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Christmas in Texas

By Phebe K. Warner

Don't seem possible that Christ-
mas is almost here again. But it is
and this is to wish everybody in your
whole county the most joyous Christ-
mas in all the years. To the older
folks these Christmas days come so
close together that it seems we can
almost reach back and touch last
Christmas Day. But to the children
they seem a long, long ways apart.

What is the meaning of Christmas
to a child? What does it mean to
you? Did you ever try for one min-
ute to think what this life would be
without the thought of Christmas?
Suppose we even try to forget the
origin and think of Christmas as
only a human institution. What does
it mean to the whole world? But it
is DIVINE. That is what has made
it live. That is what has given
Christmas its spirit of love and giv-
ing. That is why everybody looks
forward to Christmas with joy and
hope and faith.

Every one of us feel that if there
is anybody in this world who actually
loves us they will let us know in
some way on Christmas Day. For
that is the ONE DAY of all the year
set apart to express our love for one
another. And it is a good thing
some great event in the history of
the world caused one day to be set
apart to remember our friends and to
tell our children that we do love
them or some of us might never
take time to do this. And what a
lonely place this earth would be.

But "God Is Love." And God is
the Father of the Christ Child which
was the expression of God's love for
the whole world. A Savior, in the
form of a perfect child, that grew
to be a perfect man was God's
Christmas gift to all mankind. One
of the most beautiful thoughts asso-
ciated with the Christmaside is that
it is the celebration of the birth of
a BABY. There is nothing in all this
world so beautiful and that is the
human expression of so much hope
and so many possibilities as a BABY.
It is the one thing which WE HAVE
ALL BEEN. That fact makes us all
kin. We have every one been some-
thing in common. No matter how
widely our training, our environment,
our temptations have separated us
in thought and heart the fact still is
that we were every one at some time
a mere baby.

Another happy result of the
Christmas time is that it warms up
our cold hearts and keeps them warm
for weeks and sometimes months
before that wonderful day as well as
after it. It is such a joy to get
ready for Christmas. It is some-
thing to look forward to. Not only
the "getting" but the "giving." In
fact the greater joy of Christmas is
the GIVING SPIRIT. If there is
ever a time in the whole year when
most of us actually understand the
real meaning of the words "It is
more blessed to give than to re-
ceive" it is at Christmas time. This
is proven thousands of times every
year because it is not what we do
not receive but what we can not
give that hurts. Isn't that true in
your life? And your home?

The only sad thing about Christ-
mas is when we can not GIVE as
our hearts dictate. And how often
do our hearts run away with our
heads and we actually give more
than we should. This has become
almost one of the crimes of Christ-
mas. Giving more than we can af-
ford. Giving more expensive gifts
than the thought of Christmas
means. This is the only danger that
threatens the joy of Christmas time.
Sometimes people are made to feel
poorer than they really are. Some-
times those of us in comfortable cir-
cumstances become ungrateful and
unappreciative of our greatest bless-
ings because we feel unable to do the
BIG things at Christmas time that
we want to do. There's where we all
need a little more Christmas self-
control.

The Home Coming

Another beautiful Christmas cus-
tom is the Home Coming habit.
When would some folks ever go
back to the old home if it were not
for the holiday plan? Isn't it great
that Christmas and the New Year are
just one week apart? What a happy
period at the end of the year. What
a good thing to do to gather in the
children and spend the last week of
the old year together. What a happy
plan to start the New Year off with
renewed pledges of friendship and
kindship and good fellowship. What
a good thing for the whole Nation
as well as Texas to take this last
week of the year off to store up
happy memories to live on and en-
joy through the fifty-one weeks of
the Busy New Year. This is one of
the happiest coincidences of our
Christian Calendar. A definite time
to take a few days off to renew old
acquaintances, rest the weary nerves
and take a new lease on life. And

did you ever fully appreciate how
beautifully the time of year fits our
convenience, our business and all
nature? Could anybody improve on
the time and plan for Christmas and
the Yuletide. The plan is perfect be-
cause it has a perfect origin.

Christmas in Texas.

But there is something unusual in
our Texas Christmas Tide. It seems
to me there is everything in Texas
to make Christmas beautiful. There
is every known product to fill our
Christmas table. And not only our
tables but the tables of the Nation.
There will be more Christmas tur-
keys grace the Nation's Christmas
dinner tables than any other bird
from any other State. Texas will
have her orange blossoms and her
snowball decorations. Her mistle-
toes and her holly. Her garlands of
old gray moss and her baskets of
home-grown pecans and fruits. Her
children's stockings could everyone
be filled to overflowing with the
oranges and nuts and home-made
candies of our own glorious Texas.
How many of us appreciate all that
Texas should mean to us on Christ-
mas? And the NATIVE Christmas
Trees? Our forests and our canyons
are full of native Christmas trees all
planted, grown and waiting to be
used to make our children happy.
There is nothing brings so much joy
to a house full of children as their
very OWN Christmas Tree. One they
can decorate themselves, and one
they can play with until the last
sticky spine drops off. And if you
would send a little bit of Texas to
your far-away friends or if you
would like a whiff of some other
part of Texas to decorate your home
or your Christmas packages, there is
a little Mistletoe Merchant at Waxa-
hachie, Texas, who will send you a
two pound box of Christmas beauty
in the form of the purest, freshest,
waxy mistletoe for 50 cents and the
postage. His name is Harrell Gar-
rett, and he is working for his own
Christmas Gift—a bicycle. If you
want to make one little Texas boy
happy Christmas morning let him
send a box of Texas beauty to some
one for you and help him be his own
Santa Claus. And let us all do our
best to make this the most joyful
and grateful Christmas that Texas
has ever known.

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You will enjoy our Bible study on
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your Bible.

C. E. 6:30 Sunday night.

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Come to see the expert with your
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hey were new again. Any color;
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as, white kid, and buck shoes. Also
an dye them any color.

COURTNEY DAVIES

The new Christian church will
soon be heated by a large hot-air
furnace. The hot-air pipes are now
being installed and the new furnace
is expected to arrive within the next
few days.

FRESH HOMEMADE CANDY

Peanut brittle, peco flake divinity
nougat, caramel pecan brittle,
divinity: 40c, 50c, 60c per pound.
CHOCOLATE SHOPPE.

Two fine Hereford bulls from the
Gist Hereford Farm in Ector county
were to be seen here last Saturday.
They had been sold to a ranchman
at Albany and were being transport-
ed to that point in a truck.

A big assortment of diamonds.
All prices. A small payment down,
balance easy terms. Clyde Fox.

This is going to be a Merry
Christmas if we decide we want it to
be such. It is all in the state of
mind that we greet the day that the
day greets us.

Only One More Week



remains to do your shopping, and it's time to get ready
for the

ANNUAL VISIT OF SANTA CLAUS

We are offering some suggestions here that will please
the "young fellow and his Dad" in useful Christmas
Gifts.

Suits
Overcoats
Raincoats
Slickers
Dress Gloves
Driving Gloves
Work Gloves
Smoking Jackets
Bath Robes
Sweaters
Blazers
Lumberjacks
Leather Coats
Corduroy Coats, Trousers
Riding Breeches
Leather Puttees
Hunting Coats
Cigarette Cases
Bill Folds
Cuff Buttons
Collar Pins
Military Brushes
Hair Brushes
Clothes Brushes
Handkerchiefs
Neckties
Hand Bags
Suit Cases
Gladstones
Dress Shirts

Flannel Shirts
Belts
Belt Buckles
Belt Sets
Shoes
Oxfords
Bootees
House Slippers
Silk Pajamas
English Broadcloth Pa-
jamas.
Flanelette Pajamas
Cambric Pajamas
Flanelette Night Shirts
Cambric Night Shirts
Union Suits
Hats
Caps
Supporters
Suspenders
Silk Socks
Wool Socks
Silk and Wool Socks
Lisle Socks
Imported Golf Hose
Wool Mufflers
Knit Mufflers
Silk Mufflers
A Box of Collars

Give the boy a day of joy and a Christmas Gift he will
remember a long time.

Suits
Overcoats
Shirts
Blouses
Sweaters
Blazers
Ties
Handkerchiefs

Bootees
Shoes
Caps
Hose
Belts
Leather Puttees
Pajamas
Books

For the small boy a Winchester steel wagon with ball
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13-11

USING THE DOCTOR
AS A BUGBEAR

There is one habit that many fathers and mothers have that I wish they would quit. I speak of the habit of trying to scare a child into doing or not doing something by telling it that they will have the doctor give it had medicine.

We who have practiced medicine have had the frightful experience of being called to see a sick child, and by the time we enter the door the child shows signs of terrible fright. The "rawhead and bloody-bones". It has been often frightened with is now upon it in reality. The child with high fever, already nervous, is in no condition to have insult added by the presence of this terrible man to its already serious condition. Sometimes it takes hours to disabuse its mind of the things implanted there by the thoughtless parents. Sometimes the impression is so deep and lasting that the presence of the doctor causes restlessness and uneasiness to people who are grown and really know better. It shows how lasting our childhood impressions are.

If you cannot control your child, for heaven's sake, for the doctor's sake, and especially for the sake of the child, don't try to get obedience by using the doctor as the "Sword of Damocles" for you will certainly regret it.—Dr. F. M. Regester, in The Progressive Farmer.

We can obtain loans on Patented Farm and Ranch Lands at 5-12 or 6 per cent on long time. If you desire to borrow money on your land. See **STATE NATIONAL BANK**. 41-1f.

ALWAYS CONSULT YOUR BANKER BEFORE YOU INVEST

There is no reason why folks who have a surplus should wear blind bridges and be driven by "slick-tongued" promoters into a glittering Promised Land that turns out to be nothing but promises.

Unfortunately, the inexperience of farmers on investment matters has made them the object of countless fake promoters, with the result that they are rather suspicious of even meritorious securities. But there are too many reliable sources of information for anyone to be suspicious when he may reach conclusions on the basis of facts. In the first place, the banker should either be in position to give the facts surrounding a security or he should know a reliable banker or investment dealer who would be glad to give the facts.

The first thing to do, then, when considering the investing of money is to consult your banker. If you are suspicious of your banker—get another on whom you can rely. If the security is being offered you by an investment firm, find out what sort of people compose the firm. What do they stand for in investments? What type of securities do they handle? Are they promoters, or do they handle investments? Can you rely on them for an honest opinion as to the safety of your funds invested on their recommendation? If the security is being urged on you by a "high pressure" salesman, just don't buy, neither take the trouble to investigate. Keep your money, save your time, and give the salesman a gentle but emphatic "Goodbye."—S. Wade Marr, in The Progressive Farmer.

MELODY BOYS PLAY
FOR DANCE AT K. P. HALL

Henrietta Straw's Eight Melody Boys furnished the music for a social dance that was given at the K. of P. Hall, following their performance of music, dance and song at the R. and R. Lyric theater on Tuesday evening. About fifty couples enjoyed this gay affair, and out-of-town couples from Midland and Stanton were seen on the floor.

James Wilson returned Wednesday afternoon from a business trip to Dallas.

Perfume sets.....Cunningham & Phillips.

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BE THANKFUL EVERY DAY

Our County has enjoyed a Thanksgiving Day for which we should be truly grateful. Over the nation as a whole there is practically no unemployment.

Soil products have been bounteous and farmers have generally had good prices.

Our factories, mines, sawmills, transportation, insurance and utility companies have all been doing a good business and rendering a greater service to the public than at any time in the nation's history.

Electric light and power, the telephone and gas service are so common to the average American family that they are considered necessities, rather than novelties or luxuries in the world.

Improved and paved highways have ended isolation for the farm.

Labor saving appliances are as common to the American homemaker as the latest labor-saving machinery is in our factories.

The American worker has more power and money at his finger tips than the worker of any other nation. Therefore, his production is greater and his wages the highest.

We have an unprecedented number of newspapers and publications which keep us fully informed on local and world news.

Perfection may not exist in this world, but so far as a government can give liberty and protection to a people in conjunction with freedom of thought and action, the United States has gone farther than any other country.

That Americans should be thankful every day for a government which makes it possible for us as a people to develop and enjoy the spiritual and material advantages which are ours.

While we should be content of the things and opinions of others we should not be led astray by doctrine preached by persons who, lacking information and understanding of the principles which have made this nation great, would substitute schemes and theories which could only detract from rather than add to the advantages and liberties which we now enjoy.

Prosperity and happiness have come to this nation as the result of a minimum of government coupled with a maximum of individual opportunity. This is in distinct contrast to the hardships, suffering and lack of advantages which exist in countries having a maximum of government that stifles individual opportunity.

Let us keep Our Country free from any experiment which would tend to radically change our time tested system of government with its unequal record of blessings and advantages for the people.

GINS TO BE CLOSED
DECEMBER 25 AND 26

The gins of Big Spring will be closed on Christmas day and the day following, December 25 and 26.

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AWARDED MEDAL AS BEST MACHINE GUN SHOT

Fort Sam Houston, Texas.—Tom C. Stanford, Big Spring, Texas, was awarded a gold medal as the best machine shot at the C. M. T. Camp held at Fort Logan, Colorado during the month of August.

This award won as it was from a field of five hundred and seventeen competitors reflected great credit on Mr. Stanford.

No young man should miss an opportunity to attend the Citizens Military Training Camps, for as President Coolidge says, "The young men graduating from the Citizens Military Training Camps are helped to physical health, mental vigor, and moral excellence."

M. & N. W. HEARING
SET FOR JANUARY 13

In the matter of the application of the T. & P. Ry. Co., for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the abandonment and dismantling of the Midland & Northwestern Railway, the Interstate Commerce Commission, before whom this case will be argued orally, has again notified all interested parties that this case will be heard on January 13, 1926, at Washington, D. C.

Misses Louise and Lillian Shive are expected to arrive home Sunday morning from Belton, Texas, where they attend Baylor College for Women to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Shive.

Miss Vallia and Wanda True will arrive home Sunday morning from Belton, where they are students at Baylor College, to spend the Christmas holidays with homefolks.

DID YOU KNOW



that you have only one more week to get ready for the

ANNUAL VISIT OF SANTA CLAUS?

In order to assist you with your shopping we are offering a few suggestions here that will be suitable for Christmas gifts, for Wife, Mother, Daughter and Best Girl.

