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## DAIRY IMPROVEMENT PLANS DISCUSSED AT MEETING

### SLATON HIGH SCHOOL NAMED AS MEMBER OF ASSOCIATION

Admitted to Southern Association of Schools and Colleges; Slaton Graduates Enter Any School Without Exams.

The Slaton High School has been granted membership in the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges, according to official notification received by C. L. Sone, superintendent of the Slaton public schools. When the association recently held the annual meeting in Jacksonville, Fla., examination of the records of the local high school showed the school eligible for membership, and it was received for membership along with other schools of Texas.

The advantage of this membership, says Sup't. Sone, is that Slaton graduates can now enter any institution of higher learning in the whole South, in fact in the United States, without entrance examinations.

Five years ago, the Slaton high school had 12 affiliated credits, and there were only five teachers in the high school department. There are 28 accredited units now, with 34 affiliated courses offered, and there are about sixteen high school teachers. This shows rapid growth in size and in academic standing within the five years.

The gain in accredited units has resulted from close inspection of the high school by state education officials and from regular reports given by local school authorities on the efficiency of work done here. Mr. Sone states that he frequently receives reports showing that Slaton graduates are making excellent records in the colleges where they are enrolled. Especially do the Slaton students excel in extra-curricular activities, such as debating, etc., Mr. Sone stated.

The Slaton schools receive students coming here from other towns and cities every year, and these pupils are always well pleased with the reception given them by their teachers and the pupils of the Slaton schools, it is said.

Former graduates of the Slaton high school have attended and are now attending the following colleges and universities: W. T. S. T. C., Texas Tech, Simmons University, McMurray College, Abilene Christian College, N. T. S. T. C., C. I. A., Oklahoma U., Texas U., Burleson College, A. & M. College, John Tarleton College, Weatherford College, Wayland College, S. M. U. and others.

### DRY GOODS STORE HERE TO CLOSE OUT STOCK

Beginning Friday, Dec. 16, W. H. Seale & Co., Texas Ave. dry goods firm, will conduct a sale, during which time they expect to close out their stock of goods in Slaton, it is announced this week by the management.

A page advertisement appearing elsewhere in this issue of The Slatonite and large circulars being distributed by Seale & Co., announce their intentions to sell merchandise at remarkably low prices during the approaching sale.

### BIG CHRISTMAS RUSH AT GATES DRY GOODS

At nine-thirty o'clock Saturday morning, Dec. 17, the Gates Dry Goods store doors will be opened to a "Grand Christmas Rush Sale," it is announced this week by Manager L. E. Cyfert of that firm.

The Slatonite has delivered hundreds of large circulars to the Gates store, which are being distributed far and near, Cyfert says, announcing the sale event. Also, a two-page advertisement appears in this issue of the paper, and readers of The Slatonite will doubtless do well to turn to this advertisement and look over the values.

Mr. Cyfert states the Gates Dry Goods has been put on a cash basis, and he wants thrifty shoppers to visit the store and get acquainted with the new low cash prices.

### Demonstration Train Planned by Santa Fe Railway

Letters from T. B. Gallaher, general passenger agent of the Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway Co., with headquarters at Amarillo, announce that the Santa Fe will operate a Farm and Home Demonstration train over the Santa Fe lines in January and February, the entire tour requiring six weeks. Slaton will be visited on Friday, Feb. 10, at 7:30 p. m., according to the itinerary.

J. F. Jarrell, manager of the Santa Fe agricultural development department, and J. D. Tinsley, Santa Fe official, will be in charge of the enterprise and will arrange detailed programs at local points. The A. & M. College is co-operating with the railroad in sending out some of their best speakers. There will be four cars of exhibits, it is announced. At all outdoor meetings, an electrical voice amplifier will be used. Large crowds are invited to attend the meeting and get the benefits that will be offered along lines of better living and better profits on the farm. The meeting here will last two or three hours, the announcement says.

A. M. Hove, assistant editor of The Earth, Santa Fe publication, says this will be the finest demonstration train ever operated through this territory.

### SHERMAN MAN STARTING NEWSPAPER AT SOUTHLAND

Again Southland is to have a newspaper. This week marks the founding of "The Southland Sun," according to announcement of Frank Fletcher who, until recently, was sport editor of the Sherman Daily Democrat. Mr. Fletcher, who is a son-in-law of Stockton Henry, of Slaton, states the initial issue of the publication will come off the press Friday, Dec. 16, and that it will be issued each week thereafter.

**The Yuletide Cheer**  
By D. W. PEARSON  
Washington Post

*IN THE providence of Nature  
There's a condescension of good,  
Permeating and elating  
All the cosmic brotherhood.  
Through the waves of deep depression  
May engulf our struggling forms,  
Like the gleaming of our dreaming  
Are the heights above the storms;  
And one peak that glitters clearly  
Lies on a wide desert cone.  
Is the Yuletide Cheer, which yearly  
Brings delight to every one.*

*High above the range of Virtues  
Is this crowning pinnacle,  
And its luring and enduring  
Message freely comes to all.  
Shops and homes are decorated;  
Hearts are throbbing merrily;  
And each glowing face is showing  
Just how sweet is charity:  
For the season of Good Feeling,  
Dawning as the old year dies,  
Turns to gladness all our sadness,  
And to friends our enemies.*

*Some, perhaps, are thinking darkly  
Of their lack of means to give;  
They are lonely, and can only  
By the utmost efforts live;  
So, with faltering hearts, and tearful,  
Their self pity grows extreme,  
When a ringing voice and cheerful,  
Sounds the axiom supreme:  
In the providence of Nature  
There's a service all may find,  
And the measure of its treasure  
Is the act of being kind.*

### More Boys Than Girls Enrolled in Slaton High School

Figures given out by Superintendent C. L. Sone of the public schools here reveal that there are more boys in high school this year than girls. Boys number 158, girls 121, according to daily attendance averages for the first three months of the term. The total enrollment is beyond 300, although the average attendance is about 270.

Enrollment in the several classes: Senior, 47 boys, 23 girls; Junior, 28 boys, 25 girls; Sophomore, 35 boys, 38 girls; Freshman, 48 boys, 35 girls. With seventy in the senior class, all former records for the graduating class here have been shattered.

### Figures Given City On Gas for Pumping

Mayor S. F. King reports that Fred Krug, of the Oil Well Supply Co., Ft. Worth, was in Slaton last Friday submitting figures to city officials on the cost of pumping the city's water with natural gas engines. According to Mr. Krug, the saving thus to be effected would amount to more than 50 per cent, as compared with present costs, Mayor King said.

### Chamber of Commerce News Notes

Reported by L. A. WILSON, Secretary.

The Chamber of Commerce annual banquet will be held Tuesday night, January 10, at the high school building instead of at the Slaton club house. The change has been made on account of indications of a very large attendance. The school building will accommodate more people than could be served at the club house. Remember the change, and remember that the annual banquet this year will be a big affair. Every business house in Slaton should have from one to four representatives at the banquet. Many people not engaged in retail or wholesale business should be there. Many farmers should be there. It ought to be a community-wide event in which everybody would join for the upbuilding of his city and community. We want the ladies to attend as they have in the past. There should be at least two or three hundred at the banquet.

This organization is helping form a bull circle for the communities surrounding Slaton. Registered Jersey bulls and a few cows, heifers and calves will probably be shipped in full about the first of the year. A full account of developments so far is published elsewhere in this paper. Read it.

The Santa Fe railway has announced that a special demonstration train will tour this territory in January and February. Four cars of exhibits will be carried. A two hours' program will be held in Slaton, Friday, Feb. 10, at 7:30 p. m. Farmers and their families and the business people of Slaton and surrounding territory are invited. The opportunity is too good to miss. Remember the time and be on hand.

The Chamber of Commerce has voted to give \$30 in prizes next Fall to the three girls in Lubbock county who make the highest records during the year in girls' club work. First prize will be \$15, second prize \$10, third prize \$5. Miss Louise Baird, county home demonstration agent, is supervising the club work, and the prize awards will be announced next Fall.

The cotton crop is almost harvested. Probably 11,000 bales for Slaton gins and the Union, McClung and Posey gins will tell the story this season. About 10,000 of that number have been ginned so far, of which about 6,000 have been received in Slaton.

### Bulk of Cotton Crop Harvested In This Section

A check-up on cotton ginnings last Saturday revealed that the five gins in Slaton had turned out 5,738 bales of this season's cotton crop up to that time, while the gins at Posey, Union and McClung had reached a total of 3,684, making a grand total of 9,422 bales which had been ginned from the Slaton trade territory this season up to last Saturday.

Ginners and farmers expressed the opinion that approximately 85 to 90 per cent of the total crop was in when the above figures were compiled. This would indicate total receipts by the five gins here will likely reach about 6,500 bales by the end of the season, while a total of about 4,200 bales would be ginned by the Posey, Union and McClung gins. The grand total for the trade territory would thus reach 10,700 bales for the year.

### Delay Statement on Poultry Show Funds

The financial statement which was to have been published this week on the poultry show expense fund will be delayed until next week on account of committees not having finished a complete check-up, it is reported. The show was adequately financed, however, and a balance is left in the treasury for helping out on next year's show, it is announced.

### Annual Banquet Menu, Chamber of Commerce

When the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet is held Tuesday evening, Jan. 10, the menu which will be served by the women of the Catholic church of Slaton will be such as to satisfy the demands of the hungriest and to appeal to the tastes of the most fastidious, according to Chamber of Commerce officials. The Catholic women have planned the following menu, and it is described in plain English: roast young pig, baked turkey and dressing, cranberry sauce, celery, pickles, combination salad, candied yams, creamed potatoes, stewed turnips, stewed tomatoes, creamed peas, Parker House rolls, coffee, ice cream and angel food cake.

In addition to these items the ladies said "there are a few other things we didn't mention." Therefore, in Chamber of Commerce circles it is considered a foregone conclusion that the "feed" which will be available on January 10 is going to have real class to it. The attendance will probably be heavy at the banquet. At least, as one man said, it will be after the meal is concluded.

An interesting program is being prepared and an exceptionally fine meeting looked forward to on January 10, according to J. W. Hood, president of the Chamber of Commerce.

The Slaton country is in better financial condition than ever before in history, although there have been times when a little more money was in evidence. This is the testimony of business men and bankers. Diversification, they say, is responsible, largely speaking. Poultry, cows and hogs will do to rely upon in 1928. We ought to stay with the diversification plan.

The year 1927 will close with Slaton having more building and development to its credit for the year than ever before in a single year. Facts and figures prove it. Whoever is not a Slaton booster doesn't know much about his town. Our growth has just begun, so rapid and remarkable as it has been in the past.

Buy your Christmas furniture at Everts. We have a big assortment of up to date furniture, priced right.

### FIFTY ATTEND MEETING HELD AT CITY HALL MONDAY NIGHT

Six Communities Represented; Expect to Form Jersey Bull Circle; Stock to be Imported About First of Year.

### New Ford Will Be Shown Here December 23-24

One of the new Ford cars, latest product of the Ford Motor Co., will be on display at the Slaton Motor Co. show room here Friday and Saturday of next week, Dec. 23 and 24, it is announced this week by P. G. Stokes, manager of that firm.

Mr. Stokes and his sales force are very much enthused over the new product, and they are anxious that everyone who can, call at their place of business next week-end and see this new car.

Already the local Ford dealers have looked many orders for new cars, for the earliest possible delivery. Mr. Stokes says. Following are a few of the citizens of Slaton and community who have made early purchases of new Ford cars, according to information obtained from the sales department: George Ford, farmer-stockman; J. S. Bates, postmaster; W. H. Hestand, wholesale grocer; J. H. Teague, Sr., wholesale oil; G. W. Bownds, banker; Pember & Staggs, insurance and real estate; O. Z. Ball & Co., merchant-tailor; L. A. Wilson, secretary Chamber of Commerce; L. B. Wootton, tonsorial shop; L. B. Haggermen, Santa Fe employe; Carl Greer, Santa Fe employe; M. H. Pevehouse, principal high school; Nehi Bottling Wks. A. L. Robertson, rancher; Oscar Killian, dry goods; J. H. Teague, Jr., druggist; W. E. Payne, M. D.; H. G. Sanders, grocer; C. D. Marriott, electrical engineer; Jno. T. Lokey, city commissioner; J. T. Overby, real estate; Carl W. George, banker; L. T. Garland, grocer; C. V. Head, architect; George H. Jones, wholesale oil; Wilbur Jones, tonsorial shop; Dr. Sally W. Miller, M. D.; E. V. Woodraver, plumber; F. A. Drewery, tonsorial shop.

### Salvation Army in Campaign for Funds

The Rev. E. L. Whiddon, special representative of the Salvation Army, with headquarters at Dallas, was here this week putting on a county drive, \$4,000 being Lubbock county's quota.

Rev. Whiddon reports that \$1,250 has already been secured in Lubbock. Two new officers are to be added to the county force, he stated, making four in all, and regular weekly services will be held in Slaton, beginning soon, according to Rev. Whiddon. He also stated that Slaton may feel at liberty to call on the Lubbock corps for relief work, as Slaton is an outpost of that corps.

It is planned to have a Christmas tree here, at which time presents will be given to the poor and needy. The drive started in Slaton Tuesday morning, and Rev. Whiddon stated that the outlook for prompt and liberal response was very promising.

### Tigers Keep Busy With Basket Ball

After winning district and bi-district honors in football, the Slaton High School Tigers are busying themselves with basket ball training. Coach Odus Mitchell is giving his men plenty of work and the belief is that a much better cage team is in sight for this season than has been found in the Tiger ranks for several years. J. E. Armas is captain of the team.

Sup't. Sone said early this week that letters would be awarded soon to the football men.

