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Federal Drought Fund To Aid Slaton Farmers

Food for Needy Given by United Charities Here

About fifteen needy and worthy Slaton families were given food and some other articles of necessity on Christmas eve day by the United Charities section here, according to L. A. Johnson, president, and Mayor T. M. George, vice president, of that organization.

Many items for distribution were donated to the United Charities by various churches, lodges, clubs and other organizations, as well as by individual citizens.

Besides the gifts of cash, food and clothing from the different organizations and individuals, the United Charities expended about \$75 for special purchases for the fifteen families in an effort to see that all were supplied with necessities at Christmas time.

Payne Is Chosen C. of C. Secretary for Coming Year

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development held last Monday night, Allan J. Payne, a resident of Slaton for the past thirteen years, was elected unanimously a secretary of the two Slaton civic bodies for 1931. There were 18 applicants for the place, according to W. H. Smith.

Payne will succeed L. A. Wilson, secretary of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development for the past four years, Mr. Wilson having resigned recently to accept the secretaryship of the Vernon Chamber of Commerce, effective within the next few days, possibly not later than January 8 or 10. Mr. Payne will take up his new duties here when Mr. Wilson starts for Vernon.

The secretary-elect came here in 1917 from Colorado, Texas, and during all the intervening time he has been engaged in the dry goods and ready-to-wear business, from which he retired very recently.

Mr. Payne has been active in civic affairs here throughout the time of his residence in Slaton. He has served as president of the Chamber of Commerce in the past, and for a number of years was a member of its board of directors, although he has not been on the board during the past year. He also has been president of the Slaton Retail Merchants association in the past.

When the Slaton Rotary club was organized in February, 1925, Mr. Payne was a charter member, and for more than four years has served as the club secretary. Throughout the history of the Slaton club, Mr. Payne has held a perfect record of attendance on club meetings.

Besides his civic affiliations, Mr. Payne has been an active church worker here, and is now superintendent of the Sunday school of the First Methodist church.

Before Mr. Wilson relinquishes the reins of the Chamber of Commerce office to Mr. Payne, he will assist his successor in becoming familiar with many details of the work, he assured President Smith immediately after Mr. Payne was chosen last Monday night.

L. A. Wilson and Family to Move To Vernon Soon

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Wilson and their little daughter, Lena Lee, will move to Vernon next week where Mr. Wilson will take up his new duties as secretary of the Vernon Chamber of Commerce, on or about January 10. Mr. Wilson said yesterday that he expects to leave here probably about Wednesday of the coming week.

Mrs. Roland Peters, of Sweetwater, spent Christmas here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Driver.

Athletic Coaches To Meet At Tech

Plans are being made for a conference at the Texas Technological college, January 10, of all West Texas coaches and officials of boys and girls basket ball in college and high schools. Coaches of rural schools as well as city schools are invited.

The Lubbock Chamber of Commerce is cooperating with Coach Pete Cawthon and others of the college in sending out invitations and in other ways to make the conference here a success.

A general session of the coaches will be held, after which the conference will be split into two groups.

The coaches of boys basket ball will meet in one group with Cawthon in charge. The coaches of girls' basket ball will meet with Miss Johnnie Gilkerson and Miss Zella Reigel, in charge of the physical education department for women.

Coach Cawthon is president of the Texas Approved Basket Ball Officials association. He has recently returned from a state conference at Dallas. The West Texas meeting will afford coaches in this section to get the latest rulings on basket ball in the event they were unable to attend the Dallas meeting. This meeting will likewise afford the coaches an opportunity to make schedules if their schedules are not complete at that time.

Miss Johnnie Gilkerson attended the Texas Athletic Conference of College Women at Belton, November 20, 21 and 22. She will be in position to pass to directors of girls' athletics many valuable suggestions that were made at this conference. Volley ball, tennis and other sports as well as basket ball will be discussed in this group session.

The meeting will be held at the Tech gymnasium.

BUSINESS CHANGE

C. C. Hoffman, Jr., proprietor of the Hoffman Insurance Agency has taken over the insurance business of F. C. Rector, effective January 1st, 1931. Mr. Rector has not announced his plans for the future.

Miss Beryl Hardesty, of Abilene, enjoyed the Alumni banquet Friday evening and visited with friends here during the weekend. She is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. John P. Hardesty of Abilene, who formerly lived in Slaton.

LOCAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HOLDS FIFTH ANNUAL BANQUET

L. A. Wilson, Retiring Secretary Makes Full Report

Several Guests Here

The Slaton Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development held their fifth annual banquet Tuesday evening at the clubhouse. Owing to the resignation of Mr. L. A. Wilson, as secretary and his acceptance of the secretaryship of the Vernon Chamber of Commerce, the banquet date was changed to an earlier time than at first planned, that Mr. Wilson could report for the year just closing and leave the deck clean for his successor.

A very interesting program was rendered with the audience singing "America" and Rev. James Rayburn, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, offering the invocation following which all were invited to be seated and partake of the wonderful dinner prepared by the ladies of the First Presbyterian church. Many comments were made on this feature and they were all good.

Miss O'Berre Forrester, head of the expression department of the Slaton public schools, gave two interesting readings and they were well received.

Our own Slaton girl, Miss Lorene McClintock, graduate of Slaton high and now attending S. M. U., Dallas, rendered two very pretty piano numbers to the delight of the audience.

W. H. Smith, president of the Chamber of Commerce, welcomed the guests with his usual good words of hospitality and friendship, turning the meeting over to Mr. Wilson as presiding officers for the evening.

Mr. Wilson had prepared a brochure, brief and full of meat for the perusal of Slaton people, and it is to be hoped that every person in Slaton will read this. His report covers the activities of the year 1930 up to December 20 and is well worth reading.

The Lubbock guests were Mr. and Mrs. Tom A. White, R. J. Murray, A. B. Davis, manager of the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce, B. Sherrod

and C. W. Ratliff, assistant editor of the Avalanche-Journal publications.

All of these gentlemen were high in their praise and regard for our Lloyd A. Wilson, giving much credit for the cementing of the friendship between Lubbock and Slaton, and the desire that this should continue. One gentleman even stating that Lloyd A. Wilson was the best secretary in the state of Texas. We, in Slaton, agree with that statement.

R. J. Murray, an "old-timer" of Slaton, gave some reminiscences of the early days, and the first chamber of commerce meeting, so called. Mr. Murray is optimistic for the year 1931 and preached a good doctrine.

A. B. Davis, holding in high regard and esteem the friendship existing between Mr. Wilson and himself as well as the two cities, and that not only Slaton but the entire Plains country was losing a wonderful character, praising him for his constructive work as secretary of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce during his incumbency.

B. Sherrod was high in his praise of Wilson and took the tack, that prospects were bright for 1931, being a good evangel preaching reconstruction as the cycle was about closed and soon we would be back to normal.

C. W. Ratliff, reporting the banquet for the Avalanche-Journal, paid high tribute to Mr. Wilson for the publicity obtained for Slaton and the wonderful copy submitted to his publications, and possessing the journalistic spirit to a high degree.

Mr. Wilson stated that in the life of a man there were potent factors that made for his progress and betterment, to his dear mother and his loving wife, the added impetus had come for success and the living of a clean life. Any man who pays tribute to his mother and wife will never go far wrong.

Judge A. R. Baldwin, in his happy vein, admits that he is some amateur photographer and "Bob" Murray was quite right in the statements he made. The judge paid Lloyd many compliments as to his sterling worth, high Christian character, his many accomplishments and the versatility at his command. That he was a big man

Law Apprehends Slaton "Firebugs"

Two Slaton youths were taken in low by the law. Ever on the watch, Chief of Police Tom Abel, like Sherlock Holmes, gets on the trail and usually wins.

The vacant house owned by Howard Hoffman which recently burned, and as revealed by the confession recently made by Dale McMannus and Raymond Short proves that they are incendiaries before the law.

Chief Abel apprehended the youths, and before Mayor T. M. George they confessed to the act of having set fire to the building and the manner in which they carried on the work. They were taken to Lubbock where charges of arson were filed in the court of Justice of the Peace Guy R. Scott. Bond was set at \$1,000 in each case, awaiting the action of the grand jury in the February session of the 72nd District Court.

The only statement they made as to why the deed was committed, "was to get a thrill." We suspect there is another thrill awaiting them when the court takes action.

Chief of Police Abel is to be highly commended on the proficient manner in which he runs down infractions of the law. We, in Slaton, know Tom is a dandy at getting his man. Mayor George is hitting the high spots in upholding and supporting his chief.

Slaton is mighty free from the crime wave. When we see reports from adjacent towns we feel crime is at a low percentage with us and much of this lack of crime comes from the watchfulness of our officers.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McGinniss, of Wellington, Kansas, were in Slaton the first of the week transacting business in connection with the moving of the Mick Dell Gift shop, of which Mrs. McGinniss is part owner.

and would go up the ladder, that success would be his, for his vision was broad and commanding, while it is Slaton's loss, we give him up cheerfully and will miss him greatly.

J. H. Brewer paid tribute to Mr. Wilson that as a member of the Board it had been a pleasure to work with him and this sentiment was the voice of the entire board. Mr. Brewer also paid his compliments to Mr. Allan J. Payne, the newly elected secretary, asking that united support be given Mr. Payne, not only by the members of the Boards, but the citizenship of Slaton.

Mr. Payne having been called upon responded and stated that it was his wish that all work in harmony, that he be given full support, not only by the Board, which assurance he has, but from the entire body of Slaton people.

Mayor T. M. George was profuse in giving Mr. Wilson credit for his work and that it had been a pleasure to work with him. The Mayor and City Commission were hopeful that the pleasant relations existing between the Chamber of Commerce, Board of City Development and their body would continue in the future as in the past. He welcomed Mr. Payne as the new secretary and that he might have a successful administration.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrester, of Wilson, were present. Coke Oliver and B. E. Clark were ready, willing and anxious. They gave a thrill with the string instruments. They need no introduction to homefolks, just could not have the party without those boys.

