

# Reeves County Record

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### Contract Amended; Election Ordered

**Pecos People Will Vote on Sewerage Bond Issue on January 30th**

The city fathers have satisfactorily amended the contract with the Oneil Engineering company, signed up same and ordered an election for January 30th.

Of course no progressive citizen of Pecos will have the nerve to vote against the proposition and as there are so few of the other class within her borders, the carrying of the bond issue will practically be unanimous.

In case the bonds are carried and approved without delay the work of real construction will probably begin in the early spring.

While it is not definitely decided as to whether ditching machines will be used or not, Mayor Prewit informs the Record that all available local labor will be employed, and so far as practicable and judicious Pecos money will be spent with Pecos people.

#### Williams Here

O. B. Williams, of the packing house proposition, was here the first of the week and met with the Commercial Club.

He asked for a bonus of \$50,000, 25 acres of land and railroad spurs, for which he agrees to put up a plant to cost \$240,000 and employing 250 people.

The Commercial Club seemed to think the bonus asked too high and are investigating the responsibility of the parties in question.

### Guns and Ammunition Stolen

**Balmorhea Mercantile Company Are Losers. Robbers Left All Else**

On Friday night of last week the store of the Balmorhea Mercantile Company was broken into and fourteen winchesters and about twenty boxes of cartridges appropriated.

It is thought by some that it is the work of Mexicans in sympathy with the insurgents. Nothing else was missed from the store.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ferrel are the happy parents of a nine-pound son which arrived Tuesday morning. Mother, babe, and father, are doing nicely. The Record, with many Pecos friends, extends congratulations.

#### Notice

I am back at the Pecos Drug Company’s store ever ready to do your jewelry repairing. My motto is quick service and efficient work.

W. J. W. Richardson.

Mr. Somes and daughter, Miss Mary, came in Thursday morning from Waco. They left this morning on the P. V. Southern for Balmorhea, where they will spend the holidays with Mr. Somes’ family near that place.

Miss Myrtle Briscoe has returned from a two weeks stay with her father out on the ranch.

### To Plant Alfalfa and Pear Orchard

**Company Boring For Oil or Artesian Water Contemplate Much Improvements**

Ed E. Dismuke of Mineral Wells, who has large interests in Reeves County, left for his home Monday after a short stay in this county. He is heavily interested in the deep well being put down eight miles north of Toyah. They are boring for oil in this well but Mr. Dismuke says if they strike flowing water he intends to put in two hundred acres in pears and one hundred acres in alfalfa.

After the holidays Mr. Dismuke will return to Toyah where he will remain until they find something with their big drill now at work. The company of which he is a member has one of the largest rotary drills in this country and are going down rapidly.

Mr. Dismuke believes there is a great future for Reeves county and is backing his good judgment with his money.

### Pecos Firemen Elect Officers

**Representative Body of Enthusiastic Fire-Fighters Meet and Elect Officers. Other Matters Discussed**

At a meeting of Pecos Fire-Fighters Tuesday night in the Commercial Club rooms the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

W. P. Brady, president; Chas. F. Manahan, vice president; Zack Miles, secretary and treasurer; E. B. Kiser, chief; E. J. Moyer and Chas. F. Manahan, assistant chiefs.

The meeting was well attended and those present were enthusiastic.

J. A. Cason, who is drilling a well for J. M. Scanlan on the latter’s four sections southwest of Toyah, has gone down 220 feet and is through the blue clay and in the white rock, which he considers good indications for water. Mr. Cason is an experienced well driller and is doing good work.

G. H. Cox shipped the first of the week a car of horses to Shiro where he and his family will spend the holidays with his relatives.

S. B. Shuster, E. H. Reisor and Gage Van Horn, all of Toyah, attended a meeting of the Masonic lodge last night and made the Record office a pleasant call.

Misses Lena and Connie McCarter, teachers at Balmorhea, came in to attend the Institute and spend the holidays at their parental home.

Land Commissioner J. T. Robinson spent several days this week in this county in the interest of the school fund. He is in Pecos today.

Mrs. J. A. Leeman is confined to her bed on account of a severe rheumatic attack, but is reported improving.

Santa is  
Coming

# CHRISTMAS GIFTS

The Store with a  
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**Shop Early! Buy your Christmas Presents Early**  
**Early in the day and early in the week.**

That will be your biggest gift of the holidays to the workers behind the counters and on the delivery wagons

Save yourself many steps and much trouble by coming direct to our store. Shop early in the morning this week.

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Space Forbids Us Making List of Prices, but See the Goods, Feel of them and Observe With your Eyes the Superior Quality

Everything on sale will be marked at Sale Prices and on Display on Counters

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Prices the  
Best  
in Town

### El Pasoans Buy Land at Toyah

#### New Well Rig Is Sent Out Into the Oil Fields For Service

El Paso men have bought a section of land in block 17, in the center of the rich farming land of 4,000 acres, which is now being controlled by El Pasoans. The purchase of section 15 was made by J. C. Wilmarth, W. F. Payne, C. E. Waterhouse, E. E. Dismuke, of Mineral Wells, and L. P. Atwood and E. L. DeShazo of El Paso. The tract was bought from A. H. Bugg of Toyah.

A mysterious rig and outfit left Toyah this week for the scene of the oil operations in the field west and north of Toyah. No one knows who is financing the new well and rumors are being circulated here regarding a new oil company in the field. The Texas company has started work on the newest well, which is located 4,000 ft. from No. 1 well, again capped and piled high with scrap iron pipe. The Toyah Oil and Gas company is down 600 ft. and is going down at a rate of 100 feet a day.

Gumbo formation is now being drilled and the indications for oil are considered good. The new well on the main street is down 800 feet and rapid progress is being made.—El Paso Record, Dec. 20.

Leaves County Teachers' convention has been in session at the school building this week. They have been doing some work. The attendance was good. The personnel of the county is the most excellent. The county is just a...

### Balmorhea Commercial Club Elects Officers

At the monthly meeting of the Balmorhea Commercial Club the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: E. D. Balmor, president; Perry Wagnon, vice president; W. J. Rhea, vice president; Lee R. Wilson, vice president; W. J. Rhea, treasurer; J. W. Blakeslee, secretary.

Great confidence was shown at the meeting of the future growth of Balmorhea and Toyah Valley and a movement was set on foot and 250 subscribers guaranteed for a good weekly newspaper at that point.

The executive committee is working with a special committee on the location of the stock yards at some convenient point near town. These yards will be the largest shipping point for range cattle in Texas and the valley is fast becoming the greatest feeding point.

With the completion and operation of the Alfalfa mill and mixing plant, large feeding yards are proposed and cattle will then be shipped monthly to El Paso and nearby markets, supplying a better grade of beef than can now be had.

