

New Chevrolet Cars Are Very Beautiful

New Cars are Shown at Dyer Motor Company Monday and All This Week to Many Admirers

That the General Motors Company lived up to their standard in the production of "America's Most Beautiful Low Priced Car" was very evident to those who visited the Dyer Motor Company Monday and all this week and inspected the New Chevrolet cars that were placed on the market for 1928. The lines of the car are very beautiful and the car is even bigger and stronger built than the Chevrolet of the past. The coach, which has been made a leader in the Chevrolet line during the past year, has been greatly improved upon, as well as the sedan, Imperial Landau, the Cabriolet, the Roadster and the Phaeton.

The bodies of the new cars as shown here are of a satin black, stripped with a gray or green drab, and look like the cars that have been selling in the \$1,250 to \$1,750 class. The car has been greatly improved in every way, and especially are the improvements on the engine noticeable. The radiator has been changed and enlarged until there is very little resemblance of the old type of Chevrolet about it. Behind the radiator (next to the engine) the fan has been so completely housed in that it directs all the cooling force of the radiator directly on the engine, which causes the engine to run cool at all times. Many minor and essential improvements has been made on the engine; four-wheel brakes have been added in the new Chevrolet; the body is longer and more modern, and in the saying of the General Motors Co. "Is built as no one but Fisher can build them."

The prices of the New Chevrolet have also stood a substantial cut. The Sport Cabriolet having been cut more than any other car in the line, it receiving a \$5 cut over the old price. The General Motors Co. are keeping abreast of the times with their improvements on the Chevrolet cars, and are living up to their slogan of "Quality at Low Cost."

Visits of the Stark

Born to Mr. and Mrs.

Robert Lee Jones, 9 miles northeast of Lockney, Wednesday, Dec. 28th, a girl.

John Smitherman, near Roseland, Dec. 30th, a boy.

Frank Messimer, Lockney, Monday, Jan. 2d, a girl.

L. D. Oschner, Lockney, Thursday, Dec. 22nd, a girl.

P. A. Rivers, 6 1-2 miles southwest of Lockney, Tuesday, Jan. 3rd, a girl.

Kelley Bowers, near Pleasant Valley, Saturday, Dec. 24th, twins, boy and girl; named Billie Jo and Bettie Joyce.

The little boy, Billie Jo, has been quite ill since his birth, but is reported better at this time.

Louie McMurray, Amarillo, Saturday, Dec. 31st, a boy.

Mrs. McMurray was visiting her mother, Mrs. C. D. Fowler, at the time the child was born. Mr. McMurray came down from Amarillo Saturday to visit his wife and son.

Jo Rogers, Lockney, Thursday, Dec. 29th, a still-born baby. Burial was in the Lockney cemetery Thursday afternoon.

WILL COLLECT TAXES IN LOCKNEY, JAN. 10

Tax Collector P. G. Stegall wishes to call the attention of the people of the Northern and Western part of Floyd county to the fact that he and his tax collectors force will be in Lockney, at the Security State Bank, all day Tuesday, Jan. 10th, with the complete tax rolls of the county, for the collection of state and county taxes.

Those who desire, can at this time also register their cars, and any other business pertaining to the tax collectors force will be attended to.

Mr. Stegall, and his force, are making this trip to Lockney for the convenience of the people of this section of the county, and at the same time avoid the rush that always takes place the last few days of January. They request all those who can at this time pay their taxes, to take advantage of this day, and save a trip to the county seat later this month.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Barker and children, are leaving this week for California, where they will spend a month on a vacation trip.

Mrs. D. C. Lowe has returned from New Mexico points, where she has been visiting with relatives for several weeks.

KINYON WILL OPEN ELECTRICAL SHOP

Practical Electrician Will Go In Business for Himself in Lockney Immediately

Mr. Geo. F. Kinyon, who has been in the employ of the Lockney Electric, as electrician for the past several months, will open an electric shop of his own within the next few days, and will contract for the installation of all kinds of electrical appliances, wiring of buildings, houses, etc. His shop will be located in the Beacon office, where he will carry a stock of electrical supplies and appliances, and will be glad to figure on all kinds of electrical work.

Mr. Kinyon is an experienced man, having been associated with Phillips Petroleum Company, in the Ranger and adjacent fields, as electrician for more than two years, doing the electrical work in their oil refineries, and stringing electrical lines from one plant to another, and is capable of doing first-class electrical work.

He will appreciate any business extended to him by those desiring any kind of electrical work, and will be glad to figure on any and all such work.

WOUNDED MEN EACH CHARGED WITH KILLING

Faith in Santa Claus Prevents Robbers Getaway

Eastland, Texas, Jan. 2.—Indictments against the three wounded Cisco bank bandits who are in jail at Eastland were returned by a grand jury late today.

They were indicted in connection with the robbery of the First National bank of Cisco and each of the trio was charged with murder in connection with the fatal shooting of G. E. Bedford, Cisco police chief.

The men charged are Robert Hill, Henry Helms and Marshall Ratliff. There were four bandits in the robbery. One died of wounds received in the gun battle at the bank which resulted in eight men being wounded and in two deaths.

Fort Worth, Jan. 2.—A child's faith in Santa Claus and her desire to talk to jolly St. Nicholas probably prevented the bandits who robbed the First National Bank of Cisco from making a clean get away. The child was Frances Blasingame, 6, who fled with her mother, Mrs. B. P. Blasingame, out of the bank while it was being robbed.

The story of how the bandits were foiled was told here today by Mrs. Blasingame who is visiting in Fort Worth.

"We were standing across the street when the man dressed as Santa Claus entered the bank," the mother said. "Of course, Frances wanted to talk to old Santa and we crossed the street and followed him into the bank."

"We had just gotten inside when I saw the bandit draw a gun and command every one to put up their hands. I was afraid they would start shooting and was determined to get out. A bandit barred the front exit and I took Frances by the hand and made for a side exit. Whether the bandits fired at us I do not know, I only know that I managed to get out of that side door and ran to the police station and give the alarm."

But really that was not only Santa Claus," put in Frances, "for I saw his pants and they were just like papa's."

Marriage Licenses

The following marriage licenses have been issued by County Clerk, Tom Deen, since the first of December:

E. H. Buckner and Miss Ruth Wood, Dec. 2nd; J. H. Ashby and Miss Mary Lee Davidson, Dec. 2nd; John Clifford and Miss Myrtle Short, Dec. 7th; G. E. Boland and Miss Cecille Morton, Dec. 14th; J. W. Strain and Miss Clay Robertson, Dec. 15th; Marvin Carpenter and Miss Fay Bryant, Dec. 16th; Theodore Craft and Miss Letha Barnes, Dec. 17th; I. J. Lloyd and Miss Modena Poe, Dec. 17th; L. W. Garrett and Miss Zelma Eubanks, Dec. 17th; Carl Carroway and Miss Florence Hillyard, Dec. 19th; J. D. Weems and Miss Clarissa Elder, Dec. 19th; A. L. Moseley and Miss Jewel Germany, Dec. 20th; R. T. Bunch and Miss Ouida Schuster, Dec. 21st; Audie Lee Muse and Miss Bertie Goodjohn, Dec. 22nd; Leon Landers and Miss Myrtle Duravant, Dec. 23rd; Floyd Readhead and Miss Viola Muse, Dec. 23rd; Theodore Craft and Miss Ruth Burleson, Dec. 24th; L. T. Walker and Miss Veda Horton, Dec. 29th; L. A. Catlin and Miss Lillie Mae Pope, Dec. 30th; Sam Walker and Miss Sylvia M. Jones, Dec. 31st; Horace Moseley and Miss Virgie Love, Dec. 31st; Duell McCracken and Miss Tessie King, Dec. 31st.

"Running Full Blast"



ALLMON SCHOOL BURNED WEDNESDAY MORNING

Fire Starts from Defective Flue, Completely Destroying the School Building

The Allmon school house was burned to the ground about 8:30 Wednesday morning, when a fire started in the stove to warm the building for the day. The building caught on fire in the flue, quickly spreading, the fire consuming the entire building in a few minutes. The loss was estimated by County Judge Wm. McGehee, as about \$8,000 or \$9,000, and there was \$6,250 insurance on the building.

Judge McGehee and County Superintendent Price Scott were in Lockney this morning en route to Plainview to see J. N. Donohoo, who holds bonds against the Allmon school district, to make arrangements so that the people of Allmon could vote more bonds to take care of re-building the school.

A mass meeting will be held at Allmon Friday night to consider ways and means of re-building, and to secure quarters to use for school purposes during the emergency.

Will Present Play Friday Night

We (Sand Hill P. T. C. Society) will present "Am I Intruding," in our own auditorium Friday night, Jan. 6. This play has been advertised to be given on two other nights before this, but were cancelled on account of the sickness and death of Mrs. W. J. Hollingsworth of Silverton, who is the mother of Mrs. Arthur V. Womack. Mrs. Womack is one of the cast of characters of this play.

This play was our regular annual Christmas night performance. This is a \$10 royalty play and we believe the best play we have ever tried to present. After working on this play for so long we believe we will be able to give the audience a real treat in the way of a two hour comedy drama play.

Many cars came from miles away to see this play on the other dates we had set. We ask them to come again and see no reason why we can not present it at this time.

This is the first play of our 1928 season tickets. The money that comes from the sale of these tickets is all used for the benefit of the school and community in general. In years past we have bought play ground equipment galore for the junior boys and girls and smaller children of our school. This society has been largely responsible for the electric lights in our school buildings and auditorium. Also we have fine stationary chair seats and a piano in our auditorium.

In years past this community has gone almost 100 per cent in favor of season tickets. Also many of our communities buy these tickets and are glad of the chance. The officers of this society appreciate this fine support and in return are trying to give you a real performance in "Am I Intruding" on Jan. 6. Don't miss this first play on the new season tickets.—Reporter.

Bunch-Schuster

Mr. R. T. Bunch and Miss Ouida Schuster were married in Floydada Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. G. W. Tubbs at his residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Bunch will make their home in the Lakeview community. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Bunch of Lakeview. Mrs. Bunch formerly resided in the Mt. Blanco community.

Dr. Colvern Henry Succeeds Dr. Greer

Dr. Greer and Family Moving to Corpus Christi—Dr. Henry Buys Office and Home of Greers

Dr. Colvern Henry has bought the practice and home of Dr. N. E. Greer, and is now in charge of Dr. Greer's office in the rear of Stewart Drug Co's store.

Dr. and Mrs. Greer and sons, Doyle and Wayne, left Tuesday afternoon for Lubbock, where Doyle is attending Tech College, where Mrs. Greer and the boys will remain for the balance of the school term. Dr. Greer will practice Philadelphia, Penna., where he will take a six-weeks post-graduate course, after which he will return to Corpus Christi, Texas, where he will resume the practice of medicine.

The many friends of the Greer family regret their departure from Lockney, and wish them much success in their new home. In leaving Lockney, Dr. Greer feels that he has sold his business to a worthy doctor, in Dr. Colvern Henry, and recommends him very highly to those who were his clients during his stay in Lockney.

Dr. Henry will continue to occupy the offices in the Stewart Drug Co. and will take care of the practice that has been extended to him since coming to Lockney to practice, as well as the practice that has been extended to Dr. Greer in the past.

W. M. Day Buried Friday

W. M. Day, age 39 years, 11 months and 12 days, died at his home in Aiken community at 9 o'clock Thursday morning, from tuberculosis, contracted on an attack of influenza, contracted about three years ago.

Mr. Day was a barber by trade, and came here from Dallas county three years ago for his health, working at the barber trade in Lockney and operating a farm west of town since coming here.

He was born in Dallas county, Texas, on Jan. 15th, 1888, and is survived by his wife and five children, twin girls and three sons; he is also survived by his father and mother and four sisters and one brother. Practically all of his and his wife's connections being present at the funeral. The connections present being from the states of Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico.

Mr. Day was a member of the Methodist church, having joined that denomination about twenty years ago, and had lived a consistent Christian life, and was highly esteemed by all who knew him. Funeral services were conducted at the Methodist church in Lockney at 11 o'clock Friday morning, by his pastor, Rev. J. S. N. Webb, assisted by Revs. J. B. McReynolds, pastor of Aiken, Lockney church, and Ashby of Aiken, and interment was in the Floydada cemetery at Floydada Friday afternoon, under the direction of Undertaker Grady R. Crager.

Cemetery Clean-Up Day

There will be a general clean-up day at the Lockney cemetery next Tuesday, and everybody interested in the cemetery are urged to attend and help in the work, if the weather is favorable.

Mr. W. R. Sams, president of the Cemetery Association, says that there will be plenty of hot coffee prepared, and asks that the people come and bring a well filled basket, so that they can have dinner on the ground, and give the entire day over to working the cemetery.

Candidates Begin to Announce for Office

To the Voters of Floyd County, My friends have begun to ask me if I am going to announce for county clerk for an other term, which wakes me up to the fact, that all too soon it is an other campaign year. I have been on the job now for twelve months doing my best to make you a good clerk. How well I have succeeded is for you to say, if you believe that I have made good, I will appreciate your vote at the coming July 1928 primaries.

TOM W. DEEN.

To the Voters of Floyd County: In announcing for re-election to the office of County Judge, of Floyd County, subject to the July primaries, I desire to thank the good citizens of the county for their staunch support and hearty co-operation since the beginning of my service as a public official. My work the past year has been a pleasure, owing to such co-operation of both citizens and county officials.

If I have rendered acceptable service and in your opinion am worthy of this honor, I will appreciate your earnest consideration of my claims. I believe that should you see fit to re-elect me to this office, that I will be able to render more efficient service in the future than I have in the past, on account of being more familiar with the problems of Floyd county.

Very Respectfully,
Wm. McGEHEE.

To the Voters of Floyd County: It had not been my intention until recently to seek the honor of serving you again as assessor. If you will remember, I made a statement to this effect when I first asked for the office, and in doing this I probably made a mistake, but at that time I conscientiously believed that four years would be as long as I would want the office. Owing to the fact that I have been urged by a good representation from practically every community in the county to make the race again, I feel justified in doing so.

During the three years which it has been my privilege to serve you as assessor, I have come in contact with every tax payer in the county, which I believe has given every one an opportunity to know whether or not my work has been a success. If you will not think me boasting, I am glad to tell you that this will be the third time I have handled the inside work, my records are open to every one for inspection. The commissioner's court has never placed a correction upon my rolls at time of approval. Out of three complete audits by the comptroller's department, I have been given two perfect audits, with only a minor correction on the other. When I came into office, there was over five thousand acres of unrendered land upon your tax rolls; the latest approved rolls show only ninety one acres. I could mention many other things which would show that I have put forth an honest effort to give you the service which you are entitled to. If my work has been a success, I am not claiming all the credit myself, it is mainly because of the splendid co-operation of other county officials and the taxpayers of the county.