Responding to a call issued by the Slaton Chamber of Commerce, about fifty farmers attended a meeting held Monday night at the City Hall to discuss plans for improving dairy herds in this section of the country. Six communities were represented at the meeting, and Slaton bankers, J. H. Brewer and W. E. Olive, were present. J. W. Hood, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and L. A. Wilson, secretary, together with other members of the organization, represented that body at the meeting.

After explaining briefly the purpose of the meeting and the motives prompting its call, Wilson called upon D. F. Eaton, county agricultural agent, to address the meeting. Following Eaton's talk, the farmers were asked to enter into a general discussion, and the outgrowth of the discussions was that a Jersey bull circle would be formed by the communities represented, plans to be completed by December 22, at which time one man from each community is to have his report made on what his community will do about entering the bull circle plan along with the other communities. During the ten days, farmers will also make their wants known at the Chamber of Commerce office with reference to the purchase of Jersey cows, heifers, or calves. The bankers and Chamber of Commerce leaders encouraged the farmers to get into the bull circle plan and to buy registered calves for the farm club boys as a beginning in the dairy improvement proposition. The bankers are co-operating in the matter of financing the purchase of the stock, each farmer taking the matter up with his banker as an individual matter, then reporting to the Chamber of Commerce as to what he wants when the cattle are shipped in. Several farmers will likely buy registered cows, heifers or high grade cows in addition to the bulls and calves, it was announced after the meeting.

N. C. Dickson will report by December 22 for the McClung community. Jack Johnson will report for Posey, J. W. Massingill for the area south of Slaton, J. T. Pinkston for the section north of Slaton this side of the canyon, and Mr. Lancaster for Morgan community, ten miles south of Slaton. Union community is represented by Mr. Griffin who now has a registered Jersey bull and wants to enter the bull circle plan for his community.

When the reports are received from these men and from other farmers who want to get cattle in the shipment which will be brought in, County Agent Eaton and a few representatives from the communities will go to other points to buy the stock and have them shipped here about the first of the year, it is expected now. Leaders have pointed out that it is important that farmers report by December 22 on exactly what they want, so that the stock can be secured with the rest of the shipment.

The move being made for better grade dairy cattle is thought to hold in it some wonderful possibilities for this section of the Plains, and the enthusiasm shown by the farmers indicates that the plan will be put into successful completion, bankers and Chamber of Commerce officials believe.

Do your Christmas shopping now! Let us suggest a buying in the furniture line. Furniture

**SLATON BEATS CANYON TO WIN BI-DISTRICT TITLE**

(Continued from First Page)

About 1,500 people saw the game it was estimated. The attendance was not so large as at the Slaton-Flanagan game on Thanksgiving, because Friday was not a holiday. Many people were here from other South Plains towns for the Slaton-Canyon

contest, and a good turn-out of local people was to be expected, of course. The pep squads of the high school and the Slaton Band rendered valuable assistance in this game as in others in recent weeks.

Prospects are now that no more games will be played by the Tigers this season. Other bi-district winners seem to have withdrawn from further gridiron clashes, and the Tigers,

even if they were all agreed on it, would probably have difficulty in matching another conflict. Coach Mitchell and his entire string of Tigers have done some marvelous high school work this season, and are highly lauded by hundreds of fans.

Summary of Friday's game follows:  
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First downs: Slaton 13; Canyon 7. Yards gained on running plays: Slaton 178; Canyon 128. Yards lost on running plays: Slaton 4; Canyon 3. Passes tried: Slaton 10; Canyon 15. Passes completed: Slaton 6 for 141 yds; Canyon 3 for 28 yds. Slaton in-

tercepts 4 for 15 yds.; Canyon intercepts 1 for 5 yds. Yards gained on returns of kickoffs and punts: Slaton 59 yds.; Canyon 41 yds. Average punting: Slaton 38 yds.; Canyon 35 yds.

**FIRST QUARTER**

Slaton won the toss and chose to defend the south goal. Canyon kicks 45 yards to Owens, who returns 12 yds. Owens and Woolever, on a series of line plunges, make 12 yds. and the first down. Time out for Canyon. Owens fails to gain thru line. Pohl makes 2 yds. at left tackle and

Owens makes a yard on same play. Nichols punts 41 yds. and out of bounds. Wiggins fumbles but Canyon recovers for 5 yds. gain. O'Donnell makes 4 yds. off right tackle. Wiggins, Eagles' quarter, makes 2 yds. at center. O'Donnell, Eagles' half, slips off tackle for 4 yds. and first down. Hamilton, Tiger Captain and right tackle, downs O'Donnell on line of scrimmage. O'Donnell glides over center for 6 yds. Wiggins punts 36 yds. to Pohl, who returns 9 yds. Bybe fails to gain thru line. Nichols punts 31 yds. and ball dies on Slaton 40 yd. line. Cross, Eagles' fullback, makes a yard thru line. Canyon penalized 5 yds. A pass, Wiggins to O'Donnell, fails. O'Donnell makes 2 yds. at center. The Tigers are penalized 5 yds. for off side. A pass, Wiggins to O'Donnell, fails. Canyon penalized for two incomplete passes. Wiggins punts 41 yds. and out of bounds. Slaton's ball on own 20 yd. line. Woolever, Tiger fullback, makes 2 yds. off left tackle. Nichols, Tigers' right end, punts 50 yds. and out of bounds. The Eagles' ball on own 35 yd. line. Wiggins fails to gain thru line. O'Donnell makes 4 yds. thru line. Wiggins punts 40 yds. to Pohl who fumbles, but Nichols recovers for Tigers on midfield. Woolever slips off left tackle and races for 29 yds. and first down. Owens circles left end for 13 yds. and first down. The first quarter ends. Score: Slaton 0; Canyon 0.

**SECOND QUARTER**

Tigers' ball on Canyon 21 yd. line. Cannon is substituted for Pohl. Owens and Pohl make 2 yds. on line plays. Armes circles left end for 19 yds. and touchdown. Owens fails to kick goal. Ballgame goes in for Lowery. Hamilton kicks 48 yds. to Whitten who returns 12 yds. Wiggins and O'Donnell make 2 yds. thru center. Slaton penalized 5 yds. for off side. A pass, Wiggins to O'Donnell for 8 yds. and first down. Another pass, Wiggins to Williams for 16 yds. and first down. O'Donnell hits line three times for first down. O'Donnell stopped at line of scrimmage by Wilmesmeier. A pass, Wiggins to Laxton, fails. Another pass, Wiggins to Williams, fails. Bybe intercepts. Cannon fails to gain thru line. Nichols attempts to punt, but is blocked by Ballgame, but Nichols recovers for a loss. Cannon punts 38 yds. to O'Donnell, who returns 2 yds. Wiggins glides over center for 5 yds. Hamilton pulls O'Donnell for a loss. A pass, Wiggins to Williams, fails. Wiggins punts 30 yds. out of bounds. Slaton's ball on own 3 yd. line. Cannon punts 33 yds. to O'Donnell who returns 3 yds. O'Donnell fails to gain thru line. Wiggins makes 2 yds. at center. Slaton penalized 5 yds. O'Donnell slips off tackle for 16 yds. and first down. O'Donnell downed on line of scrimmage by Cooper. O'Donnell makes 2 yds. thru center. O'Donnell slides off right tackle for 10 yds. and first down. O'Donnell makes 4 yds. thru center. Time out for Slaton. Canyon's ball on Slaton 3 yd. line. In two downs O'Donnell makes 2 yds. and the whistle blows for half up. Score: Slaton 6; Canyon 0.

**THIRD QUARTER**

Slaton defends north goal. Pohl is substituted for Cannon. Canyon kicks 50 yds. to Owens who returns 35 yds. Pohl makes 7 yds. on two off tackle plays. A pass, Bybe to Nichols, fails. Owens makes a yard thru line but the ball goes over. Canyon's ball on own 44 yd. line. O'Donnell slides thru left tackle for 7 yds. Bennett pulls Wiggins for a 2 yd. loss. O'Donnell makes 3 yds. at left tackle. Wiggins punts 30 yds. to Pohl who returns 6 yds. Time out for Slaton. Pohl hurt, but not taken from game. Armes circles right end for 11 yds. and first down. A pass, Owens to Pohl, for 8 yds. Woolever makes 2 yds. at center and first down. Owens slides over center for 5 yds. Bybe attempts to pass but slips from tackles and makes 11 yds. and first down. Pohl and Owens make 5 yds. on off tackle plays. A pass, Owens to Nichols, for 30 yds. and touchdown. Owens kicks

goal. Hamilton kicks 35 yds. to O'Donnell who returns 4 yds. O'Donnell makes 11 yds. and first down. Hamilton pulls Wiggins for a yard loss. A pass, Wiggins to Williams, fails. O'Donnell makes 4 yds. at center. Wiggins punts 45 yds. to Pohl who fumbles and Canyon recovers on Slaton 9 yd. line. Cannon substituted for Pohl. O'Donnell makes 4 yds. on line play. Hamilton stops O'Donnell on line of scrimmage. A pass, Wiggins to O'Donnell for touchdown. Wiggins kicks goal. Wiggins kicks 50 yds. to Bybe who fumbles and Canyon recovers on Slaton 8 yd. line. O'Donnell and Cross make 4 yds thru line. O'Donnell stopped on line of scrimmage by Hamilton. Quarter up. Score: Slaton 13; Canyon 7.

**FOURTH QUARTER**

Canyon's ball on Slaton 4 yd. line. A pass, Wiggins to O'Donnell, fails. Ball goes behind goal zone and is placed in Slaton's possession on own 20 yd. line. Owens and Armes make 6 yds. around ends. Owens thru left tackle for 7 yds. and first down. Slaton off side, penalized 5 yds. Penalized again for taking too much time for next play. Owens slips off left tackle for 11 yds. and first down. A pass, Owens to Hamilton for 30 yds. and he ran for 45 yds. and touchdown. Bybe attempted a pass for try point. Hamilton kicks 25 yds to Wiggins who returns 5 yds. A pass, Wiggins to O'Donnell, fails. Another pass, Wiggins to O'Donnell, fails. Armes intercepts for 5 yds. A pass, Owens to Cannon, netted 21 yds. and first down. A pass, Owens to Nichols, fails. Whitten intercepts for 5 yds. A pass, Wiggins to Williams, fails. Another pass, Wiggins to Whitten, fails; Cannon intercepts for 4 yds. A pass, Owens to Nichols, netted 17 yds. and first down. Cannon circles right end for 10 yds. and first down. Owens makes a yard at center. Armes circles end for 6 yds. and touchdown. Owens fails to kick goal. Hamilton kicks over goal zone, Canyon's ball on own 20 yd. line. Wiggins goes over center for 3 yds. O'Donnell makes 8 yds. off tackle. A pass, Wiggins to Williams, fails. Cannon intercepts for 4 yds. Houston is substituted for Woolever. Slaton penalized 15 yds. for substitute talking. A pass, Owens to Cannon, fails. Houston off right tackle for 1 yd. Rich in for Bennett. A pass, Owens to Cooper, fails. McAtee for Shelby, Shelby for Wilmesmeier. Slaton off side, penalized 5 yds. Cannon punts 47 yds. and out of bounds. Dunn in for Cooper. Wiggins punts 31 yds. to Owens who signals for free catch. Slaton's ball on Canyon 18 yd. line. Houston fails to gain thru line. Cannon slides off tackle for 9 yds. Austin in for Nichols. Owens and Armes lose 2 yds. each on end runs and ball goes over. Wiggins punts 25 yds. to Bybe who signals for free catch. Cannon fails to gain thru line. Armes circles end for 10 yds. and first down. A pass, Cannon to Houston, for 30 yds. and touchdown. Owens fails to kick goal. Hamilton kicks 40 yds. to Johnson, who returns 18 yds. As next play starts a shot is heard for time out. Score: Slaton 31; Canyon 7.

**LINE-UP**

Slaton	Pos.	Canyon
Armes	l. e.	Laxton
Cooper	l. t.	Johnson
Shelby	l. g.	Gillian
Wilmesmeier	c.	Parker (c.)
Bennett	r. g.	Lowery
Hamilton	r. t.	Redford
Nichols	r. e.	Williams
Bybe	q.	Wiggins
Owens	l. h.	Whitten
Pohl	r. h.	O'Donnell
Woolever	f. b.	Cross
	Substitutes	
Houston		Jarret
Rich		Ballgame
McAtee		Cash
Dunn		Heuson
Austin		Dubba
Cannon		
	Officials	
	Referee, Eckhardt, Texas U; Umpire, Burton, Oklahoma U; Headlinesman, Payne, Simmons.	

Does the Government charge the stockmen for grazing their cattle and sheep on the national forests? Explaining the government policy of grazing permits, Will C. Barnes, assistant forester in charge of range management, United States Department of Agriculture, says that each settler or resident is entitled to graze ten head of his domestic stock, such as work or saddle-horses, milk cows, and even hogs free of charge and without permit on national forest ranges. All other animals must be paid for at a rate which at present averages between ten and eleven cents per head per month for cattle and three cents per head per month for sheep. On January 1, 1928, these rates will be slightly increased. The stockmen are now paying into the United States Treasury annually about two and one quarter million dollars in grazing fees.

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TEAGUE DRUG STORE

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GOLD BAR No. 2 1/2 Can	
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PICKLES	.19
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MUSTARD	.22
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**THE LIFE OF A PASSENGER CONDUCTOR WHILE ON DUTY**

If you'll listen, I'll tell you a rhyme,  
Of things that happen any time,  
To mar the peace, to vex the brain,  
Of those who run a railroad train.  
If my words should any rile,  
Just keep smiling, a pleasant smile.

