

Not because it is an honored custom, but because of the sincerity of our appreciation, we take this opportunity to thank you for the part you have played in our business prosperity the past twelve months, and we wish you a good old Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Free Press Being Printed Several Days Ahead of Time

This issue of the Free Press is being printed several days in advance of our publication date, in order that our advertisers may reach the readers with their Christmas Greetings on Christmas Day (Tuesday) instead of the latter part of the week. This fact, together with an exceptional heavy volume of advertising, curtails our news columns for the week. We feel, however, that our readers will appreciate getting the paper earlier in the week—even though it does not carry the full week's news.

This issue is composed of 16 pages and practically every business establishment in the city is represented in our columns. Each and every one of them have a message of appreciation for you. Read them all.

WEST TEXAS CHAMBER GETS LOWER GRAIN RATES

According to information from the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, that organization, together with the Texas Grain Dealers Association, have been successful in their effort to secure a new rate scale on grain shipments between points in West Texas and the southeastern states.

The Interstate Commerce Commission issued an order putting the new rate scale in effect on December 9th. The reductions in this tariff range from 5c to 23½c per 100 pounds.

DAUGHTER OF HASKELL MAN IN RADIO PROGRAM

Miss Pansy Newsome, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Newsome of Midway was in the Radio Program sent out by the Star Telegram Station last Tuesday night by the Denton Orchestra. She was at the piano. Also she is the composer of one of the selections of music "The Lone Star Blues" broadcasted from that station. Congratulations were telegraphed to Denton from Charlotte N. C., Denver Colorado and other cities far away. Denton gave a splendid concert.

Uncle Jimmie Ellis Has Read the Free Press for 20 Years

J. E. Ellis better known as Uncle Jimmie, says that he has been a reader of the Free Press more than 20 years and that he expects to continue with us. He further stated that he did not get all the news, which is a fact. The only way we can get all the news is for our friends to phone us or tell us the news they know about. We never fail to print a news item when it is known to us, therefore if you know a news item and fail to tell us, our readers are deprived of the article which should appear in the paper. We can not be every where at the same time and we can not find out anything unless we see it or some one tells us. Many times our friends suppose we know the news article and fail to phone us or tell us and too many of them suppose the same thing and the article never gets into print because we did not know it. Some of our friends have visitors in their homes and make trips to other cities and states and fail to tell us or phone us. This is your duty to your county paper and your friends expect it of you to let us know. Let's begin the new year with a resolution to give every thing to your home paper that has any news value and see if you can boast of the best county paper in Texas. This is important, will you not join in helping us. Our phone number is 207.

Miss Lucy Cummins, who is attending Texas University at Austin, is spending the holidays with home folks.

O. E. Childress of Rochester returned by way of Haskell Friday, from Hico where he had been to visit home folks.

Misses Ella Maye and Willie Faye Free are spending the holidays with relatives at Rotan this week.

Haskell County Teachers Attend Institute at Stamford

Mrs. Ed Robertson has been in Stamford this week attending the Institute which is being held in that city. All the schools of Haskell county were dismissed and the teachers in attendance. From all reports the Teachers Institute which is an eight county Co-operative affair and has been well attended from all counties. Thursday's program was one of the best and is given below in full:

The program opened with an address by Mrs. Ella Little on exercise for memory work in the school room. Mrs. Otho Hanscom then gave an unusually interesting talk on the interpretation and appreciation of art in literature and music. Mrs. Lola Pickett gave an instructive demonstration of supplementary materials in teaching work. J. F. Peeler discussed the fundamentals that form the basis of a correct study of English literature. N. R. Crozier discussed the results of psychological tests in mental measurement, one of the most modern phases of educational development. A very able address was delivered by Dr. P. W. Horn, newly elected president of the Texas Technological College at the St. John's Methodist church, and the building was crowded with attendants. In the evening a snappy basketball game was played between the Haskell county and the Jones county teachers.

Local Commandery Elect and Install Their New Officers

On last Tuesday night the Haskell Commandery elected and installed the following officers: F. L. Daughtery, E. Com. John W. Pace, Generalissimo, J. L. Southern, Capt. Gen., O. E. Patterson, Prelate, F. G. Alexander, Treasurer, H. R. Jones, Recorder, T. J. Arbuckle, Sr. Ward, E. C. Cooner Jr., Ward, W. H. Cox, Sword Bearer, R. J. Paxton, St. Bearer, J. M. Baker, Warder, T. W. Fleniken, Sentinel.

Returns from Dallas

Mrs. Carrie Moser, local Western Union manager, returned Thursday from Dallas, where she attended a business meeting of the Western Union Telegraph Company. Miss Davis of Donna, Texas, had charge of the local office during the absence of Mrs. Moser.

McDONALD-GRAND

Mr. William McDonald and Miss Emma Grand were happily married Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home of the brides parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Grand. Rev. Oran F. Carter pastor of the Stomford Circuit of the Methodist Church performed the nuptial ceremony. The bride is a beautiful young lady with a host of friends. The groom is a splendid young man a good citizen and a prosperous farmer. They both reside in the Howard Community.

Marshall Pierson State Food Inspector, is at home this week to spend the holidays with his family. Mr. Pierson has been in East Texas for some time, where he has been inspecting some of the canning factories in that section. He tells some wonderful stories of the fruit industry, and the things he has encountered while on this trip.

Clarence Gay of Stinewall county is moving his family here. He has purchased the R. E. Malone residence in this city and will move into it about the first of the new year.

Sam A. Roberts made a business trip to Dallas this week.

Mrs. Walter Alderson and children of Stratford are spending the holidays days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Simmons of this city.

H. Kennedy living south of Weinert sold his farm to J. C. Holt and has moved to Littlefield, Texas where he has purchased other lands and will make his future home.

HIMSELF



Senior Class Play "The Hoodoo" Proves Very Successful

On Friday night the 14th, the Senior Class presented for the approval of the public, "The Hoodoo," at the High School Building.

The play was a wholesome, enjoyable comedy drama and was given in a most creditable manner. Everyone pronounced the play a great success. It was one of the best High School plays ever given in Haskell. Each performer was splendid in his or her part. All seemed at ease in their parts.

The audience enjoyed many a laugh over the predicament that came to those who wore the scrub pin. This pin proved to be "The Hoodoo."

The High School Auditorium was comfortably filled by the large audience. Those who did not come missed a treat. Miss King and Miss Castle, who trained the class are to be congratulated.

A nice sum was realized. This money will help to get out the High School Annual.

W. W. Dennison of Rule Route 2 was in the city Friday on business. He gave us his name for the Free Press as a new reader of the home paper.

Miss Elizabeth Baldwin, who is attending T. C. U. at Fort Worth, is spending the holidays with home folks.

LOCAL FOOTBALL FANS GIVEN TREAT FRIDAY

The Local fans were given a treat Friday afternoon in the form of a play by play report on the Abilene-Waco football game by radio. The game was played at Dallas, and details of the game were broadcasted by Station WFAA of the Dallas News-Journal.

A receiving set was installed in the Strickland and Montgomery Tailor Shop by Pace & Woodson, local dealers, and a large gathering of football fans assembled to hear the report of the game.

Odd Fellows Entertain With Turkey Supper

The members of the Odd Fellows lodge of this city gave a turkey supper Thursday night at the hall and eighty five members were present. A large delegation of Odd Fellows from Rochester, Rule, and Weinert were present and enjoyed the occasion. The Odd Fellows Lodge of Haskell is a very wide awake bunch and is progressing nicely.

Miss Willie Mae Wells returned home Thursday from Sherman, where she is attending the Carr-Burdett College and will spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Wm. Wells.

Large Crowd Enjoys Box Supper at Gauntt Saturday

The Box Supper at Gauntt school house Saturday night December the 15th was enjoyed by a large gathering of people from the entire district. The sum of \$50.00 was realized from the sale of the boxes which will be used to equip the play ground for the children. R. A. Bradley had charge of the selling of the boxes and he proved himself very efficient in getting the money. W. M. Free, M. L. Mowery and R. E. Williams furnished a little comedy and some funny songs for the entertainment of the congregation. Miss Case also gave a delightful reading which was a treat to all. Miss Gladys Bryant was awarded a box of candy in a beauty contest and Hoy Pinton was given a doll because he was the ugliest. All present spent a very delightful evening.

Cedric Sanders, who is attending the State University at Austin, is spending the holidays at home with his parents, Judge and Mrs. P. D. Sanders.

Mrs. L. R. Bailey is visiting relatives in Vernon and Wichita Falls during the holidays.

J. M. Perry has been sick for the past two weeks but we are glad to know that he is improving.

Will Give Vocal Recital at High School Dec. 28th

Mr. R. M. Chambers will give a Vocal Recital in the Haskell High School auditorium December 28th at 8:00 p. m. He will be assisted by Rev. L. M. Gambrell and Mrs. R. E. Hooker and accompanied by Dorothy Dimmitt Chambers. The program will be one of interest and helpfulness. The Senior High School Class is promoting the program and are now disposing of the tickets. One third of the proceeds will go to the school in the name of the Senior Class.

County Agent Will Begin Work the First of the Year

County Judge R. E. Lee, received a wire that the county Agent which has been employed for Haskell County has accepted the place and will arrive here about the first of the new year and take charge of his new duties. His name is Mr. Nowlen and he is married and will move his family here and become a citizen of Haskell County. It has been some time since the Commissioners Court granted the request to employ the agent, but the delay was caused by the care used in selecting a man for the place.

BUILDING WORK IN CITY NOW IN FULL SWING

Work which has been delayed for several days on account of the bad weather, has been resumed on the new buildings which are now under construction. The filling station being constructed by James Linsey of Rule, on the east side of the square and which will be operated by Olin Dotson, is nearing completion and will open the first of the year. Work on the new filling station of the Tonn Garage is in full swing and work on the two filling stations being erected by Tompson Brothers has not yet begun since the cold spell.