If after you have given the matter your kind consideration, you desire to let me serve you another two years, I shall try if possible to give you even better service. And it is only natural that I should do so after having the experience that I have had. It is my intention during the time the 1928 assessments are being made to solicit the support of every voter. Looking forward to the time when I shall again meet each one of you in person, I am

Sincerely yours,
C. M. MEREDITH.

To the Voters of Floyd County: In announcing my candidacy for reelection to the office of County Treasurer of Floyd County, subject to the Democratic Primaries, I first want to thank the good citizens of the county for their support and hearty co-operation since the beginning of my service as a public official. Owing to co-operation of citizens and county officials my work for the year I have been in office has been a pleasure. If you find I have rendered acceptable service and in your opinion am worthy of the honor, I will appreciate your consideration of my claims. I believe if you should see fit to re-elect me, I will be able to render more efficient service in the future than I have in the past, on account of being more familiar with the details and management of the office.

Respectfully yours,
MRS. MAUD MERRICK.

Examinations for Pro. Enforcement to Be Held

Shortage of Eligibles for Higher Prohibition Jobs—Civil Service Commission Reopens Examinations in Texas

Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—The Civil Service Commission has reannounced the examinations for prohibition administrator, assistant prohibition administrator for enforcement work, assistant prohibition administrator for permissive work, and deputy prohibition administrator, for those who have bona fide residence, domicile, and post office address within the State of Texas.

The Commission says that the results of the last examinations for the higher administrative posts under the Bureau of Prohibition, although not finally determined, indicate that a sufficient number of eligibles may not be secured in a number of sections of the country.

The entrance salaries are from \$4,400 to \$6,000 a year for administrators, from \$3,300 to \$4,800 a year for assistant administrators, and from \$3,000 to \$4,600 a year for deputy administrators.

Applicants will not be required to report at any place for a written examination but will be rated on their training, experience, and fitness. Experience in prohibition enforcement is not required; any experience which, in the judgment of the Commission, qualifies the applicant for the duties of the position is acceptable. The experience requirements of the original examinations have been materially changed for these new examinations. Personal investigations of applicants, which may include oral interviews, form a part of the examinations. Fingerprints will be made to check the accuracy of the applicant's statements as to arrests, indictment, or conviction for crime or misdemeanor.

Full information may be obtained from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., or the secretary of the local board of civil service examiners at the post office in any city in Texas. Formal applications must reach the Commission at Washington by Jan. 31.

LOCKNEY'S FIRST COTTON MILL COMING

Graphic presentation of a miniature of the "Postex" cotton mills at Post, Texas, where Garza sheets and pillow case tubing are manufactured will be shown at the Baker Mercantile company's show window beginning Jan. 9th to 18th inclusive. The display will continue for several days.

This model has been shown in some of the largest retail stores in New York and is now on an extensive tour through the state of Texas, and only recently was displayed at a large department store in Dallas.

The display pictures step by step the manufacture of the sheets and pillow cases.

Broad acres devoted to cotton surround the Postex mills and the display is said to be a faithful reproduction, even to the field of cotton in the foreground.

From one side of the exhibit emerges an automobile truck loaded with raw cotton, which enters the mill. The side of the main building is complete with windows, nine of which have been replaced by transparencies. Additional windows are in the elevated skylight, where a well-written description of the respective processes is shown. As the motor truck comes into view, the upper part of the mill is lighted, and immediately the transparency below shows the picking machine, the first process in the making of cotton cloth. A section of the wall then gradually lowers and reveals a sample of cotton as it comes from the picking machine. In a second or two, the wall closes and the second transparency shows the crading machine, following which comes another sample of cotton, illustrating the progressive refining method used in the preparation of raw cotton. Seven additional series show, in proper sequence, the process of roving, spinning, warping, weaving inspection, bleaching, the making of sheets and pillow cases and the packing of the merchandise, ready for shipment.

As the last transparency is illuminated a freight car containing a shipment of the product comes into view.

The review consumes about three minutes. The mechanism reverses automatically, and pictures again, step by step, the interesting story of a cotton fabric.

Miss Celia Whitt left Saturday for Uvalde, Texas, to resume her school work, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Whitt.

LOCKNEY BEACON
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H. B. ADAMS, Editor and Owner

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION
One Year \$1.50
Six Months .75
Three Months .40
Subscription Cash in Advance

ADVERTISING RATES
Display, per column inch 36c
Classified Advs. per word 2c
No Classified Adv. less than 25c

OPEN SEASON FOR CANDIDATES

The open season for candidates began Jan. 1st, and several of the worthy brothers are this week making known their intention to be desirous of serving the public for another term, in the same capacities that they have been serving them for the past year, and will serve them for another year, regardless of the outcome of the 1928 election, as they have only been in office for one year at this time.

In keeping with the time the Beacon is this week opening their regular announcement column. The rate for announcement will be the same as they have been for many years past: District, congressional, representative offices, \$15.00; County offices, \$10.00; Commissioner and Justice Precinct offices, \$7.50. Announcements will be carried to the July Primary at these rates, and those who are made the nominees at that time will be carried on until the November election. All names that fails to be nominated in the July primary, or the August primary, should any fail to get a majority in the July primary, will be dropped when the primary election is over.

Mr. Tom Deen, present County Clerk of Floyd County, is the first person to announce for office in this county this year, through the Beacon columns. He is asking for re-election, and is now serving his first term, however, he was county clerk in this county several years ago. Mr. Deen is running on his record and the good work he has done during his present term of office.

Judge Wm. McGehee, present County Judge, is also an aspirant to succeed himself for a second term as county judge, and thinks that he has served the people in such a way the past year that he can be of more value to them in the next three years if he is given a second term, and in shyng his hat in the ring for a second term, asks that the people give his candidacy their serious consideration and examine the record he has made in this office during the one year that he has been the county

JUDGE.
C. M. Meredith, present county tax assessor, has announced his willingness to serve the people of Floyd county for another term in the same capacity, and asks that the voters give him their consideration at the July primaries. Mr. Meredith has made the county a good tax assessor, been just and fair in his renditions of their property, and points to his records as a county official with pride.

TOO MUCH CRIME

A crime wave is again raging over the country, and this time it has spread to include Texas and the western part of the state. Bank robberies killing men on suspicion that they are robbers, due to the reward offered by the Bankers Association, murders for various reasons, or no reasons at all, hit and run automobile drivers, drunken automobile drivers, etc., have been so thick the past few weeks that the front pages of all the daily papers are filled with crime stories.

Something should be done about the matter, and it is up to the people of the country to do that something. The people are to blame for the condition that we are now in, because they have made their laws lenient along these lines. First a criminal is tried by a jury, and nine times out of ten he is freed by the jury then if he is convicted he has a chance of beating his case in half a dozen different ways before the higher courts, who are lenient with criminals and give them every chance to get away with their crimes; then if the case is affirmed by the higher courts and an appeal made to the governor for clemency the criminal can stay justice for years by continually filing new appeals as fast as an appeal is affirmed or set aside.

In the case of Hassel who is in the Plainview jail at this time. He was sentenced to be electrocuted a year ago, and was carried to Huntsville for that purpose. He confesses his guilt, has been tried and convicted and don't even look for anything to happen that will save him from the electric chair, yet the courts are allowing him to remain in jail on the flimsy contentions of a two-by-four lawyer, who is trying to make a reputation for himself out of the Hassel case. There are three men in the Plainview jail under death sentence, and one is sentenced to life in the pen and yet the court is fooling away the people's money, and allowing them to stay on the expense of the tax payers for months and months when they should be made to pay for their crimes. The trouble is not the cost of these delays in dollars and cents, but the cost in making easy for the criminal to prolong punishment and most times get out of punishment. The people can always change the present situation if they want to. The power

is in their hands, and if they don't act they will continue to grow, until there will be no law governing criminality. At present the criminal element in the state have got a law through the legislature that forbids the peace officers of the state searching for evidence against the criminal and this is what made it almost impossible for a violator of the law to be convicted. The people must wake to the realization that they must make laws with sharks teeth in them and then stand behind the officers and the courts in the enforcement of the law. England enforces her laws and there is less crime in England in a year than there is in the western part of Texas in a day. Texas and every other state in the union can enforce the law as good as England if the people want the law enforced. The trouble is entirely with the people. They are too easy going, too many do not want to be guilty of taking a man's freedom away from him. A man with common sense knows right from wrong, every man knows the law and knows when he breaks the law, and when he breaks the law he should pay for his folly. Criminals should be made to obey the law or else put them where they are not a detriment to society. The longer people allow them to go on with their work without punishing them, the harder they will be to handle when the day of reckoning comes.

WHO PAYS?

Under the head of "Whose Advertising Do You Pay?" we find the following in a recent issue of the Sheldon, Iowa, Sun. We take it that the "quotes" mean that it first appeared elsewhere. At any rate, it is well worth reprinting again and again. "The merchant who does not advertise pays the advertising bill for the one who does. "Every merchant in business pays for advertising whether he uses it or not. If a competitor's advertising takes any business away from him, the profit he would have made on the lost sale is what his competitor's advertising cost him.

"You have, perhaps, wondered how some stores can afford to spend such enormous sums for advertising. That is easy to fathom. Their competitors, who don't advertise, and whose business they take, pay for their advertising. "Say the Smith family is a customer of yours. They have sixty dollars they intend to spend with you. They read the advertising of your competitor and are induced to spend their sixty dollars with him instead of spending it with you. The store makes twenty per cent, or twelve dollars, on the sale. They deduct, we will say, the one dollar advertising cost and have eleven dollars profit left. The advertising has cost them nothing. They got back its cost and had eleven dollars profit they would not have had only for their advertising.

"Who paid for this advertising?" "Did the advertiser pay? No. He got the cost back and profit besides. "Did the purchaser pay? No. He paid only the regular price. "Then who did pay?" "The merchant that did not advertise paid for his competitor's advertising. He not only paid for the other fellow's advertising but he paid out of his cash drawer the profit his competitor made on the sale. The merchant that doesn't advertise pays the advertising bill for the one that does. He pays in loss of sale and loss of profits. "The merchant that loses business through not advertising has such high overhead and unit sale cost that he cannot possibly sell goods as cheaply as the store that increases its sales and reduces its cost with advertising.

ALFALFA MOVING RAPIDLY AT HIGHER PRICES

Growers of alfalfa seed continued to sell freely during the four weeks ending Dec. 13. The U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Economics estimates that approximately 75 per cent of the crop had been sold by growers up to that date, compared with 65 per cent a month ago, 80 per cent a year ago and 50 per cent two years ago. During the four weeks movement was most active in eastern Utah, Montana, western South Dakota, Nebraska and western Texas. Country shippers' figures indicate the following percentage of the crop as having left growers' hands, in some of the important producing districts: western South Dakota, 90 per cent; western Texas and Oklahoma, 85-90 per cent; southern Idaho, 85 per cent; Montana, 75 per cent; Kansas and western Utah 70 per cent; Arizona, California, Colorado and eastern Utah 55-65 per cent; and southeastern Nebraska, 50 per cent. More than 95 per cent of the crop was reported to have moved in eastern New Mexico. Prices to growers advanced in most districts and on December 13 averaged \$15.35 per 100 pounds, basis clean, compared with \$14.75 on Nov. 16, and \$15.10 on Dec. 14, 1926. Average prices for the principal producing districts were as follows: western South Dakota, \$19.50; Montana, \$17.30; Nebraska, \$16.80; western Utah, \$16.50; southern Idaho, \$15.10; Kansas, \$14.50; western Texas and Colorado, \$14.15; and western Oklahoma, \$13.35. Prices for Grim ranged mostly \$26-\$28 in the largest producing district.

Imports of Alfalfa for the period July 1-Dec. 13 amounted to 395,000 pounds compared with 1,266,400 last year and 1,021,000 pounds the year before. During Nov. 128,782 pounds was exported from the United States.



Master Farmers for 1927 Are Announced

Texas Recognizes Fifteen New Master Farmers as Selected by the Progressive Farmer and the A. & M. College Extension Service

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 1.—Winners in The Progressive Farmer Master Farmer Contest for 1927 were recently selected at the Texas A. & M. College by the final committee composed of Dr. T. O. Walton, Chas. H. Alvord, H. H. Williamson, Miss Mildred Horton, M. R. Martin and Paul Huey. The final selections were made possible after a careful study of descriptions of a large number of farms contained in score cards which were prepared in detail for each farmer. The fifteen selected as Master Farmers for 1927 are: R. B. Gary, Floyd County; R. F. Alfrey, Johnson County; Douglas Pounds, Lubbock County; M. L. Cadwallader, El Paso County; W. W. DollaHITE, Blanco County; John Impson, Bee County; H. F. Wurzbach, Medina County; M. F. Orr, Cameron County; A. M. White, Kieberg County; L. H. Hensarling, Madison County; R. P. Windham, Shelby County; J. R. Wright, Morris County; Cal. McCurdy, Wise County; J. A. Moore, Dallas County.

The Master Farmer movement is being carried out in 17 states this year by Standard Farm Papers in cooperation with the various state Agricultural colleges. The Texas contest is very similar to that of the other states in that the selections are made on the basis of a rigid score card and questionnaire covering every phase of the farm operation and the community standing of the contestant. The score card is prepared on a basis of 1,000 points having six main divisions with values as follows:

- | Full Score Points | |
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| 1. Operation and Organization of Farms | 375 |
| 1. Maintenance of soil fertility | 80 |
| 2. Crop rotation | 40 |
| 3. Efficient use of man and horse labor | 25 |
| 4. Crop yields | 50 |
| 5. Living at home | 50 |
| 6. Seed | 25 |
| 7. Feed and care of Livestock | 25 |
| 8. Quality of livestock and poultry | 25 |
| 9. Adequate tools, machinery and equipment, well housed and repaired | 25 |
| 10. Large and uniform sized fields | 15 |
| 11. Convenient farmstead arrangements | 15 |
| 2. Business Methods and ability | 200 |
| 1. Relation of income to expense | 100 |
| 2. Accounting Methods | 50 |
| 3. Business reputation | 50 |
| 3. Appearance and upkeep of farm and home | 75 |
| 1. Repair and upkeep of buildings | 25 |
| 2. Condition of fields, fences, ditches and rows | 25 |
| 3. Appearance and condition of yard and lots | 25 |
| 4. Adequacy of farm home plant | 100 |
| 1. Adequate size house for family | 50 |
| 2. Convenience of working area | 25 |
| 3. Sanitation | 25 |
| 5. Home Life | 150 |
| 1. Schooling of children | 75 |
| 2. Family relationship | 75 |
| 3. Citizenship | 100 |
| 1. Neighbourliness | 25 |
| 2. Interest in schools | 30 |
| 3. Interest in other community enterprises | 25 |
| 4. Interest in local, state and national government | 20 |
- Approximately 150 of Texas' best farmers from 57 counties were in competition for the coveted honor of being listed among the fifteen winners this year. The county agricultural agents and home demonstration agents working with local committees made the selections of the individual farmers in their respective counties whom they considered most outstanding in home life and farm practices. The forty highest scoring farmers in the competition were visited by the

district agents of the Extension Service and Paul Huey, Associate Editor of the Progressive Farmer, for the purpose of making a close study of the individual farms on which to base their report that guided the final committee in selecting the fifteen winners.