A conductor when he takes his run,  
All frowns and harsh words he  
must shun,  
Be polite, considerate, cheerful, kind,  
Slurs and insults must not mind.  
Calm and patient all the while,  
And always wear a pleasant smile.

He starts his train, begins his work,  
No rule or duty must he shirk.  
Cars are crowded. In the racks,  
Grips and cases heaped in stacks,  
All kinds of bundles in the aisle,  
Keep on smiling a pleasant smile.

Bunch slyly drinking booze that's bad,  
A pimply idiot calls him "Dad."  
Loud-mouthed bully, about half fight,  
Starts a racket; wants a fight.  
Crying babies, in a pile,  
Keep on smiling, darn you, smile.

Dog in a basket, bird in a cage,  
The questions asked would stump  
a sage.

Angry passenger has no seat;  
Barefoot Polack, oh, what feet!  
Odorous Arab, from the Nile,  
Keep on smiling a pleasant smile.

As his train hurries through  
Many things he is asked to do:  
"Raise my window," "Lower my  
chair,"  
"Put this suitcase over there."  
"Fix my bundles in a pile,"  
Keep on smiling, darn you, smile.

Man with a jag on, it's a peach  
Wild-eyed woman wants to preach,  
"Halt, vile sinner, salvation's free,"  
Points her finger and stares at me.  
Your thoughts are evil, your ways  
are vile,  
Keep on smiling, darn you, smile.

Girl in short skirts, about 13,  
"She's under five," this little queen;  
Flashy damsel, money gone,  
Wants assistance to get home,  
Low cut bodice, hose of lisle,  
Keep on smiling, old boy, smile.

Brake beam down, journal hot,  
Leaky engine and what not,  
Breaks his glasses, loses punch,  
Rotten sandwich for his lunch.  
Stomach upset, full of bile,  
Keep on smiling, darn you, smile.

Big, long freight train in the way,  
Gets a message, "Why this delay,"  
Gives a highball in a hurry,  
Driver patient, he should worry.  
Takes his time and pours on oil,  
Keep on smiling, darn you, smile.

Belated party, clothes half on,  
Jumps the train on the run,  
Wrenches arm, skins his knee,  
Straightens up, swears at me.  
Ripped his trousers, lost his tile,  
Keep on smiling, darn you, smile.

Big fat boozer, full of beer,  
Raises window—must have air.  
Pale old lady, hacking cough,  
Says she'll die if it's not shut off.  
Such things as this, mile after mile,  
Keep on smiling, darn you, smile.

Blinding lightning, drenching rain,  
There's that darn red board again.  
Wear, footsore, aching head,  
Almost wishes he was dead.  
Floods of water like the Nile,  
Keep on smiling, darn you, smile.

Boss called out from his soft couch,  
Gets on car with a terrible grouch.  
Walks back and forth, inspects the  
train,  
Relieves his mind in language plain:  
"Your poor work, sir, I'll keep on file."  
Keep on smiling, darn you, smile.

A fearful jolt, a n awful crash,  
Entire train has gone to smash.  
Blows his brains out, dead and gone.  
Peace at last, free from guile,  
Keep on smiling, bless you, smile.

Shapes I err, this thing of evil,  
When he leaves this world he goes  
to the devil,  
Repentance useless, prayers are vain,  
Eternity must spend in pain.  
Eddless torture, surroundings vile,  
Keep on smiling, darn you, smile.

X. Y. Z.

**Love Sickness Real.**  
Medical scientists say that love  
produces in some people definite physical  
maladies ranging from cataplexy, in  
which the victim becomes rigid and un-  
conscious, to deafness and complete  
loss of speech.



**CHRISTMAS STORE**  
ALICE B. PALMER

**WAS** Christmas Eve and everything in the small town of Robbinsdale was bubbling over with the true holiday spirit. Brilliantly lighted Christmas trees, holly wreaths and bells shone through the windows of most every home in town; while each church joined in with its usual Yuletide celebration.

A snow storm the day before had clothed the town in white, as if in preparation for the great holiday. The children just knew that it was sent on purpose, so that Santa Claus could come in his loaded sleigh and fill their stockings.

But amidst all this joy and beauty there was one sad family, who lived at the far end of Main street. They had just received word that their oldest son, Ray, had been lost on the field of battle. Father, mother and the four remaining children were seated within the living room in silence while the happy celebrations were in full swing on all sides of them. Each one was filled with thoughts of other years and how happy they had been. Each saw visions of the heavily loaded Christmas tree gleaming in all its beauty, while their son and brother presided over it in his Santa's outfit. Thus they sat speechless, with lumps in their throats, until bedtime. One by one they retired broken-hearted to finish their visions in the far-off dreamland.

When quietness covered its cloak over the little town and the children's stockings were all waiting for Santa Claus, the midnight flyer pulled in, dropping off a lone passenger—a soldier boy. He had come to surprise his family on the glorious Christmas holiday. Not having heard of the false report of his death, he had come to be their Santa Claus, as of old.

As he was hurrying home he met an old schoolmate, who told him the sad story of how his family had mourned, thinking him dead; and that they had not joined in the usual holiday festivities.

Suddenly a beautiful surprise filled his consciousness, and with the aid of his friend he scoured the town from end to end, fruitlessly awakening all the storekeepers. Loaded with



Here He Trimmed the Tree, Hanging All the Smaller Gifts.

gifts, and with his friend carrying the Christmas tree, they proceeded homeward, while the full winter moon looked down upon them, knowingly.

Ridding his companion a Merry Christmas, and thanking him heartily, he crawled in through the basement window and carefully ascended to the living room. Here he trimmed the tree, hanging all the smaller gifts upon its branches and placing the larger ones upon the floor beneath.

When it was completed he lay down upon the old couch of his childhood and dreamed happy thoughts. He, too, felt a lump in his throat, but his was a lump of gladness, as theirs had been one of sadness.

Here he remained in silence, his heart filled with joy, until Christmas morn. As he beheld the sun glimmering upon the snow-covered scene, making diamonds everywhere, he realized that it was to be one of the most gorgeous Christmas days he had ever witnessed. He hurriedly dressed himself in a bright new Santa outfit, his heart wildly thumping as he did so; and he had just seated himself beneath the glowing tree, when he heard his dear old mother's soft, familiar footsteps upon the stairway.

He listened breathlessly while she descended and passed through the hallway into the kitchen. Then soon the old familiar odors of coffee and griddle cakes came floating in. He could hardly contain himself, as he wanted to rush out and smother her with caresses. With sheer will-power he remained silent until the family was called to breakfast.

Then little Ruth stole into the living room to see if by chance Santa had left her anything. She gave a scream of delight as she beheld the marvelous tree loaded with gifts, and Santa himself actually sitting beneath it.

The next moment the whole family stood wide-eyed, gazing upon the scene before them, too surprised to utter a single word.

Thoughts of a practical joke by their friends came to them, and they hardly knew what to do or say. Tears came to mother's eyes with the memories of her lost son.

Just as father was going to speak, Ray, their own son, pulled the mask from his face and smiled a "Merry Christmas."

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Born, to Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sparks, Dec. 2, a girl. Her name is Billie Frances.

G. E. Welch and Ed Childress, of the Slaton Motor Co., were in the Big Spring section Sunday.

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**SWEATERS**—Every man and boy should have at least three sweaters of various weights—so you are taking no chance that he will be overstocked—if you had thought of a nice sweater as a gift for HIM. Our stocks include the light slip-over style; the heavy Jumbo knit for coldest winter wear; the coat or buttoned model in all weights, all colors and all color combinations—in fact a knit good department which offers more than a score of suggestions—and at a price range which meets the pocket-book requirements of all.

Throughout every department you will find suggestion after suggestion; Wind-breaks, Caps, Belts, Buckles, Watch Guards, Cuff Links, Suspenders—and **NECKWEAR**—you never saw a more wonderful selection. Many with special boxes all their own—and some in special sets.

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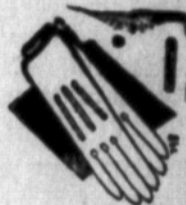
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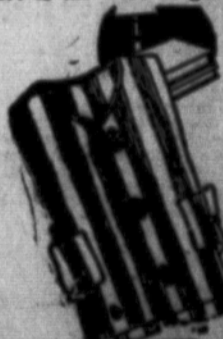
**SOCKS**—Sister can give these—and a great hit it will make with either Dad or brother. They are to be had in wool or wool and silk—or silk—and fancy or plain.



**GLOVES**—Everybody can give gloves. These fine cape skin gloves in natural leather—any shade—reinforced seams and so many as they can be. Priced to suit.



**LOUNGING ROBE**—For husband, father, brother, or son. Every woman knows how men folks dote on lounging robes of gay hue. Here is the ultra in gifts.



**PAJAMAS**—Never have we shown a finer assortment of men's and boys' pajamas. They are in white or the gayest of colors and fancy combinations. Silk, linen or cotton.

**The Men's Store**  
**Uzzell & Thomas**



**MARTIN'S CHRISTMAS**  
*Clara Adams Hays*

MARTIN jabbed his knife into the block, folded the apron gingerly, and jammed it into a hamper in the back room. He sighed.

"By Golly! The first time I've had even to think! Dread 'em every year. Tomorrow's Christmas." He shrugged deprecatingly. Something about the drooping half-moon of his mouth was pathetic.

A brindle and white mongrel paused for a moment in his excited search for scraps, eyed his companion quizzically, and returned resolutely to his sniffling.

"Turkeys and ducks and chickens, 's all they think of. Now and then bacon or ham. I used to think Christmas was different."

The young man rolled down his sleeves and reached for his coat.

"Even she—" his bitterness deepened, "with everything. Fifteen-pound turkey! Lord! I wonder what she'd think if she knew how I feel. More than likely doesn't know I'm alive, and me falling all over myself to save best cuts for her! Oh well, come on, Spud!"

Spud crunched a meat scrap reluctantly.

"All right. Finish that. No hurry." Martin strolled to the window and gazed out at the other festive shop displays. "Christmas 's just a day people take off to eat and give presents in, and if you don't know anybody and room out, there's nothing to it."

"One thing, Spud!" Martin's voice brightened. Spud wagged a responsive tail without looking up. "In two months we'll have the mortgage paid off this joint! Gad, it's been a pull getting started into business. Ten long, long months to save two hundred dollars."

Outside a light snow was falling. Late shoppers, hurrying along, laden with bundles, scarcely glanced at the



tall young philosopher who, followed by a heterogeneous dog, strolled homeward. The excluding gaiety of Christmas Eve laughter and brightly lighted houses intensified Martin's loneliness. He passed the house where she lived and strained his eyes for a glimpse of her. In fancy, he told her about Spud, the market, and even hinted of his love for her.

From down the street a group of children carolled "Silent Night." Martin smiled bitterly. He, too, had believed that story of the birth of a Christ child, once. A "prof" at college had refuted it. Too bad. Pretty story.

She had come to the window now to listen. How lovely she—D—n!

The curd had broken off into terrified screams. A car sped away. Martin found frightened children shivering over the writhing form of a boy. Martin carried him to the light. It was the fellow who bought bits of liver and now and then a scrawny soup bone.

The girl must have seen the accident for she had come out and was saying that she had called an ambulance. They both rode through the crunching snow to the hospital and waited silently.

"Not as bad as we had feared," the doctor finally announced. "Sad case, though. Little fellow is moaning now about who'll take care of his mother. Rent not paid, he says. Seems he's been earning all they've had. When I told him he might be here three months—well, I never saw a kid so down-hearted."

Martin hesitated. "I've got two hundred dollars," he heard himself saying. "If that would do the kid and his mother." He had a fleeting desperate picture of another ten months of saving and stalling off the second mortgage.

He walked home with the girl. Her name was Mary. A regular Christmas name, he said. She smiled.

"That was a beautiful thing to do, Mr. Bowman," she told him. "Did you notice the peace and happiness in that little fellow's face after the doctor had told him? Mr. Bowman, I—"



she hesitated. "I don't suppose you'd care to, but I—we'd like to have you eat Christmas dinner with us. I went up this afternoon to ask you, but you were entirely too busy to notice me and—"

"Too busy to notice you?" Martin gasped. "I thought you'd never notice me!"

Spud had been waiting. His sleepy accusation as he arose from the doorstep was scarcely noticed. The song of the little injured curlew was running through Martin's mind and replacing a cynical philosophy.

"It was a silent night like this," he murmured, he looked up. In a moment larger than

**EX-SERVICE MEN!**

Application for your BONUS POLICY must reach Washington by Dec. 31st or you are sure out of luck. This means money to you or to your family. It costs you nothing. APPLY NOW to nearest Legion Post. Bring Discharge and Serial number. Also record Discharge with County Clerk. ALLEN BROS. POST, American Legion, Lubbock, Texas, A. M. Scott, Service Officer 407 Temple Ellis Bldg.

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For German Police pup, eleven months old, Silver grey; extra large for eleven month old female. Left home Tuesday, 6th, wearing collar decorated with brass buttons. If stolen, will pay \$50.00 reward for evidence to convict thief.

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**EXPRESSION AND MUSIC PROGRAM.**

To be given by the pupils of Alcega Phillips and Grace L. Bailey Wednesday evening, Dec. 21, at the High School Auditorium, at 7:30.

The program will include pupils in the Melody Day (Class piano). Also an Indian War Dance, in which all pupils will take part.

Everyone is invited.

Rev. F. M. Leverage, pastor of the Methodist church, left Monday for St. Louis. He expects to return here Friday.

Sylvester Birkenfeld left Sunday for his home at Nazareth, after visiting with his sister, Mrs. J. B. Achlmayr, and family, who live four miles south of Posey.

**FIREWORKS. WARNING TO PARENTS.**

Shooting fireworks of any kind is strictly forbidden by Ordinance, in business district.