Mesdames B. E. Anderson and J. L. Bujol, each holding four sections southwest of Toyah, came in Monday and left for Louisiana to spend the holidays with relatives, after which Mrs. Anderson will return to her claim, while Mrs. Bujol will spend some time in Mineral Wells for the benefit of her health.

S. H. Crenshaw, W. C. Halbert, W. E. Winston, Marshall Dunn and J. W. Crenshaw, all of Saragosa, were visitors in the city this week.

### Heating System for Baptist Church

#### Contract Let For Hot Air Heating System and Secured by Local Firm

The contract for the hot air heating system for the Baptist church was signed Tuesday and given to a local firm. Several firms were represented, including some out of town bidders, but the Record is pleased to note that "Pecos money is to be kept in Pecos" and F. J. Kraus was the successful bidder.

The furnace will be in the basement and the temperature of the main rooms of the building will be regulated by means of registers.

This work will constitute the finishing up of the church building and will be another beauty spot to gladden the eye and make the visitors among us more welcome as well as more comfortable.

#### To Feed a Girl on Candy

Is one of the really great ways to win her good graces. Just a few cents will do the work. Now is your chance, boys; call around and arm yourself, for I have the required ammunition.

E. COUCH.

#### S. S. Hamburg Chickens For Sale.

I have a few Silver Spangled Hamburg cockerels for sale at a bargain, or would sell about 20 mature hens, pullets and cockerels—a bargain if you hurry. These are of the best strains in Texas and Illinois, so if you want something good at a record breaking price see me at once.—John Hibdon at Record office.

Remember the big sale is still on at Meek's.

### HAD THE WISDOM OF SOLOMON

New York Police Magistrate Disposed of Complicated Case in Way That Suited Everyone.

Sometimes everyday occurrences here in the hustling twentieth century go to indicate that even the wisdom of Solomon can be duplicated. The other day Policeman Kieran appeared before Magistrate Freschi in the Harlem police court, New York city, with David MacLean. MacLean desired to complain against Bernard Levy for keeping a goose in his apartment. "Why do you keep the goose?" inquired Magistrate Freschi. "It is to fatten, your honor," explained Levy. "to fatten for the great feast next Tuesday." "Ahem," said Magistrate Freschi, "it seems to me this is a very complicated case. Here is an Irish policeman, with a Scotch complainant who wants to make information against a Jew before an Italian magistrate. The only thing I can see to do in this case is to postpone it for one week, and in the meantime we will allow the defendant to eat the evidence."

### NO PROBLEM AT ALL.



Clarence—I don't see how all my friends manage to get married so easily.

Gladys—I suppose they find bigger fools than they are and then propose.

### INGENIOUS PIGMENT MAKERS

They Get Colors From Egyptian Mines, Horse Hoofs and Other Strange Sources.

The ingenuity of the makers of pigments for the use of artists has been drawn upon so heavily that the manufacturers have been obliged to employ for the purpose all manner of animal, vegetable and mineral substances. Even the mummies of ancient Egypt have been utilized by the color makers.

The corpse of the old Egyptian was reserved in the finest bitumen and the remains thus treated in centuries gone present on being unwrapped today an appearance quite like that of light-colored leather. Now it has been found that when the bitumen and the leather-like remains are ground down by machinery there may be obtained therefrom a beautiful brown pigment especially prized by artists who paint portraits. This pigment is particularly effective in depicting certain shades of brown hair.

Among the other colors obtained from strange sources may be mentioned Prussian blue. This is made by fusing the hoofs of horses with impure potassium carbonate.

Sepia is the dark fluid discharged by the cuttlefish to render the water opaque for its own concealment when attacked by its enemies.

The cochineal insect furnishes crimson and purple, lake and carmine, while ultramarine blue is obtained from the precious metal known as lapis lazuli.

Raw sienna is natural earth from Sienna, and when burned becomes burnt sienna. Gamboge is the yellow sap of a tree that grows in Siam.—Harper's Weekly.

### PLEASANT HONEYMOON

The honeymoon is being spent on the south coast, the bride wearing a green costume with a black hat.—Herald, Wimbledon.

We know of few pleasanter distractions for the early days of married life.—Punch.

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| Large Collapsible Aluminum Cups.....                   | .10  |
| Spirit Level.....                                      | .15  |
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| Good Hammer handle.....                                | .10  |
| Good Hammer, cost.....                                 | .15  |
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W. A. BOYNTON

Miss Willie Woods, the efficient assistant in the county clerk's office, has been too busy here of late to do anything but work. She is always at her post of duty. The Record has it on good authority that she will take a day off Sunday and take a long needed rest.

The case of Jesus Hernandez on which the jury was hung when the Record went to press last week, was continued to next term of court and the jury dismissed. The case was not dismissed, but the jury.

Brown & Martin are now in J. W. Moore's auto building near the courthouse and have all kinds of auto supplies on hand and are prepared to do all kinds of auto work.

Will Page left on the 1:50 p. m. train Wednesday for Goldthwaite in answer to a telegram advising him of the serious illness of his father. The telegram stated that the father could not live more than twelve hours.

Ed Gibbons, interested in many business enterprises which are helping to bring Toyah to the front and a popular, jovial young man of that place, spent a short time in Pecos between trains Monday.

The Record people are still busy turning out that superior class of job printing. Just a little better than you can get elsewhere is what you receive when the Record people do it. The price is not too high either.

Call and see our Christmas candies, and get our prices before you purchase elsewhere.

EISELE & SON.

District court convened in Barstow Monday. Later the court adjourned for the holidays and will meet on January 2nd. The case of P. K. Holmes was set for trial January 16th.

IMAGINATION will work on some things, but it takes QUALITY to make candy go. Gunther's has it, and E. Couch has Gunther's. Give him a call.

District Attorney Will P. Brady left Wednesday night for Austin where he will spend the holidays under the parental roof. He will return about the middle of next week.

We have a few second hand cars for sale cheap for cash.—Brown & Martin. tf

Judge Jno. Y. Leavell, our new county judge, has established his office in the courthouse and will hereafter make that his headquarters.

You can find what you want for "him" or "her" at Pecos Drug Co.

Mrs. M. A. Churchill left last week for her home at Big Springs after an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. R. R. Smothers.

See J. P. Meek for Christmas candy and nuts.

Mrs. Joe Dismay and babies arrived yesterday from St. Louis where they have been visiting relatives.

All kinds of Christmas toys at J. P. Meek's.

Jim Scanlin, a four sectioner 15 miles southwest of Toyah, is going down after water and reports good progress.

Your Christmas wants will be supplied at Pecos Drug Co.

Claude Brooks, a hustling four-sectioner west of Toyah, went to Big Springs Monday to spend the holidays with relatives.

Fresh groceries and feed at J. P. Meek's.