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Table Cloths
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Sweaters
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Candle Sticks
Candles

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CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE

For sale a good place for sale at a low price with either wood or water. Call on Mrs. JESSIE ROBINSON, Big Spring, Texas. 11pd

FOR SALE—50 acres of fine farming land as can be found in Texas. 5 miles southwest of Big Spring. Fine crop on this farm. All or part for sale by owner. For terms address J. D. WILLIAMS, Box 215, Colorado, Texas. 2-

HOME FOR SALE

A residence and 3 1-2 lots just south of High School for sale. For particulars phone 430 or see MORGAN MARTIN, at Wolcott Motor Co. 49-4f

LAND FOR SALE

Have improved and unimproved good farming land for sale on very easy payments in Howard, Sterling and Martin counties. See T. S. CURRIE. 511f

FOR SALE OR TRADE—1923 model Maxwell touring car good as new, run about 6000 miles. Will sell worth the money or trade for property. See me at Bottling Works or see car at my home, 407 Nolan, S. B. STONE. 6-4f

FARM—480 acres, 4 1-2 miles west of Knott. Sandy loam, cat-claw land. 75 acres in cultivation, small house, good well stock water, fenced and cross fenced. Will sell in quarter sections. A bargain. Terms to suit purchaser. Address B. F. WILLS, Van Horn, Texas 61f

LOTS—For cash, lots 2, 2, block 4 Jones valley, Big Spring, Texas. Write A. Threewitt, Crosby, Texas. 12-3f-pd

FOR SALE OR RENT—640 acres, 12 miles north of Big Spring, Texas, suitable either for grazing or agriculture purposes. For sale by owner. For terms, address MRS. JENNIE McKIBBEN, Onelda, Illinois. 11-4f-pd

HOUSE—Six-room residence on Seury street in McDowell Heights. Phone 337 or see W. D. Green. 131f

FORD TRUCK—A Ford truck in good condition for sale cheap. Phone 123 or see JOE EARLEY. 13-4f-pd

FARM—100 acre farm, 75 acres in cultivation; team, wagon, cow, and feed, included, for sale. Price \$35 per acre, some terms. Located 5 miles north of Fairview. Write box 396, Big Spring, Texas. 13-2p

FOR SALE CHEAP—N. W. of 2, block 35, Rm. 1, N. Martin Co. Tex. R. P. HANDY, Oelwein, Ia. 134p

FOR RENT

LEASE OR SALE—80 acres of land, new 4-room bungalow, good well water, 1 1-2 miles southeast of Big Spring, to rent, lease or a sell. Apply to WEB CHRISTIAN, Big Spring, Texas. 12-4f

FOR RENT—Comfortable upstairs apartment to rent to a couple. Very reasonable for the right party. Call at 403 Bell Street. 9f

ROOM—One nicely furnished bedroom or two south rooms furnished for light housekeeping. Call at 406 Johnson St. 12-4f

RESIDENCE—4-room residence and 5 1-2 lots in town of Coahoma for sale, at a bargain. See or write V. F. ROBERTS, Coahoma, Texas. 134

ROOMS—Two light housekeeping rooms, on west 4th St.; garage. Mrs. S. L. LOVERNA. Phone 457-W. 1p

FOR RENT—130-acre farm in cultivation in Dawson county, 6 miles from Ackerly. See or write I. E. WASSON, 600 Bell St., Big Spring, Texas. 13-4f

BRICK BUILDING—Brick business building 25x60 feet, for sale or lease. See, write or phone V. F. ROBERTS, Coahoma, Texas. 14-2

FOR RENT OR SALE—16-room hotel, partly furnished; in Coahoma, Texas. Will be vacant December 23. See JOHN RUNYAN at Coahoma Garage. 14-2f-pd

WANTED

I have grass to pasture 175 head of cattle. PHILIP THOMPSON, Sterling City, Texas. 10-4f

CATTLE WANTED—I will buy

anything in the cattle line that will ship. Will buy from 1 to 1000 head. Leave word at the West Texas National Bank or see me, DEE PRICE, Phone 633, Big Spring, Texas. 52-4f

SALESMEN—Magazine men, crew managers, district managers, organizers experienced on two pay plan, also special offers. Write or wire today for real proposition. State fully experience, Clyde A. Ramsey, 25-27 Opera Place, Cincinnati, Ohio.

PLUMBING—I am prepared to do your plumbing and steam fitting and do it right at a reasonable price. Phone 595. W. W. FISHER. 134p

MISCELLANEOUS

CEMENT WORK—Am prepared to do all kinds of cement work, such as coping, walks, water troughs, tanks, etc. I refer you to any work I have done in this city as reference. A. B. WINSLOW.

POSTED—My pasture is posted according to law and hunting is prohibited. My friends are not going to trespass, and I expect to prosecute to the full extent of the law anyone caught hunting on my ranch. J. G. CARTER. 9-8f-pd

TO LET—170 acres of good cat-claw land to let to a man for cultivation for what he can make out of it. Some grubbing to be done. Piece of water on place; also good check to live in. Phone 301-F31, or write R. T. MILLER, Rt. 1 Box 35, Big Spring. 13-2f-pd

Famous Clyde Fruit Land now just beginning to grow Delicious Apples at wonderful profits, to trade for level farm land in Howard or adjoining county. Give full description. 20-acre apple farm \$4500, 20 acres land \$1500. F. G. B. Box 46, Clyde, Texas. 111f

WANTED—A competent housekeeper. Call Mrs. Lloyd C. Stamper, phone 510. 1f

TO TRADE—A new Oldsmobile car to trade for Ford; will take difference in calves or yearlings. See or write W. W. WATSON, Garden City, Texas. 11pd

LOST

STRAYED—A liberal reward will be paid for the return of a dark brown mare mule, about 14 hands high, freshly sheared, no brand, and about 8 years old; that strayed from the Wasson ranch last week. Anyone knowing of its whereabouts call at Wasson ranch, Big Spring, Texas.

REWARD—A bay pony about 14 1-2 hands high, 6 years old, no brands, split in left ear and saddle mark on right side, strayed from Waterworks pasture 6 weeks ago. Will pay \$5 for information leading to recovery. Phone 194. B. P. LOVEFACE. 13-2f-pd

THOLE GROUCH

FRIEND, EVER SINCE YOU CAME TO THIS TOWN YOU'VE DONE NUTHIN' BUT TELL HOW MUCH BETTER THEY USED 'O DO THINGS BACK WHERE YA USED 'O LIVE, AN' MY ADVICE 'O YOU IS 'O EITHER DRY UP OR MOVE BACK 'O THAT WONDERFUL SPOT! AMEN!



BOLLIE COTTON DETRIMENTAL

For some years to come cotton growers will be paying for the "bollie" cotton crop that is being marketed this year. They will use the big surplus crop of "bollies," which the spinners cannot use, as a hammer to beat down the price of cotton. They will report so many bales of cotton in storage, and the majority of it will consist of this unsplinnable, "bollie" cotton. And the worst of it, the cotton grower is putting this weapon in the hands of the cotton gamblers and spinners at no profit to himself, and in most cases at a heavy loss.

Community silver. It's always desirable. Cunningham & Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Currie of Glasscock county left Tuesday night for Chicago, where they will spend the Christmas holiday season with his mother.

Shaving utensils. A man always needs them. Cunningham & Phillips.

Louis Skalleck, who fires the Gypsum plant switch engine at Sweetwater, spent Sunday with relatives in this city.

KNOTT ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wood visited their daughter, Mrs. A. T. Angel of Stanton last Sunday.

A large crowd attended singing at Mr. Thomas' last Sunday night. All reported a good time.

Miss Dora Brashers entertained a number of friends at her home last Saturday night. There were several out of community guests.

C. B. Harland and family plan to leave for Seymour next Tuesday to to spend Christmas.

Vernon Mason is expected home from Abilene high school to spend the Christmas holidays next Friday night.

Loy C. Taylor and family and Mr. and Mrs. Hambright will spend a week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Mason, who reside at Knott, Christmas.

Jim White will move to Coahoma the first of January. We regret very much to see him leave our community.

On December the sixth at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wood, Bro. C. V. Woods performed the ceremony which united in marriage Miss Zora Tabor and Mr. Lash Ashley.

After the Christmas holidays the Knott basket ball teams will be rigged out in new ball suits.

The grades of the school were rather low this month on account of so many of the children having to stay out to pick cotton, but we hope them to be better next month as all the cotton is about picked.

We will print the names of the three making the highest grades next month.

Prof. Roberts has promised to take the three to the theater, making the highest grades next month.

The members of the union Sunday school of Knott plan to have a tree on Christmas eve.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowry Reynolds are planning to move to their new home the first of January.

W. M. Nichols and R. W. Long exchanged places this week. Mr. Nichols now occupies the house that Mr. Long formerly owned.

We can obtain loans on Patented Farm and Ranch Lands at 5 1-2 or 6 per cent on long time. If you desire to borrow money on your land. See STATE NATIONAL BANK, 411f

CAN YOU IDENTIFY SACKS AND WAGON SHEETS?

All farmers who had seed cotton stolen from their farms this fall are requested to call at the Sheriff's office and see if they can identify any of the sacks and wagon sheets which were found with a quantity of seed cotton. This cotton is thought to have been stolen, during the raids on farms in this section.

Please call at once and see if your property is among them. Several wagon sheets and thirteen cotton sacks are held by Sheriff House and he will appreciate your calling to view same and thus aiding in identifying your property should it be included.

JUST RIGHT

Any plumbing or electric wiring entrusted to us will be done right. Just phone 51. L. E. COLEMAN Electric & Plumbing Company.

BATTLING SIKI MURDERED

Battling Siki, Senegalese pugilist who won public notice when he wrestled the title of world's light heavyweight champion from Georges Carpentier was murdered in New York City Tuesday.

His body with two bullet holes in the back was found lying face downward on the sidewalk in the district known as Hell's Kitchen.

Siki had a fondness for intoxicating liquor and has had numerous fights and brawls since he lost his championship to Mike McTigue.

John Currie left Thursday for Austin. His nephew, Robert Currie, who attends the State University will accompany him here to spend the holiday vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Currie.

Olie Cordill returned Sunday morning from a business trip to Dallas.

Miss Maggie Parr arrived the first of the week from Waco where she attends Baylor University to spend the holidays with her parents in this city.

Candle sticks and candles. The women think they are great. Cunningham & Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Allen left Monday night for Arp, Texas; being summoned there by a message announcing the serious illness of Mrs. Allen's mother.

Smoking stands for real men. Look them over. Cunningham & Phillips.

Touring	\$525
Roadster	525
Coupe	675
Coach	695
Sedan	775
Commercial Chassis	425
Express Truck Chassis	500
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BIG SPRING, TEXAS

QUALITY AT LOW COST

SPECIAL

The J. D. Biles Drug Co. will have a Jewelry Salesman at their store all day—Friday, December 18, with a full line of jewelry on display.

All those interested in buying Jewelry Gifts for Christmas are especially invited to come and see this line. Anything wanted in the jewelry line can be had, and special Christmas orders will be filled.

Everyone is cordially invited to come and select gifts from this special line on FRIDAY, DEC. 18.

J. D. BILES DRUG COMPANY

A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS GIFT—Give her a nice chest of YOREX SILVERWARE. GUARANTEED FOREVER. RIX'S.

EPWORTH LEAGUE PROGRAM

Subject: How Can We Identify "Christian" and "Service"?

Leader—Hazel Line.

Hymn—Concluded by Lord's Prayer.

Hymn—Scripture (I John 4:7-14; Matthew 20:25-28)—Ivy Newton.

Piano Solo—Aubrey Davis.

Addresses:

What Do We Mean by Christian?—T. B. Reeves.

The Outstanding Characters of the Christian Life—Lois Cochran.

The Identification of "Service" and "Christian"—Mary Wade.

Topics for discussion.

DOES YOUR HUSBAND SMOKE?

Give him a SMOKING STAND FOR CHRISTMAS. RIX'S.

CONFESSES TO MURDERING 3

Three indictments were returned Tuesday at Stephenville by the Erath county grand jury charging F. M. Snow with the murder of his stepson, Bernie Connally, his wife and her mother, Mrs. S. A. Olds. The bodies of the two women were burned in the fireplace at the Snow home.

The finding of the head of Bernie Connally which had been covered from the body, led to the arrest of Snow. When arrested he confessed to the murder of his stepson and the two women.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence McCoy for last week for Dexter, N. M., where Mr. McCoy will be in charge of a 500-acre irrigated farm.

A few diamonds at real bargain prices. Cunningham & Phillips.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS ELECT

Royal Neighbors Lodge No. 7277 met on regular meeting afternoon with thirty members and several visitors present for the election of officers for the ensuing year. Officers elected were: Oracle, Bugg; Vice Oracle, Simmons; Past Oracle, Russell; Chancellor, Manion; Recorder, Smith; Marshall, Hawk; Musician, Martin; Physician, Dr. Bennett; Inner Guard, Wilson; Outer Guard, Barton; Managers, Norris, Nelson, Wilson.

Delightful refreshments were served after which wonderful entertainment was furnished by Mrs. Manion.

Everyone reported a most enjoyable afternoon.

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

Floor lamps.....\$9.85

Bridge lamps.....\$7.85

RIX'S

Lloyd's Filling Station will treat you right. Oil, air and gas you with all their might. Treat you with courtesy every way. Serve you expertly night and day. Phone 7. advertisement

M. G. Story was here Wednesday from his home in Martin county. Mr. Story said he has been up against it to have his cotton picked. Four different crews of Mexicans were secured but they would not pick cotton. They wanted to pull it like "bollies" but Mr. Story would not let them harvest it that way.

For sweaters, slippers, underwear, hose. To the Grand Leader the procession goes. Whether Suit for Daddy or Daughter's Dress. Melinger always sells it for less. Phone 30. advertisement.

A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS GIFT—Give her a nice chest of YOREX SILVERWARE. GUARANTEED FOREVER. RIX'S.

Frank F. Tays arrived Monday from Galveston, to visit old time friends in this city. Frank is looking fat and jolly, and says he has no kick coming on the way the world has been treating him.

AN ELECTRIC PERCOLATOR makes a nice Christmas Gift for the housewife. RIX'S.

Silverware, toilet articles, gift boxes, home-made fruit cakes, and candies. Smith's "M" System.

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PHONE 244—advertisement

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Year, too. Can supply every accessory Without any

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Santa Hears from the Kiddies



LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 8, 1925
Dear Santa Claus:
I am two little boys, five and six years old. We want you to bring us a rubber tire wagon, a truck, some tinkler toys, a pop gun, fire crackers and candy and apples. Now we've been real good boys, largest us. Good-bye, Charles Wilson Engle.

December 9, 1925
Dear Santa Claus:
I would like to have a sand crane, a truck, and we both would like a coaster big enough for two boys. I would like to have a lantern, I would like to have an accordion. I would like to have a shovel. Jule wants a sled. Take the poor children's things as you give us, Russell Jule Harris, 501 Gregg St.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl six years old. I want you to please bring me a story book, a testament, a flash light, don't forget mother and daddy and the little poor children. When you come to Garden City be sure to see me. Your little friend, Shirley.

Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 7, 1925.
Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me a tricycle, a ring, a telephone and a kiddy wagon, a telephone and a ring. I want all kinds of candy, nuts and apples. Yours truly, Leola and Katherine Vines, 306 1st Street.

Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 7, 1925.
Dear Santa Claus:
I would please bring me a sled and a knife and lots of fruit and nuts. Yours truly, Vines, 104 Gollad St.

Knott, Texas, Dec. 8, 1925
Dear Santa Claus:
I would like you to bring me a few lines to tell what I want for Christmas. I am a little boy six years old. I live in Knott, Texas. Be sure and find me a little wagon, a toy truck, a ball and picture book, some candy, nuts and fire crackers; thank you so much, Santa. Marshall.

Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 7, 1925
Dear Santa Claus:
I would please bring me a sleepy head, a ball and blue eyes, a dresser, kitchen cabinet and a lamp, some oranges and apples. I thank you, I am yours truly, Gerlie Mitchell.

Big Spring, Texas.
I may think I am too big to write you, but please I want a Bye-bye ball. And I want a large sled. While you are dropping down the chimney will you bring some candy, fire crackers and fruit. I guess that will be all for me this time. I have

blue eyes, brown hair, am nine years old and in the fourth grade. Love to you Santa, Little Beatrice Hill.

Big Spring, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a baby doll and a doll buggy, also a little kitchen set, a pair of skates, a little gold ring, a little bracelet and bring all the poor children some nice things too. I have been a very nice girl this year. Yours truly, Frances Louise Rogers, 512 Main Street.

Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 10, 1925
My Dear, Sweet Santa Claus:
I've been a good little girl—so I want you to bring me a lot of toys this year. I want a Pretty doll with hair, and eyes that will open and shut, a nice red wagon, a scudder, and another little wagon with a horse hitched to it, and a lot of story books. Please be at the Episcopal Christmas tree. I want to see you and say a little speech. I love you. Santa Claus, Good-bye, Virginia Hilliard.

Vealmoor, Texas, Dec. 13.
Dear Santa Claus:
We wish to thank you for the nice toys you left on our tree last Xmas. Please bring us living dolls and other toys that little girls love. You will find coffee and cake under the tree at Vealmoor. Hope you will enjoy it. Love from, The Stanger Twins.