The two new buildings south of the square are complete and occupied by the Jones and Son Tin Shop and by Clifford Glenn's garage.

Henry Alexander is erecting a modern and up to date residence of brick and stucco, which will be a benefit to the town.

The R. E. Callahan building is having the upper story remodeled and will be made into a modern and up to date rooming house.

Another Santa Claus Letter

Dear Santa Clause:
I am 9 years old. I will write you a letter and tell you what I want for Christmas. Please bring me a tool chest, a tinkler toy set, a pocket knife, some apples, oranges and candy and anything else you want to bring.

Please don't forget me,

Love to Santa
From Leo Yarbrough,
Haskell, Texas.

Misses Trixie and Jessie Johnson, who are attending Baylor University at Belton, returned home Thursday to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Johnson of west of town. Miss Trixie has been attending the University for several years and will receive her A. B. Degree this term.

Miss Lela Welsh has returned home from the State University at Austin, and will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Welsh.

F. B. McDonald of Ballou was in the city Thursday. He says he is getting lots of eggs from his barred Plymouth Rocks. During the winter months.

W. L. Whitel manager of the Telephone Company of Haskell was in the city Thursday on business.

Earnest Sanderson, who is attending school at Georgetown, is spending the holidays with home folks this week.

MAY 1924 BRING YOU PEACE,
PLENTY AND HAPPINESS

Looking Forward

INTO 1924

We think we see many good things in store for our patrons for we are always planning and thinking for you. We want to serve you better in 1924 than ever before in the history of this business.

In the future, as in the past, we will appreciate your criticisms and cooperation to make our service more nearly what you would have it be.

In our program for 1924 we are ambitious to surpass all past records and with your continued loyalty we can do so.

Accept our sincere thanks for all patronage of the past.

Duncan Gin Co.

W. A. DUNCAN

said Haskell County, a copy of the following notice:

The State of Texas
To all persons interested in the Estate of J. C. Westmoreland, Deceased. Mrs. Lovey Catherine Westmoreland has filed in the County Court of Haskell County, an application for the Probate of the last Will and Testament of said J. C. Westmoreland Deceased, filed with said application, and for Letters Testamentary, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the First Monday in January A. D. 1924, the same being the 7th day of January A. D. 1924 at the Court House thereof, in Haskell, Texas at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Haskell, Texas, this the 27th day of November A. D. 1923.

(Seal) Emory Menefee, Clerk
County Court, Haskell County, Texas
By Cleo King, Deputy.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets.) It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 50c.

R. E. Whitmire of Ft. Worth, is here spending the holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Whitmire.

John Pace, Maurice Smith, Kenneth Oates and John L. McCollum, arrived Saturday from A. & M. to spend the holidays.

Our advice to the woman who does not know how to manage her husband or children is to ask her relatives. They always seem to know.



Sincerely Appreciative

of the part your loyal friendship and liberal patronage have played in our progress we extend to you

Christmas Greetings

and good wishes for the New Year with the hope that it will bring you peace and plenty.

Strickland and
Montgomery
Good Tailoring

1923 . . . 1924

Happy New Year to All

We Take This Measure of Thanking You

For Your Business During the Past

Year, Be it Large or Small

We Appreciate Our Friends

And will always try to treat you in such a way that you will know our appreciation is sincere.

May 1924 Bring You True Happiness and Lasting Prosperity.

Lex B. Morris

General Agent—

United Fidelity Life Insurance Co.
Great Northern Life Insurance Co.

LEGAL NOTICES



No. 485.
Citation on Application for Letters of Guardianship

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell County, Greeting:

You are Hereby Commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Haskell County, a copy of the following notice:

The State of Texas
To All Persons Interested in the Welfare of Clinton Clark, Audrey Clark and Chester Clark, Minors. J. I. Clark has filed in the County Court of Haskell County, an application for Letters of Guardianship upon the Estate of said Minors, which said application will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the First Monday in January, A. D. 1924, the same being the 7th day of January, A. D. 1924 at the Court House thereof, in Haskell, Texas, at which time all persons interested in the welfare of said Minors may appear and contest said application, if they see proper to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Haskell, Texas, this the 27th day of November A. D. 1923.

(Seal) Emory Menefee, Clerk
County Court, Haskell County, Texas
By Cleo King, Deputy.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days
Don't waste money if PIAZO OINTMENT. It cures itching, blind, bleeding or protruding Piles, hemorrhoids, itching, and you can see the result after the first application. 10c per box.

No. 556
Citation on Application for Probate of Will

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell County, Greeting:

You are Hereby Commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in

GREETINGS



It is with pleasure that we offer greetings for the new year, and a sincere expression of our appreciation of all favors shown by our many good friends and customers.

Our intentions in entering the new year, are to offer you even better service, and continue to merit your friendship and patronage.

We extend the season's greetings and best wishes for A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

R. V. Robertson Co.

Christmas Greetings

Our greatest asset is the good will of our customers, and we want you to know how much we value your business friendship. We take this method of expressing our gratitude, and in a spirit of thankfulness we extend to you the compliments of the season and wish for you

A MERRY CHRISTMAS
—and a—
BIG, BRIGHT, HAPPY NEW YEAR

The Tonn Garage
Phone 411

Now would be a good time to start catching cold—you're pretty sure to get some handkerchiefs for Christmas.

You seldom hear "The Old Folks At Home," now since the auto came the old folks are seldom at home.

If some of our Haskell boys were as anxious to be good as they are goodlooking, the churches would be crowded every Sunday.

The dictionary is a comforting book. You can always find how to spell a word if you know how to spell it in the first place so you can hunt it up.

A Texas farmer has raised a cabbage head weighting 30 pounds. We suppose the next report will be that it's running for congress.

Colds Cause Grip and Influenza

LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets remove the cause. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature on box. 30c.

Stockholders Meeting

Notice is hereby given, that a meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers State Bank of Haskell, Texas, will be held in the offices of the said bank in the City of Haskell, State of Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m., the second Tuesday in January, A. D. 1924, the same being the 8th day of said month, for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank and the transaction of such other business that may properly come before said meeting.

J. B. Post, Cashier.

Notice of Stockholders Meeting

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Rule National Farm Loan Association will be held at its office in the city of Rule, Texas, Haskell County, on the Eighth day of January, 1924, at 8 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of other such business as may come before the meeting.

W. H. McCandless, Sect'y-Treas.,
51-2c Rule Nat'l Farm Loan Assn.

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O. B. Norman, Cashier

Stockholders Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a stock-

CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR

The Holiday Season affords an opportunity to express again the pleasure we derive from our business relations with you, and we wish to thank you for your patronage and wish you and yours

**A Christmas of True Happiness,
A New Year of Peace and Plenty**



holders meeting of the Weinert State Bank of Weinert, Texas, will be held in the offices of said bank in the City of Weinert, Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m., the second Wednesday in January, A. D. 1924, the same being the 9th day of said month, for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank, and the transaction of such other business that may properly come before said meeting.

Alvy R. Couch, Cashier.

1923 Thanks 1924

Thanking you for your patronage during the last year and assuring our many friends and patrons that our appreciation shall always be shown by ever increasing service, we wish you a

**VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A
SUCCESSFUL NEW YEAR**

Oasis Confectionery

SERVICE

COURTESY

May the Joy Bells of the Christmas Season Ring Merrily for You and Yours

Because of the opportunity it affords us to extend to you our expressions of good will, we welcome the happy Yuletide season.

To each of you we tender our sincere good wishes for a joyous Christmas and unending happiness and prosperity for the New Year.

We trust that our relations have been as pleasant to you as they have to us and that it will be our good fortune to serve you in the future.

The past year has been the best in our history. We have a stronger Cash Reserve today than any year of the past. Our Total Resources are now **More Than a Half Million Dollars, Our Cash on Hand More Than Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars**

We appreciate the loyal support and good will of our friends and customers which made possible the strongest statement in our history. We refer you to our customers as to the service we give.

Ask Our Customers

Haskell National Bank

Capital and Surplus \$100,000.00

"The Old Reliable"—Since 1890

MRS. M. S. PIERSON, President.

HARDY GRISSOM, Vice-President.

O. E. PATTERSON, Active Vice-President.

O. B. NORMAN, Cashier.

A. C. PIERSON, Asst. Cashier.

NETTIE McCOLLUM, Bookkeeper.

VERNAY ANDERSON, Bookkeeper.

DIRECTORS: MRS. M. S. PIERSON,

JNO. W. PACE,

J. U. FIELDS

L. F. TAYLOR,

HARDY GRISSOM

J. W. GHOLSON

G. W. WALDROP

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RELIABLE

member. Service, Quality and right price is what you receive at Tin Shop and Filling Station. Try us when in need of stove elbows, tanks, stock tubs, soldering, or anything that can be in a tin shop. **WHY NOT FALL IN LINE WITH OTHERS TRY OUR GOOD GAS AND OIL?** Satisfaction guaranteed. See the Judge. Telephone 106.

JONES and SON

PRESS WANT ADS BRING RESULTS.

Fordor Sedan
\$685
F. O. B. Dealer



—for Christmas

IT IS not at all surprising that the new Fordor Sedan is proving extremely popular as a Christmas gift. For this handsome closed type body is a truly exceptional value at its present price—\$685, fully equipped. Inspect this new Fordor Sedan at your first opportunity and arrange for its delivery on Christmas morning.

You can buy this car through the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan.

ENGLISH MOTOR CO.



WOMAN'S DAY

On last Sunday morning, December 15th, at eleven o'clock the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Christian Church observed Woman's Day. Over the altar, in the society's colors of Lavender and White, was this motto, "The love of Christ constraineth us." Beautiful white flowers in pots covered with lavender crepe paper, adorned the pulpit. The colors were also in evidence in the form of a bow of ribbon, pinned on the coat of each member of the Missionary Society.

