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Sewer Bond Issue Election Postponed

New Election Order Will Not Be Made Until Regular Council Meeting in January

What is considered possibly a fatal error in the preparation of the documents necessary for the city election on the \$60,000 sewer bond issue, makes it advisable to stop the advertisement of the election to have been held on January 22nd, and set a new date for the election, according to Mayor F. P. Henry, who said that the matter would be brought up before the council at their next regular meeting, to be held the second Tuesday in January.

Since some doubt exists as to the legality of the proceedings calling the election on January 22nd, the council decided the election should be postponed and new orders entered curing the possibility of defects, Judge Henry said.

A canvas of the situation seems to indicate a very heavy majority of the property taxpayers are for the proposed issue, and a number of them have expressed regret that any delay should be found necessary in getting a sewer system started. Since prompt action on the part of the council in submitting the matter to a vote would make the election possible to be held early in February, it is pointed out that little or no delay in actual construction, if the issue carries, would be experienced, for two reasons, one of which is that work would not start until the latter part of March or early April at any rate, and the other being that a ready sale of the bonds is anticipated, and no delay is likely from this source.

FLOYDADA ALL-STAR CHALLENGED BY LUBBOCK TEAM

A challenge has been received by J. C. Wester, coach of Floydada High School, for a football game between Floydada High School stars and ex-stars, and school and university boys home for the holidays and an all-star aggregation of Lubbock.

The challenge calls for the game to be played in Lubbock. Mr. Wester said that in view of the need of funds in the athletic chest of the high school, an effort would be made to accept the challenge, several goods players having consented to be in the line up.

BUICK SALES

The following is a list of recent sales made by the Gamble Brothers Buick Agency: T. L. Porter, 23-25 Buick; Mrs. S. Y. Carter 24-45 Buick; J. E. Blackwell, 24-45 Buick; Mrs. Martin, 24-44 Buick.

County Agent Plans Better Grain Sorghum Seed For Floyd County

The seed of our grain sorghums such as milo maize, kaffir, and feterita has run out as was shown by the fact that Floyd county got beaten on these grains at the Dallas State Fair. We did exceptionally well on the general exhibits but most of this was due to the arrangement and management of our able secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Hopkins. Our bigari is somewhat new in this country and has not run out so much as has the maize. Any one wishing to get seeds of these grains should see the county agent and place an order at once, as the supply at Lubbock where we expect to get these pure seeds, will soon be exhausted. These seeds will come at \$5.00 per hundred.

Farm Bureau Elects New Officers

The Floyd County Farm Bureau in annual session last Friday, December 21st elected the following officers: J. H. Green, president, J. D. Christian, vice president; T. S. Wilson, secretary treasurer; J. W. Howard, Prec. No. 1; Arthur Beedy, Prec. No. 4; H. W. Belden, Prec. No. 3; Geo. Meriwether, Prec. No. 2; as members of the board of directors and W. B. Jordan as member at large for the county.

Mr. W. T. Hopper was chosen as a delegate to represent the Floyd County organization at the state convention at Dallas in January.

The county board of directors will have their first regular meeting on January 8, and will meet monthly on the second Tuesday of each month.

It is the intention of the Floyd County Farm Bureau to promote the best interest of the farmers of the

Prize Winning Poultry From Floyd County

At the Sixth Annual West Texas Poultry Show which closed in Plainview Wednesday of last week many prizes were won by chickens grown in Floyd County by poultry raisers of this county.

Among the winnings which come to Floyd County are:

J. S. Dunavant, Floydada, S. C. D. Brown Leghorns, 1st and 3rd hen, 3rd young hen;

Robert Smith, Jr., Lockney, all awards in White Orpington class;

W. W. May, Mickey, White Wyandottes, 2nd and 4th cocks, 2nd, 5th and 6th hen, 3rd and 7th cockerel, 5th pullet;

H. P. Coleman, Lockney, Partridge Wyandottes, 1st and 3rd cocks, 1st and 5th hens, 1st and 3rd cockerels, 3rd and 6th pullet, 1st young hen, 3rd old hen;

Robert Smith, Jr., Lockney, Partridge Wyandottes, 5th and 8th pullet, 4th old hen, 4th cockerel;

L. V. Rea, Lockney, 8th cock, 3rd and 4th hen, 2nd cockerel, 1st pullet, 1st old hen;

T. S. Wilson, Floydada, White Rocks, all awards;

O. L. Allen, Lockney, White Holland turkeys, 1st young tom, 1st young hen;

J. S. Miller, Lockney, Golden Seabright Bantams, 1st cockerel, 1st pullet, 1st young hen;

J. S. Miller, Lockney, Brahma Bantams, all awards;

J. S. Miller, Lockney, Partridge Cocker Bantams, all awards;

H. P. Coleman, Buff Cochins Bantams, 2nd cock, 4th cockerel, 3rd pullet;

J. S. Miller, Lockney, S. C. R. I. Reds, 6th and 9th cockerel;

Oliver Allen, Floydada, 8th hen, 5th, cockerel, 10th pullet, 4th old hen;

T. A. Mobley, Floydada, S. C. R. I. Reds, 5th cock, 7th hen;

H. P. Coleman, Lockney, special, best parti colored male in show, 3rd best parti-colored hen.

NEW YEAR'S MIDNIGHT MATINEE IS ANNOUNCED

A "midnight matinee" has been announced by the Olympic Theatre for its patrons beginning at 11:45 on the night of December 31st.

The attraction is expected to prove popular with the many persons who will want to be up to see the old year out and the new year in.

Mr. and Mrs. Ham Smith visited in Estacado with relatives Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Liston spent Christmas day in Abernathy with Mrs. A. A. Newell.

A. B. Brown Favors Paving For F. F. F.

Lockney Banker Says Economy Calls For Paving Program for County's Only State Highway

A. B. Brown, president of the First National Bank at Lockney has been giving quite a bit of time the past thirty days to the highway situation in Floyd County. He is working on the straightening of the road from Lockney to Plainview and has already gotten the right-of-way donated nearly to the Hale County line.

According to Mr. Brown sentiment in favor of paving the F. F. F. Highway through Floyd County is becoming stronger. "Farmers as far as eight miles from the State Highway No. 28 which is the F. F. F. Highway have told me that they would vote for a bond issue to pave the road, believing that the improvement would enhance the value of their property even that far distant from the road more than enough to pay the cost of paving not to mention the added advantage of having a road that we can travel over," said Mr. Brown.

"Our highway is in a deplorable condition," he said, "and something should be done to get it in shape before turning it over to the State Highway Commission. I believe that the wise thing to do is to figure on paving it. Car springs, draggings, and other upkeep that we are out annually would soon pay for the bonds, then besides every dollar we put up on our roads would be matched by the Federal government with another dollar. We are not getting any of our highway taxes as it is but instead we are paying for pavement projects in other portions of the state. It seems to me to be high time that Floyd County was waking up on their road conditions."

IDALOU LOOMS AS BASKETBALL DISTRICT CHAMPIONS

With the opening of the basketball season among the high schools of this section the Idalou High School Team, among the boys, is beginning to loom as possibilities for district championship honors.

Only three schools in the district have indoor courts and the others have not been able to keep in condition for the sport on out-of-door courts because of the bad weather. These three schools are Slaton, Lubbock and Plainview. The Idalou boys, in spite of this fact, gave the Slaton team a severe drubbing in a game last week, the Slaton team having previously won in easy fashion from Lubbock.

County Interscholastic Athletic Director J. C. Wester, of this city, expects to see a heated fight for first honors in this county, possibly a five or six cornered competition. Floydada High School has some excellent material for a team but the lack of practice and conditioning will be a handicap for them, he fears. The county championship must be determined not later than January 19th, he has been instructed by Interscholastic authorities, which means that the schools of the county will have to engage in a rapid-fire elimination contest to determine the winners in so short a time. No official games have been played by any of the boys' teams of the county, so far as has been reported to Mr. Wester.

HOLIDAY MAIL HEAVIEST IN P. O. HISTORY

The Christmas, 1923, holiday mail, from which the local office is just now emerging after being covered up for more than two weeks, is the heaviest by far the local office has ever had, and, although there was no increased force for handling it, the mail was handled with dispatch. The office ten days before Christmas felt the first heavy swell of the Yuletide mail and every day after that saw an increase in the size of the mail that grew like an avalanche.

This was true, not only of the inbound mail but the out-bound as well. The increase in the mail out-bound was possibly as much as double any out bound mail of a previous year.

WOODMEN CIRCLE PROGRAM

Members and guests of Floydada Grove, Woodmen Circle, enjoyed a very interesting program at their last regular meeting.

The grove was declared open and an enjoyable time was spent by the members and their children fishing for Christmas gifts.

Refreshments were served to all.

Christmas Spirit Exemplified In Floydada

With Christmas Trees and Christmas Giving, Holiday Spirit Prevailed Over County

The Christmas Spirit prevailed over Floyd County this week. With Christmas trees in practically every community in the county, and hundreds of trees in private homes, the spirit of giving prevailed from Sunday to this mid-week.

From practically every pulpit in the county Sunday sermons by ministers carried the Christmas message and the entire county was in the mood to enter into the spirit of the day even before its arrival. In Floydada four Christmas Trees were held at as many churches and appropriate programs were featured by members of the Sunday Schools before the arrival of Santa Claus and the distribution of the presents.

So little rowdyism marred the day in any of the communities of the county, that it may be said there was none. Reports to Sheriff J. A. Grigsby indicate this fact. The sheriff's department is highly pleased with the excellent manner in which the gayety of the Christmas festivities was manifested by the population in Floydada and Lockney during the pre-holiday period.

Merchants generally report excellent trade throughout the holidays and a tendency toward the giving of gifts of greater intrinsic value than heretofore.

MARRIAGE RECORD

During the past week license to marry has been granted from the office of Miss Clara Lee Johnson, County Clerk, to the following named persons:

December 22nd, R. L. Ewing and Mrs. T. F. Houghton;

December 21st, Leonard Pope and Miss Irene Smith;

December 20th, Paul Lloyd and Miss Addie Goodman;

December 20th, E. B. Mullins and Mrs. Mattie Gaither.