Vealmoor, Texas, Dec. 13.
Dear Santa Claus:
Please come to our Xmas tree and bring us just a few things. New baby doll, chair to rock new baby in, little dishes, stove and other toys. Don't forget to make it two. For two little girls, Billie Maudine and Hazel Stanger.

Dear Santa Claus:
I'm writing you to let you know what I want for Christmas. I'm a little girl 7 years old and in the first grade. I would like a sleepy eyed doll and buggy, a picture book, some fruit, nuts and candy. Merry Christmas, from your little friend, Genevieve Jacks.

Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 16, 1925
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me something nice for Xmas. I would be glad if you will bring me a nice tricycle. Your little boy, Robert Owen, 101 E. 5th Street.

Dear Santa Claus:
This is my first letter to you. I want a little car, a hammer, a rubber ball and some fruit, nuts and candy. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, your little friend, Ralph Jacks.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a little rocking horse, a ball and little hammer, also some fruit, nuts and candy, and remember my dear little baby sister. She wants a teething ring and rattle. Merry Christmas! Your little friend, Roy Jacks.

Dear Santa Claus:
I just started to school this year. Am 6 years old. I would like for you to bring me a Sunday cap with ear flaps, overalls, banjo, candy, nuts

and fruit. I hope I won't be disappointed and please don't forget mother and daddy. I will close with lots of love from, William Herring.

Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 14, 1925
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a baby doll that goes to sleep and cries, I want a rocking chair, a doll blanket, an aluminum set, a set of knives and forks and spoons. I want some candy and nuts, too. Don't forget the other little boys and girls. Faye Runyan.

Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 16, 1925
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a fountain pen, a doll, a doll buggy, a box of candy, a box of handkerchiefs, and a stocking full of tops. I have a little sister. Please remember her. Your friend, Mary Davidson.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a car that I can ride in, and some traffic and a truck, and some candy and some apples and bananas, and a Christmas stocking, and some oranges and a big stocking. I am 8 years old. Norman Arnold, 301 Scurry Street.

Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 13, 1925
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a scooter, some goodies, a little boat, and a set of little tools. Bring sister a doll and some dishes. Please bring all the poor children something. With love, Sam Miller.

December 14
Dear Santa Claus:
Be sure to stop at my home and leave me anything you have for a little girl my size. All the Kobergs love you, Camille Kohers.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me a counter wagon and a lot of candy, nuts, apples, oranges and bananas. Truly yours, Frederick Koberg.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a doll buggy and a baby doll and an accordion, and I want some other toys, and my little sister wants a baby doll and a doll buggy and an accordion and some other tops.

(This little girl forget to sign her name—but we feel sure that Santa Claus will know who it is.—Ed.)

Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 16, 1925
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a big doll, a kiddy car and some doll furniture. Thank you Santa. Your little girl, Margaret Owen.

Dear Santa Claus:
I will write and tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a nice big sleepy eyed doll, a pair of house slippers, a story book, and some fruit, nuts, and candy. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, your little friend, Annie Lee Jacks.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am writing you a few lines to let you know what I want for Christmas. I want a violin, baby doll, house slippers, candy, fruit and nuts. I will close and say good-bye.

P. S. I have been a good girl. Please don't forget mother and father. Your little friend, Mildred Herring.

Dear Santa Claus:
I will drop you a few lines to tell you just what I want. Please bring me a trombone, overalls, Sunday cap with ear flaps, candy, nuts and fruit. I still live at the same place, so don't forget to stop. I will close. Your little friend, C. D. Herring.

Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a sweet little girl. I am five years old. I want you to bring me a saxophone, doll, house slippers, stockings, candy, fruit and nuts. Be sure and don't forget me. I will close. Your little friend, Irene Herring.

Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 14, 1925
Dear Santa Claus:
Will drop you a few hasty lines so I can let you know what I want this Christmas. First please bring me a mamma doll, a buggy, trunk, a little table and a rubber ball and of course plenty of candy, apples and oranges, and look for me at the Elks Christmas tree. I am as ever, your friend, Ettie Mae Williams, Box 441.

Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 14, 1925
Dear Santa Claus:
Here comes a little 5-year-old girl to tell you what I would really like to have. First please bring me a little set of dishes, a little stove, a table, a ball and a big daddy doll, and plenty of apples, oranges and nuts. Now Santa, please do this much for me, for I have been a good little girl. I expect to be at the Elks Christmas tree, so good night. From your little friend, Lurline Williams.

P. S. Please don't forget to bring

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Give something that will bring her hours of pleasure now and in years to come.

Give something that will eliminate forever that burdensome task of sweeping.

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Phone 311

me some fire crackers and roman candles and skyrockets. Goodnight.

Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 14, 1925
Dear Santa Claus:
Here comes a six-year-old boy to tell you what I want for Christmas. The main thing is, be sure and don't forget to bring me a gun that sure does shoot, and bring me a tricycle and a tractor and a little car that can run alone and you might put in a few bunches of firecrackers and a whole lot of candy, oranges, apples and nuts. Now be sure and do this. From your little friend, Granvel Ray Williams.

Big Spring, Texas, Dec. 14, 1925
Dear Santa Claus:
As Christmas is drawing near thought I had better get busy and tell you what I want. Please bring me a nice doll that don't go to sleep, a little trunk, a little doll sulky, a set of dishes and a little table and you might bring my baby brother a nice little wagon and also plenty of fruit and nuts. Good night. From your little friend, Sylvia Lee Williams.

FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS
Order your flowers now for Christmas. Carnations, roses, violets, bulbs, etc. See Guy Tamsitt, or phone 446.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT
AT
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sunday, 7:30 P. M.
"Till the Day Break"
A splendid program
Everybody Welcome

Reps Guitar leaves today for Abilene to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents.

See our useful Gifts of Hardware. RIX'S.

Santa's First Choice



is the selection of some suitable and appropriate gifts, that will really merit your giving them to your friends.

—Just visit our gift shop and see what we have.
Fancy Powder Jars, Atomizers, Beautiful Toilet Sets, Perfumes in various odors, Dresser Sets, Dainty Stationery, Fountain Pen and Pencil Sets and numerous novelties that make ideal gifts.

We invite You to See Our Charming Display
J. D. BILES
DRUGGIST
Phone 87 — Big Spring, Texas

SCHOOLS CLOSE TODAY
The schools of the city and many of the county schools close today for the Christmas holidays. Work will be resumed on Monday, December 23. Many of the teachers are leaving tonight and Saturday morning for their homes to spend the holidays.

Buy your Christmas oranges, apples, and bananas at Smith's "M" System. —advertisement.
Perfume atomizer sets, ... Cunningham & Phillips.

PICTURES FOR CHRISTMAS
Pictures both large and small, artistically framed. RIX'S.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy F. Curtis and daughter, Katherine, and Harold Rucker of Abilene were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hurt.

Mrs. W. Hugh Clark and little son, Hanson, of Abilene, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Hanson at Garden City.

Read the display ads in The Herald

Christmas Shoppers

Here is a real chance for you to buy charming gifts that will please you and likewise please those whom you remember. There is a variety in each lot of articles offered, which makes gift selection so satisfactory for you can count on getting what you have in mind.

New Silk Nightgowns and Pajamas, beautiful Silk Petticoats, and many other underthings of the finest silk await your choosing.

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Our BIG REDUCTION SALE is still on. It will pay each of you to make us a visit and partake of the many bargains offered.

PLACE YOUR ORDER FOR THE CHRISTMAS MENU WITH US. WE WILL FILL IT WITH FIRST CLASS GROCERIES.

WE SELL GRAIN AND HAY
PHONE 154

Gary & Son

"If Its Not Good, We'll Make It Good"

Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.
Twenty-Second Dividend
The regular quarterly dividend of one dollar and seventy-five cents per share on Preferred Stock will be paid on Friday, January 1, 1926, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Saturday, December 19, 1925.
R. A. Nickerson, Treasurer.

COMPULSORY SCHOOL LAW IN FORCE

The time for the enforcement of the compulsory attendance upon the public schools in the Big Spring Independent School District was set for Monday, Dec. 14.

The law requires all children within the ages of 8 and 14 years, with certain exceptions, to attend school for at least 100 consecutive days each school session.

It is suggested that all parents in the district take notice and start

their children in school Dec. 28, if they have not already started.

Superintendent P. B. Bittle states that parents have cooperated in a splendid manner in the past and he expects them to obey the compulsory school attendance law the coming term.

TWO JOES GET A DEER

Joe Flock and Joe Staude enjoyed a deer hunt in the mountains, 25 miles south of Kent last week and they brought back a fine young buck to show they had a real hunt. The animal weighed 123 pounds dressed, and was on display at Pool-Reed's store. Joe Flock had the honor of bringing down the buck. He only fired one shot. This was the first deer he ever took a shot at and he said he didn't get excited until it was all over. Staude hit his animal but the bullet failed to strike a vital spot and the buck got away.

SLASH PRICES

W. W. Crenshaw Advised of Tremendous Cut in Price of All Models Dodge Brothers Cars

Word of a tremendous slash in the price of Dodge Brothers automobiles the amount to be announced January 7th, was received by W. W. Crenshaw, Dodge Brothers dealer, here, Wednesday in the form of a lengthy telegram from the factory at Detroit.

The telegram advised that the slash in price would be effective from December 15 with the difference in present prices and the new low price to be refunded to purchasers Jan. 7.

The low prices are made possible, the telegram stated, by a ten million dollar expansion program wherein the capacity of the factories will be nearly doubled. The announcement was signed by Robert C. Graham, vice president in charge of sales.

METHODIST CHURCH

December 20th, 1925
Services at courthouse.
Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Don't fail to go to Sunday school. You are needed.

Morning worship 11 a. m. Theme for Sermon: "The Birth of Christ." Evening service 7:15. Subject: "Season's Greetings."

Special music at both morning and evening services by choir. Be sure to be present. They have a treat for you.

Say Let's Go to Church Sunday
W. C. HINDS, Pastor

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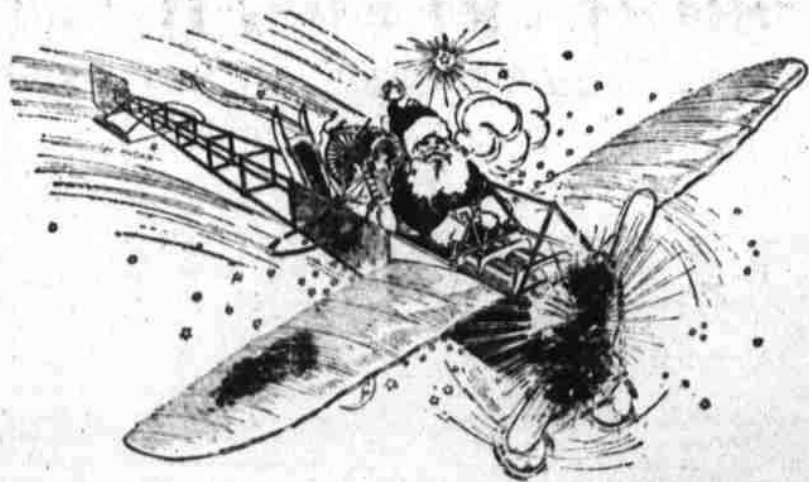
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J. D. BILES DRUG COMPANY

Two wrist watches left. Elgins. Come in and let's trade. Cunningham & Phillips.

DOES YOUR HUSBAND SMOKE?
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Santa Claus!

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We have the biggest and best line ever. Priced from 10c to \$12.50. Effanbee unbreakable dolls, Mama dolls, Twin dolls, Bylo dolls.

A complete line of Toys and Games, Automobiles, Bicycles, Tricycles, Wagons, Wheelbarrows, Toddler Toys, Toddler Bikes, Doll Buggies, Doll Dishes, Doll Beds, Airguns, Player Pianos, and 1000 other suitable holiday gifts.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST NOTES

Brother Homer Davis has just completed a fine meeting, and Bro. Bassel of Lubbock conducted excellent song services during the meeting. Some wonderful messages were delivered by Brother Davis, and much good was derived therefrom. Regular services will be held next Lord's day.

Bible study at 9:45 a. m.
Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.
Midweek study, Thursday evening at 7:15 o'clock.
Everyone is cordially invited to attend all of these services.

See our useful Gifts of Hardware. RIX'S.

Let Us Do The Work

We are prepared to promptly and satisfactorily do your washing and ironing. Let us have an opportunity to relieve you of a burden. PHONE NO. 17.

Big Spring Laundry

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You afford NOT to erect this fall the farm buildings

Figure It Out For Yourself

Figure that good lumber and good paint are worth more than depreciation, and grain and stock losses, we are more than glad to assist you in figuring costs and saving proper and economical materials.

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We will sell a good secondhand Ford Car at Auction. Make your proposition. This auction will close December 31.

This car will be on display on our floor. The highest bidder will win regardless of price. See it and make your own bid, fill out the question below and put in the box. Box placed in the car in our sales-

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Monthly Payments
Fall Time

OLCOTT MOTOR CO.
Big Spring, Texas

EXTRA NOTES

The Auxiliary held the meeting of the year at the home of Mrs. J. D. Hiles, president. After the reading of a number of communications, the one on Box Work was read by Mrs. J. D. Hiles. The San Juan Indian School was the topic of the next communication. The Auxiliary was very successful in the sale of sweaters, hats, caps, etc. A short address was given by Mrs. J. D. Hiles, who stressed each point in her address.

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 18.—Miss Mildred Francis McNew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. McNew, has returned to her home from Texas Woman's College and will spend the holidays with her parents. Miss McNew is a freshman in Texas Woman's College this year and has recently been made a member of the Susan M. Key Literary Society and



TENANTS AND YOUNG MEN SHOULD BUY FARMS

"I pay cash in advance for the rent of the 50 acres I tend, and it costs me \$400 every year," said a man who was asked what the land he was cultivating could be bought for.

He told me he was offered the land for \$3,000 cash, or \$60 per acre. At that price he will pay the purchase price in rent every 7 1-2 years. This man has his own equipment and is not in debt, but pays cash for nearly everything he buys. His land is now producing half as much again as it did when he moved to the place five years ago. In the meantime he has accumulated good equipment and "lives at home." In the five years he has paid this landlord \$2,000 rent money earned from land that can be bought for \$3,000.

"Why don't you buy the place?" we asked.

"Well, I've been thinking about buying, and would if I had the money."

We believe there are many tenants and young men who "have been thinking about buying" a farm and would buy if they had the money. If this man could borrow \$3,000 from his local bank at 6 per cent, he would own the place and would have to pay only \$180 interest annually instead of \$400 rent. That would leave him \$220 a year to apply on his loan. If he could borrow from a Federal land bank, he would eventually own the farm and have to pay only half the present annual rent in interest while the other half applied to the loan would eventually pay for the farm.

Industrious tenants and young men without capital or land but with a good reputation and a desire to farm can get loans for buying land more easily and more safely now than at any time in the last quarter of a century. Good land well located with reference to roads and markets will advance in value in the South. With cooperative marketing functioning, the small farmer has many advantages that no class of farmers had a few years ago. City population is increasing more rapidly than rural population and the scarcity of labor is felt less by the small farmer than by the one who cultivates large areas.

There is a great opportunity for the small farmer who owns his own land. Farm loans are made by Federal land banks at an interest rate lower than the rent paid on most farms as is the case with the tenant farmer mentioned above, who pays

the price of the farm he cultivates every 7 1-2 years but does not own an acre.—The Progressive Farmer.

A WARNING!

There is a herd of cows that comes into our yard each night, damaging our property, and destroying our flowers. We have reported it to the city officials and they have done their duty but the owner of the herd refuses to keep them up.

