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## GOVERNOR NEFF GETS ENDORSED

Democratic State Committee Says He Is Safest and Strongest Man For Democratic Nomination

TAN ED UP ON MAYFIELD

Barry Miller Opposes Angloan's Resolution Endorsing Texas Senator — It Passed Unanimously

By The United Press.

DALLAS, Dec. 15.—Governor Pat M. Neff was endorsed for the Democratic nomination as candidate for the presidency in resolutions adopted by the State Democratic committee here this morning.

The resolution said that Governor Neff was the safest, wisest and strongest man in the ranks of Democracy to day.

The vote was 25 to 3 with two present and not voting.

Waco was selected as the 1924 Convention City for the Democratic Party of Texas.

Mrs. Monae Boren Mahoney of Dallas was selected as the National Committee Women from Texas to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Cone Johnson, resigned.

Mrs. Mahoney said that she was opposed to the formation of a Woman's party and thought women should line up with either of the two major political parties. The 18th and 19th amendments are fundamental parts of the constitution and no candidate who favored tampering with either would have her approval.

A resolution strongly endorsing Earle B. Mayfield and condemning efforts being made to unseat him was offered by Charles B. Metcalfe of San Angelo. Metcalfe declared the party should endorse Mayfield owing to his overwhelming victory of last year. Barry Miller of Dallas said such a resolution would neither help nor harm Mayfield and that it was not up to the committee to take any action at this time. Mayfield had caused enough trouble already he said, and offered a resolution to adjourn. This was tabled and Chairman Frank Davis declared that inasmuch as the resolution had been offered it would be derogatory to Mayfield not to pass it. The resolution was adopted without a dissenting vote. Barry Miller did not vote, saying he held a proxy and had not consulted his principal.

The following were elected to fill vacancies: O. H. Pool, Cleburne; Dayton B. Speed, Sherman; Charles B. Metcalfe, San Angelo; Ernest O. Thompson Amarillo.

## WACO VS. ABILENE

Defeat Beaumont Saturday by Waco Brings That Team And Abilene Together For State Honors

By The United Press.

WACO, Dec. 15.—The date and place of the Waco-Abilene game to decide the interscholastic football championship of the state will be decided by officials of the two schools probably Monday.

Both Ft. Worth and Dallas have invited the teams but Waco objects to Ft. Worth and Abilene objects to playing at Dallas. It is almost certain that the game will not be played at Abilene so it is possible it may be selected.

The date will probably be decided by Roy Henderson, interscholastic League director.

WACO 14—BEAUMONT 0

By The United Press.

BEAUMONT, Dec. 15.—Waco High School won its way into the state final this afternoon by defeating Beaumont in the opening half of the game here this afternoon. In the last half Beaumont gave as much as it took. In the first quarter Boody Johnson of Waco crashed through for a touchdown and in the second quarter Hunt went seven yards on a delayed pass for a touch down. Naylor deftly booted field goals on both. With Wehita Falls going down in defeat before Abilene Friday afternoon 25-0, Waco and Abilene are the only two undefeated teams in the state.

TO SPEAK SUNDAY

Dr. R. Rosenwaffer, brother-in-law of A. Levy, will speak at the Christian church this evening on "The Basic Element of Religion."

WAS IT SANTA?

Santa Claus paid his visit to the Reporter Christmas party Saturday afternoon and aided by several members of the Reporter staff, distributed apples, candy, books and puzzles to a large crowd of kiddies who thronged Oak Street.

Many mothers with their children gathered at the doors of the office early anxiously awaiting the arrival of Santa, who had announced through the columns of the Reporter that he would visit Sweetwater.

"Was it really Santa Claus?" piped a little miss at the close of the party. No doubt this question was in the minds of several of the little folks.

Chief of Police Johnson was kept busy directing traffic along Oak Street.

And the Reporter was very glad that Santa chose this office to greet the little folks.

CREAGER DECLINES

Will Not be American Ambassador to Mexico, He Declares

By The United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—R. D. Craegar of Brownsville declined the invitation of President Calvin Coolidge to become American ambassador to Mexico, it was declared at the White House today.

## MAJOR POLITICAL BATTLE IN HOUSE

Progressives and Conservatives of Both Parties Hold Stormy Sessions Behind Closed Doors

MANY INFORMAL CONFERENCES

Leaders Struggle For Control of Rules Committee—W. J. Bryan Back Of Democratic Difficulties

By The United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—A major political battle between the Progressives and Conservatives of both Democratic and Republican parties is on behind locked doors in the House of Representatives.

The control of the powerful Rules Committee, charged with revamping the rules and directing legislation is the prize.

For three days Republican, Progressive and Democratic leaders have been holding informal conferences by the score in various committee rooms.

Administration leaders, after more conferences with Democratic and Progressive leaders, have decided to move for an adjournment of the House until a compromise can be worked out.

While administration leaders struggled for control of the Rules Committee, Democratic leaders are having troubles of their own. W. J. Bryan is back of their difficulties. The Commoner urged the Democrats to support a Progressive for Speaker and is now persuaded that Progressives should have representation on the Rules Committee. Republican leaders have agreed to give the Democrats 5 seats to 7 Republicans instead of the original 8 to 4 arrangement. Progressives are fighting to have Representative Nelson, Progressive leader on the committee.

Senator La Follette took over the active control of his little progressive bloc in the Senate in the fight to prevent Senator Cummins from assuming the chairmanship of the important Interstate Commerce Committee. In a formal statement he flayed Senator Cummins as a symbol of reactionary rail legislation and urged Senators Howell or Couzens as chairman.

MAUZEY RETURNS

Placed Road Bonds in Vault in Dallas Ready For Sale

County Judge A. S. Mauzey returned from Austin Saturday where he spent the greater part of the week in getting the Nolan County road bonds approved by the Attorney General and in securing the signature of the State Comptroller as required by law.

Judge Mauzey returned by way of Dallas, placing the bonds in a vault in Dallas. The bonds will be sold here Thursday, December 20 by sealed bid.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

C. E. Arnold and Miss Irene Jessup were issued a marriage license Saturday by County Clerk Gus Farrar.

## HUNTING PARTY ENJOY BLIZZARD DECISIVE BATTLE OF WAR IMPENDS

Local Hunters Lost in Winding Canyons of Guadalupe Mountains During Storm

FOOD SUPPLY RUNS SHORT

After Attempt to Reach Civilization, Party Forced to Take Shelter in Abandoned School House

Lost in the winding canyons of Guadalupe Mountains expecting momentarily to be frozen to death in the blinding biting cold of the blizzard that swept down from New Mexico, and with grub running short, a party of Sweetwater men returned Saturday after an experience none of them care to repeat.

Included in the party were M. C. Monroe, John Meyers, W. E. Noah, T. Belcher and Jack Horn. They left here the latter part of last week on a hunting expedition to the ranch of Horn which is about 50 miles west of the ranch owned by G. E. Ramsey. The section is in Culberson County and a few miles south of the New Mexico border.

They arrived Sunday in bright and sunny weather and pitched camp preparatory to bagging a deer or two and possibly a bear each. When they woke up Monday morning they were covered with several inches of snow. And the weather got no better rapidly. They sought shelter in a cowpuncher's dugout Monday night and with grub running low, Noah, Mahroe, Meyers tried to make it back to civilization. After driving most of the day in the stinging cold hitting snowdrifts, stalling and burning about a gallon of gas to the mile they gave it up and headed back in the teeth of the wind to an old abandoned school house they had passed. They were nearly frozen when they reached it. Doors and windows there were none, but there was an old stove and there were some seats. These they split up for firewood and to nail across the openings on the north side. The next morning they found their way out.

"There may be plenty of deer in the Guadalupe Mountains but they can stay there for all I care," John Meyers said on his return.

When it is recalled that no less than 10 people lost their lives in various parts of New Mexico in that blizzard, something of the fun the party had will be realized.

LIQUOR IN HOSE

Lady Liquor Dispensaries Have Supply in 'First National Bank'

FT. WORTH, Dec. 15.—The latest mode of carrying liquor has become fashionable in Ft. Worth, according to City Detective Young.

Women liquor sellers are carrying their stocks in the "First National Bank."

It is a good thing women don't wear hoopskirts. They could hide a whole still under 'em, said Young.

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Christian Church will hold their regular Bible study and short business meeting Monday afternoon at the church.

## SHOWS INCREASE

Despite Conditions Nolan County Raised 1240 Bales Cotton More Than in 1922

Despite hail, grasshoppers, worms and other adverse conditions, an increase of 1240 bales of cotton in Nolan County for 1923 as compared with 1922 is shown in the government cotton ginning report up to Dec. 1. A few bales have been ginned since that time, which will make a creditable showing indeed.

From \$150 to \$175 a bale including seed has been realized on the crop this year which means a return to the county of around a million and a quarter dollars.

Much of Nolan County is break land unsuited to cotton farming and other portions are still in rangeland. It is probable however that a large portion of all land suitable for cultivation in the county will be planted next year.

The total cotton ginned for 1923 to Dec. 1 was 16,522 bales as compared with 15,282 bales up to the same period in 1922.

Advices From Mexico Say Federal Troops 8,000 Strong, Are Marching To Meet Rebels at La Baraca

REBELS ARE REINFORCED

Huerta Press Bureau at Vera Cruz States General Sanchez Has Sent More Troops to Santa Lucretia

By The United Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The decisive battle of the Mexican revolt is impending according to advices received here by the Mexican embassy.

Dispatches said that a Federal army of 8,000 including cavalry, artillery and airplanes is preparing to attack the main rebel force under General Estrada between La Baraca and Guadalupe. The rebel force is said to number about 4,000.

The State Department was without advices from the American charge d'affaires George D. Summerlin in Mexico.

At the Senate it was said that consideration of the Mexican Treaty would be held up pending the outcome of the revolt.

SEND MORE TROOPS

By The United Press.

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 15.—General Sanchez has sent troops to reinforce General Gonzalez at Santa Lucretia where an important battle is believed to be impending.

The Huerta press bureau today also said that the situation was unchanged at San Marcos following the rebel victory Friday.

DEFEAT REBELS

By The United Press.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 15.—Federal forces defeated the rebels in a battle in the east today while eight battalions of troops with artillery and machine guns advanced against General Estrada in the West.

Insurgents under Colonel Sylvestre Trevino were met at Extilan in the state of Puebla and routed after heavy fighting according to advices from that front.