CLOTHING AFIRE, CHILD IS SEVERELY BURNED

Bunchie, the seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Owen, was rather severely burned last Friday morning when her clothing caught fire, as she played in a cellar.

Her mother discovered the child afire and tore the clothing from her before the burns were fatal.

It is thought the child was trying to light a fire cracker with a match when her clothing caught fire.

MRS. T. F. HOUGHTON MARRIED SATURDAY TO R. L. EWING

Mrs. T. F. Houghton, for many years a resident of Floydada, and one of the county's large land holders, was married on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock at the residence of W. H. Marler, pastor of the First Christian Church, to R. L. Ewing, of this city, until this week manager of the Ginn & Ewing Cash Grocery.

Mr. Ewing was reared at Norman, Okla., and attended the state university there. In 1910 he entered state politics in Oklahoma and resigned in 1920 as superintendent of the State Training School for incorrigible boys at Paul's Valley, Okla., when he reentered the business world, coming to Floydada with Mr. Ginn last August, when they bought the Northcutt Grocery.

Mr. Ewing has sold his interest in the Ginn & Ewing grocery to his partner, Mr. Ginn.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewing will continue to make their home in Floydada.

SURPRISE CHRISTMAS DINNER FOR MRS. MAY ANDERSON

Mrs. May Anderson was host and guest at one and the same time Wednesday, when at noon a number of friends and relatives gathered at her home in south Floydada, bringing with them all the things that go to make up a good Christmas dinner, including turkey and all the trimmings.

It was a surprise dinner for Mrs. Anderson.

Those present were G. R. May and family, Wilbur Nelson and family, W. H. Nelson and family and Jim Carter.

C. C. Worrel of Ralls was in Floydada Monday on business.

W. E. Smith left Monday for Oklahoma, having been called to the bedside of his son who is not expected to live.

Whirlwinds Take Game With All Stars

The Floydada High School Football Squad took the measure of the All Stars in their Christmas day game in Floydada at the Baseball Park, besting their heavier individual star opponents with better team play and a greater variety of attack 12 to 0.

Although only a fair crowd was out at the game it was a better one than the score indicated, the All Stars having the offensive almost half the time. Had they been able to punt successfully when they had opportunity to do so the score would have been 6 to 0 probably.

The high school lads scored in the first quarter when, on the defensive, Henry recovered a fumble and ran 45 yards for a touchdown. In the second quarter the All Stars, by a series of brilliant plays put the ball on the school boys' 1-yard line but with only one down were unable to buck it over and the Whirlwinds punted out of danger.

The last score came with 2 minutes to play, when the All Stars attempted a passing game. F. H. S. intercepting on the 20 yard line, made a 15-yard pass on first down and bucked the ball over in two trials for the touchdown. Place kicks failed in both attempts.

Chester Day, Robert Eubank, Roy Eubank, Loraine Britton, Jodie Day, Roy Snodgrass, B. Marshall, Ralph Zachry, Frank Farmer, J. B. Bartley, Sam Green, Clement McDonald, Ira Marshall and Bill Beedy played with the All Stars a part or all of the game. Some of them are present and some ex-stars.

Aubrey Bishop and Odus Mitchell were referee and umpire respectively, with James Colville head line-man.

The high school boys used their regular line up with the exception of Rogers and Luttrall. The latter was out on account of injuries and Rogers is visiting in Sweetwater.

MRS. MATTIE GAITHER AND ELDER E. B. MULLINS MARRIED

Mrs. Mattie Gaither and Elder E. B. Mullins were married in Floydada on Thursday of last week, Elder J. J. Day, of this city, officiating.

Both of the contracting parties have a wide circle of friends. They will make their home here.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bryant, December 14th, a son.

Miss Lillie Hanna, who has been attending W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon returned Friday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hanna.

Buck Conner and family spent Christmas in Silverton with relatives.

County Basketball Championship To Be Determined By Jan. 19th

District Director of Athletics, W. E. Patty of Plainview High School, in a bulletin to J. C. Wester, County Director of Athletics for Floyd County of the Texas Interscholastic League, has advised that county championships in basket ball should be determined by January 19th.

With this fact in mind Mr. Wester states that it will probably be necessary for this county to determine its school champion in tournament, which will likely be held in Floydada or Lockney on January 18th or 19th.

Following is the letter from Director Patty, which gives instructions for the conduct of the district eliminations:

The following is the schedule for boys' basket ball contest in the Lubbock District:

Sub-District No. 1 is composed of Bailey, Lamb, Hale, Floyd, and Motley counties.

Sub-District No. 2 is composed of Cochran, Hockley, Lubbock, Crosby, and Dickens counties.

Sub-District No. 3 is composed of Yoakum, Terry, Lynn and Garza counties.

Sub-District No. 4 is composed of Gaines, Borden, Dawson, and Scurry counties.

We are taking it for granted that Bailey and Cochran counties have no teams. Should any schools in these counties have teams please notify me at once and I shall arrange a schedule for same.

All county championships should be determined not later than January 19th.

First Preliminaries January 26th

Z. Felton, Civil War Veteran, Pioneer, Dead

Death Came to Aged Citizen Christmas Morning—48 Years In Texas

Z. Felton, veteran of the Civil War, and for the past 18 years a resident of Floyd County, died at the home of his son, P. M. Felton, one mile east of Floydada at 10 o'clock Christmas morning, after a brief illness.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Felton home, Rev. J. L. Henson, assisted by Elder J. J. Day, conducting the funeral service. Interment was made at 4:30 in Floydada Cemetery.

A native of Mississippi Z. Felton was a volunteer in the Confederate Army in the War between the States. He moved to Navarro County, Texas, 48 years ago and thence to Floyd County 18 years ago. He was 83 years of age on October 8th.

P. M. Felton, his son, is the only surviving member of the deceased's immediate family.

FLOYDADA GROVE OF WOODMEN CIRCLE ELECT OFFICERS

The following officers were elected at the meeting of the Floydada Grove of the Woodmen Circle on December 5th: Mrs. Jennie L. Crum was re-elected Guardian and Mrs. Ella B. Starks, Clerk; Mrs. Willie J. Copperel, Advisor; Mrs. Myrtle McCauley, Chaplain; Mrs. Callie D. Brewer, Attendant; Mrs. Harrell Houghton, Assistant Attendant; Mrs. Lola B. Hilton, Post Guardian; Mrs. Eula Thurmon, Inner Sentinel; Mrs. Maple Rippey, Outer Sentinel; Mesdames Nora Pope, Mary Surginer and Mary Awtry, Managers; Dr. V. Andrews, Grove Physician, and J. D. Starks, Banker.

Installation of officers will be held at the next regular meeting.

MRS. RUSH'S FATHER DEAD

Word has been received by Mrs. Fannie Rush, telling of the death of her father, G. W. Medlin, at San Antonio, who died Saturday, December 22nd.

Mrs. Rush was not able to reach San Antonio in time for the funeral.

REGULAR C. OF C. MEETING ON JANUARY 4

No further meetings of the Chamber of Commerce during the year of 1923 will be held it is announced by the secretary.

The first Friday night in January the first meeting of the organization for 1924 will be held. Announcement of the program will be made later, it is stated. The date for the meeting is January 4th.

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A NEW YEAR

Because January 1st always means another milestone we give it more than passing significance. We take stock of our wealth, in whatever form it may be; we pause to think over the good things and the bad of a past year, and we set our houses in order, as well as we can, for whatever a new year may have in store for us.

Such another time is almost here. In reviewing the year of 1923 we see that it has brought many changes to the community and country as a whole, perhaps the biggest of these being a realization of whatever losses we were reluctant to take and forget following the World War and its financial upheaval immediately following, the period of depression. 1923 has meant much profit to many, especially to those who were in position to take advantage of the big profits represented in high-priced cotton. To others it has meant an average year and to others a year financially bad.

To Floydada and its trade territory the year has been one of steady progress. The last half of the year has been especially marked by movements denoting a period of marked development, of cutting up new farms and improving generally. It has seen many new school houses all over the county spring up, in which the parents, the property-holders, hope to give their children educational advantages. In this respect, (not to mention others) Floyd County probably excels any other county in all of West Texas, which means all of Texas as well.

As badly as any other community in the county, Floydada has needed a new school. This has been started during 1923 and its completion will be one of the big things to finish during 1924. It will represent an expenditure by the district of more than \$80,000 and will be a really good school building. It will mean a great deal to the school interests of the community.

A new and modern sanitarium is another quite large accomplishment which the year of 1923 has seen. Its building is a result of rather unusual co-operation on the part of the community in general. Other good things of 1923, in a material sense, are the number of new buildings that have been built here, the steady increase in population, the increase in the ability of the business interests of the community to handle acceptably the larger volume of business in the territory, the concerted movement toward prettier homes, prettier lawns and more flowers. The laying of some three miles of sidewalk is worth mentioning, although that which has been laid only accentuates the need for the walks still to be put down.

Taken all in all, the successful weathering of the financial storms, the strong position in which the banks of the county find themselves and the generally bettered condition of all business in the county, especially that of farming, the backbone of the country's activities, are matters of gratification.

That we may confidently look forward to even greater accomplishments in 1924, there seems to be no doubt.

DIVERSIFICATION AND LIVING

Says Farm and Ranch: "Go into an all-wheat community, or an all-cotton community, and you will find shabby school houses, shabby churches and shabby-looking farmsteads. But go into a locality where diversification reigns—where the sow, the cow and the hen are in command of the fields—and in the homes you will discover good books, bright minds and a cheerful spirit. The money that accrues from intelligent diversification is not in itself a particularly inspiring objective. It is only as one translates the meaning of better profits into improve minds and bodies that they become worth striving for.