I have gotten no relief so far, and unless steps are taken by the owner of these cows, to keep them off of my premises I am going to shoot them. I do not intend to have them damage my property any more. This is just to warn you!

E. F. SPRINGMAN, advertisement.

REGISTRATION OF AUTOS SLOW

Less than 100 automobiles had been registered for 1926 up to this morning, according to a report from the County Tax Assessor's office.

Attention is called to the fact that you are supposed to secure the 1926 license plates on or before January 1 and if all wait until the last day there will be confusion and delay.

Also remember you must present a receipt showing that the lights on your automobile have been tested within thirty days prior to date of issuance of the license.

TH' OLE GROUCH

I GOT AT LEAST ONE MORE GOOD WALLOP IN ME, 'N I'M GOIN' Y' USE IT ON YER NOSE, Y' TROUBLE BREEDER! THIS HERE COMMUNITY HAS BEEN DWELLIN' IN PEACE 'ND HARMONY 'N NO HUMAN POLECAT IS GOIN' Y' SPOIL OUR GOOD FELLOWSHIP IF I KIN HELP IT! GO LIVE IN A CAVE, WHERE YA BELONG!



Concrete Streets in TEXAS



Who in Texas has not heard of Greenville's slogan "The Town with the Blackest Land and the Whitest People."

Black land, which has made Hunt County and Greenville one of the wealthiest sections in Texas, also has its disadvantages. Gravel and macadam surfacing placed on streets with such a foundation will not meet the needs of present day traffic. Any but the best of pavement under such unfavorable conditions is false economy.

The city officials of Greenville met this vexing problem by adopting portland cement concrete for their streets. More than 95,000 square yards of business and residential streets have been paved with rigid, skidproof concrete. Their street paving expense has been met in the first cost and now the property owners will receive dividends in satisfaction and service.

No matter how difficult your paving problems, they can be solved with concrete. The service of our field engineers is at your disposal.

Our booklet R-4 tells many interesting things about concrete streets. Write for your copy

PORTLAND CEMENT ASSOCIATION
Southwestern Life Building
DALLAS, TEXAS

A National Organization to Improve and Extend the Uses of Concrete

OFFICES IN 30 CITIES

DECK THE TABLE WITH CHRISTMAS GOODIES



We have decided that the best way for us to wish you a "Merry Christmas" is to fill our store with all of the foodstuffs necessary to make a delightful Christmas dinner.

We have a host of tasty delights—fresh and pure—that you can order to deck your table during the holiday season.

Seasonable Meats

After your Christmas turkey is all gone, why not order one of our tender, full-flavored roasts. They are delicious. Juicy steaks, pork chops, and many other kinds of fresh meats of the choicest cuts. Phone us your holiday orders.

WE DELIVER

POOL-REED CO.

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PHONE 145

A Christmas Present

Make your family a Present of Something Worth While

A HOME

I sell only Big Spring property and Howard County Land

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REALTOR

Office over Stone Bottling Works
PHONE 462

OUR STRONGEST FEATURES ARE WE DO ALL OF OUR WORK ABSOLUTELY PAINLESS



We guarantee everything we do. We will do the same work of any other dentist at from 10 per cent to 25 per cent less.

We try to do better work at a less price and use better materials than any other. We are permanently located in Abilene, dentist.

Dr. K. M. Watkins and Associates, Dentists

DR. JOHNSON, Associate

Texas' Greatest Plate Specialists. In Texas' Best City

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Cut this Ad out and preserve it for future reference. Our Ad will not appear in this paper again soon. You may see it every Sunday in the Abilene Daily Reporter.



BRIDGE FUNCTION GAY AFFAIR AT RIX HOME LAST THURSDAY

The wholly hilarious holiday spirit pervaded the atmosphere last Thursday afternoon when Mrs. W. W. Rix and Mrs. J. D. Biles, co-hostesses, gave one of the most elaborate affairs of the season at the Rix home, when they entertained some seventy friends at bridge.

The Yuletide colors, red and green were beautifully featured in all of the details of the party and other decorations suggestive of Christmas time adorned the entertaining rooms, where the tables were arranged for the games. Colorful poinsettias, further expressing the chosen color scheme, were placed at every vantage point throughout the living room, dining room, and reception hall, and strands and wreaths of holly berries and leaves draped the windows and doors.

In this festive setting, befitting the holiday season, the many guests assembled and found their places at attractively appointed tables marked by pretty Christmas cards, each with a merry greeting inscribed thereon.

The interest during the play was high, and at the conclusion of the games the distinctive honor of winning high score among the many guests was awarded to Mrs. Grover B. Cunningham, who was beautifully favored with a green candy jar. Second high was made by Mrs. Edgar Martin, and she was presented with a fancy red candy basket.

At the refreshment hour dainty luncheon cloths were spread and unusually delicious refreshments, expressing the chosen color theme, was served. The menu consisted of fruit salad, fancy nut bread sandwiches, cheese wafers, olives, potato chips, hot coffee and whipped cream.

The climax of this beautiful Christmas motif, was completed in the second course, which was ice cream, moulded in miniature Santa Claus and Christmas bells and served with individual angel food cakes.

This delightfully gay affair is one of the many functions that is on the social calendar for the coming holidays.

LOVELY BANQUET CLIMAXES FOOTBALL SEASON FOR 1923

One of the most delightful social events of the year for members of the Big Spring High School was given by members of the High School football team, who closed a most successful season on Thanksgiving Day—honoring their lady friends on last Thursday evening. The dining room of the Cole Hotel was the scene of this gay affair, where, at a beautifully laid banquet table the Steer squad and their friends assembled. Beautiful miniature footballs of orange and black, the Steer colors, marked the places for the guests and served as favors of the occasion.

A delectable four-course dinner consisting of:

Oyster Cocktail Fruit Salad
Turkey and Cranberry Jelly
Dressing and Gravy
English Peas Mashed Potatoes
Parker House Rolls Butter
Cherry Pie with Whipped Cream
Coffee

Was served interspersed with toasts and speechmaking.

The toastmaster, A. B. Edwards, manager of the team, asked two members of the school board, Shine Phillips and Dr. E. O. Ellington, to say a few words.

Both talks full of humor, gave the boys for next year's team much encouragement, and praise for the 1923 team.

Supt. P. B. Bittle and Norman Spencer, principal of the High School, praised the boys for their success this year on the gridiron and asked the boys of '26 to plan now to play on a championship team next year. Coach Jack Bryan, and Frank Boyle, assistant coach, told their appreciation of the support they had received this year from the town fans, and also the spirit and cooperation of the football men themselves. They both said that just this spirit alone would help a long way in making a winning team for 1926.

Each of the football men were asked to say a few words. Fire-eater Captain-elect Dick Collins made a fine talk, asking for undivided support next year, and told some of the merits of his team. Collins climaxed the affair, when he was caught with some silverware in his pocket.

Guests of the occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. Shine Phillips, Dr. and Mrs.

E. O. Ellington, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Edwards, Supt. and Mrs. P. B. Bittle, Norman Spencer, Miss Elza Jeanette Barnett, Frank Boyle, Miss Olive Ruth Bird, Jack Bryan, Miss Inez Bryan, Theo Ferguson, Miss Celeste Bounds, J. T. Johnson, Miss Juanita Ralph, Hugh Dubberly, Miss Texie Cathey, Dick Collins, Miss Lucille True, Roland Schwarzenbach, Miss Mary Campbell, Boyd Carpenter, Miss Essie Duvall, Harold Harwood, Miss Winona Taylor, Lloyd Wasson, Miss Maywood Rix, Frank Griffith, Miss Mary Wade, Frank Segell, Miss Alice Graham Bishop, Lewis Rix, Miss Julia Bess Nowell, Clyde McGinnis, Estelle Hutto, Charlie Segell, Miss Ernestine Chalk, C. E. Johnson, Miss Stella Elliott, Paul Rix, Miss Eula Mae Saunders, Garland Sanders, Velma Shumake, Curtis Driver, Miss Frances Crawford.

DELIGHTFUL RECEPTION HONORING REV. HINDS

The members of the Methodist Missionary Auxiliary gave a reception at the Y. M. C. A. last Friday evening, in compliment to the new Methodist minister, Rev. W. C. Hinds and his family.

Vases of chrysanthemums, the Yuletide decorations and glowing fires from the open grates added cheer to this happy occasion.

Guests were welcomed at the door by Mrs. Flewellen and presented to the receiving line composed of Rev. Hinds and family, Rev. Stedman and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Owens, Rev. and Mrs. Ruth, Mrs. J. B. Pickle, Mr. and Mrs. Cook and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Manuel.

Mr. Cook in well chosen words gave a hearty welcome to the pastor and family on behalf of the board of stewards and the church, which was responded to in a happy manner by the pastor. Then followed a delightful program of music and readings.

Tea, sandwiches and wafers were served at two beautifully appointed tables. Gracefully presided over by Mrs. Sam Hall, Mrs. Ira Driver, Mrs. Reynolds and Mrs. T. E. Paylor.

The Big Spring Junior band surprised the crowd when they marched in and gave several pleasing selections.

About 100 guests called during the evening, each secretly bearing a package of good things, which when gathered together was delivered to the parsonage as a surprise to the pastor and family upon their return home.

CRANE-WILLIAMS

The wedding ceremony which united in marriage Todd Crane of San Angelo and Mrs. Bernice Williams of this city was performed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jones Lamar in the south part of the city, by Rev. D. H. Heard, pastor of the First Baptist church, Tuesday night, December 15. Immediately following the ceremony, the happy couple left for San Angelo, where they will be at home to their friends.

Mrs. Crane is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Nall, and was born and reared in this city.

Mr. Crane's home is in San Angelo where he holds a position in the San Angelo Barber Shop.

Congratulations and best wishes are extended by their many friends.

CANTRELL-CURTIS

Many friends were surprised to hear of the marriage of Glenn Cantrell and Miss Gertie Curtis which took place at the Methodist parsonage at eight o'clock Sunday morning, Rev. W. C. Hinds, Methodist pastor, officiating. The happy couple left for Fort Worth immediately following the ceremony, for a brief wedding trip.

Mrs. Cantrell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Curtis, and has grown to young womanhood in this county. Until just recently she held a position with Judge H. R. Debenport at the court house. She has a wide circle of warm friends who wish her every success in marriage.

Mr. Cantrell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Cantrell and is a promising youth, industrious and dependable.

They will make their home in Big Spring, where the groom is engaged in business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Stamper returned on the Sunshine Special Wednesday night from a visit with relatives in Kentucky. Their daughter, Mrs. Sam Collins and two children of Lexington, Ky., accompanied them to this city to spend the holidays.

Herald Want Ads get results.

WHAT WOULD BE NICER THAN SOMETHING FOR HIS AUTOMOBILE AS A CHRISTMAS PRESENT

What would be more appropriate than a tire, an electric windshield wiper, a visor, a gasoline filter, a motometer or a new Exide battery?

Perhaps if the car is a Ford a Delco Ignition system would make him happy for life.

And if you wish to make the whole family happy get a Radiola, you can buy them complete from \$35 to \$575.00 and on easy payments if you like, ask us for a demonstration.

HALL TIRE & TOP CO.

The automobile supply house

UNIQUE ENTERTAINMENT GIVEN OFFICERS OF O. E. S.

One of the very lovely parties of the week, planned in a most clever and delightful manner, was the one given on Monday evening to the officers of the Chapter of the Eastern Star, by their Worthy matron, Mrs. John Baggett, at her home on Rannels street. The Christmas motif was expressed in all of the party plans, with poinsettias, holly wreaths and mistletoe, bedecking the various rooms.

Mrs. Baggett, who welcomed each guest, represented an old grandmother, who was welcoming her grandchildren home at Christmas time. She was attired in a grey flannellette wrapper, had powdered hair, and she assumed the weight of many years, as she greeted each of her youngsters upon arrival. The "kiddies" who are the officers of the O. E. S., forgot their dignity and reserve on this occasion, and came dressed in rompers, little girls aprons, short socks, and other apparel belonging only to children. One little girl, Mrs. Jno. Clarke, came directly from school bringing with her, her slate, pencil and lunchbasket. After all of the "grand children" had gathered around the hearth, and were enjoying the warmth and cheer of the homecoming, they began to play indoor games of the long ago, following which a program was given. Each guest was called on to "speak a piece," and none of their memories failed them.

Mrs. Fox Stripling was asked to read the Eastern Star Bible Chapter, which is the second chapter of Matthew—which tells of the finding of the Bethlehem Star.

Just here, Mrs. Baggett opened folding doors and told the guests to go into this dark room and find the star. It was seen over in one corner of the room, and because of its beautifully tinzeled appearance it guided the guests to this particular corner. Here they found "the Child in the Manger," constructed almost perfectly in every detail.

On the opposite side of the room stood a big Christmas tree, effectively decorated in brilliantly colored ornaments, and filled with attractively wrapped packages, and bags of nuts and candy.

The little folks were given their nuts and candy to eat, and each one of them received a lovely pair of hand-embroidered pillow cases, the gift of the hostess to each of her sub-officers.

Dainty sandwiches and hot chocolate were served to some twenty guests.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ward were honor guests at this affair, Mrs. Ward at one time being the Worthy Grand Matron of Texas.

Merited praise is due Mrs. Baggett for this thoroughly delightful party and the unique manner in which it was planned.

Two tables of players contested for high score, Mrs. Wm. Battle being the lucky winner at the close of play.

A dainty luncheon served as a delightful aftermath to the play.

WEDNESDAY BRIDGE CLUB

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A pretty scene was provided wherein the tables were arranged for the playing of a series of games. Mrs. Jim Terry made the distinction of winning high score, and Mrs. R. Richardson made visitors high score.

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An informal reception was held from eight until eight-thirty, while the guests assembled, and mingled together exchanging greetings and friendly conversation. At 8:30, the one hundred and fifty guests present found places at the attractively laid banquet table where a three-course dinner was served. The menu was as follows:

PIONEER BRIDGE CLUB

Various emblems of Christmas were combined effectively decorating the rooms of the Harry Hurt Home on Wednesday afternoon when members of the Pioneer Bridge club were guests.

Three tables of players were present and one guest, Mrs. J. C. Hurt, who took the place of an absent member. In the afternoon play the honor of club top score was won by Mrs. R. C. Strain.

Beautiful table decorations were used at the refreshment hour. Prettily bedecked Christmas trees, in miniature centered each table, and dainty covers were spread on the tables. A delectable luncheon, carrying out the Christmas color theme was served to the twelve guests, each one receiving a pretty Yuletide favor.

ENTRE NOUS CLUB

Mrs. W. F. Cushing was hostess to members of the Entre Nous club on Wednesday afternoon, at which time two tables of players were guests. Mrs. E. H. Happel was the lucky winner of club high score in the afternoon play, and Mrs. G. L. Wilke made visitors high score.

At refreshment time a delicious two course luncheon featuring the Christmas colors, red, green and white was served. Dainty Christmas candles were also passed.

1922 BRIDGE CLUB

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The Shortest Road to Satisfaction

The distance from where your car is now to where our Service Station is located—is the shortest road to lubricating satisfaction. Consult with us—and let us recommend exactly the grade of Sinclair Opaline Motor Oil you should use in your car.

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Phone 199 — Big Spring, Texas

Turkey and Gravy
Plain and Oyster Dressing
Cranberry Jelly English Peas
Parker House Rolls
Fruit Salad
Coffee Pumpkin Pie Cocoa

The Gully & Robinson Cafe was in charge of the kitchen service, and the meal was excellently prepared and served. This force of caterers always endeavor to do their very best to please, when they contract to serve, and they were certainly up to the mark in preparing and serving this menu.

