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EVOLUTION VS. EXPEDIENCY

In a recent address Charles R. Gay, president of the New York Stock Exchange, said: "The overwhelmingly important facts are that our economic system runs itself, without interference or control, that every part of it contributes to the operation of the whole system, and that the system is one great cooperative machine, in which every enterprise is a partner in the whole enterprise. Whether it be a stock certificate or a cotton gin, every instrument in our economic machine is a useful agent that man has evolved to increase production and welfare."

"Economic history shows, with one example after another, that this self-acting economic system has a faculty unknown to any other living organism. It has the power of replacing its own worn parts, of curing its own ills, automatically."

"What practical conclusion can business men draw from this? There are many. The first one is fundamental. A system that has taken ten thousand years of evolution to build, that automatically improves itself, and that has given mankind a steadily increasing standard of living and decency is not a system that can be radically changed overnight."

Mr. Gay, who is known for his foresighted liberalism as well as for his authority in the field of finance, points to truths that should not be forgotten. Change in our institutions and our philosophy, no less than change in our manner of living, is inevitable. It is the creature of the evolutionary process which never stops. This is wise change, beneficial to all in the fullness of time. Change that is forced on us through expediency, in defiance of natural social and economic laws, is usually productive of nothing save chaos and retrogression.

HOW ABOUT THE PUBLIC FRIEND?

We've heard a great deal of late about Public Enemies. The United States government is pursuing certain conspicuous characters whom it declares to be Public Enemies, and has wiped out several notorious figures in that class. There is a whole army of Public Enemies with whom the country has to contend, and many of them have never seen the inside of a prison.

Meanwhile we should recognize the fact that we also have a great many Public Friends, as well as Public Enemies. Warm tributes should be paid them, and people should be encouraged to qualify for this class.

What are the characteristics of the Public Friend? He is one who believes that he, or she, must take some share of the labors of carrying on community work in his home town. If he is asked to take some office in a community organization, he does not say, "Oh, no, I couldn't possibly do anything like that." You find him doing the best he can, always. You find him taking up tasks that are more or less distasteful. You may even see him at your door some day or some night.

The Public Friend is interested in everything that promises progress for his home town. He attends meetings and gatherings called to discuss local problems. He offers suggestions when he can see things that should be done. He makes his purchases at home whenever he can, which is practically always.

Above all, the Public Friend always has a good word for his home town. He doesn't think it smart or funny to take a superior attitude and point out its defects. His town is to him always kindly and friendly, because of his own kindly and friendly spirit, and he is proud of its good record and its public institutions built up over years of labor. Yes, every town has its Public Friends and they are friends to be cherished by everybody.

SPARE THE CHILDREN

One way to reduce automobile fatalities is to keep young children from playing in the streets. Automobiles whiz along, a child intent in playing dodges in front of it, and there is no time for the car to stop. There is no keener grief than a young child killed. Every driver of a car, who may have been fortunate enough to have escaped injuring a child, has come so close to it that he gave fervent thanks for stopping in time. It is not only in school zones there is danger, but along every street in the city or village. The careful driver will be anxious to save himself the awful punishment of having killed a child.

Disclosure that nearly 3,000 persons are still living off the carcass of the old NRA blue eagle sort of puts the miracle of the loaves and fishes to shame.

JOBLESS PROBLEM COMES FIRST

The American Federation of Labor says there are 50 per cent more unemployed in this country than in all Europe, and estimates the present total at 11,000,000. The estimate may be unduly high. There has been considerable re-employment this year. Yet various authorities give figures averaging about 10,000,000.

Business has been improving markedly in many respects, but employment does not improve to anywhere near the same degree. Machinery may not displace men permanently or in the long run, but it has been displacing men lately. Manufacturers are mechanizing their plants more completely, and plant expansions and new industries are not developing fast enough to take up the slack.

Employment is never complete. There may have been 2,000,000 to 3,000,000 jobless workers during the prosperous twenties. That would mean at least 7,000,000 employable workers lacking work now in private industry. The federal government is trying to employ 3,000,000 of these until next summer. What will happen to the other 4,000,000 or more eligible for private jobs? And what will happen to the federalized 3,000,000 when the government money runs out?

Most of us would rather ignore such facts as these, but they cannot be ignored. They remain the most important social, economic and political fact in America. If private enterprise cannot employ these millions of men and women, local or national government must either employ them or maintain them in idleness. Letting them starve is inconceivable, and they would not endure starvation.

No other social or economic or governmental problem will be solved until this employment problem is disposed of. Until it is solved, there cannot be stable business, stable government or balanced budgets. Any business or political program which ignores this problem is futile.

LEARN ABOUT FIRE

The best friend fire has is ignorance. Its most dreaded enemy is knowledge. No one, aside from a pyromaniac, purposely starts destructive fires. No one purposely creates fire hazards or allows them to grow and increase in dangerousness. No one wants to imperil the lives of his loved ones.

Yet millions of ordinarily intelligent citizens do these things unknowingly every day. The bulk of them get away with it—for a month, a year, perhaps forever. Many of them don't—and the dreaded fire demon strikes. And it strikes so often that, in spite of the fact that substantial progress in reducing fire loss has been made during recent years, the total annual damage comes to several hundred million dollars.

Ignorance is one of the prime causes of uncontrolled fire—ignorance that is totally unnecessary and entirely inexcusable. There is nothing mysterious about fire prevention. There is nothing difficult about it. Any fire marshal can give you the fundamentals in a half-hour's conversation. Various organizations, offer a wealth of literature on the subject which may be had for the asking. Each year Fire Prevention Week is observed, and every possible opportunity is offered the citizen to learn how he may do his part to prevent fire.

It is a duty and a privilege to do that. And it will save us actual dollars—everyone must help pay for the other fellow's fire. Perhaps it will save the lives of those close to us. Give a little of your time to learning how easily fire hazards may be eliminated—then put in a little more time doing the job.

ON BEHALF OF YOUR POCKETBOOK

As everyone knows, there is often a great difference between the price a farmer gets for the food products he sells, and the price the ultimate consumer must pay.

A long list of charges is responsible for that difference. It costs money to transport food, to process and pack it, to preserve it, to carry on the vast machinery that operates between producer and consumer, and, finally to sell it at retail.

Many of those costs are unavoidable and necessary. Some are not. And the great problem of food distribution is to eliminate those which are not, while at the same time effecting any possible reductions in the essential costs.

About fifteen years ago, when the nation was appalled by high post-war food costs, better distributing and selling methods were started. These methods managed to do away with a number of old "middleman" costs—they cut others. In less than a generation, they made constant and remarkable progress. Today a similar situation obtains—food prices are rising, and there is danger that they will go beyond the point where the people can comfortably pay. The solution, then, is the same as it was fifteen years ago: To advance as rapidly as possible the work of cutting costs between producer and consumer.

Few undertakings are so valuable to the American pocketbook—few deserve such wide-spread support from the great American public, which must pay the bill for wasteful and inefficient food distributing methods.

During the World War we were told to give until it hurt. Now the fashion seems to be to pay until we squirm.



Christmas At The Barracks
By Helen Gaisford

"I HATE Christmas!" Marcia thought passionately. She pressed her face close to the toy window, so passively would not notice her burning cheeks nor tear-filled eyes.

Suddenly she was face to face with it—that overwhelming longing for some one to make Christmas worthwhile. "Why am I such a fool?" she asked herself miserably. "A grown woman weeping at a show window display!"

Well, why not find some one?

And then, as though in answer, she saw the item in the paper.

"Poor children of this and neighboring communities will be treated to a real old-fashioned Christmas dinner and tree at the McKinley barracks. Officers and men are providing turkey and all the trimmings, and several hundred children are expected. Churches and social agencies are being asked to furnish women to act as chaperones and also cars to transport the children to the barracks."

Marcia stepped timidly into the social welfare bureau. "I wonder if you could use me to help take the children out to the barracks on Christmas?" she asked. "It would be so much nicer than anything else," she finished lamely. She had really meant that it would be nicer than a sympathy dinner invitation from one of her friends. "I even thought maybe, if I happened to find the right youngster—I might adopt one."

She had never been to the barracks before, and she thrilled to the



He Was Taking the Coat Off a Trousle-Headed Boy.

ride over the snowy road, but she was more fascinated by the children under her care.

And then they were there, piling children into the great building, finding their places, taking care of wraps, warming cold little fingers, and through it all a glow. Christmas cheer! That was it! For the first time in years, Marcia was having a really, truly Merry Christmas.

She straightened up for a moment with the realization, and found the man looking at her. He was taking the coat off a tousle-headed boy, and across the lad's head he smiled at her. Marcia smiled, too, but her heart seemed to stop beating.

He stood tall and straight in his officers' uniform, a handsome man, not many years her senior. As soon as the children began eating, he came over and introduced himself.

"Having a good time?" he asked.

"Glorious!"

"So are you."

"What?"

"Glorious, of course. Don't mind my bothering you, but I thought you seemed, well—understanding. When I was looking at you—remember?" Marcia nodded. "Somebody once said that if you look into a person's eyes, you create a bond that can never be broken. I know what he meant, now."

"I felt it, too," Marcia murmured.

He looked about. "I say, shall we ditch the program? I'd like to show you around the barracks."

They didn't notice the cold, the falling snow, nor, later, the children's carols.

"Goodness!" Marcia exclaimed at last. "They're leaving. I must look after my carload of youngsters."

"Wait!" He caught her hand, held it fast. "I'll wait to see you again, soon. We have so much in common, you know—we're both lonely, we like children, we enjoy Christmas parties—and I want to know if you like hiking and tobogganing, movies, operas, lots of things. Me, for instance."

"Of course," answered Marcia.

"But let me go now. Here comes that welfare lady." She pulled away. "We were just coming," she apologized.

The lady smiled. "No hurry. But I wonder—you said something, you know—have you decided what child you want to adopt?"

"Heavens!" declared Marcia. "I forgot!"

"Well, why?" asked the soldier.

"Select one? I mean—wait until next Christmas. Things change so in a year."

"In a day," breathed Marcia.

PEOPLE WARNED DANGER OF FIRES THIS CHRISTMAS

Carelessness May Blight Day For, Replacing Joy With Grief

"All indications point to the realization that this Xmas will be one of renewed hope and good cheer and we, as a people, have much for which we should give thanks," says the State Insurance Commissioner, and adds, "Let us among other things, give thanks to all of those who have worked so diligently this year in the prevention of fires and give to them encouragement by a willing spirit of cooperation in a continuation of this splendid public service, but lest we forget, the observance of Christmas is wrought with danger of life and property because of many special fire hazards that come into use at that time. A careless act, or the use of an unsafe article, may blight the day, replacing joy with grief. "Some of the facts pertaining to special fire hazards that every one should acquaint himself with during the Holiday Season are as follows:

"That evergreen trees decorated with highly inflammable materials often ignite.

"That cotton or lighted candles should never be placed on the Christmas tree.

"That the cotton beard of a Santa Claus frequently catches fire with serious results.

"That the old Yuletide custom of placing a lighted candle in the window near curtains has cast many a cloud of gloom.

"That small children should never be permitted to handle fire works.

"That wrappings from packages and other appliances should not be attached to light sockets until all fuses and connections are in perfect order.

"That pennies or wire should never be used in replacing blown out electric fuses. The fuse is the safety valve on your wiring system to protect you against fire.

"Barring any catastrophe between now and the close of the year, the fire loss in Texas will be lower for 1935 than it has been in any year since 1919."

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F. F. A. CHAPTER TO PLAY SANTA CLAUS TO NEEDY

PLANS TO MAKE UNFORTUNATE HAPPY THIS CHRISTMAS ARE ANNOUNCED

Twenty-nine members of the Future Farmers of America, local chapter, were in attendance at the meeting held Wednesday night when plans were made to help the needy families this Christmas.

The local chapter is to sponsor a toy clinic, and Woodrow Ramsey, Oscar Dodson, and Ross Mitchell were named as a committee to handle the work. Consequently, all having toys for which they have no further use, but will bring gladness to some of the other youngsters are urged to take them to the Chamber of Commerce office where they will be repaired and repainted to be given to the underprivileged children of Chillicothe. It is hoped to have the local paint dealers donate the paint.

Baskets of food will be delivered on Christmas day by the Future Farmers of America boys, and thus families in destitute circumstances will be able to enjoy Christmas as they rightfully deserve.

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A Merry Christmas!

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Progress is our watchword, so we hope this year may bring new developments in Electric Service which will further seek to simplify labor, save time, and do both at the lowest possible cost to you.

We cordially extend Season's Greetings to all, and add the hope for a better acquaintance and the privilege of rendering to you a more liberal service, which our past experiences and achievements make possible.

West Texas Utilities Company



... To everyone—wherever you may be—we extend you our most sincere wishes for a happy and joyful Christmas and may the New Year of 1936 bring you and yours all the blessings possible . . . During the now closing year of 1935 our associations with patrons and general public have been very pleasant, and for this we are thankful. We hope to continue to serve this community and to work for its betterment.

Merry Christmas

AND A PROSPEROUS

NEW YEAR OF 1936



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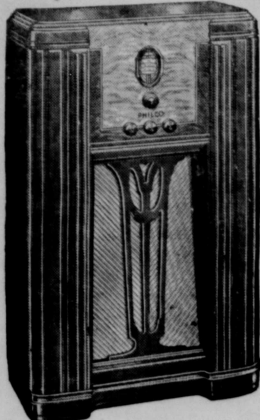
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"WHEN DREAMS COME TRUE"

Bess Barnett Wall

It was about six o'clock and the short winter day was closing in to dusky twilight.

Mary Lou laid another stick of wood on the fire and turning to the window she pulled a curtain on one side to look out.

Already the fast falling snow had laid a white blanket over the ground.

In the distance she could hear the clang of a cow bell; Tom was bringing the cows. Occasionally she could hear them bawl and their calves at the barn would answer them.

She pulled a heavy coat over her small body and snapped a close-fitting cap about her head, then went to the barn to help the old Negro with the milking.

Usually on cold nights like that Tom milked alone but to-night Mary Lou would help him. She knew the cows were in the far pasture—he was so late getting them home.

After they had finished she stood for a moment to look at the dark spirals of smoke curling from her chimney against the lighter background of the snow clouds. Then she retraced her steps back to the three room

house that stood on the side of a mountain.

A few minutes later, when she had finished her work in the kitchen, she went to the sitting room. The furniture in the room consisted of a dresser, Jimmy's desk and chair, a small chair of Pat's and Mary Lou's chair.

She drew her chair to its place in front of the hearth and reached for her knitting on the mantel. She looked at a small calendar beside her work basket. It was Thursday, only two days till Christmas.

Mary Lou went to the dresser and took a letter from the drawer, she read it again and tears filled her eyes as she thought of the answer she sent to it.

Not enough money to come home on, Pat will need heavy clothes for winter, she had written.

The letter was from Pat, her eighteen-year-old daughter, who was attending college at Morgan, a distance of six hundred miles. She had finished high school at Princeton, near their home, and now with what money Mary Lou made raising calves, chickens and selling butter and

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Calotabs are quite economical; only twenty-five cents for the family package, ten cents for the trial package. (Adv.)



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and a
Happy and
Prosperous
NEW YEAR
TO EVERYBODY!

enough left to bring her home—she had been gone since January. "Want so much Christmas with her gone," Mary Lou muttered half aloud. A sob choked her. She laid more wood on the fire and listened at it snap and crackle as the big red blaze entwined the logs.

Even if Pat was away she must make the best of it—maybe some day—well perhaps, they could leave when Pat got her education—and a job somewhere.

But would she be satisfied away from her old home where she and Jimmy had spent ten glorious years together?

Dear to her heart were the scenes around the place. The long rolling hills were green with grass in the spring and the creek was a cool place to enjoy your-self on warm summer days sitting in the shade of the big trees growing around it. Then in winter when it was frozen she and Jimmy would go skating and sleigh riding down the long hills. They tramped the woods and mountains and trapped every night she was always anxious about the trapping. Going to get a bear tonight and make you a coat, he would tease. The recurrence of their happy days brought a glowing light to her dim eyes and a smile to her face.