Seventeen men were selected by the body as nominees and from that number five will be selected by the Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development. They were: Paul Owens, C. A. Bruner, L. B. Wooten, B. E. Clark, T. R. Cobb, C. A. Porter, J. W. Hood, Dan W. Liles, Floyd C. Rector, Jess Swint, K. L. Scudder, L. T. (Chick) Garland, W. M. Bates, J. S. Edwards, H. G. Sanders, E. L. Hicks and C. F. Anderson.

Approximately one-hundred were present at the banquet.

Mr. Wilson expects to leave us early in January. We expect to have him return some day to the South Plains.

Rev. W. F. Ferguson, pastor, First Baptist Church, closed with the benediction.

Loans To Aid Farmers In Making Crop Coming Year

C. of C. Responsible

Should Benefit At Least 300 Farmers In This County

According to official information received Thursday by L. A. Wilson, secretary of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce, Slaton has been included by the state drought relief committee in the Texas territory to share in the Federal funds recently appropriated by Congress for drought relief for farmers.

Mr. Wilson said a Lubbock county committee consisting of C. E. Masden, Lubbock banker; J. S. Edwards, Slaton capitalist; and Earl Davis, of Acliff, has been appointed to supervise the loans in Lubbock county.

Texas is to receive \$3,750,000, approximately, from the \$45,000,000 drought relief bill approved recently by Congress, it is said. About 26 Texas counties are to have a part in the funds available for this state, it is now believed. The money will be advanced for production of the 1931 crop.

Mr. Wilson said Thursday that the Slaton Chamber of Commerce is very much pleased to have the assurance that the aid will be available for farmers here. The Slaton Chamber began work last September on getting the state or federal government to appropriate drought relief funds for drought-stricken farmers here and in other parts of Texas. Letters, telegrams and telephone calls to state and national officials were sent in large numbers. J. H. Brewer, Slaton banker, represented the Slaton Chamber at the statewide drought meeting held at Haskell on September 15.

The Slaton Chamber was severely criticized in some quarters because of its active fight in behalf of drought aid for this section. Mr. Wilson said, but the organization continued its work along that line, knowing that the need existed and that the local civic body should champion the cause of farmers here.

3,490 Bales of Cotton; Drouth Fund Is Sought

With the cotton ginning season here practically ended, the five Slaton gins that have been operating this season have received a total of 3,490 bales thus far, while three gins in adjacent communities have turned out a total of 2,457 bales, making a grand total of 5,947 bales for this territory. The community gins include only three, Posey, Union and McClung.

Figures compiled by L. A. Wilson, secretary of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce, show that the ginnings this year amount to 37 per cent of the annual average for the previous six years. These figures have been presented to the state drought relief committee as part of the evidence that will be given to prove the actual need of Federal drought aid for this section, Mr. Wilson said.

Drought Relief Work Is Done By C. of C.

Late last summer, when it became evident that the dry weather had made serious inroads on the farm crops of this territory, the Slaton Chamber of Commerce began a fight for drought relief work to be done by the state or federal governments. Many letters, telegrams and telephone calls resulted. State and national officials were conferred with. A representative was sent to the state drought relief meeting at Haskell. Now, a bill has been passed by Congress, providing \$45,000,000 for production loans to farmers of the drought area. Texas is said to have about \$3,500,000 in that appropriation. Our organization is now working to get the proper share of this Texas fund for aiding farmers around Slaton. It is believed this can be secured and nothing will be left undone that would help in getting it.



THE BIRTH OF NEW HOPES

AND 1930 with all its heartaches and failures is gone, vanished forever. 1931 has dawned—like the good fairy that vanquishes the wicked witch : : : We hope for great things this year. We hope for renewed prosperity, for harmony, for success. And have them we shall. The finger of destiny points clearly. We give thanks for this omen of fairer times, and face the future with confidence and joy in the impending good fortune of our friends and ourselves. Our country shall rise like the fabled Phoenix from the ashes of depression to new flights of golden success.

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Champion Home Canner of the United States



Mrs. Alice Bell of Eaton Rapids, Michigan, with the silver cup trophy which she won by submitting a quart jar of Cuthbert raspberries in the National Canning Contest at Shenandoah, Iowa. Mrs. Bell won three other cups, the title of Grand Champion with a \$500 cash prize, and a \$100 prize for the best jar of fruit.

The Way of Life
BRUCE BARTON

"THAT'S MY FATHER"

A young professional man took me to a country town to call on his parents. The old couple have raised eight children, of whom six are living and doing well. The Father runs a small store.

"I want you to meet my people," my friend said later. "They are poor, but I'm very proud of them. When any one talks pessimistically about marriage or human life in general, I like to remember the record of those two old folks."

On my way from a summer hotel to a near-by golf course I picked up a caddy, a bright-eyed youngster of thirteen.

"Are you staying at the Inn?" he asked.

I nodded. "Have you met the night engineer?" I said that unfortunately my contacts had been entirely with the day staff.

"You should meet him," the youngster said proudly. "That's my father." It is assumed by those who view the social structure with disfavor that men work from only two motives—money or reputation.

I venture to say that after one has laid by a few extra dollars and has seen his name in print a dozen times these two motives very rapidly lose their power.

Far stronger and more enduring motives, I take it, are the calm appraising eyes of one's children. They are our judges; their opinion counts more than that of all the rest of the world.

Samuel Butler thought it was a great mistake that the generations overlap. He pointed with approval to the example of the moths and beetles which spin their cocoons, surround the new life with enough food to start

At the movies

See Regnade and—all the romance, gusto, color and dash of the Foreign Legion vivified in the story of a brave man who joined up to escape the haunting memories of his past, only to have that past rise up and confront him when the woman who betrayed him appears to carry on her deadly work—who becomes a deserter when his attempt to kill her fails—who with his three comrades joins the Arabs, and finds himself committed to lead the wild tribesmen against his former regiment—and who finally squares his account, but at a fearful price!

See this at the Palace Friday and Saturday.

Girls, and those who are no longer girls, and those who never were girls, here's your Cuckoo's tour of the world of fun, personally conducted by Jack Oakie, Nature's Gift to the funny bone—all set to go in "Sea Legs."

With that well known ability for chinning and grinning, Jack smart-cracks all over the screen. His is the freedom of the wheeze. His motto is "laugh liberally, and the pursuit of happiness will take care of itself."

So gang-way mates, for the craziest cruise of the year!

With your old joy-friend Jack as the skipper, we're off, with the ravin' navy, on the battleship Merryland!

See this fun-hit at the Palace on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

Ted Healy, vaudeville's favorite comedian held over four straight weeks at the Palace, New York.—And a Night in Venice" and other great stage hits he had 'em in stitches.—A laughing fool in his first screen comedy, "Soup to Nuts," which is coming to the Palace theatre next Wednesday and Thursday.

HOMEMAKERS CLASS WILL MEET ON WEDNESDAY

The Homemakers class of the First Baptist church Sunday School will meet next Wednesday afternoon, January 7, at three o'clock in the home of Mrs. T. J. Ervin, 200 East Dickens street, in the monthly business and social meeting.

All class members are urged to start the New Year aright by being present. Teachers of the school within the class age limit are cordially invited.

DOUBLE WEDDING UNITES YOUNG PEOPLE RECENTLY

In a double wedding at Lovington, New Mexico, last Sunday, December 21, Miss Fairy Butler became the bride

of Mr. Roy "Pete" Abbott and Miss Pauline Cole became the bride of Mr. Reese Donald, with Rev. Mr. Burnett, pastor of the First Methodist church of that city performing the ceremony.

Mrs. Abbott is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Butler, of near Slaton. She was quite popular with the younger set having graduated from the local high school with the class of '29. Mr. Abbott is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Abbott, who also reside near Slaton. At the present time he is in the employ of a drug store in Boise City, although he is well known here, having lived here for several years. Mr. and Mrs. Abbott will make their home in Boise City.

Mrs. Donald is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cole, of Lubbock. She is a former student at Tech, while Mr. Donald is the son of Mrs. W. Donald, of Slaton, until recently a resident of this city, however he is now in the employ of the Avalanche-Journal. Mr. and Mrs. Donald will make their home in Lubbock after spending Christmas in Slaton with the groom's mother, Mrs. W. Donald.

The two couples returned from Lovington, Tuesday.

LOKEY HOME IS SCENE OF CHRISTMAS GAIETY

Misses Countess Cellan and Pauline Lokey were the delightful hostesses at an informal Christmas dance last Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Lokey, 500 West Garza street.

The Lokey home was beautifully decorated with the Christmas theme and colors accented, and attractively decorated tree gave a most significant Yuletide spirit.

Fruit punch and Christmas candies were served from the buffet during the evening.

Music was furnished by the radio.

MRS. L. T. GREEN HOSTESS TO WIN ONE CLASS

The Win One class of the First Methodist church was entertained at the home of Mrs. L. T. Green, 405 West Lubbock Street, on Friday afternoon.

The rooms were decorated in the Yuletide colors and the brilliantly lighted Christmas tree added a festive touch.

Mrs. R. A. Metcalf led the devotional after which she gave a beautiful Christmas story. Contests were enjoyed by all present.

Old Santa entered with a pack on his back, bringing a gift for each person present. The class members presented the teacher, Mrs. J. T. Pinkston, with a remembrance.

Dainty refreshments were served to twenty-five members and four visitors. Each guest departed thanking the hostess for the delightful afternoon.

YOUNG FOLKS ENJOY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Miss Gertrude Legge was hostess to a large number of young folks Fri-

day evening, December 26th, at her home, 750 West Lubbock street.

Interesting games and contests were enjoyed by all present, after which a delicious refreshment course was served at a late hour.

The guests departed thanking the hostess for the jolly occasion.

JUNIOR CLUB MET TUESDAY WITH MISS JO HESTAND

Miss Jo Hestand was hostess to the Junior Civic and Culture club Tuesday evening at the home of her parents, 600 South Eleventh street.