Following the banquet, the guests assembled in the dance hall, where beautiful music and informal friendliness of an open house held sway. The Blue Melody Boys furnished the dance music, and those desiring to "trip the light fantastic" were afforded this pleasure from 9:30 until 12:30. Many couples thronged the floor through these hours.

This affair proved to be so thoroughly delightful to the members and their families that they agreed to hold similar entertainments at regular intervals.

I. B. Cauble left Wednesday night for Fort Worth in charge of two cars of choice fat cattle which are to help supply the Christmas beef trade of that market.

Stationery... A price and size to suit all.... Cunningham & Phillips.

Herald Want Ads get results.

Blue B Wedding

The romantic Texas is beautifully carved on Blue Wedding Ring design is original appropriate 18K white gold WILK Jewelry & Optician Big Spring

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No communities and few homes have enough home grown fruit.

Peaches, Plums, Pears, Figs, Nectarines, Pecans, Jujubes, Berries, and other fruits.

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Evergreens, Flowering Shrubs, Roses, Hardy Climate-proof Native Shrubs and other ornamentals.

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Big Spring, Texas

Frank Rutherford and Jim Winslow left the first of the week for Los Angeles.

Wastepaper baskets, Keen ones, Cunningham & Phillips.

Buy your Christmas gifts at Smith's "M" System, advertisement

J. T. Glass and family of Sterling county were shopping here last Saturday.

Silk shade floor lamps, Fifteen dollars, Cunningham & Phillips

See our useful Gifts of Hardware. RIX'S.

WE MUST HAVE MORE WATER

The water situation in Abilene is much more serious than the average citizen realizes. He doesn't realize it, because he hasn't visited Lake Abilene lately and seen the rapid decline of the water level there.

To all practical purposes, Abilene is confronted by a water problem every bit as serious as that which confronted her before Lake Abilene was built. The big increase in population is responsible for that.

The situation demands immediate action. An election should be held at the earliest possible time and funds provided for the construction of additional storage facilities. Cedar Creek, on which a splendid dam site is owned by the city, should be dammed and provisions made to use the water to tide the city over any possible shortage. Vast quantities of water flow freely down Cedar creek, and a dam built on it would soon fill from seasonable rains. It would only be necessary to build a short pipe line to connect this lake up with the filtration plant to be built southwest of the city.

We believe the people will vote overwhelmingly in favor of the proposal to provide additional water supply. Let us not wait until the city suffers from actual water shortage. Let us get busy at once and insure against that undesirable and disastrous contingency. Abilene Reporter.

Abilene folks and most everybody in Texas thought Abilene's water troubles were over for many years to come when they built the dam at Buffalo Gap and secured a great water supply. This goes to prove that a growing town can't provide too great a water supply. While Big Spring is mighty fortunate as to her water supply we are going to have to develop a greater supply if the old town doubles in population.

LIVING ROOM SUITES

Though you may not be in the market just now it might be well for you to call and see what beautiful suites we can sell you at reasonable prices. Phone 141. W. R. PURSER & SONS.

READ THIS AND SEE IF YOU HAVE FORGOTTEN ANYTHING

Austin, Texas.—Is your Christmas shopping finished? Did you buy the pretty platinum bar pin for Mother that she so much wanted and the extra fine fountain pen for Father?

Is little Betty to have the finest doll ever, and will Bobby waken to find a small motor car so much like Father's that he will look for the real gas tank? Is Santa's pack all ready so that he will have no trouble getting down the city chimneys?

If you have finished your gift getting there may be one thing you have forgotten. Have you purchased some of the Tuberculosis Christmas Seals that are sold by the Texas Public Health Association to secure funds to carry on the fight against tuberculosis, the disease that is so rapidly spread and which reaps such large harvests each year.

The money raised by the sale of seals will be used in 1925 to fight preventable diseases, especially tuberculosis. Unsold seals save no lives and the larger the sale the more effective will be the health work of this organization during the coming year.

FRESH HOMEMADE CANDY

Peanut brittle, peco flake divinity nougat, caramel pecan brittle, divinity; 40c, 50c, 60c per pound. CHOCOLATE SHOPPE.

THANKS

The Home Economics club wishes to thank everybody who helped make their Gift Shop a success, the people of Big Spring for their liberal patronage, Mr. Smith for the space in his store and his able assistance in helping us arrange our display, the Rix Furniture & Undertaking Co. for the furniture used, and the Herald for advertising. About \$55 was cleared, which will be used to help defray the expenses of delegates to the State Clothing Contest at Beaumont. Of course we must have a much larger sum than this, and we are planning other means of raising it.

In order to celebrate our success of the past week, we have decided to go on a picnic as soon as the weather conditions will permit.

Reporter.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS!

Carnations and Roses, two dollars per dozen. Phone 329 or see MRS. DOVE COUCH.

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Valuable Gifts

Buy something USEFUL for any member of the family or friends. Here are a few timely suggestions

For men, we suggest a Stadium Suit, and Overcoat, a Tom Wye Sweater, a Signal Blouse Shirt, silk and wool socks, gloves, hats, neckwear, a box of handkerchiefs, a pair of Nettleton shoes, house slippers, suit cases, hand bags.

We have the very newest in ladies footwear and are receiving shipments every week. Also have a full line of House Slippers for men, women and children.

In our hosiery department we have the various colors in silk, silk and wool. See our bath robes.

Everything is marked plain and at low cash prices in keeping with our rule of business of small profits and quick turn.

WE CORDIALLY INVITE ALL TO COME IN AND GET YOUR MONEY'S WORTH AT

A. P. McDonald & Co

SIGNALS OF SERVICE

YOU'VE noticed the lines of telephone poles you speeded by on trains or in automobiles. These communication lines which stretch along the roads, streets, and alleys are the outstanding signs of the little-seen service you so greatly depend upon to make your home and business what it is today.

Holes alone represent a big investment in your behalf. Place end to end the poles dug telephone poles would make a tube reaching to a distant planet.

Then there are the cross-arms, the wires, insulators. Add to these visible signals of telephone service the expensive intricate equipment that is back of the receiver and total investment reaches a big figure. Yet cost to the average family for telephone service is insignificant compared with the value received and the investment involved.

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PROGRAM FOR DECEMBER 20

Meets at 6:30 p. m.
Topic: Why Is Christmas a Time of Joy?
Leader—Lola Owen.
Song: Joy to the World.
Christmas Story—Bro. Ruth.
Song: Creath-Goodwin.
Sentence prayer—Mrs. Ruth - Mildred.
Suggestive questions—Ida Mae Haller.
Piano Solo—Mildred Creath
Song: All Hail the Power of Jesus Name.
Benediction.

Kodaks...A complete line of Eastmans...Cunningham & Phillips.

Miss Lelyne Rogers spent the week-end in Stanton, with homefolks

ST. MARY'S

501 Runnels
RECTOR, FRANK
Services for the
In Advent.
9:45 a. m. Church
11 a. m. Sermon
union. Subject:
His Work.
7:30 p. m. Evening
sermon. Subject:
tion for Christmas.
The Rector hopes
who belong to this
church on Sunday
matter of business to
Celebration of the
ion Christmas eve at
All are welcome.

Two wrist watches
Come in and let's
Cunningham & Phillips

Shop At Night

CUNNINGHAM & PHILIPS
IN BUSINESS FOR YOUR HEALTH

Shop At Night

The Big Sale Continues

IN FULL SWING

has been one of the best in the history of our store and our friends and patrons are indeed pleased with the wonderful bargains that we offered. That others may learn it Pays to Pay Cash at our store we have decided to continue this GREAT BARGAIN EVENT.

Many Articles Suitable For Christmas Giving

now offered to you at a wonderful saving. Come—look them over. You will find something suitable for every member of the family. You can't beat these sensible gifts—in quality or price—anywhere in Texas.

Ladies fine coats from.....\$8.98 to \$43.85
Ladies coat suits, from.....\$6.85 to \$12.85
Ladies dresses, from.....\$4.98 to \$22.95
Ladies silk jersey bloomers.....\$2.89
Ladies \$1.50 Humming Bird silk hose.....\$1.29
Ladies finest shoes, at lowest prices ever known
Ladies Christmas handkerchiefs, some real bargain.
Ladies sweaters at big reductions.
Misses wool dresses.....\$4.49 to \$14.98
Childrens wool dresses.....\$4.19 to \$6.98
Childrens shoes, at great reduction.
Prices on Blankets and Comforts slashed to the bottom.

Hats and caps at practically your own price.
Mens fine suits, from.....\$15.98 up
Mens overcoats.....\$14.98 to \$27.98
Mens fine sweaters.....\$1.19 to \$5.49
Mens shirts.....\$1.19 to \$2.89
Men ties, 75c to \$1.50, now.....49c to \$1.19
Mens \$2.50 dress gloves, now.....\$1.98
Mens 65c pure silk sox, now.....49c
Mens handkerchiefs a big assortment at low price.
Boys knee pant suits with two pair pants, sold up to \$15.00, choice.....\$6.98
Long-pant suits, at big reduction.

entire stock is at your disposal—all goods plainly marked so it is easy for you to select just what you want.

Prices Never Will Be As Cheap Again

take advantage of this opportunity. We have decided to reduce our stock regardless of price and all who attend this sale will save money.

Come, See and You Will Buy

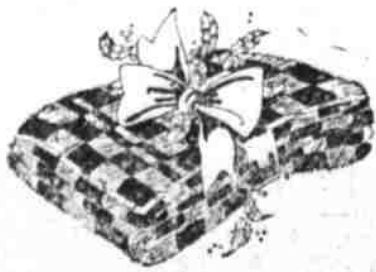
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BIG SPRING, TEXAS

THE STORE OF HOLIDAY CHEER

ONLY 6 MORE DAYS TO DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

Your Packages
Wrapped
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Gifts for the Home A Fleecy Blanket

BOOK ENDS FRUIT BOWLS
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HAND-PAINTED
PAPER BASKETS
SILVERWARE FOREIGN POTTERY

Mottoes for the Home

MOTHER SWEETHEART
FRIENDS GIRLS
and many other writings from famous
authors.



Gay Kerchiefs

Handkerchiefs are a lovely gift and no matter how many one may have another is always appreciated and here there is a host of them to select from—they are sure to please.

19c to \$3.50



Hanson Dress and Driving GLOVES

Serviceable dress and driving gloves of capeskin, kid, suede and buckskin, unlined and lined, with silk, wool, and fur. Driving gloves may be had with or without gauntlets.

\$1.25 to \$7.50

An
Overcoat
or
Suit
from
AMFCo.

A Stetson
Sweaters
Lumber
Jacks
Sweater
Vests

Gifts Women Adore

Ribbon
Novel-
ties
— in a
hundred
different
kinds
and
colors



Silk
Under-
things
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Vests
Teds
Gowns

Remember Her With A ROBE OR NEGLIGEE

A lovely negligee or robe is so feminine a thing that every lover of beauty and what woman isn't? would rejoice at such a gift. There's beauty of alluring fabrics to delight her; glistening silks and changeable taffeta; supple crepe and deep-piled corduroy. There's beauty of color and beauty of exquisite trimmings. You can't help but please her, if you remember her at Christmas with a Robe or Negligee.

\$7.50 to \$25.00

Wardrobe
Trunks
Week-end
Cases



Hat Boxes
Hand Bags
Fitted
Cases

Give Luggage to Those Who Travel

YOU can do all your Christmas shopping in the Luggage Section with delight to everyone on your list. Week-end cases, Hand bags, Suit cases, Wardrobe trunks, Fitted cases and Hat boxes.

For His Gift DISTINCTIVE SHIRTS

From Manhattan

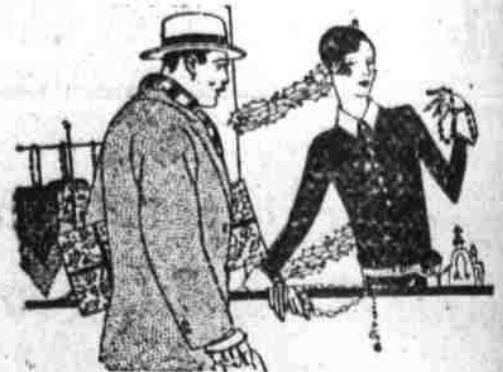
THESE shirts from Manhattan were bought especially for those who want to give a shirt to "him." Shirts of the newest colors both solid white and fancy colors of broadcloth, percale, madras, and silk mixtures. In neck-band and collar attached styles, sizes 14 to 19 in all sleeve lengths. Packed in attractive gift boxes.

\$2.50 to \$4.00

THANK YOU! MR. SANTA CLAUS

that's a gift worth while - - because
it came from

Gifts from
All Corners of
The Globe



To the Man Who Has Womens Gifts to select

Perhaps there are several feminine names on your list... not only mother and sisters, but a sweetheart. To know just what women like most, as well as what a man may appropriately give them is sometimes a puzzle, but here you will find the solution to all gift problems.

PERFUME VANITY BOX
HAND TOOLED CHIFFON
BAGS HOSIERY

NOVELTY
HANDKERCHIEFS
LINEN TOILET SET
BATH SALTS PERFUME BOTTLES

A Delightful Place to Choose Beautiful
Gifts for Every Member of the Family
A. M. F. Co. GIFT SHOP



Perfume Specialties Beautifully Boxed

from Richard Hudnut, Elmo, Azures and Cotys. The gift of perfume with their captivating and enduring fragrance is always accepted and appreciated all ways a tasteful and correct gift.

50c to \$12.50

Pajamas
Bath Robes
Smoking
Jacket
Muffler
Traveling
Set.



For the
Golfer:
Sweater
and
Sock Sets

Bordered and Initialed Handkerchiefs

Of linen, pongee, and fine cambric in plain white, with colored initial, colors with dark colored borders and white linen with a dainty stripe around border. Packed in gift boxes.

25c to \$1.00

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Albert M. Fisher Co.

We
Deliver

XXI No. 14

By T. E. Jordan

C. T. Watson of Lamesa was a visitor here last Saturday.

EXTRA SPECIAL Big Turkey Dinner

Sunday, Dec. 20th

From 12:15 to 2:00 P. M. and from
6:30 to 8:00 P. M.

Bobby Miller Orchestra to
Furnish Musical Program.

Gulley & Robinson's Cafe

DON'T MISS THIS!
You'll Regret It If You Do.

DANDRUFF
CAUSES THE HAIR TO FALL OUT—
AND THE HEAD TO BECOME BALD

Don't Scratch!

Dandruff is a germ disease and known as a scalp form of Tetter or Eczema. This microbe lives on the oily substance of the skin and robs the hair of its proper nourishment, causing it to fall out and the head to become bald. Get rid of dandruff before it is too late. Wash the scalp well with hot water and soap, dry with a soft towel and apply Hooper's Tetter-Rem (Don't Scratch), rubbing it in well. Then steam the head with hot towels. Ask your barber for Hooper's Tetter-Rem scalp treatments. Hooper's Tetter-Rem is positively guaranteed for all scalp and skin diseases. Two sizes 75c and \$1.50. Sold and guaranteed by

CUNNINGHAM & PHILIPS.

E. H. JOSEY BUILDER

of
"BETTER HOMES"

Alterations
and Repairs

PHONE 50

SPECTACLES AND EYE GLASSES
We sell 'em for less, and guarantee to please. GEO. L. WILKE, Registered Optician.

Jim Ingram of Fort Worth, representing the National Supply Company, was a business visitor here the latter part of last week. If oil development continues steadily this company may decide to establish a supply house at Big Spring.

Only five more shopping days until Christmas. You must get a move on if you expect to finish that Christmas shopping before Christmas eve. Every day you delay merely adds to your worries.

C. D. Ambrose of San Angelo, who is field man for the Dallas News and Semi-Weekly Farm News in West Texas, was a business visitor here Monday.

Misses Agnes and Nettie Arnold are here from Fort Worth, where they attend a business college, to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Arnold.