She picked up her stocking and started to knit again. How well she remembered the first pair of socks she knitted for Jimmy.

But abruptly her thoughts were disturbed by a knocking at the door.

"Mumsy," someone called. The door flew open—Pat and Mary Lou were in one another's arms.

"My baby, Pat!" Mary Lou cried brokenly. "How—?"

"Never mind how we got here mother, since we are together, you have always said I would go through fire if I wanted to do a thing—only it wasn't fire tonight—Jimmy and I were so anxious to surprise you we never wrote our secret."

"Who in the world is Jimmy, Pat?"

"Listen Mumsy," Pat said. To their ears came the strains of a guitar and someone singing "Little Mother of the Hills."

"That's for you, mother," Pat added smiling. "It's Jimmy."

"Jimmy," Mary Lou said questioningly. Pat opened the door, a tall boy dressed in heavy woolen clothes stepped inside.

"Mother this is your gift from me, a son" Pat announced pointing to the boy.

"I've always wanted a mother like you," Jimmy said, smiling, as he took Mary Lou in his arms. "You're just like Pat described you."

"Did she tell you I looked this bad, Jimmy?"

"Shame on you, Mumsy," Pat said, solemnly, "you know I think you are the sweetest mother in the world."

"My dreams have come true," Mary Lou steadily announced, then her voice broke as she tried to say, "My boy, my girl."

"And our little mother of the hills," they added together as they placed a kiss on either of her wrinkled cheeks.

THE END

HEALTH TALK

By John W. Brown, M. D.
(State Health Officer)

According to Dr. John W. Brown, state health officer, pneumonia causes over 4,700 deaths each year in Texas. It is more prevalent during the winter and spring months.

Pneumonia is usually caused by a germ called the pneumococcus, which many of us have lurking in our throats ready to start trouble when our resistance to it is lowered. We can keep up our resistance by avoiding undue fatigue and avoiding unnecessary exposure to extreme weather conditions. When we go out into the cold, additional wraps should be sufficient to protect us. Keeping the temperature of our homes as low as is consistent with comfort will greatly lessen the difficulties encountered in adjusting ourselves to the cold when we go out.

Another measure of prevention in pneumonia is not to neglect a cold, for the common cold often hands in pneumonia when neglected. A person with a severe cold should stay at home and call his physician as a precautionary measure. Then he should follow his physician's advice until the cold has disappeared.

The successful treatment of a pneumonia case often depends upon beginning treatment very early. That is why a physician should be called at once in such cases. A patient may really have beginning pneumonia when he thinks it is only a cold. If the physician's advice is sought for the cold he will have the opportunity to start treatment early if pneumonia occurs in such cases.

TRY A CLASSIFIED AD ONCE!

CONSTRUCTION REGULATIONS

LABOR CLASSIFICATION AND MINIMUM WAGE SCALE

The Labor Classification and Minimum Wage Scale below have been pre-determined by the Owner in accordance with the statutory and PWA requirements and the prevailing local wages, and shall govern on all work performed by the Contractor in connection with the construction of the project covered by these specifications. The bids submitted are based on not less than the rates of pay indicated in this pre-determined labor Classification and Minimum Wage Scale. In no event shall rates of pay be lower than those established by recognized unions operating in the community at the time of the bid opening.

Skilled Mechanics, Whose Minimum Rate Shall Be 75c Per Hour:	75c
Bricklayer	75c
Carpenter	75c
Finish	75c
Form Sawyer	75c
Rough	75c
Caulker	75c
Building Openings	75c
Cement Finisher	75c
Electrician	75c
Furnace, trade	\$1.00
Pump Setter, buildings	75c
Gas Fitters	75c
Glazier	75c
General Foreman	\$1.00
Iron Worker, structural	75c
Mason, metal	75c
Mason, stone	75c
Operators:	
Mixer (over 5 bags)	75c
Motorized equipment	75c
Power Saw	75c
Painter	75c
Plasterer	75c
Plumber	75c
Roofing, composition	75c
Sheet metal	75c
Reinforcing steel wkr.	75c
Sheet Metal Worker	75c
Steam and/or Pipe Fitter	75c

Semi-Skilled Workers

(Rates per hour)	
Apprentices (all trades):	45c
First year	50c
Second year	50c
Third year	50c
Fourth year	50c
Electrician's Helper	50c
Gas Fitter's Helper	50c
Handyman (all trades)	50c
Kettlemen, asphalt, pipe jointing material and/or tar for roofing	60c
Laborer, foreman	60c
Leader, Fresno less than four up and slip scraper	50c
Mechanic (repairman)	50c
Mortar Mixer, (brick and plaster)	50c

Operator:	
Power Saw	50c
Truck, 1½ ton and-over	50c
Under	50c
Winchman (nigger head)	50c
Plowman	50c
Reinforcement Placer	50c
Roof, Tar and gravel mop man	50c
Slicer, Trench, Bracing, etc.	50c
Teamster, more than three up	50c
Waterproofer, Mop Man	50c
Window Cleaner	50c
Serving Laborer, Laborer who delivers material to a mechanic as the last operation prior to installation or assists the mechanics without using tools on Union Projects	40c

Unskilled Workers	
Common Laborer	30c
Teamster, less than four up	30c
Watchman (under 30 hours per week)	30c
Waterboy, messenger, cook, 30 to 40 hours per week, \$12.00	

per week, over 40 hours per week 30c

Clerical Force

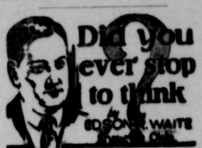
Clerical Force, under 30 hours, per hour 40c
30 to 40 hours, weekly \$12.00 to \$16.00.

The award of the contract shall be conditioned upon funds being made available, and the Chillicothe Independent School District shall have the right to hold the bids for a period of sixty (60) days from the date of the bid opening. No bid may be withdrawn within 30 days after the date of the bid opening.

Contract will be awarded subject to the approval of the State Director, PWA.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to waive any and/or all formalities.

Plans and specifications may be procured from Voelcker & Dixon, Inc., Architects, Wichita Falls, Texas, upon a deposit of \$10.00 to guarantee their return. DEWEY MARSH, President, Chillicothe Independent School District.



Did you ever stop to think DOAN'S PILLS

"The present modes and customs of Manchuria are patterned after China," so says the Manchurian Month. In speaking of marriages, it says:

"The average marrying age is 15 for girls and 20 for boys. The proposal originating from the prospective husband's side is broadcasted to the future bride's family on an auspicious day on the calendar through some 'go-between.' It is customary for the bride's parents to decline the offer twice, and if the would-be husband is acceptable, return a favorable response on the third request."

"On the day before marriage, the bride sends her dowry to the husband and the husband-to-be

MERRY, MERRY

CHRISTMAS TO PATRONS AND FRIENDS

—Moreover, I want to take the opportunity at this time to thank each and everyone who in any way aided toward the success of my business during the now closing year. —With the coming of 1936 I hope to continue to serve you with the best I possibly can. —In the meanwhile the best wishes of this happy season.

A. E. (CHICK) HOWARD'S GARAGE

East Worsham Street



Happiness.....

Happiness.....

To our patrons we thank you most sincerely for your business this season and hope we may continue to serve you.

is the ultimate that anyone can wish. It is that wish when we say to you and to all a

Merry Christmas

THE WEST TEXAS GIN CO.

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Chillicothe, Texas

LIGHT DOCKET FOR DECEMBER TERM OF COURT

State Obtained Convictions In Four Cases; Stokes Presiding Judge

December term of the 46th district court at Quannah has had a very light docket. Ten men have faced trial in six cases before Judge W. N. Stokes. The state obtained convictions in four cases. One was continued and charges were dismissed against the defendants in the other case.

District Attorney Ed L. Gossett directed the prosecution.

Notice of appeal was filed in one of the cases resulting in conviction of the defendants. J. W. and R. Johnson of McLean were convicted of stealing hogs in Hardeman county recently, each receiving a prison sentence of two years. Their attorneys announced the case would be appealed.

C. W. Lee, Fred Phillips, and Clarence Robertson received sentences of two years each upon being found guilty of breaking into a box car on the Santa Fe railway tracks in Chillicothe.

Marvin Davis and C. B. Parker received the heaviest penalty so far in the term of court when a jury found them guilty of stealing a car and hijacking its owner in Chillicothe. The court assessed each with a seven year sentence.

Buck Hackney and I. C. Byrnes, charged with chicken theft, went free when the case was dismissed on insufficient evidence.

Judge Stokes ordered the case of Cecil Booth continued until the next term of court. Booth is charged with robbery with firearms and car theft. He was recently captured in New Mexico after a lengthy hunt.

C. W. Underwood made a business trip to the Medina valley this last week.

Although Texas leads all states in production of wool and mohair there is no mohair goods in the state.

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WHAT FARM FOLKS ARE NOW DOING

Timely Tips on What Farmer Folks are Doing in Texas

Nacogdoches: Good ventilation is essential to the keeping of onions so Mrs. Ed Greer, farm food supply demonstrator of the Campbell home demonstration club in Nacogdoches county, provides an ideal container for storing them by nailing empty spools around the bottom of a crate made of narrow slats.

The spools act as legs in keeping the crate off the floor and thus provide for a free circulation of air around and through the onions.

Sanford: In 11 months, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ayers of Sanford in Hutchinson county have gathered 16,331 eggs from 85 hens.

The feed cost \$155.48 and Mr. and Mrs. Ayers have sold \$388.73 worth of eggs, besides furnish for their table.

The hens are white English leghorns. Mr. and Mrs. Ayers keep laying mash before the hens at all times and feed them grain at night.

Hillsboro: Nine cans of squirrel meat will add variety to the protein foods served to her family during the winter months by Mrs. Sam Ward, farm food supply demonstrator of the Blum home demonstration club of Hill county.

Preparing for a family of eight to be served an adequate diet, Mrs. Ward has canned 810 containers of food, has stored 300 pounds of Irish potatoes, 100 pounds of onions, and 25 pounds of dried beans. Two 250 pound bags and one eight months-old calf are fattening in the pen for curing and canning when the weather is right.

Miami: Last February, while the dust storms were still going full blast, Noah Reed terraced a field of approximately 120 acres, according to the Roberts county agricultural agent, Jett McMurry.

Reed stated that this field was not on the plains but was in what

is known as the "breaks." However, this was the only field in the county where the kafir and legari "headed out" from one end of the row to the other.

Reed attributes this to the fact that the rows were run with the terraces. He says that he likes the results of row-crop farming of this kind so well that he is not planning on any wheat for another year, preferring to grow feed for livestock.

Bonham: Tom Brothers of the Edinburg community recently visited the Fannin county agricultural agent, V. J. Young, with the following message:

He said: "I never come to town much because I spend most of my four acres of pasture that I started last year. My Dallas grass is a good stand and is going to seed. The 18 pounds of seed I put on it will show for itself and I have kept six head of work stock and two milk cows on it all year. The contour lines we made with a plow has caused the bermuda to become solid set. I would like to show you my pasture."

Dainersfield: W. J. Johnson, of Morris county, planted the first soy beans this year he ever raised, as a demonstration. He planted one-half bushel of Mammoth Yellow soy beans on two acres of land and harvested 11 tons of hay. Johnson stated that he couldn't understand why he hadn't raised soy beans for hay all his life.

LOCAL MARKETS

Cream	30c
Turkeys	20c
Hens	14c
Heavy	14c
Light	12c
Broilers	6c
Hides	24c
No. 1, green	5c
No. 2	2 1/2c

Paradise, Utopia, Divine, Sublime, Loving, Blessing, Happy and Joy all are towns in Texas.

The capital of Texas was once in Louisiana at Pilar de los Adaes.

Mud, Clay, Sand, Earth and Grit are all towns in Texas.

There is a rose bush in every yard in Rosebud, Texas.

Merit Wins The Soul

A Christmas Story by Agnes Myers



IT WAS Christmas eve and Jane Harrison was preparing to close the Book and Gift shop after a busy day. The door opened and an elderly man wearing spectacles and a white muffler entered hurriedly.

Setting aside his gloves and cane, and hastily scanning the shelves, he said: "I have but a few moments to make a selection; perhaps you could assist me. Something for an elderly lady."

"Here are some delightful gift books," she remarked.

The gentleman raised a pair of surprised eyes and wondrously surveyed the girl, rather than the books. Drawing a wallet from his inner coat he replied:

"My dear young lady, your excellent choice has tempted me to take all three." Handing Jane a card he continued:

"Thinking he dashed out to his cab and was gone.

"Seventy-eight Burton Street" gasped Jane, and the delivery boy came for the night on his last round.

Locking the store and with Miss Adelaide Perkins' gift in the hollow of her arm, the tired girl started off on her errand.

Jane and her widowed mother had lived in Edgebrook on a small income. She attended Miss Edmonds' School for Girls as a day student and received a very thorough education. In the evenings Jane worked in the town library. Her mother passed away and Jane had gone to the city. This was her first Christmas to be alone.

At the Perkins address the door was opened by an elderly lady. "Goodness, child! A package for me! Do stop in." But before she could close the door a boy called out:

"Telegram for Perkins."

"Yes, yes," she said, all bewildered.

"Mercy me, where are my glasses!" she fumbled around in her pocket.

"I'll sign for you, if I may," said Jane.

"Yes, please do—dear, dear, where are my glasses! Oh, here they are," and Miss Perkins' fine patient hands trembled as she opened the envelope.

"It is from my niece, the Bosworth girls. They are driving down from Hartland tomorrow afternoon and will be here for tea with me around five."

"Your nieces the Bosworth girls?" exclaimed Jane; "not Emilie and Susan! Why, they were my best friends at Miss Edmonds' school," and thoughts of Edgebrook dashed through her mind. The June commencement—Richard Bosworth, the tall brother, up from the city for the festivities.

"And don't forget, tomorrow at five," called Miss Perkins as Jane was departing.

The next afternoon Jane helped Miss Perkins put the finishing touches to a table set in blue china of willow pattern. There was the sound of a motor, then merry voices in the hall. Emilie, Susan, Richard, Uncle Carroll, the elderly gentleman who had sent the books, were greeting Miss Perkins.

"Why, Miss Harrison!" gasped the Bosworth girls in one breath.

Then followed such excited exclamations; the bliss of renewed friendship.

With a rustle of her silken skirts Miss Perkins led the way to the dining room. Jane sat opposite Richard. She liked the strength in his broad shoulders, his well modulated voice and his clear honest eyes.

Richard was beaming across the table at the young woman in the blue frock; her quaint charm, rippling laughter, the glance of her brown eyes and the lift of her pretty shoulders.

As the happy gathering moved into the sitting room Jane felt the warmth of a large hand gripping her own slim one. Looking up, she smiled into Richard's firm and understanding face.

Uncle Carroll, with an approving nod, stroked his beard like a prophet, and reflected upon the words of the poet:

Charm strikes the sight
But merit wins the soul.

SHOWERS ISSUES STATEMENT ON GAME SUPPLY, DISTRIBUTION, AND FINANCES OF STATE COMMISSION

J. L. Showers, chairman of the Texas Game, Fish & Oyster Commission, today issued a statement showing that game in Texas is fairly plentiful. He reported a reduction in the number of turkeys killed, with the number of deer bagged remaining about the same but revealed an increase in the number of deer on some preserves. The statement follows:

"There has been some comment through the press as to the amount of game in Texas and as to the territory where game was found. There was also some comment as to the program of the Game, Fish & Oyster Commission. For the benefit of the sportsmen of Texas I will give them the benefit of the following information:

"First, the amount of game killed in Texas on hunting preserves during the 1934-35 hunting season shows a total of 6,410 deer and 949 turkeys killed, which is a decrease in the number of turkeys killed as compared with previous years, while the number of deer killed was maintained on about the same basis. These figures were obtained from the shooting preserve records and do not include any game killed on about the same basis.

"The amount of game distributed by the game department from 1932 to 1935 is as follows:

"Number of turkeys distributed for the total four-year period was 515.

"Number of quail distributed for the same period was 25,185.

"Number of deer distributed for the same period was 1,639.