Many factors have entered into the success of these farmers. They have taken advantages of influences which stabilize farm production and insure a creditable earning power of the farm. They plant the best seed obtainable and have in their herds and flocks high producing individuals which receive the feed and care that enables them to produce most economically. Crop yields are kept at high levels by these Master Farmers by the use of improved seed, the intelligent use of commercial fertilizer, legumes, cover crops and crop rotation. None of them deplete their soils by continuous one-crop methods, as is evidenced by the fact that an average of only 40 per cent of their cultivated land is planted to cotton. They force these acres released from cotton to be profitable by growing feedstuffs, which are marketed through livestock.

No particular section of Texas seems to have a distinct advantage in the development of Master Farmers. They come this year as well as last from all corners of the state. Mr. Gary and Mr. Pounds from the Plains region and Mr. Cadwallader from El Paso represent what is usually termed West Texas. Central and North Texas have three winners—J. A. Moore of Dallas County; H. Rieter of McLennan, Cal McCurdy of Wise and R. F. Alfrey of Johnson. East Texas has three winners—R. F. Windham of Shelby, Mr. L. H. Hensarling of Madison and J. R. Wright, Morris County. South Texas and the Rio Grande Valley are represented by John Impson of Bee, H. F. Wurzbach of Medina County, W. W. DollaHITE of Blanco, A. M. White of Kieberg and M. F. Orr of Cameron county.

Remarkable success has met the efforts of the men in the management of their farms. Their farms have in every case paid a good dividend on the investment as well as producing enough to supply modern home conveniences. Paul Huey, Associate Editor of The Progressive Farmer, in giving a summary of condition found on these farms, states that the average acreage per farm is 423 with an average of 297 acres in cultivation. The average total investment per farm \$47,660. An average net income of 9.1 per cent has been produced by these men over a period of years through their sound farm practices, continued Mr. Huey. "They have an average of 12 dairy cows, 4 brood sows, 120 standard-bred hens and 18 beef cows per farm. Some of these are more or less specializing with a large number of some class of livestock but these figures represent the average of the fifteen farms.

Modern home conveniences in the form of light plants, bathroom fixtures, radios, electric fixtures and labor-saving devices of various kinds to lighten the burden of the wives are found in the homes. Thirteen of the 15 have light plants, 13 have sewerage and bathing facilities and 10 have radios in their homes.

These men and their wives will be the guests of The Progressive Farmer at the Master Farmer banquet to

be given in their honor at Dallas, Jan. 16, 1928. At this time they will also be awarded gold medals and be taken into the membership of the Master Farmer Association of Texas, of which W. F. Lowe of Plainview, a Master Farmer of 1926, is president.

COAL MINING IN TEXAS

Austin, Texas, Dec. 28.—Coal mining amounting to 1,091,158 tons was produced in Texas during 1926, according to the Bureau of Economic Geology of the University of Texas in co-operation with the United States Bureau of Mines. The value of this production was \$1,751,000. There are 1,650 men engaged in coal mining operations in the state and twenty-eight companies in operation.

Of these twenty-eight companies, twenty-three mine lignite, one camel coal; three Pennsylvania bituminous coal and one cretaceous coal. Mining operations are carried on in seventeen counties in the state, of which twelve are in the lignite belt, one in the camel belt, one bituminous cretaceous coal and three in the Pennsylvania coal belt.

The counties which produced lignite in 1926 include Bastrop, Henderson Hopkins, Houston, Lee Leon, Milam, Nacoches, Shelby, Titus and Wood; camel coal is produced in Webb county, cretaceous bituminous coal is mined in Erath, Palo Pinto and Wise counties.

Lots of men secretly envy the tramp's don't care disposition.

The man who is always hunting trouble never has need to borrow any.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENT FEES
Congressional, Representative and District offices \$15.00
County offices \$10.00
Commissioner and Justice Precinct offices \$7.50

All announcements to be paid for when ordered to appear in paper.

All announcements will be carried in this column until the July Primaries. Nominees in the July Primaries, where there is not a majority, will be carried through the August Primaries, and the nominees in the August Primaries, or who have a majority in the July Primaries, will be carried continuously until the General Election in November, 1928, without extra charge.


We are authorized to announce the following named candidates for the offices under which their name appears, subject to the Democratic Primaries, which will be held in July, 1928.

For County Judge:
Wm. McGEHEE

For County Clerk:
TOM W. DEEN

For Tax Assessor:
C. M. MEREDITH

For County Treasurer:
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"Galloping Fury"

A SNOOKY COMEDY
PARAMOUNT NEWS

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. T. O'Hearn spent Monday visiting in Amarillo.
J. A. W. Killer has been confined to his home the past week with a bad cold.
Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Brown and children spent Monday visiting in Lubbock.
Miss Billie Glenn spent the holidays in Canyon visiting with relatives and friends.
Ray C. Ayres spent the holidays in

Fort Worth on business and visiting with friends.
Miss Willie Merl Trapp spent the holidays in Memphis, Texas, visiting with her mother.
Albert Hinn and Ray Knoohuizen of Plainview were here Friday of last week on business.
Mr. J. A. Harris of the Lone Star community, has been quite ill with influenza and tonsillitis.
Zoel Watson returned the first of this week from a trip of several days to North Texas points.
Miss Lorraine Kille of Oklahoma is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. W. Killer, this week.
J. F. Matthews of Abilene was here Friday of last week attending to business at the Lockney Cotton Oil Co.
Miss Mollie Newman returned Sunday from Hedley, Texas, where she spent the holidays with her mother.
Dr. Colvern Henry spent the past two weeks in Dallas attending a clinic, returning home the first of the week.
Miss Roy Riley has returned to Canyon, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Riley.
Miss Thelma Steele returned Sunday from Goodnight, Texas, where she spent the holidays visiting her mother.
Miss Lauream Christian spent the holidays visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Christian, in the Blanco community.
Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Champion of Plainview were here this week visiting Mrs. Champion's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marshal Davis.
The baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. Harding Nall has been very ill with Bronchial Asthma, but is reported better at this time.
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Childers returned the last of the week from a visit to Corpus Christi and San Antonio, during the holidays.
Mrs. A. E. Lane of Clovis, N. M., who has been here visiting her mother, Mrs. M. B. Hill, during the holidays, has returned to her home.
T. H. Stewart returned the last of the week from Denton and Mineral Wells, Texas, where he had been visiting with relatives during the holidays.
Bill Mosley has returned to the North Texas A. & M. College, at Arlington, Texas, after spending the holidays here with friends and relatives.
Lester Lankford, who has been spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Lankford, left Saturday for his home in Galveston, Texas.
John Stapleton has returned to school at the West Texas State Teachers College, after spending the holidays here visiting his mother, Mrs. G.

J. Stapleton.
Miss Tommie Merrick, who is a student in the Tech College, has returned to her studies, after spending the holidays here, visiting her mother and other relatives.
Jimmie and Miss Emma Hodel have returned to the Tech College at Lubbock, after spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hodel, near Lockney.
Miss Hazel Bybee has returned to the Baylor University at Waco, Texas, after spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Brown and Mr. and Mrs. George Traylor.
Mr. and Mrs. Grady Crager and son returned the last of the week from Altus, Okla., where they spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Crager's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Light.
Mr. and Mrs. Otis Harris have returned to their home in Memphis, Texas, after spending Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Riley.
Misses Hula and Eunice Coleman have returned to school at the West Texas State Teachers College at Canyon, after spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Coleman.
Cecil Cope left Sunday for Slaton, Texas, where he has accepted a position in the mechanical department of the Slaton Slatonite. Bob Collier, formerly of Lockney is the editor of the Slatonite.
Miss Pauline Stevenson has returned to school at the West Texas State Teachers College at Canyon, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Stevenson, north of Lockney.
Duany Hamilton and family are moving to Irving, Dallas county, this week, where they will make their home in the future. W. A. Hamilton, brother of Duany, with his family, moved to Irving about a month ago.
Mrs. W. M. Day and children left last Friday for Wayside, Texas, for a visit of several days with a brother, Tom Knox, brother of Mrs. Day, remained here to take care of the Day home near Aiken, during the absence of the family.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hohlaus and family returned Friday of last week from Texline, Texas, where they had spent the Christmas holidays with relatives. Mrs. J. A. Abney, mother of Mrs. Hohlaus, returned with them for a visit with her daughter.
Mrs. A. R. Meriwether, daughters, Maenon and Martha, and son, Duane, returned to their home in Lubbock Sunday, after spending two weeks here visiting relatives and friends, during the holidays. Tab accompanied them home, but returned to Lockney Monday.
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DR. MCLENDON TO HEAD 4-COUNTY MEDICAL BODY
Plainview, Jan. 1.—Dr. E. F. McClendon of Plainview was elected president of the Hale-Swisher-Floyd-Briscoe Medical society at a meeting of the association of Plains physicians held in the offices of Drs. D. P. Jones and E. Lee Dye of Plainview recently.
Dr. J. W. Stevens of Tulla was named vice-president. Dr. E. O. Nichols of Plainview was re-elected secretary.
New Year Services
At Lockney Circuit
Sunday School at Lone Star at 10 a. m. next Sunday. Preaching at 11 a. m. and at night at Lone Star next Sunday by pastor.
Sunday School at Roseland next Sunday, at 10 a. m. Preaching next Sunday at Roseland at 11 a. m., by Bro. T. F. Casey. Preaching next Sunday at Roseland by J. N. S. Webb at 3 o'clock.
The pastor cordially invites you to attend these services, as we hope to have services that will hearten us all to "Lay aside every weight, and run with patience, the race that is set before us."
As those running in the Olympic races threw off all that impeded them, so should we in running the Christian race during the year 1928.
Then, looking to Christ the author and finisher of our faith and casting all our cares upon Him, who careth for us, we shall come out at the close of this new year, more victorious in our Christian lives, than ever before.
Then, let us take courage and lean on His everlastin arm, who is the Captain of our Salvation.
Fraternally,
J. N. S. WEBB, Pastor.
HOME COMING OF MCCLAIN CHILDREN CHRISTMAS DAY
Thirty-Six Present as Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McLain Celebrate 36th Year At Present Home
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Mrs. C. H. Huffman, of the Prairie Chapel community.
Mrs. Huffman has been employed in the offices of Angel & Childers, Insurance, for several months past as stenographer, coming here from Dallas. Mr. Huffman is the son of Mrs. C. H. Huffman of the Prairie Chapel community, and has been reared in this county. The young people have the best wishes of a host of friends.
PLAINVIEW SANITARIUM NEWS
Mr. R. E. Young of Turkey has returned to his home after undergoing a successful operation.
Mr. Earl Brennan of Amarillo who has been in the hospital for some time suffering from a fractured arm and other injuries was discharged last Friday.
Mrs. Paul Meachan of Turkey entered the sanitarium last week where she underwent a tonsilectomy.
Miss Grace Todd of Turkey is recovering after undergoing an operation for tonsillitis.
Mr. W. G. Sears of Hale Center is improving nicely since an operation for appendicitis which was performed several days ago.
Mrs. W. M. Jeffus of this city who is a patient in the sanitarium is slowly improving.
Little Charles Carlton, son of L. L. Carlton of this city is recovering from a tonsilectomy.
Mr. Z. T. Huff of this city, who underwent an operation for appendicitis several days ago is improving nicely and returned to his home.
Mrs. W. L. Odum of Runningwater has been discharged after undergoing a very successful operation.
We are glad to report the condition of Roy Sims of this city as very favorable after having undergone an operation for appendix with pus.
Little Mary Coppin of Kress, daughter of W. J. Coppin had her tonsils removed last week.
Mrs. H. B. Meester of Hale Center was discharged yesterday after being a patient in the sanitarium for several days.
Mrs. Fred Walker of this city, who was operated upon the 14th, was discharged yesterday and returned to her home.
We are glad to report the condition of Mrs. R. L. Crawford of Lockney as being very much improved, after having undergone an operation on the 16th.
Mr. J. N. Landfair of Quitaque has been a recent patient in the sanitarium.
We are glad to report the condition of Dr. C. L. Holt of Olton, who is in the sanitarium as the results of an operation as being improved.
Mr. E. J. Smith of this city is recovering from a minor operation.
Mr. C. J. Harvey of Tulla is resting nicely since an operation which was performed on the 20th.
Mrs. Ruth Carley of Hermleigh, who was operated upon last week was discharged from the sanitarium Monday, her condition being very much improved.
Miss Mabel Brunell of Hale Center entered the sanitarium Monday where she submitted to a minor operation. Miss Brunell returned to her home the same day.
Mr. W. J. Thompson of Lockney is undergoing medical treatment at the sanitarium.
Miss Anetia Windweben of this city had her tonsils removed on last Monday.
Mr. E. M. Thomas of Tulla is in the sanitarium undergoing medical treatment.
Little Francis Blanton, daughter of H. L. Blanton of this city had her tonsils removed this morning.
The little son of Harlod L. Craig of this city had his tonsils removed this morning, is resting nicely since.

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Stewart-Foster
Miss Vera Stewart and Mr. Hebron Foster of the Fairview community, were married at the home of Rev. Green B. Patterson, in Floydada, Christmas Eve Day, Dec. 24th, the Rev. Patterson performing the ceremony.
The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Stewart, and the groom is the son of Mr. W. H. Foster of the Fairview community. They will make their home in Floydada.
Both parties were very popular in the social affairs of the community, and especially so in the work of the Epworth League. Their many friends are wishing for them many years of prosperity and happiness.
Hereford Couple Wed
Miss Wynona Mae Crosswhite, and Mr. Ruben D. Norton were united in marriage at Canyon, Texas, on the 26th day of December.
Mrs. Norton is a niece of Robbs sister and of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Crosswhite of this city. She, Mrs. Norton, is a product of Floyd county. Mr. and Mrs. Norton will make their home in Amarillo for the present.—A reader.
Huffman-Trout
Miss Trannie Trout and Mr. Herman Huffman were married at the Methodist parsonage in Amarillo Wednesday afternoon of last week, the Methodist pastor performing the ceremony. The wedding was kept a secret until Saturday afternoon, when Mrs. Huffman received a message calling her to the bedside of a sister in Dallas. Mr. and Mrs. Huffman left for that place Saturday afternoon after announcing their marriage at the home of Mr. Huffman's mother,

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CASE OF THANKS—I wish to express my thanks and appreciation to the Lockney Fire Department and my neighbors for the good work done and the assistance given in helping to put out the fire and save my barns and feed, in the fire that broke out at my place last Wednesday night. The Lockney Fire Co. responded immediately after the alarm was given, and put out the fire before there was any

Please Settle Your Account

We are closed this week, preparing to open our "PIGGLY-WIGGLY" Store in the building across the street from our old stand, and formerly occupied by the City Drug Store. We wish to express our appreciation to our many friends for the business given us and the courtesies extended to us during the operation of the CASH GROCERY, and invite you to continue to trade with us when we get our new PIGGLY-WIGGLY STORE open.