John Hatch arrived Sunday from Waco where he attends Baylor University to spend the holiday vacation with relatives in this city.

If we hit while the iron is hot it is possible to secure the location of a cotton mill at Big Spring.

The less a man's time is worth the faster he drives his car. — The Atlantic Seal.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Vickers of Midland were visitors here last Saturday.

Fountain pens and sets.....
Cunningham & Phillips.

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There are too many folks trying to get by without working. All this petty pilfering that is now going on in our county can be attributed to folks who had rather steal than work. A term in the penitentiary for a few of them may put an end to this stealing.

It's almost too late to do your Christmas shopping early but it is possible to do this shopping within the next day or so rather than put it off until Christmas eve when everyone is about worn out due to this last minute shopping rush.

Quite a few of our farmers have about decided it is rank foolishness to plant so much cotton and so much feed. You will find that a greater acreage will be planted to feed crops in old Howard county next year.

Big Spring hunters seem to have been quite lucky this season as every hunting party that has gone into the wilds since the hunting season opened report plenty of big game brought down.

Jno. W. Curtis, Milton Broughton and Ches Anderson returned Saturday night from a hunting trip on the San Saba. They went after squirrels and they certainly did bring home the bacon and likewise the squirrels.

REWARD FOR LOST BOOK
The Book "The Flying U Ranch" was lost somewhere in Big Spring, last Saturday night. A reward will be paid for return of same to J. D. Biles Drug Store. 1tpd

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PLANTING FOR THE FUTURE

The young man seldom plants pecan trees.

He can not wait; he is impatient for results.

The old man knows that he will not gather their note, but his children and his children's children will, so he plans and plants for the days when he will be no more.

It is a very interesting fact that the heaviest bearers among pecan trees are those in yards. Two or three old trees in yards and around the barn frequently make yields that are astonishing. The back yard can be made very profitable in the years to come. And the years roll by with astonishing rapidity as we grow older.

A yield of 40 to 60 lbs. by the time such trees are ten or twelve years old it is not uncommon. Generally it is higher than that of trees in the orchard, though yields that will pay may be expected by the time trees reach such an age, and until they do the land can be made to pay by use for other crops.

Over more than half the state the pecan tree can be made to flourish and pay in the orchard. If given proper care and cultivation. Over most of the state the tree planted about the house and barn will pay. Not only will it pay in due time, but it is one of the very finest shade trees that can be grown.

Do not let the tree planting season go by without planting a few pecan trees if you have a place where they will grow with reasonable care and cultivation. — Southland Farmer.

FRESH HOMEMADE CANDY

Peanut brittle, peco flake divinity nougat, caramel pecan brittle, divinity, 40c, 50c, 60c per pound. CHOCOLATE SHOPPE.

GOOD COTTON SEED

FOR PLANTING WANTED

We are receiving many inquiries about good planting seed. We have a list of the Registered Cotton Seed Breeders, but they have only enough cotton seed to plant a very small acreage, and the greater part of next year's crop will have to be planted from "field run" seed. We would like to have the name and address of those who have real good sound "field run" seed, and the amount and variety of such seed, so we can advise the public where such seed may be found.

Farmers having such seed for sale should send their name and address and the kind and amount of seed for sale to the State Department of Agriculture, and we will advertise them in the Market Bulletin.

WRIST WATCHES — the finest line ever seen in Big Spring—40 to select from, at prices from \$4.00 to \$75.00. See our \$30.00 special—it's a humdinger—equal to any \$45.00 watch. WILKE'S Jewelry & Optical Shop.

SHOES & HARNESS REPAIRED
I am now prepared to repair shoes, harness, etc. Prompt work and satisfaction guaranteed. The Electric Shoe Shop, J. T. McCrary, Proprietor, On West First Street, just east of Herald office. 13-3

Many a land owner and farmer who had only a few dollars coming after the expense of rent, picking and ginning had been deducted from the proceeds of the sale of a bale of cotton must admit that a feed crop on the land that produced the cotton would have been a better paying investment. This past year should afford sufficient warning of the danger of going the cotton game too strong.

All our ladies Wrist Watches are guaranteed to give satisfaction or your money back. Clyde Fox.

E. W. Douthitt was in last Friday from his ranch twenty-five miles southeast of Big Spring. E. W. states that the big oil companies are quite active in securing oil leases in his territory since the Hyer and Deep Rock tests have made a noise like oil wells.

Ivory Sets \$15 to \$50. See these while the line is complete. Clyde Fox.

Planting a few trees around the home is money well invested. One or two fine trees near the home certainly adds to the attractiveness as well as to the value of the property.



Hardware for Christmas Gifts

is practical, thoughtful and will be much appreciated
We are showing a beautiful assortment of Queensware, in plain or decorated patterns, that will be useful and ornamental

Glassware
Silverware
Cutlery
Percolators
Lamps
Crocery
Pottery
Pyrex cooking and serving dishes.
Heating toves
Guns
Knives
Razors

Winchester tools will make a pleasing gift for the man or boy with a mechanical bent--

Axes
Saws
Hammers
Hatchets
Squares
Planes
Brace and Bits

LET US SHOW YOU TO-DAY

1882 J. & W. FISHER 1925
The Store That Quality Built

GENTS WATCHES
A watch to suit every purse. WILKE'S.

Our schools have had a big attendance during the successful term just closed and a much larger attendance is anticipated when our schools reopen on December 28. A fine year's work is ahead for our school.

Spectacles and eyeglasses are cheaper at WILKE'S than anywhere else in town.—advertisement.

C. E. Yarnell attended the annual meeting of the West Texas Laundry Owners Association at San Angelo on Wednesday and Thursday of last week. Sweetwater was selected as the place for holding the next annual convention.

The work of laying the twenty blocks of paving in our city will be completed during the dullest season of the year and will not seriously interrupt or inconvenience the transaction of business in our city. The real work is expected to start about February.

The Texas & Pacific railway company's next big job is the extending of their side tracks all along the system. With the big new engines they will be handling trains more than a mile long and they are going to be compelled to arrange for switches to park such trains, at meeting points.

One hundred and twenty-five Mexicans who had been picking cotton in this section loaded up their jitneys with groceries and other supplies here Saturday before starting for Del Rio, Laredo and other points on the Mexican border. Most of them stated they would return to Howard county next fall to pick cotton.

NOTICE OF CONSTABLE SALE
STATE OF TEXAS
County of Howard
In the District Court of Howard County Texas

W. F. White, plaintiff, vs Houston Bostic, defendant. Whereas by virtue of an execution issued out of the District Court of Howard County, Texas, on a judgment in said Court on the 22nd day of September A. D. 1925, in favor of the said W. F. White and against the said Houston Bostic, No. 970 on the docket of said court, I did on the 28th day of November A. D. 1925 at ten o'clock A. M. levy upon the following described tract and parcel of land situated in Howard county, Texas, the same being the land upon which plaintiff W. F. White, claims to have a Mechanics Lien, the same being the North Half (N. 1-2) of lot No. 3, in block No. 12, in the town of Ackery in Howard county, Texas, and on the 5th day of January, 1926, being the first Tuesday of said month between the hours of Ten O'Clock A. M. and Four O'Clock P. M. on said day, at the court house door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash all the right title and interest of the said Houston Bostic, the defendant in this case in and to said property. Dated at Big Spring, Texas, this 28th day of November A. D. 1925 A. S. SMITH, Constable of Precinct No. 1, Howard County, Texas. 12-3

From the great number of petty thefts that are being reported in our city it is going to be necessary to go to extra trouble to round up this gang of thieves. Auto owners seem to be the main sufferers from these cheap crooks.

Spectacles and eyeglasses are cheaper at WILKE'S than anywhere else in town.—advertisement.

J. A. Davis of Lamesa was here the latter part of last week for a visit with his brother, Wiley Davis and family.

R. C. Sanderson returned last Saturday from a visit in Fort Worth.

R and R LY

Monday - Tuesday
DEC. 21 - 22



Don't Miss

We have 6 or 8 Ford cars for sale—very suitable to make. Priced to sell. Wolcott

The rabbit drives last year worth the money as very damage was charged to past season.

A complete line of Xmas boxes. Clyde Fox

Croup remedy.....
Cunningham & Phillips.

Shop at night when everybody has time---see what we have and be surprised

CUNNINGHAM AND PHILIPS
IN BUSINESS FOR YOUR HEALTH

A Tremendous Price Reduction

On January 7th, 1926

DODGE BROTHERS, Inc.,

will announce a tremendous reduction in the prices of their complete line of motor cars

These reductions will apply on all cars bought after midnight Dec. 15th, 1925.

When the new prices are made known on Jan. 7th, the full amount of the reduction will be immediately refunded to all purchasers since Dec. 15.

These revolutionary reductions are made possible by a recently completed \$10,000,000 expansion program---new buildings and equipment that will nearly double the capacity of DODGE BROTHERS factories in 1926.

There is no change in the policies upon which Dodge Brothers established their leadership eleven years ago---the policy of constant improvement without yearly models.

W. W. CRENSHAW

Dealer In DODGE BROTHERS Motor Cars

BIG SPRING, TEXAS

The Official Wall-Flower

By MARTHA M. WILLIAMS

(Copyright.)

"I ADORE your name—Griselda! So romantic, you know," Mrs. Taber gushed.

Griselda was tall, and a model of classic lengths. Almost brusquely she answered: "I wish you had it. I hate it! Such a misfit!"

"Even tall girls are not licensed to tell—tarradiddles," Joe Banks said behind her, making believe to tiptoe so as to look over her shoulder.

"Go away! You tease!" Mrs. Taber bubbled. "I have to make friends with this goddess-like person. You already know her."

"Like my spellin' book—or even better," Joe retorted with a pretense of frowning. "That's why I called her bluff. She's been waiting ever since spring for me to propose."

"Why don't you do it, and have it over?" Griselda demanded fiercely.

"Fraid to—fraid you'll say no in several tones of voice—and I'm never going to cut myself off from—the best cooking in the county."

"Ax falls right here," Griselda tried to speak loftily, but giggled in spite of herself. "From this date," she went on, "you feel—otherwhere."

"Come away with me. I mustn't let you two bad children quarrel," Mrs. Taber interposed, making to lead Joseph away. He shook a stubborn head. Leading Griselda toward the sole armchair left in the big room, gently but firmly he seated her in it, then raising a mellow voice said: "Know all men—and women—by these presents, Miss Griselda Lacy duly appointed, will serve as Official Wall Flower until we go out to supper. Nobody must even look love at her. As for talkin' it—that means shootin' at sunrise!"

Griselda settled herself luxuriously in the big chair, yawning elaborately—behind her fan but everybody saw—then closed her eyes for almost two minutes, albeit wild to see Joe's next move. She had no fear for him—he was as canny as he was rash. Mrs. Taber was an open book to him—a huntress on the trail. This though her weeds were not even past their freshness. New mourning of course made it dreadfully bad form for her to be at a dance—even the wholly informal one improvised after the Fancher dinner. Sole outsider in a gang of twenty, she was naturally taken under advisement. In spite of the new blacks, she feigned no grief for the husband who had died suddenly by way of climax to the smash that left her on the edge of poverty.

"Object, matrimony!" exhaled from her like a perfume—with Joe Banks preferred. Oddly the other women saw without resenting it. She was the vessel of vengeance for Joe's abject enthrallment with that high-mightful Griselda Lacy—who would neither take nor leave him. Serve her quite right for the Taber woman to carry him off right under her nose. Griselda, keenly sensitive, felt their attitude, but gave no sign. Suddenly she realized Joe was the center of her own.

They had grown up together, friends from the era of mud pies, and marbles. Spiritually she had made herself an Official Wall Flower—how would it seem to be that way to the end? She had loved her freedom fiercely. Suddenly there came flooding a bitter sense of what she was risking—loneliness to the end of her days. Well as Joe loved her, he was man and mortal—moreover music was after a sort his passion. Though he did not plead his need of her to brighten it, she knew well how he craved to see her its mistress.

He was as patient as loving—but all patience has ending. She stared across the room at him, leaning upon the piano, beckoning Mrs. Taber to seat herself upon the stool. The dancers were disputing the what, and how, and wherefore, of getting home through sudden heavy rain. Sliverly above the babble, shaming it to silence came the sound of "Liddle"—Mrs. Taber sang it as though inspired. It suited her voice—and some inner sense filtered through it in poignant appeal. Joe stood suddenly very straight, swallowing hard. Griselda, after one look, turned away her eyes. Tumult possessed her—suppose—the song went home. It was clearly aimed at him—and might well move a harder heart. Suppose he put her away forever—outer darkness would be no name for that. She dared not raise her eyes until welling applause followed the last clear note.

Would Joe forget her? He could hardly in decent courtesy fail to take the singer who had given such pleasure out to supper. Griselda said so to herself, sitting statue-still, calm on the surface but riotous within.

"Come on! All hands! Don't wait for anything," Mary Morgan, the hostess, called merrily from the hall. Pattering footsteps made a blur of sound—startled Griselda looked up in time to see Joe, his eyes shining, a coy smile on his face, coming toward her and saying clearly: "Comin', Mary, soon as I pick the Official Wall Flower," to which person he added under breath as he raised her to her feet: "I hope to wear her on my breast for life." Griselda's answer was the silence of consent.

Cause and Effect

Brown—Your daughter tells me that your wife is having her voice cultivated.

Braine—Yes? And did she tell you that the rest of us were growling wild?

Sunbonnets and Prue

By CLARISSA MACKIE

(Copyright.)

THOMAS DEMEREST was one of those very silent young men who speak only when they have something to say, and his frequent lapses into silence had annoyed the eldest Miss Raymond to the degree of asperity. After an hour in his company Nell Raymond usually declared exhaustion.

"What can he be thinking about all the time?" she asked her assembled family, when their neighbor at Ashley had gone home across the fields.

"Wondering whether your red hair really is an indication of temper, perhaps," grinned her brother Dick.

Nell flushed. "Of course he isn't interested in me," she said, "I really have tried him on every subject under the sun and the only thing he talks about much is the country and farming, and you know how I hate that. Most men are interested in the sea, and I even confided to him my engagement to a naval officer stationed in the Far East, and after a few polite inquiries and murmured congratulations, he asked a question."

"Tell me what he said—quick—the suspense is terrible!" groaned Dick.

"He asked: 'Why does your sister always wear a sunbonnet?'"

She laughed and Prudence smiled. "The dear ugly old thing," she commented.

"How do you know? You never met him."

"He is fascinatingly homely," said Prue. "What did you tell him about my sunbonnets?"

"I told him you had a delicate skin," said honest Nell.

Dick was holding the door open for his mother. "Very likely Tom believed one of three reasons—that you had ruined your skin with cosmetics—that you had dyed your hair and were letting it grow out in its natural color."

"Pooh!" sniffed Prudence as she followed her mother. "I am going to the garden to pick you some roses, mother—the cinnamon roses are in bud."

"Be sure and put on your sunbonnet, dear," cautioned Mrs. Raymond as she went into her own room for a nap.

"Exit the ugly duckling with the dyed hair and the 'ruined skin,'" called Dick, rushing for his bicycle and his stool in his father's bank in the town. Silence fell upon the Raymond place. The stillness of a June day, when lads like Bob Raymond went fishing or swimming, and flower lovers like Prudence roamed the garden like an adoring bee, bending first over one, and then another blossom, inhaling the sweetness in the plainest flower. Nell and her mother were napping and in the distant kitchen, Hester was sprinkling clothes for the next day's ironing.

Prue and the bees and birds had the garden to themselves. Among the roses, where the ramblers formed arches and arches of colorful beauty, a sweet languor prevailed. Prue's blue-bonneted head bent over the sun-brown nelson roses, and her bright blue smock was like a bit of blue sky. Snip, snip, went the garden scissors, swish, through the grass came the sound of feet. They were very deliberate feet that invaded the privacy of the rose garden.