Mrs. W. W. Fields gave the Bible lesson, reading beautiful and helpful missionary passages from both the Old and the New Testament.

Then the congregation enjoyed a "Trip Around the World."

Mrs. Courtney Hunt conducted the travelers in their visit to our Mission.

STOP THAT ITCHING

Use Blue Star Remedy for Eczema, Itch, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Rins, Worms, Chapped Face, Poison Oak, Sunburns, Old Sores or Sores on Children. It relieves all forms of Sore Feet. For sale by Oates Drug Store.

FIRST CLASS HARNESS

Made in Winn Bros. Shop lasts much longer than Factory-Made Harness, but costs you no more. Try them. All work guaranteed.

Feed of All Kinds

We carry a full line of plain and Sweet Feeds, Egg Laying Mash, Henscratch and Whole Grain Chiefeed.

Furniture Bought, Sold, and Exchanged

TELEPHONE 48

WINN BROS.
S. W. Corner Square

fields. Starting from San Antonio, the party first visited our Mexican work in Texas and Mexico, then on to the Pacific Coast where we minister to the Japanese and Chinese people. Sailing from Vancouver, stops were made in the Philippines, in Japan, China, Tibet, India, Jamaica, Porto Rico, South America and then back to our own shores, we visited the Settlement House in New York, the Coke fields of Pennsylvania, Flanner House and the College of Missions in Indianapolis. Then back to Texas we came, visiting the Juliet Flower Homes in Dallas.

Mrs. J. B. Post, as Miss Fuller of Mexican Christian Institute of San Antonio, Mrs. Mayme Baron, as Miss Gretchen Garst of Japan and Mrs. George Morrison as Mrs. Edwin Marx of China, appeared in costume, giving a story of the work accomplished, as well as the needs of their stations.

Mrs. M. H. Brashar as Mrs. Ogden of Tibet and Mrs. H. S. Post as Mrs. Vawter of Juliet Flower Homes of Dallas, presented their work and their Jubilee gifts.

After a beautiful vocal solo entitled, "Others" by Miss Cleo King, the service was closed with the benediction which was given in concert by the Missionary Society Women.

The offering was a generous one. It will help carry the Gospel to many needy ones.

Old Yuletide Hymn Favorite Everywhere

HERE is scarcely a church of any denomination that does not some time during the Christmas season echo the strains of that beautiful and soul-inspiring hymn, "O, come all ye faithful." It seems to be a favorite at Yuletide in every land and in every clime, whether it is sung as above referred to, or in its original form as the "Adeste Fidelis."

The hymn was first given to the world in the Thirteenth century by a Franciscan monk, but did not gain world-wide popularity for a long time after. The English translation was made by Canon Frederick Oakley over sixty years ago. Since that time the hymn has been translated into the language of every nation and the sweet and lofty words ring out at Christmas time in many remote places.

But while the English translation has superseded the original Latin to a great extent, yet the beauty of the original composition is such that there are many who still prefer to hear it even though the language is not their own.—Katherine Edelman, (Q. 1923, Western Newspaper Union.)

Receiving Christmas Gifts Is a Fine Art

IT IS a common saying that every gift given means also a gift received. Christmas always has two sides, and certainly there is great joy in receiving the tokens of love and friendship that come to us, not because of their money value, for most gifts are bought for small sums, but because they convey to us an expression of someone's affection. I heard a young girl remark when a little gift came to her, "Well, that didn't break anyone's bank." What a pity. As if Christmas could have in it great joy for anyone who looked for the price tag on a gift. Our character is likely to be revealed by the spirit of our receiving quite as well as by the spirit of our giving. It is this fine art of receiving well that will not only make Christmas the more joyous, but will also be an all-year virtue. If it is cultivated in our hearts.—F. H. Sweet, (Q. 1923, Western Newspaper Union.)

LIKE MANY OTHERS



"She says her husband attends church regularly."
"Yes, he goes to her Christmas service every year."

SAFETY FIRST

The Christmas shoppers hesitated at the crowded street crossing. To try to get over seemed like an attempt to dodge fate. Automobiles dashed by in a continuous procession. The tall policeman, however, conveyed a group across like a battleship leading a flock of schooners. But one old lady lingered, afraid to launch away, until courage came with the policeman's assurance: "Come right along, ma'am, you're just as safe with me as if you was in God's pocket!"—C. G. Hazard, (Q. 1923, Western Newspaper Union.)

We'll still bet the notions part of a store never has as many notions as some women who patronize it.

May Joy Be With You

While we are celebrating this great Christmas, the spirit prompts us to express to all our sincere thanks and appreciation for the good will and patronage extended to us throughout the year.

Pearsey & Stephens

No Worms in a Healthy Child

All children troubled with worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off or dispel the worms, and the Child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. 6c per bottle.

Habitual Constipation Cured in 14 to 21 Days

"LAX-FOS WITH PEPSIN" is a specially-prepared Syrup Tonic-Laxative for Habitual Constipation. It relieves promptly and should be taken regularly for 14 to 21 days to induce regular action. It Stimulates and Regulates. Very Pleasant to Take. 60c per bottle.

GOODWILL TO ALL

May the Christmas of 1923 be the merriest of your life and may the year 1924 be the freest of worries, the healthiest, happiest and best you ever experienced.

HASKELL LAUNDRY CO.

IT MEANS MORE TO
US THAN THE
DAWN OF A
NEW YEAR

It means the beginning of another year of service to the people of this section. It gives us pleasant memories as we turn back the hands of time and recount our past experiences. You have helped this business to grow and as we grow we have tried to increase our usefulness in our sphere.

We thank all of our loyal patrons and assure you that each day of 1924 will find us planning and building for you, to make this store the store you want it to be.

Accept our best wishes for a New Year of good times, good health and contentment.

FOOTS & MITCHELL
VARIETY STORE

THE FARMERS STATE BANK

This Bank of the Christmas spirit sends hearty Yuletide greetings to its depositors and friends.

May the "back log" in the fireplace keep life's fire burning brightly on this sacred holiday.

The steady progress we have scored is, we think, good cause for our gratitude toward those, who have not found their confidence in us misplaced. To them Greetings.

To those who acquaintance we have yet to make, Greetings also, and a cordial invitation to come in and enroll their names upon our books—books that stand for safety, service, and a desire to please.

The Farmers State Bank

"The Guaranty Fund Bank"

R. C. MONTGOMERY, Pres.
J. B. POST, Cashier.

R. C. COUCH, Active Vice-Pres.
JOHN RIKE, Asst. Cashier.

DIRECTORS:

T. E. BALLARD
J. E. GRISSOM
J. B. POST
M. H. HANCOCK

R. C. COUCH
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We Greet You



A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A
BRIGHT, HAPPY NEW
YEAR

We are more thoughtful at this season than ever. You have been very generous and we are delighted that it seems to us you were pleased with our goods and our service.

With grateful hearts we thank you and wish each one of you a joyous Christmas and a New Year richer in its goodness to you than any you ever before experienced.

We Thank You

WELLS FURNITURE STORE

Citation on Appointment of Temporary Guardian

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell County, Greeting:
You are Hereby Commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Haskell County, a copy of the following notice:

The State of Texas
To all Persons Interested in the Welfare of Effie Pinkerton and Ray Pinkerton, Minors, Alex Pinkerton was by the County Court of Haskell County, Texas, on the 23rd day of November A. D. 1923, duly appointed Temporary Guardian of the persons and estate of said Minors, which appointment will be made permanent unless the same shall be successfully contested at the next term of said Court, commencing on the First Monday in January A. D. 1924, the same being the 7th day of January A. D. 1924, at the Court House thereof, in Haskell, Texas, at which time all persons interested in the welfare of said Minors may appear and contest such appointment if they so desire.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Haskell, Texas, this the 27th day of November A. D. 1923.

(Seal) Emory Menefee, Clerk
County Court, Haskell County, Texas
By Cleo King, Deputy.

A TONIC

Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic restores Energy and Vitality by Purifying and Enriching the Blood. When you feel its strengthening, invigorating effect, see how it brings color to the cheeks and how it improves the appetite, you will then appreciate its true tonic value. Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is simply Iron and Quinine suspended in syrup. So pleasant even children like it. The blood needs QUININE to Purify it and IRON to Enrich it. Destroys Malarial germs and Grip germs by its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. 60c.

A. J. Smith made a business trip to Austin the first part of the week.

Mrs. S. W. Reeves and son Weldon, left Thursday for Young County, where they will spend Christmas.

Gaines Post returned from the State University to spend the holidays with homefolks and friends Thursday.

May Christmas Mean Much to You

And may Health, Happiness and Prosperity become more and more enriched with the passing of time and may you and those whose happiness depends upon you enjoy the best of health and a full measure of prosperity and true happiness.

We are grateful to all for patronage of 1923 and pledge you that during 1924 we will put forth our very best effort to serve you even better than in the past.

GHOLSON GROCERY



As Father Time Draws the Curtains of Time on 1923 We Pause to Think

And as we look back over the days of the year gone by we see some things we might have done and some we might have left undone, but one thing we feel is as unchanged as it was the day we entered business and that is sincere appreciation of our patrons and our earnest desire each day to serve them better. The approach of a new year brings renewed interest in our regular patrons and strengthens our desire to serve others. But in the midst of it all we stop to "take stock" so to speak and we find on hand a generous supply of good wishes so we pass this one along to you.

MAY 1924 BE THE BEST YOU HAVE KNOWN

Bringing to you the joys that come from health, prosperity and contentment. We want to thank you for your patronage during the old year. We assure you that we have striven in word and action to merit your confidence and good will and with the coming of 1924 we anticipate the pleasure of continuing to number you among our friends and customers. This message, we hope, will find its way to those who have helped to make this business what it is today.