"During the year 1935 the game department distributed over five million fish from its nine fish hatcheries.

"Twelve hundred bushels of corn were purchased by the game department for feeding turkeys during the dry winter months of 1934-35.

"On the eighty game preserves which are under the supervision of the Game, Fish & Oyster Commission, there will be found lots of game. Game is preserved in the extreme western part of Texas, including Brewster, Presidio, Jeff Davis, Hudspeth, and other counties in that vicinity. There are three to four thousand deer, 750 to 1,000 turkeys, three to four hundred Rocky Mountain sheep, and approximately four thousand antelope. The increase of deer has spread from these game preserves and has resulted in quantity supply on the surrounding ranches to

approximately six or seven thousand head.

"On game preserve No. 29 in Uvalde county, there are about 3,000 deer and the same number of turkeys. In the vicinity of Sutton, Schleicher, Menard, and McCulloch counties, there are probably five to six thousand turkeys on these game preserves and about the same number of deer, with a large supply of turkeys and deer located on private ranches in that vicinity not included in the game preserves.

"In the Panhandle section there are four to six hundred turkeys and two to three hundred deer, which have shown a rapid increase since game preserves have been created there. On the game preserve of King county there are probably three or four hundred turkeys. In the game preserve in Wilbarger, Baylor, Foard and Knox counties there are probably one thousand turkeys.

"There have been some remarks through the press regarding the financial condition of the game department and the pay to the game wardens. The majority of the game wardens have received an increase in salary of some ten to fifteen dollars per month, beginning the first of November, and there have been several ad-

ditions of game, which have been operated on a basis of expenditure of money over the past year or two, and have money enough left to use for the purpose of making additions and enlargements at some of the work is now under construction.

"It is true that the department needs more funds to properly carry on the work by placing additional game wardens in the field and enlarging its game distribution program." — Vernon Record.

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A Mexican was the first vice-president of the Republic of Texas. Lorenzo de Zavala, aide to Santa Anna, who took the side of the Texans in their fight for independence, was named vice-president in March, 1836, at Washington-on-the-Brasos.

There are in Texas today only about 2,100 Indians.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE!

That's our sincere wish—and too, we hope success will be yours during the coming year.

Please accept our thanks for the business given us. We certainly appreciated your help.

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A Merry



Christmas

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Thank you, Friends, for the business given us . . . We hope you have been pleased . . . and since this is the time of year when all of us pause to reflect, we feel it the time to say, "Thank You!"

We mean every word . . . and next year we are going to be right on the job hoping to serve you—and others—with the same good gin service.

In the meantime keep bringing your cotton to Chillicothe Gin, and get the best of service.

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J. Hatton McRee

MAY JOY BE YOURS!

ANOTHER Christmas is upon us. The season of the year when all of us celebrate one way or another, and to halt and take stock of what we may have accomplished during the year . . . in spite of conditions not near normal, we have been blessed with good things in this life, and for this we are indeed, thankful.

We hope, most sincerely, you have also been more successful—and we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a New Year of prosperity . . .



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Chillicothe

CHRISTMAS EDITION



AS ROSS HUTTON finished telling his little daughter the story of Christmas, of the shepherds and the Christ child, and had as tactfully as possible explained about Santa Claus, Polly heaved a sigh. "Well, I think there's a Santa Claus and I hope he brings me a sheep like the ones in the story."

The day before Christmas, Ross saw a white woolly lamb in the window of a toy shop. He was glad he had walked to his office. Otherwise he might not have seen the lamb. He would stop on his way home and get it. But one of the men in the office offered to drive him home, so the lamb was forgotten until he heard Polly as she was being put to bed tell her mother she hoped "Santa" wouldn't forget about the "sheep." Ross looked at his watch and decided the shop would probably still be open. Anne called to him to ask where he was going, and he answered, "Back in a few minutes."

When he parked his car before the shop, he thought that the lamb might not be there struck him for the first time. He felt much relieved, therefore, when he saw the lamb in the window.

As he tucked the package under his arm and turned to leave the shop, a little boy came in. Ross heard him ask the proprietor if he still had the lamb that was in the window that morning. He was told a gentleman just leaving had bought it. "Oh," the disappointed Ross showed in his voice. "Wasn't there something else he would like? But there didn't seem to be anything else."

As he got into his car Ross caught sight of a small boy standing before the window, his gaze fastened on the place where the lamb had been. He seemed so disappointed, it was too bad there wasn't another lamb for him, Ross thought as he drove away. But probably something else would catch his fancy and he would forget all about the lamb. Children were like that. Ross wondered though if Polly would have forgotten so easily. He scarcely thought so. The poor little thing would have been mightily disappointed. He was glad he had remembered before it was too late.



Santa Claus Had Brought Her a Sheep and a Baby Doll.

But try as he would he couldn't get the picture of the little fellow out of his mind. Halfway home he turned his car around and went back to the shop. The boy had left, so Ross asked the proprietor if he could tell him where the boy lived. He lived just around the corner. He often came into the shop. Tonight he had come to buy the little lamb for his small sister, and was so disappointed when he found it gone. The proprietor had tried to interest him in something else, but he hadn't been successful in doing it. Ross interrupted to know in just which house the boy lived. Then in order to have some satisfactory excuse to offer at home, he bought a baby doll for Polly.

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Wool Program Benefits Spread To All Sections

COLLEGE STATION — Discussing the necessity for the continuation of a cotton adjustment program, W. B. Camp of the AAA Cotton Division told State Agricultural Commissioners at their recent meeting in Washington, D. C., that the benefits of the cotton program are not confined to the South but extend to all sections of the country through the purchasing power of the cotton grower.

In demonstrating this he said, "Cotton furnishes directly the livelihood for 14,500,000 people in the United States. Eleven million of these people on the 2,200,000 cotton farms in the South and Southwest are dependent upon cotton for the major part of their incomes. Three million more individuals are supported by cotton textile manufacturing in all its branches. Another 500,000 people are dependent upon the miscellaneous uses of cotton. Others are indirectly affected by the merchandizing and the financing of the finished cotton products."

Camp went on to say that, "A volume production system, as formerly practiced, often resulted in double loss to the grower because every acre used to produce surplus cotton could have been put into needed food and feed crops. Big yields, large exports and ruinous prices have been the history, with but few exceptions of unadjusted production of cotton."

He showed by actual figures that the cotton adjustment program had practically doubled the price of cotton, raising them from about 6 cents per pound in 1932 to twelve and one-half cents in 1934, and increasing the farmers' cash income from \$465,000,000 in 1932 to \$895,000,000 in 1934, including compensation for adjustment of cotton acreage. In 1935, the \$822,000,000, including benefit payments in 1934.

First Aid Treatment Taught Thousands By Red Cross

More than 187,000 certificates showing completion of first aid courses were issued last year by the Red Cross. This shows a gain of 56,000 certificates over the previous year. Approximately 64,300 boys in C.C.C. camps throughout the country passed first aid tests. Since the Red Cross first entered the field of first aid teaching, being one of the first organizations in the world to do so, almost one million youngsters have been trained in handling emergency treatment.

The annual report of the Red Cross further reveals that more than 327,000 copies of the Red Cross First Aid Handbook have been sold at home and abroad.

SECOND SHEETS: Yellow. 500 sheets to the package. Each package 65c.

head and put his finger to his lips as a warning not to wake Polly. He placed the package under the tree and with a happy smile he began helping with the work of trimming.

The next morning he was awakened by Polly's happy cry that she knew there was a "Santa Claus" because he had brought her a "sheep" and a baby doll just as she asked for. Ross, springing out of bed and into the living room, where could the "sheep" have come from? For there was Polly with a lamb under one arm and the doll under the other.

"Where?" Ross asked, pointing to the lamb. Anne whispered that she had bought it.

"There is a Santa Claus, isn't there, Daddy?" Polly's voice implored she was giving information rather than asking it.

Ross heartily agreed with her: "There certainly is a Santa Claus beyond a doubt."

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Fashions Steel Like Human Hand, But Cannot Replace It



CAPABLE of exerting 300 tons more pressure than the gargantuan "turret top" presses constructed a year ago, this new industrial giant for the first time provides individual control over the massive slides, making it possible to draw and form sheet steel in much more intricate designs than ever before. Machinery of this type notwithstanding, the Fisher Body division of General Motors still places stress upon the skilled craftsman. Inset: A metal worker hand finishing the seamless steel roof of one of the new "turret top" buildings. His tools consist of emery paper, files and a light hammer.

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227 Texas Counties Place Applications In Potato Program

COLLEGE STATION—At this time 227 Texas counties are working on applications for allotments under the potato program, according to J. F. Rosborough, Extension horticulturist. A survey of Texas shows that there are seven commercial potato producing counties, 20 semi-commercial potato producing counties, and 200 other counties that have some growers who are offering potatoes for sale on a small scale.

Rosborough said that some of the counties have already completed the work of receiving applications for allotments under potato form 1, and summarized their applications under potato form 2.

It is hoped that all applications for allotment work will be completed early in December. Rosborough said, "so that the state committeemen can begin work in making county allotments."

"An effort is being made now to provide those counties that will harvest their crop before December 30 with stamps which will allow the crop to move as prescribed by the Potato Act. These stamps will particularly apply to the Rio Grande Valley. Other counties will not be issued stamps until a later date."

The Extension horticulturist offered several suggestions for county agricultural agents to contact potato growers in order to get applications for potato exemptions.

They are as follows: To hold community meetings in the potato growing areas in the county, through the assistance of county committeemen who can suggest persons in communities growing potatoes, through local seed stores who buy and sell potatoes, through county farm organizations, through a publicity story naming a place and a time for potato growers to assemble.

"The counties that have already completed the application work show that there is a great deal of interest in the potato program," Rosborough stated.

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No Idle Among Former Relief; Others?—Yes!

Publicity Given Over State About Work Situation Slightly Misleading

There's no idle labor in Chillicothe!

That is, there is none among those having formerly been on relief, but there are a number of men who are now unable to get on relief, and as a result, are without employment. Therefore, the publicity given over the state recently to the effect Chillicothe is exceptionally in good condition in a way, misleading.

According to the local administrator this morning all men formerly on the dole have been

assigned work on the projects here and as other projects are started men will be given work—those, understand, at one time on relief—not those having applied for relief whose dole plan was discontinued. This class comes under the heading of "unemployed" and they are still without work.

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Merry Christmas—Happy New Year

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Notice to the Public REGARDING USE OF Fireworks IN THE City Limits of Chillicothe

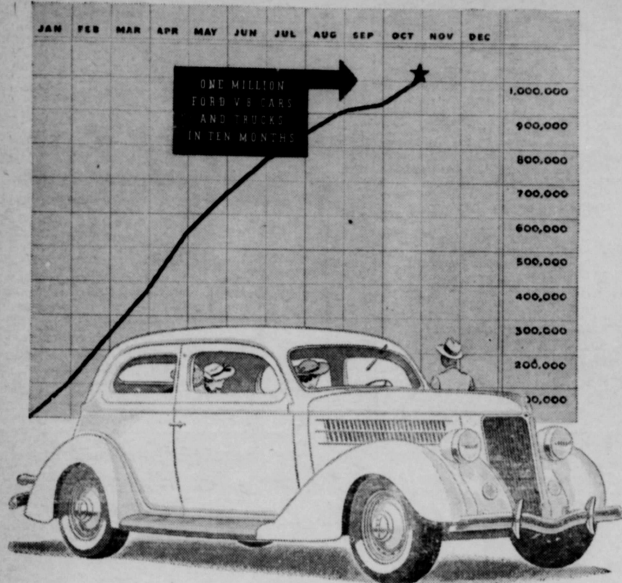
A city ordinance prohibits the use of fireworks of any kind within the city fire zone, which includes 3 blocks of the business district east and west and two blocks north and south.

Attention has already been called to this law being violated, and this is to warn guilty parties to please discontinue practice, and thus obey the law.

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CHRISTMAS EDITION



AS ROSS HUTTON finished telling his little daughter the story of Christmas, of the shepherds and the Christ child, and had as tactfully as possible explained about Santa Claus, Polly heaved a sigh. "Well, I think there's a Santa Claus and I hope he brings me a sheep like the ones in the story."

The day before Christmas, Ross saw a white woolly lamb in the window of a toy shop. He was glad he had walked to his office. Otherwise he might not have seen the lamb. He would stop at his way home and get it. But one of the men in the office offered to drive him home, so the lamb was forgotten until he heard Polly as she was being put to bed tell her mother she hoped "Santa" would forget about the "sheep." Ross looked at his watch and decided the shop would probably still be open. Anne called to him to ask where he was going, and he answered, "Back in a few minutes."

When he parked his car before the shop, the thought that the lamb might not be there struck him for the first time. He felt much relieved, therefore, when he saw the lamb in the window.

As he tucked the package under his arm and turned to leave the shop, a little boy came in. Ross heard him ask the proprietor if he still had the lamb that was in the window that morning. He was told a gentleman just leaving had bought it. "Oh," the disappointment showed in his voice. Wasn't there something else he would like? But there didn't seem to be anything else.

As he got into his car Ross caught sight of a small boy standing before the window, his gaze fas-



Santa Claus Had Brought Her a Sheep and a Baby Doll.

tered on the place where the lamb had been. He seemed so disappointed, it was too bad there wasn't another lamb for him. Ross thought as he drove away. But probably something else would catch his fancy and he would forget all about the lamb. Children were like that. Ross wondered though if Polly would have forgotten so easily. He scarcely thought so. The poor little thing would have been mightily disappointed. He was glad he had remembered before it was too late.

But try as he would he couldn't get the picture of the little boy out of his mind. Halfway home he turned his car around and went back to the shop. The boy had left, so Ross asked the proprietor if he could tell him where the boy lived. He lived just around the corner. He often came into the shop. Tonight he had come to buy the little lamb for his small sister, and was so disappointed when he found it gone. The proprietor had tried to interest him in something else, but he hadn't been successful in doing it. Ross interrupted to know in just which house the boy lived. Then in order to have some satisfactory excuse to offer at home, he bought a baby doll for Polly.

When somewhat later he came into the living room where Anne was busy trimming the Christmas tree, she wanted to know where on earth he had been. He shook his

Benefits Spread To All Sections

COLLEGE STATION — Discussing the necessity for the continuation of a cotton adjustment program, W. B. Camp of the AAA Cotton Division told State Agricultural Commissioners at their recent meeting in Washington, D. C., that the benefits of the cotton program are not confined to the South but extend to all sections of the country through the purchasing power of the cotton grower.

In demonstrating this he said, "Cotton furnishes directly the livelihood for 14,500,000 people in the United States. Eleven million of these people on the 2,200,000 cotton farms in the South and Southwest are dependent upon cotton for the major part of their incomes. Three million more individuals are supported by cotton textile manufacturing in all its branches. Another 500,000 people are dependent upon the miscellaneous uses of cotton. Others are indirectly affected by the merchandising and the financing of the finished cotton products."

Camp went on to say that, "A volume production system, as formerly practiced, often resulted in double loss to the grower because every acre used to produce surplus cotton could have been put into needed food and feed crops. Big yields, large exports and ruinous prices have been the history, and but few exceptions of unadjusted production of cotton."

He showed by actual figures that the cotton adjustment program had practically doubled the price of cotton, raising them from about 6 cents per pound in 1932 to twelve and one-half cents in 1934, and increasing the farm cash income from \$465,000,000 in 1932 to \$895,000,000, including compensation for adjustment of cotton acreage, in 1933, and \$822,000,000, including benefit payments in 1934.

First Aid Treatment Taught Thousands By Red Cross

More than 187,000 certificates showing completion of first aid courses were issued last year by the Red Cross. This shows a gain of 56,000 certificates over the previous year. Approximately 64,000 boys in C.C.C. camps throughout the country passed first aid tests. Since the Red Cross first entered the field of first aid teaching, being one of the first organizations in the world to do so, almost one million persons have been trained in handling emergency treatment.

The annual report of the Red Cross further reveals that more than 377,000 copies of the Red Cross First Aid Handbook have been sold at home and abroad.