A short business session was held with the president, Mrs. S. J. Oliver, presiding, after which the remainder of the evening was spent on the program on "Oscar Wilde, with the leader, Mrs. Allen Ferrell, in charge. Those taking part on the program included:

Miss Audrea Marriott, Miss Irene Armes and Miss Jo Hestand. A synopsis of Wilde's "Lady Windermere's Fan" was given and discussed. The hostess, assisted by her mother, Mrs. W. B. Hestand and Mrs. Ferrell, served a delicious salad plate to Misses Gertrude King, Ollie Mae Gaither, Vinita Bowen, Maggie W. George, Audrea Marriott, Thelma Poteet, Hazel Mansker, Irene Levey, Irene Armes, Mesdames Ralph Mabry, S. J. Oliver and Allen Ferrell.

The next meeting of the club will be Tuesday evening, January 13, at 7:30 at the home of Miss Maggie W. George, 750 South Eleventh street.

CONGRESS

As I write, the Democratic party seems to have won practical control of both houses of Congress, President Hoover will not be the first president with a Congress of the other party on his hands.

Constructive legislation will not necessarily be held up by reason of that fact. Partisan measures undoubtedly will be blocked, and much political capital will be made by both parties out of the failure of the Democrats to approve the President's policies on the one hand, and the refusal of the President to approve Congressional action, on the other hand.

In South America or Europe, an election resulting as this one did would carry the head of the government out of office. The position of the President of the United States, serving for a fixed term, is almost unique. His office combines that of a king and a premier, with the security in office—for a time—that king en-

joys, and the party responsibility of a prime minister.



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A Wish!

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- SIGNED:**
A. KESSEL
MRS. ALMA HENDRICK
MRS. J. C. HENNINGTON
MRS. S. A. RUSSELL
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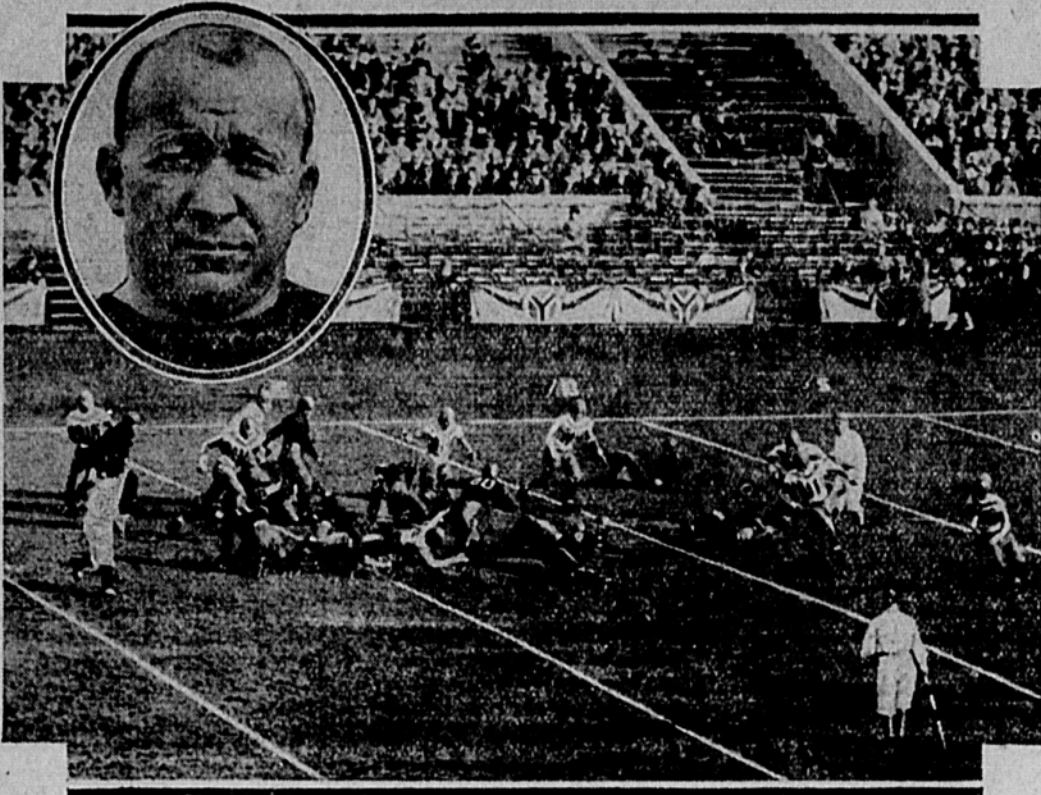
"After I was married, I found myself in a weak, run-down condition. I suffered a great deal with my back, which was so weak it hurt me to get up or when I would stand on my feet. I fell off in weight."

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Photos by P. O. A.

EDITOR'S NOTE

In his eleven years at Notre Dame University, prior to 1930, Knute Rockne has turned out four national championship teams and has seen 101 victories chalked up by the eleven under his guidance. Naturally, these men have been most carefully conditioned—for no sport is more exacting in its demands upon stamina than is the particular brand of football played by Coach Rockne's "Fighting Irish". We feel that Mr. Rockne's views on correct eating may be copied profitably by all who must face the struggle of modern life—and surely no man is better able to speak authoritatively on this matter of outstanding importance.

EDITOR.

By Knute Rockne

Famous coach of champion Notre Dame teams, pictured above.

TOO much emphasis cannot be placed upon the importance of proper diet in the moulding of a football team. A coach is faced with the task not only of bringing his men to a fine fighting edge for any particular game, but also of being able to hold them at their physical best throughout an entire season. And I find that watching

carefully over what my men put into their stomachs is even more important to assure a team's continued fitness than is the usual required abstinence from smoking and other undermining habits.

Mental alertness—so necessary in the Notre Dame system, where speed and the ability to think quickly are stressed more than sheer weight—is directly dependent upon a healthy body. And a healthy physique, as we all know, is one that is kept free at all times from those accumulations of residual poisons that might have been eliminated through a carefully balanced diet.

Unfortunately, very few persons seem to "have time" to study their diet. They must be educated and guided in what to eat and what not to eat. This is particularly true of those just entering upon college life; and thus we find the conscientious coach faced with many duties other than teaching embryo stars the fundamentals of the game. Early in his experience he learns that he must emphasize the principles of hygiene and balanced diet along with his instruction in football lore—and see to it, personally, that every player has real appreciation of the needs of his body to endure the strain of competition on the gridiron.

Notre Dame football teams have been called the "eleven halfbacks", because we do not stress weight in the line so much as we insist upon speed, and the ability to think quickly. This physical stamina and

mental alertness are promoted through strict adherence to fundamental dietary laws—and just as much stress is placed upon this building of bodily energy as is given to playing instructions in our workouts on the field.

At Notre Dame, both the scrubs and members of the varsity football team are held to a strict diet throughout the playing season. While this is not at all an unusual practice in collegiate athletics, we do believe that our system of conditioning is largely responsible for the success of the "Fighting Irish". In those special dishes which we prepare for our training table are included generous quantities of fruits, fibrous vegetables and those cereals that give a bulky "vegetable effect". Thus the normal secretional activities of the athlete's body are promoted, and his system kept free from accumulated residues that induce both mental and physical inertia.

Such a careful and rigorous schedule of diet brings real results. And it is imperative for the success of our teams that it should, for one physically weak or mentally sluggish man in the line creates a gap that may render the rest of his team mates impotent to win. The chain and its weakest link—the team and its weakest player! The analogy is absolute.

All other things being equal, the healthy football team is the winning football team. And at Notre Dame we know it's food that puts the "fight" into a squad.

spect to the departed and the yet to come, we have never had before and will never have again a personality adding up in all the requisites of able citizenship as does our loved and departing friend Lloyd Wilson who has been our secretary and everything else for several years.

Lloyd has been to us everything we have asked him to be—a port in time of storms of uncertainty and indecision and need of originality.

To the ones assigned the job of making a letter about Mr. Wilson on his departure for other fields, and we do not mind telling you that if the English lingo covers the way we feel about Lloyd Wilson—his fine accomplishments and the endearing associations of the past, and the fact that we are about to lose him, we have been unable to dig up the rhetoric which expresses that feeling.

In church, in lodge, in club, in commercial and in all the machinations attending the proper functioning of a community of Christians, Lloyd Wilson has done his stuff and done it in a masterful way. A man who can be depended upon at any time and under any accumulation of circumstances to get up and express the sentiment of the gang's impulses, who can supervise endeavors in such a manner that every participant therein feels a sense of accomplishment and time well spent, is going to be missed when he is gone.

If we needed a song in a pinch Wilson had it—if it was a prayer in church or a song, Wilson obliged—if the old quartet needed a baritone, tenor, bass or lead, it didn't have to make a trio of it—Wilson could do any of them, and when we look back o'er the panorama of this young man's accomplishments, his abilities, and his smiling and able performance of all the things he was called on to do we just can't see how the ol' town's gona make the grade hereafter.

By no stretch of the imagination do we think that our departing friend needs a recommendation—this communication is not intended in that light.

It is intended, possibly a little selfish, to chronicle the fact that Wilson has for a long time been with us, that we are proud of that fact, and that his sojourn among us will find a big segment in memory's file filled with the accomplishments of one of the finest personalities that has ever been our pleasure to know.

BLUE BONNET CLUB MET WITH MRS. SLATER

Mrs. B. F. Slater was hostess for the Blue Bonnet Sewing club at her home on West Panhandle, December 17. At this meeting the members observed the usual Christmas celebration of the club, by exchanging gifts.

Plans were completed for sending the Christmas gifts to the orphan sup-

ported by this club. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, who was assisted by her sister, Mrs. Driver. The next regular meeting will be with Mrs. W. E. Payne, on West Garza, and will be held January 14.

Master Alfred Stewart, of Lubbock, spent the holidays here with his grandmother and friends.

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And four's a petting party.

We wish everyone a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

If you have any repairing or remodeling to do, do it NOW. It will go a long way in relieving the unemployment situation in our own community.



Telephone No. 1

MR. RICHARD ENOS WEDS MISS FRANKIE McATEE HERE

In a beautiful setting in St. Joseph's Catholic church, the marriage of Miss Frankie McAtee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McAtee, and Mr. Richard J. Enos, of San Antonio, was solemnized last Saturday morning at eight o'clock with Rev. Father Thos. D. O'Brien officiating with the ring ceremony.