This is an example of the modern effort to reduce life to its fundamental values. First, the security against adversity which is the prerequisite of a happy home; second, contentment with respect to life, but the "divine discontent" which leads ever upward to better and nobler things; third, the proper balance of work and leisure,

for the improvement of body and mind. Are not these the things that make for happiness anywhere? In this respect, there is no difference between a home in the city and on the farm. The wage earner provides the factor of safety against adversity by his savings; the farmer has the greater advantage of his greater versatility in production. The wage earner's income is limited to one source, and he can hope for better only through development of this source. The farmer may add, almost at will, to the sources of his income.

Dr. William M. Jardine, president of the Kansas State Agricultural College, expresses the higher view of farm life thus:

"No balanced agriculture is complete unless it includes provision for improved home and community life. Just as there must be balance between different enterprises in agricultural production, so there must be balance between agricultural production itself and the home life which has always been found essential to successful and happy farming."

And no farming, no work of any kind, is successful unless it is happy. —Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Do not make any New Year resolutions with mental reservations, giving yourself some latitude for breaking them. Rather no resolution than a half-hearted one.

The fact that 1923 is drawing to a close and a new year nearly here, reminds us all that a certain amount of luck has something to do with our welfare. But the successful life is that which takes the opportunities which do come to hand and makes the most of them. To such a life "luck," sooner or later, will come.

If you want to be lucky in 1924 make your preparations to plant some shade trees about your premises. This year the signs all favor the forester, which in the plains country means a man who plants trees, shrubbery, flowers and grass.

LOCKNEY NEWS BRIEFS

Chamber of Commerce Names Thomas President and Angel Re-elected Secretary

From The Beacon:

At the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Monday noon, G. Aubrey Thomas, manager of Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber Company, was elected president of the organization for next year, and W. W. Angel was re-elected secretary.

A. P. Barker, retiring president, was extended a vote of thanks for the good work he had accomplished in the past year, and also Mr. Angel received the thanks of the club for his untiring work.

It was decided the organization would secure regular quarters in the office building, occupied by W. W. Angel, and that the office be converted into a regular Chamber of Commerce headquarters, where an exhibit of agricultural products could be collected and displayed and where tourists could receive information and route books.

At the noonday luncheon of the Lockney Community Chamber of Commerce Monday, it was decided that on account of so many of the members being so busy during the holidays, and could not attend rehearsals, that it was best to postpone the minstrel show until Thursday night, January 24th.

Little Irene Smith, who was so severely burned in Lockney about three weeks ago, was carried to the Lubbock sanitarium last Saturday, where the surgeons will undertake to graft about 225 to 300 inches of skin on the places where she was so badly burned. Subscription lists have been circulated and churches have taken up donations to help defray the expenses of the treatment, in an effort to save the little girl. There have been several persons volunteered to help furnish the skin for the grafting.

The oil cook stove at the home of W. O. Shurbett, who lives near Lockney, caught fire Wednesday morning and came near setting the house on fire, the accident being prevented by the timely action of Mr. Shurbett. The stove was badly damaged.

Ryan Speegle, formerly in the insurance business in Lockney, but now special agent for the Phoenix Insurance Company was in the city this week, visiting and transacting business.

Otis D. Carter, who has been attending Simmons College at Abilene, came in this morning and will spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rainer left last Saturday for Taylor County, Texas, to spend the Christmas season on a visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Robert Eubank and Mrs. H. E. Earthman made a trip to Lockney Thursday.

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY STUDENTS HOME FOR XMAS

Ira Marshall returned Wednesday of last week from Simmons College at Abilene.

Chester Day returned Friday from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

B. Marshall returned Friday from Wayland College at Plainview.

Tate Fry returned Friday from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

Clement McDonald returned Friday from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

Miss Emma Lou McKinney returned Friday from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

Miss Bell Cannaday returned Friday from Baylor College at Belton.

Zant Scott returned Friday from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

Miss Jessie Green returned Friday from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

Miss Myrtle Terry returned Friday from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

Miss Audrey Mae Borum returned Friday from Wayland College at Plainview.

Miss Cleo Snodgrass returned Friday from Baylor College at Belton.

Miss Alta Mae Irvin returned Friday from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

Miss Thelma Kinnard returned Thursday from Draughon's Business College at Abilene.

Miss Marivena Bartley returned Friday from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

Miss Evelyn Neil returned Friday from Draughon's Business College at Abilene.

Miss Ethel Houghton returned Saturday from C. I. A. at Denton.

Miss Angie Stiles returned Saturday from the University at Austin.

Miss Eskel Wheeler returned Saturday from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

Miss Sadie Miller returned Thursday from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

Roy Haynes returned Saturday from the University at Austin.

Jeff Welborn returned Saturday from S. M. to spend the holidays.

Miss Lorene Carter returned Saturday from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

Miss Aileen Stovall returned Saturday from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

Aubrey Bishop returned Saturday from S. M. U. at Dallas.

Miss Maud Williams returned Saturday from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

Leslie Surginer returned Saturday from the University at Austin.

Miss Gladys Covington returned from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

Edwin Stiles returned Saturday from the State University at Austin.

Odus Mitchell returned Saturday from W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon.

WILL STOP CITY DELIVERIES ON JANUARY FIRST

The Baker-Campbell Company, one of the leading retail establishments in Floydada, is announcing the discontinuance of city delivery service beginning on January 1st.

W. A. Baker, president of the concern, declares that the service his store has been able to give on deliveries has not been satisfactory to the store, and "until we arrange differently," the service will not be attempted during the New Year.

Miss Mae Hood is spending her Christmas vacation in Canyon with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Perry of San Angelo, Texas, are here on a visit with their son, W. H. Perry and wife, having arrived last week.

Miss Mary Polk left Saturday for Amarillo to spend the holidays.

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FINANCIAL STATISTICS OF TEXAS STATE GOVERNMENT

Department of Commerce Gives Figures Showing Revenues and Expenditures of State

Washington, D. C., December 17—

The Department of Commerce announces that the costs of government for the state of Texas for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1922, amounted to \$45,842,985, which was a per capita cost of \$9.48. In 1917 the per capita cost of \$9.48. In 1917 the per \$3.89, the totals for these years being \$22,204,625 and \$16,364,780, respectively. The per capita costs for 1922 consisted of expenses of general departments, \$9.13; payments for interests, \$0.04; and for outlays, \$0.30.

The total revenue receipts for 1922 were \$41,858,571, or \$8.66 per capita. For the fiscal year the per capita excess of governmental costs over revenue receipts was, therefore, \$0.82.

In Texas property and special taxes represented 50.6 per cent of the total revenue for 1922, 56.6 per cent for 1917, and 64.5 per cent for 1914. The increase in the amount of property and special taxes collected was 41.1 per cent from 1914 to 1917, and 53.7 per cent from 1917 to 1922. The per capita property and special taxes were \$4.38 in 1922, \$3.10 in 1917, and \$2.87 in 1914.

Earnings of general departments, or compensation for services rendered by state officials, represented 4.5 per cent of the total revenues for 1922, 16.7 per cent for 1917, and 4.9 per cent for 1914.

Business and nonbusiness licenses constituted 0.2 per cent of the total revenue for 1922, 12.5 per cent for 1917, and 11.6 per cent for 1914. Receipts from business licenses consist chiefly of taxes exacted from insurance and other incorporated companies, while those from nonbusiness licenses comprise taxes on motor vehicles and amounts paid for hunting and fishing privileges.

The net indebtedness (funded and floating debt less sinking fund assets) of Texas was \$0.85 per capita for 1922, \$1.07 for 1917, and \$0.97 for 1914.

For 1922 the assessed valuation of property in Texas subject to ad valorem taxation was \$3,387,147,741; the amount of taxes levied was \$25,387,204; and the per capita levy, \$5.25.

Miss Finis Allred left Saturday for Hillsboro, where she is spending the mid-week on a visit with relatives.



Mrs. Jones—My daughter's teacher advises me to stop her piano practice, as she has no ear for music. What do you think?

Neighbor—I think it is certainly sound advice.

ORIGIN OF "BRIDEWELL"

St. Bridget, next to St. Patrick, is the one saint above all others dear to the Irish heart, says the Detroit News. She received the veil from the hands of St. Mel, a nephew of St. Patrick, and has ever been revered as the "Mother of Nunneries" in Ireland. She built her first cell under a large oak. An almost endless number of miracles are credited to her.

St. Bridget—or St. Bride, as she is called in those countries—is almost, if not equally revered in both England and Scotland. In London, adjoining St. Bride's churchyard, Fleet street, is an ancient well dedicated to the saint and commonly called Bride's well. A palace erected nearby took the name of Bridewell. This being given by Edward VI to the city of London as a workhouse for the poor and a house of correction, the name became associated in the popular mind with other houses having the same purpose in view.

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TOTEM IS THE MAIN THING

Alaskan Indians Put Its Facsimile on All Their Possessions and Bodies.

It is among the Indians of Alaska that the totemic art, expressed through weirdly graven totem poles, has reached its greatest perfection. A tremendous mass of ideas and usages has grown up, involving kinship, rules of marriage, property, religious ceremonies and descent, all centered about these animal crests.

To the Indian of this region the most important thing in life is his animal crest or "totem," says the Detroit News. All his ideas and ambitions center about this hereditary animal progenitor and protector, the likeness of which he carves on all his utensils, paints on his house front, tattoos on his arms and chest, paints on his face and carves on his memorial column.

These people reckon kinship through the mother only. A man sets up a memorial column, not for his father, but for his mother's relatives—particularly her brother. A son has, according to their ideas, no connection with his father. A boy or young man looks to his maternal uncles for counsel and guidance; to them he owes veneration and respect and from them only he inherits property.

WOULD KEEP THE SECRET



Mrs. De Swelle—I was almost afraid to risk it, but for your sake I'm wearing my oldest lace.
Mrs. Nurich—I won't say a word about it, my dear.