WEATHER

West Texas Sunday generally fair not much change in temperature.

## SAN ANGELO B C D GIVES BANQUET

More Than 200 Business Men and Guest Attend Annual Gathering at San Angelo Hotel

RELATE PLANS FOR 1924

Includes Strong Fight For Retention Of Common Point Freight Rate—R. M. Chitwood Speaks

Special to Reporter.

San Angelo, Dec. 15.—More than 200 attended the annual banquet of the Board of City Development here Friday night at the St. Angelus Hotel with leading business men of this city and representatives from Ballinger, Miles, Big Lake and other towns present.

The annual report of President C. C. Kirkpatrick and Walter Yaggy secretary were made at San Angelo's part in the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Convention and the Tech competition related. Plans for 1924 included a strong fight for the retention of the common point freight rate as outlined by E. I. Jackson. Charles Hobbs presided as toastmaster.

Was delivered by R. M. Chitwood of Sweetwater. Roar after roar of laughter greeted the numerous bits humor with which his remarks were interspersed, and his closing remarks brought an ovation, when he said:

"If the Board of City Development at Sweetwater had sent a message by me as their representative they would have stated that Sweetwater is ever by the side of San Angelo in its efforts to build up West Texas and make of it a better place in which to live, and to extend to San Angelo sincere congratulations and best wishes for the patience, energy and faith that built this magnificent city on the Conchos."

## Late News

Breckenridge—Gasoline explosion in a room where gasoline had been used to clean clothing badly burned four women, two perhaps fatally. Mrs. A. W. Saxton and Mrs. E. B. Beaton and Alice Esther Saxton were the victims.

Brady—Fire destroyed the Mayhew Produce House Friday night with damage of 40,000 including 1,000 dressed turkeys.

Weatherford—Five were injured when a service car collided with another car. The injured: H. N. Langley, Dallas; Dr. G. B. Hamilton, Olney; John W. Hill, Breckenridge; Mrs. A. W. Shirley Ft. Worth; Van Tatum, Mineral Wells.

Alvin—Frank Dake, 23, Houston service car driver was baked to death under an avalanche of flaming straw in a barn on the Isaacs farm at Hastings with. Dake was trying to put out the fire.

Dallas—An advance of 5c a barrel on crude of 39 gravity and above was posted by the Magnolia Petroleum Co. today.

Washington—President Coolidge today commuted sentence on 31 political prisoners remaining in Federal jails. The clemency was unconditional.

## HEAR TESTIMONY KLAN ATTORNEY

Carl Etheridge, Chief Counsel For Imperial Palace, Has Sharp Verbal Clash With Prosecution

FOX DANGEROUSLY INSANE

Head Georgia State Insane Asylum Testifies Tat Defendant is Paranoid—Trib Proceeds

By The United Press.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 15.—The first high official of the Ku Klux Klan to take the witness stand in the trial of Phil E. Fox charged with the murder of W. S. Coburn testified today.

Carl Etheridge, chief counsel of the Imperial Palace which opposed Coburn in the suit of David Rittenhouse and others for a receivership of the Klan told how during the course of the trial Fox expressed great concern over the outcome and repeatedly asked him "Judge, are you going to win this case?"

"During the cross examination Etheridge and W. S. Howard, assistant prosecutor, had many sharp verbal clashes.

"You are interested in this case are you not?" inquired Howard. "I am interested only to the extent of the welfare of the organization which I represent. It has come to my attention that there is a determined effort to connect this case with the organization. When the state tries to then I am interested."

"Didn't you sit in the courtroom and make signals to the counsel for the defense when the jury was being selected," Howard asked Etheridge. This question brought a vigorous denial.

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## FIRE LOSS HEAVY

Damage by Flames to Plant of E. C. Palmer Company Estimated at \$150,000

By The United Press.

DALLAS, Dec. 15.—Fire of undetermined origin wrapt the plant of the E. C. Palmer Paper Co. in flames here early today with damages estimated at \$150,000.

Ten firemen narrowly escaped death or injury when one of the walls of the three story building collapsed, hurling debris in all directions. The firemen escaped unhurt. The blaze gained such headway that efforts of the firemen were confined to preventing its spread.

ELECT OFFICERS

The Sweetwater Encampment, I. O. O. F. elected officers at the regular meeting Thursday night as follows: W. G. Price, C. P.; W. L. Hamer, H. P.; U. H. Allen, S. W.; J. E. Stewart, J. W.; L. Penn, Scribe and C. J. Chesney, treasurer.

## CHRISTMAS MAIL BEGINS TO MOVE

Annual Deluge Starts Tricking Into Local Office as Big Day Draws Near—Parcels Increase

INSTRUCTIONS ARE GIVEN

Postmaster Howard Tells How to Get Packages Through in Time—Addresses Are Important

The annual deluge of Christmas mail, packages, cards, etc. is already beginning to make its presence felt in the local postoffice and in the mail cars. In order to help move this mass of mail so that no one will be disappointed on Christmas, Postmaster Howard has issued the following hints with regard to facilitation of the work and to aid people in getting their packages through on time:

The Post office will make every effort to handle Christmas mails without congestion and delay but owing to the enormous volume this can be done only with the cooperation of the public, and we know we will have the loyal cooperation necessary and compliance with the following suggestions will greatly aid the postoffice and insure the prompt handling of your mail.

Wrapping and Packing

All parcels must be securely wrapped or packed in order to reach their destination in good condition. In wrapping ordinary parcels strong paper and heavy twine should be used.

Fragile Articles

Articles easily broken or crushed must be crated or securely wrapped. Use liberal quantities of excelsior or like material, in, around, and between the articles and the outside container. Glassware, fragile toys, crockery, must be wrapped so as to prevent the escape of particles or pieces if broken in transit.

All articles easily broken or damaged must be marked "Fragile."

Perishable Matter

Articles likely to spoil within the time reasonably required for transportation and delivery will not be accepted for mailing, wrap or pack carefully, according to contents and plainly mark all such parcels "Perishable." Use special delivery stamps to expedite delivery.

Addresses

Addresses should be complete, with house number and name of street of post office box number, or rural route number, and typed or plainly written in ink. Please do not use pencil on brown paper for your Christmas parcels.

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## PLANS COMPLETE

Annual Poultry Show Will be Held in New Building of John Meyers—Many Birds Are Expected

Between 800 and 1,000 of the choicest pedigreed chickens to be found in West Texas will be seen at the second annual poultry show which will open here Wednesday morning.

The show will be held this year in the new Meyers Building, adjoining the plant of the Sweetwater Ice Cream Co.

Everything is well in hand for the opening according to show superintendent, R. L. Shaffer.

Some of the best breeders of the county will be represented there including birds from the Ramzel, Lanier, Manzey, Rose, Gregg, Calvert and other flocks of the county.

The show will open Wednesday morning and will run through to Saturday.

SHERIFF COKE HERE

Hawley Allen Brings Two Prisoners For Bud Russell

Hawley Allen, sheriff Coke County brought two prisoners to Sweetwater Saturday for Bud Russell, State Transfer Agent to take to State Prison.

The men were Tom Sutton, given two years on a charge of forgery and Bill Jofferies, under a two year sentence on a charge of burglary by Coke County juries.

Mr. Allen said conditions in Coke County are the best now that they have ever been with plenty of stock water and a good cotton crop. Mr. Allen was sheriff of Tom Green County for ten years. He bought a Coke County ranch and intended to retire but they made him sheriff after he moved there.



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**MINOR NEWS**  
The following are the names of the members of the Sweetwater Reporter's staff: Editor, E. J. Brown; Business Manager, E. J. Brown; Advertising Manager, E. J. Brown; Secretary, E. J. Brown; Vice President, W. H. Brown; President, W. H. Brown.

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**LOOK AT HOME**  
America will not be stopped in great depths of darkness by what the Berlin Telegraph has in one concerning the first message of President Coolidge. Complaining that it cannot find even the faintest indication in the message that the United States intends in any way to connect itself with the problem of Europe, the Telegraph adds: "America does not seem to realize its moral obligation to help relieve Europe from her desperate situation, the which former President Wilson knew a great measure of responsibility." If the Berlin paper is looking for individuals who are really responsible for Europe's desperate situation, it can find them much nearer home than after the imperialists who started the World War, and their successors, who are now plotting for another.

**EARLY SHOPPING**  
The "Early Shopping" is not over with and comes the last grand rush. Those who have not been able to shop the well intended slogan in "Shop Early" will find it in their advantage to shop early in the day and folks living in town can be courteous in country people by doing their shopping other than Saturday. Folks who live at a distance from Sweetwater cannot get here early in the day as a rule and must do their buying in the afternoon. And many from the country find it more convenient to come here Saturday. The service at the stores should be reserved for them as early as possible on that day. Most of us living in town can do our buying other days just as well and with much more ease and convenience.

**MILK REGULATIONS**  
The City Commission is understood to be considering a more stringent ordinance relative to the sale of milk in the city of Sweetwater. Milk cans will be required to be stamped with the word "sterilized" on the front.

**WEST TEXAS NOTES**  
The Guaranty State Bank of Duvick, Garrettsville, Texas, has sold its assets to the Citizens National Bank of Houston and has been liquidated by the bank's officers. The Citizens National Bank has taken over all deposits and assumed all liabilities of the Guaranty State Bank. The bank was made effective with the close of business December 15th, and was affiliated with the branches of the State Banking Department. The Guaranty State Bank was organized in 1904 and had a capitalization of \$100,000. John H. Smith was president, E. H. Mayfield vice president and J. N. Smith cashier. The bank was in sound condition, but due to the weak condition of the bank community in which it was located, it was found that the bank was in a position that it was not a profitable business concern. —Houston Post.

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Mr. Kelly stated. Climate conditions of San Angelo are pronounced 100 miles from home. Latest observations of San Angelo County at 800 per hour. Rainfall will be made for. —San Angelo Standard.

The position favoring the organization of the San Saba Commission and Reclamation Service was stated by Judge McLean in his report. Judge McLean stated the general committee of the organization of irrigation along the maintenance of the position in law. This position was in 1917. The committee was in 1917. A hearing was had and the court ordered an election. Notice of the election was published and the election was held. The opposition then appealed the case to the district court where it was held favorably with the result of giving a vote.

It is understood the Organization Committee for the irrigation district proposes to go to work at once to the various schools, hospitals and for the other schools. —San Saba News.