West Texas Utilities Co.

We Pause Today and Look Back

And as we recount the experiences of the days and years we have been in business we find but little to regret and much to be thankful for. We are deeply grateful that so many have shown their confidence in us.

As we look to the future we are thinking of how we can serve you better and we hope we will be given the opportunity.

JOY TO YOU FOR CHRISTMAS
PEACE, HEALTH AND PLENTY
FOR THE NEW YEAR

W.W. Fields & Son
GROCERIES

LEGEND OF THE MISTLETOE

Yuletide Bough Was Responsible for
Death of Balder, Son of Odin,
an Old Story.

THE mistletoe bough, according to an old Scandinavian legend, was responsible for the death of Balder, the son of Odin and the God of Eloquence and Poetry. Having informed his mother, Friga, that a dream had warned him of his imminent death she invoked all the powers of earth—fire, air, earth and water (including all animals and plants)—to come to his rescue. In the combats of the gods, therefore, he found himself uninjured.

But Loake, his deadly enemy, was determined to discover the secret of his invulnerability, and by judiciously flattering Friga, and praising the progress of her son, obtained from her the reason. But, she foolishly told him, there was one feeble little shoot she had not thought it necessary to invoke—the mistletoe.

The treacherous Loake immediately procured a branch of the mistletoe, and entering the assembly of gods presented an arrow made from it to blind Heda, with the words—"Balder is before thee. Shoot!" He shot and Balder fell, pierced and slain.

And countless thousands have since been "slain" and will be slain for ages to come with "darts" from the "mistletoe bough."

MYTHS OF CHRISTMAS SEASON

Among Some of Peasantry of France
is Belief That Bread Remains
Fresh Ten Years.

LEGENDS and myths without number have become associated with the celebration of Christmas. Among some of the peasantry of France is a strong belief that loaves of bread baked at Christmas will remain fresh for ten years. It is also believed by some of the simple folk that during the whole of the Christmas holidays a portion of bread should be left on the table day and night because the Holy Mother may come to share it. For some reason not to be explained, there is a superstition among some French peasant wives that no bread must be baked between Christmas day and the Feast of the Circumcision, because an infraction of this rule will bring disaster on the household.

There is a peasant belief of age-long standing that if the cattle on the farm be given drink immediately after the midnight mass of Christmas their health will continue good throughout the year. Another belief is that if seed of wheat be wrapped in a tablecloth

which has been used for Christmas dinner, a profitable harvest will be insured. Another strange belief is that a cold bath taken on Christmas day will protect the bather against fevers and toothache throughout the year.

CHRISTMAS RIBBONS

IF CHRISTMAS ribbons could express themselves they would say that people were thrifty, for some ribbons claim to have been doing business every Christmas for many, many years. They are often pressed and made to look their best, but they're the same ones used again and again. However, if they could philosophize they would rejoice that they were the means of adding gaiety, color and cheer to Christmas packages year after year!

THE WILD BOAR'S HEAD FEAST

Animal of Woods in Early Days Provided One of the Most Popular Christmas Dishes.

IN MEDIEVAL England it was customary to commence all grand Christmas feasts by the solemn ceremony of bringing in the boar's head as the initial dish. The master cook, preceded by trumpeters and other men with boar spears and drawn falchions and pages carrying mustard, bore the smoking head aloft on a silver platter, which he deposited at the head of the table. The head was garnished and garianded with rosemary and laurel, and a lemon, symbol of plenty, was placed between its grinning chops.

To the end of her life, Queen Victoria retained the ancient custom; also in many of the public schools and universities the boar's head is still the great dish of the Christmas banquet. On such occasions every diner rises and joins in the "Boar's Song," which has been sung for centuries. The words are set to the common chant of the prose version in cathedrals.

IT'S DIFFERENT NOW.

Lady: I suppose you wish Christmas came several times a year.

Willie: I used to till I got engaged to Millie Nextdoor, but it's different now.



1923

May Your Stocking of Hope
be Filled to Overflowing

AND YOUR FONDEST DESIRES BE
REALITIES IN 1924

So good have the people of this city and community been to us during the past year we look back and find much for which to feel truly thankful. Your generous patronage has enabled us to record a satisfactory business and in coming to thank you we are pleased with the opportunity offered by the season to

WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
A NEW YEAR OF PEACE AND PLENTY

Oates Drug Store

1924

A Merry Christmas

—TO OUR—

Friends and Patrons

Following the time honored custom indulged in the world over, of spreading glad tidings and joy, we take this opportunity of expressing our gratification and appreciation of the splendid patronage given us during the past year, and with all sincerity and earnestness we extend the people of Haskell County

Compliments of the Season

The least wish that we entertain for you and yours, is that each and every one may enjoy a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with all the richest and choicest of blessings.

Haskell Electric Gin Co.

A MERRY, MERRY

Christmas

THE JOYOUS

SEASON IS

WELCOME

What joy Christmas brings to the world! It fills our hearts with higher, nobler thoughts and inspires the best that is in us. May it be real to you, bringing happiness that will endure for time to come—that is our wish for you.

We cannot pass the season without an expression of our deepest lasting appreciation for the patronage given during 1923. May it be our privilege to serve you through a happy, prosperous New Year.

Sherrill Bros. & Co.

Greetings

For 34 years it has been our pleasure at this time of year to wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and to extend our thanks for your friendship.

You patrons and friends have been looked upon as partners in the success of our business, and we feel that it has given you pleasure to witness the steady growth of our business during this span of years.

We are grateful for the fact that there is a season each year when the world gives over to rejoicing and good cheer; a season for renewing old friendships and strengthening the bonds that hold us to one another.

In this spirit we greet you this Christmas. To all our patrons and to every reader of this paper, we extend the season's greetings and best wishes for

**A Merry Christmas and
A Happy New Year**

—Store closed all day Tuesday.

F. G. Alexander & Sons
ESTABLISHED 1890

Christmas Day in Own Home

By ETHEL COOK ELIOT

Mother, Father
and Children
Have Special
Guests at
Family Feast

IT IS ALMOST
glad we're
not going to
our Grand
mother's for
Christmas this
year." Mrs. Will
Christmas this
year.

confided to Mr. Will a week before that great day. "Do you realize we've never had a Christmas here in our own home, just ourselves and our family?"

"Yes, I've been thinking of that," Mr. Will replied. "Let's keep it just ourselves, and give the kiddies our truly home Christmas to remember."

As usual, Mr. and Mrs. Will were in complete agreement in their ideas and emotions. Mrs. Will sighed contentment, too; for after all, such harmony as theirs is not so common in this workaday world of wives and husbands.

But as Christmas day grew nearer and nearer Mrs. Will suddenly realized she was nursing a sick conscience. There was something she had not the heart to confide to Mr. Will. Now, Mr. Will had a sick conscience, too. There was something he had not the heart to confide to Mrs. Will.

But fortunately everything was straightened out before Christmas, that day of penance dawned.

Billy, their oldest, didn't know what the word conscience meant. Of course he had heard mother and father whispering about how nice a strictly family Christmas would be.



He had heard them, but perhaps he hadn't understood their sentiment. Anyway, at luncheon, two days before Christmas, he suddenly blurted, "Say, Mom, I've asked Jim Larkin to our Christmas dinner and the tree. You know his folks are in Europe, and he's just staying on at the school. Thought he'd like it here better. More homelike."

"Oh, bother, Billy," Lucy cried—thirteen-year-old Lady Lucy. "I've asked Patty Brown. She hasn't any folks anywhere, even in Europe. Just that snobbish great-aunt who's giving a big house party, all old folks, and doesn't want Patty around. She needs a home Christmas more than your Jim!"

Father was eyeing mother anxiously. Her bright smile amazed him. "Well, I'm sure there's room for them both. I am glad you have such kind hearts, children."

But now Mr. Will spoke timidly. "I'm sorry, mother, but I, too, have asked a guest. Couldn't help it somehow! That young Miller at the office. He's so cut up about his mother's death, and a boarding house is a dreary place to spend Christmas." Mr. Will's voice was timorous, almost pleading.

But Mrs. Will's bright smile had now turned to a calm, relieved one. "Oh, that's splendid, dear," she said. "For, do you know, I myself have in-



vented that pretty little Gladys Haverhill. She looked so woebegone when I met her at the grocer's Saturday and asked her whether she was going home for Christmas. She said a poor school teacher couldn't travel way across a continent even for a Christmas at home. What could I do! And do you know I've always thought Gladys and Ted Miller ought to meet. They're such nice young people—and Gladys is so pretty!"

So that's what happened to the Willis' precious family Christmas. But not one of the Willis felt that he had been cheated of anything. On the contrary! And Mr. and Mrs. Will are in closer harmony than ever. You see, they are the same sort of people—not a too common thing in workaday life. And Billy and Lucy are growing up rather like them.

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IN MERRIE ENGLAND

The English Christmas is not unlike ours, save that we do not have their pretty custom of "bringing in the yule." In almost every family in England the boys and girls gather about the burning log on Christmas Eve to sing carols and tell Christmas legends. Often the children who live in the country assist at the dragging in of the huge log. An English child would not feel that it was Christmas if there were not a bit of mistletoe hanging in the hall, under which the unwary are kissed soundly. Little and big eat the rich and blissing plum pudding, and all join in the singing of Christmas carols and churchgoing.

A WISH

A Merry Christmas, with a day of laughter and merriment for every day thereafter. When Christmas goes, so it of course must go. May every day that comes be merry, too.

1923-1924

Friendly

Business Is More

Than Friendship—

It Is Fellowship.

In grateful appreciation of your goodwill we extend New Year Greetings and our best wishes for your good health and happiness.

Payne Drug Co.

**IT HAS BEEN OUR
EXPERIENCE**

That Friendship in Business Counts
Much.