PLATO AND SOCRATES

Socrates sought to change the human being; Plato to change the world. Socrates never wrote a line; Plato was the author of numerous controversial books. Socrates never ventured into the territory of intellectualism except to expose its poverty and absurdities. Plato lived in no other country. An aristocrat of almost regal beauty, maintaining himself in a style of great dignity, falling into the sins of his time and class, teaching philosophy rather as an art than as a religion, Plato differs from the old Puritan stone-cutter, his master, as the climate of Jamaica differs from the climate of Scotland. . . . Nevertheless, it is from him more than from any other man that we get our Socrates; but it was the . . . personality of Socrates, so high in inspiration, which gave us our Plato.—A Gentleman With a Duster, in "Seven Ages."

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

There was a rich uncle who wanted the baby named Violet. Aunt Pansy had money, too, and intimated that she would not be displeased to have a namesake. Mother wanted to name the child Lily.

It looked like a deadlock. But wise old grandpa came forward with a suggestion that practically accommodated everybody. They named the baby Blossom.

THEY GOT HIM

"And below us," murmured the romantic son, as with a sweeping gesture he took in the horizon, "lies the mystic city of Bagdad."

"A very appropriate name," growled the uninterested father as he glowered at his hotel again.

HOW OLD IS DRAMA?

Skinflint—Zat play was bunk. Hulloham—Youz shu' speaks a jugget full. Dey's no empty space occupyin' yo' cranium. My great-grandfather wrote 'dat story 300 years ago, and he swiped it from an ancient manuscript.

FATE OF FIFI

"Where is Fifi?"
"I had to get rid of Fifi," said the beautiful actress. "She was always buying things simply because I recommended them in the magazines."

MELISSA IS A "HONEY GIRL"

There Is Nothing New Under the Sun, Even in Pet Names.

Melissa is of ancient Greek origin and is sometimes used synonymously with Millicent and Melisande. The name Melissa means literally "to sweeten," and naturally enough the sentiment is "sweetness," while arbutus, with its overpoweringly sweet scent, is her flower.

As a matter of fact, Millicent is of old Teutonic origin and is translated as meaning "strength to work." Melisande is the French version of Mellicent, and the diminutive for both names is Milly.

The first Melissa was a nymph, who, according to legend, discovered the use of honey, and from whom bees are supposed to have received their name, which in the original Greek is quite similar to the Greek for Melissa. Her name is undoubtedly synonymous with the Greek word for honey. The name has commonly been given to priestesses of Demeter, Persephone, Apollo and Artemis.

The most famous Melissa of history was the daughter of Procles, who married Periander, noted as a tyrant of Corinth. She was very unhappy, and at last her husband killed her in a fit of jealous rage.

Melissa was also the name of an enchantress in Ariosto's "Orlando Furioso," who assisted Rogero and Bradamant, young lovers who had been transformed into beasts and separated. She dispelled the magic, restoring them to their natural forms.

There are a few odd variations of Melissa, the most prominent of which are the French Melite and the Teutonic Melitta and Melisse.

MEAN CUSS!



Wife—She's the worst gossip in town! I was told yesterday that she—
Hubby—said the same thing about you?

STOICS OPPOSITES OF EPICURES

The Stoics in Greece, long before the time of Christ, were the followers of Zeno. Zeno bade the man to look out to the order of which he was a part, and seek happiness in conforming to that, his moral system therefore being exactly the opposite of Epicurus', who centered the man in himself.

The watchword of Zeno was that men should live agreeably to nature. He taught that man's reason reveals to him a certain law of nature, and that a desire to conform to this law, irrespectively of all considerations, of reward or punishment, of happiness or the reverse, is a possible and sufficient motive of virtue, says the Detroit News. The Stoics sought to live in an atmosphere which despised pain, and many of the men connected with this school, simply for the sake of the right and the truth, braved the fiercest persecution without a quiver.

The system of the Stoics culminated morally in that unnatural sternness which is now everywhere associated with their very name, and theologically in a pantheism which is not easily distinguishable from materialism.

IN THE NAME OF CHARITY

A clergyman who organized a charity bazaar had a brilliant idea. He borrowed an emu from a local menagerie and put it in a large tent. Outside he wrote: "This way to the emu—25 cents."

Opposite to this tent was another, near the entrance to the grounds. On it was written:

"This way to the egress—25 cents."

"Scores of people," said the clergyman, telling the story afterward, "paid to see the female bird—and then paid another quarter for admission to come back and tell me what they thought of me!"

PAWN CHILDREN IN LIBERIA

Parents Pledge Them as Security for Loans and Usually Redeem Them.

"When fathers of Liberia are in need of money they frequently pawn their daughters and sons, and usually they are redeemed, says the Detroit News.

A girl is worth a great deal to the native Liberian in the interior because the parents receive a dowry from her husband at her marriage, and even after the wedding they can, at any time, demand more from the husband. Girls are married at 14 or 16.

The Liberians have their native schools, where they are taught crafts, such as mat weaving, and where, it is said, they learn also the secret of their medicines and native dyes. The schools are in the "bush," as the natives call their forests.

"TRUTH IS BEAUTY"

A revivalist preacher at all times forceful in his language, his religion being of the "shirt-sleeve" order, had taken for his text "Vanity." To point his moral, he said:

"Now, if there is a woman in the congregation this morning who did not look in the mirror before coming to the meeting, I want to see her; I want her to stand up."

A single woman arose and stood with meekly downcast eyes. To describe her in a kindly way, one would say she was homely. The revivalist rested his earnest eyes upon her.

"Well, heaven bless you, sister," he said. "It certainly is a pity you did not."

'T WAS CURSORY

At the end of the season the huntsman of a famous English pack of hounds went around paying for any damage done to fields and so on. In one farmhouse he found only the wife at home. He explained his errand.

"Has your husband made an examination yet?" he asked.

"That he have, sir," replied the woman.

"Rather a cursory examination, I suspect?"

"Oh, dreadful!" exclaimed the woman with hands upraised in horror. "Such language I never thought to hear—never."

BETWEEN GIRL FRIENDS

Louise—Do you know, at the ball the other night Mr. Lovingham called me a dream.

Edna—Oh! Now I understand better what he meant when he told me he suffered so much from nightmares.

OH, THE MANNERS!

Brown (getting on at way station—to friend)—Hallo, John! Traveling alone?

Friend—No, indeed. Wife's in the smoking car. Sit down.

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SMITH'S LEAD IN ATTENDANCE AT UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

Austin, Texas, Dec. 21.—The Smiths get it. Out of 4,346 students registered in the University off Texas, 52 of them are Smiths. There are two Howard Smiths, two Elizabeth Smiths, two Florence Smiths, and two Jack Smiths. Some of these students of "popular name" have odd and artistic first names which set off the commonplace Smith. Such are Crescenz, Edis, Rowlett, Elves, Lytton and Rembert.

The Williamsons claim second place in the race for the majority of their name, there being 33 in the University. There are two named James, three Roberts, and four Johns.

The Browns almost tie with the Williamsons, as there are 32 registered. There are two James, two Laurence, and two Robert Browns.

Jones comes next with 27 to its credit. There are two Johns and three Marys in the Jones brigade.

The students of these four names number 144, which is three per cent of the entire student body. The number of Smiths has increased four since last years enrollment, the Browns eight and the Jones three, while there were three more students of the name of Williams in the University last year than this year.

Miss Francis Thompson left Saturday for her home in Coleman to spend the holidays.

Miss Jack White, who has been teaching school near Spur returned Friday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. White.

Otis Harris of Lockney was in Floydada Friday.

Miss Queen Gilley, who is teaching at Sagerton, returned to Floydada Friday to spend the holiday season with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. John Haney, of Rails, were in Floydada Sunday afternoon on a brief visit with relatives.

J. M. Hughes made a business trip to Lockney Friday.

Mrs. J. B. Bartley, who for the past three months has been residing at Canyon, returned Friday to spend the holidays.

Miss Opal Snodgrass, who has been teaching school near Plainview returned Saturday to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Close made a trip to Dallas last week. They returned to Floydada Thursday.

W. W. Boyd and family of Crosbyton were shopping in Floydada last Thursday.

Porter Ragland and family of Roaring Springs were visiting in Floydada last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Thomas of Clarendon, are spending the holidays in Floydada with Mrs. Thomas' mother, Mrs. M. E. Walling.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bain and children returned Friday from Austin. They also visited in Dallas and Denton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Willson and son spent the Christmas holidays in Hale Center with Mrs. Willson's parents.

M. C. Sadler left Monday for Lubbock to spend several days on business.

Mrs. B. B. Pierce and little son are here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Norman, having arrived Saturday from Lone Grove, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hargis left Saturday for Houston, to spend the winter. While there they will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Topliffe.

Mrs. W. L. Heagerty of Los Angeles, California, is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Daily, having arrived Saturday.

J. D. Porterfield of Lubbock is spending the holidays in Floydada.

Emmitt Solomon of Memphis, has been visiting in Floydada with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Solomon.

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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.

May 1924 bring you Peace,
Plenty and Happiness

C. R. Houston & Co.
FLOYDADA, TEXAS

Tom Smith and family, who have resided at Knoxville, Tenn., for the past four months, have returned to Floydada to make their home.

M. F. Williams and family, who have been visiting with W. H. Hilton returned to their home in Aspermont today.

Miss Nell Gilley, who has been teaching school at Dimmitt is at home for the holidays.

Miss Clara Lee Johnson spent last week end in Lubbock visiting with relatives.

E. E. Arrasmith, of West Palm Beach, Fla., was in Floydada a short time last week, the guest of his cousin, N. W. Williams, while enroute to Los Angeles, Cal.

C. W. Melson left this morning for Rockport, Texas, where he will spend the winter.

Rev. J. W. Hollums, of Hugo, Okla., was here for a short holiday visit this week with his brother, Jno. A. Hollums and family, also visiting his brother, A. L. Hollums at Lockney.

Will Gaither, who has been visiting at Waco and Chilton for several weeks with friends and relatives, returned home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Ross Bell, of Paducah, are here this mid-week on a holiday visit with Mrs. Bell's parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Alexander. Mrs. Frank Nugent, of Seymour, another daughter, is also visiting the doctor and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Martin left last week for Valley View, Texas, where they are spending the holiday season with Mrs. Martin's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hopper will leave this week for Arlington, Texas, to spend a few months with relatives and friends.

