soon be the news in Wall Street. It depends on the rapidity with which the lambs go back for another shearing.

They always do go back, which is what makes brokers' seats worth \$500,000 apiece, and will some day make them worth \$1,000,000 apiece.

They that go down to the sea in ships can now call up the dear ones at home and tell what they forgot to take with them.

Walter S. Gifford, head of the big telephone company, said to his telephone operator, "Give me the commander of the Leviathan." In a few minutes he was talking to the steamship Leviathan, 200 miles out at sea. That would surprise Jonah.

Mrs. E. E. Caudle is on the sick list this week.

General Grant's granddaughter, Mrs. J. C. Hanbury, formerly the Princess Cantacuzene, has given birth to twin daughters, in London. If those little girls grow up, and have sons, and are poor, so the sons will have to work, those boys should amount to something.

Unfortunately, the successful man, by his very success, makes it hard for his descendants to succeed for at least a generation or two.

Mr. John Y. P. Moffat, representing the United States at Geneva, signed the protocol that, if nothing happens to prevent, will land us in the World Court.

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Mrs. Green Roberts

Again death has come to our little town and taken away a beloved wife, mother and sister.

Mrs. Green Roberts was born February 16, 1872. At the age of 12 she confessed Christ and became united with the Baptist Church. She was a good christian and was faithful to her death.

She married Mr. Green Roberts December 5, 1889. To this union was born nine children, five girls and four boys. All of the children were present when she died.

She was called to her heavenly home December 18, 1929. Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church, Rev. J. A. Corder officiating. The Johnson Funeral Parlor of San Angelo had charge of funeral arrangements.

Mrs. Roberts is survived by her husband, eight children, Mrs. C. A. Stroud, San Angelo; Mrs. J. C. Wallace, Mrs. Emory Davis, and Miss Alice Roberts. Lee, Artell, Earl, and Eddie Roberts, all of Robert Lee, also two sisters and one brother.

She was laid to rest in the Robert Lee cemetery.

The Observer joins the many friends in sincerest sympathy for the bereaved ones.

Thanks

Hardly a week passes that some lady phones in and tells us she failed to get her observer and to send another one, which we are glad to do, and glad too, that they think enough of it to phone or send us word or come in and ask for one. We appreciate the fact that they want the paper. It is not always our fault, nor that of the post office department either you don't get your paper, we have known of a few cases where one would be taken from a mail box, by some who wanted to read it, but too close to give up that dollar for a subscription, and then too, sometimes the mail carrier happens to put too many in the same box. But that seldom happens. Sometimes one or more is removed from the list because his time has expired and then they speak to the post office department about it, when the trouble is at the observer office, and another dollar will go a long way toward straightening the matter out. Speaking of time expiring, we believe it ought to be at least 30 days in jail for every day a paper is sent to anybody after his time has expired, without his renewal or consent to do so. We know editors, (and some are not very far away) that just continue to send his paper to people, and without their consent, and they in turn loose respect for that paper, and its editor, and want pay for it, yet it keeps on coming every week, year in and year out.

The Best Purgative for



Relieves the congestion, reduces complications, hastens recovery.

Mrs. Jim Greer

Miss May Landers was born October 20, 1855. On December 22, 1906, she married Mr. Jim Greer. To this union was born two children, one girl, Lena Ruth, 18, and one boy, James O'Neil, 9.

She joined the Christadelphian Church in 1910, and was a very devoted christian.

On December 17, 1929 she was called from her earthly cares to a better home. Her life here is ended, but she made it worth while.

She was buried at Sanco at 3:30 p. m. Dec. 18. R. v. S. H. Outman of San Angelo in charge.

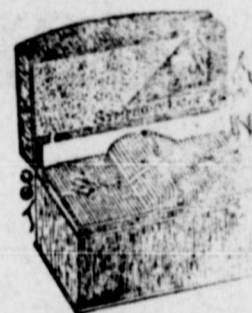
Mrs. Greer is survived by her husband, Jim Greer, and two children. Her mother, Mrs. A. K. Landers, five sisters, Mrs. Jess Greer, Mrs. Pleas Millican, Mrs. Henry Varnadore, and Mrs. W. Keenan of Robert Lee; Mrs. S. H. Wolfe of Carlton, Hamilton county. Also Tommie and Claud Landers. All were present when she died.

The Observer extends its sympathy with the many friends to the bereaved ones in this hour of their great loss.



Why Give Stationery for Christmas?

It is useful. It is stylish. In most cases it is needed. Then, too, it acts as a reminder to the recipient to fulfill correspondence obligations. There are few gifts that are more appropriate.



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Box containing two-quire of white sheets, gold-edged cards and envelopes to match, all satin-finish. Sold only at Rexall Stores.

CITY DRUG STORE

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There ought to be a stop put to such stuff as that. If a community hasn't got enough self-respect to support a paper, that at least tries to do its duty by the community, then that community doesn't deserve a paper and it should be shut down.

The editor hasn't any right to send you his paper after your time expires without your consent, and he ought not to do it.

Some people will get mad if you stop it, and some will if you don't. The last mentioned are in the right. Hereafter we will send out a notice notifying you when your time expires and if you fail to renew, or don't tell us to send it on that you will pay later, we will take it for granted that you don't want it any longer and remove your name from the list.