Floral and Christmas decorations made an attractive scene for the occasion.

Powder blue crepe trimmed in silk lace fashioned the bride's gown with metallic hat and accessories to match. She carried an arm bouquet of cream rosebuds and white carnations.

Miss Florence Jones, of Post, college friend of the bride, was bridesmaid. She was wearing a light beige georgette frock with hat and accessories to match and carried an arm bouquet of carnations.

Little Misses Mona Zelle Fogerson and Corinne Cates scattered the path to the altar with rose petals, and Master Louie Cates carried the ring on a beautiful white satin pillow.

Nuptial music was furnished by a specially arranged choir, with Miss Grace McAtee, of Lubbock, and Miss Ethel Jones, of Post, giving a duet.

Woland McAtee, brother of the bride, attended as best man, and Walter and Billie McAtee, also brothers of the bride, were ushers.

The couple knelt at the altar on a white satin pillow during the ceremony.

Immediately following the nuptial rites a breakfast was served at the McAtee home honoring the bridal party and a few close friends as guests.

Mrs. Enos, a graduate of Slaton high school, taught violin in the local school after attending the Incarnate Word Girls' college at San Antonio for several terms.

Mr. Enos, who is now living in San Antonio, is connected with the Brennan Construction company, builders of Mercy hospital, of Slaton. Mr. Enos is well known in this city having been here during the construction of the hospital building.

Among the out-of-town members of the family present were: Burns McAtee, Dallas; Mrs. S. J. Amber, Houston; and Miss Grace McAtee, of

Lubbock; and Walter and Worland McAtee, students in New Mexico university.

Mr. and Mrs. Enos left by rail for San Antonio to make their future home.

A TRIBUTE

By COKE OLIVER

To All Mankind:
At some time during the history of all communities there comes along a

personality differing from any that anybody has ever seen before—a personality which, although it's medium of motion is a pair of legs, it's manner of expression or communication a voice and a nimble hand and brain, differs vastly from any of the other personalities that have passed our way.

We have had secretaries to our chamber of commerce before, and will have them again, but with all due re-



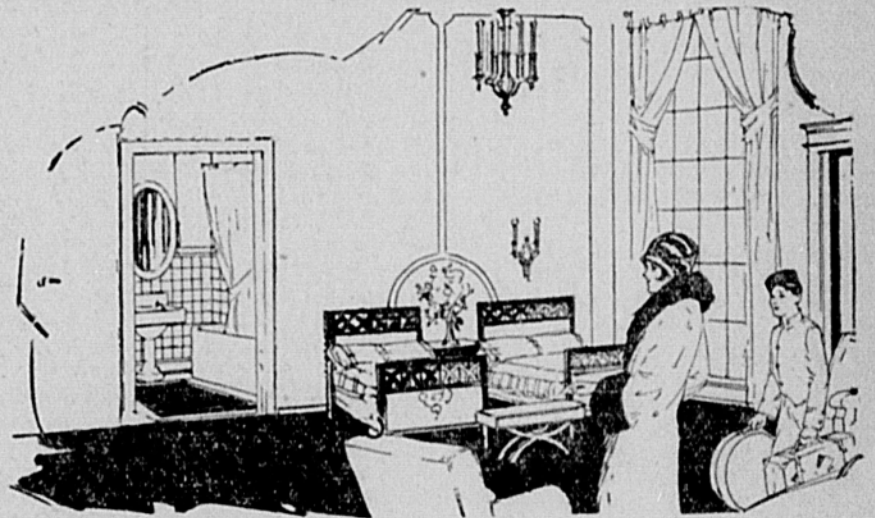
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Bring to Your Home the Convenience of a Great Hotel

THERE is an irresistible charm on stepping inside a room of a great hotel. Everything is so convenient. Yonder beckons a beautiful bathroom, and hot water galore. A world of comfort.

Could you imagine a great hotel without an abundance of hot water? Could you feel at home in such a place?

In your home, you have many modern appointments, yet when, unexpectedly, friends come to stay the night, will they be as comfortable as in a great hotel?

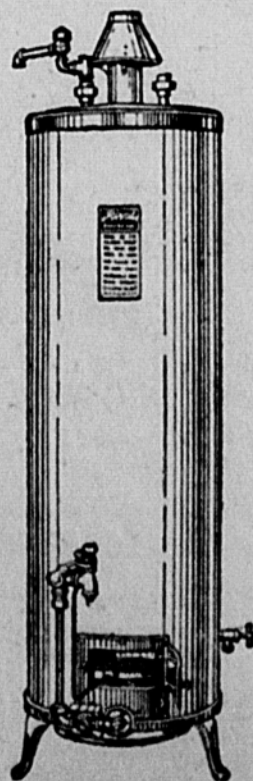
A happy discovery awaits the hostess who wants her friends to enjoy her hospitality.

Amazing progress has been made in the field of hot water service for the home. Do you know that you may enjoy the same conveniences offered you by any great hotel?

Hot water at your bidding, at every faucet in your home; no trudging down and up cellar stairs, lighting the water heater, no worry about the water getting too hot. Hot water is there at your command; all you ever do is turn a faucet. All this is yours with a

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SLATON'S FUTURE

What about Slaton? Well, she's the third largest town within a radius of 100 miles. (Check your Texas map if you doubt it.)

Slaton has two chief sources of income—agriculture and industrial pay-rolls, including a large Santa Fe payroll.

Temporarily, Slaton is not in the best of health, as is true with all of her neighbor cities, and which also is true of the country as a whole.

Incidentally, the Slaton territory is not yet fully developed agriculturally. Thousands of acres of virgin lands, adapted to the successful production of a variety of crops, yet await the first plow.

And, another thing that looks encouraging is the prospects for additional railway development which will mean a big gain for Slaton.

The fields are not any greener elsewhere, taking the country as a whole into consideration, and they are much less inviting in many quarters.

CHURCH COUNCIL OF WOMEN MET MONDAY

The Federated Council of church women met December 29th at the First Baptist church.

The subject for the afternoon was "Church Building." Mrs. James Rayburn very ably discussed "Early Churches of America."

The next meeting will be held at the First Presbyterian church on March 29th.

VISITORS AND STUDENT RETURN TO WORK—SCHOOL

Back to work after a delightful Christmas, is the statement we have been hearing most for several days with students leaving daily to resume their work in various colleges and universities.

Curtis Hamilton has returned to Abilene to resume his work in Simmons.

Duke Bassinger left Sunday for Dallas after spending Christmas with his mother, Mrs. J. K. Bassinger and other relatives.

Frances Harlan has returned to Canyon to continue with her studies in W. T. S. T. C., Ronald Woolver, also a student in the same school left the first of the week for that place.

Roy Wilmesmeier, an insurance agent at Midland, has returned to his home at that place after enjoying the Christmas season with home folks and friends.

Willie George left Sunday for Dallas to resume work and studies in Dallas after enjoying Christmas with homefolks and friends.

Misses Lorene McClintock, Pauline Sanders and Josephine Adams will leave the last of this week to resume their studies in the particular institutions of their choice in Dallas, Ft. Worth and Denton.

James Lanham left Wednesday night for Austin to continue his studies in the University of Texas. How-

ard Hoffman left Thursday for the same school.

Beryl Hardesty has returned to her home in Abilene after enjoying the holidays here with friends.

Others expecting to leave the latter part of the week include: Pearl Edmondson for Oklahoma; Marion McHugh, for Detroit, Michigan; Walter and Worland McAtee for Albuquerque, New Mexico; and Otis Cannon, Leonard Lott and Marion Cooper for Alpine.

While instructors in the Slaton schools and residents of Slaton, who have been away for the holidays are returning to the city to resume their work.

LOCAL GOSSIP

Mrs. A. G. Taggart, Mrs. Lillian Butler and David Butler enjoyed the holidays visit with relatives and friends in Pecos.

Mrs. Guy Brown and daughter, Naomi, have returned from Tennessee where they visited with relatives during the holidays.

Gilder Levey, of Lubbock, attended the family gathering at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Levey, during the holidays and attended the Alumni banquet.

Murrell Dutton has returned from Brownwood where he spent the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Taylor and son, Jimmie, have returned from Roger where they enjoyed Christmas with Mr. Taylor's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Olen Weaver of Lubbock spent Christmas day here as the guests of Mr. Weaver's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Weaver.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Benton, of Dimmitt, spent the Christmas holidays here with relatives and attended the Alumni banquet Friday evening.

C. E. Willis has returned from Dallas and Fort Worth where he spent Christmas with his young daughter and other relatives.

Mrs. Govan Stokes and daughter have arrived in Slaton to make their home with relatives for several months.

Carl Merriweather spent Christmas in Corsicana visiting with friends. Miss Gladys Hall, of Littlefield, was the holidays guest of Miss Edith Marrs and also attended the Alumni banquet.

Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Ball and son, of Amarillo, spent Christmas here Mrs. Ball's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Smith, and also attended the Alumni banquet.

Madison Rayburn, son of Rev. and Mrs. James Rayburn, spent the holidays here with homefolks. He is now managing salesman for the Holland's Magazine with headquarters in Dallas.

Miss Virginia McKiraban, of Amarillo, spent the week here with friends. She was formerly a resident of Slaton.

Miss Bonnie Thomas, of Lubbock, was the guest of Miss Pearl Edmondson Friday and attended the Alumni banquet.

Miss Inez Evans, of Plainview, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Henderson and family, of Hamlin, and Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Henderson, of Hale Center, visited with Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Evans, during the holidays.

Laverne Manire, a resident student in Tech at Lubbock, spent the Christmas holidays here with homefolks.

Mrs. George Marriott returned to the Santa Fe hospital at Clovis, New Mexico, after spending Christmas here. Mr. Marriott accompanied her, returning here Tuesday.

Miss Eda Watson, former English instructor in the Slaton high school, spent the week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Tekell.