Friday afternoon the Radio football team started in Ft. Worth by way of Ft. Worth. They expected to stop in Ft. Worth, but they stayed in Ft. Worth, because although the sign says twenty eight miles from Ft. Worth to Ft. Worth the distance was nearly five hours and fifteen minutes for them, or more than 100 miles. If the weather stays bad the rest of the winter the sign along the road will be changed by springtime and instead of printing distance on the road signs the distance will be indicated in hours. —Ft. Worth Herald.

J. E. Watson, who lives here and has had cotton stalks of town, brought to Lucknow and put on exhibit at the First National Bank, a few balls of cotton, which he raised on his place. The specimen looks and feels like wool, and grows in the regular cotton ball shape. Mr. Watson got a few seed from a Florida experiment station last year and planted them on his place the past spring. He says the stalk resembles a wood more than it does the cotton stalk, but the ball looks just the shape as the ordinary cotton ball. He had one stalk with 12 balls on it, and the plant is hardy and easy to grow. He didn't think the plant would produce as much for seed as the common cotton, but the price at present would be about 75c or 80c a pound. If the crop proves to be successful it will be a paying one for the farmer. The Government has been experimenting with this wood-cotton problem, and it may be that it can be made a paying crop in this part of the country. —Lucknow Democrat.

A new kind of insurance has arisen in our midst during the past few years known as "group insurance," and the latest notable Texas instance of this kind of insurance came to light the other day in a dispatch from Cameron, Texas, in which it was stated that the Southwestern Life Insurance Company had written insurance for 171 individuals, members of the Texas Methodist Conference. The policy places \$1,000 each on the lives of the 171 individuals. The total premium was \$1,000.

In "group insurance" no physical examinations are made and the policy is not written for individuals. To illustrate, if any minister of the church organization should die, it would

be necessary first to prove that he was a member of the Methodist Conference and then the thing would follow. —Ft. Worth Herald.

Mr. C. C. Brown sold this week to Mr. Carroll of Sweetwater 100 acres of land on State Route for \$25 per acre. This was a hundred acre farm. Mr. Carroll will move on and further improve the place. Candidates for office in Comanche county have begun to announce. Sam Lewis is a candidate for sheriff and Joe Collier and R. M. Miller are announced for reelection to the same office. —Paris News Record.

Most anyone can manufacture just. All you need is a furnace for heat, two hundred pigs for cover, a pair of compasses to file, a sharp knife for sharp points, four men with weak minds and strong arms and one bootlegger and there you are. —Fort Worth News Record.

### Whitten's Shop FOR XMAS GIFTS

- Hand Bags ..... \$2.50 to \$12.75
- Suitcases ..... \$1.45 to \$12.50
- Leather Coats ..... \$8.95 to \$15.00
- Hats ..... \$1.50 to \$15.00
- Bath Robes ..... \$5.95 to \$12.50
- Sweaters ..... \$1.50 to \$7.50
- Sport Vests ..... \$5.00
- Gold Rings ..... \$4.95
- Eversharp Pencils \$1.00 to \$5.00
- Gulf Buttons ..... 50c to \$3.00
- Stick Pins ..... 50c to \$3.00
- Hose ..... 20c to \$2.00
- Underwear ..... \$1.00 to \$4.00
- Pajamas ..... \$2.00 to \$4.00
- Night Shirts ..... \$1.25 to \$2.50
- Gloves ..... 50c to \$3.00
- Belt Buckles ..... 50c to \$2.00
- Puttees ..... \$3.00 to \$4.00
- House Shoes ..... \$1.40 to \$2.99
- Handkerchiefs ..... 10c to \$1.00
- Caps ..... \$1.00 to \$3.00
- Ties ..... 50c to \$3.00
- Smokers Stands ..... \$5.00
- Collars ..... 20c to 50c
- Rain Coats ..... \$8.95
- Bill Folds ..... \$1.25 to \$1.75
- Tobacco Pouches ..... 25c
- Belt Chains ..... 75c to \$1.50
- Tie Clips ..... 35c to \$1.00

### Whitten's Shop FOR USEFUL GIFTS



**Christmas**

Gifts of flowers and plants will say for you the thoughts too deep for words—in gladness, in joyfulness, or "as lips that kiss the tears away."

Make flowers carry your Christmas greetings, no matter what else you send.

Flowers may be delivered within 24 hours in any address in the United States, or Canada, by means of the "National Telegraph Delivery Service." Write for our New Year's Book.

*Joy's with Flowers*

**Mrs. J. I. Payne**  
Phone 80



**BERTIE and ALEC** That's one way of looking at it

"CAN YOU BRING ME A SHIRT TO WEAR?"

"WHATE'S HE SAYING?"

"WELL, WHY DON'T YOU GET IT?"

"I CAN'T—I HAVEN'T GOT ENOUGH COUPONS FOR A SHIRT—GIVE 'EM TO ME!"

### Prices are down to Bed Rock on Furniture



And it will pay you to come in early and make your selections. Lots of nice new items for Christmas presents, for wife, daughter or mother. Do not fail to visit our store and see the wonderful savings.

### J.I. Payne Undertaking & Furniture Co. "The Store of Service"

Phone 84 Sweetwater, Texas



**For His Christmas Community Plate**

**For His Christmas A Useful Gift**

Will your home be warm and comfortable this Christmas regardless of weather?

It will be if you have installed the incomparable heating device that heats the whole house for you at less than the cost of a furnace—that is installed in your home like an ordinary stove and looks like a phonograph—

**THE ESTATE HEATROLA**

The incomparable Christmas present for the whole family—solid comfort for all time.

**BETTER COME IN TOMORROW**

for the boy's wheel. If you could hear the boys talk about the wheels in our store as we do and know just what one would mean to your boy, you would not delay. Tricycles for the little fellows.

FOR USEFUL PRACTICAL YEAR ROUND GIFTS SEE

**Carter Hardware Co.**



**HEAR TESTIMONY**  
(Continued from first page)

W. P. Leak, auto salesman, testified that Mrs. Fox had bought a new car a few hours before the killing and how the sale was cancelled afterwards.

Leak also testified as to the character of Fox and of numerous idiosyncrasies.

Mrs. Margaret Weaver, indicted in the case, figured the first time today when A. J. Grant, night watchman at

the Imperial Palace, was asked concerning alleged conversation with her. This he denied.

Fox was branded as a paranoiac—the most dangerous type of insanity—by Dr. R. C. Gwint, an alienist who testified during the afternoon. Dr. Gwint is superintendent of the State Hospital for the Insane at Milledgeville, Ga.

**The Land of Christmas Trees**

By Grace May North  
in Youth's Companion



I'd like to find the country where trees of Christmas grow;  
It ought to be a pine wood with rambles all aglow.  
And if I had a basket, I'm sure that Santa'd say,  
"Just pick as many presents as you can take away!"

**CHICHESTER'S PILLS**

THE DIAMOND BRAND  
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold wrapper. Never mixed with other pills. Take no other. Buy of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 25 years known to Rest, Satisfy, Always Relieve.  
SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE!

**Drugs Excite the Kidneys, Drink Water**

Take Salts at First Sign of Bladder Irritation or Backache

The American men and women must guard constantly against kidney trouble because we often eat too much rich food. Our blood is filled with acids which the kidneys strive to filter out; they weaken from overwork, become sluggish, the eliminative tissues clog and the result is kidney trouble, bladder weakness and a general decline in health.

When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead; your back hurts or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment, or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night; if you suffer with sick headache, or dizzy, nervous spells, acid stomach, or if you have rheumatism when the weather is bad, begin drinking lots of good soft water and get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts. Take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys may then act fine.

This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help flush and stimulate clogged kidneys, to neutralize the acids in the system so they no longer are a source of irritation, thus often relieving bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive; can not injure, makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink and belongs in every home, because nobody can make a mistake by having a good kidney flushing any time. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year.

**MANER'S**

DRUGS AND GIFTS

NOW OPEN FOR BUSINESS

2ND DOOR WEST OF POSTOFFICE

FOR CITY LOANS AND LIFE INSURANCE, See

**I. LEE LUSK, Representing**

Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company.

ASSETS OVER \$19,700,000.00

It will LOAN ITS MONEY TO YOU on Sweetwater and Nolan County property. See me for City, Farm and Automobile Loans. A surprisingly good proposition on City and Farm Loans.

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

WE HAVE PURCHASED THE PACE BROS. CAFE AND WILL BE KNOWN AS THE—

**Robertson Cafe**

WE WILL BE PLEASED TO SERVE YOU AT ALL TIMES.

OPEN DAY AND NIGHT

**Her Present for Old Santa Claus**

By ETHEL COOK ELIOT

Little Miss Was "S EEMS like all good things come at once!" exclaimed Bob, aged ten. Tomorrow is Christmas with stockings, a tree, the best dinner of the year, a party at Grandma's, and now tonight, on Christmas Eve, mother has given us nut cakes with orange icing!

There were four children at the supper table with father and mother. The cakes had just been brought in, and all the four pairs of eyes were wide with pleasure. This was an unexpected treat. Usually suppers in this parsonage were affairs of bread and milk, and prunes or junket for dessert. Even father was a little elated over the nut cakes!

But little Frances was the most elated of all; for suddenly, right on the spot, a problem that had been troubling her for two whole days was solved. Yes, the nut cakes answered the problem to perfection. Carefully, and all unobserved, she slipped the delicious cake, with its delectable frosting (oh, little Frances knew very well how delectable orange frosting was!), into the big pocket of her pinafore. Frances liked cake as much as the rest of the parsonage brood—but what of that! There were things she liked even better.

Late that night father, the minister, heard a tiny creak on the stairs. That didn't bother him. But in a minute there came another creak, farther down. The minister began to listen. Then, last of all a creak at the very bottom of the stairs. The minister left the cosy library where he was sitting reading with mother and cautiously started to investigate.

In the back parlor, to which he tracked the tiny sounds, there was dim starlight. That is how he saw the little white figure over by the children's stockings. It was too little for Santa Claus, surely—even too little for a burglar. The minister switched on the lights.

There was five-year-old Frances in the act of placing a nut cake with orange icing on the hearth, right down in the ashes! Little Frances was not startled by the sudden light, for little Frances knew no fears. The world, finding her so tender and kind, had so far been tender and kind with her.

"Hello, papa," she whispered. "This is for Santa, you see. I think it's a present he will 'preciate, don't you?"