We ask that all those who know themselves to be indebted to us for groceries, to call at the old Cash Grocery Stand at once and make settlement for their account. We will ask that those owing accounts call promptly and settle same so that we can get the past business cleared off our hands, before we open the new store.

Thanking you for past business, and inviting all our old customers, as well as new customers, to continue their patronage in our PIGGLY-WIGGLY Store, we beg to remain, your truly,

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COUNTY BRIEFS

LAKEVIEW

Jan. 2.—School opened this morning with full attendance. However some are moving and some new ones are coming.

There was a box supper at the school house Friday night for the purpose of raising money for some new song books.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Battey entertained the young people Thursday night with a party.

Mrs. Kiker and her music pupils presented a private recital at the teachers' Wednesday at six p. m. She was assisted by her sister, Miss Cheney, who has finished voice in W. T. S. T. C.

The young people were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Conway's last Wednesday evening.

Miss Opal Nelson left this morning for Lubbock, where she will enter Tech for the rest of the school term.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Jones, Harry and Hazel Jones and Ila Wright motored to Plainview Sunday. Miss Hazel left from there to enter the State University and Miss Ila resumed her studies in W. B. C.

Old Santa brought Mr. and Mrs. Conway a radio Christmas.

Mrs. R. C. Smith visited her mother, Mrs. J. Hammons, of Post from Saturday until Monday.

J. E. Copass and family took dinner new years with Roy Curry.

Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Shirley and family spent Christmas day with his mother at Lorenzo.

Mr. R. C. Smith visited his mother in Abilene from Monday until Wednesday.

F. P. Donathan and family took Christmas dinner with his daughter, Mrs. Camden, at Pleasant Hill.

Smith and Son have sold their grocery store to Mr. Mints of Floydada. The invoice was made today and they will take possession now.

Miss Estelle Harris returned from Wise county last Monday.

Miss Vera Readhimer and Louise Wright spent the day Wednesday with Miss Hazel Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. John Conway had as their guests for new year's dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Gilpin, Mr. and Mrs. Kiker, and Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Conway.

ANTELOPE

Jan. 3.—Mr. Jim Dillard and family from Las Vegas, N. M., spent the week with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Aston.

Miss Bernice Holt spent Sunday with Lora Bell White.

Mr. and Misses Cross are back from their home near Commerce.

Miss Donna Mae Aston returned this week to Abilene where she is attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hinsley spent Sunday with Bob Hinsley.

Miss Maude Huff spent a week with Misses Thelma, Bertie and Willa Mae Jones.

Miss Bertie Jones has been ill the past week.

STARKEY

Jan. 2.—Bro. Humphries filled his regular appointment here Sunday morning with a fine sermon. The crowd was rather small on account of bad weather.

The rain we had the first part of the week, did the wheat fields good, although we sure have been having some cold weather since.

There was an entertainment given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Atkinson, Friday night.

Miss Jessie Dalton spent Sunday with Miss Wanda Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Jennings and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Atkinson.

We are sorry to report Mrs. Geo. Attaway, who has been confined to her bed for some time, is not any better.

Bro. Jennings, Dalton, Atkinson and Humphries, held services in the jail Sunday afternoon.

Miss Bessie Moore who is attending school at Plainview, spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Moore. She is to return to Plainview Sunday.

Mr. J. W. Howard and his brother, Homer Howard, of Lockney, left Thursday for Paris, Texas, to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Howard.

We are sorry to report Mr. John Tate on the sick list.

POULTRY SHOW MEETING FRIDAY, JAN. 13TH

The first meeting of the Floyd County Poultry Association for the new year will be held in the county court room at Floydada, at 8 o'clock, Friday, January 13th, according to A. B. Muncy, president of the organization. The date for this meeting was set at the close of the Floyd County Poultry show held in Floydada last month.

For several years the association has been active only a short time preceding the annual show, but it was the unanimous opinion of those present at the last meeting that regular meetings should be held throughout the year and plans made for the show well in advance of the dates. The Friday evening meeting will be given over to a discussion of the marketing and exhibiting of poultry and poultry products and a special invitation is extended to all interested parties in the county.

TEXAS UTILITIES BUYS TAHOKA PLANT

By the vote of 162 to 16 the people of Tahoka expressed their approval of the proposal to sell their municipal light plant to the Texas Utilities. The latter will pay \$100,000 for the plant and will supply that town immediately.
J. B. Scott, manager, announces that the Utilities Company will soon have a highline through from Kress to Happy, closing a gap in the company's complete circuit.

Their plant at Friona will be in operation in ten days and the company will have plants in operation in Seminole and Seagraves by the end of January.

RHEUMATISM

While in France with the American Army I obtained a noted French prescription for the treatment of Rheumatism and Neuritis. I have given this to thousands with wonderful results. The prescription cost me nothing. I ask nothing for it. I will mail it if you will send me your address. A postal will bring it. Write today. PAUL CASE, Dept. S-303, Brockton, Mass.

G. Milton, who lives near South Plains, has returned from a visit of two weeks with his son, Buford, at El Paso.

Homer Howard of Lockney, and J. W. Howard of the Starkey community, have gone to Paris, Texas, for a visit with their mother.

A grafter by any other name would still be a thief.

Sometimes a wife can read her husband like a blank book.

Citation By Publication

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Floyd County—GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED. That you summon, by making Publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Floyd if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published once each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, Edd Green whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Honorable District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be held in the County of Floyd, at the Court House thereof, in Floydada on the 27th day of February, A. D. 1928, then and there to answer a peyday of August, A. D. 1927, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1882, wherein Rosie Green is plaintiff and Edd Green is defendant. The nature of the plaintiffs demand being as follows, to-wit:

That plaintiff is now, and for more than twelve months prior to the filing of her petition has been, an inhabitant in good faith of the State of Texas, and resided and made her home in Floyd County, Texas, for more than six months next before the filing of her said herein.

That plaintiff and defendant were lawfully married in Kaufman, Texas, on April 30, 1925, and lived together

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10 lbs. Pure Cane Sugar	67c
10 lbs. Spuds	25c
3 Salt Mackerel	20c
10 lb. box Prunes	90c
Babbit Lye, limit 5, each	10c
6 bars C. W. or P. & G. Soap	25c
5 bars Palmolive Soap	25c
32 oz. Jar Comb Honey	52c

until May 8, 1927, and no children were ever born to them.

That about one year after plaintiff and defendant were married defendant commenced a course of unkind, harsh and cruel treatment towards plaintiff, which constantly increased in violence, and she was finally compelled to permanently leave him on said May 8, 1927, returning to the home of her father, where she has continued to reside ever since.

That during the time that they lived together, plaintiff conducted herself with propriety and managed their household affairs with prudence and economy—at all times treating defendant with kindness and forbearance—but without cause defendant became extremely jealous, and accused plaintiff of immoral conduct and relations with other men, and in the presence of strangers and in public accused plaintiff of immorality and improper conduct with other men.

That while they were living in Olney, in Young County, Texas, about the 15th day of February, 1927, in the presence of the sister of plaintiff and of others, without the slightest cause thereof, defendant accused plaintiff of wanting to leave the crowd—among which was plaintiff's sister—and go with another man, a stranger to plaintiff—and defendant then and there threatened to kill plaintiff and himself.

That defendant failed and refused to obtain work and to provide plaintiff with the necessities of life, by reason of which plaintiff was compelled to work in cafes, or restaurants or laundries in order to obtain a livelihood.

That defendant often and on various times and dates threatened the life of plaintiff, and slept with a razor or a pistol or both under his pillow—telling plaintiff that he expected to kill both plaintiff and himself before morning, and that the outrageous, excessive and cruel treatment continued to grow worse, and was of such a nature as to render their living together wholly insupportable.

Plaintiff prays for citation, for judgment dissolving the marriage contract existing between plaintiff and defendant, and that her maiden name of Speaks be restored to her, and for general and special relief.

HEREIN FAIL NOT. And have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Floydada, Texas, this, the 2nd day of January, A. D. 1928.
T. P. GUIMARIN,
Clerk District Court, Floyd County, Texas.

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EVENTS OF 1927 IN MANY LANDS

Record of Twelve Months' Notable Happenings in the United States and Abroad.

FEATS OF LINDBERGH

Remarkable Year for Aviation—Efforts to Reduce Armaments Are Not Successful—Strained Relations in Europe—Presidential Politics and Doings of Congress—Mississippi Valley Devastated by Floods.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

"Lindbergh's year" might well be the designation given 1927, for it was distinguished especially by the achievements of that admirable young American aviator. His transatlantic flight, the first from America to Europe; his triumphant progress abroad and afterward in his home country, his nonstop flight to Mexico City, and his gallantry and modesty made him the most famous man of his time. Both before and after he winged his way to France numerous other transoceanic flights were attempted. Several of them succeeded, while many failed tragically.

Internationally, interest centered largely on efforts to bring about reduction of armaments. President Coolidge's invitation to the nations signatory to the Washington treaty to confer on means to extend the provisions of that pact was accepted only by Great Britain and Japan, and ended in complete failure. The League of Nations preparatory disarmament commission was more or less busy throughout the year, but seemed to make little progress. Its December meeting was attended by Russian representatives who blandly proposed immediate and total disarmament. This plan was squelched and the matter of international security taken up. The league council, convening toward the close of the year, had to deal with the old quarrel between Poland and Lithuania and with strained relations between France and Italy. United States marines were busy helping suppress a revolutionary movement in Nicaragua and protecting our nationals in China.

At home the year was notable for the steady growth of our national economic prosperity, which, however, was halted in some sections by agricultural depression and by the devastating floods in the Mississippi valley.

INTERNATIONAL

At the opening of the year President Diaz of Nicaragua asked American aid against the Liberal rebels led by Doctor Sacasa, and naval forces and marines were promptly sent, since our rights to the Nicaragua canal route were deemed imperiled. After numerous skirmishes all Nicaraguans were ordered to surrender their arms to the American forces, and the backbone of the rebellion was broken in a battle at Ocotal in July. Encounters with scattered guerrilla bands continued through the rest of the year. Relations between the United States and Mexico improved steadily and Dwight Morrow went down there as ambassador late in the fall with high hopes of settling all the differences amicably. Secretary of State Kellogg's plans for ending the Taena Arica dispute between Chile and Peru were rejected by the latter country in January.

The three-power conference on naval disarmament called by President Coolidge was held in Geneva. Practical agreement was reached concerning submarine, but Great Britain's demands in the matter of small cruisers could not be accepted by America and Japan, and American demands for eight-inch guns were rejected by the British, so the whole affair collapsed on August 4. Viscount Cecil was so incensed by the stubbornness of the British delegates that he resigned from the cabinet and from participation in the doings of the League of Nations. Soviet Russia, more and more taking part in international affairs, made small progress into the good graces of other powers. Her proposal in the disarmament conference of the league, mentioned above, was scoffed at as not only impracticable, but also as disingenuous. In February Britain warned Moscow to cease its anti-British propaganda, and in May the London police raided the Soviet trade headquarters and seized incriminating documents. The Russian representatives were deported and all relations between the two nations severed. Until late in the year the Soviet emissaries were active in keeping the Chinese civil war alive, though their efforts were scarcely needed. When the radical faction of the Chinese Nationalists was virtually suppressed by the moderate wing, the Bolsheviks had so few friends left that they practically withdrew from the country. The war in China was made an international affair by the attacks on foreigners and foreign concessions and the threats against the treaty ports. American, British, French, and Japanese forces were sent there and are still there, for the end of the conflict is not in sight. It was complicated by Japan's deter-

mination to protect her nationals and large interests in Manchuria. No agreements with China could be made by the powers for there was no real central government of that distracted country.

Germany kept up her reparations payments, and her relations with France were bettered by a commercial treaty and semi-private trade pacts. On January 31 the interallied commission turned over the control of German disarmament to the League of Nations, and in August France agreed to reduce the occupational forces in the Rhineland.

France and Yugo-Slavia signed a treaty which Premier Mussolini thought was aimed at Italy, so he retaliated with a military pact between Italy and Albania which, he frankly stated, was designed to maintain Italian control of the Adriatic. There was much ill feeling, but little apparent danger of hostilities. Not so much could be said for the trouble between Poland and Lithuania. Each of these nations accused the other of fomenting plots against it, and the Lithuanians believed Premier Pilsudski had designs on their independence. Seizure of Vilna by Poland several years ago was the underlying cause of the row. Marshal Pilsudski and Premier Waldemaras of Lithuania went to Geneva and were persuaded to make a temporary peace agreement, the details of a permanent pact to be worked out later.

FOREIGN

Great Britain slowly but steadily recovered from the effects of the long coal strike. What that conflict did to the country was indicated by the fact that in January, for the first time in many years, the real balance of trade was against the British, the deficit amounting to \$66,000,000. In April the government introduced a bill to amend rather drastically the law relating to trade unions and strikes. The measure was supported by the Conservatives as necessary for the defense of the existing political and social system; but it was assailed bitterly by all the forces of labor, who asserted it was designed not to protect the state but to take away the rights won by the workers and to destroy the unions. After many weeks of violent debate the measure, considerably modified, was passed. Another plan of the government, proposed in June, was to reduce the number of peers in the house of lords, and at the same time to strengthen the powers of that chamber that it would be an impregnable defense against the growing power of labor. This was so strongly opposed by the Socialists and Laborites that the scheme was abandoned for the present. In April, Chancellor of the Exchequer Churchill introduced the budget for the year, designed to meet a deficit of \$110,000,000. His proposals showed that, despite her enormous burdens, Great Britain's financial position was fundamentally sound.

When the Dail Eireann or parliament of the Irish Free State met in June, De Valera and forty-four of his followers were excluded because they refused to take the oath of allegiance to King George. Later they changed their minds and were sworn in. The general elections in September gave the government a plurality of six votes, and President Cosgrave was re-elected. In July Ireland was shocked by the assassination of Kevin O'Higgins, vice president and minister of justice. The murderers were not caught.