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head and put his finger to his lips as a warning not to waken Polly. He placed the package under the tree and with a happy smile began helping with the work of trimming.

The next morning he was awakened by Polly's happy cry that she knew there was a "Santa Claus" because he had brought her a "sheep" and a baby doll just as she asked him to. Ross sprang out of bed and into the living room. Where could the "sheep" have come from? For there was Polly with a lamb under one arm and the doll under the other.

"Where?" Ross asked, pointing to the lamb. Anne whispered that she had bought it.

"There is a Santa Claus, isn't there, Daddy?" Polly's voice implied she was giving information rather than asking it.

Ross heartily agreed with her: "There certainly is a Santa Claus beyond a doubt."

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Hang Pillow Case

At Christmas in St. Croix, Virgin Islands, the youngsters hang up pillowcases instead of stockings.

Fashions Steel Like Human Hand, But Cannot Replace It



CAPABLE of exerting 300 tons more pressure than the gargantuan "turbotop" presses constructed a year ago, this new industrial giant for the first time provides individual control over the massive slides, making it possible to draw and form sheet steel in much more intricate designs than

ever before. Machinery of this type notwithstanding, the Fisher Body division of General Motors still places stress upon the skilled craftsman. Insert: A metal worker hand finishing the seamless steel roof of one of the new "turbotop" bodies. His tools consist of emery paper, files and a light hammer.

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227 Texas Counties Place Applications In Potato Program

COLLEGE STATION—At this time 227 Texas counties are working on applications for allotments under the potato program, according to J. F. Rosborough, Extension horticulturist.

A survey of Texas shows that there are seven commercial potato producing counties, 29 semi-commercial potato producing counties, and 200 other counties that have some growers who are offering potatoes for sale on a small scale.

Rosborough said that some of the counties have already completed the work of receiving applications for allotments under potato form 1, and summarized their applications under potato form 2.

"It is hoped that all applications for allotment work will be completed early in December," Rosborough said, "so that the state committee can begin work in making county allotments."

"An effort is being made now to provide those counties that will harvest their crop before December 30 with stamps which will allow the crop to move as prescribed by the Potato Act. These stamps will particularly apply to the Rio Grande Valley. Other counties will not be issued stamps until a later date."

The Extension horticulturist offered several suggestions for county agricultural agents to contact potato growers in order to get applications for potato exemptions.

They are as follows: To hold community meetings in the potato growing areas in the county, through the assistance of county committees who can suggest persons in communities growing potatoes, through local seed stores who buy and sell potatoes, through county farm organizations, through a publicity story naming a place and a time for potato growers to assemble.

"The counties that have already completed the application work show that there is a great deal of interest in the potato program," Rosborough stated.

Believe in Yuletide for Dead

Kitzbuhel, Austria, is one of the places in the world which believe that the dead should share in the Yuletide celebration. On Christmas eve, this picturesque little village in the Tyrol has, for many years, decorated each grave in its cemetery with a tree lighted by candles and other small lights. —Collier's Weekly.

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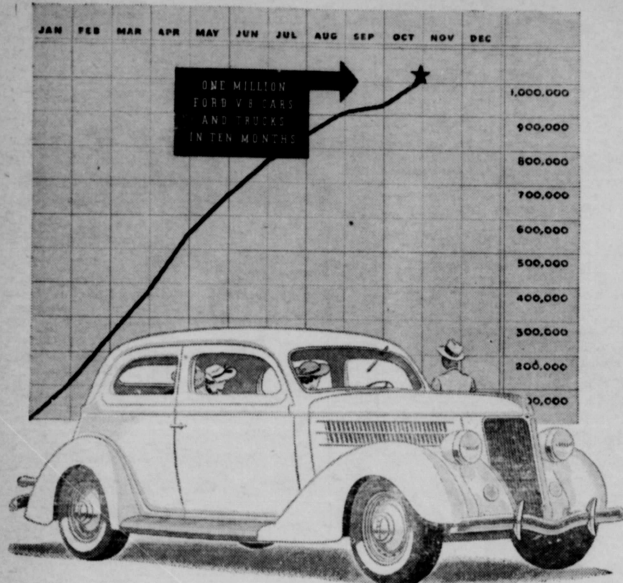
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THE MOST POPULAR FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Takes Place Among Four or Five Types of Merchandise to Give

The importance of automobiles in the American scheme of living has increased to the point where motor car accessories will take their place this Christmas among the four or five most popular types of merchandise purchased as Christmas gifts. The statement is made by M. D. Douglass, parts and accessories merchandising manager of the Chevrolet Motor Company, under whose direction Chevrolet dealers' sales of accessory items are breaking all records this month.

"The steady advance in automotive safety and comfort," said Mr. Douglass, "has had the effect of increasing the time the average owner and his family spend in their automobile. This more and more widespread use of cars has in turn created a market for devices which make further contribution to safety, comfort and convenience, as well as for items which improve the appearance of the car."

"Steadily mounting sales of radios, heaters, clocks, and many

other accessories has been a natural result. It is now generally recognized that such items contribute much to the enjoyment of owning and operating an automobile. Consequently, each Xmas sees more people selecting automobile accessories for those whom they wish to remember with really distinctive gifts.

"Anticipating that this vogue of accessories, in conjunction with the country's improved buying power, would make the coming Christmas season a record-breaker from the standpoint of accessory sales, Chevrolet has made elaborate preparations this year. Its dealers are provided with a full line of accessories, engineered to the car for the owner's maximum satisfaction, and available at prices ranging from less than a dollar on up.

"The searcher for something 'different,' something whose selection will stamp the giver as a thoughtful and discerning shopper, will find a wide variety from which to choose. Without entering the congested section of town he can pick out genuinely useful gifts at almost any price he wants to pay. And they will be attractively packaged, wrapped in gay Christmas paper, and delivered complete with gift cards for the donor's use. Moreover, the dealer will take special pains to install Christmas gift accessories at the time most convenient to the recipient."

Christmas in The Rockies

By Katherine Edman



CHRISTMAS in the Rockies! I felt thrilled, excited, as our train wound its way in and out through the mountains, thus doing through the crisp, pine-scented air. Now, we were climbing an almost precipitous grade, now, slowing down for a dangerous curve, while every little while as a stretching plain was reached, the steady hand upon the throttle sent the long line of cars speeding like an arrow through the bright December sunshine.

We were on our way to spend Christmas with Uncle Jerry and Aunt Emma. They had sent a hearty invitation for us to come just as we were almost there. I held my breath at the sheer beauty of the scene that stretched before our eyes. Mountain peaks that seemed to touch the sky, canyons dropping thousands of feet, lakes covered by glittering thicknesses of ice, vivid green pines, looking like giant Christmas trees. I had never seen, never even visualized anything so beautiful.

A loud shriek from the big whistle, a slow crunching and grinding of brakes, and our train came to a stop. Uncle Jerry, now and smiling, stood waiting upon the platform, giving dad, mother, Helen and myself a true western welcome. "Aunt Emma is all excited about your coming," he beamed.

A short drive through a wonderful land of beauty, and the big sprawling ranch house came in sight. Aunt Emma stood in the doorway, and a cowboy, who was grooming a pony, looked curiously at us.

All was bustle and excitement, hurry and preparation. Even the horses and ponies in the corral seemed excited, as if they sensed something in the air. The afternoon and evening went by on wings.

Christmas morning dawned upon a world that looked even lovelier than it had yesterday. A million jewels hung on bushes and trees, a sky of turquoise stretched itself across the snow-covered mountains and valleys.

Inside the ranch house a fire of crackling logs threw its ruddy glow over the living room. The dining table was spread with tempting foods. Breakfast of home-cured ham and sausage, fluffy flapjacks and syrup, steaming hot coffee with thick cream.

Then a short drive to the little church, an inspiring talk by the pastor, and the strains of the old and beautiful Christmas hymns; neighbors and friends stopping Uncle Jerry and Aunt Emma to wish them a Merry Christmas.

Back again through the clear, frosty air, and later the big Christmas dinner. Golden-brown turkey and dressing on a big blue platter, a huge mound of snow potatoes, native vegetables and relishes, tempting pieces of mince and pumpkin pie. And best of all, an appetite that only the mountains can give.

A hundred things to see during the afternoon, the horses and ponies, the ranch equipment, the silver fox farm that Uncle Jerry had started, and a special show the cowboys put on for our benefit.

Food again in the evening, and after, a happy time around the fire. The cowboys standing around the piano, where Helen played the old Christmas carols, their lusty voices joining in the beautiful words. I thought of the beautiful setting outside as they sang:

Silent Night, Holy Night!
All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child
Holy Infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace!

I stood outside for a few minutes as they went on to the next line. A new moon was sending its silvery light down upon the world, a million stars added their smaller gleam. Around me I felt the faint, mysterious motion of night in the open places, the stirring of unseen, unknown things. My lips and heart joined in the words that floated out from the warm, lamp-lit room.

Silent Night, Holy Night!
Shepherds quake at the sight!
Glorious stream from the Virgin's afar,
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia;
Christ the Saviour is born!

I have spent many a happy and memorable Christmas, but never one as wonderful, as unforgettable, as this Christmas spent in the Rockies.

Don Ricardo and His Continentals Appearing With "Rancho Grande Revue" At the Vernon Theatre, Friday, Dec. 20



Early with the new season, the management of the popular Vernon Theatre is bringing a refreshingly new and different type of stage unit to the theatregoers of the city. In presenting Rancho Grande Revue at the Vernon on next Friday, December 20th, a bright and fast moving bit of Sunny Spain is the stage fare. The Wilbur Cushman Circuit, which books these stage units to the theatre, is particularly jubilant over the success attained so far this season by this clever unit and as it is produced by Harry Clark, one of the standard unit producers of America, the theatre looks forward with every confidence to the coming of this new stage production.

Rancho Grande Revue stars an outstanding stage hand in Don Ricardo and his Famous Continentals, a truly remarkable stage band, and their billing of "Rhapsodies in Rumba Rhythm" tells the story. A new idea and a new type of stage band. Featured also in Rancho Grande will be Gale and Ferguson, two riotously funny comedians from Hollywood

who travel their vaudeville way with comedy impersonations of famous motion picture stars. Also for lovers of the modern dance is offered Inez and DeWyn, who are the only dancers of their particular type in the world today, featuring adagio in slow motion. Then also to be seen Bob Witt, the One-Man Band, an orchestra all by himself, playing six different instruments at one time. Also featured are Buddy and Billie Carr who perform remarkable roller skating tricks away up in the air. Then the Charming Drake Sisters, two lovely dancers from the Romy Theatre in New York, and Lolita, a Spanish miss who dances the folk dances of Old Spain with the cymbals and castanets, and last, but far from least, The Six Roses of the Rancho, as pretty and shapely a group of youthful dancers as has ever graced the stage of the Vernon theatre. The motion picture shown in conjunction with Rancho Grande Revue will be "We're in the Money" with Joan Blondell, Glenda Farrell, Hugh Herbert and Ross Alexander.

to Hall county as farm agent.

Outstanding success has accompanied Mr. Rennels in his service of more than fourteen years in Foard county. Under his direction the greater part of the tillable land in the county needed for terming, which has been done; the quality of the dairy stock has been greatly increased through the formation of bull circles, calf clubs and importation of dairy stock with outstanding production records; the government's crop control programs have been handled with unusual efficiency; and scores of other duties connected with the county agent work have been handled very ably by Mr. Rennels.

Willburger county's new agent was reared in Wise county. He

FRED RENNELS OF FOARD COUNTY IS GIVEN NEW POST

Assumed Duties as Wilburger County Farm Agent Last Monday

Fred Rennels, who has served as county farm agent for Foard county since June, 1921, has been transferred by the Texas A. & M. College extension service to Wilburger county, where he assumed his new duties December 16.

Mr. Rennels succeeds R. E. L. Pattillo, resigned, who has gone

operated his own Foard county farm and taught school in the county before assuming the duties at Crosswell as farm agent.

Until a successor is named Rennels will divide his time between Wilburger and Foard counties.

TRADE DAY WILL BE CONTINUED

Cause For More Business Here, Merchants Agree

Chillicothe merchants co-operative trade day will continue to be held, it was decided at a meeting of the merchants held this last week, and the same plans as formerly carried on will remain, that is, staging the event each month.

Considerable success has come to this city directly caused by the trade's event, merchants think, and they desire to see it kept going.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Briggs, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rich and Miss Winnie Givens were visitors in Vernon Friday night.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE!

A Merry Christmas!

TO YOU AND YOURS

Well, well, well, and here it is again time to celebrate Christmas, for youngsters and grown-ups alike to have a good time.

Yes, we're going to be just like the kiddies—get the most out of the occasion as we can, and yet, we are not forgetting to wish you, and you, and you, also, a happy time.

We have much to be thankful for as we draw to the end of another year, and to our good patrons and friends do we extend our sincere appreciation. We will do our best to serve you in 1936, and again we say—

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Think of Us When You Think of LUMBER

Farmers Lumber Company
"A Home Concern"

Why not get your 1936 FORD V-8 in time for Christmas?

A gift that the family will love

A 1936 model with latest improvements

A liberal allowance for your old car if traded now

Easy terms that you may think

THE 1936 Ford V-8 is the finest Ford ever built. It goes farther than ever beyond the accepted standards of its price class. In engine performance, riding comfort, roominess—it may be compared with cars costing hundreds of dollars more. Today's Ford is backed by over 2,000,000 Ford V-8's on the road in America alone. Here are its most outstanding values—many brand new this year.

V-8 ENGINE PERFORMANCE—smoothness, pick-up and power with proved V-8 economy.

25% EASIER STEERING—the result of two new roller-type bearings, a longer steering knuckle-arm and an increased steering ratio.

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Arrange a demonstration today with
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VERNON Theatre

Big Stage & Screen Show--Friday, Dec. 20

ON THE STAGE

HARRY CLARK presents

RANCHO GRANDE REVUE

A WILBUR CUSHMAN CIRCUIT UNIT

Featuring **JACK M'BRIDE** with **DON RICARDO** and his famous **CONTINENTALS**

6 BIG TIME ACTS

Stage Shows 4, 7:30, 9:45

On the Screen Joan Blondell, Glenda Farrell, "We're in the Money"

Coming Saturday—1 Day Only—Dec. 21

America's favorite Book comes to the Screen!

RICHARD ARLEN
in Harold Bell Wright's
THE CALLING OF DAN MATTHEWS
A COLUMBIA PICTURE

MIDNIGHT SHOW—Saturday, Dec. 21

SUNDAY—MONDAY, December 22-23

BARBARA STANWYCK

"ANNIE OAKLEY"

Tuesday—Wednesday, December 24-25

OUR GALA XMAS PROGRAM
BETTE DAVIS and FRANCHOT TONE

"DANGEROUS"

BEST TIME SHOWN IN THE SOUTHWEST!

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AT LAST THE GRAND OPENING —OF THE— STRAND THEATRE

Chillicothe's Newest and Finest Theatre for Those Who Care.
Come Early and Avoid the Crowds.

Friday Only
DECEMBER 20TH.



FRANCIS
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GEORGE BRENT • GENEVIEVE
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Plus An All-Color Musical Comedy
"Gypsy Sweetheart"

also
VAUDEVILLE ON THE SCREEN
Admission:

Children: 10c Adults: Best
Seats 25c, 100 Seats at 15c
Show Starts at 6 P. M.

The management and all at-
taches greet all our friends
and patrons and wish you a

MERRY CHRISTMAS
and
HAPPY NEW YEAR

Saturday, December 21

MATINEE AND NIGHT—First show starts 1 P. M.
You'll yell: He's swell, Dick Foran, the Singing Cowboy in
"MOONLIGHT ON THE PRAIRIE"
A double-barreled blast of songs, thrills and chills. If it's
action you want—here's the best of all westerns.

Plus Buck Jones in
"ROARING WEST"

A 15 chapter play. Don't miss the first chapter.
ALSO BUDDIES BUG HUNT CARTOON
Prices: 10c, 15c and 25c

Wednesday and Thursday

DECEMBER 25 AND 26
SPECIAL MATINEE CHRISTMAS DAY

The Screen's Best-Loved
Lovers Together for the
First Time in a Grand Big
Warner Bros. Musical
10 STARS!... 7 SONGS!