But Frances had more than her father's assurances. The gray dawn of Christmas showed her that Santa had appreciated her present; the cake was gone, down to the very last crumb.

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Roy E. Cambell, trained nurse, who has been working for Dr. Leach left today for Pecos. He will return the 26th of this month.

**Christmas Bargain Sale**

Now in full swing—a real feast of bargains for the Christmas Shoppers! You will appreciate the attractive displays and reduced prices. You will not only find the biggest and most complete stock of merchandise in Sweetwater, but you will also find the best reduction offered on merchandise in Sweetwater.

Ladies' Ready-to-Wear on Sale. If you haven't bought your dress or coat, now is your chance! Men's and Boys Clothing at reduced prices. One fine lot of boys' suits closing out at a special price—be sure to see them!

There are Satin quilts, fine wool blankets, bathrobes, furs, sweaters, caps, shirts, ties, socks, belts, blouses, petticoats, Maderia handwork, and every imaginable gift for the kiddies, as well as every other member of your family.

IF IN DOUBT WHAT TO GIVE—SEE US!

**Sweetwater Dry Goods Co.**  
LADIES AND MEN'S WEAR  
THE STORE AHEAD

**Allen's Parlor Furnace**

**UPSTAIRS HEATING**  
Provision is made for attaching warm air pipe on top.

**INSIDE BODY**  
Wall heavy 14 gauge boiler plate.

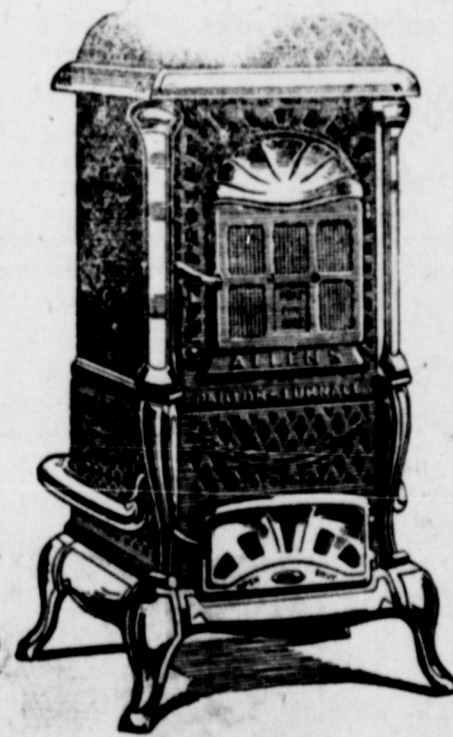
**LARGE FEED DOOR**  
With smoke screen and small poker door. Self locking handle.

**HOT BLAST AIR RING**  
Controlled by register. Thoroughly cokes soft coal—draws hot air off of fire pot for hot blast insuring perfect combustion.

**FIREPOT**  
Corrugated, extra heavy and durable.

**GRATE**  
Draw center for quick dumping.

**EXTRA HEAVY CASTING**  
Insures furnace durability and permit over firing.



**BODY**  
Of beautiful lustrous Wellsville Steel—retains finish and will not discolor.

**HOT BLAST AIR RING**  
Protects body joint. Separate and outside of firepot to prevent burning out.

**FOOT RAILS**  
Reversed, form handles for lifting.

**LEAK PROOF JOINTS**  
Asbestos cemented.

**FLOOR WARMER**  
Open grill work at the bottom permits direct radiation from red hot firepot.

**SUNKEN ASH PIT BOTTOM**  
Prevents raking ashes on the floor when removing pan.

**ROOMY ASH PIT**  
Afforded by recessed ash pit.

**AIR TIGHT**  
Fitting surfaces of doors and frame are machine ground. Keeps fire over night perfectly.

To comfortably heat several rooms rapid movement of a large volume of air is necessary. This is the principle of furnace construction. Restricted air volume and sluggish circulation makes the numerous types of air-tight circulating and ventilating heaters ineffective in throwing heat to far rooms. Ample air space, forced circulation and a large volume of air, furnace construction, durability and principles of heating explains the superiority of the Allen's Parlor Furnace over the ordinary type of heater for comfortably and evenly heating several adjoining rooms.

Prices on the Above Finish

**\$80.00**

**Costephens Hardware Company**



**NEW BOOKS AT LIBRARY**

A new shipment of books was received at the Public Library Thursday which brings the list of available books needed by the school children for the book reports, up to 42, and the total number in the library to 1493. Those not holding library tickets in the family may get books as needed by paying a rental of ten cents.

Book list follows: "Molly Make Believe," Abbott; "Chip of the Flying U" B. M. Bower; "Kanza," Curwood; "Trail of the Lonesome Pine" and "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come," John Fox Jr.; "Prudence of the Parsonage" and "Prudence Says So," Ethel Hueston; "To Have and to Hold," Mary Johnston; "Burning Daylight" and "The Valley of the Moon," Jack London; "Alice Adams" and "Seventeen," Booth Tarkington; "Daddy Long Legs," "Just Fatty" and "When Patty Went to College," Joan Webster; "Mother Carey's Chickens," "Rebecca of Sunny Brook Farm" and "New Chronicles of Rebecca," Kate Douglas Wiggin; "Oliver Twist," Dickens; "Little Women," Louisa Alcott; "Martha by the Day," A total of 21. Five new books were bought last week. Jane Dyer, Bronte; Sister Sue, Eleanor Porter; "Romance of Billy Goat Hill" Rice; "Rugles of Red Gap," Harry Leon Wilson; "The Harvester" Gene Stratton Porter.

**BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Among the numerous Christmas festivities this week as a prelude to the glad season, none exceeded in genuine pleasure the annual reception and gift shower at the home of Mrs. George Parker Thursday afternoon when the Friscilla Club and their friends were entertained.

The home was adorned in an overhead arrangement of ropes of red and green reaching from the four corners of the rooms caught here and there with small Christmas bells and gathered to the electrolliers in the center of each room with a large red bell suspended underneath. Tall vases of beautiful white chrysanthemums and

American Beauty roses centered the library and dining room tables.

A "Christmas pie" held the place of honor on the dining room table.

Many beautiful and useful gifts were exchanged while Mrs. Edwards played a Christmas March. She also played Miss Fry's accompaniment when she delighted the guests with two or three vocal numbers.

This enjoyable affair was concluded with a sandwich course served with hot tea.

Poinsetta plate favors were given.

**WESLEY CLASS XMAS PARTY**

Mrs. I. S. Focht's home presented a festive appearance Wednesday afternoon when the Wesley Bible Class gathered for their Annual Christmas party.

Bright Christmas colors were twined with tensil and evergreens into a maze of artistic beauty in the living and dining rooms in an overhead arrangement and caught to the lectrolliers, which shed a Christmas radiance over the scene. In the dining room stood a small Christmas tree laden with its gifts and decorations. At the proper time Santa Claus appeared in full Polar costume and distributed the gifts one to each guest, except Mrs. W. W. Beall, the class remembered her with a beautiful fountain pen as a memento to her as their teacher.

Preceding the Christmas tree Mrs. H. C. Anderson passed cards and pencils and announced that to the first one to write an original Christmas verse in rhyme, the White House Grocery would present a sack of flour. Mrs. G. E. Ramsey won the prize.

Little Misses Christine Miller and Johnie Watson gave readings and Mrs. W. K. Miller closed the afternoon's program with a much appreciated Christmas reading.

Guests favors were poinsettias and the refreshments plates held Santa Claus souvenirs.

Don't forget to send Mother or sweetheart a nice box of chocolates to be had at the Palace Drug Store.

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*The*  
**Christmas Store**  
*Bigger Than Ever*  
*Ready For You*  
**HUBBARD**  
*DRY GOODS STORE*  
*'The Store That Is Different'*  
Sweetwater, Texas

**Christmas Suggestions**

We have a very complete line of books for Christmas. Children's books of all kinds. Boy and girl books and all the late popular fiction. We also have a nice assortment of other gifts—something to please everyone.

Candy for Christmas—Our line of candy consists of 91 different kinds to make your selection from. We can supply your wants in candy—let us fill your bill. We also have a nice assortment of box chocolates—all sizes.

**Sweetwater Candy Kitchen**

Phone 243 Next to Palace Theatre

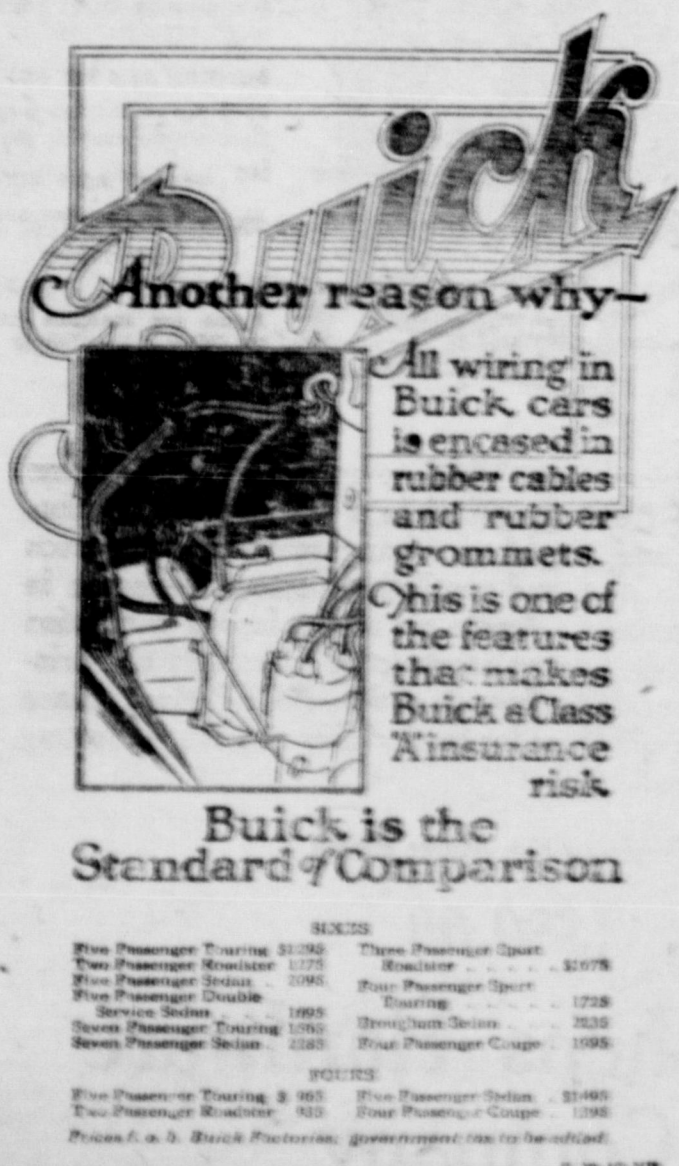
Some weeks ago we announced that we would give \$20, \$10 and \$5 in prizes to the school children of Nolan County for the best advertisement for Chevrolet cars. The many replies received were turned over to a committee by us to select the advertisement which in their judgement were entitled to the prizes. The report of the committee follows:

Your committee, after carefully considering all of the replies turned over to us consider the following worthy of prizes:

- Miss Maurine Whiteside, Blackwell..... 1st
- Miss Edith Mae Woodard, Roscoe..... 2nd
- Kyle Wellborn, Sweetwater..... 3rd

We also commend to you the following for honorable mention: Vera Elliott, Sweetwater; Horatio Bardwell, Sweetwater; Luna Koerth, Dora; Lillie McCoy, Dora; Elsie Carter, Sweetwater; Opal Sloan, Roscoe; Will B. Sloan, Roscoe; Preston Noah, Sweetwater; Juanita Handy, Roscoe; Dalton Bruce, Sweetwater; J. C. Bruce, Sweetwater; Douglas Jones, Dora; Davis Jones, Dora; Beatrice Perry, Dora; Roland Kinsey, Hylton.