This ordinance will be enforced. If parents will see that children don't violate the law by shooting fire-crackers, roman candles and such like, it will save them paying fines and will stop a serious fire hazard.

Let's all pull together for a sane Christmas.

S. F. KING, Mayor.

**CIVIC AND CULTURE CLUB.**

The Civic and Culture Club met Dec. 10, 1927, in the home of Mrs. Montague, Miss Ramsey, hostess.

Roll Call found twenty members present.

The program for the days was the first of a series on "The Nature, Practice and History of Art," and was rendered in its entirety.

All were convinced that this course will prove both instructive and enjoyable. Mrs. Wallace gave a delayed report of the County Federation meeting.

The Club was delighted to have Miss Guffin present as guest of the day.

The next meeting will be Dec. 31, 1927, three weeks following, on account of the Christmas season, and will meet with Mrs. Pickens.

After adjournment, Miss Ramsey assisted by Mrs. Montague, served a most refreshing plate lunch.

Archie Underwood, of Athens, has been visiting in the home Mr. and Mrs. Fred Quickensted, and looking after interests at the Compress this week.

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**FRED THOMPSON'S "JESSE JAMES" UNUSUAL FILM**

Jesse James, an American Robin Hood if ever there was one, has been immortalized for the generations to come in Fred Thompson's initial Paramount starring vehicle, "Jesse James" which will be shown at the Palace Theatre, Slaton Monday and Tuesday. According to the thrilling story which Mr. Thompson has screened, James was to all intent, hounded by the law for deeds he never committed. When he plundered, it was only to give to the needy. If this be true, America's boyhood now has another idol to worship.

And, talking of idols, there doesn't seem to be anyone else on the screen who quite comes up to the pedestal on which Thomson has been enshrined by film fans. The "Rialto", New York, audience stamped, applauded and shrieked its enthusiastic approval not only for Thomson, but for his super-ruman mount, Silver King. "Jesse James" marks a definite

**NOTICE, REBECKAH'S**

The Rebeckah lodge has changed its meeting night from Monday to Friday, to be effective Dec. 30. The American Legion will use the hall on Monday nights.

step in the right direction. If we are to judge from the attendance when Westerns are shown, people like them. Here is a Western—plus. It has all the things which are usually found in outdoor dramas—action, wild riding, gorgeous scenery, a good love story plenty of fighting and pep. In addition to all these, it has something of value to give. "Jesse James" might well be considered an historical document. It portrays life during the Civil War with vividness. It takes us on the raids of Confederate cavalry regiments. It takes us into the camps of the Union and, in its lighter moments, it even discloses a water nymph of 1863, with her superfluous costume.

**List of Subscribers To Poultry Show Fund**

Following is a list of those who contributed to the fund raised for defraying expenses of the Slaton Poultry Show held in Slaton, Dec. 1, 2 and 3:

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- E. E. Johnson
- Henry Printing Co.
- Lubbock Poultry & Egg Co.

**Slaton Hunters Bag Seven-Point Buck**

George Green, R. W. Scott and Henry Phillips, all of this city, returned Thursday morning from a short hunting trip in the Davis mountains, having left here Sunday. They brought back a seven-point, blacktail buck as a hunting trophy. The deer weighed about 300 pounds, the men said. The luckiest friends and families of these three gentlemen will feast on venison as the Christmas season approaches.

**PALACE THEATRE**

SLATON -- 2 BIG NITES -- MONDAY AND TUESDAY, DEC. 19-20

FRED THOMPSON in

**Jesse James**

Fred Thomson, the idol of America, in his first for Paramount! Imagine Thomson as Jesse James, the outlaw who rode hell-bent—who fought with reins in his teeth, two guns blazing in his hands, two more at his belt and a brace of sawed-off shot guns lashed to his saddle! Here's a drama as ruthless and thrilling as "Underworld"!

Here is the true story of Jesse James—history's most colorful, misunderstood character! Loved by many, feared by most but admired by all, the original cowboy cavalier has come to life!

**Extra Added**

OUR 1927 CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

**SANTA CLAUS**

The Biggest Christmas Special of all the time, "SANTA CLAUS" a three-act featurette, showing the home of Santa—in the Clouds, his Work Shop, his many Helpers. The trip to Earth, the Chimney Route, then lost in the Snows, see the Reindeer Farm with all the many reindeers. TRULY—Here is a novelty of once in a lifetime, that Young and Old will enjoy alike. Whatever else you do—be SURE and bring ALL the Family to see SANTA—the extra added attraction on the same program with Jesse James. FOLKS—Here is the biggest program of entertainment of the entire year. If you are in doubt, ask those who see it the first night. "A show worth going a hundred miles to see" EVERYBODY IS GOING TO SEE THIS BIG ONE!

—THE SLATON—

**Merchants Christmas Week**

—AT THE PALACE THEATRE—

Over 100 PRIZES During Week of Dec. 19th—To Wish You a Christmas Full of Cheer and a Happy Prosperous New Year!!!

The Merchants of Slaton will donate to the People of Slaton and Community—over 100 FREE PRIZES. To be Given Away at the PALACE THEATRE week of December 19th. PRIZES GIVEN AT CLOSE OF FIRST NIGHT PERFORMANCE EACH NIGHT—Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Dec. 21, 22, 23 and 24.

Complete Change of Program Each Night—400 Pounds of Sugar Given by the Palace Theatre.

- The "M" System Store—4 cans Gold Bar Peaches
- Red Cross Pharmacy—Beautiful Bowl and "Candle Sticks"
- Chick's Market—4 half-gallon Binions Country Sorghum
- Alexander and Walker Barber Shop—4 Hair Cuts and Shaves.
- First State Bank—\$10.00 in Gold
- Ragsdale Insurance Agency—4 Policies in the Slaton Home Mutual
- The Acorn Store—Ladies' House Shoes, Men's Handkerchief Doll, Drummer Boy.
- Garland's Service Station—4 gallon of Amalie Motor Oil
- Chilli King—Four Credit Coupons good in trade.
- Piedmont Garage—Four cans of Tire Patch
- Williams Auto Co.—Can of tire patch, 1 pump, can of Williams Weld Tight tire patch, one quart Quaker State Oil.
- Paul Owens, Jeweler—Beautiful Silver Bread Tray, one Westlock America
- O. Z. Ball—Four Credit Coupons, good in service or merchandise.
- Palace Barber Shop—One bottle of 3-Tone Hair Tonic.
- Jones Dry Goods Co.—One Pair of Cinderella Hose, \$2.50 value.
- Catching's Drug Store—One Toilet Set.
- Slaton Hardware Company—Ingersol Watch, Flashlight, sack of Nails, Washboard.
- Slaton State Bank—Ten Dollars.
- Model Grocery Company—4 cans of Chase & Sanborn Red Seal Coffee.
- City Baking Company—Two Cakes (like Mother makes).
- White Star Market—2 lb. Weiners, 1 lb. Cream Cheese, 1 lb. Breakfast Bacon, 1 lb. Boiled Ham.
- Santa Fe Barber Shop—One bottle Fitch's Hair Tonic
- City Drug Company—Box Marsha Powder; \$2.50 bottle Ben Hurr Perfume; bottle \$1.50 Size Ben Hurr Toilet Water.
- Taylor the Tailor—Four Credit Coupons.
- Payne's Dry Goods Store—Pair of Men's Silk Sox.
- The Slatonite—One year's subscription to The Slatonite.
- O. D. McClintock Furniture Co.—4 1/2-pint cans Water-Spar Lacquer.
- Slaton Steam Laundry—Two \$1.50 Credit Coupons.
- Manire Studio—2 half-dozen 4x6 Pictures.
- Elrod Furniture Co.—One Baby Chair.
- Home Furniture Co.—One Bridge Lamp.
- Outlet Store—One Pair Men's Socks.
- Drewery Barber Shop—4 bottles of Hair Tonic.
- The Men's Store—4 pair of socks.
- Teague's Drug Store—2-pound box of King's Candy.
- Harry's Grocery—4 jars of Rainbow Mayonnaise Dressing.
- Smith's Service Station—4 cans of Devil Grip Tire Patch.
- Carmichael Garage—Can of Duco Polish, Liquid Solder, Gal. of Nupro Motor Oil, One 30x3 1/2 Inner Tube.
- Piggly Wiggly—Four Cans of Lipton's Coffee.
- Woolever, the Plumber—One Gas Stove.
- Bon Ton Cafe—\$2.00 Meal Ticket.
- Imperial Barber Shop—One Hair Cut and one Shampoo.
- Evans Tailor Shop—Two \$1.50 credit coupons.
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WE WISH THE MERCHANTS OF SLATON A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR AND THANK THEM FOR HELPING US MAKE THIS A BIG WEEK OF "GOOD CHEER"

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ONLY, Dec. 21

Douglas MacLean in "SOFT CUSHIONS" A smart aleck pulls the Sultan's beard, steals the Sultan's favorite and almost has his neck chopped off. He's the hero of SOFT CUSHIONS Only 10c, 25c, 35c

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EDDIE CANTOR In the Paramount Comedy "SPECIAL DELIVERY"

**Hokus Pokus Specials for Saturday**

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HAMS	ARMOURS STAR, The Ham What Am, Lb.	.23
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SWEET POTATOES	FANCY EAST TEXAS, Per lb.	.02 1-2
SPUDS	NO. 1 IDAHO, 10 lbs.	.25
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ENGLISH WALNUTS	NO. 1, Per lb.	.28
RAISINS	MARKET DAY, 4 lb. Package	.34
ORANGES	RED BALL, Per Dozen	.24
SCHOOL TABLETS	REGULAR 5c SIZE, 2 for	.05
PEACHES	PER GALLON	.46
CANDY	CHRISTMAS MIXED, Per lb.	.16
CHILLI	RATLIFF'S, No. 1	.11
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ONIONS	SWEET YELLOW SPANISH, Per lb.	.04

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**Money Talks**

## Cooking Chats with 6 Famous Cooks

(Courtesy of the Domestic Science Department, Perfection Stove Company)

### WELCOME CHANGES FOR THE BREAKFAST MENU

(Editor's Note: This is one of a series of cooking articles by six of the country's best-known cooks.)

Bacon, eggs, toast, cereal. Mighty good for breakfast, but don't we sometimes get tired of them?

Hot breads are always welcome, and they don't take very long to prepare. And waffles make a big hit, although they require a little more work on the part of the cook. However, it's worth it, when we see the look of pure joy on the faces of the youngsters while they eat.



MARGARET ALLEN HALL



#### Berry Muffins

Blueberries, huckleberries, raspberries—any berries in season—are delicious in muffins. Miss Margaret Allen Hall, nutrition specialist at the Battle Creek College of Home Economics, gives her favorite muffin recipe.

- 1 cup fresh berries
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- egg
- 1/2 cup milk
- 2 cups sifted flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder

Sift the dry ingredients together. Cream the butter and sugar. Add the milk and the dry ingredients alternately. At the last, fold in the berries.

Always pour berries before putting them into the batter. This keeps them from going to the bottom.

It's always best to have a hot oven for muffins and biscuits. If you cook with a modern long-chimney oil stove, turn the flame until yellow tips appear, about 1 1/2 inches high above the blue area. This flame pre-heats quickly.

#### Golden Corn Muffins

Corn muffins, crisp and golden crusted, are delicious. This is how Miss Hall makes them.

- 1/2 cup cornmeal
- 1/4 cups flour
- 1/2 tablespoons sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon melted butter
- 1 cup milk
- 1 egg
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder

Sift the dry ingredients together. Beat the egg, add the milk and stir in the dry ingredients. Turn into muffin tins and bake in a hot oven twenty-five to thirty minutes.



#### New Pancakes

Pancakes? Of course! Every family likes them, sour milk, and such. But have you ever tried rye pancakes? Delicious. The following recipe is contributed by Miss Lucy G. Allen, principal of the Boston School of Cookery.

Mix one cup each of rye meal and bread flour, one-fourth cup of sugar,

two teaspoons of cream of tartar, one teaspoon of soda, one teaspoon of salt and one-half teaspoon of grated nutmeg.

Add one well-beaten egg and one cup of milk. Beat well and drop by spoonfuls into deep fat. Drain on soft paper and serve hot with maple or any good sweet syrup.

#### Rice Griddle Cakes

Rice griddle cakes have made a name for themselves down south. And there's no reason why folks everywhere should not like them. Miss Rosa Michaelis, New Orleans cooking expert, gives her recipe for them.

- 1 cup boiled rice
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/2 cup flour
- egg
- 1/2 teaspoons shortening
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder

Mix rice, milk, melted shortening, salt and well-beaten egg. Sift the dry ingredients and add to first mixture. Mix thoroughly and bake on hot greased griddle.



#### Hot Waffles!

And where can you find a dish more enticing than waffles, served with rich maple syrup, corn syrup, or molasses? The following recipe is also Miss Michaelis'!

- 3/4 cups flour
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/2 egg
- 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 egg
- 1/2 teaspoons shortening
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

Sift dry ingredients; add milk to the yolks of eggs. Beat thoroughly and add to dry ingredients, now the melted shortening and mix in the beaten whites of the eggs. Bake well in hot waffle iron. Some of the modern devices require no grease in the baking. Serve at once.

Many women set the table the night before, and have all cooking utensils needed for breakfast laid out to save time in the morning. This avoids much needless early morning confusion.

Oil stove users will be glad to know that there is a new oil burner which will burn all kinds of oil, and is easy to use.



God rest ye, merry gentlemen, Let nothing you dismay!

THE words sounded through the hall of the big office building in a high, clear soprano, which made both John Harden and his son, Ralph, look up, startled and irritated. Then, as "merry gentlemen" sounded farther off, John Harden thought, "It's a good thing that woman didn't come in here singing that 'Merry gentlemen,' indeed!" and he looked over at his son, who sat brooding at his desk.