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GO INTO
YOUR DANCE

Plus
"TWO BOOBS IN A BALLOON"

Also Freddie Martin and Orchestra.
Prices: 10c, 15c, and 25c

NEW REPORT ON COTTON GINNED IS MADE PUBLIC

Hardeman County Shows
Total 12,704 Bales Prior
to December 1

Department of Commerce, Wash-
ington, announces the preliminary
report on cotton ginned prior to
December 1, by counties, in
Texas, for the crops of 1935 and
1934. The total for the state was
made public on Monday, December
9. Counties in this section of the
state are listed.

	1935	1934
Archer	3,249	633
Baylor	10,964	2,180
Childress	13,286	2,893
Clay	13,489	4,178
Cottle	11,467	2,798
Doan	6,667	2,769
Hall	16,618	5,521
Hardeman	12,704	6,430
Haskell	32,654	10,975
Jones	45,453	19,194
Kline	2,249	487
Knox	22,259	8,941
Throckmorton	6,194	2,083
Wheeler	6,543	5,412
Wichita	13,895	8,149
Wilbarger	20,149	11,943
Young	10,517	4,152

Ninety counties continue to
hold the lead as the largest pro-
ducing county in the state with
87,440 bales as against last
year's 55,787. Williamson county
in 1934 was in the lead with 60,-
314.

The total for the state is 2,-
416,447 compared to 2,176,592
last year, or an increase of 239,-
945.

TWO INJURED IN CAR COLLISION

C. E. Carlock and Mrs. Frank
Henry Victims

C. E. Carlock is suffering from
painful bruises, and Mrs. Frank
Henry was knocked unconscious
Monday afternoon about 1:30
o'clock near Tolbert when the
automobile driven by Carlock is
said to have side-swiped the one
driven by Mr. Henry. Both were
headed east and Henry had driven
his car to the left side of the
pavement to give sufficient clear-
ance from a parked truck. Carlock
evidently had not seen what
Henry was doing in time to avoid
the collision.

The two injured persons were
returned to Chillicothe. Carlock
was in bed Tuesday. Mrs. Henry's
condition was at first thought
serious, but later found to be
only minor hurts.

POULTRY SHOW TO BE HELD JANUARY

E. E. Jordan Re-Elected to
Presidency of Group

E. E. Jordan was re-elected to
head the Chillicothe Valley Poul-
try Association as president at the
meeting held in the chamber
of commerce offices last Monday
night, and J. W. Hulsey was
named secretary-manager, suc-
ceeding W. M. Gouley, who is
now residing in South Texas.

Directors present included Jor-
dan, J. E. Johnston, Arthur
Brown, N. B. Beane, Joe Cardell-
hae, and W. O. Duke.

Chillicothe's poultry group will
stage another show, deciding on
January 24 to 26, inclusive, for
displaying prize birds. The last
show there were 235 birds enter-
ed, and it is felt by the director-
ate this next event will see just
as many, and perhaps more, be-
lie displayed.

Pneumonia Proves Fatal To Woman

Funeral rites were held Tues-
day from the Prairie View church
of Mary Catherine Northam, age
18, who died Monday, December
14, following a week's illness of
pneumonia.

Rev. Garner of Quanah con-
ducted the service, and burial
took place in the Big Valley cem-
etery.

ATTENDANCE AT SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTERS 487

FALLS BELOW PREVIOUS
COUNT BY THREE, OFFI-
CIALS MAKE KNOWN

Attendance at four Sabbath
schools this past Sunday morn-
ing fell under the previous total
by 3, according to reports turned
in by officials, there being 487
present as compared to 490 the
Sunday before.

Churches:	Dec. 15 Dec. 8
Methodist	154 154
Church of Christ	93 96
Presbyterian	58 48
Baptist	172 192
Totals	487 490

Summary: Gains, Presbyterian
10, Methodist 10, Loss, Church of
Christ 3, Baptist 29.

HANCOCK IS HEAD OF LEAGUE STAFF

Named Director General At
Quanah Meeting

City Superintendent of Schools
W. E. Hancock of Chillicothe was
elected director general for 1936
at the meeting of Hardeman
county teachers held in Quanah
Saturday for organization of the
county division of the interschol-
astic league.

In addition to the league or-
ganization addresses were made
by A. W. Adams, superintendent
of the Children's schools, and Ed
Gessett of Vernon, attorney for
the 46th district.

Besides the election of Han-
cock other officers included
Miss Frances Wiginton of Bailey
High, director of declamation;
Katherine Marshall, Quanah, di-
rector of extemporaneous speech;
R. M. Leach, Chillicothe, director
of debate; Mrs. Ed Robertson,
Williams High, director of spell-
ing; Miss Fay Turentine, Good-
lett, director of ready writers;
P. P. Lewis, Quanah, secretary-
director of schools, director of rural
schools; Dan Salkeld, Quanah, di-
rector of athletics; Katherine
Ashford, Chillicothe high school,
director of one-act plays; and
Hazel Bogard, Medicine Mound,
director of this year's story telling.

Holders of these offices, with the
director general, make up the
executive committee. Directors
of music memory, picture mem-
ory, arithmetic, and choral sing-
ing, are to be appointed by the
director general.

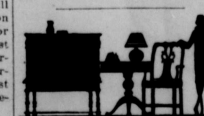
At the meeting Eldon Sanders,
superintendent of the Quanah
schools, announced a meeting of
all teachers of scholastic district
three will be held in Crowell on
Saturday, January 25. A petition
has been sent to the TSTA at
Fort Worth asking this district
be accepted as a part of the or-
ganization.

District Manager Visitor In City

L. M. Baker, district manager
of the Southwest Telephone Co.,
with offices in Frederick, Okla.,
was in the city Saturday after-
noon on business connected with
the company.

Mr. Baker is quite optimistic
for a business revival during the
coming year, and feels the tele-
phone business will be included.

The district manager is one of
the most popular to ever serve
the company, and has a great
number of friends in Chillicothe.
While here he was a caller at
The News office to say "Howdy."



BUYERS
of Household Goods
are Quickly Found
With a
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COMING TO CHILICOTHE!



ARRANGE VESPER SERVICE PROGRAM FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Methodist Choir to be Heard.
Directed by Mrs. O. L.
Boston

Directed by Mrs. O. L. Boston
the choir of the First Methodist
Church will render a vesper serv-
ice program next Sunday after-
noon, starting at five o'clock, to
observe the occasion of Christ-
mas.

A cordial invitation is extended
to everyone.

The program is as follows:
Organ Prelude: O Come All Ye
Faithful—Diverse.

Processional: The First Noel—
Traditional.

Prayer: Rev. H. A. Nichols.

Male Quartet—Selected.

Anthem: The Lord Is King—
Ashford, by Choir.

Offertory: Selected.

Hymn: The Herald Angels Sing—
Mendelssohn, by Choir.

Organ: Hallelujah Chorus—
Handel, by Mrs. H. Cole.

Star of the East—Kennedy, by
Misses Zula Belle and Thelma
Davidson.

Jesus Shall Reign—Lillenas, by
Choir.

Mixed Quartet: Silent Night—
Gruber, by Mesdames A. E. How-
ard and Jack McMichael, Messrs.
Eli Davis and M. J. Brock.

The Holy City—Adams, by Mrs.
O. L. Boston.

Recessional: Take Time to Be
Holy—Stebbins.

Postlude: Joy to the World—
Handel.

Pastor, Rev. H. A. Nichols.

Choir Director, Mrs. O. L. Bos-
ton.

Organist, Mrs. H. Cole.

GINNINGS OVER SIX THOUSAND

Approximately 8,000 Bales
May Be Ginned Here

With 6,862 bales as the count
this morning for cotton ginned
in Chillicothe, a comparison of
figures with the number of bales
turned out last year for the same
time, reveals an increase of 3,015
this year, as there had been gin-
ned 3,847 in 1934.

How much cotton remains in
the fields is a matter of guess-
work on the part of ginner, who
hold that the total cannot be
much greater than at present, but
to reach a count now 7500 for the
season's run only 638 bales must
be brought in to reach that
mark. Consequently, it is felt this
can easily be done and it now be-
gins to look as if the crop will be
around 8,000.

"At this moment, Christmas
Seals are being sold, not only in
the United States but in forty
other countries of the civilized
world. From President to Orient
the stamps bearing the double-
barred cross raise funds with
which to fight this greatest
 scourge of mankind."

MEETING CALLED FOR SATURDAY BY COTTON GROWERS

Committee to Serve On New
Cotton Program to Be
Elected

To serve for the new cotton
program of the Agricultural Ad-
ministration, a committee will be
elected at a meeting called to be
held in the City Hall next Satur-
day afternoon at two o'clock. All
farmers are urged to be in at-
tendance.

The following letter has been
sent out, and in order that all
farmers may know of the meet-
ing, the county agent has submit-
ted it for publication in The
News:

"The time is now at hand to
hold election for the cotton com-
mittee to serve for 1936. The
meeting for this purpose has been
called to be held at the City Hall
at Chillicothe at 2:00 o'clock
Saturday, December 21. (Next
Saturday.)

"You are urged to attend this
meeting and take part in the
election of these committees.
Only since the 1935 contract will
be eligible to vote. Article 5 of
the Articles of Association, set
forth the following requirements
for eligibility to serve on commit-
tees:

"To be eligible, a producer
must: (1) Not hold an elective
or appointive county, state or
federal office; (2) Has not in
the past year held an elective or
appointive county, state or fed-
eral office; (3) Only those mem-
bers of the Association who de-
sire the principle part of their
income directly from farm cov-
ered by contract are eligible; (4)
He must be a resident of the
county in which his farm is under
contract; (5) No member of the
Association is eligible to serve as
a committeeman if such member
is engaged in financing or in
selling or in advancing supplies
to cotton producers, or in process
ing, handling or selling cotton for
cotton producers as a competitive
commercial enterprise, or is open-
ly and aggressively opposed to
the essential provisions of the
Agricultural Adjustment Act, the
amendments thereto, and/or the
Administrative Rulings issued
thereunder, as they apply to cot-
ton, or actively solicits support
for election as committeeman."

CITY SCHOOLS CLOSE FRIDAY FOR YULETIDE

Teachers and Students Glee-
fully Anticipate Santa's
Coming

City schools will end Friday
for a nine day holiday period. It
was announced by City Superin-
tendent of Schools, W. E. Han-
cock, this week, and as a result
considerable work is being done
in order to be ready for the vaca-
tion. Students are rejoicing over
the forthcoming "no school
days," and anticipate a glorious
Christmas.

Teachers whose homes are else-
where, are looking forward to a
visit home just as gleefully as
are the youngsters in celebrating
the occasion.



RENT
that Extra Room
You Can Turn
that Spare Room
into Profit With a
Want Ad!

A CHRISTMAS MEDITATION

Rev. Ira L. Parrack, Pastor of the First Baptist Church

Giving has become inseparably associated with Christmas and it is fitting that it should be. Jesus was the greatest gift ever given by any one at any time. Let us think together then at this Christmas time of the words of Jesus when He said: "If ye then being Evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more shall your Father, which is in heaven, give good things to them that ask Him." Matt. 7:11.

In this text the Lord makes a comparison between our giving and His. Let us follow this comparison a little farther and see indeed how His gifts surpass ours.

In the first comparison let us note how our gifts are limited by our lack of means to give. This is more noticeable in these depression days when in many families it takes all the income to supply only the real needs of the home. Because of this our giving has become more restricted and in some instances it has even been omitted. This is pathetic where there are little children in the home who do not understand why the gifts do not come.

But the Lord never has to be stingy in His giving. It makes Him no poorer to give and it makes Him no richer to withhold.

THURMAN MAKES FINE RECORD IN HASKELL CHURCH

NINETY-THREE ADDITIONS TO CHURCH ROSTER SINCE GOING TO THAT CITY

Elder A. F. Thurman, who formerly resided here and served the Church of Christ as minister, as well as being mayor of the city for two terms, since going to Haskell four years ago, shows a fine record, there being ninety-three additions to the church roll since he became minister. It was announced from Haskell a few days ago.

He has become mayor of that city, and is in the bakery business as well.

Miss Ina Parrack returned Saturday from an extended visit in Austin.

Jim Standridge, formerly a resident of Chillicothe, and now of Goodlett, was in the city Saturday.

Mrs. J. W. Hulsey departed Sunday for Sherman to visit her mother, Mrs. H. C. Scott. She will remain there until Christmas.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE!

Lord has given Jesus to help and bless every fallen son of Adam. "He tasted death for every man." The Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all. How then He must be grieved when men reject this gift. Turning aside from Jesus and never referring to Him except to use His holy name as a by-word.

If you would make this a happy Christmas accept Jesus as your Lord and Master and give Him your heart and life. This will bring joy to you and send you forth to bring joy and gladness to others.

"Red" Ramsey On Nation's "Little All-America" Team

Herschel Ramsey, son of W. E. Ramsey, this city, has been chosen as an end on the "Little All-America" football team, following a very successful year with the Texas Tech Matadors. He is placed with Bob Klein of Chattanooga.

"Red" is a sophomore, tall, fast and powerful. He caught passed for touchdowns that won two games. He was one of the stars of the Matadors during a fairly successful season.

Selection of the "Little All-America" was made by the Associated Press following nationwide reports on the exploits of smaller college stars. It was done by way of recognizing that good football talent is not limited to the "big leagues."

Ramsey learned his football while playing on the Chillicothe High School eleven. He was a star, and has continued to draw the praise of all football followers.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE!

TO OUR CUSTOMERS—AND TO OUR FRIENDS

We Extend Our Most Hearty Wish for

A CHRISTMAS OF JOY AND A NEW YEAR OF SUCCESS

Think you, very much, for the business you gave us during 1935, and we trust we may continue to serve you in 1936.

Paul's Place

Short Orders—and Where You Get a Big Nickle's Worth of Coffee

Mrs. Harry W. Anderson and son of Granite, Okla., are to arrive in the city Monday for a visit with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Ira L. Parrack, during the Christmas holidays.

Shadie and Miss Alice Tabor, students of Oklahoma A. & M. College, are expected to arrive home this week-end for a holiday visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace J. Tabor.

Week of Christmas Sales

The Christmas shopper, we believe, is looking for high-quality merchandise—sold at prices within reason. Our prices are right.

CHINAWARE
Beautiful patterns; usually sells for more. Our price \$5.00 to \$6.95

TRICYCLES
For boys and girls; sturdy and good looking. \$4.35 to \$6.40

PERFECTION OIL STOVES
Make "her" happy and her cooking better. Get our price. **SILVERWARE**

29-pieces and very pretty pattern; hollow handle; \$15.50 value at \$12.50

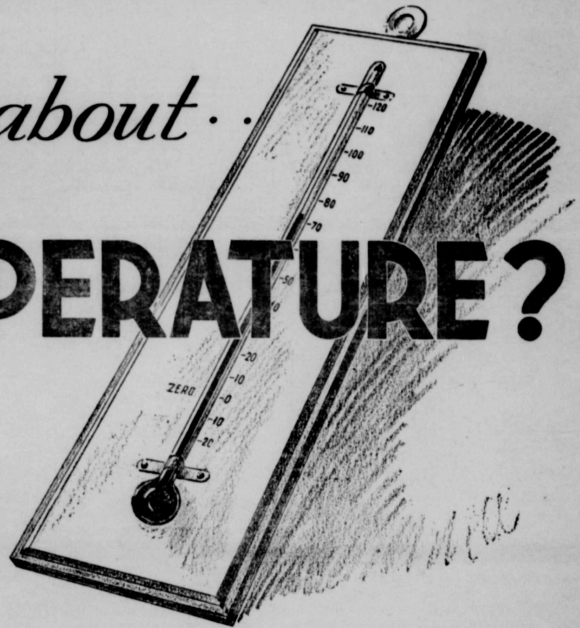
PYREX SETS
Makes a wonderful gift for "her." Priced at \$1.00

AMMUNITION FOR HUNTERS
Please him—if he likes to hunt—with our Ammunition. Hundreds and Hundreds of Other Items Offered at Very Low Prices for Gift Buyers.