Signed,  
J. A. McCURDY, C. B. PAYNE, K. B. ROY.



**Another reason why**  
All wiring in Buick cars is encased in rubber cables and rubber grommets. This is one of the features that makes Buick a Class A insurance risk.

**Buick is the Standard of Comparison**

SIXES	
Five Passenger Touring \$1,290	Three Passenger Sport Roadster . . . \$1,075
Two Passenger Roadster 1,275	Four Passenger Sport Touring . . . 1,225
Five Passenger Sedan 1,290	Street-Tour Series . . . 1,235
Five Passenger Double Service Sedan . . . 1,605	Four Passenger Coupe . . . 1,595
Seven Passenger Touring 1,590	
Seven Passenger Sedan . . . 1,285	
EIGHTS	
Five Passenger Touring \$ 905	Five Passenger Sedan . . . \$1,495
Two Passenger Roadster . . . 810	Four Passenger Coupe . . . 1,395

Prices for a 5 Buick Factory, government tax to be added.

**Western Motor Company**

Where better automobiles are built, Buick will build them

**\$35**  
**In Gold**  
**Prizes**  
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MAURENE WHITESIDE  
Blackwell, Texas  
CHEVROLET—THE PEOPLES CAR

- The New Model Streamline
- The New "Fisher Body"
- The Excellent Upholstery

And the perfect performance of the New Sedan make it the most appropriate gift for the Holidays and the days to come.

No American motor car, regardless of price, excels the New Chevrolet in performance, dependability, beauty and comfort. Much greater power accounts for the magnificently improved performance of the New Chevrolet—not only greater speed, but smoother engine action at all speeds. In power, too, the Chevrolet is a different car from those in its price, class or size class. With the weight to ride comfortably over all roads and endure the roughest use, the Chevrolet has also the power to pass most any car on any hill. The complete new spring equipment assure luxurious travel where going is most difficult. But neither the new beauty nor new ease and restfulness of the car can overshadow the time-tried dependability of its performance. The moment you see the New Chevrolet Car you instinctively expect great things, and when you drive and ride in the car, your first impression becomes positive conviction. You discover that Chevrolet riding ease has taken on a new meaning, that driving is a subconscious function, so effortless that you are left free to relax and enjoy the quietness and smooth travel.

It is a matter of great pride with us that no American motor car, regardless of price, excels the Chevrolet in performance, dependability, beauty and comfort. But it is a matter of still greater pride to maintain the Chevrolet in this high position.

Every process employed in the production of the car is shaped to that end. Every man who contributes to his thoughts and skill and energy to its building has that for his individual and organization aim.

You see the results the moment you begin to study the Chevrolet—And you see and sense them to the fullest when you ride in it and make your estimate of its own capabilities. When you do that you will cease to wonder at the enthusiasm of Chevrolet owners.

We will leave the question of purchase with you,  
CHEVROLET—A FINER CAR  
A Greater Value—Far Sale by  
C. S. BOYLES MOTOR COMPANY  
Sweetwater, Texas



# TOYS



## Santa Claus Is Coming

This year we have made greater preparations than we have in previous years. There are toys of all descriptions, for baby, little sister Sue and brother Bill. There are not many more days to Christmas, and the last minute shopping will soon be here. Don't wait to make your selections.

Sweetwater's  
Toyland  
**PRIM'S**

### SELF CULTURE CLUB

Mrs. E. P. Reese was hostess Friday afternoon at the postponed meeting of last Friday of the Self Culture Club when Mrs. G. E. Ramsey directed the first part of the program and Mrs. I. S. Pocht the latter and conducted a discussion summing up the program.

Roll call responses were current events. Mrs. Abe Levy opened the program in a paper on "Review-Makers of Texas as a Republic and events incident;" Introduction of Sam Houston the man and the maker in Texas History, was the subject of Mrs. Ray Clymers paper; the story of the battle of San Jacinto was told by Mrs. L. R. Henry; and Mrs. F. G. Robertson told the story of "The Fall of the Alamo."

Review—"Education in Early Texas—What does it owe to Lamar?" was given by Mrs. S. W. Browning. Among the committee reports given during the business hour, the public library committee reported 1403 books in the library, including 26 new books purchased by the librarian; 105 membership cards in circulation, including cards sent to each resident pastor in the city and over \$100 in the treasury. This was the result of the Thanksgiving offering and the library benefits given each week by the Lone Star Theatre.

Mrs. Reese served chicken salad, olives, Saratoga flakes, cake and coffee with whipper cream.

Sprays of holly were given as Christmas favors.

### DELPHIAN CHAPTER

The Sweetwater Delphian Chapter will meet at 3:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon in the court house auditorium.

Leader—Mrs. Will Morton.  
Subject—Medo, Persion Empire.  
General Theme—The link between Europe and Asiatic civilization.  
These programs are growing in

terest with every meeting and the attractive form in which the lesson comes make them instructive and interesting.

### EASTERN STAR WILL MEET

The order of Eastern Star will hold their meeting Tuesday evening at the Masonic Hall when their regular business program will be conducted and an initiation exercise is also planned.

Every Eastern Star member and all visiting members in the city is cordially invited to be present.

### SOROSIS CLUB MET

Mrs. A. H. Fortner was hostess Friday afternoon at a meeting of the Sorosis Club, when Mrs. Tom Hughes president, directed an interesting program and study on a Travelog of San Francisco; Roll call response were Proof that the City of San Francisco has a personality.

Factors, traced in San Francisco's growth, were given in a group of four:

1. The Sanfranciscan Fathers—Mrs. Joe Bootie.
2. The Gold Diggers—Mrs. Tom Moore.
3. The "Yellow Peril" of today—Mrs. F. M. Poiffenbach.

Mrs. E. L. Frost gave a word picture of an ascension of Twin Peaks and described the Panorama most interestingly.

Mrs. Berry Bowen gave a description of "The Stadium" at Berkeley, the Golden Gate and Chinatown.

Reading, Notes on the San Francisco of today, Mrs. Tom Hughes.

Better English Drill, Mrs. Harry Bondies.

The chairman of the library committee reported 93 books donated to the Public Library by Sorosis Club members and 250 magazines contributed.

When the club adjourned the hostess served a delightful salad course.

### T. E. L. CLASS PARTY

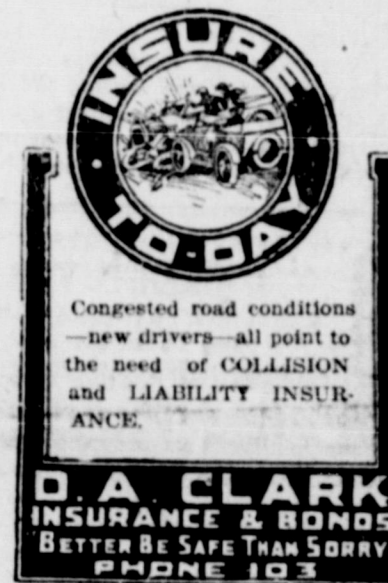
Mrs. J. A. Mullins and Mrs. W. H. Stamps were joint hostesses Thursday afternoon, when they entertained the members of the T. E. L. Class of the First Baptist Sunday school.

Mrs. Stamps read the scripture lesson and Mrs. W. B. Crenshaw led the prayer.

The time for the class meetings were changed to the 2nd Thursday afternoons of the month. It was decided to send cards of Christmas cheer to every inmate of the Old Ladies Home at Buckner's Orphan Home.

Mrs. Chitwood, Mrs. W. M. Mitchell and Mrs. W. H. Stamps sang a beautiful number.

A sandwich course concluded a most enjoyable afternoon.



Congested road conditions—new drivers—all point to the need of COLLISION and LIABILITY INSURANCE.

**D. A. CLARK**  
INSURANCE & BONDS  
BETTER BE SAFE THAN SORRY  
PHONE 103

## Santa Claus Has An Easy Time

When he brings that gift list here to be filled, for here is a world of Christmas suggestions for men, women and children. On every hand a store filled with the most desirable things for gift giving in useful, pleasing articles—ones which are sure to surprise.

**BUT, the best part of it is the price. Our Gigantic**

## DECEMBER SALE

is now on full blast and swinging into the last few days with Undiminishing Strength

We leave the following partial list of suggestions:

<p><b>FOR HER—</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Boudoir Caps</li> <li>Handkerchiefs</li> <li>Gloves</li> <li>Hosiery</li> <li>Lingerie</li> <li>Silk Underwear</li> <li>Bathrobes</li> <li>Sport Skirts</li> <li>Sweaters</li> <li>Suits</li> <li>Coats</li> </ul>	<p><b>FOR HIM—</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Socks</li> <li>Handkerchiefs</li> <li>Caps</li> <li>Hats</li> <li>Ties</li> <li>Suspenders</li> <li>Gloves</li> <li>Belts</li> <li>Shirts</li> <li>Trousers</li> </ul>	<p><b>FOR BILLY and MARGARET—</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Suits</li> <li>Caps</li> <li>Coats</li> <li>Gloves</li> <li>Ties</li> <li>Shirts</li> <li>Sweaters</li> <li>Stockings</li> <li>Dresses</li> <li>Dolls</li> </ul>
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**BUYING EARLY!**

Early shopping means that you conveniently complete your gift list, just what you want without the rush and push of late buying. Remember the early shopper has the pick of the stock and avoids the last minute Christmas buying crowds.