"If Ralph would only give me his confidence!" he thought. "Money trouble of some kind, I suppose, and I'd help him out if he'd only tell me. Troubles enough of my own, but not about money. If a million dollars would remove this threat of blindness, I'd pay it in a minute."

"Let nothing you dismay!" came the clear, light voice again, and Ralph thought:

"How can I help being dismayed, with a pile of gambling debts I'll never get out from under? Father suspects, too, I know, for he looks glum all the time, and keeps his hand over his eyes so much. If he'd only ask me, maybe I'd have the courage to tell him."

As the singing voice neared the office again, Harden growled, "Tell that girl to hush up or go away!" Then the office door opened, and the words "merry gentlemen" made both men look up, impatiently. But, instead of a bold young woman—

stood a scrubby newsboy, saying: "Collectin' for the Times. Circulation manager's so busy he sent me."

"Where did you learn to sing?" asked Ralph. "St. Luke's choir. We're practicin' for Christmas. Get fifty cents a Sunday, and I get a dollar Christmas, 'cause I sing a solo. Gee, it's luck, for Dad's been sick and if it goes on this way, I'd never get clothes for school. Whaj's think? Got five dollars out o' choir money saved for a new overcoat!"

"Here's another toward it," said Ralph, "and I hope your father gets well."

"Thank you!" exclaimed the boy, pocketing the dollar. "Gee, I hope he does, too, 'cause he's all the family I got. He works in a factory where the light's bad, and sometimes his eyes go wrong."

"Couldn't he work somewhere else?" queried Mr. Harden.

"Yep; there's a grand place goin' to be vacant at the paper-box factory, where there's hardly any eye work, but there's so many after it—"

"Wait!" said Harden. "I know Mortimer, who owns that factory. I'll give you a note to take him. What's your father's name?"

"Albert Wickens, and he's all right! You tell 'em I said so—know him all my life, an' I recommend him."

Presently Harden looked up, saying, "Here's the note, and a dollar for your New Year's greeting in advance. Don't forget to come in with it—it's paid for, remember!"

"You bet I'll come! I'd get a handsome tickin' if my Dad ever heard o' my bein' crooked! I'm proud o' my ole man an' I want to make him proud o' me."

With that, the door slammed, and the young voice was heard caroling down the hall.

The two men looked at each other, speaking simultaneously: "Son, I have something to say—"

"Dad, I have something to tell—"

Then, with half-embarrassed amusement, they both laughed, hesitatingly.

"I guess there's a good deal we have to tell each other," said John Harden. "I propose that we get a private room at the club and have some lunch, and talk things over."

"Great!" said Ralph, rising to help his father with his coat. "I'm not looking forward, exactly, to what I have to say, because I'm ashamed of it, but it'll be a relief."

"Nothing you can tell me will be as bad as this estrangement has been," replied his father. "If it's anything I can help you about—"

"It is, and if you'll straighten me out this time, I know I'll never get in such a hole again. When that kid said, 'I'm proud o' my ole man, and I want him to be—'

Ralph choked and stopped, but by this time they were in the outer hall, so John Harden simply took his son's arm and pressed it affectionately.



BETWEEN THIEVES ALBERT PERKINS

ALBERT GORM was a hard nut to crack and proud of it. Nobody realized it more than the group of hard men who sat around a table with him, comfortable in their armchairs, warm with the heat of steam radiators and plenty of coal, and little interested in those who could not pay for protection against the bitter late December cold.

"I guess he could pull through if we nursed him a bit," one of the group was remarking. "He's young, and enthusiastic. His organization's good. Never let himself get cornered like this before. Sure will be a lesson to him."

"Nurse him long enough, he'll get into the wholesale line and increase competition. Arvo! there enough of us already!" It was Jabez Gorm who spoke.

"If you don't encourage the good ones a bit, you're apt to get all the more bad ones." A hard voice from a hard face was speaking on the other side of the table.

"Ever seen a good one when he's selling against you?" Jabez countered.

"Kinda hard to hammer a fellow the first time he's up against it," a rather kindlier voice broke in.

"Harder he's hammered the tougher he'll get. That's how I got toughened," said another.

On and on the debate went. Figures were tabbed. How much the debtor owed; how much he was likely to produce in bankruptcy; how much the dividend would be; whether it would pay better to take 50 per cent and get rid of a potential rival, or get 75 and let him start again with a clean sheet, or give him lots of time to pay in full.

On and on they argued. The snow clattered up the window and deafened the outside sounds of happiness and good cheer, of hastening feet, of shivering flubs, of arms flapping to keep hungry and ill-clad bodies warm.

And the argument went on. Cheerful greetings, happy salutations, heartfelt good wishes were exchanged right and left in the street below; but in an upper room of the big hotel the hard-faced group argued on and heard nothing.

"Well, look, fellows, we can't stay all night. I gotta take the train tonight. All packed up an' everything. Going to play golf in Florida over the holidays. Gotta get this thing over quick or I miss that train."

"Lucky dog. I can't afford to play golf in Florida." This from Jabez Gorm. "Neither can I afford to play good Samaritan to bankrupt young fools. Let him assign and be done with it."

The final decision was so registered, and the creditors' meeting broke up, one to fly for a train heading south; some to join hilarious parties in the banquet halls of the hotel; Jabez Gorm to return to a big, stern-looking house in which many servants had prepared with professional efficiency the seasonal decorations, the gifts and the festive touches that fashion and social custom required to be provided for the children of this very elegant house.

Seven o'clock next morning. The bells were ringing their annual message of peace and good will. A choir in a little nearby church was singing, "Noel, Noel." Charlie Gorm, five years old and full of faith in the things that really matter, was dancing round the paternal bed of the Gorm household.

"Look, Daddy, what Santa Claus left for me! A letter with it an' evvythin'." Look.

Jabez roused himself and read: "I was cleaning up your house when I saw the kid's stocking hung up and remembered about Christmas. Hate to do anybody a bad turn on Christmas Eve. Here's a buck for the baby's Christmas. Look out for your silver and other valuables some other night."

Not so long ago Jabez had taken prizes at Sunday school.

Funny that the only lesson he could think of now was about another thief who repented in time and won the first guaranteed pass through the pearly gates of heaven.

Jabez Gorm would have given a hand to call that meeting back.

But they were gone their several ways. Not for months could they all be got together again.

The church bells pealed once more. To Jabez Gorm they seemed to sing, "Late, too late, too late, too late."

Lock, Daddy, What Santa Claus Left for Me!

Illustration of a man in a room

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# CHURCHES

had cluttered up her highways with caravans, stuffed the inns to the last inch with travel worn and tax weary pilgrims, when the Lord of Life came to his own. Trees and birds found shelter for their young, but only the kindly cattle gave Him room, and lent Him a manger and a bed of fragrant straw.—Selected.

## First Christian Church

Panhandle Ave. and East Scurry Sunday School, 9:45 a. m., J. D. Morris, Supt. Morning Sermon, 11 o'clock, by Rev. A. L. Page. Everyone cordially invited.

## St. Joseph's Catholic Church

Sunday, December 18, 1927. Priest in charge, Rev. Father O'Brien. Mass and Sermon, at 8 and 10 a. m. Special services each evening except Friday. Midnight Mass Christmas Eve. Everyone invited.

## Methodist Church.

Cor. West Lubbock and 10 St. Sunday School, 9:45 a. m. W. E. Olive, Supt. Preaching, by Pastor M. F. Leveredge. Morning Sermon, 11 a. m. Evening Sermon, 7 p. m. League, 6 p. m. All are cordially invited to these services.

## Presbyterian Church

West Lubbock and 11 St. Sunday School, 9:45, S. A. Peavy, Supt. Preaching by Bishop Seamon, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Sunday evening, 7:30. Everyone is cordially invited to all services.

## Church of Christ.

Division and 11th Sts. Sunday School, 9:45. Preaching, 11 a. m. Communion, 12 M. Evening Sermon, 7:30, by Pastor Rev. Berry. Young People's Training Class, 6:30. Everyone welcome to all services.

## Baptist Church.

Sunday School, 9:45, G. J. Catching, Supt. Preaching by B. J. Holloway, Pastor. Morning Service, 11 a. m. Evening Service, 7:30 p. m. B. Y. P. U., 6. 30 p. m. Workers' Council, 7:30, Wednesday evening.

## Lutheran Church.

A. B. WEISS, Pastor. Posey: Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. English Services, 10:30 a. m. Luther League, 8 p. m. Southland: Sunday School, 2:00 p. m. English services, 3:30 p. m. The bazaar by the Ladies' Aid will take place at the Posey school house Saturday afternoon. You are always welcome.

## METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Ladies' of the Methodist Missionary Society are taking subscription-operation will be greatly appreciated for the Holland's Magazine, 1 yr \$1.50, 2 years \$2.50. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated. MRS. HESTAND, Com. Ch.

## CHURCH OF CHRIST WEDNESDAY EVENING PROGRAM.

Dec. 21, 1927. Song Leader—R. L. DeBusk. Leader—Gilbert Self. Scripture—Jno. 3:16-36. How Will I Know That I am One of the Elect—Bro. Batey. Special Song by F. J. Berry and family. Christ, the Master—Ollie Mayo Gathers. Children Bible Drill, conducted by F. J. Berry.

# SOCIETY and PERSONAL

MRS. S. E. STAGGS

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## WHAT NEXT.

Club met at the home of Mrs. L. C. Odom with Miss Joe Bailey and Miss Iva Cary as hostesses. By 8 p. m., the following young ladies had assembled:

## Y. W. A. REPORT.

The Y. W. A. met at the First Baptist Church December 12, 1927. Mrs. E. G. Holloway, our leader, being absent, Miss Maurice Hardesty took charge. The officers were elected for the following year, as follows: Ruby Catching, President. Zelra DeVore, vice president. Oleta Russell, secretary and treasurer.

Pauline Sanders, Asst. Sec. Beryl Hardesty, pianist. Maurice Hardesty, chorister. Mildred Boyd, reporter. Program for December 19, 1927. Topic—The Star of Light and of Darkness. Leader—Ruby Catching. Prayer. Scripture—Verses on Light—Mildred Boyd.

The Star That Became Darkness—Pauline Sanders. The Morning Star—Lucile Gattis. The Lights From Each Star—Oleta Russell.

The Light of the World—Crystal Christ—Maurice Hardesty. Closing Prayer. The Y. W. A. invites the young ladies of the town to join us at the home of Ruby Catching, December 19. Reporter.

## BUILDERS' CLASS.

The Builders' Class of the Methodist Sunday School met at the home of Mrs. J. S. Edwards, Dec. 13th, in business and social meeting.

Scripture reading—34th Chapter of Ezekiel, by Mrs. Forrest. Prayer—Mrs. Wilson. Reading of minutes of last meeting. Members report ten minute visits made to sick and strangers. Mrs. Proctor read a letter from W. O. W. paper written by Mother Shipman, which was interesting.

The meeting continued with a Bible lesson led by Mrs. Forrest.

We were dismissed by repeating the Lord's Prayer. Mrs. Edwards, assisted by Mrs. Swanner, served a delicious plate lunch. Our next meeting will be with Mrs. Forrest Jan. 9th. Reporter.

bid: Misses Tera Baughman, Jerry Pirtle, Clarice Smith, Ouida Buzbee, Lois Cone Aileen Phillips, Joan Bullock, Edith Watson, Fleda Gilliam. Upon arrival they were told to prepare for the evening's fun, which every one enjoyed immensely, closing with sandwiches and candies. All of these young ladies proceeded to woo sweet Morpheus until morning, and awoke when the alarm was sounded and all went to a specially prepared breakfast at the Bon Ton.

## MRS. BROWN ENTERTAINS THURSDAY BRIDGE CLUB.

Mrs. Kirby Brown was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club and a few friends at her home Thursday afternoon. The regular Club members and the following guests were present: Mrs. S. A. Peavy, Mrs. E. B. Carraway, Mrs. G. R. Miller, Mrs. R. A. Baldwin, Mrs. D. L. Badgley, Mrs. F. A. Donnel, Mrs. Herbert Wall and Miss Davis.

## BRIDGE CLUB MEETS.

A Bridge Club composed of the following young ladies, met with Miss Elizabeth Smht as hostess, at the home of Mrs. W. B. Hestand: Misses Aline Tucker Frances Blundell, Josephine McHugh, and Mesdames Fred England, N. A. Stuart, Quincy Olive. Dainty refreshments were served.

## MR. AND MRS. WALTER TOMLINSON ENTERTAIN.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tomlinson entertained a number of their friends Tuesday night at their home on West Lubbock St. Santa Claus had arrived some time during the afternoon and left a tree loaded with good things to eat, as well as gifts for each of the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ragsdale, Misses Irene Stout, Phillips, Joan Bullock, McRay, Dr. and Mrs. Williams, Silas Tekel, Ray Kirby and Dr. Shanks.

Novelty games were much enjoyed, as well as old Santa's gifts.

## MARRIED.

Mr. Odie Williams and Miss Alma Gentry, prominent young people of Posey neighborhood, were married Sunday morning at 9:30, at the M. E. parsonage, by Rev. M. F. Leveredge.

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## CALLED MEETING, O. E. S.

Meeting is called for O. E. S. for the purpose of Initiation. Your presence is requested at the Masonic hall Saturday evening, Dec. 17, at 7:30. KATHERINE ELKINS, W. M. EUNICE STUART, Secy.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brannon were business visitors to Lubbock Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. J. R. McAtee, who has been visiting in Flomont, returned home Tuesday evening. Mr. McAtee and their son are in business in Flomont.