Woodman Circle Elects Officers

At a meeting of the Woodman Circle on Monday the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Mrs. Viola Phillips, Past Guardian; Mrs. M. F. Kraus, Guardian; Mrs. Irene Windham, Advisor; Mrs. Nannie Adcock, Clerk; Mrs. Ethel Reynolds, Banker; Mrs. Mattie Hudgens, Attendant; Mrs. Altie Brown, Chaplain; Mrs. F. Anthony, Inner Sentinel; Mrs. Dena G. Heath, Outer Sentinel; Mrs. Dora Caldwell, Mrs. G. W. Pinkston and Mrs. Ida Goedeke Managers; Dr. C. C. Parrish, Physician.

Regular meetings will be held on the first and third Tuesday afternoons of each month at 2:30 and second and fourth Tuesday afternoons of each month at 7:00.

Dialect plays with characters drawn true to life and dealing with the lights and shadows of rustic life, have within the past few years found a very warm place in the affections of the theatre goers. Hans Hanson, which comes to the Music Hall Friday Night, December 23, is in the popular class and furthermore, has been pronounced by competent critics fully up to every accepted standard in poet, situation and personal. The scenes are laid in a quiet little hamlet and the characters introduced can be instantly recognized as indigenous to nearly every American country settlement. The piece bristles with strong dramatic action interspersed with plenty of clean, wholesome comedy and has been the biggest kind of a hit ever since first produced. Seats on sale at City Pharmacy.

NOTICE.

After December 1st wood and coal will be strictly cash on delivery. 3-4t

E. W. CLAYTON.  
WAKEFIELD & DICKSON.

The work of drilling for oil and flowing water in Toyah goes actively on and drillers claim good progress is being made in the numerous wells. The city well is now down to where they are expecting a flow at any time.

It is Here.

The famous Gunther Candies have arrived; call around and see them.—E. Couch.

J. W. Crenshaw, that hustling real estate man of Sarag-sa, left the first of the week for Denton where he will spend the holidays.

Make your Christmas wants known to Pecos Drug Co. whether you see the article in stock or not. They will get it to you on time.

J. T. McElroy, president of the First National Bank, was in the city Saturday looking after business.

Mrs. Joe Camp is spending the week with Mrs. Howard Collier at the Collier & Love ranch.

Christmas candies and nuts at J. P. Meek's.

Miss Letitia Swinehart, attending college at Milford, will spend the holidays at home.

Deputy Sheriff Vaughan was collecting taxes at Toyah Monday.

See our window display.—Pecos Drug Co.

Miss Bertha Lee Wilcox is at home from Kidd Key college for the holidays.

Fire works at Pecos Drug Co.

Special Engagement

MUSIC HALL

One Night Only

Friday, Dec. 23rd

An absolutely guaranteed attraction. Jas. T. McAlpin's Great Swedish Comedy Drama

"Hans Hanson"

A Superb Band and Orchestra. Best of Specialties. Fine special scenery. Once seen, never forgotten.

Seats on sale at City Pharmacy. Prices 25, 50 and 75 cents.

SPELLING DEVICE.

A teacher who found her younger pupils very deficient in spelling has used this device with success. Each day the children write the spelling words from dictation, writing each word on every other line of the paper, dividing each into syllables. The papers are exchanged and corrected. Each child then takes scissors and cuts out each word spelled correctly, cutting each syllable apart. The cuttings are put in a box, each child takes a handful and is given two minutes to put as many words as he can together. The next minute he may go to any near neighbor and take any missing syllable. If the words are put in the box each day, at the end of the week the excitement becomes very great, as fifty or more different words may then be made.

ROYAL POETS OF BRITAIN.

By far the most famous and the best of our royal poets was James I. of Scotland. While a prisoner in Windsor castle he composed his allegory, "The King's Quhair." It owed its origin to James' love for the Lady Jane Beaufort, a beautiful young lady nearly allied to the royal family, and of whom he became enamored by seeing her from the window of his room as she walked in the garden. She afterward became his queen. Queen Elizabeth wrote poems in prison. The unfortunate Lady Jane Grey and her equally unfortunate cousin Mary, queen of Scots, both solaced their hours of captivity, destined to end on the scaffold, by learned studies.—T. P.'s Weekly.

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Application for entry as second-class matter at the postoffice at Pecos, Texas, pending.

The Reeves County Record while new in the field has a very satisfactory line of ads and the liberal share of job work coming our way gives us cause to be happy. There are a number of people in Pecos who have not subscribed for the Record. To these the Record wishes to state that before the gift-season has passed it will be well for you to drop in and make the holiday season happier for you and for the Record by making yourself or friend a present of a year's subscription. The Record needs your dollar, you need the Record, and the transaction will lend happiness to all concerned until Christmas 1911. The Record wishes one and all a Merry Christmas.

Amid the hurry of the holiday shopping—the joy of buying a gift to gladden the heart of those who are near and dear to us—stop long enough to think of the poor and needy about you. Perhaps the child of a neighbor may awaken on that glad morning to find an empty stocking and that old Santa has forgotten to come. Perhaps there is a stranger in your midst, or a man without a home—without the necessities of life to make him comfortable. If so, give him, at least, a gentle slap on the back, a hearty handshake, and a few words of cheer might ease the utter loneliness and change the storm-cast sky to one of silvery hue.

If you have a word of cheer—if you have a feeling for your fellowman—pass it on.

Let's not forget those around us in our merry-making, but find a word of cheer for one and all.

### THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS.

The story of the Christ child in all its simplicity has challenged the faith and love of men in all sections of the world. It has been told for hundreds of years and yet it is as thrilling as tho of yesterday. From a lowly birth in the stable a light has brightened and gladdened the homes of all classes and conditions of men. "God so loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son," and thus every gift of this yule-tide may carry with it the heart throbs of our God. The sacred influence is in all alike. The humblest gift of the poor as well as the choicest gifts of the rich are radiant with a supernatural glory which outshines the choicest gift of man.

It speaks of sanctified childhood and makes it the symbol of the kingdom of Heaven. It breathes a message of sweet motherhood to which angels pay homage, "because of being highly favored of God." In the midst of war and strife and bloodshed God gave the babe of Bethlehem and all men are being loved into a universal brotherhood. The lowly cry of a babe has drowned the cannon's roar until nations sit down to talk of "peace on earth, good will toward men."

It means a better and longer life for all. It sends a message to the wanderer and calls the wanderer back to the father's home. It makes all the world as one family. May we all be coming find the world in harmony with these glad tidings which shall be to all people.

### Some Country This

It is wonderful how some of the towns in West Texas are growing and forging to the front. A few years ago Sweetwater was but a speck, as it were, on the map. Now she is a booming bustling town with the ear marks of the greatest city in all West Texas. Just now it is brought to our notice that Pecos City is another one of those West Texas towns which is rapidly coming forth.

A capitalist by the name of S. M. Beverly has submitted a proposition to the Commercial Club of that city to erect a \$100,000 cement and plaster of paris manufacturing plant. He asks of the city a bonus of \$7,500 and \$7,500 stock. The stock has already been subscribed, and at a meeting of the Commercial Club the proposition will come up for acceptance or rejection. Mr. Beverly has already taken option on 25,000 acres of gypsum land.