# Jones Dry Goods

## Buy Something for your Car For Xmas

This sale on tubes is a splendid opportunity of getting something for your car for Christmas. Your tool box should contain at least one extra tube for emergencies which invariably occur at the most inopportune times.

**PRICES:**

	GRAY		RED
30x3	\$1.28	30x3	\$1.38
30x3 1-2	1.49	30x3 1-2	1.59
31x4	1.98	32x3 1-2	1.76
32x4	2.13	31x4	2.13
33x4	2.27	32x4	2.49
34x4	2.46	33x4	2.49
32x4 1-2	2.64	34x4	2.49
		32x4 1-2	2.89
		33x4 1-2	2.89
		33x5	3.47
		35x5	3.47

—ONE WEEK ONLY—

## Standard Tire Co.

Next to Herndon Shoe Store  
SWEETWATER, TEXAS



**COTTON MARKET**  
By L. A. Eberle

**NEW YORK**

Yest close	33.85	34.25
Opened	33.45	33.75
High	33.50	33.90
Low	32.90	33.25
Close	33.16	33.54

**NEW ORLEANS**

Yest Close	33.85	34.09
Opened	33.60	33.75
High	33.65	33.87
Low	32.69	33.06
Close	33.16	33.32

**SPOT MARKET**

	Today	Yest.
New York	34.90	34.75
Dallas	32.45	33.10
Houston	33.10	33.80
Galveston	33.25	34.00
Sweetwater	32.10	32.75
Waco	32.25	32.90
Ft. Worth	32.40	33.05

**MUSIC RECITAL**

The piano pupils of Miss Ruth Payne will give a Recital Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the Methodist Church. Several members of Mrs. Robert Withers Expression Class will assist. All parents and friends of both classes are extended a cordial invitation to be present.

Program follows:  
Reading, If you are good, Polly Hall  
Valse Arabesque, Lack, Lena Shaffer.  
Reading Signs of Christmas, Hiram Childress.  
June Roses, Spaulding, Pauline Weatherby.  
Reading, The Midnight Game, Irene Horton.  
Flying Leaves, Krogmann Mary Bennett.  
Pendant La Valse, Lack, Thelma Carter.  
Reading, Little Peter's Parley, W. E. Wade, Jr.  
Forget-Me-Not, Terry, Betty Simmons.  
Reading, Mrs. Santa Claus, Winona Ford.  
The Soldier's March, Ralse, Gordon Webb.  
Reading, Santa Claus on the Train, Mary Bennett.  
Broomstick March, Terry, Thresa McQueen.  
Sunrise Mazurka, Patterson, Vera

Elliott,  
Reading Unhappy Little Girl, Mary Emma Simmons.  
Summer Night Krogmann, Marion Bray.  
Song of the Brook, Hewitt, Shirley Mae Leach,  
Reading, Somebody Did, Mary Jane Humphries.  
Swing Song, Krogler, Mary Emma Simmons.  
Fur Elise, Beethoven, Aolone McQueen.  
Reading, Us Twins, Jaunita Holland.  
Swing Me Higher, Rogers, Bonnie Ruth Wade.  
Improvisation in Melody, Brown, Francis Lou Payne.

The agricultural experts at A. & M. College, South Carolina, have discovered that nicotine will kill boll weevils. Sure! All you have to do is to catch the weevil and dap a drop of nicotine on his nose and he dies instantly.—Baird Star.

A recently a man selling turkeys on the local market told the editor that he had not eaten a turkey this whole year. If every turkey raiser would eat a turkey possibly it might even up the supply and demand.—San Saba News.

Abolition of many state officers as a means of reducing the ever-growing burden of taxation is advocated by T. W. Davidson, lieutenant governor, in an address at Dallas, Good. But does it mean anything? If memory is right Governor Neff and all his predecessors advocated the same step. But have any offices been abolished. Oh, maybe two or three—but where one has been abolished, half a dozen others have been created. It is a pity that Texas cannot produce statesmen who would talk less and perform more. This is not in criticism of any individual, but aptly fits the genus politician of the entire state like a new kid glove.—Abilene Reporter.

Governor Neff in a speech to the State Teachers' Association declared that illiteracy was costing the state \$30,000,000 a year—meaning that illiteracy was the source of most of the crime committed in the state. The

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Governor's statement was very far fetched. The educated criminals of Texas far outnumber those who are illiterate. At Cleburne, Johnson county, a grand jury recently returned 90 indictments and not two per cent were illiterate. The Tarrant County jail is at present overrun with arch oil stock swindlers, and they are the very smartest lot of educated marplots that ever took bread from the mouths of orphans. The Texas penitentiary is to day filled with convicts who know more about the arts and sciences than they know about shoveling dirt or windowing cane.—Brownwood News.

The Baptist Missionary Society will give their monthly Missionary program at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon at the church, with Mrs. Harry Bondies leader.

C. D. Ambrose of San Angelo, Dallas News representative, spent Saturday in the city.

Mrs. L. L. Armour and baby left Friday night for Franklin, to spend the holidays with her parents.

**GUARD DIED**  
By The United Press.  
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 15.—James W. Burns, guard at the Kansas State Prison at Lansing, died in a hospital here today from wounds sustained early yesterday when he was shot by two escaping convicts with which he was returning to prison.

Walter Boothe left Saturday night for A. & M. College to spend several days. He is a member of the Board of Regents of that institution.

On Tuesday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock, the High School Parent-Teachers Association will hold their meeting postponed from last Tuesday. A full attendance is desired.

The West Ward Parent-Teachers Association will hold their last meeting Wednesday afternoon for 1923, at the school building at 3:30 o'clock, when all old business will be disposed of and plans laid for work for the coming year. The officers urge that all West Ward mothers be present.

The Ladies Auxillary of the Episcopal church will meet Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. C. Babb.

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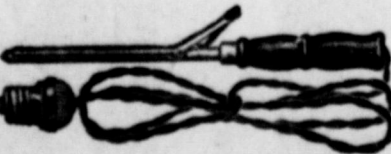
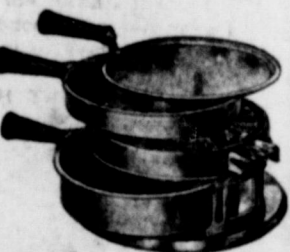
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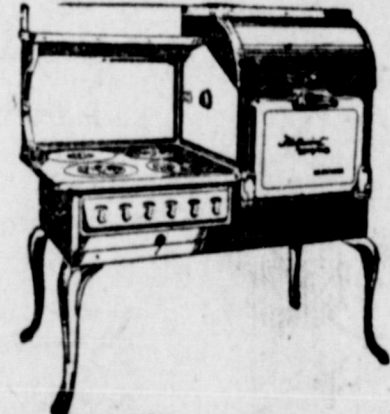
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 tained about 13 of her little friends  
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 tle friends who were unable to come  
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 all and now 13 has no terrors for her.  
 Mrs. Miller entertained them with in-  
 door games and music until time to  
 cut the wonderful big red and green  
 birthday cake. The cake was surround-  
 ed by its five little red candles buting  
 gayly in honor of the occasion. Dor-  
 othy Davis had the honor of cutting the  
 first slice and Opal Ellis cut the dime  
 and Loraine Kirby the button and to  
 Christine fell the nickel. In the Ap-  
 ple contest Dorothy Davis won the  
 prize. Quite a program of songs and  
 readings were enjoyed.  
 The home was beautifully decorated  
 in poinsettias and Christmas colors.  
 Dolls were given as souvenirs.  
 Angel food cake and cream was  
 served.

**LIBRARY BENEFIT**

At the Library Benefit Monday even-  
 ing at the Lone Star Theatre, Mrs.  
 Carl Ragland's Chorus of thirty five  
 voices will sing and several little girls  
 will give readings.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**

C. R. Brewer, instructor in public  
 speaking at Abilene Christian College  
 preached Saturday night at the Church  
 of Christ. He will preach today at 11  
 and tonight. Bible Study at 10 and  
 communion services at 11. Every-  
 body is invited to attend.

Mrs. Willard Gibson reached home  
 last night following a visit of several  
 days at Fort Worth with her son Will-  
 ard Bruce and other relatives.

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**HIGH SCHOOL P-T MEET**

The Parent-Teachers Association of the High School will hold their regular meeting Tuesday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock, when the following program will be given:

America, sung by P.T. Association, America, sung in Latin by the High School Latin Club.

Piano solo Idyllio.—Francis Lou Payne.

Reading, Aunt Charity Blackbills—Mrs. W. K. Miller.

Vocal Solo, When you are with me—Ina Lee Ely.

Piano Solo, Sunrise.—Vera Elliott.

Paper, The deepest meaning of Christmas.—Mrs. Gus Rex.

Round Table, Do children get the true meaning of Christmas when parents select the gifts they give to others?

Talk—Dr. J. R. Henson.

Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the program.

Everyone having children in any school in Sweetwater or interested in school children will receive a hearty welcome.

**WEDNESDAY BRIDGE CLUB**

Mrs. Ed Mays was hostess Wednesday afternoon to the Wednesday Bridge Club.

Potted ferns were attractive adornment for the living rooms where the four tables were placed for the games.

During a business session preceding the games Mrs. Hubert Toler and Mrs. Gus Farrar were enrolled as members. Substitute hands were played by Mrs. Graham Robertson, Mrs. Oscar Pate, Mrs. Henry Hill, Mrs. Jimmie Charlton, Mrs. Dalton Moore, Mrs. Carl Ragland and Mrs. J. M. Shade.

The hostess assisted by Mrs. Oscar Pate and Mrs. Tom Hughes, served plate of creamed chicken hot rolls, cranberry sauce cake and hot tea.

Miniature Santa Clauses were given as guest favors.

Mrs. W. H. Whaley will be next hostess.

Mrs. Sam Parker left Saturday night for Dallas to spend the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. V. E. Harmon. Mrs. Harmon is her sister. Mr. Parker and son, Sam, Jr., will join her next Saturday.