Canada's importance was considerably amplified by her election as a member of the council of the League of Nations. Senator Raoul Dandurand being given the seat, and by the sending of an American minister to Ottawa in the person of William Phillips. On July 1 the Dominion celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of its birth as a self-governing unit of the British empire. Ontario abandoned prohibition, and on June 1 substituted the tax system of selling liquor in government stores to persons possessing permits. Prince Edward Island, the smallest of the provinces, voted in June to remain dry.

That France is still nervously afraid of attacks from the East was made plain when the superior war council in February announced plans for the construction of defenses on the German and Italian frontiers calling for the expenditure of seven billion francs. The project will give France the most formidable frontier defenses in Europe. Parliament passed a bill in March providing for nationalization of all useful industry in time of war and in April President Doumergue signed a bill under which France will build one cruiser, six destroyers, five submarines and other war craft. Premier Poincare, despite constant opposition in parliament, maintained his prestige, and his financial measures proved so successful that many wondered why he did not proceed to the stabilization of the franc.

Under the firm hand of Mussolini, the Fascist state of Italy began to function fully in 1927. Measures that, though severe, seem wholesome were put in force from time to time and the country prospered, beyond denial of the detractors of the Duce. In April, the premier proclaimed a Fascist "charter of labor," which was regarded as a substitution of the principle of co-operation for that of competition, and thus a step in the abolition of class struggle.

King Ferdinand of Rumania died on July 29 and his grandson, the infant Michael, was proclaimed his successor under a regency. Friends of Carol, former crown prince and father of the child king, stirred up a lot of excitement and trouble with schemes to bring him back from exile and put him

on the throne, but little came of it. In November Premier Ionel Bratiano, unremitting enemy of Carl, died and was succeeded temporarily by his brother. Bloody revolts by Communists in Vienna and by Royalists in Portugal were suppressed in the summer. In Soviet Russia Stalin and his associates undertook to squelch utterly the opposition faction and Leon Trotsky and his followers were expelled from the Communist party.

President Calles of Mexico continued his suppression of the Catholic opponents to his rule. Many prelates were arrested on charges of sedition, and in April Archbishop Mora y del Rio and others were expelled from the country.

Mexico's most serious revolutionary movement came in October and was led by Generals Gomez and Serrano, both rivals of General Obregon for the Presidency. Within a few weeks the movement had been effectively put down and Gomez, Serrano and many others had been executed by firing squads. President Figueroa of Chile was forced out of office by Premier Ibáñez, who was later elected to succeed him.

Virtual collapse of the Kuomintang revolution in China, so far as achieving its objectives was concerned, marked the year in the Oriental republic. The Nationalist party was hopelessly split into factions, while Marshal Chang maintained his supremacy in Peking and was reported to be preparing to proclaim himself emperor. The civil warfare went on unceasingly without definite result.

DOMESTIC

Generally speaking, conditions were conducive to a prosperous year in the United States. Industry and commerce flourished and the government piled up a huge reserve that made a reduction of taxes a certainty. Adverse features were the unprecedented floods in the Mississippi valley, continued though somewhat ameliorated depression in the agricultural industries, the long coal strike in the bituminous fields which was ended in several states in the autumn, and a strike of coal miners in Colorado under leadership of the I. W. W.

Presidential politics occupied the minds of the people to a considerable extent. President Coolidge. It was conceded, could have the Republican nomination for the asking, but during his vacation in the Black Hills of South Dakota he rather astonished the nation by issuing the simple statement: "I do not choose to run for President in 1928." Thus the race was made an open one, though many of Mr. Coolidge's admirers insisted that he would accept the nomination if "drafted" by the party. Of the other possibilities those most favorably considered were Frank O. Lowden, Herbert Hoover and Vice President Charles Dawes. Charles E. Hughes also was liked by many. Senator Charles Curtis of Kansas announced that he was a candidate for the honor, and a boom for Senator George Norris of Nebraska was started by some of his fellow "insurgents." Senator Willis of Ohio threw his hat into the ring after the President in December told the national committee he had "eliminated" himself.

Kansas City was awarded the Republican national convention after a spirited contest with San Francisco and the call was issued for June 12. Al Smith, at his fourth inauguration as governor of New York, declared his candidacy for the Democratic nomination and throughout the year he seemed to gain steadily in strength. Of course most of the dries in his party opposed him and they sought for a rival candidate to take the place of W. G. McAdoo. The best they could find, apparently, was Senator James Reed of Missouri.

In February congress passed the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill and President Coolidge promptly vetoed it because he and his official advisers considered it economically bad. During the year the various agricultural organizations tried to get together on some measure that would serve their needs and meet the President's objections, but failed. The matter came up again in the Seventieth congress which met in December.

The senate in January refused to admit Frank L. Smith and W. S. Vare, senators-elect from Illinois and Pennsylvania respectively, because of alleged political corruption in their campaigns and elections. Senator Reed of Missouri spent considerable time during the summer investigating the cases, and when the senate convened on December 5 the battle for and against the admission of the two men was resumed.

President Coolidge declared himself, early in the year, in favor of adequate national defense, and congress in its army and navy appropriations was fairly liberal, going even beyond the Chief Executive's recommendations by providing for three light cruisers. In October Admiral Magruder severely criticized the management of the navy in a magazine article and paid the penalty, being removed from his command of the naval station at Philadelphia.

The Fall oil lease scandal came to the front again several times. The United States Supreme court cancelled the leases given by Fall to E. L. Doherty on the ground of fraud, and later President Coolidge turned the naval oil reserves back to the Navy department. In October the Supreme court cancelled the Teapot Dome lease held by Harry Sinclair. In that month the conspiracy case against Fall and Sinclair went to trial in Washington, but a mistrial was ordered when it was discovered some of the jurors were being shadowed by Burns detectives

employed by the defense. Sinclair, W. J. Burns and several others were cited for contempt of court.

There was a reorganization of the machinery for enforcement of prohibition in May. Seymour Loman succeeded I. C. Andrews as assistant secretary of the treasury in charge of that job, and Dr. J. M. Doran replaced Roy A. Haynes as commissioner of prohibition. The Anti-Saloon league lost its guiding hand when Wayne B. Wheeler died in September, but under other leaders it went ahead with plans to raise millions for the defeat of all wet candidates for office.

In April the President vetoed the Philippines assembly act for a plebiscite on independence for the islands. Later Governor General Wood came home to report to Mr. Coolidge at the summer White House in the Black Hills. The general was in poor health then and on August 7 he died in Boston, universally lamented. In December President Coolidge appointed Henry L. Stimson to succeed General Wood as governor general of the Philippines.

The cases of Sacco and Vanzetti, Italian Communists, stirred up their fellow Reds all over the world, and the so-called "pinks" as well. They had been convicted of murder in Massachusetts and sentenced to death. The fairness of the trial judge was attacked and the execution of the men was delayed for months by every means in the power of the defense. The Supreme court and Governor Fuller declined to interfere and the men were put to death on August 22.

The annual convention of the American Legion, which was held in Paris, was a great success and the former doughboys thoroughly enjoyed their return to the scenes that became familiar to them during the World war. After the convention adjourned most of the thousands of delegates visited the battlefields and went to Belgium and England. A large party journeyed to Rome. Edward E. Spafford of New York was elected commander of the Legion and San Antonio, Texas, was awarded the 1928 convention.

What remains of the Grand Army of the Republic held the national encampment of that organization in Grand Rapids, Mich., in September. E. L. Hawk of Sacramento, Calif., was chosen commander in chief, and Denver was selected for the encampment of 1928.

When the Seventieth congress assembled in December President Coolidge sent in a message in which he stood pat on a number of controversial topics. He again called for the creation of a federal farm board to administer a revolving fund to help cooperatives, and again urged the strictest economy. He recommended a moderate reduction in taxes on the lines favored by Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, adequate works on the lower Mississippi to control floods, legislation permitting the President to act during coal mine strikes, the turning over of the government's merchant marine to private capital, and the projection of the Gulf-to-Atlantic waterway through the St. Lawrence.

The house ways and means committee did not agree with Mr. Coolidge and Mr. Mellon and submitted a bill that would reduce taxes by about \$22,000,000. Most of the Mellon recommendations were ignored in its preparation. The house itself went even further and before the holiday recess passed a measure calling for tax reductions aggregating \$200,000,000, or \$65,000,000 in excess of the maximum set by the administration.

The government budget submitted to congress by the President called for appropriations totaling \$3,556,957,631, and he gave his approval to the Navy department's 20-year building program requiring expenditures of \$725,000,000 in the first five years.

AVIATION

Details of Charles A. Lindbergh's epochal flight, alone, from New York to Paris are still fresh in all minds. Testing his plane by flying from California to Long Island in two hops, the quiet young man took off for France on May 20 and 33 hours and 21 minutes later he landed safely at the Le Bourget field. The French people went wild over him and in France, Belgium and England, honors were heaped upon him. He kept his head wonderfully, and his modesty and devotion to his business, both in Europe and after his triumphant return home, endeared him to all Americans even more than his great achievement. Rejecting all offers that would have made him wealthy, he took a position in the Guggenheim Foundation for the advancement of aviation, and in his famous plane, the Spirit of St. Louis, made a tour of all the states.

In December Lindbergh was invited to Mexico City by President Calles and responded by making the first nonstop flight from Washington to the Mexican capital, where he was received most enthusiastically as the unofficial ambassador of good will.

In February De Pinedo of Italy flew across the south Atlantic to Brazil, later flying up to the United States and Canada and thence to the Azores and home. The army's pan-American air squadron lost two of its members in a collision at Buenos Aires; the rest of them returned to Washington in May. C. D. Chamberlain and C. A. Levine flew from Long Island to Germany in June, establishing a nonstop distance record of 3,995 miles. The same month Lieut. J. L. Maitland and Albert Hegeberger of the army, flew from San Francisco to Honolulu, and Commander Byrd and his crew hopped off at New York for Europe, landing in the sea near Havre, France. E. L. Smith and E. B. Bronte made the flight from San Francisco to Hawaii

in July, landing on Molokai Island, out of gas.

Many planes were entered in a race from California to Honolulu in August, and four started, but only two made the trip successfully. One of these was manned by Art Goebel and Lieut. William Davis, and the other by Martin Jensen and Paul Schlutter. The other two starters, carrying four men and one woman, were lost, and Capt. W. P. Erwin and A. H. Eichwald, who flew in search of them, also perished in the ocean. Before the start of the race three entrants were killed in accidents. Yet another bold aviator who disappeared, was Paul Redfern, who undertook to fly from Brunswick, Ga., to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Then, in September, Pilots Bertaud and Hill, with P. Payne, a New York newspaper man as passenger, undertook the transatlantic flight, heading for Rome; they fell into the sea and perished. In October Ruth Elder and George Halldeman tried to duplicate Lindbergh's feat but were forced down near the Azores and picked up by a steamer. Pilots Schlee and Brock started from New Foundland August 27 for a flying tour of the world. They landed in England the next day, and continued their trip successfully as far as Tokyo, Japan. By that time the conditions over the Pacific were such that they wisely made the crossing by steamship. Pilots Tully and Medcalf of Canada lost their lives in trying to fly from Harbor Grace, N. F., to London in September.

European aviators were almost as active as those of America, and some of them also paid the extreme penalty for their boldness. Captains Charles Nungesser and Francois Coll, famous French aces, undertook a nonstop flight from Paris to New York in May, and were lost off New Foundland. In August Capt. Leslie Hamilton and Col. F. F. Minchin, with Princess Luowstein-Wertheim as passenger, started from Upavon, England, for Ottawa, Ont., and were never seen again.

SPORTS

In respect of attendance all records in American sporting events were broken in 1927. The outstanding events in this way were the prize fight for the heavyweight championship in Chicago, between Gene Tunney and Jack Dempsey on September 22; and the football game, also in Chicago, between Notre Dame and the University of Lower California on November 23. The fight, it is needless to say, was won on points by Tunney, the champion. The football game resulted in a victory for Notre Dame. In the squared circle during the year Pete Latzo lost the welterweight title to Joe Dundee; Bud Taylor retained the bantamweight championship by defeating Tony Canzoneri; Mickey Walker, world's middleweight champion, of New Jersey, beat Tommy Milligan, European champion, in London, and Sammy Mandell kept his lightweight title by whipping McGraw.

There was an interesting race in the National Baseball league, which was won by Pittsburgh. The American league pennant was taken by the New York Yankees, and that club defeated the Pirates handily in the world's series. Ban B. Johnson retired from the presidency of the American league in October and was succeeded by E. S. Barnard of Cleveland.

Bobby Jones maintained his place as leader in the world of golf, for he not only won again the British open championship, but also the southern open and the national amateur titles. However, he lost the national open, which was won by Tommy Armour after a tie with Harry Cooper. Bobby Cruikshank won the North and South open, Johnny Farrell the Metropolitan open and eastern open, Bob Stein of Seattle the western amateur. Mrs. Harry Pressler the women's western, Tommy Armour the Canadian open, Walter Hagen the western open and the professional, Mrs. Miriam Horn the women's national, and George Duncan the French open.

France's tennis team captured the Davis cup from the Americans, and one of its members, Lacoste, again won the American championship, defeating Bill Tilden. However, Tilden, Hunter and Misses Wills and Ryan made a fine showing in European tournaments.

It was difficult to pick the best of the year's college football teams, for several were undefeated. Yale beat Harvard in their annual match, and University of Illinois won the Western conference championship. The Army-Navy game in New York resulted in victory for West Point.

Horse racing had a prosperous year and a number of new tracks were opened; two of these were in the Chicago region, for Illinois' legislature had legalized pari-mutuel betting. The Kentucky Derby was won by H. P. Whitney's Whiskery, and the American Derby at Chicago went to Hydromel. Handy Mandy captured the Latonia Derby.

DISASTERS

It was another year of disasters and convulsions of nature. Earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, furious storms and devastating floods were numerous and took a terrible toll in lives and property destroyed. The Mississippi valley floods that started in April were the worst in the history of the United States. Vast areas from central Illinois to the Gulf of Mexico were inundated, hundreds of persons drowned and hundreds of thousands rendered homeless, while the property losses ran into the hundred millions. All relief agencies, from the government departments down, were employed, with Secretary Hoover in general charge, and the people of the country contrib-

uted most liberally for their unfortunate fellow citizens. An immediate result was the formulating of plans for flood control for action by the Seventieth congress.