Mrs. Charlie Owens, of Wellington, Kansas, was a visitor in Slaton for several hours Monday transacting business. Mrs. Owens will be remembered by her friends as Mrs. F. Graves, a former business lady of Slaton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Tekell spent Christmas in Corsicana with Mr. Tekell's parents. They also visited Miss Eda Watson in Barry, Texas while away.

\$30,000 Paving Here Cost City Small Sum

The \$30,000 worth of paving laid in Slaton last summer by the state and county in connection with the paving of Highway No. 7 from Lubbock to Slaton, was secured through the cooperative work of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce, Slaton City Commission and County Commissioners' Court, with the assistance of the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce.

TERMS OF PRESIDENTS OF BODY ARE RECALLED

Going back as far as 1925, W. H. Smith served as president until the close of 1926, being succeeded by J. W. Hood, who served two terms, ending with the close of the calendar year of 1928.

DIRECTORS FAITHFUL TO OFFICIAL DUTIES

The fifteen members of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development have been consistent and loyal in their devotion to their duties this year.

Program of Work for 1931 Is Considered

Chamber of Commerce officials are already turning their thoughts toward some of the outstanding things to receive attention during the new year.

Estimate Seed Wheat Worth Over \$20,000

Of course everybody knows about the Slaton Chamber buying 1,000 bushels of seed wheat last September and selling it in October to ninety-seven farmers around Slaton for planting winter pastures to offset effects of the short feed crop caused by the dry summer season.

HAVE YOUR SHEET METAL WORK DONE BY EXPERTS
Orders Promptly Filled—Work Guaranteed. Tanks, Troughs, Suctions, etc.
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Your Business Will Be Appreciated
Phone 65 Slaton

this project made conservatively, indicate that the total benefits of the seed wheat for these farmers will range between \$20,000 and \$30,000 at the minimum.

Costs vs. Results

What has it cost? What has been gained? These are legitimate questions to ask with reference to the work of the Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development.

Cash value of results, estimated or known: Seed wheat project \$20,000; Highway paving through city, claiming only one-fourth of credit, \$7,500;

Net Profit to Community \$24,315.18
SHOULD MAKE POULTRY SHOW BIGGER SUCCESS

After holding a highly successful poultry show here this month, the Texas Panhandle-Plains Poultry Association, with the cooperative support of Slaton, will doubtless work toward making the show next year even better than was the first one.

I AND MYSELF
I try to be myself
As I would like myself to be.

BELASCO
David Belasco, a San Francisco Jew who dressed like a Roman Catholic priest, was the father of the modern realistic drama.

about the time Mr. Edison invented the incandescent electric light. The electric light probably did as much as any other influence to change the drama from the old ranting pantomime into what it is today.

Belasco was the first theatrical producer to realize the possibilities of electric lighting on the stage and to shape his productions with the new lighting in mind.

PROHIBITION

All the reports from those who profess to know indicate that the President's Commission on Law Enforcement, better known as the Wickersham Commission, will report that the present Prohibition law cannot be enforced, and will recommend some changes.

There will be more serious attempts made at the coming session of Congress to break down the "dry" law than at any time since it was enacted.

TELEVISION

Ten years ago the election of President Harding was one of the first attempts at radio broadcasting.

Television is in the same stage today as broadcasting was in 1920. The Chicago Daily News broadcasts pictures of election charts on the night of November 4.

ception in 1920. And in another ten years everybody may be able to stay at home and see pictures of events as they happen, by means of some sort of receiving device not yet invented.

WORK

A charitable-inclined association of apple growers sent several carloads of apples to New York City, to be given to the unemployed.

Llyod Wayne

Llyod Wayne, of Lubbock, a graduate of the class of 1925 from Slaton High, was present at the Alumni banquet Friday evening.

Ruler of Russia



Joseph Stalin, supreme dictator of the Soviet Republic, who is said to be losing some of his power over the nation.

To the Citizens of Slaton
I have returned to Slaton and have opened an Insurance Agency and will be glad to handle your Insurance Needs, writing all lines of insurance.
Your business will be appreciated and will be given prompt service.
J. G. LEVEY
Temporary office: 355 South Tenth St. Phone 260 M

Happy New Year
JANUARY 1
Resolved! I will have money
You Begin NOW!
Resolve to save money. It is EASY to save; it is only the BEGINNING that seems hard.
A bank account will open up opportunities undreamed of for you. It will make the coming year a Happy and prosperous year for you and your family.
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Let's Diversify
SLATON, TEXAS

Champion Junior Steer Feeder



Sarah Ann Tolan, 14, of Sangamon County, Ill., with her Aberdeen Angus steer with which she won the 4-H championship at the Chicago Livestock Exposition.

King of Finance



Montagu Colet Norman, reelected Governor of the Bank of England for the 11th time, is regarded as the ablest and most powerful financier in the world. He got his early training in an American bank.

Again Konjola Shows What It Can Accomplish

Prominent San Antonio Man Eager In His Praise of New Medicine



MR. CHARLES OLIPHANT

"I am glad to endorse Konjola to any who suffered as I did," said Mr. Charles Oliphant, well known San Antonio railroad man, 423 Lamar street, San Antonio. "About a year ago I suffered a breaking out on my skin. Little patches of pimples appeared and were called water-blisters. They itched and burned severely, and, tho I tried many remedies I gained only temporary relief. From Konjola, I gained what I consider miraculous results. The breaking out disappeared within three weeks after I began taking Konjola. I had kidney trouble but now the pains in my back and the swelling under my eyes have disappeared also. I feel better in every way and have gained weight. I think Konjola is a very fine medicine."

Konjola is recommended over a six to eight weeks period and is designed to relieve ailments of the stomach, kidneys and bowels, and rheumatism, neuritis, and nervousness.

Konjola is sold in Slaton, Texas, at the Red Cross Pharmacy, and by all the best druggists in all towns throughout this entire section.

Slatonite Want Ads bring results.

Fake Solicitors Pretend To Have O. K. of Show

Reports have been received here from Post and Tahoka that solicitors have visited those towns, claiming to be representatives of the official organ of the Texas Panhandle-Plains Poultry Show, which has headquarters in Slaton. Advertising was being sought on the basis of that claim, it was said.

Local officials, together with Taylor White, of Tahoka, president of the regional poultry body, have announced that there is no official organ of the show or the association, and those persons making such claims are guilty of making false representations, and do not deserve to be patronized on that basis.

The warning was issued through Texas daily newspapers, in order that no one would be deceived.

BLEEDING SORE GUMS.

If you really want quick, certain, and last relief, from this most disgusting disease, just get a bottle of Leto's Pyorrhea Remedy and use as directed. Leto's is always guaranteed. Catching Drug Store.

Miss Patty Jay, of Dallas, spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Whitehead and family.

Lawrence Evans spent the week in Hamlin and Sweetwater visiting relatives.

C. of C. Annual Report Given Successful Year Is Reviewed By Men In Charge

The annual reports of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development have been made public by President W. H. Smith and the board of directors of those two civic bodies. The report itself is brief, but detailed accounts of various phases of the work done during the past year by the two mediums of community endeavor are shown in the different shorter items contained in this (the first) issue of "Slaton," official publication of the two bodies. It has not yet been planned to make "Slaton" a regular monthly publication, but it has been said that such a publicity medium would be of much value, if adopted.

The brief reports issued by President Smith and the members of the official board, bearing their signatures, follow:

"To the People of Slaton and Slaton Territory:

"It is with much pride and satisfaction that we hereby present to you for your careful study and consideration the annual reports of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development for the past year.

"We hope every citizen into whose hands these reports fall will read them with interest, because they give a brief word picture of what the two civic bodies have done for Slaton and Slaton territory during the year just ending.

"It had been our hope to present this report soon after the first of January when all of the year's work would have been closed, but due to the loss of our secretary, L. A. Wilson, soon after January 1, he having been elected to the secretaryship of the Vernon Chamber of Commerce, effective immediately after January 1,

it was decided to have the annual meeting of the organizations and give the annual reports on December 30. This prevents our giving the complete report for the entire year.

"Virtually all of the items contained in this publication have a direct relation to our work during the year now ending. You will note, however, that the financial reports were ended as of December 20, 1930. This was necessary in order to prepare and publish them before the annual meeting on December 30.

"Chief among the many activities with which the organization's time has been consumed during the year are the following:

1. Successful organization of the Texas Panhandle-Plains Poultry Association for 54 Northwest Texas counties, with Slaton chosen as the permanent home of the annual regional poultry show. This we consider the crowning project of the year.

2. Sponsoring the first annual Texas Panhandle-Plains Poultry Show in Slaton on December 10, 11 and 12, 1930, when exactly 900 fowls were exhibited from 30 different towns located in 20 different counties; and with more than 5,000 people known to have passed through the showroom during the three days.

3. Purchase and distribution of 1,000 bushels of seed wheat to ninety-seven farmers of the Slaton territory for the purpose of providing winter pastures to offset the effects of the short feed crop, caused by the summer drought. All of the wheat was sold direct to farmers on notes made due in one year, bearing no interest and with no security required.

4. The most comprehensive and safest program of publicity ever conducted by this organization. Five thousand Slaton booklets, setting forth in word and pictures the actual facts about this city and section, were published, and over half of them have been distributed. All publicity work this year, however, was done on a conservative basis, as has been our custom for several years, in order not to attract a surplus of population here for whom little hope of employment might be seen. This danger has been absolutely avoided. But, Slaton has been publicized in a discreet way.

5. Through the work done last summer by four different agencies, including the Slaton Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development, Slaton secured \$30,000.00 worth of paving within the city limits, all costs being paid by the state and county, except the expense involved in relaying water lines under the paving, which was borne by the City of Slaton, and also the expense which was paid by the Chamber of Commerce in connection with getting the state to match the county's fund in laying the pavement. Besides the Chamber of Commerce here, the other three organizations having part in securing the paving for Slaton are: Slaton City Commission, County Commissioners' Court (this precinct being represented by J. T. Pinkston), and the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce. This latter body helped the local Chamber in pushing Slaton's claims for the paving. The work of these three is very much appreciated by the Slaton chamber. It might be said, in summing up this achievement, that the Slaton Chamber of Commerce believes it is entitled to not less than one-fourth of the credit for getting the \$30,000 worth of paving. (Ask Mr. Pinkston his opinion.) This one-fourth amounts to \$7,500, which is more than the total net expenses of both the Slaton Chamber of Commerce and the Board of City Development for the entire past year. If we had done nothing else in the twelve months, our existence would have been more than justified. And, furthermore, don't for a minute believe that Slaton would have had this paving without the work which was done by this Chamber of Commerce. We just would not, that's all.