Prue did not turn around at first. "That you, Dick? Want a posy for your buttonhole?" She selected a lovely bud, drew a pin from somewhere, and turning, stood on tiptoe to pin the bud in the gray flannel cap. But her fingers trembled as she fitted the pin in place, for, too late to remedy it, she remembered that Dick was at the bank by this time, so was her father—her sunbonnet drooped so that only the top of her head was visible to the dark, blunt-featured youth whose brown eyes laughed and whose lips twitched to smile but did not.

"Thank you," he said at last. "I should not have trespassed—no, no, I will keep the flower if you do not mind, Miss Raymond! I will promise not to intrude again without an invitation. I am Tom Demerest from next door."

"How do you do?" said Prudence quite primly. "I have heard my family speak about you. Do you think you are going to like Ashley?" She jerked her sunbonnet down and snipped at the roses in a heedless way. "It is just the place I'm going to like—you may have heard that I am a farmer."

"Don't you love it?" she asked enthusiastically.

"Is that an airplane?" he asked.

Prue threw back her head and the blue sunbonnet dropped off, disclosing the most bewitching head and countenance Tom had ever seen. The blue eyes looked at the blue sky in vain and came back reproachfully to the admiring, satisfied brown ones.

"I just had a feeling you were mighty good to look at, Miss Prudence," he had the impudence to say, but Prue, pink with wrath, retired within her blue bonnet, and it was not until he had talked unceasingly for half an hour, apologizing and humbling himself, that at last she told him that he could keep the rosebud.

That evening Nell put her arms around her sister. "Darling, I am thrilled! How did you make that boy talk? I heard the rumble of his voice for hours."

But the secret was such a sweet one that Prue could only blush and shake her head.



BIG SPRING INSURANCE AGENCY

If you their Line do take
Can furnish a "Christmas Package"
That will save your heart an ache.



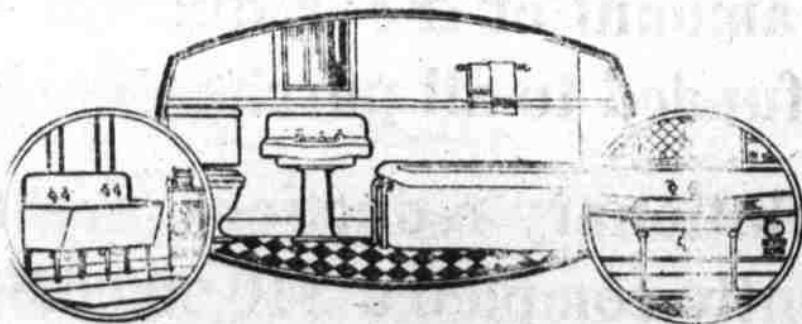
Greeting for the Christmas Season
And a wish for New Year, too,
McDonald and his many clerks
Extend in rhyme to you.



Give "him" at Christmas
Instead of soft House Shoes
Paper from Cunningham and
Phillips'
It's what he would gladly choose.



Longbotham & Goodpaster
Will have you upon your feet,
In time for Holiday Frolic
And good Christmas fare to eat.



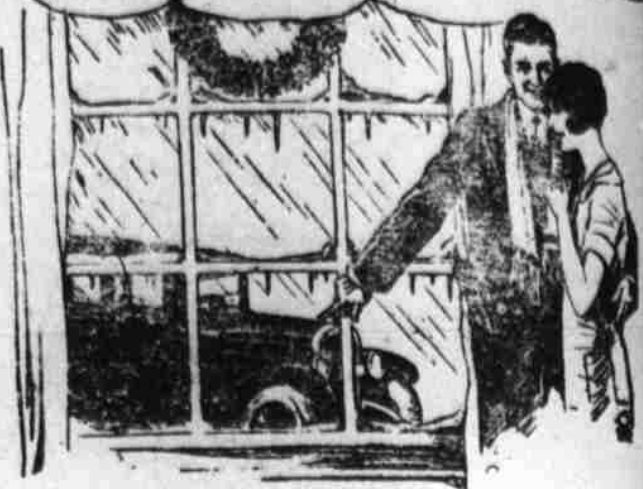
Good Plumbing will add
Christmas comforts galore;
The Man for the Job
Is W. A. GILMOUR



J. D. BILES, DRUGGIST
Has Gifts that hit the Spot.
You almost hear them pleading,
"Christmas giver, pass me not."



Christmas Day would be more cheerful
All the family far more gay,
If you'd take Wife, Son, and Daughter
To GULLEY & ROBINSON CAFE.



The ideal Christmas present,
Pure gold without alloy,
Is a shining New DODGE SEDAN,
'Twill give everlasting joy.



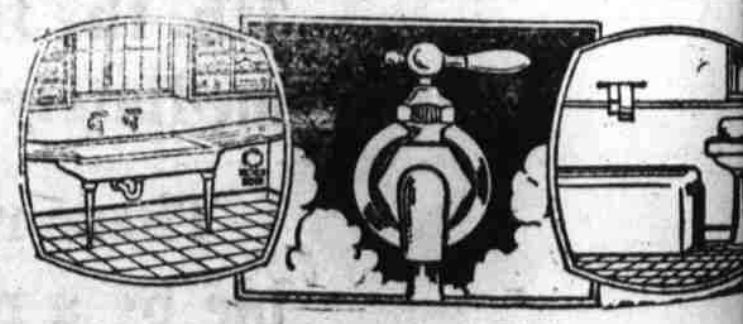
If she's "coming home for Christmas"
Meet her at the train
With a box Dee's "Miss Saylor"
Attaboy! Just use your brain!



Everything to make home happy
In the way of "fancy feeds,"
You will find in great abundance
at Reliable POOL-REED'S.



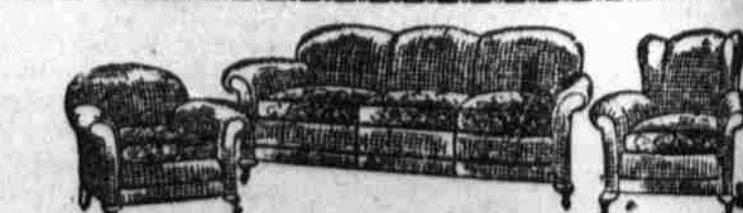
You'll have time for Christmas
reading,
Humorous and wise and sundry
If you'll send the clothes
Loudamy—
And Smith's Electric Laundry.



A job of COLEMAN PLUMBING.
Simple, satisfactory, neat,
Will furnish the entire family
A Christmas most complete.



The HOMAN Filling Station
For Your patronage wish you.
A very Merry Christmas
Glad and Happy New Year, too



A Christmas gift for Mother
That will make her joy complete,
Is at PURSER & SONS this minute!
A handsome Living Room Suite.



Diamond rings and watches
Have charms that never fade.
GEORGE WILKE can supply you
With gifts for man and maid.

Extra Special

CLOSING OUT SALE

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PRICES RANGE FROM

3 cents to 20 cents per
single roll

Many beautiful designs to
select from. Some rare bar-
gains await you.

COME AND SEE

H. H. Hardin
Lumber Co.

Big Spring, Texas



Our
Work
Pleases

This young fel-
low is smiling
because he is
pleased. He lets

CLEANING and PRESSING and
keep from smiling when we bring
home just like new.

WE DELIVER

HARRY LEES

Anything in Tailoring
Big Spring, Texas

Wichita Falls, Texas

Address

Santa Fe engines will not be
changed in Sweetwater in the future.
The engines will make the entire
trip from Temple to Clovis New Mex-
ico. The change, which went into
effect last week, will also abolish
the changing of engines at Brown.

WELL OUT OF THE WAY

Decline of 75,000 in the number of
farms may be accounted for in part
by the fact that some of them were
too poor to support a flivver. Boston
Transcript.

The sedate Transcript is trying to
be funny. But in all seriousness, a
farm that will not support a flivver
has no right to be called a farm, or
to be operated as such. When a
small-town barber shop will support
a flivver for every chair, or the
county seat bank will support a
sedan for every director, surely a
farm worthy of the name, operated
by a farmer who farms, ought at
least to support a flivver.

The moss-covered idea that the
farmer and his family could and
would get along without most of the
conveniences and all of the luxuries,
belongs to a past age. A farm that
will not support a flivver, plenty of
good reading matter, some music, a
comfortable house with labor-saving
equipment, its share of a good
school, and other things above and
beyond a mere existence, ought to be
either made to do so or turned back
to nature.

However, we suspect that in many
cases the fault lies less with the
farm than with the farmer. Certain-
ly much land has been opened up for
farming which is not fitted for farm-
ing, and this operates to the detri-
ment of the entire farming industry.
On the other hand, a farmer with
the energy and ambition to provide
some of these modern conveniences
and pleasures for his family, will
either find a way to make his farm
foot the bill or will find a farm
which will do so.

The sooner the farms which will
not support a flivver are turned back
to grass or timber, or are combined
with others to make efficient pro-
ducing units, the better for all con-
cerned. Nobody likes to see an
abandoned farm, but better more
abandoned farms and fewer farm
families eking out a mere existence
than so many farms which sap the
strength and ambition from those
who try to wrench from them the
components of modern living in rea-
sonable fullness. Farm and Ranch.

MONEY TO LOAN

6 per cent Joint Stock Land Bank
to anyone having the security.
No fees. 33 years time.
5 1-2 per cent Federal Land Bank,
to bona fide Farmers and
Ranchers only. 34 1-2 years
time. Most desirable loan ex-
isting.
6 per cent Rail Road Building
and Loan Ass'n, city property.
8 to 9 per cent land loans, 5 to 10
years, optional features. Char-
les Bald, Kansas City.

If you want short time loans, go
to your Banker; long time loans are
our specialty. We have a million
loaned in this community.

CLYDE E. THOMAS, Agent
West Texas National Bank Building,
Room 4.

WHAT IS SUCCESS?

"Getting along" successfully with
one's neighbors, providing for one's
family, helping to maintain churches
and schools, and putting aside a lit-
tle revenue for sickness or old age,
mean that one is being successful in
life. It isn't necessary to gain dis-
tinction; to do anything spectacu-
lar or heroic; but simply to per-
form from day to day one's own per-
sonal obligations to himself, his
family, and society. It is necessary,
however, that one should have in
mind the goal of daily service and
usefulness in order that one may at-
tain the proper measure of success.
"The ordinary man," as we so com-
monly hear the term used, or "the
ordinary citizen," — industrious,
frugal, honest and sincere — is really
the best type of American citizenship,
and is almost universally admired
and appreciated within the limits of
his acquaintance and his sphere of
activity.

In moralizing with our boys or
girls, and in an endeavor to stimulate
their ambition, we frequently cite the
life of men who have been success-
ful, as we ordinarily use that term.
In business, in professional life, or
in statesmanship. The only advan-
tage which such a life has over the
life of the ordinary business man is
that his activities have been made
known to a wide circle of men and
women, or to society and the public
collectively. I have known many
farmers whose reputation does not
reach beyond their immediate com-
munity; hardworking, industrious
men daily meeting their obligations
of every kind, who typified to my
mind the most successful and desir-
able class of citizenship to be found
in this country. — H. H. Harrington,
in The Progressive Farmer.

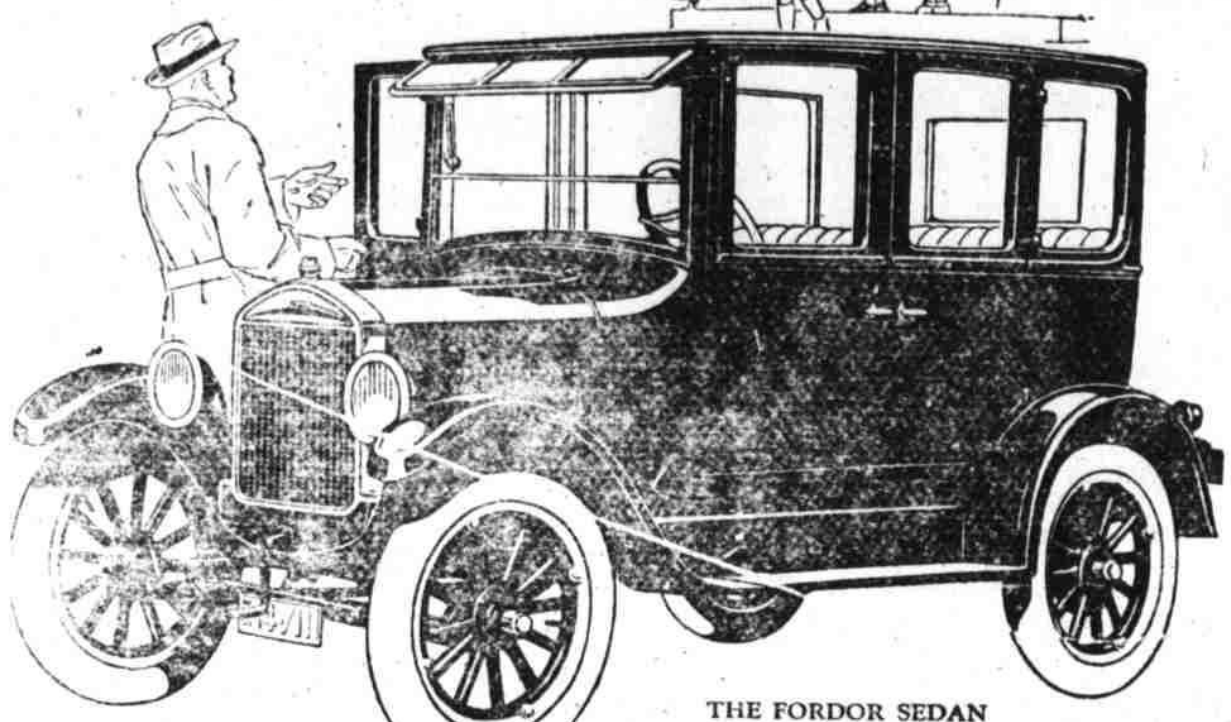
All our ladies' wrist watches are
guaranteed to give satisfaction or
your money back. Clyde Fox.

Ford

Christmas Suggests This Judicious Purchase

The Fordor Sedan is an ideal Christmas gift for
the whole family—an attractive and practical
all-year car. It is finished in deep Windsor
Maroon, with interior upholstery to harmonize.
Nickel radiator, low, deep
seats, wide doors, hooded sun
visor and large fenders. See
this good-looking car at the
salesroom of the nearest Au-
thorized Ford Dealer. Easy
terms gladly arranged.

Ford Motor Company
Detroit, Mich.



THE FORDOR SEDAN

\$660

Runabout \$260 Coupe \$520
Touring Car 290 Tudor Sedan \$580
Closed cars in color. Demountable rims and
starter extra on open cars.
All prices f. o. b. Detroit

EVERY COUNTY NEEDS

A COUNTY AGENT

The Floresville Chronicle-Journal
reports that "Wilson county is now
without the services of a county
agent. This means that the splendid
work which was begun in this county
several years ago by C. W. Leh-
berg, our first county agent, and
carried on so successfully by E. D.
Beck, who succeeded him, has for the
time being, at least, been discon-
tinued."

The Progressive Farmer would
believe its name if it did not regret so
backward a step. Sometimes a
county is unfortunate enough to hire
an inefficient county agent. The
remedy in that case is to get a new
agent, and let the work continue.
But when a county has an efficient
agent, there can be no circumstances
which will even partially justify it
in doing away with county agent
work.

We don't intend to argue the ques-
tion as to whether or not county
agent work is worth while. The
work speaks for itself sufficiently
loud to be heard by all who are will-
ing to listen. It is so well worth
while that there is no county in
Texas so poor financially that it
cannot afford to have a county agent.
In fact, we don't see how any county
can afford not to have one. — The
Progressive Farmer.