Of other disasters the worst were: In January: Seventy-seven children killed in movie theater fire in Montreal. In February: Earthquake and snowslides killed hundreds in Yugo-Slavia; tornadoes in southern states and along the Atlantic seaboard, fatal to sixty-six. In March: Sixty-nine killed in two mine explosions in England and Wales; nearly 2,500 perished in Japanese earthquake and tidal wave; tornado in Arkansas, 33 dead. In April: Mine explosion in West Virginia, killed 94. In May: About 200 died in storms in Middle West; earthquake in China ruined Liangchow and other cities and killed about 100,000 persons. In July: Flood in Saxony killed 1,000 and in Saxony 200; earthquake in Palestine took 268 lives. In September: Storms and tidal waves ravaged west coast of Mexico and parts of China and Japan; tornado in St. Louis, Mo., killed 89 and did \$75,000,000 damage to property. In October: Italian steamship sank off Brazil coast, 314 lives being lost. In November: Disastrous and fatal floods in New England and Algeria; explosion of gas storage tank in Pittsburgh killed about 40 persons. In December there were furious gales on the Great Lakes that destroyed much shipping and cost some lives. In an orphanage fire in Quebec about sixty children and one nun perished.

NECROLOGY

Notable among the deaths of the year were:

In January: Capt. M. E. Trench, governor of the Virgin Islands; Frank L. Stanton, Georgia poet; Arnold Daly, actor; David R. Francis of St. Louis, statesman; Miss Juliet Low, founder of Girl Scouts of America; Carlotta, ex-empress of Mexico; Lyman J. Gage, former secretary of the treasury.

In February: William E. Knox, New York banker; Charles Deering, capitalist; Dr. C. D. Walcott, secretary of Smithsonian Institution; Rev. Dr. Percy S. Grant, New York divine; Oliver Dennett Grover, artist; Commodore Elbridge T. Gerry of New York; Dr. George Brandes, Danish critic; Judson Harmon of Ohio; Rear Admiral A. M. Knight; Sir Luke Fildes, English artist.

In March: Brig. Gen. Le Ray Upson; Dr. Nathaniel Butler, Dr. Ira Remsen and Dr. Harry Pratt Judson, educators; Gov. H. L. Whitfield of Mississippi; Katy Emmett, actress; W. S. Cherry, explorer; W. H. Diggs, founder of Isaac Walton League; Perry S. Heath; George Wheeler Hinman, journalist.

In April: Capt. John Bartlett, Arctic explorer; Rev. Dr. J. P. Brushingham; Eliot F. Sheppard, millionaire sportsman; Albert J. Beveridge, ex-senator from Indiana.

In May: Dr. Benjamin Ide Wheeler, educator; Hudson Maxim, inventor; Bruce McTear, actor; Anna Eva Fay, mind reader; Sam Bernard, actor; Col. T. T. Knox, veteran Indian fighter; Payne Whitney, capitalist; J. E. Van Allen, financier.

In June: Martin Roche, Chicago architect; Marquis de Lansdowne; Dr. Joseph Schneider, world-famed oculist of Milwaukee; Rear Admiral Hugo Osterhaus; Coles Phillips, artist; Jerome K. Jerome, English author; Clara Louise Burnham, author; Henry Clay Pierce, oil magnate.

In July: Keith Preston, journalist; John Drew, actor; Henry White, diplomat; King Ferdinand of Rumania; Congressman M. E. Crumpacker of Oregon; Brig. Gen. G. M. Moulton; Cardinal Czernoch, primate of Hungary; David C. Cook, publisher; Sir Harry Johnston, English author and explorer; Walter Travis, former golf champion.

In August: Rear Admiral F. T. Bowles; John Dillon, Irish Nationalist; Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood, governor general of the Philippines; James Oliver Curwood, author; Judge E. H. Gary, head of the United States Steel corporation; Ogden Armour of Chicago; Mrs. Fannie Bloomfield Zeisler, pianist; Zaghul Pasha, Egyptian nationalist; Cardinal Rieg y Casanova, primate of Spain.

In September: Amelia Bingham, actress; Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel of Anti-Saloon League; Marcus Loew, motion picture magnate; Col. C. J. Glidden, telephone and aeronautical pioneer; Isadora Duncan, dancer; Maj. Gen. Lloyd M. Brett; Baron Ago von Maltzan, German ambassador to the United States; Lew Shank, former mayor of Indianapolis.

In October: Prof. A. S. Arhenius, Swedish scientist; Gov. Austin Peay of Tennessee; "Corporal" James Tanner of Washington; John Dail of Pittsburgh; Bishop P. J. Muldoon of Rockford, Ill.; Col. J. F. Dillon of Federal radio commission; Cardinal O'Donnell, primate of Ireland; Maj. Gen. J. T. Dickman; Davies Warfield, president Seaboard Air Line railway; John J. Mitchell, Chicago banker; Rear Admiral J. M. Helm; John La, the Long, author and playwright.

In November: Dr. H. C. Jennings, head of the Methodist Book Concern; James C. Brady, New York financier; W. K. James, president American Farm congress; J. N. Huston, former U. S. treasurer; Charles Mellen, railway man; Ionel Bratiano, premier of Rumania; Rear Admiral W. H. Bullard, chairman of federal radio commission; Cardinal Bonzano; Henry W. Savage, theatrical producer.

In December: Herbert S. Hadley, chancellor of Washington university and former governor of Missouri; I. F. Bradford of Pittsburgh, noted stockman.



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GOODNIGHT

Most of the people here have been staying in pretty close for the last few days on account of the severe weather.

The Winton children are out of school this week pulling bolls.

Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey entertained the people of this community last Wednesday night. A large crowd was present to enjoy some real god music.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith had a party for the young people in their home Thursday night.

The Denver railroad people are laying the track past Goodnight. They will reach the tunnel in a few days.

Gerdis Cogdill has been very sick for a week, but is back in school today.

Some men who are picking cotton on Mr. John Taylor's place were hunting in the breaks last week, at the same time they set some traps. As a result, they have in their yard, a very pretty Bob cat.

Cecil Cook spent Saturday with O. C. White.

ALCINO

We are still having cold weather. Wish it would rain or snow, as the wheat crop is needing moisture.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jones and daughter, Dorothy Jean, of Aiken, visited Mr. and Mrs. Syd Brown last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Cypert and Miss Ruth Ginn have been attending the Holiness meeting at Cedar this week.

Hugh Starnes of Floydada was at Alcino Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bishop Wiggington and daughter, Jennie Lee, returned home last week from Taiban, N. M., where they have been visiting J. W. Taylor and wife.

Mr. Bob Smith and Syd Brown made a business trip to Lockney and Floydada Friday.

Roy Brown and family of Silverton visited Grandma Brown Christmas day.

Roscoe Lackey took a load of maize to Floydada Saturday.

W. T. Brown and wife of Floydada spent Friday afternoon in Grandma Brown's home.

Mr. Bradley Yeary and son, Rein, were at Alcino Saturday.

Mr. Ginn made a business trip to Lockney and Floydada Friday.

Mrs. Mary Lee Dillard visited Joe Fortenberry and wife Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Cypert have bought them a new Chevrolet car.

Raymond Love and Red Furgeson called on Bob Smith Saturday.

Mrs. Dora Brown visited Mrs. D. B. Brown Friday afternoon.

PRAIRIE CHAPEL

Jan. 3.—Young 1928 is a wild baby. He has driven every family in the Panhandle to red hot heaters.

One-fourth inch of rain Tuesday was a welcome Christmas gift to Prairie Chapel. A lot of pessimists are saying all the wheat is dead. Do not believe them—go dig up a bunch and you will find new roots. The freeze hit the top off, but why wear crepe? That is not a tragedy this early in the season.

The H. D. C. club was rained out last Tuesday. Our next meeting place will be announced at a later date.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walter gave a party honoring their daughter, Miss Mildred, last Tuesday evening. The guests reported a delightful evening. Miss Walter is a student in Canyon Normal.

Ernest and Maurice Tannahill were hosts to a party of young friends at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Tannahill, last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Baker and Jencie Lee of Dallas, spent Christmas with Mrs. Baker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Whorton.

"This here" community is all "upside down" over two secret weddings that have just "leaked out." The first was that of Miss Jewel Hammons and Mr. Henry Lindemann, which occurred Nov. 27th. They were married at the home of the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wood in the Whitfield community. The new Mrs. Lindemann is a niece of William Wood of this community and has many friends here as she visited frequently with the Wood family and with Mrs. Huffman. The wedding was kept secret until Christmas day. Everybody prepared for a Christmas wedding—but "knocked flat" when informed Rev. G. O. Dean "tied the knot" a month before. Rather late for congratulations, but anyway we wish for them a calm voyage on the sea of matrimony.

Before the smoke had cleared away, the second bomb "busted" right in the middle of our community. Everybody thought Herman Huffman was doomed to eternal bachelorhood, but it is now quite evident he was not so bashful as folk thought, as he got married before Leap year. Miss Trainie Trout and Mr. Herman Huffman were united in marriage by Rev. E. E. Robinson at Amarillo, Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1927. They planned to announce their marriage at a New Year's dinner given for them and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lindemann at the home of Mrs. C. H. Huffman, but a long distance call Saturday informed the bride of the serious illness of her sister in a Dallas sanitarium. Mr. and Mrs.

Huffman left immediately in their car for Dallas. Herman is the only son of Mrs. C. H. Huffman, and grew up in our community. Mrs. Huffman came to Lockney last spring from Dallas and was employed in the office of Angel and Childers. Both have a host of friends who wish for them a long and happy married life.

Prairie Chapel needs new locks. Unless we get them soon, Lockney will clean us out. Last summer they "stole" Prof. Herbert Nicholas from us. Recently they made another raid and took Prof. Wilford Jones. Prof. O'Neal will fill the vacancy.

PLEASANT VALLEY

Jan. 3.—The Christmas holidays were very happy ones for everybody.

School opened Monday with a good attendance considering that there is some whooping cough in the community.

Pleasant Valley failed to get their news items in Christmas week.

On Thursday night before Christmas the community had a Christmas tree. The school children rendered a short program. Then, best of all, in came old Santa Claus. He made every one happy by his merry jokes.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McClare and children made a trip to Plainview Sunday to visit Mrs. McClare's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Visor.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowers are the happy parents of twins, a boy and a girl, born the 23rd.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Barnes and family visited J. B. Rutledge of Floydada Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Mitchell and children spent Saturday and Sunday visiting Mrs. R. L. Mosley of Plainview.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Martin spent Christmas holidays visiting with Mrs. C. S. Surles, Mr. Martin's sister, of Cisco, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. F. U. Payne, Mrs. C. F. Harris, Mrs. W. C. Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Mosley visited in the Mitchell home Thursday.

Wilma Cooper spent Saturday night and Sunday with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Martin.

Miss Eva Virden of the Plainview sanitarium is visiting home folks this week.

Miss Fae Lewis has gone to visit her father and brothers, of Sweetwater, Texas.

Annie Mae Bloxom spent Sunday with Katherine Harris.

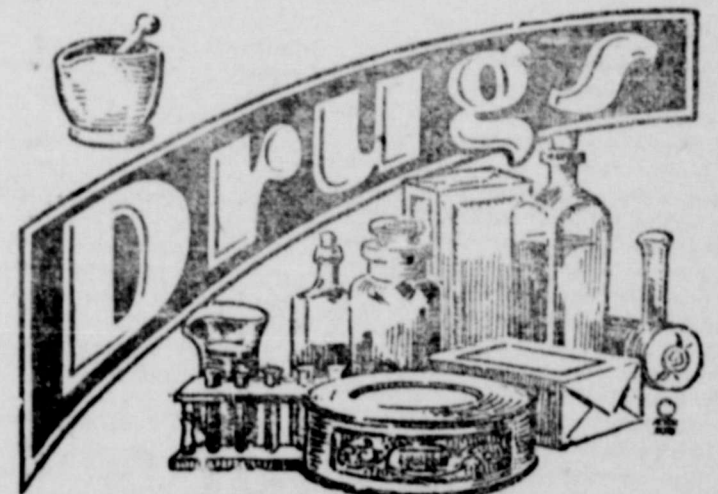
Miss Jonnie Christian returned Sunday to Memphis, Texas, where she is teaching in the Home Economics department of the Memphis Public schools, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Christian, in the Blanco community.



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COUNTY BRIEFS

AIKEN

Jan. 2.—School opened again Monday, after being dismissed nearly two weeks for Christmas holidays. Only a few were brave enough to venture out to Sunday school and church Sunday. We are hoping that we won't have many more days that are as cold as the past few days have been.

Mr. McAvoy and family visited friends in Plainview Sunday.

Bro. H. P. Ashby visited in the Laddy home Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Robert Jones visited her sister, who lives at Ralls Thursday.

Miss Clara Campbell spent last week with home folk.

C. E. Meredith and family visited in Ft. Worth Friday.

LONE STAR

Jan. 2.—Mrs. Harper and three daughters, Mamie Lou Jarnegan and Melvin Thompson spent Friday with Mrs. J. B. Allen.

Mrs. E. C. Brown and children visited Mrs. Charlie Brown of Roseland on New Year's day.

Mr. Bee Phillips and family of the Sand Hill community spent Christmas day with Mr. Phillips' parents, Mr. J. H. Phillips and family.

Mr. J. W. Ward and wife spent Christmas with Mr. T. J. Ward and family. Mr. J. W. Ward and wife are moving into our community. They come from Collingsworth county.

Mr. and Mrs. Goree Applewhite and son, and Bill Bobbitt left Friday morning for Waco. They made the trip in a car.

Mr. C. W. Jackson of Plainview came to visit Mr. C. J. Roach on Wednesday.

Mrs. T. J. Jarboe and daughters visited in Floydada on Christmas day.

Douglas McGehee returned to Lubbock on Saturday.

Joe, Maye and Ada Foster left for Lubbock on Monday morning.

Jeff and Raginal Fowler and Clyde Baxter left Tuesday for Canyon.

PROVIDENCE

Jan. 3.—Miss Exa Lovvorn, who has been visiting friends in Plainview during the holidays has returned home.

Mr. Wyatt McLaughlin, Louise Lindemann, Harold McLaughlin and Nela White attended the singing at Whitfield Sunday night.

Mr. Rolland Crouch, who is going to school at Canyon, spent the Christmas holidays with home folk.

Mr. Richard Gilbreath and Miss Nadene White attended singing at Whitfield Sunday night.

Mrs. Marre and little daughter, who have been visiting her sister during the Christmas holidays returned home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Brock have returned home after a week's visit with relatives and friends.

The party at Mr. and Mrs. Wade Lovvorn's was well attended Monday night.

Several of the young folk attended the dance at Mr. and Mrs. Ben McGe

Thursday night.

SAND HILL

Feb. 2.—The cast of characters in the play, "Am I Intruding", are working hard on the play this week to make it one of the best ever put on at Sand Hill. Don't forget the date, Friday, Jan. 6th, you'll be sorry if you miss it.