Miss Mazie Reeves is spending the holidays in Matador with her parents.

R. W. Castleberry is spending the holidays in McLean with his brother, Sim Castleberry.

Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Woody left Wednesday for Girard.

Miss Mary Underwood left Saturday for Denton, Texas, to spend the holidays.

Miss Myrtle Hillard is spending the holidays with her sister, Miss Mira Hillard of Taylor, Texas.

Miss Ida Mae Jarvis left Saturday for Brownwood to spend the Holidays.

Miss Veola Tarpley left Saturday for Girard to visit with friends.

Miss Aura Adams, of Slaton, and Miss Ruby Dillard of Ralls, are visiting in Floydada with relatives.

Raymond Allen of Lubbock spent Christmas in Floydada with his father, W. I. Allen.

Mrs. J. C. Parker of Lorenzo is visiting in Floydada with her father, W. I. Allen and other relatives.

Sam L. Allen, of Waco, arrived in Floydada Monday, having been called to the bedside of his sister, Mrs. Mary Graham.

Lewis Norman, who has been attending the University at Austin, returned Saturday to spend the holidays with relatives.

Mrs. D. W. Standefer, of Kress, is visiting in Floydada with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Nelson.

Hollis Moore of Plainview spent Christmas in Floydada with his mother, Mrs. Wm. Moore.

Mrs. J. M. Sanderson, of Plainview, and her daughter, Miss Nancy, the latter a teacher in the schools at Lubbock, are visiting in Floydada with Mrs. Sanderson's daughters, Mesdames F. W. Ansley and E. C. Nelson, Jr.

Elder Alva Johnson and daughter, Miss Ola B., of Tulia are in Floydada this week. Elder Johnson is holding a meeting at the Church of Christ.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Allen and son, Relice, and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Eubank of Lorenzo, were visiting with relatives in Floydada Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Carruth spent Tuesday in Lockney with relatives.

Mrs. E. G. Wood left Tuesday for Olney, Texas, to visit with her mother, Mrs. A. T. Wallace. She was accompanied to Quanah by Mr. Wood.

Miss Ola Hanna, who has been attending W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon returned Wednesday of last week to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hanna.

Messrs. Roy and Glad Snodgrass made a business trip to Plainview Wednesday.

Mrs. John Wilson and daughter, Miss Effie spent Christmas Day in Floydada with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wilson.

Notice of Dividend Payment

On January 1, 1924, the fourteenth regular quarterly dividend of \$1.75 a share on the 7% Cumulative Preferred Stock of this Company will be paid to stockholders of record at the close of business on December 20, 1923.

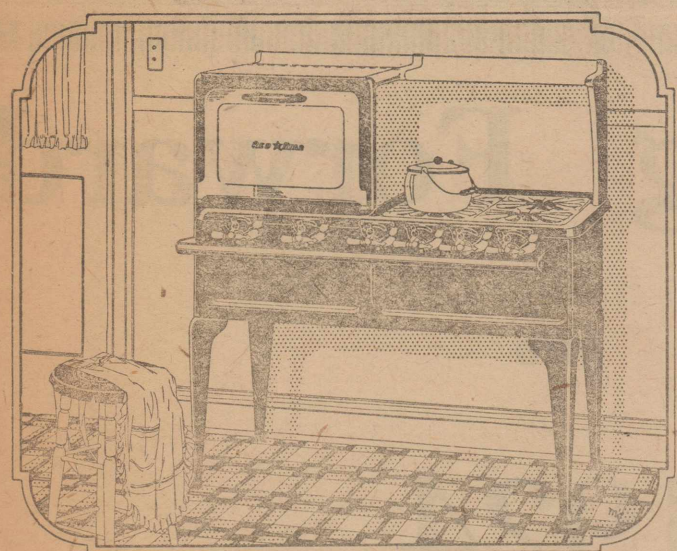
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The friendly patronage and hearty co-operation of our friends and customers over Floyd and adjoining counties is a source of deep gratification to us, as we pause at the close of the year to take stock and make preparations for the New Year of 1924, close at hand.

For this good business we feel deeply appreciative and extend our thanks sincerely.

Looking forward to 1924 with every hope for another good year, we promise our customers and friends that we will strive hard to give you such service as you would like to have, always living up to our motto, "The Store With the Goods."

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The Hesperian Want Ad Department

FOR TRADE—'21 model Dodge for young mules or horses. See E. C. King. 43-1tc

FOR TRADE—Ford for good pair young mules, J. R. Terry. 42-2tp

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Good second hand farm implements, 20 rod mouldboard sod plows; 10 listers, walk and ride; 10 planters, walk and ride; disc harrows; two-row monitors and cultivators. No junk wanted. Leave your name and specifications, if you have anything for sale, with The Hesperian. 43-1tc

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FOR SALE—Single comb. Buff Minorca hens and pullets, your choice \$1.25 each. Try this wonderful new breed of chickens and be convinced that they are better than the best to lay in the fall and winter. Phone or write. Mrs. S. D. Irwin, Route 3, Floydada, Texas. 42-2tp

FOR SALE or will trade for another car, one Maxwell Touring Car. Can be seen at Motor Supply Co., Maury Hopkins. 43-tfc

Good 160-acre farm for sale or trade for town property or good young mules, or small farm near town. Write or see J. H. Baxter, Route A, Lockney, Texas. 42-tfc

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Best grade kerosene. Collins Gro. Company. 4-tfc

AUCTION SALE OF HOUSE. HOLD GOODS SATURDAY

Col. W. H. Seale will sell a nice lot of furniture, including his own, Saturday, December 29th, in Floydada. Also farm implements, live stock, etc. If you have anything to sell at auction, or want to buy, be sure to come to this sale. 43-1tc

LOST—Pair of child's celluloid glasses. Finder please leave at Hesperian. 43tfc

TURKEYS are 12 cents this week, 8 and 12 lb. grade. A. D. White Produce Co. 43-1tc

LOST—Pair of child's glasses in case. Return to F. C. Harmon and receive reward. 43-tfc

Advertise in The Hesperian. It Pays

Miss Billie Haines, of Plainview, visited Wednesday in Floydada with her sister, Mrs. Mary Daniels.

Mrs. B. P. Ansley, of Amarillo, is visiting in Floydada with her son, F. W. Ansley.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McDaniel, of Lorenzo, spent Christmas in Floydada with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Henry of Amarillo are visiting in Floydada with relatives.

Miss Edith Beedy, who is teaching school in Crosby County returned home Monday to spend the holidays.

Miss Jessie Mae Gooder of Petersburg is visiting in Floydada with Miss Edith Beedy.

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Sat. Night, Dec. 29

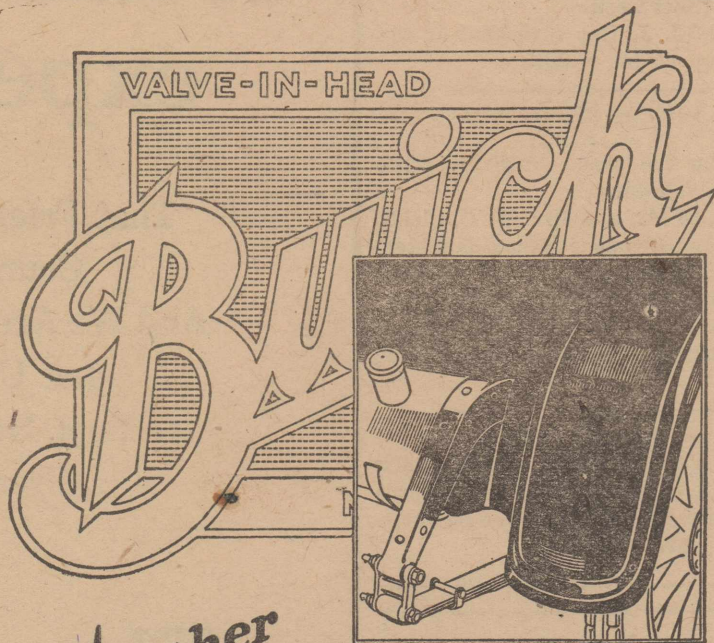
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As Father Time Draws the Curtains on 1923 We Pause to Think

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 unchangeable 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 goodwishes 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.

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Floydada, Texas

CASTE IN INDIA'S SCHOOLS

Children of Depressed Classes Are Barred and Receive Most Missionary Attention.

The children of India are not permitted to enjoy anything that remotely resembles free association. There are a great many public schools, but the children who attend them are either caste equals or they are held to the strict observance of caste regulations. The children of the depressed classes are not allowed to enter anywhere, says Eleanor F. Egan in the Saturday Evening Post.

Yet in one way, and as far as the advantages go, the depressed classes enjoy better education advantages than any other class in India, because it is to them that the Christian missionaries devote their particular attention.

The communities and castes are all mixed up in the general population, and are not, except in occasional instances, domiciled en masse in separate areas. A Hindu and a Mohammedan may live in adjoining houses. The castes and communities may all enjoy a certain measure of social intercourse. They may meet together and talk, but it must all be in the open or in places of public assembly.

BRIEFS ARE OF MANY KINDS

May Be Anything Their Makers Choose Them to Be, Long or Short.

A brief may be nearly anything the maker chooses it to be. It may be the detailed statement of a case, many pages in length, such as counsel hand to courts, or it may be only a few roughly correlated headings set down on a single sheet of paper. It may be prepared for the benefit of the writer himself, to assist him to analyze and arrange his own thought, or it may be addressed to the mind of another. It may be the synopsis of a longer work already written, or it may be the outline of something that is to follow.

It may be argumentative, or it may be expository; it may contain evidence and illustrative matter, or it may not.

Nevertheless, most briefs, whatever their purpose or design, have certain like characteristics. They are, as a rule, short or brief statements of their subjects; they contain nothing not vitally essential to the relation of thought; they are phrased as lucidly as possible; and they have little rhetorical embellishment.—Ralph Curtis Ringwalt.