Miss May Driver, a nurse in a Lubbock sanitarium, is spending the week end with her parents.

Woodie Rogers was operated on for appendicitis, and is doing nicely at a Lubbock hospital.

Mrs. Joe McDonald, formerly of Slaton, but now of Plainview, went through a major operation at a Lubbock hospital Tuesday.

Rev. M. F. Leveredge, Pres. of the Financial Board of West Texas Conference, who was called to St. Louis in the interests of the Board, will return Saturday.

David Ayres and children, of Crosbyton, spent a few days here visiting the families of K. C. Scott, Geo. Everline and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Miller will occupy the new house being built by S. S. Forrest, next door to S. A. Peavy.

We are sorry to learn that the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Herd is confined in the hospital at Lubbock with mastoid trouble, and also that Mr. Herd's father had the misfortune to sprain an ankle.

Bishop Seamon, of Amarillo, will preach at the Presbyterian Church Sunday night, Dec. 18th, at 7:30. All are cordially invited.

## NOTICE.

Local Union No. 1266, Slaton cordially invites all Union Carpenters, Contractors and families to be present Monday night, Dec. 19, at hall. Enjoyable entertainment will be given and a supper served.

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And the cost of securing a Precision movement is but little more.

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SLATON, TEXAS

# J.T. Overby, Real Estate



# Christmas Greetings

TO EVERYBODY

From the store who has what you want in the way of useful and worth while goods for your Christmas presents.

## PAYNE'S CASH DRY GOODS

### Buick Meets 'Our Gang'



Few will need to be told that this is "Our Gang", of screen fame. And the smiles are evidence enough that the gang's introduction to the Buick Brougham which forms the background must have been entirely to the young stars' liking. Buick is a favorite car on the Pacific coast, where this photograph was taken.

#### SISTER OF MRS. PERRY MOSS DID THANKSGIVING

Mrs. H. C. Roberts, sister of Mrs. Perry Moss, passed away Nov. 25, in Clovis, after several months illness. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Blue of Portales, N. M., pioneer rancher who has lived in that state about 30 years. Besides the mother and father, she is survived by her husband and son and the following sisters: Mrs. W. A. Duckworth, of Amarillo, formerly of this city, Mrs. Ira Walker, Mrs. James Adamson, Mrs. E. J. Walker, all of Clovis, and Mrs. Perry Moss of this city. All were at her bedside.

#### EAST WARD P. T. A.

East Ward P. T. A. met in regular session Thursday, 8th. Mr. Brinker's room had charge of the program, which was very interesting. His room also won the banner for having the most parents visiting the room in the past two weeks.

Miss Buzbee is our new secretary, taking the place of Mrs. T. O. Petty, who resigned. We are glad Mrs. Stottlenire is back to work with us.

Every mother is urged to attend these meetings. There will be no meeting Dec. 22, as school will be dismissed for the holidays. Our next meeting will be Jan. 5th.

Reporter.

#### BLUE BONNET CLUB.

Blue Bonnet Club met at the Club House, Nov. 30, with Mesdames Culwell and Swafford as hostess. A very pleasant afternoon was spent planning for the Christmas program and the coming year.

Delicious refreshments were served to members.

The Club met again Wednesday, Dec. 14, at the Club House for a one o'clock luncheon prepared by members, who came prepared to work.

A quilt was completed that will be sent to the little orphan girl (Mildred Marie Hacker) whom we are supporting in Amarillo.

The Club members wish to thank A. J. Payne for the woolen samples which he donated for the quilt.

Each Club member is urged to be present, accompanied by her husband, at the home of Mrs. J. F. Merrill, Dec. 21st, at 8 p. m., for a Tacky Party and this will also be a Watch Party, lasting until the New Year.

Next regular meeting will be at the home of Mrs. J. A. Klamer, 324 N. 1st St., on Jan. 11th.

#### JUNIOR CIVIC AND CULTURE CLUB.

The Junior Civic and Culture Club met Saturday, Dec. 3, with Miss Frances Guffin as hostess, as the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Scudder. An interesting program on "Photography" was led by Miss Clarice Smith.

On Saturday, Dec. 17, the Club will meet with Mrs. Rae Porter, with Miss Grace Pirtle as leader. All of the members are urged to be present, as a very interesting program is anticipated.

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I think I have been fortunate in obtaining the services of "Jack" Martin, who will have charge of our repair shop. He will inspect your car

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—and advise you of your needs. He comes highly recommended, and is proving himself of unusual qualifications.

Will unload a carload of new model Whippets this week. See the new "Cabriolet". It is a knock-out.

## Piedmont Garage

K. L. SCUDDER

### A CHRISTMAS PRESENT--- FROM YOUR LIGHT COMPANY

In order to have everybody know the advantages of the new inside frosted lamps, we are going to give to each METER customer a 100 watt Mazda Lamp. This inside frosting consumes only 1 1-2% of the light and makes a white light which is much easier on the eye than the old style clear bulb.

If you have not received yours by Dec. 23rd, please call at our office for same. Yours for better lighting,

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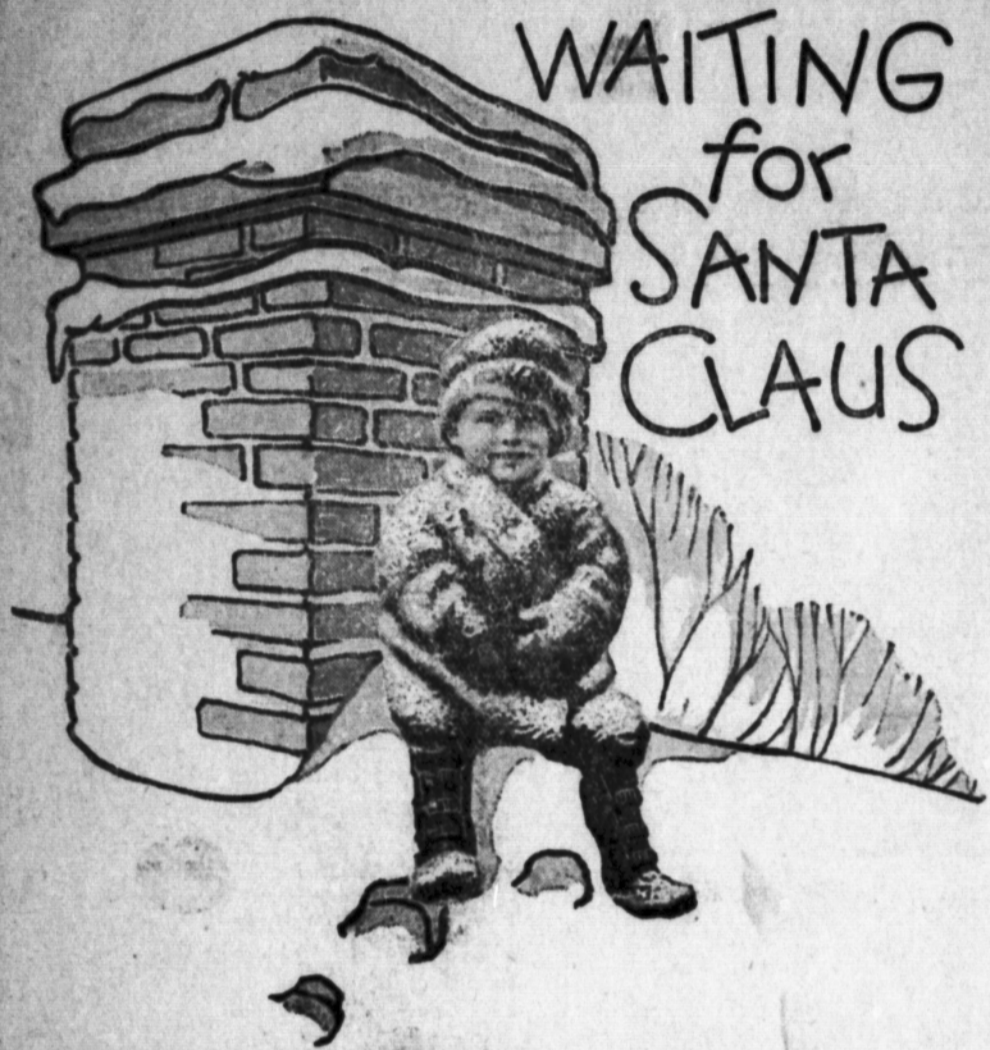
# THE SLATON SLATONITE

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Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a cowboy suit and an air-gun, and a Sandy Andy, and a train and that's all. Come to see Virginia Louise. Come to see me. My name is Billie Johnson. My house number is 240 East Dickens.

Slaton, Texas, Dec. 11, 1927.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little boy five years old, have been real good since you were here last year and now I want you to bring me a scooter, an air rifle, a train, a drum and a box of tinker toys also some candy, fruit and nuts.

Your friend,  
Maurice Middleton,  
415 S. 7th St.

Slaton, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus  
North Pole  
I am a little girl three years old. I have been a good girl and I want you to send me a table and chairs and a baby bed, and some dishes for my table, and some candy and oranges. I will be good until I hear from you next Christmas.

Yours truly,  
June Katherine Scott.

Slaton, Texas, Dec. 11, 1927.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a football and a dump truck. Do not forget the other boys and girls. Billy Joe wants a football too. Bring Buster a dump truck and Docia would like to have a "nigger" doll please. All of us have been real good this year.

Your little friend,  
H. C. Burrus, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a Stocking and Rose Mary and a Boudoir Doll.

Stocking	\$ 1.89
Rose Mary	10.98
Boudoir Doll	1.00
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	\$13.87

From  
Mary Watkins.

## COOPER DASHING AS WESTERN HERO

The screen's newest "Western" hero, already acclaimed one of film-dom's most dashing exponents of the stirring life of the great open spaces, comes to the Palace Theatre on Saturday, matinee and night, in Slaton, when Gary Cooper, Paramount star, will be seen in the leading role of "Arizona Bound".

Though Cooper has been in motion pictures but little more than a year, his fascinating screen presence and his real ability as an actor have already served to elevate him to a coveted position in the screen world. Raised on a Montana ranch, he is an accomplished horseman, a typical product of the Great West.

For two years Cooper "rode herd" with the cowboys on his father's ranch, following the chuck wagon on the great found-ups, sleeping on the ground at night, and acquiring a muscular development which, combined with his height of six feet, two inches, makes him an ideal type for his role.

A competent judge of horse-flesh, the new star brings to the screen an equine companion which is acclaimed as the most beautiful horse ever seen in motion pictures. This remarkable steed, "Flash," is a cream-colored Arabian stallion, and in addition to his beauty and animation, is an actor of unusual accomplishments, rivaling Tony, Silver King and Rex.

## JOE STOKES NEWS.

Sunday School is progressing nicely. We are having good attendance, but we want better. The young people's class elected a new teacher and secretary on account of these officers having to move.

Miss Nora Mode was elected teacher and Mr. Kit Medlin, secretary. We are proud of our young people's class.

We also have the Red and Blue contest in this class. Come all you young people and be on the Red side, because the losers are going to entertain the winners and the Reds would like to win.

Brother Boyd, from Wilson, gave us a splendid talk Sunday morning. He will be with us every fourth Sunday afternoon. We will be very glad to have him.

There will be a Community Christmas tree at the Joe Stokes school building on Christmas Eve night. A program is also being arranged by the teachers.

Miss Clara Diehlmann and mother spent the week end at Tahoka.

Misses Mattie and Nettie Hancock spent Sunday with Misses Lola and Hauce Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Smith and children spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Smith.

Dixie boys played a game of basketball with the Joe Stokes boys last Friday afternoon. Our boys were defeated 16 to 6. We are proud of our boys, they were good losers. Perhaps they will be good winners next time.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Jennings entertained a number of young people with a party last Saturday night. Many games were played and at least a number was drawn by each person, on the reverse side of this number there was a religious song that had to be sung before they could enter the dining room, where they were served ham sandwiches, hot chocolate and cake. Everyone had an enjoyable time.

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Slaton, Texas,  
Dec. 4, 1927

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a coaster wagon a drawing book, painting book, little train horn that toots triangle candies and nuts.

Your little boy,  
Dixie G.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a bicycle some nuts, candy, fire crackers and sparklers. My little sister wants a doll. Kiddie car and a set of dishes also some candy nuts and sparklers if you have a little doll trunk please bring it too and that will be enough till next year.

James Doyle Jones  
Janet Marie Jones.

Slaton, Texas  
Rt. 1, Box 153

Dec. 6, 1927.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a aluminum cke set and a sleepy doll also any other things you have for me. Don't forget I have a baby sister now she has never seen you. Be sure and bring her lots of nice things her name is Ima Jean she will be 7 months old soon. don't forget the candy, fruits and nuts.

We can't hardly wait to see you.  
By by

Lillie Gentry.

Dear Santa Claus

I am writing you a letter to tell you what I want please Bring me one large Xmas stocking and one scooter and one doll and try to get here 1 week before Xmas as we are planning to go to Wichita Xmas and won't be here, I am not asking for much cost 69, K912 and candy and that will be all.

As Ever,

Lucelle Savell,  
Route 2, Box 89, Slaton, Texas.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 6 years old I go to school I am in the first grade I want you to bring me a coasting wagon, fire crackers, and a monkey that climbs a string and lots of fruits, nuts and candy for I have been good all most two weeks and I pick cotton every day.

Yours truly,  
Joseph Gamble

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a stocking and a Boudoir Doll for mother and a baby swing for Phil and Felix cat for J. H. and an auto race track and cars for Joseph and sweater, booties, gloves and cap for me.

Stocking	\$1.89
Boudoir Doll	1.00
Baby Swing	1.79
Felix Cat	.49
race track	.89
sweater	.79
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	\$6.85

From  
Katrina Brewer.