Mr. A. R. Hanna and family moved to their new home last week. Mr. Huey moved to the Hanna home. We welcome them to our community.

Mr. Luni Dorris, who has been in school at Dennison, Texas, is spending the holidays at home.

School started again this morning with a large number of new pupils enrolled.

Miss Lona Cates who has been in school at Olton started back to Sand Hill after the holidays.

LIBERTY

Jan. 2.—School opened again Tuesday morning, after a week's vacation. The attendance is larger than before Christmas.

Miss Nadine Malone and Novea Wilks from Olton spent the Christmas holidays at the J. W. Anderson home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Thornton spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Fulkerson.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Williams have moved on the place recently vacated by Mr. Henry Box.

Mr. J. G. McGuffy and family visited at the home of Mr. Robert McDonald Saturday night.

Miss Opal Thornton spent from Wednesday until Saturday in Plainview, visiting her uncle, Mr. Willie Thornton.

Mr. Hamons and family visited at the C. A. Strickland home Saturday.

Miss Dorine Anderson spent Thursday with Miss Pauline Strickland.

Misses Lucile and Elsie Anderson spent Sunday with Miss Nina McCormick.

SUNSET

Jan. 2.—There was no Sunday school or church service Sunday on account of cold weather.

School reopened Monday morning after a week's vacation. All report a wonderful vacation and they are ready for work.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Milton and family returned from El Paso Friday afternoon, where they spent the holidays.

Mrs. Lucy Harper has moved from the Cedar Hill community to her farm near South Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Pharris and son of Amarillo spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Clark.

R. L. Orman, Jr. was home for Christmas from Canyon.

Mr. Scott Webster and family of Hartley, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Webster of Amarillo visited the first of the week with N. D. Clark and family.

ROSELAND

Jan. 2.—We are back in school this week after a vacation period of nine days. We have enjoyed a merry Christmas and a happy new year, and are now ready for four months of school work.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tinsley left last Friday to spend two weeks in Fort Worth.

Mamie Hackney is visiting her aunt in Plainview.

Mr. Isom Goins from the University of Oklahoma visited A. E. Frizzell and family during the holidays.

Mr. C. W. Wright and family visited the Reeds of Kress last Saturday and Sunday.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Mable enjoyed a New Year's dinner at the parental home Sunday.

Grandfather Mathews of Slaton visited C. C. Hackney during the holidays.

Miss Velma Marble of the W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon spent last week with her parents.

Mr. Ira Rose of Oklahoma visited O. E. Wicker and family.

Mr. W. A. Whitlock is suffering from burns caused by an explosion of her pressure cooker.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Nance of Lone Star spent Christmas night with C. C. Hackney, and enjoyed a family Christmas tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bybee and family have moved to Lone Star.

Miss Teddie Lee Marble spent Christmas night with Tula Visage of Lockney.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wright Christmas Eve, a girl, named Vendine.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Robertson, a girl, named Jo Nell.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Smitherman, a boy, named Clifford Rex.

Jan. 2.—It has been so cold the news collector has been unable to find out much.

Miss Minnie Lee Yeary and brother, Winston, also Don T. Shaw visited with Miss Alma and Floyd Montgomery Wednesday of last week.

Mr. Woolsey plans to move to town this week.

Mr. Higgins moved Saturday to a place one and one-half miles from Floydada on the Matador road.

C. E. Meredith spent Saturday night with Roy O'Brien.

Mr. Huckabee threshed for Mr. Goodman and Mr. Cozby last Friday.

The social functions of last week were a surprise party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Carpenter at which a large crowd gathered and enjoyed an evening of fun.

Friday night the gathering was at the Nolan home. A good crowd attended and enjoyed themselves.

Saturday night's party was at the home of Tom Jernigan. Several were present and enjoyed themselves, but it was so cold a large number who would have attended stayed at home.

Miss Effie Nolan has clerked at the Miller-Robbins store during the holidays.

Mr. Austin was a Floydada caller Monday.

Mr. C. O. Spence is sporting a brand new four door Pontiac Sedan.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hill and daughter, Ruth Elizabeth, Mr. and Mrs. Tivis, Mrs. Montgomery and children took dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jordan. It was new years and incidentally Mrs. Jordan's birthday they were celebrating.

Misses Cecile Lightfoot and Lillian

King returned to Plainview Sunday to be ready for school Monday.

Mr. Lightfoot has had a brother from near Snyder visiting him.

MAYVIEW

Jan. 2.—There has been quite a bit of sickness the past week due to colds.

Mrs. Robert Ardry who was carried to the Lubbock sanitarium last week is reported as doing fine.

Misses Katherine and Sarah Davis were on the sick list last week.

Rev. R. L. Shannon and family took Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Smith.

School opened again this morning after having been closed for a week for the holidays.

Geo. Lotspeich and family of Dumas visited with his father, R. W. Lotspeich and family during the holidays.

Bruce Edwards is home from Canyon, where he has been attending school.

Miss Mary Edwards has gone to Lubbock, where she will enter Tech.

Quite a few enjoyed the party at Mr. Readhimer's Thursday night.

There was also a party at Mr. Davis' Friday night and one at Mr. Holladay's Saturday night.

Mr. Bill McNeill has returned from Denton county where he has been for two weeks.

Norman Payne spent Sunday with C. A. Smith and family.

Miss Gertrude Davis, who has been staying in the Irick community the past few months, has returned home.

RAMSEY

Jan. 3.—Miss Orlean Chinksgale, who is teaching school near El Paso, returned to her work Monday after spending the holidays here with her sister, Mrs. L. C. Elliotte.

The Dramatic Club presented their first plays, "Corageous Men" and "Bride Maid" on Dec. 23rd.

Miss Addie Williams and mother, Mrs. J. D. Williams, spent the holidays in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Landrum and children of Friona were here a few days last week the guests of J. L.'s mother, Mrs. Louise Landrum and his sister, Mrs. W. J. King.

Mr. J. J. Hill installed a new radio last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Davis and little daughter, Lois, of Amarillo were the guests of Mr. Davis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Davis during Christmas.

The young people were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Smith with a party last Friday night.

BLANCO

Jan. 3.—Miss Jenny Lou Alexander is real sick with the flu. We hope to see her improving soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ham Smith and family returned from Memphis Tuesday, where they had been visiting her mother and dad, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd.

Mr. H. B. Alexander spent a few days with his family last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Moss Howell returned home yesterday from Shady. They had been visiting his sister.

Misses Ura Smith, Floyd Alexander and Mr. Alva Smith, motored to Lubbock last Friday.

Blanco school opened this morning. We are going to start the new year right.

Every one seemed to enjoy the Christmas holidays, and especially the entertainments given by Mrs. W. C. Cates, Mrs. Badgett and Mrs. McPeak.

Mr. and Mrs. Collier Smith of Lubbock spent a few days last week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Alexander and Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Smith. They were accompanied home by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Smith.

Mr. Cecil Toon returned yesterday from his home at Enloe, where he has been visiting his parents.

There is to be preaching at the Methodist church at McCoy Wednesday night. Every one try to go.

PLEASANT HILL

Jan. 2.—The Christmas holidays are over and school is in progress again.

Mrs. Morgan entertained the Sewing Club last Wednesday afternoon. A great number was present and at a late hour cake and hot chocolate were served, which was greatly enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Woolsey were the host and hostess of a new year's dinner last Sunday. The dinner was wonderful and everyone departed feeling they had started the new year off in a wonderful way.

Mrs. Wilks was the hostess of a watch party last Saturday night. The young people watched the old year roll away and welcomed the happy new year. New resolutions were made and we sincerely hope they will be kept. Home made candy was served and everyone left feeling the new year was going to be another glad year.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan gave a party last Thursday night at the school house. Fun was no name, such rolicking and frolicking no one ever heard. All report a wonderful time.

All the old maids of Pleasant Hill sincerely believe this is going to be a glad year, because it is leap year.

Mrs. Hart and children are visiting in Matador and White Flat.

Mr. and Mrs. Farmer spent Monday night with Mrs. S. L. West.

There will be singing at the school house Saturday night. All are invited.



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FAIRVIEW

Jan. 2.—School opened this morning after the Christmas holidays with a fairly good per cent of the enrollment present.

Verne Austin of Hale Center spent a part of last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Austin here.

Hubert Thornhill, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Thornhill of Baylor county, who have been visiting in the G. A. Stewart home here for several days, is doing nicely and will be removed from the sanitarium soon. He has been suffering from a rifle shot wound in his side, which was acquired last Wednesday morning, when he and his cousin, Orville Stewart, had started on a hunt and the rifle was accidentally discharged.

Rev. Green B. Patterson of Floydada filled his regular appointment here Sunday for the Methodist church. He held quarterly conference also for the church on Saturday afternoon.

Miss Vera Stewart and Mr. Hebron Foster surprised many of their friends here during the holidays when they were quietly married.

Miss Ora Scoggin, one of our teachers, has been suffering intensely during the past week with an infected jawbone, the result of having had a troublesome wisdom tooth pulled.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McClellan returned Saturday after spending the holidays with relatives and old friends at Taft and Corpus Christi.

The Dramatic Club will meet in its fourth regular business meeting Friday. All members are urged to be present.

HARMONY

Jan. 2.—We are sorry to report several sick people on our list this week. Little Leo Williams Jr., has been real sick for several days. He with his parents have been visiting in the L. E. Williams home for several days.

Corrick Snodgrass is unable to attend school on account of a severe cold.

Christine Trowbridge has recovered from a severe cold which kept her in bed for several days.

The young folk enjoyed a party Thursday evening last at the home of Miss Juanita Tinnin.

Miss Lucile Snodgrass entertained with a slumber party at her home Friday evening. Those present were: Misses Juanita Tinnin, Thelma Parkey, Ruth Johnston, Nita Merle Hanna, Mattie Pearl and Velma Heard, Kathleen Snodgrass and the hostess.

Messrs. Zant and Hal Scott, and Miss Blanche Scott visited relatives in Plainview Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. B. Smith visited Mr. Smith's sister, Mrs. Allie Collins, of Kress last Tuesday night.

Misses Velma and Mattie Pearl Heard returned to Lubbock Saturday to resume their school work at that place.

Miss Marie Parkey returned to Plainview Sunday, where she will continue her studies at Wayland College.

Mr. R. B. Gary and family returned from Quannah Sunday, where they spent the holidays with Mrs. Gary's parents.

Mr. Ben F. Brooks has returned from Amarillo where he visited during Christmas.

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Meely decided that for at least a few weeks she could breathe freely, and feel comparatively secure from the danger of a visit.

And that very morning, just after recess time, as the children were trooping in from the playground, he walked in on her.

"Oh, dear, you here again!" she openly lamented as he, without offering her his hand, bowed rather curtly and drew forth a platform chair—not, however, seating himself while she stood, a courtesy to which she had, for so many months, been a stranger, that it thrilled her, to her amusement, almost as much as St. Croix' "manners" had thrilled Nettle the night before.

"I'm here," he grimly stated, standing behind his chair and folding his arms with a resolute, Napoleonic air that made her heart sink, "to hear you teach geography!"

"Here I stand—so help me Gawd!" she mocked at his determined mien. "Martin Luther!"

"And I don't leave this schoolroom until I have heard you!"

"Oh, gee!" she stighed.

He set his lips and stared straight ahead of him.

"I've had this school on my conscience since you yourself admitted that you can't teach. We can't let these children suffer from your—excuse me— incompetence. Will you call a geography class, Miss—Schwenckton?"

Did he or did he not hesitate over her name? She could not feel sure.

"But why this passionate interest in geography?" she complained.

"Aren't you longing to see me teach spelling? I'll call a spelling class—" "Geography, if you please."

"I suppose," she said accusingly, "you just want to expose me as not knowing any geography of the United States! Well, if you call that chivalrous—"

"I'm not here to be chivalrous, but to hear you teach."

"Why won't spelling do?"

"I prefer geography."

"Just because I jokingly pretended to think there were forty-seven states instead of fifty-seven—and told you that when I was a mere child, I thought the Mississippi river ran east and west!"

"Exactly."

"Well," she said reflectively, "well, Mr. Creighton, before I take your request into consideration, will you tell me what is the extent of your power over my job? Can you take it from me?"

"I can advise your school board to take it from you. But," he hastily added, "of course I don't want to! I'd hate like the dickens—" Again he pulled himself up. "I should greatly dislike," he said firmly, "to resort to such stringent measures."

"That's better—sounds more professional," she encouraged him. "Be professional or die!"

The children of the school were all seated now—rigidly upright in the presence of that magnate, the county superintendent—and Meely could no longer dally with the situation; she must decide what to do. She might repeat the successful geography lesson she had already given that morning on Italy—though a deliberate repetition of the whole performance would be so astonishing to the children as to be embarrassing to their teacher! For Venice, she had given them the songs of the gondoliers, and impersonations of Portia and Shylock; for Naples, street beggars and coral workers; for Rome, impersonations of Caesar and Mark Antony with tales of gladiators interspersed; for Florence, impersonations of Savonarola and the Medici. Much more than the school had been able to digest at one dose, but she had enjoyed it, feeling how cleverly she was doing it—ah, there was the rub! She did it too cleverly, too professionally. She could not risk offering it to Marvin Creighton.

Well, then, nothing left but to try to give a geography lesson in the prosaic, uninteresting way she had seen it done in a school she had visited, where the teacher, for a weary half hour, had had the children telling glibly what states enclosed other states. What had the teacher called that—a certain word she had used?

"I'll bore this man so he'll keep away from here for the rest of his life!" she determined.

"Zebilla," she addressed the brightest girl of the class that she summoned to stand before the desk, while she and the superintendent now sat behind it, "enclose the state of Pennsylvania."

Zebilla looked blank. "What's that I'm to do?"

"Enclose Pennsylvania," repeated Meely confidently.

Zebilla still looked unenlightened—even dazed. "I wouldn't know how to. I don't know right how you mean—enclose it!"

Meely saw she had gotten the wrong word. "I mean—surround it; tell what states, if any, surround it—or

what bodies of water, or whatever does enclose, surround or circumscribe it!" she explained desperately.

"Ach, do you mean, Miss Schwenckton, I'm to bound Pennsylvania!"

"That's the word—yes, bind it."

A snort from the county superintendent was a signal for the amazed school and they broke into a roar of laughter that revealed to the embarrassed teacher how seriously she had erred. Her face flushed crimson. She hated this monster sitting on her platform laughing till the desk shook!

She rapped for order. The school became quiet. "Proceed," she said to Zebilla coldly.