And We Are Grateful For Yours.

Let Us Wish You a Real, Happy, Contented
and Prosperous New Year

Draper's Filling Station

S. E. Corner of Square.

1923 - 1924
**Good Wishes to
Our Friends**

Our friendships are our greatest asset, and the spirit of the holidays, with its time-honored customs, provides opportunity for us to greet you.

We extend our most cordial greetings and best wishes for your peace, prosperity and happiness, and for those whose happiness depends upon you.

Lamm Bros.

"GROCERIES"

**A Hearty
Hand-Clasp**

And a Merry

Christmas

to Our

Many Friends and

Customers

M. O. Lyles Filling Station
"Texas Garage Old Stand"

No. 362
Citation on Application for Letters of
Guardianship
THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of
Haskell County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for a period of ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in said Haskell County, a copy of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To All Persons Interested in the Welfare of Emil K. Matura, Willie Matura, Adolph Matura and Frank Matura Minors. Mary H. Phillip has filed in the County Court of Haskell County, an application for Letters of Guardianship upon the persons and Estate of said Minors, which said application will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the First Monday in January A. D. 1924, the same being the 7th day of January A. D. 1924 at the Court House thereof, in Haskell, Texas, at which time all persons interested in the welfare of said Minors, may appear and contest said application, if they see proper to do so.

Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Haskell, Texas, this 19th day of November A. D. 1923.

(Seal) Emory Menefee, Clerk
of County Court, Haskell County, Tex

The Quinine That Does Not Affect the Stomach
Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness nor ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of J. W. GROVE, 30c.

1 Overland Sedan
1 Overland Touring
Both New
For sale at wholesale
prices.

**DRAPER'S
FILLING STATION**

VOICE

R. M. Chambers is ready to roll those who desire Voice this Fall. Residence and house west of Baptist Telephone 205. Individual instruction given.

Jas. P. Kinn

Attorney-at-Law
Office in Pierson Building
Haskell, Texas

P. D. SANDE

LAND LAWYER
Perfects land titles. Locates on farms and ranches. Handles Real Estate.
HASKELL, TEXAS

**It Has Been
a Pleasure For
Us to Serve You**

We take this method of expressing thanks to the citizens of this community for the business entrusted to us this year and to assure you it has been a pleasure to serve you.

Accept our sincere wish for an Enjoyable
Christmas and a New Year to
Your Liking.

Model Tailor Shop
Phone 391

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Who Is Your Neighbor? A Good Christmas Game

THIS is a very lively Christmas game, and one especially useful in an emergency, for it can be played without preparation of any kind. Arrange as many chairs as there are players in the form of a circle. When this has been done the party must divide into two, one side being blindfolded and taking possession of the chairs in such way that each has a vacant chair on his right hand.

The other side then move silently to the middle of the circle, and at a given signal they must all mysteri-

ously and noiselessly seat themselves in the vacant chairs. At the word "sing" the unblindfolded players must all start singing. A well-known tune may be arranged beforehand, or they may all sing anything that happens to occur to them at the time.

All endeavor to disguise their voices as much as possible. The blindfolded players must listen attentively, the object of each being to guess correctly who his singing right-hand neighbor is.

Those whose guesses are correct have their bandages removed, and change places with their singing neighbors. The unsuccessful guessers must try again. One guess only is allowed each time.—F. H. Sweet.

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FOR THEIR CHRISTMAS PARTY

Appropriate Decorations Add to the Zest and Gayety of the Yuletide Festivities.

IF SANTA CLAUS is to be present at the Christmas party supper—and of course he should be invited—he may appear in an automobile, but in order to be quite orthodox he should be driving his eight reindeer through the snow; and therefore the hostess should use a strip of snowy cotton wool plentifully sprinkled with frost for the table center. Purchase a somewhat large Santa Claus; he will be most effective dressed in a

brown cloak with scarlet hood and cap. A fancy basket in the form of a wheelbarrow or chariot will answer the purpose for his sleigh, and should be loaded with presents of all kinds. The reindeer, which can be filled with sweets, may be harnessed to the sleigh with scarlet ribbons on which have been sewn a number of tiny bells.

At intervals down the table place boxes of bonbons in the form of Yule logs, with garlands of berried holly and mistletoe arranged from log to log, the menus to be in banner form, each one being held by a miniature Father Christmas.

A Cinderella scheme for the supper table is pretty. For the center purchase from your florist the wire frame of a coach. Cover it thinly with moss,

binding it on with hemp; then cover it with scarlet geraniums, attaching the blossoms to the coach with fine silver wire; harness two milk-white toy horses to it with ribbons to match the geraniums. A smart little coachman and footman must be placed on their respective places, and a doll to represent Cinderella dressed for the ball should be sitting inside.

Appropriate presents to be placed for the children would consist of a slipper filled with sweeties for each little boy, and a doll dressed as a fairy in white gauze spotted with silver stars, holding a tiny wand, would delight the heart of each little girl.

CHRISTMAS FEAST FOR BIRDS

Feathery Tribe in Bosnia Not Forgotten—Food Placed Near Nests and Shelters.

CHRISTMAS is not merely a festival celebrated by and for man alone. Among the folklore of other countries are several quaint stories in which animals and birds give evidence of their adoration. A well-known Bosnian legend offers a version of world-adoration. They claim that on the holy day "the sun in the east bowed down, the stars stood still; the mountains and forests shook and touched the earth with their summits, and the green pine tree bent; the grass was beflowered with the opening of blossoms; incense sweet as myrrh pervaded upland and forest; birds sang on the mountain tops and all give thanks to the great God."

In Bosnia on Christmas Day a sheaf of rye is put near birds' nests and bird houses for the birds' Christmas. An old Indian legend says that on Christmas night all the deer in the forest kneel in adoration before the Great Spirit. Woe to him, however, who tries to spy upon them. He is punished with perpetual stiffening of the knees.

Many people of the Old World claim that on Christmas night animals are gifted with speech, but none must trespass or eavesdrop.

Many and many have been the tales which account for the robin's red breast. In great many parts of Europe he is called the Saviour's bird, and a story is told that when the Christ was crucified the robin, unable to stand His suffering, ventured to pluck the thorns from His head. In doing so, the blood stained the robin's breast, which sign he wears today.

USE OF CHRISTMAS STOCKING

Custom Comes From Sunny Italy Where Poor First Used Long Knitted Purses.

THE custom of hanging up stockings on Christmas Eve comes to us from a land far across the ocean—from sunny Italy.

In the city of Padua, long ago, good old St. Nicholas used to go about the streets after dark and throw through the windows of the homes of the poor people long knitted purses, tied at both ends, and containing much needed coins. These purses were made of yarn, and when untied looked not unlike a footless stocking.

Finally, as time went on, the poor people, hoping thus to remind the more fortunate of their needs, used to hang these empty purses out of the windows on the night before Christmas, so that a gift might be placed in them.

In the north country, where the weather is cold at Christmas time, the purses were hung by the chimney place in the hope that St. Nicholas would drop his offering down the chimney.

When the purses went out of fashion stockings as the thing most like them were used in their stead, and that is why we today still observe the practice and the custom.

"COME AN' GONE!"

IN THE days before prohibition, an old, southern dorky was wont to celebrate Christmas with a quiet and solitary bottle of liquor. Upon one occasion he was going home with his prize under his arm, when he stumbled on the curbstone. The bottle slipped, fell and broke, spilling the contents all over the pavement.

The old dorky regarded the catastrophe with gentle mournfulness.

"Dere, now," he murmured, "Christmas come an' gone!"

CHRISTMAS DAY IN ICELAND

Natives Still Cling to Old Customs and Songs; Day Is One of Great Happiness.

SUCH a strong-winged thing is Christmas Cheer that it has betaken itself even to that isolated island of the far north, where the shortest day is four hours long, and where at Christmas time the sun does not rise above the horizon for a week.

Christmas is a great day with the people of Iceland and they still cling to all their old customs and songs and the day to them is one of great happiness.

One of their favorite old songs is filled with simplicity that is touching and yet gives a glimpse of a philosophy of life that is pretty fine:

When I go good and think aright
At peace with man, resigned to God,
Thou lookst on me with eyes of light,
Tasting new joys in joy's abode.

The Season of Good Cheer and Happiness

FINDS US MINDFUL OF OUR GOOD FRIENDS AND PATRONS,
SO WE PAUSE TO WISH YOU

A Real Old Merry Christmas

And as we do so we like to recall the pleasant dealings of the past year and as the curtains are being drawn on 1923 we find much to feel thankful for. We value the friendship and confidence of the people and will be found always striving hard not to disappoint you in any way.

So we come in this season of happiness and rejoicing to take the opportunity to sincerely thank you for your patronage and good will and to extend to you our sincere wish that yours will be a Merry Christmas and the New Year one of Happiness, Prosperity and success.

JONES, COX & COMPANY



trict Court of Haskell County, Texas, on the 10th day of December, 1923 in a case wherein the State of Texas is Plaintiff and Unknown Owner is Defendant. No. 3386 in said Court in favor of Plaintiff for the sum of \$54.43 with interest at six per cent per annum from judgment, together with costs of suit, being the amount of judgment recovered by Plaintiff in said Court on the 7th day of December, 1923. I have seized, levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in January, 1924, the same being the 1st day of said month, at the Court House Door in the town of Haskell, between the hours of 2 o'clock p. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title, and interest of said defendant in and to the following described real estate, levied upon as the property of said defendant, to-wit:
 Lot 3, Block 25, Brown & Roberts Addition, town of Haskell, in Haskell County, Texas.

Said Sale to be made to satisfy said judgment in favor of the State of Texas, together with costs of suit, and the proceeds of sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof. Sale will be made subject to Defendant's right to redeem said property within two years from date of sale, by paying to the purchaser thereof double the amount of money paid for such property.