DON'T TOE OUT

The weight of the foot is properly distributed when a balance is preserved between the points of the triangle made by the foot. The heel is one of the points and the others are at the base of the first and fifth toes. When the toes are turned out, the foot has a tendency to bend inward, so that the weight of the body is on the inside of the foot. The pressure causes the arches to sink in and become painful. Ballet dancers, who turn the toes out, exert a strong pull on the outer muscles of the leg, so as to arch the foot and offset the tendency to sinking in. When the toes are pointed straight ahead, the arch is more readily held in place and it is not necessary to exert the pull on the leg muscles.

"YOU HAVE THE BODY"

What is meant by "habeas corpus?"

"You have the body." This is a name given to a number of writs having for their object the bringing of a person before a court or judge for some specified purpose. One of the several forms of "habeas corpus" requires the body of a person called to be unlawfully restrained of liberty to be brought before the judge or into court, that the lawfulness of the restraint may be investigated and determined.

LONDON'S NIGHT LIFE

London has no night life in the sense that New York, Chicago and other big American cities have. Fact is, in many ways, London is the boobiest big town in the universe. The subways all suspend by midnight. The bus lines shut down between 11 and 12 at night. Most of the street car lines also stop.

All of this forces Londoners either to tuck their toes to the daisies early in the evening or else rely upon taxis, which is a rather expensive way of locomotion.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

The State of Texas,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Floyd County—Greeting:

You are hereby Commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Floyd, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

Notice of Application for Probate of Will, and Letters Testamentary

The State of Texas:
To all persons interested in the Estate of Mrs. Leone Foster, deceased, you are hereby notified that J. J. Foster has filed in the County Court of Floyd County, an application for the probate of the last will and testament of the said Mrs. Leone Foster, deceased which application will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing the Third Monday in January, A. D. 1923, at the Court house thereof, in the City of Floydada, 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 then and there before said Court this writ with your return thereon endorsed, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Floydada, Texas, this 15th day of December, A. D. 1923.

(Seal) CLARA LEE JOHNSON,
Clerk County Court, Floyd County,
Texas. 42-3tc

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Floyd.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Alias Execution issued out of the Honorable County Court of Hale County, of the 17th day of October, 1923, by Joe Wayland, Clerk of said court for the sum of Two Hundred Seventy Six and 97-100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a certain judgment, in favor of Commercial Credit Company, in a certain cause in said court, No. 1031 and styled Commercial Commercial Credit Company vs. M. F. Husky and placed in my hands for service, I, J. A. Grigsby, as sheriff of Floyd County, Texas, did, on the 28th day of November, 1923, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Floyd County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: All of Lots (10) ten, (11) Eleven and (12) twelve Block (1) one Honerhea addition to the Town of Floydada, Texas, and levied upon as the property of M. F. Husky and that on the first Tuesday in January, 1924, the same being the first day of said month, at the Court House door, of Floyd County, in the town of Floydada, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said Alias Execution I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said M. F. Husky.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Floyd County Hesperian, a newspaper published in Floyd County.

Witness my hand, this 28th day of November, 1923.

J. A. GRIGSBY,
40-4tc. Sheriff Floyd County, Texas.

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Candidate for TAX ASSESSOR OF
FLOYD COUNTY

publication before the return day here of:

Notice of Application for Probate of Will, and Letters Testamentary

The State of Texas:
To all Persons interested in the Estate of C. M. Stribling, deceased, Sarah E. Stribling has filed in the County Court of Floyd County, an application for the Probate of the Last Will and Testament of the said C. M. Stribling, deceased, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing the Third Monday in January, A. D. 1924, at the Court house thereof, in the City of Floydada, 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 then and there before said Court this writ with your return thereon endorsed, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Floydada, Texas, this 10th day of December A. D. 1923.

(Seal) CLARA LEE JOHNSON,
Clerk County Court, Floyd County,
Texas. 41-3tc.

PIANO RECITAL VERY PRETTY FRIDAY NIGHT

Pupils of Mrs. Fannie Rush, teacher of piano, presented in recital at the Methodist church Friday evening of last week, rendered a very pretty program, that was set off by attractive costumes worn by the participants.

Red dresses, green trimmed, with shoes and hose to match were worn by each of the pupils on the program.

The following program was given to an audience that comfortably filled the auditorium.

Introductory Drill—By the Class.

We hope you've brought your Smiles Along (song)—Eight Little Girls.

Grand Valse Caprice; H. Englemann—Elizabeth Pitts.

Electric Flash Gallop (4 hands) Richard Goerdeler—Genave Shipley; Willie Allen.

The Silver Nymph (Mazurka); Carl Heins—Margaret Henson.

Le Tourbillon (The Whirlwind); Tito Mattei—Ina Faulkner.

Mamma, Won't You Buy Me a Baby (Song); Geo. L. Spaulding—Ruth Rutledge.

Moonlight on the Hudson; J. D. Wilson—Ethna Green.

Away to the Woods; Carl Heins—Lois Sitton.

Rolling Hoop (4 hands); Thos. P. Westendorf—Elizabeth Pitts; Velma Nelson.

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—OF—
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PERFECT HEALTH

Tutt's Pills keep the system in perfect order. Regulate the bowels and produce
A VIGOROUS BODY
A sovereign remedy for sick headache, constipation.

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Queer Feelings

"Some time ago, I was very irregular," writes Mrs. Cora Robie, of Pikeville, Ky. "I suffered a great deal, and knew I must do something for this condition. I suffered mostly with my back and a weakness in my limbs. I would have dreadful headaches. I had hot flashes and very queer feelings, and oh, how my head hurt! I read of

CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

and of others, who seemed to have the same troubles I had, being benefited, so I began to use it. I found it most beneficial. I took several bottles . . . and was made so much better I didn't have any more trouble of this kind. It regulated me."

Cardui has been found very helpful in the correction of many cases of painful female disorders, such as Mrs. Robie mentions above. If you suffer as she did, take Cardui—a purely vegetable, medicinal tonic, in use for more than 40 years. It should help you. Sold Everywhere.

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A Twilight Reverie; Paul Ducelle—Rushelle Morris.

Rosy Fingers; Paul Wachs—Ruth Jenkins.

Valse Caprice; Newland—Genave Shipley.

Last Smile (Scherzo Bill); H. A. Wollenhaupt—Gladys Windsor.

Moonlight on the Lake; J. S. Fears—Maurine Andrews.

Mirth and Gayety; Carl W. Kern—Audrey Francis Farris.

Bridal Bells (6 hands); C. Durm—Elizabeth Pitts, Genave Shipley, Margaret Henson.

June Roses (Song without words); Geo. L. Spaulding—Valentine Rushing

Cardinal Red and Navy Blue (Song); Chas. Baker—Velma Nelson.

Le Mardi Grasaux Enfers Quadrill (4 hands); Schubert—Gladys Windsor, Ethna Green.

Attaque des Ulans (Grand Military Galop); Carl Bohm—Willie Allen.

Silver Stars Mazurka; Carl Bohm—Ina Faulkner.

GANER-LLOYD

Arthur Lloyd and Miss Ellen Ganer, of Antelope Community were united in marriage in Floydada Wednesday night of last week.

Elder J. J. Day officiated at the ceremony at his residence.

BIRTHS REPORTED

Among the recent births reported are the following:

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Clubb, Harmony, December 16th, a daughter.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Harmon, City, December 21st, a daughter.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Niles, of Campbell, December 10th, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Sparks returned the latter part of last week from Long Beach, Cal., where they had been making their home for more than a year.

Drs. Smith & Smith

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FLOYDADA, TEXAS

TRI-STATE EXPOSITION
DATES SEPT. 20th to 30th

Amarillo, December 18th, 1923.—The Amarillo Tri-State Exposition will be held in Amarillo, September 20th to 30th, inclusive, in 1924.

These dates have been secured in order to cooperate and conform with other regional and state organizations where circuits for horse racing and other attractions of amusement and recreation have been made, thus affording for the people in this portion of the state a much better exposition in 1924.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Berry, of Idalou, are spending the week on a visit with Mr. Berry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Berry of McCoy.

Otis Carter, of Lockney, who is attending Simmons College, has been in Floydada during a part of his Christmas vacation.

I. D. Evans returned home the latter part of last week to spend the holiday season with his family. He has been at Seguin, Texas, the past several weeks in the mule business.

Rev. and Mrs. H. E. Smith are spending the Christmas holidays in Vernon, guests of their daughter, Mrs. A. R. Taylor.

Dr. L. V. Smith, wife and little daughter left Saturday for Chico, Texas, to spend the Christmas season with Mrs. Smith's mother.

Miss Hazel Mathis left Saturday for White Deer to spend Christmas at home.

NOTICE!

To the Voters of Floyd County; look me over; I am expecting to be in the race for Sheriff and Tax Collector.

43-3tp TOM MILLICAN.

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That Friendship in Business
Counts for Much.
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Let Us Wish You a
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A Happy New Year

Cold type cannot carry the warm message that is in our hearts for our patrons, but as we are deprived the pleasure of meeting all face-to-face, we send this message through the medium of the press.

We are genuinely sincere when we thank you for your business in 1923. For your loyal support, your confidence and for the many evidences of good will shown throughout the past year, we are indeed very grateful. These manifestations are a great incentive to us for the future and we assure you that with that friendly spirit ever in mind, we will strive even more to excel in that which has already been attained.

May the New Year be good to you in health and true happiness.

O. P. Rutledge

FULL LINE INTERNATIONAL DEALER
FLOYDADA, TEXAS

AS TO WE-UNS AND YOU-UNS

They Are Not Southern Provincialisms;
Are Not Even True
Americanisms.

Northerners who visit certain parts of the South and Southwest are sometimes amused by what they call southern provincialisms. Among them are "we-uns" and "you-uns."