6. The Slaton United Charities Association was organized under the sponsorship of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce this year, and has been placed on a permanent basis. It has already served a most useful purpose, and should not be allowed to disintegrate through neglect in the future.

We could continue the enumerations much further, but through the brief news items appearing in this publication you will note some of the other projects that have been emphasized. We call your attention to the fact that virtually all of these are not only of much benefit to this city and its territory, but that the doing of them is practically indispensable for the best interests of Slaton and its environs.

We conscientiously believe the work done by the Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development during 1930 has been worth at least several times the actual outlay in finances. To encourage your study of this statement, we call your attention to a special table shown elsewhere in this publication, wherein an attempt is made to estimate the value of the work done and then a comparison between this and the total expense is given. Of course in the very nature of

the case it is not possible to estimate accurately the value of our work. A large portion of all Chamber of Commerce work brings intangible results, that is, the benefits cannot always be computed in dollars and cents. But, the same is true of the worth of your child, your mother, or one of your friends.

"We invite you to read every line in this publication, because we know you will find it intensely interesting. We only wish that you could realize as fully as we do just how important the work of the Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development is. If

you could, you would know, as we know, that were it not for these two bodies, Slaton would make progress much more slowly.

"May we extend our sincere thanks to all who have in any way assisted us in our work this year. These organizations are not ours. We are your servants. We spend many hours during the year trying to solve problems for this community, trying to advance the interests of the people of Slaton and surrounding territory. We need and crave your continued assistance, your undivided cooperation and your encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. Smith, President,
P. G. Stokes, Vice President,
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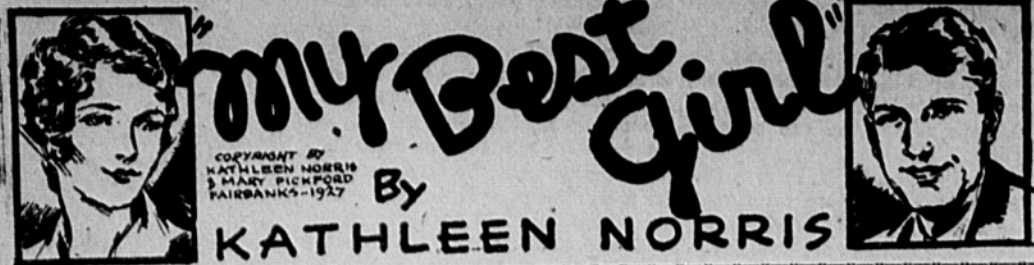
PIGGLY WIGGLY

SPECIALS FOR SATURDAY

TOMATOES	No. 2 can Each	.08
SPINACH	Libby's No. 2 a can	.12 1/2
PEAS	Happy Vale No. 2 can	.12 1/2
PEACHES	Staple- No. 2 1-2 can	.19
SOAP	Crystal White- 10 bars	.33
COFFEE	Premium- 3 pounds	.79
PRUNES	Per gallon	.39
SALMON	Brookdale- per can	.10
PORK & BEANS	Campbell's- 3 cans for	.25
GREEN BEANS	Happy Vale- No. 2 can	.11
LARD	Swift's Jewel- 8 pounds	.90
SOUP	Campbell's Tomato- 3 cans	.25
SPUDS	10 pounds for	.19
FLOUR	Gold Crown- 48 pounds	1.17
CALUMET	1 pound can	.25
APRICOTS	Per gallon	.58
RICE	5 pounds for	.35
PEACHES	Hillsdale No. 2 1-2 can	.15
SOAP	Palmolive- 3 bars for	.20

MARKET SPECIALS

PICNICS	Sugar cured- per pound	.22
ROAST	Pork Shoulder- per pound	.15
STEAK	Fore Quarter- per pound	.15
VEAL LOAF	Pork added- per pound	.17



My Best Girl

By **KATHLEEN NORRIS**

FIRST INSTALLMENT

"Gee, that is pretty!" said Mary Margaret Petheridge Johnson, in an awed whisper. Small, shabby, alone, and shuddering with pleasurable excitement and chill, she hung upon the gate of the paternal residence and paid to the miracle of paling and brightening lights and colours in the gray world about her an involuntary tribute of delight and reverence.

Behind her shabby little back, and the dragged strings of her shabby little kitchen apron, and the carelessly massed ringlets of her tousled little head, the sun was rising.

The Johnson cottage stood at the very top of a steep city block. It was a meek, self-effacing little dwelling, disreputable, lacking paint. Behind the cottage was a low row of miserable outbuildings, none able to stand alone, each one yet managing to afford a wretched support to its neighbour.

On this cool winter morning, a light from the kitchen window lay warm and yellow across the brightening yard, and a cat huddled disgustedly against the closed kitchen door, mew-ed occasionally in a protesting and affronted fashion.

The two figures that were at the street gate, however, saw and heard nothing of this. One of them was a small cur dog. The other figure was that of Maggie Johnson.

"It's pretty," she said aloud, in a dreamy voice, as the gold flashed on distant windows and dripped through trees, and the familiar silhouette of the city grew more and more recognizable. "It's like it was a big tide-washin' everyone along before it!"

For, as she hung there, tranced, whistled far away and nearby shrilled the quarter before seven o'clock, and the early workers in factories and in the big machine shops began to gather visibly in the streets. For a few minutes, their shadows moved, long and red, ahead of them. Then it was day, ordinary, commonplace, work-time again, and Maggie, rousing herself with a guilty start from the luxury of dreaming, returned to her household cares with the velocity of a little dynamo.

The sense of beauty and adventure was still strong upon her as she caught up the bottles that supplied the Johnsons with their breakfast milk and cream, and fled back to the neglected kitchen.

There was everything, domestically speaking, to be done in the kitchen, but nobody in Maggie's seventeen years had ever done it, or even half done it, and the wild disorder troubled her not at all. At seventeen, a peculiarly, youthful and innocent seventeen, she was not analytical. She had spent every night of her life under this low, old-fashioned cottage roof and the dirt and disorder that Ma and Liz created in their wake and spread about them instantly were one of simple and unavoidable conditions of her life.

Maggie had pushed aside the sugar bowl and the blue plate of stale and broken soda crackers, to find room on the cluttered table to cut the fresh loaf; she had to unearth the coffee-pot from the confusion of the sink and rinse away the cuff of black ground from its spout before she could mix fresh coffee and set it on the stove to boil.

This done, she seized an instant to run into the adjoining bedroom and whisper into the ear of the man who lay asleep there.

"Seven, Pop! Lissen—seven o'clock!"

The man, a small, huddled, insignificant figure in the close gloom of the ugly little room, roused himself alertly. The double bed's other occupant also roused, groaned, and Maggie's mother stirred reluctantly and asked anxiously, apparently out of deep slumber:

"Maggie, how's the Mayor?"

"I didn't have time to look, Ma. But don't get up," the girl urged her, concernedly. "I'll bring you in some breakfast, and the paper too!"

"It don't seem right you should."

Mrs. Johnson said perfunctorily. "Is 'Lizabeth up?" she asked. "You make her do her share! The worst of house-keeping," Mrs. Johnson, who had a

very slight acquaintance with the subject, resumed, sighing, "is dividing up the work so one don't get it all."

Maggie, too well accustomed to these rambling dissertations to waste time in listening to them, had returned to the kitchen. She poured her father, who came noiselessly out in his postman's gray, a cup of smoking coffee, poured herself a glass of milk, and put the toast and butter between them.

Lem Johnson sat down cautiously, sent an interrogative glance to the bedroom door. He was a small, timid man, with strands of silky hair brushed damp and neat across the shining bald dome of his head.

"Mad?" he asked, without sound.

Maggie set down her glass, looked straight at him, looked at the bedroom door, and shook her head.

"You wakin' her up—" Lem Johnson breathed almost inaudibly.

"She didn't care!" Maggie shaped the words, with her lips, rather than said them.

Mrs. Johnson, lured by the appetizing odours kitchen-ward, appeared majestically in the doorway.

A worn and spotted kimono was wrapped about her, her rich dark hair was in disorder, her eyes were fixed steadily upon her husband's shrinking form. Maggie leaped to her feet, and as her mother, who was an enormous woman, sank heavily into the vacated chair, she busied herself with the coffee-pot and sacrificed, without a second's hesitation, the toast she had made for herself.

While she spread fresh slices on the oven grating, she watched both parents uneasily. Her father, pretending to cat and to act naturally, was smitten as a mouse might have been under the eyes of a cat; her mother, automatically stirring her coffee and reaching for sugar and cream, never moved her gaze from him.

"I could laugh at this," she said presently, in a clear, rich, rolling voice, every word enunciated. "I—a Petheridge—eatin' in my kitchen! And watin' on me—is my daughter! This don't seem funny to Maggie, Lem, but—considerin' the home you took me from, and the way things was there, I should think it'd seem funny to you! Don't it?"

Lem Johnson started nervously as the last word was shot at him.

"Indeed it don't my dear! You're quite right, I think we get along real well—considerin'."

"Considerin' what?" the woman asked with quiet menace.

"Considerin' that your sister is entirely beyond our control, and don't pay no more attention to the father and mother that bore her than the babe unborn—considerin' that you are slavin' away the best part of your life in a five-and-ten store," Mrs. Johnson took up the challenge with deadly readiness, "and considerin' that your father, who was supposed to have a fine future in a bank when I married him, as God is my judge, and as I set here this minute—Maggie," she broke off the automatic and quite unattended tirade to ask suddenly, "what are them cotton gloves like, at the Mack?"

"I didn't hear you, ma, I was talkin' to Pa," Maggie said.