W. C. ALLEN, Sheriff, Haskell County, Texas.

MAY THE CHRISTMAS
BELLS SOUND

Happiness to You and Your Household

O'er every home throughout this peaceful and prosperous nation the benign spirit of Christmas settles like a benediction. Gladness prevails, generous acts and kindness is seen on every hand. How we all welcome the Yuletide days.

In the true spirit of the season we send our greetings to friends and patrons and wish you a New Year that will be better than you have ever before experienced. We thank each of you for business of the past and hope we are privileged to serve you during 1924.

R. B. Spencer & Co.

LUMBER

Jno. A. Couch, Mgr.

BE SURE GIFTS WILL PLEASE

In Making Same Articles for Friends
It is Well to Be Sure of
Appreciation.



WOMAN tells in recently published magazines how she has a "pillow Christmas" for the benefit of her many friends. She consulted the piece bag, and from it drew forth the materials for making any quantity of dainty sofa pillows, all destined for different friends. The cost of the materials was chiefly that spent for silk cords, for embroidery silk and for filling for the completed pillows. Nearly all the pillows were made by couching figures cut from contrasting materials on a chosen background, and the result was completed. The very same idea might also be carried into effect by the girl who loves to make dainty stocks. There never was a time when the prevailing styles offered such a dainty array of collars, and a box of assorted colors and kinds would be welcomed by any girl friend. There might be found in the piece bag all sorts of bits of silk and ribbon which could be fashioned into the daintiest of dressy stocks, as well as bits of lawn and percale which would do nicely for stocks for every day wear with cotton shirt waists. The gift of a box of stocks might be made valuable if the box itself was a thing of beauty, and this could be brought to pass by the girl who is expert with her needle. Giving the same sort of gift to a large number of people is perfectly proper if the gift is one which is calculated to please everybody. We've heard the story of a nice old lady who always made pin-cushions for all her nieces and mittens for all her nephews every year. It was said that her plan gave great pleasure to one person, the aunt. It's a good idea to be sure your gifts will be appreciated before you go into the wholesale manufacture of one style of article for many people.



OH BOY
"I shall hope to catch you under the mistletoe Christmas eve."
"If you do, I warn you now, I'll be too busy to see you."

The Way We Feel Toward Our Patrons

We never have considered a transaction closed with the mere exchange of our cars and service for money. We prefer to think that business means more than buying and selling—that it means the opportunity for making and holding friends.

And this being true we come now to express our appreciation of the friendly spirit you have shown us and to extend to you our best wishes for a Christmas of joy and a new year in which your laudable undertakings may each be crowned with success.

TONN-OATES CO.

"This is a Studebaker Year"

THE ANNUAL ROMANCE

By Mary Graham Bonner

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ROSALIND was engaged to be married. She was to be married the day after Christmas. She couldn't very well be married before then as her fiancé was so especially, unusually busy at Christmas time, and it would have been cruel, too, not to have waited.

For Bill, her beloved, took the part of a Santa Claus every Christmas for one of the big city stores. He was an ideal Santa Claus. He wasn't too tall, he was not too short; he was rather inclined to a stockiness of build, and extra clothes made him look an ideal round Santa. He had a ruddy face and snapping blue eyes—and dressed in a Santa Claus costume he was perfect.

How the children did adore him! And how he loved them! They whispered their secrets to him and their eyes danced with rare happiness when he waved a good-bye to them and called them:

"Sweethearts," and "My dears," and "Children dears," and other affectionate terms.

Rosalind had been thrilled when she had heard him first, in his deep beautiful voice uttering such beautiful words! For Rosalind had met him first when he had been a Santa Claus and she had been an extra sales girl taken on for the Christmas rush.

It had been her first meeting with him. But she had been kept at the store after the Christmas rush was over, and Bill had worked for the store for seven years now. Every December he was Santa Claus. The other eleven months he spent in selling kitchen utensils in the basement. They had fallen in love with each other, though, at this time when he had been Santa Claus. And many a time when he had said: "Good-bye dearie," to a child, he had been thinking of the pretty girl who was at that very moment selling dolls and giving her smiles, her beautiful smiles to a mother or to children.

And now a second Christmas was coming around, and once more Bill was Santa Claus, and as soon as he was through being Santa Claus they would be married.

"I've always had lots of romance in my nature," she said to him one evening. "I've always thought it would be awful to be like some folks—some I know and some I've heard talk. One lady who came to the store with a friend was telling how she and her husband got along perfectly. They each had other friends, and sometimes they met and embarrassed others when they told that they were married. For

one time the husband had been having dinner with a friend, and the friend had been looking flirtatiously at his wife who was also in the restaurant. "The friend had been much embarrassed when he discovered he had been



Took the Part of Santa Claus.

flirting with the husband's wife. And she was telling this as a good joke.

"I wouldn't want that kind where one goes one way and the other the other way. And I wouldn't want to be known as a wife because I was quarreling with my husband."

"You know how you hear folks say 'Well, you could tell they were married, all right.' I don't want that kind."

"And you won't have it, little girl," Bill said. "I'm for your kind of romance every time. I'm for the kind of a married life where folks won't think we're married—we'll be so happy! I had a friend once like that. Why, a cop called him down because he was making love to his wife and wouldn't believe they were married 'cause she called him 'darling.' They found it awkward, but they had the right idea."

And as Rosalind listened to her Santa Claus, as she counted the days before the wedding, she said to herself:

"It will be an annual romance to see Bill as Santa Claus, for it was as Santa Claus that I, too, fell in love with him as well as the children, and every year our happy, merry memories will be revived for us. We believe in romance and romance believes in us, for it, too, is going to play its part."

And someone who knew them both said:

"It wouldn't be a bad idea if every man could be as he was during his courtship days for a whole month of every year!"

Have Breakfast Room Tidy.

Start the day right by having the breakfast room aired and tidy, even though a more thorough sweeping and dusting is done afterwards. If the table is set the night before a light cloth must be thrown over it.

Busy Mailmen Add to Our Christmas Cheer

FROM house to house they go with cards and calendars of cheer, presents and surprises. Always cheery, never complaining, how much they add to our Christmas joy and pleasure!

If cross expressions were worn by those who brought us our Christmas presents it would not be the same. And yet they work so hard, so over-hard, they carry so much, and all to others!

Our mailmen are a pretty wonderful lot and our Christmas time is added to by them to a very big degree.

It seems as though we should do our part to give a little cheer to our mailmen in gratitude and appreciation of the spirit in which they do their work.—Mary Graham Bonner.

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THE RIGHT COSTUME, O. K.



Hubby—So you're going to take part in the Christmas Eve entertainment. What part do you take?

Wifey—I take the leading part. I'm Christmas Eve herself.

KEEP A CHRISTMAS RECORD

Why wouldn't it be fun for a family to keep a record book in which to preserve the interesting things about the annual Christmas celebration from year to year? Some people keep a record of the important happenings of their everyday lives, but it is rather inconvenient for the average person to take the time to make it complete enough to be more than a date and a line or two. A Christmas record would give all the details of the family's Christmas presents, the names of the guests, the menu of the Christmas dinner, the amusements and games, and maybe a tracing of the baby's first little shoe! Every succeeding year would add to its value and interest.—C. F. Wadsworth.

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Our Christmas Greeting



To all our old friends who have been loyal, who have helped us and whom we have helped as best we knew, and to the newer friends whom we will cherish through the years until they become old friends and to you whose friendship we want and will ever strive earnestly to deserve, we tender this

Greeting

R. J. Reynolds

Our Sincere Appreciation

ACCEPT OUR BEST CHRISTMAS WISHES

We like to come in the gladsome holiday season to express the pleasure we have derived from our business dealings with our large number of patrons.

It is a pleasure to do business among such a people as we have here and we assure you that we appreciate your business.

We wish you the happiest and best Christmas you ever experienced. And may 1924 bring you 366 days of bright, happy, prosperous days.

McNeill & Smith Hdw. Co.

A Christmas Dream

By
LUELLA
KERSTEN



THE spacious farm house living room was unlighted and quiet. The outlines of several large armchairs were visible here and there about the room and made it look temptingly restful. The table which stood between the two windows was not untidy but held several opened books and many letters strewn about a letter file.

One of the large armchairs stood in front of the massive coal stove in which the blue flames danced like little elves upon the red coals, defying heartily the howling wind outside. Some one seemed to have been present recently. The chair held a bath robe, the cord of which dangled carelessly on the floor, and the tassel of which rested upon an open letter below it. Some one had been reading old letters and that person was cozily nestled in the bath robe. His tousled head of grey rested on the back of the chair. He was sleeping and certainly was having the happiest of dreams for a smile took possession of his face. The flames joined in the happy mood by dancing higher and faster. Even peaceful and happy hours have endings. Mrs. Bohnenstock had come quietly into the room and gently shook her husband.

"No, no, Helen," said the man without opening his eyes, "I am too old to dance and romp."

"Helen? Whom are you talking of? I do believe you have been dreaming," answered his wife.

At the sound of her voice, he was entirely awakened and arose from the chair. He staggered about before he regained all consciousness and his arms and legs ached from their

1923

An Appreciation of Your Gift to Us

You have given us a priceless gift—one that enabled us to build this business to what it is at the present for without YOUR CONFIDENCE we would not enjoy the business we have today. To merit this confidence and to serve you better is our hope and desire. To know that we enjoy your confidence and friendship has raised this business above a place to merely sell merchandise, and has made it an institution built upon a foundation of service.

Your Confidence

Is the greatest asset this business has. We thank you for all past favors and wish you the joys of the Yuletide season and a

HAPPY, PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

Haskell Mill & Grain Co.

1924

THE BUSINESS THAT SERVICE BUILT

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU

We all welcome the season when the feeling of love abounds and unselfishness finds expression in gifts that are given and kind words that are spoken. It is fine to think of giving instead of receiving. How fine it would be if we could have the spirit of this glorious season with us always. May it come to you this Christmas and remain with you all the days of 1924 is our earnest wish.