Two or three years ago Pecos was a mere nothing, but not today. Take Big Springs as another one. She is now between six and seven thousand when but yesterday, so it seems, she was noted only for having the T. & P. shops and headquarters. And there is San Angelo down on the south, which now lacks but a few thousand of being as large as Sweetwater. A few years ago she was only a trading post at the junction of the Conchos. What does it all mean? It goes to show that the great West Texas country is undergoing a wonderful development, one that has but started compared to what it will be five years hence. An investment in this country will be a gold mine in the near future, and the fellow that gets it now will shake hands with himself ever after.—Sweetwater Signal.

### YOUNG LADY HURT IN RUNAWAY

Miss Nellie Hutton Receives a Bad Cut on Limb in a Runaway

While horseback riding Monday, Miss Nellie Hutton was badly cut on the limb by a barbed wire. The horse became frightened and ran into a wire fence, cutting her limb so badly that several stitches were necessary to close the wound.

She is the daughter of Mr. Hutton who lives eight miles up the river on the P. V. Railway, and a sister of Mrs. Fred Kendall, at whose home she is now stopping while being treated.

She has been attending school in Pecos.

Dr. Lusk of Toyah took W. C. Crow to El Paso Saturday where he could be placed in a sanitarium. His wounds were not healing satisfactorily and the doctor in charge thought the above move best. Mr. Crow has many friends in Reeves county and elsewhere who hope he may soon be fully recovered.

J. H. Wagoner, junior member of the Read Mercantile Company, is the happy father of a bouncing boy who took up his abode at the family home Monday night. Mother and boy are doing nicely and Joe is spending considerable of his time entertaining the youngster. The Record extends congratulations to the happy parents, and hopes the young man may ever be a joy and comfort to its fond parents.

Judge and Mrs. J. W. Parker will go to Dixieland tomorrow and spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Loomis.

## Christmas Candies!

There is nothing that makes a more appropriate and acceptable gift than a nice neat package of candy. I am headquarters for the famous Gunther's Candy. This is the first time that this famous line has been placed on exhibition here and you must see it to fully appreciate it, for it has no superior in the world for quality and neatness of package. See it and you will buy it.

## Majestic Parlor

E. COUCH Prop.

### A Crazy Paper

The Weekly Loonytic, published by the inmates of the Matteawan Insane Asylum, where Harry K. Thaw is confined, has just appeared. Thaw does not appear as one of the editors, but it is announced that he will contribute to the next issue. The paper says in its salutary:

"Every profession, trade or business has a journal to voice its wants, kicks and benefits except the lunatics. In the State of New York 30,000 of us are now restrained, fed, housed and clothed at an annual expense of \$6,000,000. Outside of insane asylums thousands are being incubated in the hatcheries of so-called civilized and Christian society, preparing to make one of these palaces their final roosting place. It is to put them and the taxpayer wise to the inside of their future home that we launch this long-felt want.

"The profits from this family journal will be spent for the entertainment of the inmates. It is the same old thing here day after day. Give us a chance to help ourselves."

### DROWNED IN DISUSED MINE.

A fearful fate was that of a fourteen-year-old boy named John Connelly, who fell down a disused pit shaft at Caerphilly, Glamorgan, Wales, while gathering flowers. The boy fell through a hole in the wall surrounding the top of the shaft, which is 450 feet deep, and nearly full of water. Strenuous efforts have been made to recover the body with grappling irons, but so far without success, and it is proposed that dynamite should be used, with a view to getting the body to rise.

### CARNEGIE IN NEW ROLE.

The genius and thrift of the famous brothers Chambers, who left their mark on Scottish literature, have often been subjects of Dr. Andrew Carnegie's praise. He has long manifested a keen interest in the Chambers' institute, a remarkable memorial of the famous Scotsmen in their native town of Peebles. It is stated that he has placed £10,000 in the hands of the Master of Elibank, M. P., and Sir Henry Ballantyne for the purpose of remodeling, extending and generally improving the institute.—Exchange.

Try the Record for job printing

### HAD A GOOD REST.



"Did it do you any good to send your wife and eight children to the mountains this summer?"  
"Oh! yes; I felt fine."

### RANKS HIGH IN PROFESSION.

Ernest Rutherford, professor of physics in the University of Manchester, is the highest living authority on radio-activity. He is credited with the discovery that all matter in its ultimate constituents is the same, and many of the problems of arrangement and combination have been solved by him. Professor Rutherford was born in New Zealand in 1871. He was educated in his native country and went afterward to Trinity college, Cambridge. He was for a time professor of physics in McGill university, Montreal.

### NEW WAY OF SERVING RICE.

More than 70,000,000 acres annually put under rice in India, and samples of all the varieties produced have been analyzed. One of these is peculiar in that it is too glutinous to be boiled in the ordinary way. This difficulty is avoided by boiling it in bamboo tubes, and after being thus prepared it is left in the tubes to be eaten cold, especially by travelers. When the rice is to be eaten the bamboo is peeled off, and a long roll of rice appears, which forms an excellent substitute for bread.

### HEADWEAR.

"Your crown is in jeopardy," said the prime minister.  
"I know it," replied the petty king. "People nowadays don't seem to have any more respect for a crown than they have for a last year's straw hat."

## A Christmas Present

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### CHEATING THE GUINEA BOYS

How the Natives Have Been Persuaded to Eat Wallaby Where the Delicacy is Scarce.

Human nature is pretty much the same everywhere, even in New Guinea, as the following story shows:

In certain parts of New Guinea, wallaby, a species of kangaroo, are very plentiful, and the traveler in search of sport finds the pursuit of them an exciting occupation. Wallaby steaks are a refreshing change from canned meats, and the natives are only too glad to have the remnants of the carcass.

On one occasion a Britisher had been ashore in one of the sparsely populated regions of the coast, and secured four wallaby, an ample supply for his whole party, native guides and servants included. But he found that, although wallaby is regarded as such a delicacy that no trouble is considered too great to obtain it, none of the native boys in the party would touch it.

This was a mystery until one of them explained that they had been trained in childhood in the belief that, if they ate wallaby before reaching a certain age, it would stop their growth.

These boys all belonged to the part of the country where wallaby are few and one can imagine the crafty old folks seated round the festive pot and winking at one another as the young people declined the succulent dainty.

### THE UNAFFECTIONATE HARRIS.

"That is a very poor defense," said Collector Loeb, in an argument on smuggling in New York. "It is, in fact, rather a 'give-away' than a defense. It reminds me of Mrs. Harris.

"Would you believe it, ma'am" said Mrs. Harris, the scrubwoman, as she looked up from her kneeling position on the wet floor. "Would you believe it? Betsy's husband came home tight last night and tried to kiss me. Now, my husband, he might come home tight, but he'd never do nothin' like that."