Slaton, Texas,  
December 3, 1927.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl eight years old, I go to school and I am in the third grade. I love my teacher her name is Mrs. Tedford. I have been good almost a month. I want you to be sure and get to me. I want a big mama doll with sleepy eyes and curly hair; a gray doll buggy, a little box of stationery, some handkerchiefs and apples, oranges, bananas, and all kinds of nuts and candies but be sure and bring the little poor boys and girls something too.

Yours truly,  
Christine Gamble.

Slaton, Tex., Dec. 11, 1927.

Dear Santa Claus:

We are 3 little sisters. We live out on south Ninth St. We want you to bring us—

Aletha a doll bed  
Veneta a little lullaby doll, .39  
Itha Myri a lullaby doll too, .39.

We have a bro. that would like for you to bring him a box of caps for his pistol.

Wishing you a merry Christmas will close and wait your coming.

Lovingly,  
Aletha, Veneta, Itha Myri,  
Verie D. Swindell.

Slaton, Texas, Dec. 11, 1927.

Dear Old Santa,

I am a little girl just four years old I live at 415 S. 9th Street and I want you to remember me on Christmas eve and bring me a wicker rocking chair, a scooter, a negro mammy doll, a little piano, and a big rubber ball. Also some candy, fruit and nuts.

Your little friend,  
Du Oane Middleton.

Dear Santa Claus,  
Toy Land.

Please bring Perry Lucile a doll and a ball, and doll bed.

I want a wagon and a ball a little car, some fruit nuts and candy for both of us. I have been a good little boy and my sister has too.

Please bring my little brother a ball a teddy bear and some candy and fruit.

Much love to you and your wife.

Don Era Lee.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a stocking and Guaranteed Water Colors and Kitten Tiddley Winks.

Stocking	\$1.89
Water Colors	.98
Tiddley Winks	.43
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	\$3.30

From,  
J. H. Brewer, Jr.

Slaton, Texas, Dec. 11, 1927.

Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a pair of gloves, tan, and a pretty flower for my coat, any color, I know you can pick out a pretty color and a pair of garters, pink, a doll, a set of dishes, a drawing book with pictures to color. A pair of stockings, a story book to read, bring me a little cedar chest for my handkerchiefs and bring me a box of handkerchiefs.

Dear Santa Claus, don't forget my mother and father and brothers. Please bring these things to me. It isn't but 10 things. Is that to many? I will close.

Thank you.  
Yours truly  
Viola Fincher,  
Box 491  
Good-bye.

P. S. Don't forget me. We won't have a Christmas tree I don't reckon but look by the stove. You'll find a stocking hanging up and a great big one at that.

Slaton, Texas, Dec. 12

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a big tractor set, some fruit, candy, nuts and fireworks.

This is all that I'll ask you to bring me cause I want you to carry something to all the other little boys and girls.

From  
Wayne Catching.

## - Study the Man -

A face to face meeting with facts—things accomplished, things left undone—and a searching out of factors which have been millstones about the neck on the road to success, has often resulted in a complete right-about-face for many a man.

It's good practice for all—because one learns that while "money is not everything"—it is a mighty convenient tool. This institution is an advocate of thrift in savings, but there are other important service departments here wherein we can and do serve our patrons to a profit for them.

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W. E. SMART, Vice Pres.  
W. E. OLIVE, Active Vice Pres.  
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J. S. YEKELL, Asst. Cashier.

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—says wise old Santa, that gifts are fine, but after all, the way to a man's heart is the stomach,—and the feast is a very important part of the holiday celebration. The M SYSTEM STORE is stocked with the finest groceries in town, and can take care of your every need—at prices that cannot be equalled. We have a store full of goodies awaiting your order. Phone or come in—either way you will receive the best of service.

SATURDAY SPECIALS

SPUDS 15 POUNDS	\$ .37
SUGAR 10 lbs., IMPERIAL BRAND	.69
BRAN FLAKES KELLOGG'S, Per Pk.	.08
O'CEDAR POLISH 60c SIZE	.49
CORN GOLD BAP, No. 2	.15
SOUP VAN CAMPS, 2 Cans	.15
PORK & BEANS No. 2 Can, 7 for	.25
EGGS PER DOZEN	.42
COFFEE FOLGERS, 2 POUND CAN	.93
MINCE MEAT	.10
PEAS VAN CAMPS, No. 2	.12
DRY PEACHES PER POUND	.12
COMB HONEY 5 POUND BUCKET	.78

MARKET SPECIALS

BEST BACON PER POUND	.35
YEAST CAKE 3 FOR	.10
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A splendid 5-room stucco to rent on Lynn St., close in, partly furnished. See G. W. Bourland, or phone 16.

KINDERGARTEN—Foundation and First Grade work.—Mrs. J. P. Adams, 310 S. 11th street. 15-4t

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FOR SALE—First class Charter Oak coal range at bargain.—E. Barton, phone 88. 14-tf-c

BUNDLE Sorghum and Higora, 5c delivered.—Jno. P. Hardesty, 2 miles southeast city. Box 157. 14-tfc

NOTICE—Nice fat hog for sale. See A. B. Dozier, 655 S. 18th St. 1p

FOR SALE—Heating stove equipped with good oil burner and pipes and nearly new oil cook stove.—C. L. Tanner, 335 S. 9th St. 16-2p

\$25.00 REWARD—I will pay \$25.00 reward for information as to the whereabouts of Mrs. W. W. Maines or Mrs. Leona Rice and children. They are driving a 1925 model Chevrolet touring car, license number 731,502.—W. W. MAINES, Route 1, Trent, Texas. 1p

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We have a few choice quarters of the best cotton land on the plains to sell on the crop payment plan. This land is well located. Good shallow water; convenient to schools and will grow anything you want to raise.

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When you can buy good plains land with this part of your crop. The crop payment plan is the BEST AND SAFEST WAY FOR YOU TO OWN YOUR OWN HOME.

Jarrott Brothers, Owners, Lubbock, Texas

Room 204, Leader Building, West Broadway. 14-8c

WANTED—Two girls for general housework. Answer to P. O. Box 2413, Amarillo, Texas. 14-3pd.

ALL MERCHANTS will close their places of business all day Monday, Dec. 26, account Christmas coming on Sunday. Retail Merchants Association. 15-3tc.

CHRISTMAS PRESENT—If you are interested in the purchase of a Player Piano, meet me at the Acorn Store Sunday, Dec. 17. A special holiday discount on the price, cash or terms. Come see this beautiful piano, and hear the sweet music. Respectfully, G. W. Bourland, phone 16.

The art class of high school will have for sale hand-painted China, textiles and novelties, Saturday, Dec. 17, in Shelby building.

For Radio supplies, see Elliott & Lokey. 1c

FOR SALE OR TRADE—For Slaton property, stock of merchandise, store building and four room dwelling with ten lots at Posey. See J. M. Stephens, Slaton, Texas.



"DAD! Come to supper!" Mary Brown opened the living-room door to put her head out into the darkness and cold of a snowy Christmas Eve. "Coming, Old Scout," replied a gruff voice which had grown coarse shouting a foreman's orders in the clanging steel mills. Dad stamped the snow from his worn-out overshoes. "Well, I've shoveled the walk," he growled, "even if Grandma's not coming and it'll soon be drifted again. Just felt I wanted to do it, somehow."



Sis and Bob, the "twin sixes," as Dad had named them since their last birthday, now pounced on him, yelling "Gonna get a sled! Gonna get a sled!" and "I get a dollie, Papa, won't I, huh?" After supper the little ones went reluctantly to dreamland. Oh, just to think! Christmas at last! How hard to wait till morning! But the Sandman surprised them and made waiting easy. "Mary," said Dad gloomily, "I'll have to speak to Jimmie. What keeps him out late this way? Even if it is vacation, it's strange. If he's hangin' around pool halls, no good'll ever come of that." Mother looked thoughtful. "Well," she admitted, "he hasn't been in early for a week. But, Sam, I don't think he'd do anything wrong, you know—anything—"

"N-no. Jim's been a good boy," said Dad. "An awful good boy, but—" "S-sh!" said Mother. Jimmy burst in, rosy with cold, his eyes sparkling. "Keen weather!" he announced, explosively, dancing and blowing his hands.

"Lo, Ma! Lo, Dad! Gee, but this'll be a swell Christmas!" Dad and Mother brightened with smiles. Who could help it with Jimmy around. But Dad shifted uneasily. Wouldn't do to take a boy to task on Christmas eve. He started to pack his pipe.

"Jimmy, your supper's still hot,"

NOTICE—I am no longer connected with the meat market in Harry's Grocery, having recently disposed of it. Am now giving my entire time to the Piggly Wiggly market and the White Star Market.—E. M. Fincher. 1c

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP

Notice is hereby given that the partnership between K. L. Scudder and Ollie Waynick was dissolved on the 29th day of Nov., A. D. 1927. All debts due to said partnership are to be paid, and those due from same discharged at the Sam Selman Bldg., on corner of 9th and Lynn Sts., in city of Slaton, Tex., where the business will be continued by said K. L. Scudder, under the firm name of "Piedmont Garage". Witness our hands, this the 2nd day of December, A. D. 1927. K. L. SCUDDER. 15-4t OLLIE WAYNICK.

EX-SERVICE MEN! NOW to nearest Legion Post. Bring Discharge and Serial number. Also record Discharge with County Clerk. ALLEN BROS. POST, American Legion, Lubbock, Texas. A. M. Scott, Service Officer 407 Temple Ellis Bldg.

**PRACTICAL GIFTS —**

This store is brim-ful of just such items that your friend or loved one would appreciate for Christmas. The selection is too immense to enumerate here. Come in, though, and let us help you to select something.

You'll be pleased at the prices, too.

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The Rexall Store.

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**:- PUBLIC SALE :-**

I will sell at S. T. Johnson's farm, 8 miles west of Slaton, 1 mile north of Union,

**WEDNESDAY, DEC. 28**

Beginning at 1:00 p. m.

- 1 span Mules, 6 and 7 yrs. old, wt. 1,950 lbs.
- 1 span Horses, 11 years old, 2,200 lbs.
- 1 Horse, 10 years old, about 1,050 lbs.
- 1 Horse, 9 years old, about 900 lbs.
- 1 Horse, 12 years old, about 1,000 lbs.
- 1 Two-Row J. I. Case Lister-Planter, good as new.
- 1 Two-Row Emerson Go-Devil, good condition.
- 1 Oliver Cultivator, 1-row.
- 1 Bradley Cultivator, 1-row.

Harness, Hoes and Sweeps, all go.

TERMS OF SALE: Cash. Nothing to be removed until settled for.

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The home town merchant is able to meet your every need, his function is to be your purchasing agent, to stock the goods you require against the day you call for them. He is the man whose enterprise gives value as a tax and rent producer to the business district of your city, he is behind every movement for the good of the community.

He is entitled to your patronage and it is unfair to yourself and your city to withhold it. The best and surest means of upbuilding the home community, of increasing the value of its citizens' property, of enlarging its opportunities, is to keep your money at home and make it work for everybody here. — Dawson County Journal.

What business are you in? How would it affect you if everybody now patronizing your business or the institution which keeps you on the payroll should suddenly withdraw that patronage? Such a withdrawal of patronage, whether you are in business for yourself or on the payroll of a great corporation, would put you out of employment. If patronage is withdrawn in any degree, injury results in that same proportion. It is impossible to make a satisfactory answer as to why people will trade away from home. It is against every sane, reasonable and safe principle of conduct which would advance one's own business and the general welfare of his city or community. Spend your dollars in Slaton—he will get his profit when you spend yours, and you'll get yours when he spends his. We live off of each other, anyway. We are interdependent upon others every day of our lives, but if we prove undependable, we are certain to injure others. Trade at home.

**TWO EXTREMES**

Americans may be extravagant, they may buy heavily on the installment plan and they may enjoy good living at high prices, but they are savers too. The tremendous increase in the number of people who have invested in sound stocks and safe bonds, added to the enormous roll of savings bank depositors is a splendid index to American thrift, a quality which until recent years this nation has deplorably lacked.

In addition to the bank depositors and investors in securities there is another army composed of home-builders. For their benefit there has been developed the building and loan system, which flourishes in many cities in an amazing number.

Rodger Behson declares that there are few channels for the development of thrift that are at all comparable to the building and loan plan. It encourages and makes profitable a system of semi-compulsory saving that has resulted in the building of more homes, in the acquisition by former tenants of more pleasant places in which to live, and in the promotion of the home loving and home owning instinct in greater degree than almost any factor in modern life.

To the man who must pay for his home "like rent," the building and loan gives the best possible opportunity to attain his ambition. It is the most useful "pay as you ride" institution, the most practical means of building a home out of daily earnings.

There are, for all the pleasure-loving youth of the present day, many young men who realize the advantages of what has been called "constructive indebtedness." It probably is true that few men ever begin to save in earnest until they incur this type of debt. There is a satisfaction about liquidating the obligation incurred to provide for the future which gives it the qualities of a real pleasure.

**CHILDREN'S FATAL DISEASES**

Worms and parasites in the intestines of children undermine health and so weaken their vitality that they are unable to resist the diseases so fatal to child life. The safe course is to give a few doses of White's Cream Vermifuge. It destroys and expels the worms without the slightest injury to the health or activity of the child. Price 50c. Sold by CATCHING'S DRUG STORE

**SOMEBODY SAID**

SOMEBODY SAID an honest man without a dollar or a dollar's worth, is richer than the dishonest man who has his millions in real estate or bank stock.

SOMEBODY SAID the enforcement of the 18th Amendment has not yet even reached the experimental stage, and still there are those who advocate its repeal on the grounds that it cannot be enforced. Such an advocate is somewhat of a prophet or a would-be prophet, though he may merely think he would profit in some other way if liquor selling, manufacture and use were made lawful again under the statute.