"Pop, I'm working tonight. It's Sat'day. Are you late?" It was hardly above a murmur, it did not in the least interfere with the majestic monologue of the lady of the house.

"Shall I wait for you like I usteer, dearie?"

"No—you get comfortable and read your paper after dinner. Murphy comes right to this corner—it ain't so far, anyway. You'll be on for the Christmas rush next week, anyway.

Maggie washed her hands at the faucet with a piece of yellow soap, pulled a small shabby hat, once her older sister's tightly down over her thickly coiled hair, and hung up her disreputable apron. She was slipping her arms into a thick, clumsy coat—also a discard from her sister—when, reminded perhaps by the garment of its important first owner, a change came over her face, and she said in

consternation:

"Oh, heavenly day! It's five past eight, and Liz says to wake her at ha'f-pas' seven!"

"For heaven's sake, what is it, Maggie?" Mrs. Johnson screamed agitatedly a moment later. "Don't come flying out of rooms that way—you'll have me in a faint on the floor. What's happened! What is it!"

"What's happened is that Liz Johnson and all her bedclothes are down on the floor!" Maggie answered, voice tearful with rage. "And the next time she wears only my silk stockings, I'll have her arrested—that's what's the matter! I went without lunches four days for those stockings, and she's got 'em full of runs, and I want to tell you—Where's Pop?" She interrupted herself, suddenly calming. "Has Pop gone?" She demanded blankly, her angry face taking on an almost ludicrous look of concern and disappointment.

"Maggie, I wish you wouldn't be so sharp with 'Lizabeth," her mother said, protestingly; "it's common to have two sisters always squabblin'. If she borrowed your stockin's—"

"Borrowed! You might as well borrow a waffle," Maggie burst forth scornfully. "You might as well borrow a bath! How long ago did Pop go?"

"I can catch him—good bye, Ma!" Maggie called, her voice coming back on the wave of cold air that was admitted by the opening kitchen door.

Mrs. Johnson sat on dreamily, munching and pondering. Maggie and the man of the family had to punch time clocks at half past eight. But 'Lizabeth, the older daughter, could saunter down to the beauty parlor where she "demonstrated" a complexion cream, at any time before ten.

She came out now, tousled and sleepy as her mother had been, and wrapped, like her mother, in a soiled kimono.

"Oh, Lord, I'm dead!" she said simply.

"Have a good time last night?" her mother asked, rattling sheets of newspaper.

"Time of my life. Oh, Lord, I'm dead. I got a cold, anyway. Helen's got her death of cold. Chess Rivers was just in from Denver, and he's just about dead!" Elizabeth said simply, obviously undisturbed by these mortuary details.

"Ma, you ought to get a Jap in here. This old place looks something awful!"

The older woman continued to crunch and read, unruffled. Her first born could do no wrong.

"I know it, 'Lizabeth. But two dollars a day! My God, you wonder what next! Two dollars a day for what?" I asked one of them. 'A few dishes,' I said, 'and to sweep a cottage of five rooms—why,' I said, 'it's child's play. When I first was married, I told him, 'I could get a girl for fifty cents a day!'"

"It seems like Miggie thinks of nobody but herself," her mother said, out of a long pause, "and that's the truth!"

But fortunately for Maggie, it was only on rare and terrible occasions that her mother and sister agreed in criticizing her. Now Elizabeth came indifferently to her defense.

"Oh, poor kid, she doesn't get many breaks!"

"You'd stand up for her, of course," Mrs. Johnson commented in resentment.

"Well, she don't get many breaks!" Elizabeth repeated absently.

"Poverty is a curse, all right!" Mrs. Johnson presently responded vaguely. But her daughter had heard this remark so often that it made no impression, except, perhaps, that of deepening the formless discontent that was one of Liz's most marked characteristics.

Maggie had danced along the frosty winter street beside the bent, meek little figure of Len Johnson, postman, chattering with her usual eager rush, of everything in general and of themselves in particular.

Len Johnson made almost no response. She was always like this, her eyes, her voice, her feet eager in the rush of joyous vitality that marked, for Maggie, the rise of every new day.

But even he took Maggie largely as a matter of course. 'Lizabeth was the family beauty, aristocratic and exacting and discontented, like her mother, and poor Minnie—well, she hadn't

made much of a match when she had chosen Leonard Johnson, and she had never let him forget it. They had had a few years of real unhappiness.

Leonard junior had died, 'Lizabeth had been critically ill for months, bills from doctors, undertaker, nurses, hospitals had accumulated like autumn leaves, and poor Minnie's anger that there was to be a third child had added the last touch to her husband's despair.

In that same dark, tumbled bedroom off the kitchen from which she had impressively emerged this morn'ing, Minnie had quite unexpectedly brought a second daughter into the world, a tiny girl, born too soon, and promising to quit the world as unceremon-

iously as she had entered it. Who indeed could have dreamed, that gasping mite, that little "drowsy rat," was going to turn in a few years to definite, companionable, lovely little Maggie?

After the general collapse of the family fortunes and the loss of her only son, Mrs. Johnson had made no further efforts to plant and foster her husband's business ambitions, or to hold up her own head in the world.

Continued Next Week

"Does Snookem's baby get off any original sayings?"

"Oh, he did, but they were so dumb that Snookem had to hire a ghost writer for him."

SATURDAY SPECIALS

SUGAR	10 POUND CLOTH BAG	.54
SOAP	P & G—10 BARS	.35
CORN	NO. 2 CAN—EACH	.11
PORK & BEANS	MEDIUM CAN—3 FOR	.22
SYRUP	SUGAR BILL—GALLON	.72
PEAS	WAPCO BLACKKEYED—3 CANS	.25
TOMATOES	NO. 2 CAN—3 CANS FOR	.25
SOUP	CAMPBELL'S TOMATO—3 FOR	.25
CRACKERS	BROWN'S 15c SALTINES	.10
LARD	SWIFT JEWEL—8 POUNDS	.87
CATSUP	LARGE BOTTLE VAN CAMP'S	.18
COFFEE	LARGE CAN CANOVA	.95
CHEESE	LONGHORN—PER POUND	.24
BACON	Gem Squares ,lb ----- 20c No. Salt, pound ----- 17c	
STEAK	BABY BEEF—FORE QUARTER—POUND	.17½
ROAST	BABY BEEF—FORE QUARTER—POUND	.15

To My Friends and Customers

My Quit Business Sale ended on Thursday night, December 31, 1930. The purpose of this sale has been accomplished. It was begun in order to settle the affairs of the E. and A. Dry Goods Company as one of the members of the firm had to withdraw.

Only recently I have acquired all the stock of the E. and A. Dry Goods company and it is now "strictly Slaton owned" and will continue to be a home-owned business.

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on December 19, at the home of Mrs. Raymond Champion.

Each member brought a gift for their sunshine sister and placed it on the beautifully decorated Christmas tree.

After the business session was over St. Nicholas himself appeared on the scene, much to everyone's surprise and presented the gifts.

After each one had enjoyed looking at each other's gift, a delicious buffet luncheon was served to the following: Mesdames C. V. Young, H. W. Dawson, Lane, W. A. Johnson, Leo Dove, C. C. Young, M. L. Abernathy, Fred Stephens, William Davis, Barney Wilson, Fry, Davis, Earl Thornton, Oscar Killian, R. L. Smith, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Taylor, of Southland, visited his sister, Mrs. Earl Lancaster, and family last Friday.

Lawrence McAnnally, of East Texas, is visiting the McAnnally's, Lucie's and Arnold's.

T. E. McGehee is on the sick list.

Glen Ward has company from Comanche.

Miss Killian spent Saturday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. Cranfill.

Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. B. Colings and family, Sunday, were: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hide, Southland; Mrs. Bertie Raekler and Mr. and Mrs. Miliken and son, Ralph.

Our school dismissed December 23 until December 29, for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Lancaster honored Miss Catching McAnnally with a birthday party Saturday night.

NOTICE TO VOTERS

The City Commission was presented with a petition signed by a sufficient number of qualified voters of the City of Slaton, asking the Commission to call an election to vote on the amendment of Article VI, Section 27, of the City Charter.

Due to the Statutes of the State of Texas, a City Charter cannot be altered, amended, changed or repealed until said Charter has been in effect for two years. The charter was voted March 19, 1929, and the Commission cannot act on a petition of this kind until the time limit has passed. Signed:

T. M. GEORGE, Mayor, ATTEST, City of Slaton. HARVEY AUSTIN, Secretary.

Morgan Items

(Too late for last week.)

Everyone received a surprise Sunday morning when they awoke and found the ground covered with snow. But we like it.

Mrs. Durwood Wheeler, who came home from Mercy hospital, Wednesday is doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Jernigan entertained the young people Wednesday night with a musical. Everyone had a nice time and enjoyed the music.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Thompson and Carl left Friday morning for Carrollton, to spend Christmas.

Mrs. Anna Davidson visited relatives at Slaton last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Thompson and family left last week for Ardmore, Oklahoma. We hate to see these people move away but hope they will like their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Hancock and his sister, of near Tulia, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McAnnally and family.

The sum of \$17.40 was realized at the sock supper Friday night. We surely do thank everyone who helped and especially the out-of-community visitors. The money will be used for basket balls and supplies.

Byron Milliken is spending the week with his cousins, Jyles Shaw and Raymond Milliken, at Wilson.

HOME EC GIRLS ENJOYED CHRISTMAS FROLIC

The Home Economic club enjoyed the Christmas season with a party and a tea.

The entertainment committee for the party consisted of Asal Gray, Evelyn Evans and Doyle Hendrix. A very interesting program was enjoyed. Merriment intermingled with the Christmas spirit when forty girls received gifts. Danity refreshments of sandwiches and hot punch were served.

An informal tea was given by Miss Hazel L. Blodgett. Home Economic instructor, to all Home Ec. girls and faculty members of the Slaton high school. She was assisted by Asal Gray, Elizabeth Alford, Mildred Ser-ratt, Allene Sprinkle, Allene Harvey, Laverne Bloodworth, Pauline Owens, Earline McAlister and Estelle Tunnel. Miss McAlister served punch at an attractively decorated table where a beautiful green and white color scheme was carried out. Piano and voice solos were given by Joan Dreyer, Katrina Houston and Enid Griffin.