### LIKE A GAS METER.

"But don't judge a man by appearance," said Mayor G. S. Marshall, at a banquet in Columbus.

"Jackson Wentworth, after an absence of thirty years, returned to the home of his youth. Jackson had a slight affection of the skin which made his nose very red. Hence, when he called at the parsonage, the old minister remarked:

"Jackson, Jackson, my man, I'm afraid you've become a hard drinker."

"Don't judge by appearances, Dr. Steenthly," said Jackson Wentworth. "I hardly average two glasses of beer a week."

"Well, then," said the minister, in a soothing voice, "I guess your face, Jackson, is like my gas meter. It registers more than it consumes."—Atlanta Constitution.

### GOOD TURN TO THE CAT.

Members of the Boy Scouts promise to do some good turn every day. At a dinner given in New York in his honor by the Boy Scouts of America, General Baden-Powell told the following:

"The other day in Canada I heard about a little Canadian boy who, when he went to bed, suddenly recollected that he hadn't done a single good turn that day. His conscience was gnawing at him. He heard a little squeal in the corner of the room, and he got up and released a mouse that had been caught in a trap. Then he gave it to the cat."

### ITS TRUE SOURCE.

Gray was writing the "Elegy." "It wasn't a churchyard," he confessed; "it was a country hotel without any men in it."

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OUR INSTITUTIONS—SOME INCONSISTENCIES.

Text, "And whatsoever ye do in word or in deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus."—Col. 3:17.

We have shown in the former sermon that our government is founded on christian principles. We have also seen that outsiders have pronounced us unchristian. The trouble is not with the principle but with our practice. It will be impossible for us in a short space to point out all our inconsistencies, nor can we elaborate on those pointed out.

We find in this country three institutions that go to make up our civilization; the home, the church, the state. Each of these contributes its part, and one could not well exist without the other. The home as the oldest institution, is the basis for all government. In it we find the unit—man dealing with himself and his own. In the church brother dealing with brother in the Lord. In the state man dealing with man outside the church. But the christian man is expected in accord with our text to be a christian, in the home, in the church, and in the state, and it is because, some of us who wear the name, have not lived the life that our christianity as a nation is questioned.

Of the population of the United States about one-half is openly identified with the church. Of the rest many are related to the church in such a way that, (as Paul would say, "speaking after the manner of men") they can be called friends of the church. This majority, therefore, can make this a christian nation in practice if we will but do it, and God will hold us responsible if we fail to do it.

The trouble, we believe, is in the narrow definition that most men give to christianity. Too many have connected their christianity with Sunday clothes and a church house, and have contented themselves with saying prayers and going through the forms of christianity. The religion of Jesus has for its object the life of men here as well as hereafter. To do His will in the home, in the church relation and in the state, this is the meaning of Christ's religion.

We boast of our great public schools, and of them we should be proud. We are taxing ourselves, and spending millions of dollars every year for their advancement. We are doing all that is within our power, that our children may obtain the best knowledge that it is possible for them to have, and that without cost to them, yet with all of our equipment and with all of our advantages, we are forced to say that our schools are far from christian.

Most of those who have in charge the directing of our schools are christian men in name at least. But when it comes to the selection of instructors, how often is the christian character, or the lack of it, taken into consideration? We want men with knowledge who can impart it. But what is the use of knowledge if it is not interpreted into life? We should demand no higher standard of our preachers than we demand of our public school teachers, for their responsibilities are as great. But it is a fact to be lamented that in too many instances, if not in the majority of them, christian character is not taken into consideration

when counting the qualifications of one who, in a large measure, has the life and destiny of our children within their hands.

The Bible has played an important part in America's drama. A copy of it is used when the highest official of the land takes his oath of office. And no official, however insignificant his office, can serve without first recognizing the God of the Bible in his oath. Yet many of the states have held that his Bible cannot be read in the public school. Our schools can teach science, mathematics, literature and what not. But when it comes to that book which contains the principles upon which our government is founded, the book that has done more for civilization than all others combined, it must remain closed in many public schools of a christian nation. Why? They tell us because we cannot tolerate sectarian teaching in a public school. As though the word of God without addition or subtraction contains sectarian teaching! It is a shame, a disgrace that in a christian state such action should have been taken. Is it christian? No.

Another of our weaknesses is shown in the administration of our laws. It is strange that this country should head the list when it comes to crime. In the last twelve years more than 100,000 murders have been committed in this country and in a great majority of the cases the criminals have gone unpunished. From 1885 to 1904 the average number of murders per year was 6597. And of this vast number 1.3 per cent were convicted. In Germany 95 per cent of the murderers are convicted. Crime unpunished means additional crime, and this is why the United States heads the list. We lift our hands in holy horror when we read of the work of an American mob. England has not had an execution by a mob for twenty-five years. When we see to it that crime is punished here, mob violence will disappear.

But, says the individual, I am not responsible for non-enforcement of law, for I am not an officer. Who makes the officers? You. And when you go to the ballot box you are clothed with a responsibility that reaches to the ends of the earth, and to the throne of God. This is where we see "Sunday clothes" christianity in all its glaring inconsistency. I have known men who felt themselves doubly sure of Heaven, who would vote to make a Hell out of this earth. Men who boasted of the fact that they would support a "yellow dog" on their ticket in preference to a man on another ticket. I'd rather not hear such an one pray, "thy kingdom come."

Whenever the christian voters of this country demand that our lawmakers and law-enforcers shall, above all else, stand for righteous government, regardless of their political whims, then will the law be enforced and crime will diminish. May the time speedily come.

We have stated that the home is the oldest of all our institutions. It was God's first organization. Woman was placed by man's side and the two God called one "Therefore, shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife; and they shall be one flesh." If we destroy the home, our boasted civilization is gone.

There is in this country a practice that is destroying the home. I refer to divorce and re-marriage. From 1887 to 1906 there were nearly 1,000,000 divorces granted in the United States, one for every

thirteen of the marriages. Jesus said, "Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery; and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery." And yet in the face of this our laws regard marriage as merely a civil contract, and allows the contract to be broken on the least excuse.

The marriage vows are sacred, and no one can be true to Jesus and regard them otherwise. The havoc that this practice is working can scarcely be measured, and christian men continue to give aid to its work.

If the language of Jesus means anything, how can a minister of Jesus pronounce the solemn words "What God hath joined together," when he knows that God's decree is that the parties are living in adultery. Truly, the conscience of good men has become dulled.

The Protestant ministry can well follow the Roman priest in this respect. I admire the Catholic church for her steadfast adherence to scripture teaching in regard to divorce and remarriage. When every minister of the gospel shall cease to give his sanction and refuse to have part in this ungodly practice, a great step shall be taken for curing this social gangrene.

Next Sunday night, "Two Strangers in the Same House." You are invited.

SHE WAS IN PRINT.