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**CALENDAR CLUB TO MEET**

The Calendar Club and joint social meeting of the Woman's and Gleamers Missionary Societies will be held Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. A. J. Wimberly on E. N. 2nd St. A delightful program of readings, songs and music has been arranged in addition to the regular Missionary

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Miss Lorena Kelsey returned Friday night from a months stay at Marin with her mother, who stopped off at Abilene to visit her daughter Mrs. Will Smith for a few days.

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**Diamonds of Malopo**

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**SYNOPSIS**

**CHAPTER I**—Winton Garrett, twenty-five and just out of college, calls by appointment on Archie Garrett, his New York cousin and executor, to receive his inheritance of \$100,000. Archie, honest, an easy mark and a fool for luck, assures Winton that he is practically a millionaire, as he has invested all but \$10,000 in a rubber plantation in either the East or West Indies and in a controlling interest in the Big Malopo diamond mine, somewhere or other in South Africa, sold him as a special favor by a Dutch promoter named De Witt.

**CHAPTER II**—Winton, en route to his mine, finds the town of Tsangue wildly excited over a big strike at Malopo, including the 35-carat "De Witt diamond." Two coach passengers are a disreputable old prospector, Daddy Seaton, and his daughter Sheila. On the journey, a passenger, who turns out to be De Witt himself, insults Sheila. Winton fights De Witt and knocks him out. Sheila tells him to turn back. She says that her father is a broken English army officer, who has killed a man and is therefore in De Witt's power. That De Witt is all-powerful, being backed by Judge Davis, president of the diamond syndicate and also the resident magistrate and judge of the native protectorate.

scurred, out of which projected a succession of wooden superstructures, resembling the scaffolding of innumerable small houses that were destined never to be completed. This was the diamond ground. And Malopo ended as unconventionally as it began. It sat like an excrescence upon the desert, which came up to its doors.

On one side of the great square Winton perceived the sign "Continental Hotel" hanging from the upper story of a fairly substantial building. He resolved to make this place his headquarters for the time being, and, discovering that he could have a room and board for a pound a day, he ordered his trunk sent there.

He did not sign his name in the ink-stained register, and the clerk seemed indifferent whether he did or not. This was an act of common prudence, in his opinion, although he had nothing on which to base suspicions against any one, except the single fact that De Witt had given his own name to the diamond. But Winton had discovered, during his single week in South Africa, that human nature was pretty much the same as among the flotsam of American mushroom towns.

His room was one of a long row at the back of the hotel, the brick floor innocent of covering, and the bed of sheets. But it was a refuge, and, after his trunk had arrived, Winton put some important papers in his pocket, got rid of the stains of his journey, and went out on the porch, or stoep.

He found the place packed with men who were eagerly discussing what Winton soon gathered to be a diamond theft. Hearing De Witt's name mentioned, he unobtrusively joined the nearest of the groups.

"It's just some damned trick of the judge's," a man was saying. "Him and De Witt are thicker than thieves—which they are, God knows! The De Witt stone never was stolen."

"Where is it, then? It was on exhibit at the Syndicate bank, and it ain't there now."

"Locked away in the safe, Scotty."

"I tell you it's stolen. And they won't say nothing nor admit nothing at the bank. Just let you draw your conclusions. Now, if it was a trick, why shouldn't the bank be spreading the story far and wide?"

"Why should De Witt want people to think his stone was stolen, if it ain't?"

"God knows! Some scheme of the old judge's."

"But the judge don't own the Big Malopo claim!"

"He will," said a pock-marked man with a quiet emphasis. "Ever know the syndicate to go after anything and not get it?"

"Who in thunder does own Big Malopo?"

"American firm, ain't it?"

"I heard De Witt unloaded his shares on some bunch of fools in New York before the big stone was found, and now he's kicking himself."

The advent of a negro man, carrying a sheaf of copies of the local paper, just from the press, checked the discussion. A starting head-line announced the robbery of the big diamond.

"Now, now, gentlemen, there are copies enough for all," remonstrated the negro; and Winton, reaching for a paper, took in his appearance with a glance of amusement.

were exactly those of the stiffest and most precise of gentlemen reared in the sacred atmosphere of an English university.

"Is this news straight, Sam?" inquired one of the cluster, who were busy reading the account of the robbery.

"The Chronicle is very strong on veracity, Mr. Elfridge," replied the negro, hitching up his trousers at the knees before stooping in search of an elusive coin.

"I bet Van Vorst is at the bottom of this," remarked one of the group.

Winton scanned his copy hastily. It was a four-page edition, in which Reuter cable dispatches, telegraphed and local news jostled advertisements promiscuously. The front page, which was devoted entirely to the account of the robbery, stated that the De Witt diamond had disappeared from the safe of the Syndicate bank at some time during the preceding night. The robber, who had probably worked with a confederate, had somehow learned the combination of the lock, had opened the safe, taken the stone, and walked away with it. No suspicion rested upon any of the bank employes, in spite of the discovery of the combination, and the robbery was undoubtedly one of the number of strangers in Malopo. Fortunately his discovery could be only a matter of a short time, since the police were carefully scrutinizing the outgoing coaches and wagons.

Winton folded up the sheet. "A sorry like that wouldn't pass muster anywhere else," he reflected. "I believe it is a trick, unless De Witt or one of the heads of the bank is responsible. And it's my diamond—four-fifths of it!"

The irony of the situation made him smile; and then he became aware of a smiling black face in close proximity to his own.

"I don't believe I received my ticky, sir," said Sam.

"Your what?" asked Winton.

"Three pence, sir."

Winton, remembering the colloquial name of the unit of currency in the up-country regions, produced a three-penny bit from his pocket and handed it to the "boy," who thanked him courteously.

"You are an American, sir?" he inquired.

"I am," said Winton. "And you, if I may inquire?"

"Barbados bred, sir. Where they speak the purest English, sir. We are an altogether superior class to your own colored population, sir."

"Well, I've known some pretty decent colored people in my own country," said Winton in amusement.

"Possibly, sir. But you must recognize that our ancestors obtained their emancipation a generation before yours, sir. We have rid ourselves of our primal instincts, sir."

"I'm glad to hear that," said Winton. "By the way, where is this Big Malopo claim?"

"Three miles out, sir. I shall be very pleased to show you the way if you plan to go there."

"I'll be obliged, Sam. You're not busy?"

"No, sir. My literary labors begit at three this afternoon. We are a morning newspaper. This was an extra, and I have completed my round."

They strolled across the market square toward the suburb. Winton, amused and interested in his companion, drew him out further.

"Your literary labors, I take it, Sam, consist in selling the copies of the Chronicle?" he asked.

"No, sir. I am subeditor. Indeed, if I may say so without offense, the style, not to say spelling, of our paper would be considerably 'off,' as they say, without my services."

"And part of your duty consists in selling copies?"

"Outside the office, sir, I am simply a negro," said Sam, without any trace of bitterness. "I am a Stoic, and I recognize conditions. And yet it is hard. I emigrated to this country, sir, with the idea of being of social service among men of my race. I found myself a pariah. Perhaps you do not know, sir, that the chief justice of Trinidad was a colored man?"

"No," said Winton. "But I'm glad to hear it. What do they do to you, Sam?"

"They are unable to discriminate between the colored aboriginal population and the negro of culture," said Sam. "I realize that in this imperfect world certain prejudices as to color exist. I accept them. But for a British sub-

ject from a civilized land to be denied the right to walk on the pavement is hard, sir."

"But there is no pavement," said Winton, bewildered.

"Not at present, sir. But if there were a pavement, I should still be sub-

ject to the disability imposed upon these raw savages. In the same way the sale of alcoholic liquors is forbidden to me, sir."

"Oh, cheer up!" said Winton encouragingly. "Anybody can get a drink anywhere."

"I am a teetotaler, sir," responded Sam. "I was taking exception to the principle, not to its application. As a colored British subject, I should not be subjected to laws passed for the disciplining of savages."

"They ought to be more discriminating," admitted Winton.

"Thank you, sir," said Sam warmly. "I hold that, when a man has his primal instincts, that fact should be recognized."

"You have no primal instincts?"

"None, sir, that are peculiar to the Bantu race. I am a man like you, but not a savage."

"Not especially fond of chicken, Sam?" asked Winton; and then he regretted his speech, afraid that he had hurt his companion's feelings. But Sam took the words with his customary smile.

"I like chicken. I eat chicken," he acknowledged. "But I am certainly not what might be termed remarkably attached to chicken."

They passed between the rows of little cottages, crossed the dry river course, which was unspanned by any bridge, and saw the diamond fields in front of them. The appearance of the district was striking. Beneath the red sand, which had been piled up into long ridges, the bases propped up with boarding, were bright patches of yellowish clay, the diamond-bearing stratum, and under this, it was hoped, would be found the famous blue ground indicative of the volcanic funnels in which diamonds are formed of carbon under terrific pressure.

No blue ground had yet been struck; its existence was, however, almost a certainty, since the yellow clay is merely the blue ground decomposed. The yellow patches extended on either side as far as the eye could reach. All along this depression in the ridge buildings were under construction. Here and there, where more substantial progress had been made, pits yawned, bridged by plank roads, and endless windlasses, from which buckets were lowered to bring up the diamond-bearing soil, stood ranged in disorderly array. The ropes from these windlasses, extending into the pits in every direction, gave their sides the appearance of cliffs covered with huge spider webs.

On claims more recently taken up men were hard at work with picks, or washing the clay in cradles. Nobody paid the least attention to the way-farers.

Winton's companion led him along the road that ran the length of the claims. Here and there were to be seen native gangs herded within the barbed wire tangles of their compounds. At length the desert reappeared. Sam stopped.

"This is the Big Malopo, sir," he said. Winton looked in front of him. He saw a small shack, a patch of yellow ground, and many coils of barbed wire that had not yet been set up. There was nothing more.

"The De Witt diamond was picked up right here, sir," said Sam.

"How far does the claim extend?" asked Winton. "What are those men doing there? Are they the Big Malopo men?"

"No, sir. That is another claim. The claims are not extensive, sir. The Big Malopo is a large one. It measures two hundred feet by seventy-five. You will find Mr. Burns, the watchman, in that building, sir, if you wish to see him. But he will not answer questions. He is a misanthropical man, sir. You are interested in the Big Malopo, sir?"

"Yes, I own it," answered Winton. "At least, four-fifths of it. I am Winton Garrett."