J. P. McPherson & Sons Hardware

QUANAH CHILLICOTHE VERNON

What about TEMPERATURE?



Any sudden change in temperature as you go from a warm room into a cold one disturbs the heat regulating apparatus of the body and makes it susceptible to cold germ attacks.

Protect your family against becoming overheated or chilled. Give them the benefit of healthful, pure, warmed air throughout the house. If you are not keeping a comfortable and even temperature in every room don't go through the winter without this health protection.

If your home is inadequately heated . . . if you "huddle" in one or two rooms, sudden temperature changes are unavoidable. Your family goes from a heated room into a cold hall or adjoining room. Then, shivering and chilled, they return to the heated room. This happens many times a day, and each time they have unnecessarily subjected themselves to conditions that make them susceptible to highly communicable diseases. America's Public Health Enemy Number One, the common cold germ, finds a fertile field in inadequately heated and poorly ventilated homes.

Keep comfortable temperatures and adequate ventilation throughout your home. You will find that it will add to your happiness as well as assist you to protect your health and that of your loved ones.

. . . Community Natural Gas Co.

Santa Is On His Way



—and we certainly hope he will not overlook a single person in our community; that he will fill your stocking with plenty.

Folks, another year is at hand. Our business in 1935 could have been better, and could have been lots worse. Yet, for what we received we are thankful to our many patrons, and hope to serve you again in 1936—with Foods at every-day low prices—not specials.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

and a

HAPPY NEW YEAR

COLE & HEATH

H. Cole

J. A. Heath



Don't gamble with a "cold"! Consult your family doctor before it has an opportunity to undermine your health. Tune in each Thursday night at 6:30, WFAA-WRAP, for helpful information from a leading physician that will assist you to guard against the common cold germ.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING BRINGS RESULT. TRY 'EM!

THE CHILlicothe CHAMBER OF COMMERCE and VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE

extends Season's Wishes to everyone in the entire trade area.

May the year 1936 bring you health, happiness and substantial financial improvement.

This office is glad to have a part in the Community Development.

WITH OUR FARM FRIENDS...

—Just things in general of what they are doing

W. B. Baker—Out at King High is where Brown Baker is habbiting, has a nice, comfortable home, plenty of good land, good livestock, and is more of a wheat grower than anything else. He was in town Saturday shaking hands with his friends and passing off the day seemingly very fine. Perhaps he is expecting Santa Claus to treat him well this Christmas, and it is hoped the old gentleman will do just that.

E. G. Huff—Now there is another Hardeman county farmer who does his bit toward living and doing a good job of it. He accosted a News representative Saturday morning and brought glad news by subscribing again for the Valley News to keep posted on what's what in this vicinity, and took a daily publication for national happenings. E. G. left soon after for a business mission in Vernon, and what Early Davis said won't be related here.

Charley Emerick—Not long ago Charley bought a cow from a newspaper man. That should be explanatory enough, according to Charley's friends, who have made the statement all Charley does since carrying her out to his farm is trying to keep her in a hundred acre pasture—and out of a neighbor's wheat field. So far he has been unsuccessful. Charley was in town Saturday and tried to find out from the newspaper man what could be done about it. He is also worried about her age. These same "friends" assert she will never see the twelve year age again. Maybe so, maybe so. Anyhow, she is a good cow, Charley.

Frank Flynn—Came into The News office last Saturday afternoon, left a little while after, then returned—hunting a pair of gloves. Somebody, unless Frank has located them, took the gloves. However, they were not taken while Frank was in the News office. We'll take his dol-

lar for a subscription, but not his gloves.

Carl McKinnon—Looked happy enough the other day. Maybe he is another trying to be a good little boy so old Santa Claus will remember him Christmas.

Barney Keys—This young gentleman aside from having a son who played bang up football for the Chillicothe Eagles this past season, was seen discussing matters, pro and con, here last week. Barney is a pretty good old scout, and is just as proud of his boys' football ability—and rightfully—as he could be. Perhaps he believes in "like father, like son."

All you young gents living out in the country having failed to subscribe for The Valley News, get the Christmas spirit and hand over a dollar while the bargain rate is on. Yeah, that's it, we need the money.

Earl Greene—Here is another King High citizen and Earl did the right thing the other day—decided The Valley News was worth something like \$3 a year, but since the bargain rate is on, handed over the \$1 and will now keep informed on politics, etc. Thanks, Earl.

All you farmers have a good time Christmas, but don't try to eat up a year's food supply in one day merely because it will be Christmas and a day for feasting. Lay off the "Christmas Cheer" and take your wife out to the show.

POISON TO BE GIVEN PRAIRIE DOGS RECEIVED

2,000 Pounds Poison Grain Available at 5c Pound at Court House

Two thousand pounds of poison grain for poisoning prairie dogs was delivered at the court house this week. Those who need prairie dog poison may get same from the janitor at the court house.

The price will be the same as it was last year, which is five cents per pound. It is recommended that anyone using this poison this early in the year should first put out clean maize and get the dogs started to eating it before the poison grain is distributed.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Norwood and family were Sunday visitors in Vernon.

INDEX CARDS: Sizes 3 by 5 or 4 by 6. Ruled or unruled.

Medina Irrigated Farms

Let Us Show You Why 73 Farmers from the Panhandle have recently bought "SURE CROP"

Medina Irrigated Farms

They found
An Ideal Climate
An abundance of Cheap Water
Rich and Productive Soils
Good Markets
Paved Highways
40 Minutes to San Antonio
Grow 2 to 4 Crops Yearly
Lands Reasonably Priced
No Sand Storms
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Arrange with
G. B. MOORE
and
C. W. UNDERWOOD

Weekly Trips
Free Transportation
Free meals and lodging while at Medina.

Call, phone or write today.

Medina Irrigated Farms, Inc.
509 Front Nat'l Bank Bldg.
San Antonio, Texas

The Nation's
Sun Porch

"DALLAS HAS IT"

Just think what it means to a young man or woman to get to work in a big government office or a big business organization when they finish a business course.

Dallas has more branches of the U. S. Government, employing more office help than all other cities in Texas combined. These government positions pay good salaries.

Dallas has the Texas Centennial Exposition. Millions of dollars are being spent erecting this Great World's Fair. This means hundreds of office workers must be employed in all lines of business as a result of all this spending.

Dallas has the Federal Reserve Bank and is the banking center of the Southwest.

Dallas is the great Oil Capital of the world. Dallas has the home offices of more large insurance companies than any other two cities of Texas. These banks, oil companies, and insurance companies employ hundreds of stenographers, bookkeepers, and machine operators.

Dallas is not only the Centennial City, but is the greatest city of employment in the Southwest. Byrne Commercial College is the outstanding business training school in the Southwest, and is so recognized by the employers of good office help. Byrne draws

its patronage from many different states. Byrne graduates and places far more fine young men and women each year than any other college in the Southwest. We invite you to write for our free literature that you may familiarize yourself with the advantages to be derived from a business education that is modern.

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COMMERCIAL COLLEGE
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To My Friends Everywhere

I WISH FOR ALL OF YOU A

Joyful Christmas

AND A

New Year Of Plenty

W. E. (Bill) MEEK

Thanks! and Best Wishes

May we Serve You with any thing in the building material line in 1936?

We enjoy expressing this thankfulness in whatever way we have opportunity, and at no time more than at Christmas, when the amenities of the season call for more than ordinary manifestations of the spirit of good-will.

All thanks to you for your patronage of the past, and may all the blessings of the future be yours, as together we will tread the mazes of the New Year.

Chillicothe Lumber Co.

H. E. Turner, Manager

Chillicothe, Tex.

We Don't Mean Maybe Now. The M-Stores are Wishing Each and Everyone

A Merry, Merry Xmas

and if you make your XMAS Purchases at the M-Stores you will have money left to BUY what you want elsewhere. For Lowest Prices on Candies of all kinds, Nuts, Oranges, Apples, Figs, Dates, Cocoanuts, Cranberries, and anything else you can mention in the grocery line, you will find M-Stores Prices Lower!

SPECIALS for FRIDAY, SATURDAY and MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 21 and 23

We have Mrs. Baird's 1 and 2 pound Fruit Cakes. Get our Prices. Here's some beautiful Gifts to BUY, worth while:

Serving Trays Solid Chromium. Each **35c**

CHERRIES Chocolate covered, 1-lb box 29c	CHOCOLATES Fancy assorted, 3-lb box 89c
POP-CORN Jolly-Time brand, 10 ounce can 12c	CHOCOLATES Fancy assorted, 5-lb box 98c

Block Chilli Wilson's certified, 1-lb block **21c**

Par-T-Jel Any flavor. Never fails to Jel, Large package **4c**

Crackers Fresh and crisp, 2-lb box Excell **17c**

Currants Santa Claus brand, Per package **12c**

Cherries Bottle, For your Xmas desserts, 1 pound bottle **29c**

Snowdrift The kind to use for fancy baking, 6 pound pail **\$1.12**

SUGAR Cane or Beet, 25-lb sack **\$1.39**

Salmons Spartan brand, fancy grade, Large size can **20c**

Cake Flour Pillsbury, Large box **29c**

Jane-Goode Salad Dressing and Spread

8-ounce tumbler 14c Pint tumblers 23c Quarts 32c

Keep in mind that we have bought our Xmas Oranges and Apples, also Nuts and Candies at the Lowest Prices. So we can Pass the Saving on to our Customers.

"M" SYSTEM STORES

Massie-Waldrup Grocery Co. Massie-Boucher Grocery Co.

Phone No. 254 Chillicothe, Texas Phone No. 56

Our stores will be open late each night during the Holidays!



Thank You!

—To you, if you have been a patron of this gin, for the business given us this season . . . It is appreciated and you can be sure of that . . . Now we halt to express in words a "Thank You."

—For the balance of the ginning season we hope we may continue to serve you, and we would like the chance of serving others. We believe we can give you the best turnout—and we will buy your cotton . . . Try us, and in the interim . . . we wish you and yours—

A Merry Christmas



Turner-Starr Gin

ROUND AND SQUARE BALES

P. P. TURNER

S. B. STARR

NUMBERS OF
prise' Flour
HER FRIENDS
Send to you and yours the
SEASON'S GREETINGS
and at the same time thank you for your business during this year.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE

MOORE MILL

Christian Science Lecture Delivered At Vernon Recently

"Christian Science, God's Beneficent Law," a lecture, was delivered at the high school auditorium by John Ellis Sedman, C. S. B., of Los Angeles, Calif., recently in Vernon. He is a member of the Board of Lectureship of the Mother Church, the First Church of Christ Scientist, in Boston, Mass. Mr. Sedman said in part:

"The changeless perfection of God is the sure foundation upon which everything good and beautiful rests. Because God is infinite and perfect, health, holiness, happiness, beauty, harmony, and freedom are universal, eternal, indestructible, realities. Because God is perfect, sin, sickness, death, pain, poverty, discord and distress have no real basis. There is no law to sustain them. They have no real cause to produce or maintain them. God's law and God's creation must be like Him. Like produces like. Never is there an exception to that simple fundamental proposition. Hence the perfection of God forever maintains and sustains the perfection of man and the universe."

"Jesus knew, and he taught and proved that ignorance of God is all that hides from humanity the glories of God, and the changeless perfection of the real

**A Very Merry
CHRISTMAS
And A Happy
NEW YEAR**
is the wish from me
to you.

Let's you buy ice in
1936!

FRANK HENRY
Henry's Ice Station

**MERRY
CHRISTMAS**

And a New Year
—FILLED WITH PLENTY!

Here's our sincere wish that your old sock will be loaded down by Santa Claus, and that when the New Year rolls around you will enjoy prosperity galore!

Thank you for
your patronage
during
1935.

**ZENITH
RADIO**

Stuckey & Lewis
"Your Service Men"

lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover."

"The first clear glorious glimpse of Christian Science which dawned upon the consciousness of Mary Baker Eddy brought to her prompt deliverance from conditions regarded as insurmountable by the best medical skill obtainable. Mrs. Eddy then pressed on, with the Bible as her only textbook, until she completed her discovery of this great Science. After she had thoroughly tested and proved the value and the truth of her discovery, she gave it to the world in her book, Science and Health. This book she first published in 1875. She revised this book many times, and with each revision she increased the clarity of its statements. In this book she sets forth the Science of Christianity so clearly and so adequately that no further revelation of this Science will ever be necessary for the complete redemption of mankind."

"Mrs. Eddy's success in her own healing work was remarkable. This fact was due to the completely unselfish nature of her motives, and to her profound spiritual understanding. She healed many diseases instantaneously. She proved there is no such thing as an incurable disease. She proved that God loves His creation, and keeps it forever young. This fact dispels every aspect of human discord and distress."

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Don't be startled Friday afternoon about four o'clock when you hear an extra large amount of yelling and noise from the direction of the high school building; it'll only be the students letting off steam over a full nine days holiday they'll get through the Christmas season.

Then, when the students come back just before the new year, they'll get a week of review, and then a week of semester exams for a new year's gift.

The old red brick school will look mighty lonesome and forlorn the nine days that no students inhabit it; and it's almost a cinch that Santa Claus won't bring it a thing Christmas. It's even been rumored that the gym that was to be the old edifice's Xmas gift will be among those missing.

If that happens, it will be a real tragedy. The students of Chillicothe should have the privileges that the ordinary boys and girls of other schools have; and those privileges always number a gym among them.

A boy that is all mind and no muscle is not much of a boy; the same is true for girls. We should see to it that our children have the opportunity for health development just as much as they do for mental development.

Mr. Hanecek will probably divide his time Xmas between Chillicothe, O'Donnell, and points unknown; Mr. Muse and wife will go to Sherman and vicinity; the Hulsey's will also go east for the holidays; the Leachs will be in Chillicothe until Christmas day, when they'll go to Abilene for a short visit; Miss Saling will head for Celina; Misses Samin and Ashford will be in Wichita Falls and surrounding points; Miss Thompson will also go to Wichita Falls and Iowa Park (probably); and Miss Hightower will be in Neocoma for the cheery season.

This column will not be published next week due to the close of school; so here's wishing you a MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR! May Santa fill your sock with something besides runners; may many good things be found growing on the Christmas tree for you; and may you find a suitable remedy for the stomach ache in the medicine cabinet when you go to look for it about midnight after a hearty Christmas dinner!

SHELTERBELT TREE PLANTING STARTED HERE

STRIP OF TREES PLANTED
NEAR CITY ON JACK
SIMS PLACE

Chillicothe community's first shelterbelt tree planting was started Wednesday on the Jack Sims place, just west of the city. The first trees planted were in the northwest section of the county.

Trees set out came from the shelterbelt nursery, located south of Chillicothe.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Howard were weekend visitors in Neocoma and Saint Jo.

Christmas Program Given Tuesday By Local Lions Club

Since this is the season of the year when all attention is centered on Christmas celebrations, it was to be expected, the active Chillicothe Lions Club would observe with an appropriate program also.

Thanks to Mrs. A. E. Howard and Mrs. Jack McElroy, the program was made more successful with their beautiful singing, and then came a short, but very interesting talk by the Rev. Ira L. Parraek, pastor of the First Baptist Church who dedicated the new temple, owner of the new theater, to open here, was elected as a new member.

No meeting will be held next Tuesday, but on December 11, each member is urged to call his "quid" and be responsible for his presence at the meeting.

Joe H. Anderson had charge of the meeting.

C. of C. Manager Quits At Qunah; Accepts NYA Post

QUANAH, Dec. 17.—Arthur V. Bullock, manager of the Chamber of Commerce here for almost two years, has resigned and will accept a post with the National Youth Administration at Abilene immediately. Abilene is Bullock's former home. No successor has been announced here.

Bullock, after serving on an Abilene newspaper, was secretary of the Ralls chamber of commerce for three years. It was from Ralls that he came to Quanah.