Flake Young, of Pecos, spent the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Young and also attended the Alumni banquet.

Cooperation Aids the Home Buyer

Building and Loan Association Offers Easiest Way to Finance a House

By CALEB JOHNSON
1931 will be a "home building" year.

That is the prediction of business leaders. But what will the average man use for money with which to build his new home?

The fact is recognized that the average man does not have enough money to enter into an extensive building program alone but this difficulty can be met by the pooling of a community's funds through the formation of a building and loan association, says James H. McNish, deputy commissioner, department of banking and insurance, of New Jersey.

"The exact date of the formation of the first building and loan association is somewhat in doubt," says Mr. McNish. "Some say it originated in China centuries ago. It is certain, however, that a savings association was organized during the year 1815 by the Earl of Selkirk, in the southern part of Scotland, near the English line."

Frankford, a suburb of Philadelphia, is given as the home of the first association in the United States. It was organized in 1831 by a group of men who could find no financial institution that would loan them the funds which they sought with which to buy or build homes for themselves and their families.

Thirty-eight men were present at the organization meeting. Every member of the pioneer association was to make an initial payment of \$5 upon each \$500 unit subscribed for, and thereafter a monthly payment of \$3 until the total monthly payments, plus the accumulated profits, amounted to \$500. This sum was then large enough to build or buy a home. And the secretary of this group received \$15 for his first year's work.

Mr. McNish divides the history of these associations into four periods; early experiment and ultimate success of the local associations 1831-1885; rise and fall of the national associations, 1885-1900; reconstruction of public confidence, 1900-1910; expansion on sound lines, 1910 to the present time.

Pennsylvania seems to have been fertile territory for building and loan associations, for they sprang up like mushrooms all over the state. Even

today there are more than 2,000 associations in Philadelphia alone. In spite of the fact that 50 or more associations were organized between 1831 and 1849, none of them were incorporated until 1850. That year the state of Pennsylvania passed a law providing for the incorporation with a limitation of the amount of stock to 500 shares. The year 1859 saw this limit raised to \$2,500 shares of \$200 each, and in 1847 another amendment was passed changing the limit to an aggregate value of \$1,000,000 of outstanding shares, regardless of the number, and later laws made it possible for the associations to issue any desired amount of stock.

From 148 associations chartered in 1869, the number jumped to 450 by 1876. The cooperative movement spread to other states, Maryland had its first association in 1843, New Jersey in 1847, New York in 1848 and Illinois in 1849. They also flourished in the Northwest, especially in St. Paul, although the troubles of the "national" associations caused a severe setback in this region and consequently retarded development.

The numerous failures of these "nationals" which were organized in the early 1890's only to collapse after the panic of 1893, are described by Mr. McNish as the greatest setback the building and loan association movement has had. He points out that they were radically different from the local organizations.

The latter is a neighborhood affair, organized by men who know one another intimately, and in a position to keep in close touch with the shareholder and to have a close oversight over the physical conditions of the properties upon which loans have been made.

The national associations, on the other hand, were formed to do business on a nationwide scale. Loans were made by mail, with no personal inspection of the security or the person borrowing. As a result, borrowers with poor reputations became the principal customers. Loans were low grade, and expense accounts absorbed a large part of the earnings.

The first crash came in 1897 with the failure of the Southern Building and Loan association in Nashville, Tenn., which had \$5,000,000 of assets upon its books. Other collapses followed, and it was not until 20 years later, from 1893 to 1913, that the building and loan association began to find its way back to public favor.

"Associations, when soundly organized, render an unique service which other institutions are not equipped to furnish," says Mr. McNish. "They solve many money problems by co-

operative finance and combine safety with a high rate of dividend. The association that succeeds does so because of the strength and breadth of its foundation—cooperation and mutuality. Its success blazes the trail along with real progress, in all things, must be made in the future. Cooperation is the solution of this world's troubles."

He declares that the association meets three acid tests: the financial, the sociological and the psychological.

"The financial test is met by its amortization plan, which, for the purpose of paying off the mortgage loan within a definite period, calls for the establishment of a sinking fund in the form of periodical payments on installment dues, by the borrowers, when he assumes the obligations of the mortgage. This feature is the basis of all sound financing. In addition, the borrower is protected by the noncallable conditions of the mortgage, with the accompanying peace of mind. The sinking fund is under the control of the association."

The sociological test is passed by the fact that associations build communities, provides homes, build up civic pride, encourage worthy ambitions, promote good citizenship and build up character by cultivating thrift.

Psychologically, the movement takes advantage of the tendency of the members of the human family to form habits. In this case it makes habitual the setting aside of a fixed sum for payment in the treasury of the association—a habit which becomes fixed and settled for life.

FIDELIS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS IN REGULAR MEET

The Fidelis Sunday school class of the First Baptist church met in their regular business and social meeting



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Healthiest Boy and Girl



Marion E. Snydergaard, 15, of Grundy County, Iowa, and William Ross Bodenhamer, 20, of Johnson City, Mo., winners of the 4-H Clubs annual prize for the healthiest farm boy and healthiest farm girl.

Christmas Goes Modern



More than 1,000 of these futuristic Christmas trees have been set out on Hollywood Boulevard in the Big Apple.

Another Abilene Housewife Talks

"I Feel Better Than I Have for Months—Argotane Is Fine Medicine"

"I was just about down and out from the health standpoint, but since taking Argotane, I feel better than I have in months," said Mrs. Ida Hurlsthorpe, of 1235 N. 17th street, Abilene, Texas.

"I've suffered for a long time with stomach and kidney trouble. Almost everything I ate would sour on my stomach, and gas would form and I would bloat up and be very uncomfortable for hours afterwards. I was severely constipated and for the last six months I've had to take a strong laxative every night and then would have sharp pains and cramping spells, just the same. At times my back and sides would ache something terrible, and I couldn't rest or sleep at night, at all. I was in a very nervous condition. I saw where Argotane was helping so many people and decided to try it."

"I feel like a different person, and now eat just anything I care for and it doesn't hurt me at all. I don't have the gas or bloating spells any more, and best of all don't suffer from constipation. My headaches are all gone, and I rest and sleep fine every night. I'm not nearly as nervous, as I was. I feel better than I have in months, and Argotane has certainly helped me. I know that it will help anyone who is suffering as I was, and if they will just try a bottle they will be convinced of its worth as I am."

Genuine Argotane may be bought in Slaton at the Teague Drug store.

FOSTER ITEMS

Carris Burke has returned to his home at Durant, Oklahoma, after spending the past year with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Alexander.

Miss Mabel Hitt is visiting different parts of Oklahoma.

Miss Evelyn Colvert, of Lubbock, spent Sunday night with Miss Robbie Robbins.

Miss Mildred Alexander gave a "42" party Thursday night.

Misses Robbie Robbins, Billie Hooper and Messrs. Frank McDougal, Elmer Hooper and Malburn Robbins visited Miss Evelyn Colvert Monday night.

Miss Mildred Williams spent the week-end in Aberrathy visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sexton and son, Cleo, of Slaton, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Delew, of Lubbock, ate dinner Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. John H. Alexander.

OUT-OF-TOWN GUESTS HONOREES AT 42 PARTY

Honoring Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Spratling, of Smithville, Mr. and Mrs. R. Todd were at home to a few friends Friday evening with a "42" party at 855 West Lubbock street.

The Todd home was beautifully decorated with the Yuletide colors and the color scheme was also accented in the plate lunch served to Mr. and Mrs. Spratling, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Gumm, of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tudor, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Drewry, Miss Ouida Busbee, of Lubbock, and Bill Layne.

Annual Alumni Banquet Held Friday Night

The annual Alumni association banquet was enjoyed Friday evening, December 26th, when approximately one hundred and fifteen graduates of Slaton high gathered to renew acquaintances and friendships of past school days.

Young men and women from far and near came to enjoy the occasion and exchange handshakes and greetings again. Some attending for the first time, others attending yearly. Roy Wilmesmeir, president, presided during the business session and extemporaneous program.

Officers for the new year were elected as follows: president, Jo Heatand; vice-president, C. C. Hoffman, jr., secretary, Ruby Catching.

Much to the delight of all present Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Stone, of Stanton, were among those in the banquet hall. Mr. Stone gave a short and inspiring talk. W. P. Florence, honorary member of the association, was also present.

The president called the different classes of Slaton High and members of each class rose to their feet as their class was called, and from each class a spokesman was chosen to make a few remarks.

The banquet was deemed a success and greatly enjoyed by all participating, as these affairs are looked forward to from year to year with the anticipation and pleasure of meeting school-day pals, who in the most cases have drifted apart.

Immediately following the banquet a dance was enjoyed.

NEW OFFICERS ASSUME DUTIES ON APRIL 16TH

From the fifteen nominees which are being chosen at this meeting to-night, the board of directors will select five to take places on the board next April 16, that being the time to name a new president, also, who will succeed W. H. Smith. Mr. Smith will remain on the board, however. There is now on vacancy among the five whose terms are to expire. The other four men, J. A. Elliott, T. E. Roderick, Dr. W. E. Payne, and Horace Hawkins, will leave the board on April 16, and are not eligible for re-election until after one year has passed.

FOR Life Insurance SEE G. W. Bownds At First State Bank

A. M. Sprinkle and family spent the Christmas holidays in Plainview.

LOST—Willis Knight hub cap in Slaton. Leave at Slaton office and receive liberal reward. 22-1tp

Broken Windshields replaced at Plains Lumber Co. Phone 282. ttf

LOST—Child's light green and white wool scarf somewhere on Panhandle avenue or in business section. Return to Mr. Wooton at Palace Barber shop. 22-1tf

CARD OF THANKS AND APPRECIATION

At this time, I desire to thank each and every one who have come to me with their good wishes for my success in my new field as secretary of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development and to wish you one and all a very Happy and Prosperous 1931.

Remember I am your secretary to command,

A. J. PAYNE, Secretary, Sec. of the Chamber of Commerce

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