Before the words had slipped from his mouth he regretted the rashness of his self-betrayal. But the effect upon the negro was extraordinary. He stared and gaped, edged away, and then broke into a quick run, and never stopped as long as he was within sight.

Winton stood looking after him in astonishment until he had disappeared in the distance; then, after a moment of hesitation, he stepped up to the shack and tapped at the door.

An elderly man appeared instantly. He had a white beard and a shock of white hair. He was in his shirt sleeves, and he carried a shotgun in his hands. From his appearance Winton inferred that he would not be chary of using it.

"Another of 'em!" he cried angrily, leveling the gun. "You make tracks before I get my eye in, young feller. There ain't nothing to see."

"I came to see Mr. De Witt," said Winton.

"He's gone out of town and won't be back till to-morrow afternoon, and if you want a job there ain't nothing."

"I believe you are the watchman?" Winton asked. "What's your name?"

"My name's Ned Burns," shouted the old man. "What's yours?"

"My name's Garrett, and I hold a good block of shares in the Big Malopo," answered Winton recklessly.

The old man stared incredulously at him. Then he turned into the shack, beckoning mysteriously to Winton to follow.

"What's the game?" he asked bitterly. "You ain't lying for fun?"

"Read that," said Winton, pulling Archie's letter of introduction to De Witt out of his pocket. He had decided impulsively, but as he was convinced, rightly, to trust Ned Burns. Parenthetically, he had been reconciled to Archie before he left New York. It was impossible to hear ill-feeling against Archie, and after all, Archie had done his best. He was simply incapable, or had his



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 Sunday, December 16, 1923.  
 Subject The mission of the minister.  
 Scripture lesson, John XX, 21-23, 2nd  
 Tim IV 1-8.  
 Leader Patsy Pauline Parker.  
 Talks, What a minister owes to his  
 church and community, Bro. Henson.  
 What the church members owes  
 his pastor, Joseph Robinson.  
 What the church expects of its min-  
 ister, Laura Robertson.  
 What the church offers the minister,

Ina Lee Ely.  
 What do I owe my pastor, Leader.  
 Song, selected.  
 Prayer by Bro. Henson,  
 League benediction.  
 The League meets in the Methodist  
 church each Sunday at 6:15. Every  
 body invited.

**DEBATE MONDAY**

The debate between members of the  
 Woodmen Circle and members of the  
 W. O. W. that was to have been given

last Monday will take place Monday  
 evening at the W. O. W. hall. Sub-  
 ject, "Resolve that fire is more de-  
 structive than water." Affirmative,  
 Miss Dorothy Fultz and Mr. Lambert;  
 Negative, Mrs. W. Andrews and Mr.  
 Murry Hulbard.  
 Every member of both lodges are  
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 joy the evenings program.

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**Story of a Stocking  
 That Was So Empty**

**J**ACOB SCRIM was accounted a  
 prosperous man. Early in life  
 he had adopted a motto of get-  
 there-ativeness that had ap-  
 parently served him well. He  
 could survey premises that yielded  
 good rentals to him, mortgages that  
 were a first claim upon good farms,  
 stocks and bonds that were called gilt-  
 edged. Sitting in his dingy office he  
 did not appear to have any very exact-  
 ing business, but his clients found that  
 there was plenty of exaction before  
 they were done with him. It was a  
 favorite amusement with him during  
 the intervals of occupation to go over  
 his books, gloat over his securities,  
 and refinger a stock of gold that he  
 kept to assure himself of the reality  
 of his power and the possibilities of  
 his life, should he ever care to use  
 them. This glittering illusion he  
 strangely kept in an old stocking, hard  
 by another in the massive safe, the  
 second containing a collection of  
 gems that he lived to handle without  
 letting any of them slip through his  
 fingers.

He was thus amusing himself one  
 Christmas Eve, all unconscious of the  
 radioed and radiant hopes and pur-  
 poses that filled the atmosphere out-  
 side and ever surged through his room  
 in which he sat, and all unable to tune  
 in with any of them, when he seemed  
 to hear a voice that interpreted it  
 to him, saying: "Oh poor dupe of  
 falsity! When will you hang up a  
 stocking emptied by benevolence and  
 make an investment in real happiness?  
 When will you serve love, that it may  
 present you with his best gifts? Are  
 there none who need but cannot have  
 in this great city? Are there no hope-  
 ful children who will creep down to  
 disappointment on Christmas morning?  
 Power of light and heat, of truth and  
 love, of purest happiness is in these  
 baubles that you handle, but your  
 heart is shri-eled up into nothing-  
 ness. You have lost your income and  
 must leave your principal. Come with  
 me."

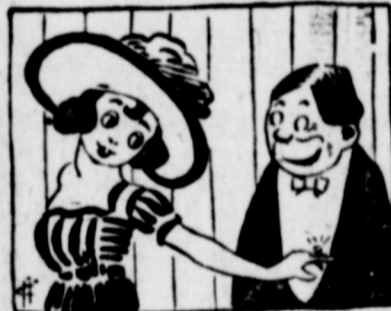
Was it a dream? Who can say? But  
 they found him there the next morning,  
 cold with a new coldness and grasping  
 with a futile hand the full stocking  
 that was so empty!—Christopher G.  
 Hazard.

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**CHRISTMAS CAROLS**

**I**N A SMALL village every  
 Christmas eve the organist  
 of the little church and some  
 of the girls and boys of the choir  
 go forth and sing carols.  
 They go to homes where there  
 are older people, perhaps where  
 they cannot get out during the  
 winter time, and they give their  
 Christmas concert.  
 And they sing under the win-  
 dows of these homes so that their  
 voices sound truly as carols sung  
 under the stars on the night be-  
 fore Christmas.  
 A simple enough thing to do,  
 perhaps, but very lovely. It  
 brings pleasure to those who  
 hear the carols and those who  
 sing them love this Christmas-  
 time festival of their very own.  
 —Mary Graham Bonner.  
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**THE TRADE**



The Christmas gift she gave to me,  
 From it I ne'er will part.  
 I gave her a diamond;  
 And she gave to me her heart.

**DESERT HOLLY**

Though not profuse enough for gen-  
 eral gathering at Christmas time,  
 and not as suitable as the regular holly for  
 wreath-making purposes, the desert  
 holly (Perezia nana) of the Southwest  
 is a peculiar little plant with stiff,  
 smooth, dull bluish-green leaves with  
 prickly edges, like holly leaves, but  
 not so stiff. The plant bears one light  
 purplish-pink flower, the head about  
 an inch long, with purplish bracts.  
 The plant grows but two or three  
 inches high, and looks somewhat like  
 a little sprig stuck in the sand. An  
 other plant with bluish-white leaves  
 and erroneously called "desert holly"  
 is sometimes used for wreaths on the  
 Pacific coast.—C. F. Wadsworth.  
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**CARRYING IT TOO FAR**



"It was so sweet of you to bring  
 me these kisses for Christmas."  
 "I expected you'd stand under the  
 mistletoe when I gave them to you."

**CHRISTMAS MAIL**

(Continued from page 1)

cells. Your return card should be  
 placed in the upper left-hand corner  
 of every piece of mail you send out.  
 If a tag is used, the address and re-  
 turn card should also be written on  
 the wrapper for use if the tag is lost,  
 and a copy of the address should be  
 enclosed inside the parcel.

**When to Mail Christmas Parcels**

Christmas gifts addressed to points  
 within one day's travel should be mail-  
 ed not later than December 21. With-  
 in two day's travel, not later than De-  
 cember 18.

Within three day's travel, not later  
 than December 16. Parcels for local  
 delivery should be mailed not later  
 than December 22.

Parcels may be indorsed "Please do  
 not open until Christmas."

**Christmas Cards and Envelopes**

It is always best to use standard  
 size cards or envelopes.

During Christmas, great quantities  
 of very small cards and envelopes are  
 put into the mails, with the result that  
 all postal work is very much retarded  
 and considerable mail disfigured and  
 torn. These small and irregular shap-  
 ed envelopes, and cards do not run  
 freely through our postmarking ma-  
 chine and many of them have to be  
 held out of the regular mail and post-  
 marked by hand which is a slow and  
 tedious process. Delay is also caused  
 by the fact that small sizes do not fit  
 into letter packages readily and can-

not be tied securely.

The abbreviation of State names  
 should be avoided. Pa., Ia., and La.,  
 frequently look very much alike when  
 written. It is hard to distinguish be-  
 tween Me., Mo., and Ind. It is al-  
 most impossible to tell the difference  
 between Cal. and Col., as abbreviation  
 for California and Colorado; Calif.  
 and Colo. are much safer.

We want to see every parcel mail-  
 ed a tthis post office reach its destina-  
 tion in good condition and in due  
 time.

It is going to our purpose to see  
 that every parcel that comes to this  
 office is delivered by noon Christmas  
 day. We want our employees to have  
 a chance to eat dinner at home.

We need your help. We know you  
 will follow the above suggestions.

M. B. HOWARD, Postmaster.

**CHRISTMAS BONUS**

The employees of C. S. Boyles Motor  
 Co. received a Christmas bonus Sat-  
 urday in their pay envelopes. The  
 bonus was given to all members of the  
 organization who have been employed  
 three months or more.

Don't forget to send Mother or  
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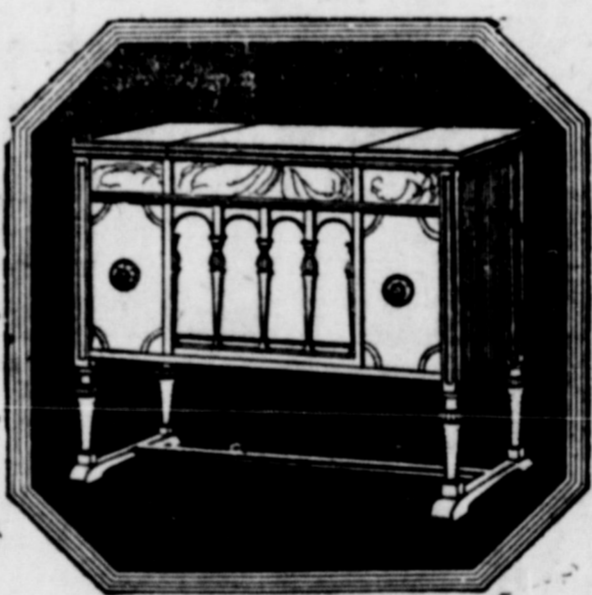
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