"Pennsylvania is bounded on the north—"

When Zebilla had finished, Meely took as long a time as possible in drilling her to pronounce the letter V by catching her lower lip between her teeth. She prolonged this drilling to the point of absurdity, for if she called on any other pupil of this class to bound a state, she herself would have to keep her eyes glued to the map to see that they got it right. With Zebilla Zook that had not been necessary, for Zebilla could be depended upon to answer correctly. She always knew her lessons with depressing thoroughness. So it was not until the poor girl became restive and resentful under her prolonged drilling that the teacher desisted.

"Bind Connecticut, Hiram," she at last proceeded most reluctantly.

"Connecticut is bounded on the north by Massachusetts, on the east by Rhode Island—"

"Oh, come, an island can't bind anything. What is an island, Hiram?" she asked, very pleased at Hiram's blunder, for here she could be sure of her ground; she did at least know the forms of land and water!

"But Rhode Island," said Hiram, gazing at her almost in horror, "ain't no island—"

Her finger on the map, she could see for herself, now, that it wasn't—and turning hot and cold with consternation, she yet tried to save herself. "Very good, Hiram—I was trying to catch you up! Of course we all know how it came to be called an island? Zebilla?"

But Zebilla, her stand-by, failed her there—she did not know!

"I'll ask the class," said Meely hastily, "to look that up for next lesson."

She feared she was not succeeding in her plot to "bore" the superintendent. She saw, in a quick side glance, that he looked anything but bored. Indeed, he seemed to be enjoying himself. Probably he'd stay the rest of the day! Oh, how she hated and despised him! Conceited pedagogue!

After a few more states had been bound (her eyes and finger fastened to the map) she heaved a sigh of relief and dismissed the class to their seats.

"Now you've had your heart's desire and have heard me teach geography. What further," she inquired with dignity, "can I do for you?"

"I leave it to you," he bowed, making no move whatever to go.

She decided to call up a reading class. There were no serious pitfalls for her in American literature. That is, if she could manage to resist the temptation to act out the reading lesson, in case it happened to be a "piece" (as the pupils would say) that lured her to a dramatic execution of it!

She settled that danger by ordering the class to turn to a speech of Theodore Roosevelt's. And too late she realized her mistake. The speech abounded in political allusions which none but a native American would understand. If only no one asked any questions! They so seldom did manifest curiosity about anything—but it would be just like the perversity of fate to inspire one of them to show off before the superintendent.

A hand was raised—the youngest little girl in the class. "Please, Miss Schwenckton, what does G. A. R. mean?"

Meely beamed with pleasure, for this was a question she could, as luck would have it, answer with conviction.

Tradition Bars Jews' Union With Gentiles

The American Hebrew says that the tradition against intermarriage among Jews is traced back to Abraham, who ordered his estate manager, Eliezer, to obtain a wife for Isaac from among his, Abraham's, own people, in Aramea. It should be added that this is only a tradition. It became a practice among Jews at the time they returned from the Babylonian exile in the Fifth century before the common era. Intermarriage, however, has taken place among Jews at all times. The reason why Jews have clung to the tradition of Abraham and the enactment of Ezra lies in the psychology of group consciousness, especially as this is welded by the religious ideal. The belief of the Jews that they are a people chosen by God to disseminate knowledge of Him and His moral and

ethical will among the peoples of the world is also a great factor motivated by the desire to hold to its mission in the world and, probably, also by the fear lest intermarriage should weaken the force for carrying out its mission.

Vain Search for Treasure

An Australian miner spent part of his life in the bush trying to find a mine his partner found and died in describing. But he never succeeded, and, eventually, the bushmen stumbled on his skeleton. A party of French scientists narrowly escaped death from thirst in the Sahara seeking traces of a lost caravan of precious stones that never reached Timbuctoo, and was supposed to have been overwhelmed by a sandstorm, for its tracks, and missed the wells.

Battle on Live Stock Parasites

Losses Have Been Tolerated Too Long and Accepted Too Complacently.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Parasites injure live stock on the farms and ranches of the United States probably to the extent of hundreds of millions of dollars annually. This is the conclusion reached by Dr. John R. Mohler, chief of the bureau of animal industry, United States Department of Agriculture, after reviewing the evidence collected by his bureau. "The inroads of parasites, especially the internal kinds," he says, "constitute a live stock problem of great importance. Losses from parasites have been tolerated too long and accepted too complacently. The live stock industry cannot afford to let this situation continue, especially when certain parasites are exacting more and more tribute—more and more blood money."

Parasites Spreading.

As important pests Doctor Mohler mentions the nodular worms attacking sheep, which have been so troublesome in the South and now are spreading to the Middle West; the liver fluke in the Rocky mountain states and on the Pacific coast; the kidney worms so widespread in hogs; stomach worms in sheep; round-worms, tapeworms, and lung worms, and the better known, because more obvious, ticks, lice, and mites. The only way in which these parasitic losses can be stopped, Doctor Mohler believes, is through thorough and painstaking research work to reveal the life histories of the parasites and discover the points at which they can be attacked most successfully. This research should then be followed by campaigns of education among live stock growers for practical application.

As an example of the enormous reproductive capacity of some of the parasites, Doctor Mohler says that a female roundworm in the intestines of a hog may produce more than 25,000,000 eggs.

Injure by Sucking Blood.

These parasites do injury, as is commonly supposed, by sucking blood and by inflicting pain and irritation which interfere with the animal's rest and feed. But the injury does not cease with this. Some parasites produce poisons. Others make openings in the flesh and tissue which allow bacteria to enter. At times the accumulation of parasites in the body may be so great as to prevent the lungs, the kidneys, or the alimentary canal from functioning as they should.

That the parasites are causing concern to stockmen is indicated by the number of inquiries received by the Department of Agriculture. The experts of the department have devised an excellent system of sanitation for control of roundworms in swine, and Doctor Mohler says "we are planning to augment the present force of workers and to provide means and facilities for more research with the hope of finding better methods for checking the inroads of the more serious parasites for which present control methods are not fully effective."

Science Conquers Bunt or Wheat Smut

Plant Breeders Have Been Trying Hard for Remedy.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

After at least 2,000 years of injury to the wheat crop from bunt or smut of wheat, it seems probable that science will soon conquer this fungus disease and make it innocuous. Since 1913 plant breeders in the United States Department of Agriculture and in state experiment stations have been striving to find means of saving the wheat that are better than chemical treatment of the seed. These chemical treatments are not always successful in the Pacific Coast states, where the fungus lives in the soil as well as on the seed.

Instead the plant breeders experimented with various strains of wheat, planting them under conditions favorable to smut development. Some strains were almost ruined by smut. Others were only lightly affected, and three—White Odessa, Martin, and Hussar—hardly at all. These and other wheats were crossed with susceptible but agriculturally important varieties, and the more desirable bybrids that proved smut free were selected for further propagation.

An offspring from Turkey and Florence wheat is called Riddit. This wheat has been tested by farmers and is so free from smut that it need not be treated, and about 1,200 acres were grown in 1925. Another smut-resistant hybrid is Albit, which descends from White Odessa and Hybrid 128. This has proved not only smut resistant but of superior quality and out-yields the standard varieties grown at the Washington agricultural experiment station. Riddit is a red wheat and Albit a white wheat. Other smut-resistant selections and hybrids are in process of development.

Yield of Alfalfa Crop Increased With Gypsum

It has been known for several years that sulphur increased the yields of alfalfa in certain sections of Oregon, but until recently practically nothing had been reported in this line of experimental work in the Upper Mississippi valley.

The Iowa station recently reported the results of some trials with gypsum, 20 per cent of which is sulphur. Gypsum is calcium sulphate composed of calcium, sulphur and oxygen, plus water. It was used as a fertilizer as many as 150 years ago in European countries. Its experimental use with general farm crops in various parts of this country has not indicated the necessity for its general use. These experiments with alfalfa indicate a possibility of using gypsum to good advantage.

Averaging all trials, 150 pounds per acre of gypsum increases the yield of alfalfa by 833 pounds per acre; 200 pounds gave 964 pounds; 300 pounds gave 1,075 pounds, and 500 pounds gave 1,235 pounds of alfalfa per acre increase over the check plots not treated. In no trial did the gypsum fail to show an increase in yield. The highest increase was 3,000 pounds and the lowest 500 pounds of alfalfa per acre.

The results with oats and clover were more variable than with alfalfa and were of such character that not nearly as much importance can be attached to them as with the increase from alfalfa.

Grading and Sorting of Eggs Need Attention

With more attention paid to the sorting and grading of eggs so that they may command top market prices it is also necessary to pay more attention to keeping the eggs clean. Anyone experienced in marketing first-class eggs knows that a dirty egg must not be washed with water, as this dissolves the gelatinous substance in the shell, thus allowing air to reach the egg, and preventing it from keeping as well as it should.

Of course, clean straw on the floor and nests is essential in keeping the eggs clean. An abundance of nests is also necessary and during the seasons when the fowls are producing heavily the eggs should be gathered more than once a day. Although a nest may have a dozen clean eggs in it, the bird laying the thirteenth egg may soil the entire number.

Low Cost of Fertility in the United States

Figures show that if all the fertilizer used in the United States was equally distributed over all the acres farmed, each acre would receive a little less than six and one-half pounds—not enough to make any appreciable difference in yields. Compare this amount with the applications in other countries and we find a striking difference. On the same basis Holland uses 647 pounds, Belgium 513 pounds, Germany 200 pounds, and Italy 50 pounds. "But," some say, "our land is naturally richer and does not require such heavy applications." But will it be richer when it has been cropped as long as some of the European land? The chances are that it will not. American farmers are drawing on their reserve capital and should charge against their crops a sum equal to the cost of fertilizer necessary to maintain the fertility of their land. The European farmers are supplying plant food through their pocketbooks, but American farmers are drawing it out of their soil. The cost is the same either way.—Pennsylvania Farmer.

Alfalfa Is Best Legume for Soil Improvement

Alfalfa can hold its own with the best of the legumes in the matter of soil improvements, judging by actual yield records from the soil experiment fields of the college of agriculture, University of Illinois.

On the Dixon soil field, for instance, untreated land made 48 bushels of corn an acre in a clover rotation as compared to 57 bushels an acre, or 9 more, in an alfalfa rotation, according to figures cited by F. W. Gault, of the agronomy department. At Mount Morris untreated land yielded 51 bushels of corn an acre in a clover rotation and 68 bushels, or 17 bushels more, in an alfalfa rotation. These yields are not just for one year, but instead are an average for six years.

Short Farm Notes

Prudent farmers grow their own feed.

Cross-fencing a pasture will allow the acreage to provide better feed and thus carry more animals.

Long winter evenings will not seem as long or gloomy if a farm lighting plant dispels the early falling darkness.

In the absence of live stock the legumes and commercial-fertilizers are indispensable in keeping up soil fertility.

Sweet clover, resistant red clover and alfalfa are great soil builders. On almost all soils these crops must have lime.

Potatoes stored in bins should be watched for rot. It pays to examine stored tubers from time to time and remove rotten ones.

A ton of manure is worth more by far on poor soil than rich soil. On individual fields the value of a ton of manure varied from 96 cents to \$6.38.

Improved Uniform International Sunday School Lesson

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Lesson for January 8

JESUS AND THE SICK

LESSON TEXT—Mark 1:21-45.
GOLDEN TEXT—He hath done all things well: He maketh both the deaf to hear and the dumb to speak.
PRIMARY TOPIC—Jesus Makes Sick People Well.
JUNIOR TOPIC—John Welcomes and Baptizes Jesus.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Jesus Shows His Sympathy and Power.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Jesus' Power to Make Whole.

The purpose of Mark in this section is to show Jesus Christ the Divine Servant bearing God's message and clothed with the power to save lost souls. Coupled with His superhuman strength is revealed His unwaried sympathy, giving itself out in helpful and saving service.

1. Jesus Teaching With Authority (v. 21, 22).

1. The place (v. 21).

It was in the synagogue in Capernaum where He with four disciples repaired "straightway" upon His entrance into the village. He availed Himself of the regular channel of instruction. Though many abuses had crept into the synagogue service, He chose to associate the new with the old order.

2. The time (v. 21).

His faithfulness in observing the Sabbath brought Him to the place where the people assembled to worship and to hear the Scriptures expounded. He came not to destroy but to fulfill the law, even the law of the Sabbath.

3. The impression (v. 22).

The people were astonished. Two things about His teaching impressed the hearers.

The substance of His message. The scribes, the professional teachers of the law merely quoted the authorities, but Jesus with first-hand knowledge set forth the truth with the enthusiasm of freshness and personal conviction. This distinction was quickly detected by those who heard Him.

4. Jesus Conquering Demons (vv. 23-25).

1. The entry of the demon-possessed man (v. 23).

Perhaps he interrupted Jesus while He was teaching. When the power of God is manifested there is bound to be an outcry of the evil spirits.

2. The demon's confession (v. 24).

"Thou art the Holy One of God." The one whose chief business it was to waste and destroy human life was in such miserable state as to desire to have nothing to do with Christ, and was now forced to confess Him as the Holy One.

3. Christ's attitude toward him (v. 25).

He asked and accepted no testimony from Him, but sternly rebuked and cast out the foul spirit. He not only is Himself pure but is able to deliver others from impurity. Christ wants confession only from pure lips.

4. The obedience of the demon (v. 26).

The spirit was reluctant to leave the man and malicious to the end, for he tore the man whom he had to leave. He had to acknowledge his defeat and went out in a howling rage.

5. The impression made upon the people (vv. 27, 28).

The news of Christ's power spread rapidly over Galilee. The people were startled by two things:

(1) The new doctrine which He brought.

(2) His authority over demons.

11. Jesus Heals Peter's Mother-in-Law of Fever (vv. 29-31).

This scene lies in the home of one of the disciples. He went home with Simon and Andrew who told Him of the condition of Peter's mother-in-law. He came at once and lifted her up and the fever departed. She immediately ministered to Him.

12. Jesus Ministering to Many (vv. 32-34).

Though the day was strenuous in its labors, He came unwearied even when the sun had set, to meet the needs of the multitudes who had gathered from all parts of the city. He healed many of their diseases, cast out demons, not allowing them to speak. The demons knew Him, but the poor, blind people knew Him not.

13. Jesus Cleansing a Leper (vv. 35-45).

As Jesus preached in the synagogues of Galilee and cast out demons, His power became known. A leper came to Him saying, "If Thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean." Jesus put forth His hand and touched him, saying, "I will, be thou clean," and immediately the leprosy departed and he was cleansed.

Beauty of Bible Thoughts

I am of the opinion that the Bible contains more true sensibility, more exquisite beauty, more pure morality, more important history, and finer strains of poetry and eloquence than can be collected from all other books, in whatever age or language they may be written.—Sir William Jones.

Occupation

Absence of occupation is not rest; a mind quite vacant is a mind distressed.—Cowper.