Permit us at this opportunity to give thanks to all our loyal friends for the business entrusted to our care in 1923. Favor us with a continuance of your patronage and we will never give you cause to regret it.

J. F. Kennedy Garage

Phone No. 104

cramped position. "I guess I've been dreaming, Molly. It seems as though I'd been asleep for a whole year. Molly dear, why didn't you call me? My stock must be fed and it's way past feeding time now."

"Do not worry about your stock, George. It has all been taken care of. John Ugiow came over this afternoon and we talked about our Christmases when our boys were small. When it began to grow dusk, he said that I should not disturb you and that he would feed the stock."

"Well, Molly, so you and John talked over the Christmases we had with our little boys," said Mr. Bohnenstock sinking back into his chair and beckoning his wife to sit on the arm of it. "I am glad to see that others miss those beautiful holidays and the whole month before, when the air was full of mysteries."

"Oh, George, now I know what you were talking of when I came to wake you," Molly said, running her fingers through his tousled hair. "Tell me about it."

"I was reading some of the letters from Henry, for I'd been thinking of him all day," began her husband. "The last letter I read was the one we got from him last year just before Christmas, in which he told us how he and Jane were planning Christmas for the youngsters, and how he hoped that another year he would be home with us. I sat here recalling the many Christmases you and I had planned for our children. Molly, do you remember the year we had the Ugiow boys over for Christmas eve?" he excitedly continued, half rising from his chair as the happy past came back to his mind in jumbled snapshots. "I can see them now, the four boys and two girls sitting around this very stove, telling the Christmas stories which they had learned in school. Then, how their eyes bulged and their mouths opened when Santa came into the room. The children danced with glee, but the girls were a bit timid. The boys, however, were real chummy and asked Santa many embarrassing questions about his trips."

All this he said slowly, pausing now and then so that he could live it over again. He looked up into Molly's face, for she had been very quiet, and there he saw big tear drops rolling slowly down her thin cheeks which now showed a delicate pink flush.

"Well, well, Molly," began her husband.

"Don't, George, I know it's foolish for me to cry, but I wish we could have a tree and children to fuss for. Christmas comes and goes now without much excitement and it makes me feel as though I'm getting awfully old."

"Molly, let's have a tree and we will

get ready for Christmas just as we did long ago."

The next morning, the happy couple took a trip to the woods to choose a tree. By the twenty-second of December, all the things were finished. George found Molly sitting before the fire looking very sober.

"Molly, why do you look so blue? This is the time for everyone to be happy."

"I know it, but, George, I think our fun is over. All our planning is done and we have no one here to enjoy it. No children's voices to sing the lovely Christmas songs. Oh, I shall miss it," she said sobbing.

"We still have three days in which to find children. We are going to have a Christmas just as we want it. I feel as though this will be the happiest."

The next night, they again were cuddled in the big armchairs drawn before the stove. Both of them were deep in thought, wondering and hoping. Both of them started when the telephone rang, breaking up their thoughts. George answered and was astonished when he heard a telegram read to him. He hung up the receiver with a slam and ran over to Molly, threw his arms about her, picked her up and carried her around.

"George, tell me about it. What has happened?"

"Molly, I can't talk, I'm so happy. I knew we would find children but now I mustn't keep you in suspense any longer. It was a telegram like



"No, No, Helen."

this. Family coming to spend Christmas on the farm. Arrive on noon train tomorrow, Henry."

Now Molly took her turn in rejoicing. She danced about the room. Her face was pink and her eyes sparkled like an overjoyed child's. "We must get the toys ready for the children."

she said, and immediately went off to make a new dress for a doll.

The next noon, George and Molly were standing on the station platform, trembling with excitement. The bystanders could tell that something unusual was happening for the old people. Finally the train came.

"There they are! I see Jane and Helen. Where is Henry?" cried Molly.

"Here, Mother," answered her boy, and he picked her up and kissed her.

"Didn't know me, did you?"

That afternoon, the big doors to the living room were kept closed. The children suspected nothing for they were busy exploring the farm.

In the evening after they came from church, the doors to the living room were opened; the children were so happy that they danced about the tree and excitedly grabbed one parcel after another. In their excitement they could not untie the packages so their father and mother and grandparents were called upon to help.

Helen came to her grandfather with all of hers, but Junior was not so particular. After the children had seen all their presents, and the others had exchanged theirs, Helen and Junior sang songs and spoke Christmas pieces.

After the candles were lighted, little Helen came tripping over to her grandfather. "Come dance around the tree with me and my dolly, Grandfather."

"No, no, Helen! I'm too old to dance and romp," he answered.

"George," interrupted Molly, "they are the same words you used the day I found you sleeping in the armchair after reading old letters."

"Well, well, that's so," exclaimed George. "This Christmas has been exactly as I dreamed it."

Henry leaned over and whispered to his wife, "I'm glad we came. I didn't know how much it would mean to them."

DIVORCES ON INCREASE

Records of 1922 show large per cent of marriages to be failures.

One divorce to every seven marriages is the 1922 record for the United States as shown by the first marriage and divorce survey since 1916, when the record was one divorce to ten marriages.

Texas had the largest number of divorces, 12,390, while the District of Columbia had but one divorce to 36 marriages.

Law of Gravity

Sonny—I say, dad, what keeps us from falling off the earth when we are upside down?

Father—Why, the law of gravity, of course.

Sonny—But how did people stay before that law was passed?

satisfaction thereof. Sale will be made subject to Defendant's right to redeem said property within two years from date of sale, by paying to the purchaser thereof double the amount of money paid for such property.

W. C. ALLEN, Sheriff, Haskell County, Texas.

SHERIFF'S SALE. By Virtue of an Order of Sale, issued out of the District Court of Haskell County, Texas, on the 10th day of December, 1923, in cause whereof the State of Texas is Plaintiff and Unknown Owner is Defendant, No. 3391, in said Court in favor of Plaintiff and Unknown Owner is Returned, that I, the undersigned Sheriff of said County, do hereby sell, to wit: To-wit: \$41.52, at six per cent per annum from judgment, together with costs of suit, the amount of judgment recovered by Plaintiff in said Court, on the 7th day of December, 1923. I have seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday of January, 1924, the same being the 1st day of said month, at the Court House Door, in the town of Haskell, between the hours of 2 o'clock p. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title, and interest of said defendant in and to the following described real estate, levied upon as the property of said defendant, to-wit:

Said sale to be made to satisfy said judgment in favor of the State of Texas, together with cost of suit, and the proceeds of sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof. Sale will be made subject to Debonlun's right to rescind said property within two years from date of sale, his failing to do the same then thereof double the amount of money paid for such property.

W. C. ALLEN, Sheriff, Haskell County, Texas.

SHERIFF'S SALE. By Virtue of an Order of Sale, issued out of the District Court of Haskell County, Texas, on the 10th day of December, 1920, in a cause wherein the State of Texas is Plaintiff and C. W. Taylor is Defendant, No. 3392, in said Court in favor of Plaintiff for the sum of \$20.11, with interest at six per cent per annum from judgment, together with costs of said

amount of judgment recovered by Plaintiff in said Court on the 11th day of December, 1923, I have seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday of January, 1924, at the same being the 1st day of said month, at the Court House in DuBois, in the town of said county, at the hours of 2 o'clock p. m. and 3 o'clock p. m. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the real estate and interest of said defendant in and to the following described tract or tracts, levied upon as the property of said defendant, to-wit:

County of Block B. Tandy & Pinkerton Addition, town of Haskell, in ~~County of~~ Texas.

Said Sale to be made to satisfy said judgment in favor of the State of Texas, together with costs of suit, and the proceeds of sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof. Sale will be made subject to Defendant's right to redeem said property within two years from date of sale, by paying to the purchaser thereof double the amount of money paid for such property.

SHERIFF'S SALE. By Virtue of an Order of Sale, issued out of the District Court of Haskell County, Texas, on the 10th day of December, 1922, by me, wherein the State of Texas is Plaintiff and Unknown Owners is Defendant, No. 3393 in said Court in favor of Plaintiff for the sum of \$41.55 with interest at the rate of 10 per cent per annum, I have sold to the highest bidder, to-wit:

amount of judgment recovered by Plaintiff in said Court on the 7th day of December, 1923. I have seized, levied upon and will on the first Tuesday of January, 1924, the same being the 1st day of said month, the above described lot and floor, in the town of Haskell, between the hours of 2 o'clock p. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the interest of said defendant in and to the following described real estate, levied upon and to be sold, to-wit:

Lot 12, Block D, Tandy & Pinkerton Addition, town of Haskell, in Haskell County, Texas.

Said Sale to be made to satisfy said judgment in favor of the State of Texas, together with costs of suit, and the proceeds of sale to be applied to the satisfaction of said judgment, and the balance of said sale, to be paid to said plaintiff, and the balance of said sale, to be paid to the purchaser of said property, and the balance of said sale, to be paid to the purchaser thereof double the amount of money paid for the same.

SHERIFF'S SALE. By Virtue of an Order of Sale, issued out of the District Court of Haskell County, Texas, on the 10th day of December, 1925, in a cause wherein the State of Texas is Plaintiff and Unknown Owner is Defendant, No. 3394 in said Court in favor of Plaintiff for the sum of \$21.43, with interest.

amount of \$100.00, to be paid in judgment, together with costs of suit, bearing the amount of said costs of suit. Plaintiff in said Court on the 7th day of December, 1923, I have seized and will, on the first Tuesday of January, 1924, the same being the 1st day of said Court term, at the Door, in the town of Haskell, between the hours of 2 o'clock p. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the interest of said defendant in and to the following described real estate, levied upon by the property of said defendant, to-wit:

Lots 4 and 10, Block F, Tandy & Pinkerton Addition, town of Haskell in Haskell County, Texas.