As a matter of fact, the expressions are not strictly southern, but are used by those who live—or used to live—in the Alleghenies. The mountain population seems to be largely homogeneous, as it descended from a common stock. The mountaineers have mingled little with the people of the lower country, and, being isolated, have preserved some of the peculiarities of speech and custom brought from the mother country, which the rest of us have abandoned.

"We-uns" is not even a true Americanism; it is common even now in Scotland, whence it was doubtless imported to our country by the Scotch immigrants. Now the phrase is an ancient one. It may be found in Tyndale's New Testament, where in Matthew III, 9, can be read: "And see that ye ones thinke no so saye in yourselves. We have Abraham to our father." As Tyndale's translation was printed in 1626, nearly 300 years ago, this expression has the prestige of age, and belonged to the language of our ancestors.—Kansas City Star.

DARK DAY BRINGS APPETITE

Average Man Eats More When Sky Is Cloudy, Says Observing Restaurant Man.

A study of weather and business has its surprises. Restaurant men know that appetites are not the same on a dark, gloomy day as on a day that is bright and cheerful. Natural enough! But the surprising fact is that they eat most on the day that is dark and dismal, says Fred Kelly in the Nation's Business.

"On a cloudy day," an old restaurant man tells me, "people just sit and eat. There is nothing else to do. On a nice day they eat less and hasten out into the open. But the less they eat the more particular they are about the quality."

A young woman opened a little restaurant near the Department of Agriculture in Washington. Most of her customers are employees of that department. She does a big business every day, but the rush is greatest when the day is stormiest. On a fine day the men from nearby buildings walk to restaurants farther away, just for the exercise. Those who do not go to other restaurants cut down their eating in order to spend all the time possible in the open air.

BEST BURGLAR ALARMS

Thirty years ago Robert Pinkerton declared that the most daring burglar alarm was a small dog. Mr. Pinkerton said the small dog which barked and ran away was to be preferred to the bigger and more aggressive animal which took chances of being silenced by attacking.

Asked what was the best alarm where one was traveling or so situated as to make dog employment impossible, he replied that nothing was better than newspapers spread over the floor. Any one who at night has endeavored to evade a barking small dog or silently remove an opened newspaper will endorse Mr. Pinkerton's claims.

LEFT CLOTHES BEHIND

A Scotch professor was advocating the advantages of athletic exercise. "The Roman youths," he declared, "used to swim three times across the Tiber before breakfast." Observing a smile on the face of one of his students, the professor demanded: "Mr. McAllister, why do you smile? We shall be glad to share your amusement."

"I was just thinking, sir," the student replied, "wasn't the Roman youths puzzled to get their clothes at the end of the swim?"

TOO TOUGH FOR TACKS

"Why dae ye no' buy your meat off me noo?" asked a Glasgow butcher of one of his old customers who had taken to dealing with one of his competitors.

"Weel," replied the old woman, "the last I got frae ye I could hae soled my buits wi' it."

"An' why did ye no' dae it?" asked the butcher sarcastically.

"So I wud if I could hae got tacks tae gang through it," she replied.

AMERICAN ART AND PUBLIC

Lot of Painters and Sculptors Less Hard Than in Ancient Times.

An American artist would hang himself or go into Wall street rather than bear what Michelangelo bore from his three popes—compelled, for example, first to paint and then to build when he passionately wanted to make statues, and even to waste year after year (an "enormous insult" he called it) in quarrying marble and constructing roads, writes Mrs. Schuyler van Rensselaer in Scribner's.

And to go back to Athens, if we consider how set apart from the multitude of slaves and even from freemen of other classes was the aristocratic intellectual class, a true public for works of art co-extensive with the people can hardly be supposed.

It is well to think also of Plutarch's story of Phidias when we chafe at the heavy hand with which our legislators sometimes touch matters of art; none of our artists has yet died in prison while under a charge of professional malfeasance trumped up for a political purpose.

JAPANESE OX HAS EIGHT LEGS

N. Sakata of Tokyo Describes the Freak in Letter to Popular Mechanics.

I this morning saw photograph of peculiar appearance. That ox has eight legs, for as usual place, but other four on his back. Kyushu university purchased this ox from the owner of it and investigating as a most valuable material. Darwin if he were in that university, he would explain very interesting story of it from his knowledge of diversity of specy.

This ox was born about one month ago and now being fed on with utmost carefull of the university professors. How happy ox that to be fed on with precious food and precious hands of the university. I asked over the telephone to get a photograph for you but have very unfortunately they borrowed it from the owners hand and already returned it back.

STORY-TELLING AT HOME

As the evenings grow longer, more time may be spent by the family around the fire. Story-telling is an art which should be encouraged. Animal stories, nature stories and biographies lead the list in popularity. Fairy tales are always enjoyed by the little ones. Guessing games which may be played by one member of the family or may be used for a contest among all the members are very interesting. Have you ever studied a coin to see how many symbols it represents? "A penny for your thoughts" is a guessing game which includes such suggestions as: Find a messenger, a piece of armor, a devoted young man, spring flowers, an animal. The answers would be: One cent (sent), shield, bow (beau), tulips, hair (hare).

Miss Clara Lee Johnson

Candidate for County Clerk of Floyd County will appreciate your vote and Influence.

ADVOCATES PROTECTION FOR HIGHWAY SIGNS

Highway Department Wants Aid in Stopping Use of Signs for Targets

Austin, Dec. 22.—Educating children to protect road signs and prevent the signs from being defaced is advocated by J. D. Fauntleroy, state highway engineer. The habit of using road signs for targets in some communities was denounced by Mr. Fauntleroy in outlining plans of his department for marketing all state highways.

"It seems to be a common practice in many parts of this state and other states," he said, "for road signs to be used as targets and it is nothing uncommon to see such signs perforated by bullet holes and disfigured by shots until the writing on same is hardly legible."

"A stranger coming into a new country and being unfamiliar with the roads has to depend very largely upon the road signs or road markers which he sees along the way and where a road is well marked the tourist proceeds along confident of his direction and ultimate destination; where the roads are not marked he has to halt at every cross road or village and make inquiries as to the point which he is trying to reach. The State Highway Commission realizes the importance of properly marking the roads and signs are now being prepared and painted for general distribution over the state which, when erected, will show by appropriate marking the highway number of each highway entirely across the state from one end to the other as the case may be. On appropriate sign boards will also be shown the distance to the city or town in whatever direction the sign board points. There also will be other signs erected showing dangerous curves, cross roads and detours.

"Furthermore, simple signs will be erected at all rivers and large streams showing the names of such rivers and streams and in like manner such signs should be erected on entering the corporate limits of any city or town, for though any patriotic citizen believes that the whole world knows the name and location of the particular town in which he lives, there are many strangers who do not possess this information and unless there be some sign up when he enters the town it is possible that he might blithely drive on through it without knowing that he had ever been near it or he might equally as well have mistaken it for some other town.

"To repeat, we wish to advise that these signs are erected for the public benefit."

L. G. MATHEWS

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FLOYDADA, TEXAS

SEE-SICK



Amateur Actress—When I saw that sea of faces before me and heard the first ripple of applause, I wonder why I grew so faint?

Friend—You must have been seasick, I guess.

HARD ON THE PROFESH

Marjorie Spiers, the English actress, tells a story about an actress friend of hers who was traveling from Liverpool to London in order to begin a new metropolitan engagement. Naturally her luggage was somewhat bulky and the porter to whom she confided it at the Lime street station was surly and wouldn't pass so much. "You can't 'ave luggage like this," he declared, "not unless you was a theatrical." "Well, I am a theatrical," explained the lady. "Then why didn't you say so at first?" demanded the porter. "I can't go round askin' passengers if they're theatrical. I don't want to insult 'em."

TASTED QUEER

"Seems to be something peculiar about this spinach."

"Nothing serious. My wife is very particular, and she washed all the sand out of it."

HIS VIEWS

"No, I don't care to go up in an airplane."

"Why, you may live to see airplanes running like street cars."

"I may if I keep out of them."

Dr. W. H. Alexander

General Practice

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Our New Year Message

We feel it fitting, with the approach of a new year that we should lay aside 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.

F. C. HARMON

SOUTH SIDE

FLOYDADA

GREETINGS

1924

With the close of the Old Year our hearts are filled with appreciation of the patronage of our friends for we claim our patrons as our friends.

With hearty Greetings and sincere good wishes for your happiness and prosperity during the New Year, we thank each of you sincerely and trust it will be our good pleasure to serve you in the future.

Willson & Son
Lumber Company

FLOYDADA, TEXAS

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Happy New Year
To All

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WE TAKE THIS MEANS OF THANKING YOU
FOR YOUR BUSINESS DURING THE PAST YEAR,
BE IT LARGE OR SMALL

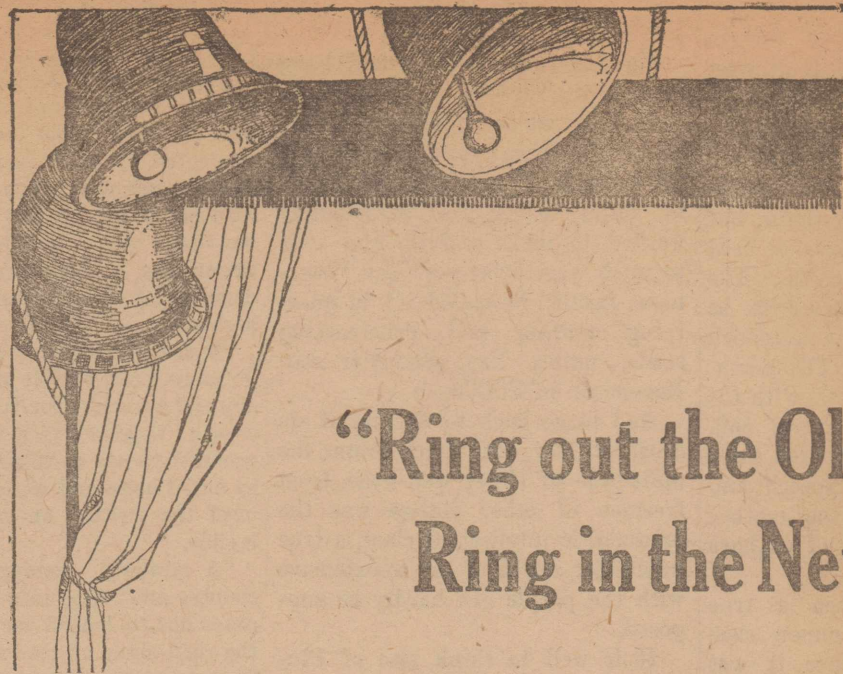
We Appreciate Our Friends

AND WILL ALWAYS TRY TO TREAT YOU IN
SUCH A WAY THAT YOU WILL KNOW OUR AP-
PRECIATION IS SINCERE.