First City Boarder (at country store)—Isn't that a pretty country girl in the calico dress? I bet she's as good as she looks.

Second City Boarder—You can't always put faith in everything in print.

WASTED TIME.

The hobbies of the rich collectors are sometimes as silly as those of the street boy. A French banker who died recently left a collection of 63,000 cigar bands, each differing in some particular from the others.

These had cost him 50 years of smoking and had been arranged systematically in a number of specially constructed cabinets. None of his children shared his taste, so it was decided to sell the bands. When put up to auction the collection, which had entailed the expenditure of much time and money, realized 20 francs.

KEPLER'S THREE LAWS.

The three laws of planetary motion, discovered by Kepler, upon which modern astronomy is based, are:

1. Each planet revolved in an ellipse, with the sun at one end of the foci
2. Each planet moves in such a way that the line drawn between the center of the sun and the center of the planet passes over equal areas in equal periods of time.
3. The square of the time of a planet's revolution around the sun is proportional to the cube of its mean distance from the sun.

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## Church Announcements

### BAPTIST CHURCH.

Sunday 9 a. m., Sunbeams, Miss Sadie Collings, president.  
10 a. m., Sunday School.  
11 a. m., Preaching, subject: Helping the Helpless.  
7 p. m., Subject: Perfect Salvation. The text, one of Jesus' sayings on the cross, "It is finished."

Let us all try to attend church on this last Sunday in the old year 1910. The Lord has been specially good to our church and our town this year. Let us fill this last Sabbath with devout praise and thanksgiving.  
Prayer meetings every Wednesday at 7 o'clock.

Your brother,  
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### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The Christmas entertainment will be held Saturday at 7:30.  
Sunday school at 10 a. m. Sunday, Dec. 25. M. L. Swinehart, Supt.  
No preaching, as this is the pastor's day at Toyah.  
Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at 6 p. m.  
On Wednesday evening, Dec. 28, the Bible Study class will meet at 7 p. m. G. F. Williams, leader.

Prayer meeting service immediately after the Bible Study class.

A. E. MILLER,  
Pastor.

### CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Lord's Day services: Bible School, 9:45 a. m. Preaching and communion, 11 a. m. Junior C. E., 4 p. m. Senior C. E. 6:45 p. m. Preaching, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. Bible reading at this time will be the 6th chapter of Romans.

The public is cordially invited to attend all these services.

HOMER L. MAGEE,  
Minister.

### METHODIST CHURCH

10 a. m., Sunday School, Rev. C. S. McCarver, Supt.  
11 a. m., Christmas sermon.  
4:15 p. m., Epworth League.  
7:15 p. m., Sermon: Character Delineation from the Acts.  
7:30 p. m. Wednesday, Prayer meeting.  
7:15 p. m. Friday, Teachers' Training Class.  
8 p. m. Saturday, Choir.  
7:30 p. m. Saturday, Christmas Eve, the Christmas Tree. Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus will both be present.

In addition to occasional character sketches, the pastor will

soon preach a trio of sermons on:

1. The Only Sin That Damns.
2. One Conscious Sin, an Evidence of Damnation.
3. The One Thing Needful. You will be welcomed.

H. M. SMITH, Pastor.

### CHRISTMAS TREE.

Any one desiring to place presents on the Christmas tree at the Baptist church can do so. Mark all presents plainly. All care will be exercised not to injure or lose presents.

### Board Meeting.

The Board of the El Paso Baptist Association met yesterday at the Baptist church. The attendance was good and the business transacted was very satisfactory.

The following missionaries were employed:

Rev. D. E. Adams, Barstow, Monahans and New Hope.

Rev. R. D. Carter, Orla, Duval, Arno and Panama, with such other points as he may be able to reach.

Rev. L. Hillyer, Grandfalls and Fort Stockton.

Rev. C. A. Dixon, Balmorhea, Saragosa and other points.

Rev. L. R. Milligan, Altamore and La Valley.

Rev. R. Peterson, Toyah and Van Horn.

Rev. J. J. Maurrer, Marfa and Fort Davis.

Rev. R. W. Merrill of El Paso has been appointed General Missionary for this section of Texas.

The appropriations for all this work, including the State Board and Associational Board is about \$4500.00.

Notwithstanding the drouth the Board went cheerfully forward, trusting the Giver of all blessings.

It was recommended that the Sunday School Institute be held at El Paso.

Many kind letters were sent in from the association of churches commending the missionaries and the Board. The new work undertaken for the year is very promising.

J. B. COLE,  
Cor. Sec.

### Interesting Lecture.

The lecture given Monday night by Rev. Burkett was a great success. The speaker proved his ability to make a hackneyed subject fresh and interesting. Many things usually put in such a talk were left out and many new suggestions added. The large audience gave close attention to the close of the talk.

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## HOW TO KEEP THE HUSBAND

Good Advice for the Wife to Follow When Her Spouse Becomes Cold and Indifferent.

Here is an article entitled "When Husbands Grow Cool," and the time designated is that in which the wife is irritable and complaining; all the time has some little headache or nervous tension on hand. She is not sick enough to excite sympathy, and very easily the husband becomes cold and indifferent. Then the article goes on to give this advice:

"Set about keeping yourself in perfect health. Diet, exercise, breathe deeply, take care of your complexion, dress your hair in a pretty and modish fashion, select your garments with tasteful care, and then occupy your mind with books and music, and, when it is possible, take an interest in outdoor sports; make new acquaintances and find subjects to talk about intelligently."

That seems to be good advice, whether needed or not. But the adviser goes on to insist that the woman should entertain her husband, command his admiration, and make him awfully lonely when she isn't around. But she will never do it by sniffing. It is a woman who writes that advice; else the word sniffing would not be used.

## PSYCHOLOGY OF TOUGH GANGS.

Block has examined 100 members of gangs and compared these young men with Columbia freshmen. Gang is the well known designation given to a company or band of young men acting together for a disreputable purpose.

Although he cites many authors, Block does not give a definition of a gang. He notes the marked inferiority in accuracy, memory, hearing and tactile sensation in contrast to the Columbia freshmen. The gangs have in their favor only eyesight, speed and estimation of time, and if a large number of subjects is taken different results may be obtained. When the finer faculties, as memory and accuracy, are taken into account the students are by far superior.—New York Medical Journal.

## LITERAL INTERPRETATION.

"I'm glad they're going to take the pork barrel out of congress," said Mrs. Bliggins, who had just returned from the ladies' class in current events.

"Indeed?" cried her husband.

"Yes; members of congress may not be able to economize on their lunches so easily, and they'll give more thought to the cost of living."

## ONE MAID'S WISDOM



Mr. Flow—Do you enjoy moonlight excursions?  
Miss Stick—Not unless it's—er—cloudy.