Said Sale to be made to satisfy said judgment in favor of the State of Texas, together with costs of suit, and the proceeds of sale to be applied to the satisfaction of said judgment. Sale will be made subject to Defendant's right to redeem said property, within the time and on the terms of said order. The proceeds thereof double the amount of money paid for said property.

W. C. ALLEN, Sheriff, Haskell County, Texas.

SHERIFF'S SALE. By Virtue of an Order of Sale, issued out of the District Court of Haskell County, Texas, on the 10th day of December, 1923, in a cause wherein the State of Texas is Plaintiff and Unknown Owner is Defendant, No. 33065 in said Court in favor of Plaintiff.

at six per cent per annum from judgment, together with interest on the amount of judgment recovered by Plaintiff in said Court on the 7th day of December, 1923. I have seized, levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday of January, 1924, the same being the 1st day of said month, at the Court House in the town of Haskell, in the County of Haskell, State of Oklahoma, at 2 o'clock p. m. on said day, proceed to sell for and to the highest bidder, all the right, title, and interest of said defendant in and to the following described real estate, levied upon as the property of said defendant, to-wit:

Lots 5 & 6 and 11, Block G, Tandy & Pinkerton Addition, town of Haskell, in Haskell County, Oklahoma.

Said Sale to be made to satisfy said judgment in favor of the State of Texas, together with costs of suit, and the proceeds of sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof. Sale will be made subject to Defendant's right to redeem said property within two years from date of sale, by paying to the purchaser the sum of \$100.00.

SHERIFF'S SALE. By Virtue of an Order of Sale, issued out of the District Court of Haskell County, Texas, on the 10th day of December, 1923, in cause wherein the State of Texas is Plaintiff and Unknown Owner is Defendant, do hereby advise the amount of money bid for such property.

No. 3306 in said Court in favor of Plaintiff for the sum of \$28.30 with interest at the rate of six per centum from judgment, together with costs of suit, being the amount of judgment rendered by Plaintiff in said Court on the 7th day of December, 1923. I have seized, levied upon, and will sell, on the first day of January, 1924, the same being the 1st day of said month, at the Court House in the town of Haskell, between the hours of 2 o'clock p. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of said defendant in and to the following described real estate, to-wit: Lots 2 and 9, Block H. Tandy & Pinkerton Addition, town of Haskell in Haskell County, Texas.

Said Sale to be made to satisfy said judgment in favor of the State of Texas, together with costs of suit, and the proceeds of sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof. Said sale to be made subject to Plaintiff's right to redeem said property within two years from date of sale by making payment of the

SHERIFF'S SALE. By Virtue of an Order of Sale, issued out of the District Court of Haskell County, Texas, on the 10th day of December, 1922, in cause wherein the State of Texas is Plaintiff and Unknown Owner is Defendant, the undersigned, Sheriff of said County, do hereby certify that the sum of \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) has been paid to the undersigned by the said Unknown Owner, and that the same has been applied to the satisfaction of the said Order of Sale, and that the said Unknown Owner is no longer liable for the said sum of \$100.00.

Said Sale to be made to satisfy said judgment in favor of Plaintiff for the sum of \$128.65 with interest thereon at the rate of 10% per annum from the date of said judgment, together with costs of said lawsuit, to be paid by Defendant to Plaintiff on or before the 15th day of December, 1923. I have seized, levied upon, and will, on the first day of January, 1924, the same being the 1st day of said month, at the Court House Door, in the town of Haskell, between the hours of 2 o'clock p.m. and 4 o'clock p.m., said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, and the cash so received, and said debt and costs of said suit, together with the balance of said judgment, levied upon as the property of said defendant, to-wit:

Lots 1 2 3 and 10, Block I, Tandy & Pinkerton Addition, town of Haskell, in Haskell County, Texas.

Said Sale to be made to satisfy said judgment in favor of the State of Texas, together with costs of said suit, and the proceeds of sale to be applied in satisfaction thereof. Sale will be made subject to Defendant's right to redeem said property within two years from date of sale, by paying to the State of Texas the sum of \$128.65 with interest thereon at the rate of 10% per annum from the date of said judgment, together with costs of said lawsuit.

SHERIFF'S SALE. By Virtue of an Order of Sale, issued out of the District Court of Haskell County, Texas, on the 10th day of December, 1928, in cause wherein the State of Texas is Plaintiff and Unknown Owner is Defendant, there was sold to the highest bidder, to-wit:

No. 3508 in said Court in favor of Plaintiff for the sum of \$35.10, with interest at six per cent, per annum from judgment, together with costs of suit, before said Court, and recovered by Plaintiff in said Court on the 7th day of December, 1923. I have seized, levied upon and sold at public auction on the 1st day of January, 1924, the same being the 1st day of said month, at the Court Door, in the town of Haskell, between the hours of 2 o'clock p. m. and 3 p. m. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all said title and interest of said defendant in and to the following described tract, to-wit:

Lot 1 and 7, Block J, Tandy & Pinkerton Addition, town of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Said Sale to be made to satisfy said judgment in favor of the Plaintiff in said Court, together with costs of suit, and the proceeds of sale to be applied to the satisfaction of said judgment, and the balance, subject to Defendant's right to redeem said property within two years from the date of said sale, to be returned to Defendant.

SHERIFF'S SALE. By Virtue of an Order of Sale, issued out of the District Court of Haskell County, Texas, on the 10th day of December, 1922, in cause wherein the State of Texas is Plaintiff and W. C. Allen Sheriff, Haskell County, Texas, is Defendant, there is hereby sold to the highest bidder for cash, the property of the said W. C. Allen Sheriff, Haskell County, Texas, to-wit:

No. 3300 in said Court in favor of Plaintiff for the sum of \$48.21, with interest at six per cent per annum from judgment, together with costs of suit, being the amount of judgment recovered by Plaintiff in said Court on the 7th day of December, 1923. I have seized, levied upon and will, on the first Tuesday in January, 1924, the same being the 1st day of said month at the Court House in the town of Haskell, between the hours of 2 o'clock p. m. and 4 o'clock p. m.

Said Sale to be made to satisfy said judgment in favor of the State

W C ALLEN, Sheriff, Haskell County, Texas.

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OUR NEW YEAR MESSAGE:



We feel it fitting, with the dawn of a new year that we should lay aside the claims of business for a moment and thank the people of this city and vicinity for their generous participation in the growth of this business during 1923. Not only do we owe our thanks for the progress of the past but for the confidence inspired for the future.

We would have you know that we are sincerely grateful to each of you. We extend our sincere wishes with the hope that 1924 will fulfill your highest hopes and fondest aspirations.

Post & Williams
REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE

Good St. Nicholas, Saint of Fourth
Century of Christian Era,
Founder of Custom.

CHRISTMAS stockings have come down to us from the good St. Nicholas, who was a saint of the fourth century of the Christian era and was born December 6, 342, in Lycia, Asia Minor. He was regarded as especially the patron saint of children, young girls and sailors. The Christmas stocking custom arose as follows:

It seems that St. Nicholas, who was the archbishop of Myra, lived in the same town with an impoverished nobleman who because he had no portions to give his daughters, and indeed no means with which to support them, was about to sell them into a life of sin. St. Nicholas, who was accustomed to dispense his large fortune in gifts of charity, resolved to rescue the young women. As he approached their house wondering how he should proceed, the moon shone out and displayed an open window. Instantly St. Nicholas threw a purse of gold in at the window which, falling at the feet of the father of the girls, enabled him to portion his oldest daughter. The second time St. Nicholas visited the house he also was able to throw a purse of gold through an open window, thus providing for the portion of the second daughter. On the third visit the father, watching for his benefactor, cast himself at the feet of the saint and cried:

"Oh, St. Nicholas, servant of God, why seek to hide thyself?"

The saint made the father promise not to reveal his benefactions. From this habit of bestowing gifts in secret and under the cloak of night arose the practice of putting out shoes or stockings for the younger members of the family, so that the good saint would be able to fill them without being spied on. At one time it was the custom for young women pupils in convents on the even of Saint Nicholas to hang their new silk stockings on the door of the apartment of the abbess. They would also write notes calling the attention of the good St. Nicholas to their stockings. In the morning when the convent pupils who had not gone home for the holidays arose they invariably found their stockings filled with sweetmeats.

No Worms in a Healthy Child

All children troubled with worms have an unhealthy color, which indicates poor blood, and as a rule, there is more or less stomach disturbance. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC given regularly for two or three weeks will enrich the blood, improve the digestion, and act as a General Strengthening Tonic to the whole system. Nature will then throw off or dispel the worms, and the Child will be in perfect health. Pleasant to take. 6c per bottle.

Our Greatest Asset IS THE GOOD WILL OF OUR Customers

AND WE SINCERELY VALUE THE
PATRONAGE YOU HAVE GIVEN US.

MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS BE MERRY AND
THE NEW YEAR BETTER AND MORE
PROSPEROUS THAN EVER BEFORE.

ENGLISH MOTOR CO.

Good-Bye Old Year-Welcome to the New

A MESSAGE FROM THE HEART TO OUR LOYAL FRIENDS AND PATRONS

The year just closing seemed short to us but we presume it passed quickly because we were busy and the fact that we have been busy prompted us to stop with the sounding of the signal of the passing of 1923 to give thanks for the patrons who have made our business possible.

And This is Our New Year Wish for You

May the sunshine be brighter, the sky more blue, friends more true and your pathway free from any obstructions to hinder your success and happiness. May the opportunity for helpful service come to you and may 1924 bring you new and broader visions of life that will prove helpful and inspiring to you and those about you. To all of our patrons we send our best wishes and our hearty thanks for patronage, large or small. We want to serve you in 1924.

Hancock & Company
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