MAY 1924 BRING YOU TRUE HAPPINESS AND
LASTING PROSPERITY.

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"Ring out the Old;
Ring in the New"

At the dawn of this new season, let us face the re-
sponsibilities that are before us with courage and vision,
highly resolved to serve to the best interest and happi-
ness of each friend, citizen and neighbor, and for the ad-
vancement of our community and state.

We earnestly solicit your friendship and patronage
throughout the new year.

First National Bank

THE BANK THAT SAYS: "THANK YOU"
FLOYDADA, TEXAS

PLANT MARQUIS SPRING WHEAT, SAYS L. GOUGH

L. Gough, prominent wheat raiser of the plains, and president of the Texas Wheat Growers' Association, advises farmers of this section to plant spring wheat named Marquis, instead of the Nicaragua, which has been planted generally in this territory for the past several years, when spring planting was done.

Judge Gough declares that the Farm Bureau Selling Agency can handle Marquis wheat sales without dockage on the market, which has been the big objection all these years to Nicaragua. Marquis wheat produces as good as Nicaragua, the judge says, and has the advantage of going on the market without dock from the price of winter wheat.

J. E. Horton of Plainview is spending the holidays in Floydada.

We can make your business safe

We do not offer to in-
crease your business.

We cannot guarantee
you more profits this year
than last.

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present business safe—to
insure your future safety
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L. T. BISHOP GETS APPOINT- MENT AS MAIL CLERK

L. T. Bishop, at present deputy tax collector under J. A. Grigsby, has been appointed as mail clerk for Floydada Post Office to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Jeff Welborn, who quit to go to S. M. U.

Bishop's appointment is effective January 1st, the local office is advised. There were 14 applicants for the place, who took the civil service examination some sixty days ago.

METHODIST NOTES

Whoever he was, who invented Santa Claus ought to be given a place in the Hall of Fame. The people who are fortunate enough to be living in the Methodist parsonage were made very, very happy by the many generous gifts brought to us. We are indeed grateful to our many friends and feel more than ever that our best must be given in your service.

Regular services next Sunday: S. S. at 9:45. Remember the Sunday school contest with Tulia closes next Sunday. Let us be out in full force and keep up that lead we have already gained.

At 11 a. m. the pastor's theme will be "The Present Which Paul, the Prisoner Most Wanted" and at 7:00 p. m. the sermon will be on "Good Cheer for the New Task".

Our presiding elder, Rev. G. S. Hardy, of Plainview, will preach for us Sunday, January 13, and hold our first quarterly conference.

J. L. HENSON, Pastor.

Mrs. Dora Reagan left last week for Abilene, where she is spending the holiday season with her mother, Mrs. J. W. Childers.

Miss Fannie Mae McClelland of Longview, Texas, is spending the holidays in Floydada with Mrs. Francis Wofford, having arrived last Friday.

Earl Evans of Plainview was visiting in Floydada Tuesday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Evans.

Miss Lula Rushing, who has been visiting at Roswell, New Mexico, is at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Rushing. She was accompanied by Miss Francis McCue, of Roswell, who is visiting here during the holidays.

Kirk Scott, who is in the Cadet Detachment at Brookfield, San Antonio, Texas, is at home on a furlough, visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Scott.

L. H. Earthman and Robert Eubank made a trip to Lockney Monday.

B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM

For Sunday, Dec. 30th.

Lesson: China calls.

Leader: Virgil Norman.

Discussion of introduction and the wide open door.

China unchanged—Elmer Wood.

China's call is China's need—Elmer Caudle.

China's call a divine challenge—Mrs. T. R. Webb.

News notes on China—Audrey Mae Borum.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Stanley left Monday for Amarillo to spend Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. F. J. Boerner.

Otis Crowell of Flomot, is visiting in Floydada with his aunt, Mrs. P. G. Stegall.

Mrs. N. A. Armstrong left Saturday for Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, to visit with her daughter, Mrs. G. V. Banker.

Amster Hatchell of Roaring Springs is spending the holidays in Floydada with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Hatchell.

Clarence Watson and son, Homer, of San Angelo, are visiting with Mr. Watson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Watson, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Steen visited Monday and Tuesday in Plainview with relatives.

Mrs. C. D. Potter, who is teaching this term in Snyder high school, is at home for the Christmas holidays, visiting her mother, Mrs. Fannie Montague.

N. W. McCleskey, of Big Springs, was a visitor in Floydada the latter part of last week on business.

Miss Myra Pack, of Post, is visiting here this week, the guest of Miss Evelyn Neil.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Nelson and daughter, Miss Florence spent Christmas day in Lubbock visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Martin and Miss Mary Porter spent Christmas Day in Plainview with Mrs. Martin's and Miss Porter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Porter.

Mrs. W. R. Ivey and son, Dennis C., spent Christmas Day in Floydada with Mrs. Ivey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Surginer. They were accompanied home by Garner Surginer.

Mrs. Maud Merrick and son, Harold visited with Mrs. Merrick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thorp, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davey of Lorenzo spent Christmas in Floydada with Mrs. Davey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Smith.

ROFF-SHIPLEY

Mr. Frank Shipley and Miss Jeanette Roff were married Wednesday morning at the Methodist Parsonage at Plainview. The groom is a son of D. D. Shipley, residing 3 miles south of Floydada. The bride's home is in Roff, Oklahoma, and she has been visiting with Miss Velma Hodge of this place for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Shipley will make their home in Floydada for the present.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Sargent, of Cone, December 22nd, a daughter.

Misses Leona and Bess Houston accompanied by J. B. Houston, spent Christmas day in Hale Center with Miss Bessie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Houston. Miss Bess will spend the remaining holidays there.

C. R. Houston accompanied by W. C. Grigsby and family spent Tuesday in Plainview visiting relatives.

Mrs. W. N. Paschal left last week for Decatur, Texas, to visit with relatives.

Ray Light of Altus, Oklahoma, accompanied by his sister, Mrs. Grady Crager, of Sweetwater, was in Floydada Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer D. Baker of Monday are visiting in Floydada with Mr. Baker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Baker.

W. L. Boerner made a trip to Canyon Wednesday on business.

Mrs. S. W. Ross and daughter, Mary Anna, left Wednesday for Amarillo to visit with Mrs. Ross's brother, F. J. Boerner.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lynn and daughter visited in Spur Sunday.

DINNER FOR BAYLOR BELTON STUDENT HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Mrs. W. I. Cannaday entertained Tuesday evening, in honor of her daughter, Miss Bell, who is home from Baylor College at Belton, with an informal dinner and theatre party.

Those enjoying the evening were Misses Mary Porter, Mable Willis, Marilou Crane, Garnet White, Bell Cannaday and Messrs. Loraine Nelson and Jeff Welborn.

B. Y. P. U. SOCIAL

Mrs. T. R. Webb will entertain the B. Y. P. U. at her home Friday night. All former members, as well as present members, are cordially invited to be present.

NOTES FROM THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The Christmas services under the auspices of the Bible school was a splendid one. The house and tree was decorated by the Men's Bible Class and according to the reports of the comments they did a good job of it. The decorations were beautiful and very appropriate according to those who passed judgment upon it. The tree was a splendid one and was well filled with presents and arrayed with colored lights and sparkling decorations. A reflector was placed so that only one light shown upon the tree and rostrum. The other lights were out and Christmas bells were arranged about in the room. The background was decorated with United States flags, appropriately arranged and bright letters of "welcome" greeted the audience above the rostrum. At each side were bright letters in quotation: "Peace on earth good will to men." There was a good crowd out to witness the program.

The program under the direction of Mrs. Marler was considered a success by every one. Appropriate songs and readings were rendered by the junior classes. After the program the presents were distributed to the various recipients under the direction of "Santa Claus." No one left the house without receiving a package of candy and nuts with fruit.

On Christmas morning many packages of fruit, vegetables and other valuable articles were distributed to certain families whom were thought to be in need. This was one of the most joyous phases of the Christmas service.

A committee is working upon a plan for the building of a parsonage for the pastor. According to reports a new home will soon be a reality for the pastor and his family.

RECENT FORD SALES

Recent deliveries of Ford cars from the Barker Bros. Agency in Floydada include the following:

Touring models: H. M. Thomas, W. N. Paschal, Joe M. Day, O. B. Olson, Mrs. M. F. Husky, O. R. Gordon, Stanley Johnston, H. O. Pope, A. W. Dunn, W. A. Cates, W. W. Kimble, Calvin Steen, G. C. Collins, First National Bank, Homer Altman, C. C. Teague, R. R. Sesson, Ben Clark; Roadster models: J. A. Walden, P. G. Carter, W. E. Anderson.

Advertise in The Hesperian. It Pays.

EPWORTH LEAGUE PROGRAM

Subject, Purposes appropriate to the New Year.

Leader, Ina Faulkner.

Song service.

Prayer.

Roll call.

Special music.

Scripture readings with one minute talk on each subject:

Brief discussion of general subject, also (1) purpose to be true—Leader.

(2) A courageous purpose—Herschel Green.

(3) Solomon's purpose—Mrs. Gamble.

(4) Joshua's purpose—Vernon Abbott.

Special music.

(5) The prodigal son's purpose—Miss Rea.

Quartet.

(6) Our chapter's purpose for 1924—Mr. Dickey.

Announcements.

Benediction.



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