## FIRST HAND KNOWLEDGE.

"Do you mean to say, madame," inquired the judge of the divorce court, "that your husband spends \$5,000 a year on himself?"  
"I do, your honor."  
"And that \$5,000 a year constitutes his entire income?"  
"Yes."  
"How do you know that?"  
"I furnish him the money, your honor!"

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## BRAIN AND THE INTELLECT

Facts That Oppose the View That Size of Former Determines the Mental Capacity.

Many persons believe that there exists a distinct relationship between the size of the brain and intellectual capacity. There are certainly facts which run counter to this view. One salient example is that of the French statesman, Leon Gambetta, whose brain weighed only forty-two ounces. On the other hand, the heaviest brain weighed 84 ounces, in spite of the fact that he is stated to have been inclined to idioy. A brain weighing 82 ounces once belonged to a Scandinavian peasant, of whose intellectual status it may be said that "previous to the age of seventy he never showed signs of any extraordinary intelligence." A female Indian dwarf had a brain which weighed no less than 77 ounces, a trifle heavier than the brain of Tourgenoff, the celebrated Russian novelist.

The average weight of the human brain has been variously put as from 52 to 58 ounces, and an analysis of the brain weights of 60 intellectual men works out at an average of 63 ounces, which is not much superior to the average. Evidently quantity of brain substance is of less importance than quality in respect to the possession of intellectual qualities of a high order.

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## HIS FLOWERS FOR THE SICK

Aged Buffalo Man Who Devotes His Time to Raising Blooms to Give to Invalids.

Mr. Pryor is in his seventy-eighth year, and devotes all of his time to raising flowers and distributing them to cheer the sick. His garden is a small back yard plot, but passersby on Harvard place have been delighted for years with glimpses of its beauty as seen from the street. Those who have been favored with a closer inspection this summer and fall are filled with wonder how so much beauty could be made to bloom in so small a space.

Mr. Pryor, whose hair is as white as the snowiest aster in the place, and about as luxuriant, explained why he raises the flowers, in his unassuming way.

"I would not sell one of them. I find more pleasure in giving them to the sick. They give so much pleasure to those that I could not look for any greater reward than their smiles when they see them.

"My wife was an invalid for 47 years. In all that time I was the one who watched by her bed nights. She was very fond of flowers. That is how I became fond of them. She wanted them in every room in the house. When one became faded she would speak of it and ask for fresh ones. It was the pleasure she took in them that led me to give them to other sick people when she passed away about four years ago.—Buffalo News.

## GRAY'S GRAVE NEGLECTED

Monument of the poet is Dilapidated and Stands in a Cow Pasture.

Lovers of the poet Gray, author of the famous "Elegy in a Country Churchyard," will be grieved to learn that the monument to his memory at Stoke Pogis is in a cow pasture, dilapidated and neglected. This was the statement of Associate Superintendent of Schools Edward B. Shallow, who spent the summer vacation abroad, and visited Stoke Pogis, the scene of the famous Elegy. He said:

"The monument, which stands in an old cowyard, is uncared for. For many years it has been neglected, and it shows the effect of being surrounded with dirt and rank weeds. Scarcely anyone in the neighborhood knows of it, and none take the least care of it."

Mr. Shallow said that what impressed him most during his stay in the British isles was the different attitude in England and Scotland toward their great men. In England all, or most, honor is given to the war heroes of both army and navy, while in Scotland the great men of peace are honored more. Shakespeare, Mr. Shallow said, was an exception, but then Shakespeare was of such eminence that his greatness rose above his monuments.

The loyalty of the Scotch to their writers, Mr. Shallow said, was shown particularly by monuments at Ayr and Alloway to Robert Burns. Everywhere were memorials to Walter Scott, Robert Burns and others who wrote or sang of the glories of Scotland. In England a majority of Wellingtons.

## BE FRANK WITH YOUR FIANCE.

During the engagement, as after marriage, perfect frankness should exist on both sides.

"This does not mean that disagreeable truths must be insisted upon or every trifling event and scrap of tittle-tattle retailed; but don't hoard up things, grow morbid over trifles or, above all, jealously suspicious.

If your fiance has displeased you in any way, say so. Don't choose a moment of anger. Sleep once on your wrath, and then, in the clear light of morning, you still find occasion for anger, have it out.

If you, on the other hand, have done anything you know he will not like, be the first to speak about it. Don't let some, perhaps ill-natured, gossip be before you; confess right away, and you will surely receive loving absolution.

## NOTHING HAPPENED



Reginald—By Jove, suppose I should forget myself an' let this sailboat turn turtle! What would you say?

Phoebe—I would say you had turned lobster.

## STRICT DRAMATIC CENSOR.

Vienna once possessed the strictest dramatic censor ever known, in the person of Franz Hoegelin, who held that post in the Austrian capital at the beginning of the last century. Hoegelin published a manual for the guidance of censors. "A pair of lovers should never be allowed to appear on the stage alone. They must always be accompanied by a third person of mature years." Marriages out of one's class were also strictly forbidden by Hoegelin on the stage, and he quotes an instance of a play which he refused to pass because the author made the hero, Count Valdemar, marry a gardener's daughter. "Such misalliances have unfortunately been known to occur in real life, but that is no reason why they should be allowed on the stage," he said.

## SEX AND COLORS.

It is popularly supposed that women possess a more highly developed color sense than men. Yet an investigator has shown that the experimental evidence in support of the theory is unsatisfactory and inconclusive. Experiments undertaken showed that men were decidedly more sensitive in the recognition of red, yellow and green; while women were more sensitive to blue. Yet, on the other hand, men were better with blue and yellow on a white background and women were better in red and green. Women in general are less keen in the recognition of colors than men.

## HE HAD A WIFE.

A deacon on his way to church often noticed a man cutting the lawn about his house or weeding the flower beds. It troubled the good deacon, so one Sunday morning he said:

"Neighbor, wouldn't you like to leave your work this morning and attend service with me?"

"Oh," said the man, "I really would like to, but I have a wife, and you see I have to do the things she plans for my health when I am at home."—National Monthly.

## HOW FOX GOT MEAL.

The wily methods of the fox have been described by a resident on the banks of the Murray river, Australia, who has had occasion to watch his work lately. The animal, after walking along the branch of a tree overhanging the river, dropped quietly into the stream, leaving only its head above water. A mob of wild duck swooped down in the vicinity and, in curious bent, swam toward the fox, who snapped up one, and with it swam to the other side of the stream.

## NO DOUBT ABOUT IT.

"I love you!" he cried, passionately.

"Do you love me alone?" she asked, after the manner of cautious maidens.

"Gee! That's when I love you most," he replied, somewhat ambiguously.

## A BATTLE-SCARRED HEROINE

Young Woman, When Asked How She Lost Her Leg, Was Always Ready to Answer.

There is a rather attractive young woman in Cleveland who had the misfortune to fall down stairs a few years ago and fracture one of her knees so badly that the limb had to be amputated. The young woman, of course, walks with the aid of crutches. She is not in the least sensitive about the matter, and she doesn't mind informing properly introduced people of the nature of the accident which maimed her.