"Red" Ramsey and "Tox" Wiginton Awarded Letters

Twenty-seven varsity football letter awards were okayed Tuesday by the Texas Tech athletic council upon recommendation of Head Coach Pete Cawthon, and in the list is found the names of Hershel (Red) Ramsey and S. D. (Tox) Wiginton of Chillicothe, former high school stars here.

Both lads are expected to arrive home this week-end for a visit with relatives.

FINE WORK IS BEING DONE BY LOCAL AUXILIARY

Gladden Hearts of Needy as
Well as Hospital Patients
Planned

WORK DIRECTED
BY MRS. SHUMAN

President Has Arranged to
Keep Organization Active
For Coming Year

Directed by the president, Mrs. R. L. Shuman, the American Legion Auxiliary, Luther McGee, Unit No. 329, this city, is going forward in all fields of service with renewed strength. It was disclosed by a member, yesterday, who pointed out that each week brings new members into the Auxiliary, and new interests.

As the Christmas season nears the auxiliary has been busy arranging boxes to be sent to the hospitals and good cheer to be spread to the needy of Chillicothe. This past week, the member related, \$6.00 was sent to the hospitals to be used in bringing Christmas cheer to the patients of the hospitals and their children in Kerrville health center. This work is among the demands placed on the auxiliary and due to the splendid cooperation of members and the organization's many friends, these demands have been met.

A year book will be in the hands of all members sometime during January, and the program for the year covers a broad field. During the coming year the auxiliary will compete in a beautification project; also is to sponsor an essay contest in the high school, and a poppy poster contest in the grade school. Worthwhile prizes will be given by unit, and contestants are also to compete for state and national prizes, the award of the national unit will be a \$200 scholarship for an essay.

Holland Metcalf is to arrive home this week-end to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Metcalf. He is a student in Texas Technological College.

C. W. Underwood and W. E. Howard were business visitors to the Medina Valley in south Texas last week.

THE CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

By Rev. J. A. Phillips, Pastor of
the First Presbyterian Church

Christmas proclaims a God of love—"the heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament sheweth his handiwork," but these phenomena brought no special message of His love to man. When God wished to give His supreme expression of love to the climax of His creative genius, man, He spoke not through sun, moon, stars, or planets, but incarnated His love in the babe of Bethlehem. A star designated the spot where the incarnation of Deity might be found. Angels heralded the glad tidings to those whose ears were turned to hear.

On many other instances angels had visited the earth as heralds of God, but on this occasion only did their voices blend in the cordant notes of heaven, conveying their message in celestial song. "Glory to God in the Highest, and On Earth Peace, Good Will Toward Men." The last word of the angels anthem was "Good Will toward men." It was an announcement that the coming of Christ was manifestation of God's good will toward us, and expression of His infinite love. Is not this the only recorded instance of angels singing their message into the hearts of men? Has mortal man ever before, or since, heard angels sing? Could we not safely say that love is the theme of greater message to man? May we behold that love incarnated in that Child of the Manzer.

There is in medieval literature a legend of an infidel knight, who in the wilderness of his heaven-defying unbelief, determined to test the reality and power of the God whose existence he denied. He would experiment to see whether there be a God. Going out into the field daily armed for the combat he cast his glove upon the ground—after the fashion of his day—when one challenged another to fight, and looking up into the heavens cried out: "God, if there be a God, I defy thee here and now to mortal combat. If thou indeed art put forth thy power of which thy pretended priests make much boast."

Waiting for an answer to his challenge and still looking up, he saw a piece of parchment floating in the air above his head. It fell to his feet. He picked it up and found inscribed upon it these words: "God is love." Overcome by the unexpected response to his challenge, he broke his sword and kneeling down upon the fragments, he consecrated himself to the God whom he had just defied.

There was a message wafted from the skies the first Christmas night and it was this very message: "God is Love," and this is the message that has had and is yet to have such a mighty influence in the world. Reading these words, many a heaven-defying sinner has broken the sword of his rebellion and yielded heart and life to the One who sent the message and a multitude whom no man can number out of all nations and kindreds, and people and tongues, will yet yield to it and come to serve the God who is the Giver of Christmas Joy.

TRY A CLASSIFIED AD ONCE!

UNCONSCIOUS MAN FOUND IN DITCH

Telephone Lineman of Quanah Under Truck Overnight

J. L. Sparks, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company lineman of Quanah, was in a hospital at Paducah Tuesday after spending Monday night lying unconscious under his overturned truck in a ditch near Pease river on the highway between Quanah and Paducah.

A train crew of the Quanah, Acme & Pacific railway, discovered him about 9:30 o'clock Tuesday morning and carried him to Paducah where he soon regained consciousness. Doctors said he had suffered considerably from exposure, but his condition was not thought serious.

Injuries sustained when his truck left the highway at a bridge and plunged into the roadside ditch were believed limited to bruises and lacerations. Although definite time of the accident was not learned, company officials were of the opinion it could not have been later than 6 o'clock. The lineman was due back in Quanah at 5 o'clock.

Return from Houston
Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bragg returned to the city Sunday night from Houston where they had been in attendance at the convention of the Southwestern Life Insurance Company.

To Everybody I Extend Greetings

I know of no better time than at the Christmas season to express my deepest appreciation for all favors turned my way . . . I sincerely hope I have been deserving. At least I have tried to do what I believed to be right, and if I have failed in some things it was unavoidable.

Thank you, again, friends, and may your Christmas be everything you have hoped for; and may the coming year of 1936 offer a road on which you will tread that brings to you all the better things of life.

J. Luther Potts

Commissioner of Precinct No. 3

TRY A CLASSIFIED AD ONCE!

Bargains

—in—

Used Cars

WE HAVE PLENTY OF THEM, PRICED RIGHT!

SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM

Glazener

CHEVROLET

Company

Mrs. E. L. Allen visited Vernon Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Tubb were visitors in Altus, Okla., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Campbell were visitors in Paducah Sunday.

Ann Knit Shop

1724 Fannin St. In Wilbarger Hotel Building
Vernon, Texas

INTRODUCING

BERNAT YARNS

and we cordially invite you to shop with us, and knit with us, under expert supervision.

Knit your best winter and spring garments.

ALL TOGETHER

The entire personnel of our business work through the year with the single purpose of rendering to this county the best service that can be achieved in our line. We are just as unanimous today in wishing for you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

O. L. (LARK) BELL

County Judge, Hardeman County

WE HOPE

—Your Christmas will each one be better, more joyful than the last!

—Your New Year's increasingly more prosperous happier and full of all things good!

WE KNOW

—We appreciate your favors of the past, and that you'll not be disappointed in the responsibility entrusted to our care.

I. R. (IRL) HOLLINGSWORTH

County Clerk

CHRISTMAS DAY

When everyone takes occasion to remember their many friends - - - on this day, we hope earnestly and sincerely that we will be numbered among them.

MAY THIS BE A VERY MERRY DAY, INDEED, FOR YOU AND YOURS.

M. S. (Mack) Wilson

Sheriff, Hardeman County

GIVES INSIDE PICTURE OF PRESS CONFERENCES WITH 'FIRST LADY'

Martelle Wickliffe Trager, Former Chillicothe Resident, One of Group Attending Press Interviews With Mrs. Roosevelt

The 1935-36 official Social Season in the nation's capital opened Tuesday evening, December 11, when the President and Mrs. Roosevelt entertained in honor of the Cabinet members. 87 guests were seated at the famous oval table set with gold service plates, flat pieces and baskets. The magnificent centerpiece and candelabras were also of gold plate bought during Monroe's administration. Mrs. Cordell Hull, wife of ranking Cabinet officer, sat to the right of the President.

Additional guests were invited to the musicale held in the historical East room after dinner. Closely following the Cabinet dinner was the Diplomatic reception, Tuesday evening, December 17. The brilliant uniform of the foreign diplomats and the sparkling jewels of their wives made it a dazzling spectacle. Washingtonians covet invitations to the affair because of its brilliance and splendor. It has long been considered the most colorful of the state functions.

The dinner to be given by the President and First Lady for the Vice-President and Mrs. Garner, Thursday evening, January 2, is the next state function scheduled at the White House.

Quite in contrast to the formal

state dinner and reception was the stunt party given by Mrs. Roosevelt for the press, Saturday evening, December 14. After Mrs. Roosevelt received the women in a beautiful colonial costume of the Victorian period, all formality was laid aside for the evening. Satirical and humorous stunts furnished the entertainment. It was a gay evening but is to be kept entirely "off the record." Supper was served in the state dining room about midnight.

Mrs. John Boettiger, daughter of the President and Mrs. Roosevelt, came down from New York to attend the party. Mrs. Donner Roosevelt, former wife of Elliott Roosevelt, with her little son is a house guest at the mansion and came to the party.

The Cabinet dinner and supper for the newspaper women were prepared in the new electric kitchen although it wasn't entirely finished. Mrs. Roosevelt is going to take the women who attend her press conferences through the renovated kitchen, pantries and servants' rooms Monday. It will be the first and only time newspaper writers will be taken through the ultra-modern kitchen suite containing a new \$5,000 electric range.

VOCATIONALLY SPEAKING

Timely Topics as Viewed by Local Instructor of Vocational Agriculture

"Is there any chance of the South's greater production of food and feed crops hurting the markets of the other parts of the country?" asks J. F. Cox of the Replacement Crops Section of A. A. A. in a recent radio address. "I do not think so. For years the South has needed more meat and milk vegetables. So the new calls in the live-at-home program do not mean that products from other regions are being replaced, but largely that new articles have been added to the diet of people in the South."

"That this country still may have the highest standard of living in the world is quite beside the point when one considers our impaired capacity to produce consumer-goods in super-abundance, and when the poverty of the people in consumer-goods is taken into consideration," says an editorial in the Co-Op Reporter of November 20, 1935. "Clarence Francis, of General Foods Corporation, finds by delving into federal statistics that last year there was about one pair of pants produced for every three American males over 15 years of age. Next he takes overcoats, and finds that the output in 1934 was one overcoat for every 11 men. And then he takes shoes, hats and shirts. He finds that the 1934 production was two pairs of shoes per year for adult males, while but one felt hat was produced for every four men and only one straw hat for every two men. Coming to shirts he finds that in 1933 the shirt makers turned out only enough shirts to provide two and a half new shirts for each man in the United States for a twelve-month period. As to ladies' wear, it is interesting to learn that in 1933 the number of women's dresses, including 'misses and juniors,' amounted to only enough to give every

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Why was Jesus born in a barn? Because he belonged to it. "God must have loved the common people or He would not have made so many of them," said Abraham Lincoln. The people lived in humble abodes—God left His son there to share their circumstances and suffering and their privations. "Foxes have holes, birds have nests but the Son of man hath no place to lay his head." Christ was born in life's dirt but he was destined to cleanse it. He could not have cleansed it afar, but came in close contact with it and took the risk of being soiled by it. No class privilege, no aristocratic sensibilities accompanied it. God did not seek a secluded palace to share in the enterprise; but the stars in the firmament looked down on the cradled Christ in the midst of the world's pain and poverty; the dumb beasts looked on without comprehending so strange a scene. Amidst dirt, refuse and vermin millions have lived from the birth of time, but in the midst of it God placed His redeeming Gift to cleanse the stable, relieve the pain and redeem the poverty. Christ is the heaven which God placed in the common environment; He didn't view the world's sorrow afar—but in the stable. Through Christ's wonderful life, magic work, the stable shall be cleansed, and in the midst of the city of God shall be built and inhabited by whom he shall have redeemed and cleansed. The fragrance of the

manger has passed into life and lives have been touched into awareness; experience has been deepened and enriched by that strange influence, cradled in the manger, even beasts have been treated with a new tenderness. We can't separate Christ from life—He belongs to every avenue of it, from stable to palace, from village to city; He cast His lot among the common flock; He shares the common experiences and in so doing it he redeems it. Christ is the alchemist changing the base things to the gold; He has softened the hardness of life; restored the broken harmonies and lightened the darkness. The manger lies in close proximity to life. When the world isolates Christ it does so at the peril of life's cleansing; if the world separates Christ from the common things it is done at the price of redemption. He must not be shielded from the pains of the world; he must look upon the wounds of the world—the hurt in our hearts; he must move among those who labor in the stable—he must not be taken away from the common people. He must not be compelled to wear a crown, or garments of a priestly cut. Christ must talk a language the man of the stable knows.

The barn was never the same after Jesus was born in it. His spirit moves within it, and is a part of life. His influence is deposited in all its institutions. He created pity and love for both beast and man. The hands that labor and shape the future are cleaner than before, and are more tender because Christ has touched them. The manger has been enlarged, there is more man and less stable. Christ was friend to publicans and sinners. The stench of the stable threatened the manger again and again but the manger was untouchable, untarnishable and more powerful than the stable. When we are oppressed, despondent and obsessed with the stable of sorrows and sins, we must raise our eyes to the manger.

Times are all out of joint. Distress is in our industrial life, disorder is in our social life, in hours like these the manger is our hope and triumph. The voice of God has ceased to echo thru vaulted chambers, it is heard in the midst of life, and His face is unveiled. Light from the manger breaks up darkness. The stable without a manger would be a fearsome place; its pain would know no assuaging; its dirt could not be transmuted as the lovely Lotus flower, comes out of mire and mud. Home life social life might be blessed and sanctified by this Gift of the manger, even in our own individual lives too. Thanks to God for the Manger of hope, in the midst of our instincts, passions, moods, jealousies, despair, sorrows, sins and follies—for it cleanses, comforts and consoles.

Shows Improvement

Mrs. Joe J. Chambers, who has been quite ill at her home for the past several days, is said to be showing an improvement in condition.

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Agricultural Agent For P&SF Appointed

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GIVES INSIDE PICTURE OF PRESS CONFERENCES WITH 'FIRST LADY'

Martelle Wickliffe Trager, Former Chillicothe Resident,
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With Mrs. Roosevelt

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Augustus was the emperor of the Roman Empire. The census of the people was necessary so all of them could be taxed. Joseph and Mary travelled one hundred miles to register. Though he was a peasant and carpenter—yet he must register. Bethlehem was crowded with strangers. Some of them were superior in circumstances, but Joseph and Mary were poor and did not receive any hospitable reception. The hotels were inadequate to take care of them—hence they resorted to the stable for lodging.

Here Christ was born in the manger—external poverty, debasement, indignity and meanness—which was the emblem of the reception on earth He had to meet. Yet it is marked with dignity and majesty and even surpasses all the pomp of kings and the splendor of palaces and residences. It was suited to pour contempt on all human grandeur. Christ was rich, because poor for our sakes. We are unwilling to be poor, meanly dressed, or lodged or poorly clothed, but we envy the rich and the rich disdain the poor. The doors never were shut against a more excellent and honored couple who ever visited that city—for Joseph and Mary were the only survivors of David and they had kingly blood tracing through their veins. Poets and painters have made the barn a stately palace with wide, sweeping columns. Fact, it was less than a barn—lean, rude, shelter for cattle and into which the crowded inn could thrust the surplus guests. Here man and beast crumbled together in fitful sleep waiting for dawn and further reaches of the road. The place was noisome, laden with dirt and vermin and encompassed with darkness. In the barn there is always one clean place—the manger. There was no foulness but sweet scented hay and spring flowers which had been cut down in the fulness of their fragrance and maturity; their juices undrained by the gentle breezes. Here among fragrant and mature flowers the Son of God was cradled. The cattle warmed His bed with their breath.