SOMEBODY SAID with the approach of the Christmas season the bootleg business will probably enjoy an

increased business, for there're still those who would have little enough judgment to drink the poisonous stuff dished out to them nowadays. The Christmas season will be observed decently by millions, but thousands will pass through it under the deadly influence of poisonous, filthy, rotten bootleg liquor. And that's no argument in favor of repealing the 18th Amendment. It's an argument in favor of enforcing it.

SOMEBODY SAID "peace on earth and good will toward men" is an ideal which sprang into existence when the shepherds followed the star to the stable in Bethlehem, where they found the Christ child wrapped in swaddling clothes, crowded out of the inns of the city. He is still crowded out of men's lives, and we are still groping toward the ideal of "peace on earth and good will toward men." There may be some connection between these two situations.

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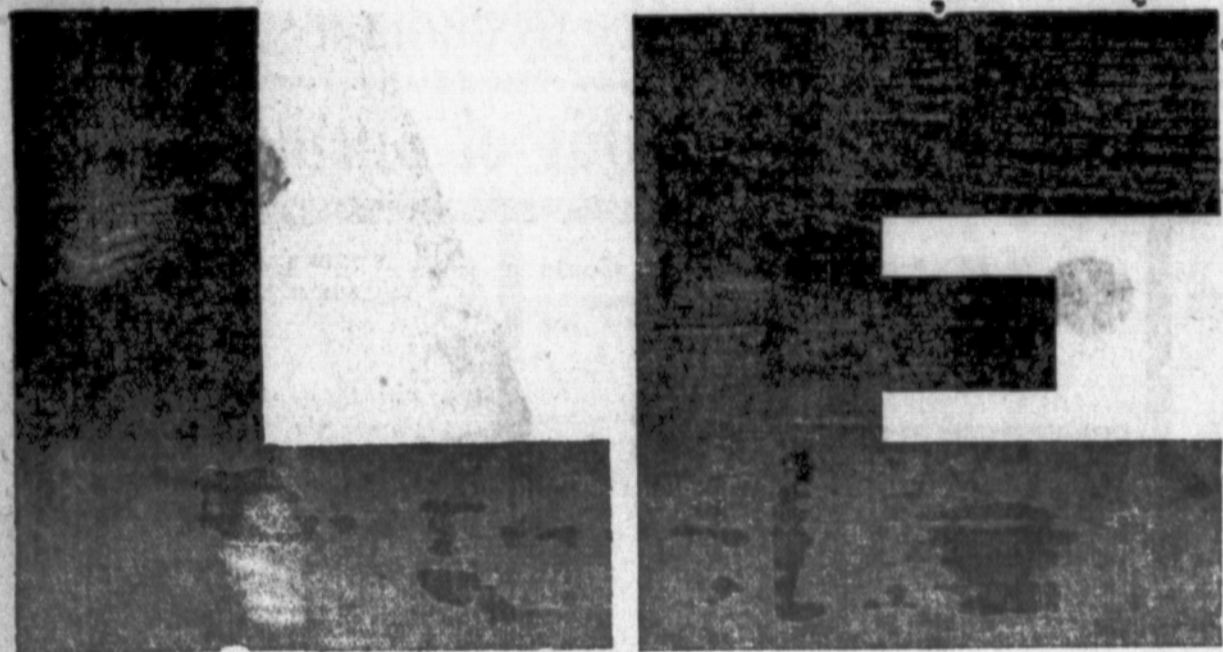
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- Silk Hose 9th articl
- Good
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Step Lively, People, one of the biggest Christmas Sales that you ever saw before. The Store will literally be a Great Bi

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### Improvement of Slaton is Topic At Rotary Meet

"My idea of one thing that would prove beneficial for Slaton and how the idea should be carried into execution" was the subject discussed by four speakers at the meeting of the Slaton Rotary Club last Friday at the luncheon hour.

P. G. Stokes advised the idea of "Selling Slaton to Slaton people," that is, convincing them in stranger terms than ever before that Slaton is a mighty good town in a mighty good country, and deserves the confidence of every citizen as well as his co-operation in making the city and territory better than they now are.

A new hotel was the main theme discussed by Sam E. Stiggs. He said if the project is completed, it will be a fine piece of work whether anything else is successfully finished within five years, because the new hotel would furnish wonderful aid in developing the city's possibilities. Stiggs also pointed out the big advantages Slaton possesses in the fact that a heavy Santa Fe payroll and large investments in railroad facilities make Slaton desirable for business interests.

C. Lem Sone discussed the need of a hospital in Slaton to serve the people of the city and of surrounding communities. It was his belief that

such an institution would not only pay, but that it would be welcomed by the people as meeting a distinct need. He suggested that local physicians and other citizens could put the plan over by individual and co-operative effort.

Bill H. Smith, Santa Fe agent, emphasized the fact that in a city growing so rapidly as Slaton is, the people have a right to expect good transportation service. He pointed out several ways in which the Santa Fe is making constant effort to improve freight service for Slaton buyers and shippers. He also expressed the belief that a grain elevator here would prove a good investment and a stimulant to the grain industry. It would meet an existing need, he said, and stated that last year more than 200 cars of grain had to be reduced here at a much higher expense by hand than would have been involved if a grain elevator had been available for that purpose. The shipper, when a car is overloaded, must bear the expense of reducing the weight under tariff regulations, Mr. Smith said, and hence a grain elevator would have saved considerable money for shippers.

Near the close of the program, Lloyd A. Wilson, secretary of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce, urged that all the members attend the annual banquet of the chamber of commerce to be held Tuesday night, Jan. 10, and there make their suggestions about things needed for the upbuilding of Slaton and her territory, so that those ideas could be worked into

the program of work for the chamber of commerce to follow out in 1928.

Tomorrow's program will involve a discussion of the subject, "My Suggestion as to the best way to induce people in Slaton's trade territory to patronize Slaton merchants." Joe K. Rogers, Walter B. Hestand, Abe Kessel, Bill H. Smith, J. Tom Overby and Minter W. Uzzell will speak five minutes each on that subject.

George Samson and Leon Moses, members of the Post club, were present as guests Friday. Dean James M. Gordon, of Tech College, and a member of the Lubbock club, attended. Mr. Lehr, of Lubbock, was a visitor, also.

#### Grief Ahead

When science has made all the women ravishingly beautiful who will darn a husband's socks?—Chicago News.

### Nurse Advises WEAK, RUN-DOWN WOMEN To Take Cardui

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ANDRE SANDESEN stroked the lean barrel of his rifle as he sat in the window of the little shanty on his prairie homestead. The full moon of a Christmas Eve poured its white light on limitless wastes of snow. A shaft of that same light fell through the window, gleamed along the rifle on Andre's knees, played about the great hands that fondled its barrel.

But Andre was not conscious of the moonlight, except as it served to accentuate his loneliness. Across the prairie, half a mile to the southward, lay the shanty of his brother, Axel, and his brother's wife, Olga. A point of yellow light shone from Axel's window like a star on the horizon. Half a mile! Andre's rifle would carry two thousand yards, but it would need a rare marksman to hit that point of light half a mile away. He sighted the rifle carefully, estimating to himself whether there was any possibility of finding that little target. Then, as though convinced of the futility of such a purpose, he returned the weapon tenderly to his knee.

For exactly three years the Sandesen brothers had lived as strangers, although their homesteads adjoined each other. It was three years ago this very Christmas Eve that Axel



had brought Olga, his bride, to share his shanty and his life—Olga, who, in far-off Scandinavia, had pledged herself to Andre! Axel had met her at the railway station, thirty miles away, while Andre lay at home, burning with fever. Then, when she came, it was as Axel's wife!

Andre never had asked, and never learned, what had happened at the little prairie town when the fair-haired, lonely, tired girl rushed to the arms of Axel, his brother. The three had been playmates together, but Andre never had guessed that his brother loved her, too. If, in that moment, Axel had taken advantage of her loneliness and her delight at meeting an old friend to force his suit to instant decision, Andre saw in their action nothing but treachery and deceit. Never since had he stepped on his brother's farm, and he had given Axel to understand that if either he or Olga crossed the dividing line the rifle would bark and bite to kill.

During the short but busy summers Andre managed to drown his anger in work, but in winter the pangs of loneliness were upon him. They always were worse on moonlit nights. Then he would sit in his window, fondling his rifle. Especially on Christmas Eve, the anniversary of the blighting of his life, his loneliness and rage were unbearable.

Andre sighted his rifle again, but it was against all reason that he could find a target so small, so far. Very well—he could go to the target. It was a plan that long had stammered in the back of his mind; tonight he would put it into effect. He drew on his heavy coat, his cap; he drove a bright brass cartridge into the barrel



and saw that there were others in the magazine, and set out across the snow, silent save for the crunching of his heavy boots and the strange clamor of his heart.

At first he walked hurriedly, but as he neared the window he reduced his pace. Silently he crept up, in the shadow, along the wall. Three years ago this very night.

Presently he was at the window. Stealthily he raised his head until he could see within.

In a corner of the little room was a small spruce tree, which Axel, no doubt, had cut somewhere by the river. And Axel and Olga, very happy. It seemed, were knitting it with bits of colored paper. On a table, full in Andre's sight, a yellow-haired baby clapped her hands with glee.

Andre watched the scene, spell-bound, for a moment; then stumbled to the ground. For a long while he lay there, oblivious to the cold; fighting, wrestling. Then, leaving his rifle on the snow, he made his way to the door, and knocked.

"Why, Andre!" they exclaimed, as he stood on their threshold.  
"Peace!" said Andre. "It is the Night of Peace. I bring you peace—and forgiveness."

The Christmas sun was shining when Andre retracted his steps across the snow, to feed his stock.  
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**On Christmas Eve**  
A German legend is that on every Christmas Eve the Savior comes to earth in the guise of a very poor boy, who asks alms at every door, testing the kindness of human hearts. Nativities are held in every house, and the

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To the Sheriff or any Constable of Lubbock County, Texas, Greeting:

**YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED** to summon Mrs. E. R. Slater, the Unknown heirs of Mrs. E. R. Slater, E. R. Slater, and the unknown heirs of E. R. Slater, deceased, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, to appear at the next regular term of the 99th Judicial District Court of Lubbock County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Lubbock, Texas, on the 2nd Monday in January, A. D. 1928, then and there to answer plaintiff's first amended original petition filed in said Court on the 6th day of December, A. D. 1927, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 3025, wherein R. A. Lincoln is plaintiff and Mrs. E. R. Slater, a feme sole, the unknown heirs of Mrs. E. R. Slater, E. R. Slater, and the unknown heirs of E. R. Slater, deceased, are defendants; plaintiff's original petition having been filed on July 25, 1927, in cause No. 3025, wherein R. A. Lincoln is plaintiff and Mrs. E. R. Slater is defendant; said amended petition alleging:

That plaintiff R. A. Lincoln and defendants Mrs. E. R. Slater, the unknown heirs of Mrs. E. R. Slater, E. R. Slater and the unknown heirs of E. R. Slater, deceased, are the joint owners in fee simple of the following described land and premises situated in Lubbock County, Texas, to-wit:

First tract: Tract patented to T. E. Burns by the State of Texas on the 27th day of May, A. D. 1910, by Patent No. 407, Vol. 40, known as the northwest part of Section No. 101, Block No. 20, B. G. Glaser S. F. 137 about 10 miles south of Lubbock and described as beginning at an iron pipe 4 pits the N. E. corner of No. 24, Block E; thence west on the N. E. line of No. 24, 695 varas to a pine stake and 2 pits for the most of N. S. W. corner of this survey; thence north 204 varas to iron pipe and 2 pits for the N. W. corner of this survey; thence east 1288 varas to an iron pipe and 2 pits in the W. B. line of J. L. Obanon survey; thence south 1655.6 to an iron pipe 2 pits in W. B. line of J. H. Standifer survey No. 110; thence west 598 varas to a stake and 2 pits in the E. B. line of No. 24, Block E 1461.4 varas to the place of beginning, containing 200 acres of land, and being Abstract No. 1233.

Second tract: Being the tract patented to T. E. Burns by the State of Texas on the 27th day of May, A. D. 1910, by patent No. 406, Vol. 40, known and described as the north 11-16 of Section No. 24, Block E, E. L. & R. R. Railway Company, certificate No. 965, about 10 miles south of Lubbock beginning at Wagon Spindle set in ground N. E. Corner of No. 23 same Block, for N. W. corner of this survey; thence east 1901 varas to an iron pipe 4 pits for N. E. Corner of this survey; thence south on E. B. line of No. 24, Block E, 1306.7 varas to stake for S. E. corner of this survey; thence west 1901 varas to an iron pipe set in W. B. line of No. 24 for S. W. corner of this survey; thence north 1306.7 varas to place of beginning and containing 440 acres of land, and being Abstract No. 964.

That plaintiff is the owner of an undivided one-half interest in said land and that the said defendants named in the amended petition are the joint owners of the other undivided one-half interest in said land and premises; that plaintiff and defendants are the sole owners thereof, and that the estimated value of said land is twenty-five thousand dollars.

Plaintiff prays that he have judgment for the partition and division of said land; that commissioners be appointed and writ of partition issue, and for possession of that portion of said land that by judgment of court be ascertained and declared to be the property of plaintiff; and for all further relief, etc.

Herein Full Not, and have you before said Court, at its sforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

**The Eclipse**  
A mother-in-law is everything in five minutes after the honeymoon, when then she is snuffed out.—London Adversers.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal of said Court, at office in Lubbock, Texas, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1927.  
(SEAL) FLOBA GREEN, Clerk, District Court, Lubbock County, Texas.



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