She has set a limit, however, and she was compelled to use it one afternoon recently. She got into a Payne avenue car and found herself in the same seat with a sharp-eyed woman who seemed to take a whole lot of interest in her and her crutches. She scrutinized the young woman's face carefully for a couple of minutes, then turned her attention to the workmanship of the crutches, which she even took the liberty to handle curiously. Then she looked the young woman over again, and leaned over to her:

"D'ye mind tellin' me how you lost your leg?" she asked.

"Not in the least," responded the young woman, amiably. "I lost it in the battle of San Juan hill."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## GERMAN WIFE A HELPMET

Lacks Charm and Smartness in Dress but Is Intellectual and Gives Husband Much Aid.

Praise of the German wife is expressed heartily by Miss I. A. R. Wylie, an author, in making observations about German life and customs. Miss Wylie admits the average German wife lacks charm such as is possessed by American women; that she lacks smartness in dress, is indifferent to physical culture, but insists she is far more than her husband's housekeeper. She points to the many talents the average educated woman possesses and tells of the wife of a German professor, saying: "In spite of the fact that they have three children and one servant, she manages to find time to arrange his notes, correct his lectures and help him with his instruments. She dresses disgracefully and looks like a better-class servant, but she is an intelligent, highly educated woman, and her life is crowded with intellectual as well as domestic interests. She is an example taken out of a great class. She holds the home together; a devoted mother and wife, she leaves no particle of her home duties unfulfilled; she neglects herself. Her life, seen by the English woman, is full of sacrifice and hardship, but she is intellectually keenly alive. She can talk to you on art, music, science, literature, even on politics, though the latter topic interests her as little as it interests her husband; she is well read, and is well up in all the social and economical questions of the day; she is anything but a mere housekeeper."

## WONDERFUL IMPROVER.

F. H. Elliott, the secretary of the American Automobile association, laughed, at a dinner in New York, over some of the absurd claims made against automobilists.

"If an automobile runs over a pig," he said, "it is sure to be a blooded Berkshire. Every chicken slaughtered is a pedigree bird worth \$40 or \$50. A yellow barnyard cur is a white-haired fox terrier. A calf is always of Aiderney or Guernsey blood."

Mr. Elliott smiled. "To tell the truth," he said, "nothing seems to improve live stock like crossing it with an automobile."

## WORRYLESS WORRY.

"What a funny expression Mrs. Portly wears."

"Yes, she is trying to worry."

"Trying to worry?"

"Yes, she heard that worry would make a person thin, and she don't know how to worry."

# THE CITY PHARMACY

**W**ISHES to tender to its friends and patrons its most hearty thanks and appreciation for their liberal and generous support during the past year and wish them a Merry Christmas, with the hope that our future business may be as pleasant and profitable to both parties as it has been in the past, and that we may merit a continuation of your liberal patronage.

We are, with compliments of the season,

# CITY PHARMACY

Miss Hattie Coon is up after an illness of some weeks.

Holiday goods for all the family at Pecos Drug Co.

R. N. McCarthy of Kent, was in the city this week renewing acquaintances.

Quite a crowd of our young people enjoyed a dance at the court house last night.

As usual during the holiday rush the trains are away behind schedule time.

Vertner Gage of Toyah leaves today for Fort Worth to spend Christmas.

Announcements of a wedding among the elite at Balmorhea is in the air for Sunday.

If your watch fails to give you the correct time, leave it with Richardson and he will adjust its time keeping qualities.

J. M. Scanlan, who lives south of Toyah, left on this morning's train for Carlsbad, N. M., where he will spend the holidays.

## Christmas Dinner

—AT—

### THE NEW CAFE

GEO. D. COON, Prop.

Oyster Soup  
Roast Turkey with Dressing  
Roast Pork with Brown Gravy  
Celery  
Cranberry Sauce  
Baked Sweet Potatoes  
Mashed Potatoes  
Cabbage Turnips  
Deviled Eggs

—DESERT—

Fruit Salad  
Angel Food Cake

V. Van Geison of the Citizens Bank of Toyah, met with the Masons here last night.

Harry Woods came in Monday from his four sections to spend the holidays with home folk.

Miss Mary Johnson came in this morning from Belton, where she has been attending Baylor, to spend the holidays at home.

Woody Browning, assistant cashier of the Pecos Valley Bank, will spend the holidays at his old home in Lampasas.

Dr. Jim Camp came in Thursday from his visit to the Grand Lodge of Masons at Waco and to his mother in Oklahoma.

J. B. Brisco, who is holding down eight sections near the Guadalupe mountains, is in after supplies.

Dr. J. J. Wolverton and A. V. Johnson, prominent citizens of Balmorhea, visited Pecos the first of the week.

J. N. Heard returned Monday from a visit to New Boston, Texas, and Foreman, Ark., where he has spent the past month.

Perry Wagnon, manager of the Balmorhea Mercantile Co., together with his family, were in the city the first of the week.

Joe Wauson, merchant-constable-postmaster-land agent, etc., of Toyahvale was in town yesterday. Joe is a hustler and always as busy as a cranberry merchant.

I am again doing my own repair work and refer the few people in this country who I have not done work for to the many who I have.

W. J. W. Richardson.

Judge Parker and County Attorney Buck were out quail hunting one day this week. The birds must have had an inkling for they never saw one.

#### Notice to Taxpayers.

Tax Collector C. Brown will be in the following places on dates named for the purpose of collecting taxes. Poll taxes must be paid in person or by written order:

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|------------------------|
| Toyah, Dec. 19 and 20. |
| Arno, " 21 " 22.       |
| Pecos, " 23 " 24.      |
| Pera, " 27 " 28.       |
| Saragosa, " 29 " 30.   |
| Panama, Jan. 2 " 3.    |

#### For Quick Sale--City Restaurant.

All new and up-to-date, doing good business, in the best location in town of Toyah. Price \$450.00, one-half cash, other in short time. This includes six months' free rent. Plenty of water in the house. Reason for selling, account of too much other business to care for. This is the right place for the right man.

W. H. BURFORD,  
Toyah, Texas.

On Tuesday night the members of the Epworth League were entertained in a most delightful and pleasing social at the Methodist parsonage. A large crowd of Leaguers and their friends report a pleasant evening.

Let the Record figure with you on that next bill of stationery. The work will be the best that first-class printers and up-to-date equipment can produce and we will not skin you either.

#### REAL DILEMMA.

"What's the dilemma?" asked one small boy.

"Well," replied the other, "it's something like this: If your father says he'll punish you if you don't let your mother cut your hair, that's a dilemma."

REMEMBER

## The Record

Office is prepared to do your Job Printing. Our office is equipped with the latest and best type and machinery and men who know how to do things, and last but not least, our prices are Right and you get your work when promised. Try us and let us show you.