Why was Jesus born in a barn? Because, he belonged to it. "God must have loved the common people or He would not have made so many of them," said Abraham Lincoln. The people lived in humble abodes—God left His son there to share their circumstances and suffering and their privations. "Foxes have holes, birds have nests, but the Son of man hath no place to lay his head." Christ was born in life's dirt but he was destined to cleanse it. He could not have cleansed it afar, but came in close contact with it and took the risk of being soiled by it. No class privilege, no aristocratic sensibilities accompanied it. God did not seek a secluded palace to share in the enterprise; but the stars in the firmament looked down on the cradled Christ in the midst of the world's pain and poverty; the dumb beasts looked on without comprehending so strange a scene. Amidst dirt, refuse and vermin millions have lived from the birth of time, but in the midst of it God placed His redeeming Gift to cleanse the stable, relieve the pain and redeem the poverty. Christ is the heaven which God placed in the common environment; He didn't view the world's sorrow afar—but in the stable. Through Christ wonderful life, magic work, the stable shall be cleansed, and in the midst of the city of God shall be built and inhabited by whom he shall have redeemed and cleansed. The fragrance of the

manger has passed into life and lives have been touched into newness; experience has been deepened and enriched by that strange influence cradled in the manger, even beasts have been treated with a new tenderness. We can't separate Christ from life—He belongs to every avenue of it, from stable to palace, from village to city; He cast His lot among the common folk; He shares the common experiences and in so doing it he redeems it. Christ is the alchemist changing the base things to fine gold; He has softened the hardness of life; restored the broken harmonies and lightened the darkness. The manger lies in close proximity to life. When the world isolates Christ it does so at the peril of life's cleansing; if the world separates Christ from the common things it is done at the price of redemption. He must not be shielded from the pains of the world; he must look upon the wounds of the world—the hurt in our hearts; he must move among those who labor in the stable—he must not be taken away from the common people. He must not be compelled to wear a crown, or garments of a priestly cut. Christ must talk a language the man of the stable knows.

The barn was never the same after Jesus was born in it. His spirit moves within it, and is a part of life. His influence is deposited in all its institutions. He created pity and love for both beast and man. The hands that labor and shape the future are cleaner than before, and are more tender because, Christ has touched them. The manger has been enlarged, there is more man and less stable. Christ was friend to publicans and sinners. The stench of the stable threatened the manger again and again but the manger was untouchable, untarnishable and more powerful than the stable. When we are oppressed, dependent and obsessed with the stable of sorrows and sins, we need to raise our eyes to the manger.

Times are all out of joint. Distress is in our industrial life; disorder is in our social life, in hours like these the manger is our hope and triumph. The voice of God has ceased to echo thru vaulted chambers, it is heard in the midst of life, and His face is unveiled. Light from the manger breaks up darkness. The stable without a manger would be a fearsome place; its pain would know no assuaging; its filth could not be transmuted as the lovely Lotus flower comes out of mire and mud. Home life, social life might be blessed and sanctified by this Gift of the manger, even in our own individual lives too. Thanks to God for the Manger of hope, in the midst of our instincts, passions, moods, jealousies, despair, sorrows, sins and follies—for it cleanses, comforts and consoles.

Shows Improvement

Mrs. Joe J. Chambers, who has been quite ill at her home for the past several days, is said to be showing an improvement in condition.

Alvin Parrack, who is attending Texas A. & M. College, will arrive Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Ira L. Parrack.

Gilmer Davis will arrive in the next few days for a holiday visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Davis.

Miss Mary Katherine Barlow, student of the North Texas State Teachers College at Denton, will arrive home this week-end for a holiday visit with her father, E. L. Barlow and family.

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Agricultural Agent For P&SF Appointed

Effective December 16, H. M. Bainer was appointed general agricultural agent for the Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway, with headquarters in Amarillo, it was

announced this week by Gallaher, general freight and passenger agent, for the company.

Herschel (Red) Ramsey and S. D. Wiginton, Jr., are expected to arrive in the city during the week-end to spend Christmas holidays with their parents.

Mrs. Betty Story and Mrs. McMaslin, of Vernon, representatives of the "Betty-Ann Knit Shop," were in the city Monday.

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NOBODY'S BUSINESS

BY JULIAN CAPERS JR.

AUSTIN—Foes of the Allied administration wondered if they were trapped, when opposition to their investigation of the discharge of Ranger Capt. Tom Hickman suddenly melted away last session. They found out last week end. Jimmy Allied sprung the trap in person, and left Sam Hanna of Dallas, ex-legislative clerk, and chairman of the house probe committee, and his colleague, John Ashton of Galveston, reeling under the impact of a scathing Allied attack that wound up the Hickman incident in definite and convincing manner.

Allied has sat silently in his office and listened to abuse and sarcasm from Hanna and his friends for months. He suddenly went into action Friday. He issued a blistering statement, denouncing the committee for holding hearings in Fort Worth and San Antonio, and keeping carefully away from Austin, where the facts and records about Hickman's dismissal were available. He demanded the right to testify himself. The seared committee came to Austin on the run.

Then Allied, no longer the quiet and dignified chief executive, but a flaming and eloquent prosecutor, burning with indignation, read into the record a statement in which he told of his efforts for years to get Hickman to close up. Fred Browning's gambling house at Top o' Hill Terrace. He pitilessly bared the record of conferences in his office, when he urged Hickman to act, and of Hickman's talk of

search warrants and injunctions, until the governor told him he was a "fine criminal lawyer for the gambling houses." He detailed the successful raid made by Ranger Capt. McCormick and Sid Keiso, at his direction, after Hickman made a "water haul" raid and overlooked \$10,000 worth of gambling equipment in the place. He laid a blistering indictment of ex-convict "big shot" gamblers and declared they would not operate while he was governor. Finally he paid his respects to Hanna and Ashton, accused them of unfairness and charged that politics was behind their investigation. The committee, shell-shocked and silent, listened and left. Meanwhile, Hickman has taken a job as deputy sheriff of Cooke county, and the investigation apparently is concluded.

Suspension of direct relief in Texas Jan. 1 will mark another step toward the return of normalcy, and federal works relief projects that will extend through next year will take up much of the unemployment slack, until private business can carry the load. Highway building, providing thousands of jobs, will play a big part in 1937. From Dec. 1 to June 30, the state highway commission will have \$25,275,892 appropriated but not yet allocated to contract. This includes \$8,282,145 of works progress highway projects; \$10,512,155 of works progress grade reconstruction projects; and \$6,481,592 of regular federal highway funds allocated on a matching basis with the state. This means contracts must be let at the rate of about \$5,000,000 a month until June 30. Additional recognition of Texas prominent part in the national highway picture, when given last week when Gibb Gilchrist, state highway

engineer, was named president of the American Association of Highway Officials, at its Miami convention.

The Texas railroad commission has to regulate the production of oil according to bottom hole pressure of the wells—not political pressure on the commission—Col. E. O. Thompson, commission chairman, told a delegation of East Texas oil men in Austin this week to demand a larger allowable. Figures of the petroleum engineers on bottom hole pressure in the East Texas field did not appear to lend encouragement to the hope of the East Texas delegation for increased allowable, as the commission took the testimony under advisement.

A highly successful session of the oil states compact body at Oklahoma City was held last week, with California observers talking encouragingly of their efforts to devise a proration system, and submitting to their state legislature next year a proposal to join the compact. Uniform production control methods to be recommended to the producing states, will be worked out by the compact body on the basis of the most complete file of production control laws and regulations from all states yet assembled, presented by Col. Thompson, Texas' compact representative.

Compact representatives agreed at the Oklahoma session to hold their June meeting in Dallas, coincidentally with the opening of the Texas Centennial, and this session probably will attract governors of a dozen oil producing states. The meeting is being planned coincidentally with the visit to Dallas of President Roosevelt, to open the Centennial.

ON TEXAS FARMS

By Minnie Fisher Cunningham
Extension Service Editor

The Texas Agricultural Association, composed of farmers, ranchmen and rural home makers, held its annual meeting in Dallas last week.

More than 300 rural citizens sat together in conference on agriculture's problems, while, at their invitation, agricultural experts from Washington, D. C., to California presented various phases of the subject for discussion.

Not so many came as were present at last year's annual meeting, and the audience was crowded together to transact their organization's business. They made it part of that business to cut the possible number of delegates down so as to create a smaller group, since 2,000 persons can hardly be called a deliberative body.

Chester C. Davis was there; and the whole Agricultural Adjustment program was up for consideration. These men and women were in earnest in their determination to work and think a way through to a stabilized rural life.

It is interesting that many casual observers think the AAA is responsible for the existence of groups like the Texas Agricultural Association. As a matter of fact such groups as this are responsible for the existence of the AAA.

Farm organization in America has a long hard struggle before they finally secured effective government cooperation in the stabilization of their industry. The United States did not pioneer in this work but followed a well blazed trail.

Son-in-Law of C. P. White Dies

Bill McLean, age 33, son-in-law of C. P. White of Chillicothe, died at his home in Dallas Friday morning at 2:25 o'clock after about ten days illness of double pneumonia. The body was interred in the Laurelwood cemetery, Dallas.

He is survived by the widow and three children, Billy, Jr., 9, Jesse Northam, 5, and Fred, 2. Attending the funeral from here were Mr. White and Jess White, and Cyrus White and wife of Quanah; also Mrs. Cagle of Pampa; and Pat Bennett and family of Paducah.

Condition Unchanged. The condition of S. R. Stewart who has been quite ill for some time remains unchanged, according to Mrs. Stewart this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Konshalo and the Misses Martina and Iva Lee Boone, spent the past week-end with Mrs. Konshalo's sister, Mrs. F. U. Payne, in Lockney.

Community Santa Claus

By Alice B. Palmer

THE gigantic Christmas tree in Fountain square was ablaze with colored lights and decorations. Christmas eve had arrived and the snowy atmosphere was beautifully depicting the finishing touches to the grand and wonderful community tree.

Mirth, happiness and laughter fairly abounded through the joyous Christmas crowds as they thronged the streets blinking through the snowflakes and hurrying on to celebrations. They seemed to take the community tree for granted until the illustrious sound of sleighbells was heard in the distance. Sleigh bells on Christmas eve—how delightful! All eyes were turned in the direction from which they came.

Soon the object of the delightful disturbance came into sight. A bright red sleigh drawn by six horses, cleverly decorated to represent reindeer, turned the corner and headed toward Fountain square. All traffic was stopped instantly as

the children made a frantic rush to meet their Santa—the real Santa Claus from the North Pole!

"Midst wild shouts of merriment Santa, himself, in his bright red and white costume and long white beard, alighted from the sleigh with a jovial, good natured, "Merry Christmas, merry Christmas to you all!" The children swarmed about him in uncontrollable confusion as he joyously dragged forth pack after pack bulging with bright colored toys and dolls.

What could it mean? Who was this strange real Santa Claus with sleigh and reindeer from the North Pole? The people marvelled! The children were boisterous and completely out of control. Everyone forgot his own particular celebration and lingered on to see what it was all about.

Then Jolly old St. Nick, his beard flowing in the breeze, began digging down into his packs and passing out the toys to the youngsters. "Oh, boy!" shouted one, "see what I got—an airplane." Then two little girls cried out, joyously, as they unwrapped golden-haired dolls.

On and on Santa continued as the crowd became greater and greater and the snowstorm grew heavier and heavier. Santa's packs seemed to be endless. Such gay colored balloons, drums, harmonicas and gold and silver horns were in evidence on all sides, adding to the gaiety of the Christmas party.

There was a lull as Santa Claus dug down into still another pack. This time he began hurling large oranges and sacks of candy into the crowd and they were catching them amidst much laughter and excitement.

Santa himself was having the time of his life. Even more so, than the happy crowd about him. For he was chuckling within, because he had been reminded by a Christmas messenger of love to do this very thing and to become the community Santa Claus.

Finally the crowd became impatient to learn who their strange, chuckling Santa really was. Who could it be, who had given so generously and impartially to all? But before they had time to speak, the jolly old fellow was jostling past people, snow and traffic until he scrambled into his sleigh.

"Get up, reindeer!" he shouted. With a jerk the sleigh bounded forward with Santa wildly shouting,

"Merry Christmas, folks, merry Christmas to all!"

But he wasn't to get away so easily for the next moment a strong north wind, whistling around the corner, tore off whiskers, mask and all, and Santa Claus stood revealed in all his embarrassment! A hush fell on the crowd and then a wild shout of joy and surprise rang through the Christmas atmosphere. 'Twas "Indian Peter," the town's most confirmed miser. Never in all the history had they seen such a glorious smile on his face, as he gazed out from his Christmas regalia and offered his hand in friendly greeting to all.

"Indian Peter" (so named because of his love for the outdoor life), had given without thought of receiving; and had incidentally received more than he ever could have received materially, in respect and adoration of the whole town.

Mr. Gandy Good Shopper, but Forgot Own Present

IT WAS simply out of the question for Mrs. Gandy to go to Sayville that morning. The day before Christmas and a thousand things to do, but Mr. Gandy was going. Of course he could do many errands, yet hardly the one she wished most to have done—a gift for himself. Sayville was the nearest shopping place to the tiny village where the Gandys lived, a good fifteen miles over the mountain by a rickety bus which ran once a day.

Mrs. Gandy was struck with an idea. She hurried to a neighbor's house and begged her to come home with her. "Just ask Mr. Gandy if he will buy for you a pair of gloves, for your husband. Give a large size. He'll never guess."

The neighbor, obligingly consented. Mrs. Gandy felt well pleased with her bit of a scheme to get her husband to buy his own gift (unknowingly for himself, but she was a trifle clumsy, when, at five o'clock, Mr. Gandy came home, tired, hungry and tumbled an armful of packages on the kitchen table.

"You got the sage for the dressing?" The color of the red toy truck for Tommie? The blue mittens for Sarah? The nuts and raisins, and the white wool for grandma?"

Mr. Gandy nodded and inquired how soon supper would be ready. "And," asked his wife casually, "the gloves for Andrew, his wife wanted?"

Mr. Gandy smiled. "I clean forgot about them until the bus was ready to start! So I just hopped into a place and grabbed the first pair I saw. Good enough for old Andrew, I thought, but they aren't much." He grinned a little shamefacedly, looking down at his wife.

Mrs. Gandy plumped down in a chair. "Bill Gandy, that serves you just right. Those gloves are a Christmas present from me to you. You are served with your own words, and she laughed so hard that Bill Gandy had to join her at his own expense. —Martha B. Thomas.

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Mothers' Night, Ancient English Christmas Name

THE oldest English name for Christmas is Mother's Night, or Mothers' Night. In the early days, when our Saxon forefathers had just settled down in the country that was to be England, the day of December 25th was given up to games and feasting, but the night was dedicated to the special honor of mothers. They occupied the seats of honor, and everyone brought their gifts. Sons and daughters who had gone out into the world strove to be at home on that one night in the year.

A little later the name Yule was given to Christmas, and the rejoices of the day were prolonged into night, when men sang and told stories sitting round the cheerful

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The old customs of Mother's Night gradually died out, though they still survive in a few parts of the country. Its place has been taken to some extent by Mothering Sunday in the North of England. On that day everyone who can do so still makes a pilgrimage home-wards, and the mother receives the homage of her family.—London Tit-Bits Magazine.

Proper Size for Toy Blocks

Four inches long by two inches square is a good size for children's building blocks, according to educational experts. These can be made at home by cutting them from a 2 by 2 planed joist, sandpapering the edges and corners to a slight roundness, and painting them in bright colors. Old, worn blocks can be given a new lease on life by enameling them in gay hues.

CLASSIFIED ADS

STRAYED: Brown muley Jersey cow. Been at my house about 3 weeks. Alfred Dunson, 7 miles north of town. May have cow by paying for adv. 21-1tp

REWARD: For return of turkey taken from Thomasson's estate. Bronze turkeys with yellow paint on backs. Were taken Sunday night. Trespassers are warned to stay off this estate or will be prosecuted. 21-1tp.

WANTED: Passenger to California; leave in about 10 days. The News office. 21-1

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.Season's Greetings.

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Hershey's, ½ pound bars		Hershey's, 1 pound package	
CANDY	15c	CANDY	8c
Peppermint, 1 pound stick		Peppermint, ½ pound stick	
CRANBERRIES	24c	PINEAPPLE	25c
Per quart		Tibbit's, 8½ ounce cans, 3 for	
PINEAPPLE	25c	COCOANUTS	8c
Crushed, 8½ ounce cans, 3 for		Fresh, Each	
EXTRACT	15c	BROOMS	15c
Vanilla, 8 ounce bottle		Toy, Each	
COFFEE	85c	COFFEE	29c
White Swan, 3 pound can		White Swan, 1 pound can	
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