NOTICE — NOTICE

To all parties that I hold notes
against and which are due: You will
find at the State National Bank, and
if not paid at once or satisfactory ar-
rangements made I will put them in
an attorney's hands for collection.
This means you. T. H. JOHNSON,
McAllen, Texas. 13-31

HEMSTITCHING 7 1/2c PER YARD.

Am prepared to do hemstitching
for 7 1/2 cents per yard and guarantee
work to be satisfactory in every way.
Workroom opposite postoffice—open
from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m.

A large tract of land is being
leased northwest of Big Spring by
one of the major oil companies. This
same company drilled a deep test,
not a great distance from the land
now being leased, and abandoned

Renew Your Health by Purification

Any physician will tell you that
"Perfect Purification of the Sys-
tem is Nature's foundation of
Perfect Health." Why not rid
yourself of chronic ailments that
are undermining your vitality?
Purify your entire system by tak-
ing a thorough course of Calotabs,
—once or twice a week for several
weeks—and see how Nature re-
wards you with health.

Calotabs are the greatest of all
system purifiers. Get a family
package, containing full direc-
tions, price 35 cts.; trial package,
10 cts. At any drug store. (Adv.)

Most everyone you see will tell you
Big Spring ought to do something
to encourage the oil men to come to
our city to make their headquarters
but they back-off when you ask them
to join in doing something. It's a
lead pipe cinch that it would be
foolish to hang up any inducements
other than supplying first class ac-
commodations, good service, reason-
able charges and show a measure of
cooperation in providing good roads.
The men who are engaged in the oil
game ask no special favors but do
appreciate a square deal. More
hotel accommodations seems the
most pressing need, and this need
will be emphasized when oil develop-
ment advances a little farther. There
will also be a scarcity of office rooms
when one or more oil companies de-
cide to maintain headquarters here.
Land for supply houses and supply
yards should be priced reasonable if
we wish to secure headquarters in
our city. When the selfish owners
begin to get the "big eye" and ask
New York prices the oil men and
others can always find a nearby
town in which the folks are able to
appreciate the worth of cooperation.

FRESH HOMEMADE CANDY

Peanut brittle, pecan flake divinity
nougat, caramel, pecan brittle,
divinity: 40c, 50c, 60c per pound.
CHOCOLATE SHOPPE.

More cotton per acre and better
cotton are among the needs of Texas.

Dr. Campbell

OF ABILENE

Practice limited to the Eye,
Ear, Nose and Throat, and
the fitting of glasses.

In Big Spring every
SATURDAY

DON'T BUY GERMAN BONDS

Don't invest your good dollars in
worthless German bonds. Smooth
bond salesmen are reaping a harvest
by selling such bonds to folks who
hope to get rich on the investment of
a few dollars. Here's one offer
they make—a 10,000,000-mark bond
for \$25. Here's the way it really
works out: \$25 in U. S. coin is
equal to about 101 German gold
marks. Each German gold mark is
equal to 1,000,000,000 paper marks,
or equal to 100 such bonds as are
offered you. For \$25, if those bonds
sell at par, you can purchase 10,100
of the bonds, instead of one bond.
Figure your chances when you pay
\$25 for one bond, assuming the
bonds are worth anything at all. —
Wall Street Iconoclast.

DIAMONDS — DIAMONDS

Beautiful Diamond Rings, at re-
markably low prices; from \$7.50 to
\$350.00. See our \$50.00 special.
It's a jim-dandy. WILKE'S Jew-
elry and Optical Shop.

It looks good to note a number of
modern and substantial homes being
erected on farms in our county. For
a number of years past the county
has developed much faster than this
city. This is better than a boom in
the town.

A big assortment of diamonds.
All prices. A small payment down,
balance easy terms. Clyde Fox.

SPECTACLES — Anything from
50c to \$25.00. We give you a thor-
ough examination, and guarantee a
fit. WILKE, Registered Optometrist.

A complete line of all jewelry on

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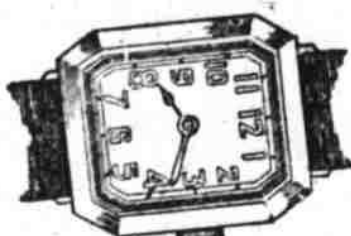
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Watch Repair
and
Engraving



With Clyde Fox J. and D. Company

HOUSE MOVING

Let me figure on moving
your house

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OFFICE IN COURT HOUSE

BIG SPRING, TEXAS

6 o/o - Farm and Ranch Loans - 6 o/o

Pay 3 1/4 per cent every 6 months
and the debt is cancelled in 33 years.
Dallas Joint Stock Land Bank
Correspondent

West Texas National Bank, Big Spring, Texas

Be sure you do not violate the
law by discharging fireworks within
the fire limits of Big Spring. Prop-
erty owners do not care to suffer
unnecessary fire losses and surely
you do not care to pay a fine. If
you must have fireworks, take them
to your home.

It does not help a fellow who is
seeking a loan to advise the banker
or loan company that he has few, or
no cows, hogs, and chickens. These
are the steady income producers on
the farm and farming without their
aid is a risky proposition.

TEXAS INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Houston — Extensive program
launched for improvement of negro
schools.

Wichita Falls — Five completions
in local oil field in one day, reported.

Lamar — A. M. Shores erecting
building to be as Chevrolet sales
room.

During first 8 months of 1925
transportation system of Houston
Electric Co. carried 34,470,708 pas-
sengers, an increase of 1,674,627
compared with the same period in
1924.

Austin — Permit granted New
York Underwriters' Insurance Com-
pany of New York to do business in
Texas.

Panhandle — New street lights to
be installed along Main street.

Cisco — Western Union Telegraph
Co. remodeling local office.

Vernon — Bridge to be erected
across Red River.

Breckenridge — Telephone com-
pany installing 800 additional lines.

Cisco — Moss Gin Company has
signed 2,007 bales cotton, to Novem-
ber 24.

Port Arthur — Sewer work in
Model Addition nearing completion.

Comanche — New federal build-
ing under construction, to cost
\$40,000.

Grand Prairie — Contract let for
drilling new artesian well.

Beeville — Contract awarded for
hard-surfacing 12 miles of highway
from this place to Goliad county line.

Groesbeck — Eight blocks paving
to be laid.

Ft. Hancock — New school near-
ing completion.

Austin — 6.8 miles highway on
Fort Worth-Dallas pike in Tarrant
county, to be widened and recon-
structed.

Black Jack — New ginney to be
built here.

Corsicana — Work started on con-
struction of new Sunday school an-
nex to First Methodist church.

Coahoma — Two-story hotel to be
erected.

Anahuac — Chambers County Pro-
gressive League reorganized.

Brownsville — Cameron county to
build road from this place to the
Gulf at Boca Chica, a distance of 22
miles.

Anahuac — Deep oil struck in
Spindle Top field.

Port Arthur — 5,000 trees to be
planted.

Victoria — Central Power and
Light Co. to expend approximately
\$1,115,000 on projects in Victoria
and vicinity.

Victoria — Central Power and
Light Co. to place wires and cables
in fire district underground, at ex-
pense of \$60,000.

Wichita Falls — American Re-
fining Co. to build new 12-inch
crude oil line to Carson county oil
field.

Panhandle — Post office now
located in new quarters.

Panhandle — Addition being built
to Panhandle bank structure.

Panhandle — Martin J. Jarrett,
owner and manager of Jarrett Fash-
ion Shop in Amarillo, to establish
branch here.

Quannah — Quannah, Acme and
Pacific Railway filling in roadbed at
Canyon Diablo.

Beaumont — Standard Oil Com-
pany purchases 200-acre tract ad-
joining site of Magnolia Petroleum
Company, for consideration of \$250,-
000.

Dallas — \$1,000,000 auditorium to
be built on southwest corner Lamar
and Commerce streets.

Edom — Carl Foster has gathered
26 bales from 18 acres this season.

Lockhart — Erection of \$60,000
auditorium planned.

Boise — New hotel under con-
struction.

Fort Worth — \$7,559,000 bond
issue voted for civic improvements.

Wellington — Farmers organize to
buy Reynolds & House gin.

Del Rio — Operations resumed on
East Del Rio wildcat well.

Haskell — \$50,000 hotel under
construction.

Fort Worth — Work started on
widening and resurfacing gap in
Fort Worth-Dallas pike.

Mexia — J. K. Hughes, Lions Club
and Rotary club will build modern
radio broadcasting station.

Byers — 1925 pecan crop esti-
mated worth \$12,000.

Breckenridge — Texas Carbon In-
dustry to establish \$250,000 carbon
black plant four miles south of here.

Texarkana — Plans approved for
construction of \$1,000,000 Union
passenger station.

Dublin — Dublin Poultry Club to
hold show January 8-9.

Port Arthur — Bids to be received
for construction of 60,000,000-
gallon capacity reservoir.

Beaumont — County purchases
grader and tractor for road work.

Port Arthur — Neches river from
Bland's Bend to Beaumont wharves,
to be deepened.

San Antonio — Employment con-
ditions favorable.

CHURCHES

CHURCH OF CHRIST TABERNACLE

207 West Fourth Street
HOMER DAVIS, Preacher
Res. 211 West 4th St., Phone 139
Bible School 9:45 a. m.
Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.
Tuesday 4 p. m. Ladies Bible
Study.
Thursday 7:15 p. m. Bible Study.
Come hear the Gospel in the large
dirt floor Tabernacle.

E. THIRD ST. BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner East Third and Goliad Streets
REV. D. G. WELLS, Pastor
Services each Sunday.
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. M. H.
Morrison, Superintendent.
Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
B. Y. P. U. 6:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting each Wednesday
night.
A welcome awaits you.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner Main and Sixth Streets
D. H. HEARD, Pastor
Res. 1411 Scurry Street
Phones: Res. 492; church 460
Services Each Sunday
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.
Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.
Mid-week service Wed. 8 p. m.
Women meet each Monday, 3:30.
Strangers especially invited.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Corner Main and Fifth Street
R. L. OWEN, Pastor
Phone 359
Services each Sabbath, except the
third.
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship 11 o'clock.
Evening worship 8 o'clock.
Mid-week service, 8 p. m. Wed.
A glad-hand welcomes YOU.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

W. C. HINDS, Pastor
Residence 404 Scurry Street
Phone 342
Sunday services:
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.
Epworth League 7 p. m.
Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.
All services are being held tem-
porarily in the District Court room
at the court house.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

5th and Scurry Streets
GEO. J. RUTH, Minister
Res. 506 Runnels St. Phone 96
Bible school 9:45 a. m.
Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wed. 7:30 p. m.
You are always welcome and we
will try to make you feel at home.

CHURCH OF GOD

Corner Tenth and Main Streets
O. B. WALTERS, Pastor
Sunday school 10 a. m. each Sun-
day.
Preaching every Sunday at 11 a.
m., except third Sunday.
A cordial welcome to visitors.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Main Street on North Side
REV. KISTNER, Pastor
Mass every second and fourth
Sunday at 10 a. m.
Strangers especially invited.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Mary's Church
501 Runnels Street
FRANK H. STEDMAN, Rector
Church School 9:45 a. m.
Morning Prayer 11 a. m.



No matter what ails your watch
we can repair it. WILKE'S
Jewelry and Optical Shop.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

This is to notify the public that I
have purchased the J. E. Davis gro-
cery store on East Third street and
Mr. Davis will operate same for the
present.

Mr. Davis assumes all indebted-
ness incurred prior to Dec. 11th, and
all accounts due to the firm prior to
that date are due and payable to Mr.
Davis. C. T. GOOCH, 14-3t

DO YOU HAVE A HERALD DATED NOVEMBER 6?

We will pay ten cents a copy for
the first five copies of The Herald,
dated November 6, that are brought
to the Herald office.

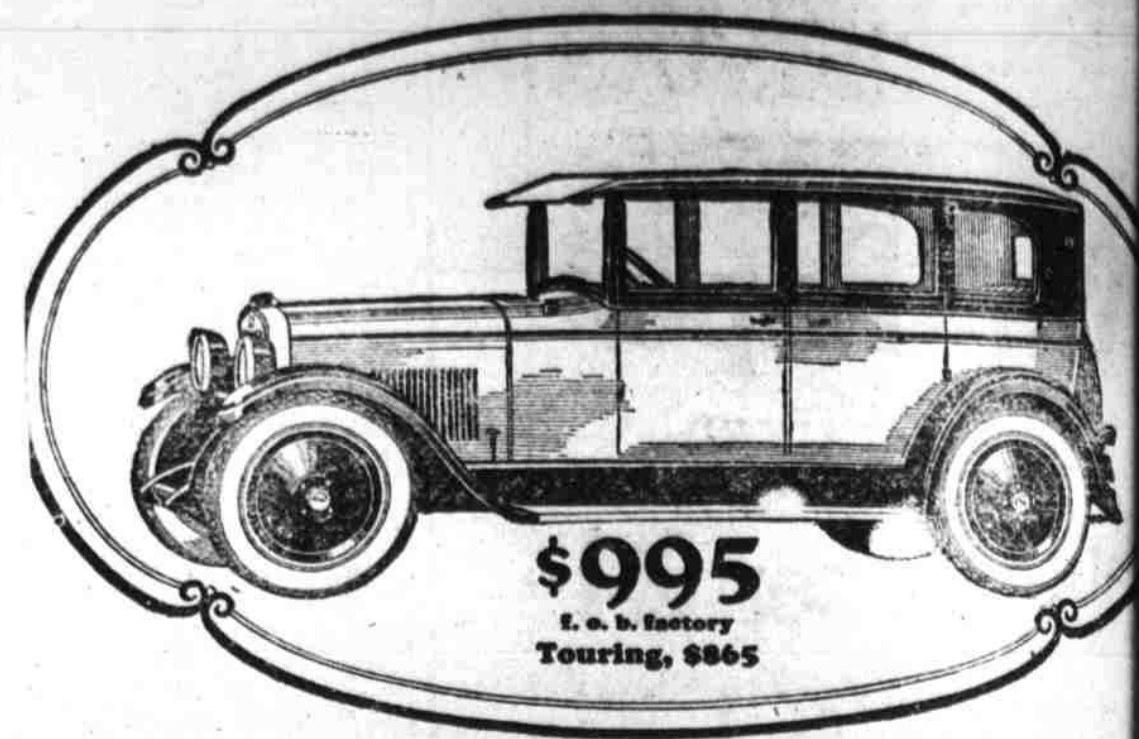
Look thru your stock of papers
and see if you have one of this date;
bring it to the office promptly, and
if you are one of the first five you
will be paid a dime for your copy.

Mrs. A. M. Evans left Thursday
evening for Dallas, where she will
spend the Christmas holidays with
relatives.

Miss Frances Webb visited home-
folks at Lenora, the past week-end.

AJAX

NASH-BUILT



Check over these fea-
tures! ONLY the Ajax
gives them ALL to you in
the \$1000 field—

4-Door Sedan
Six-Cylinder Motor
Force-Feed Lubrication—
To all main bearings, connecting
rod bearings and camshaft bearings
7-Bearing Crankshaft
6-Bearing Camshaft
Four-Wheel Brakes
Full Balloon Tires
Five Disc Wheels
Duco Finish
Cowl Ventilator
Cowl Lights
Rear-vision Mirror
Silken Curtains
Transmission Lock
Automatic Windshield Wiper
YOU GET ALL OF THESE IN THE AJAX
AND IT'S NASH-BUILT

Big Spring Nash Company

L. J. Robb, Dealer

SALES AND SERVICE

Phone 119, Big Sp



Nerves All Unstrung?

Big Spring Folks Should Find the
Cause and Correct It.

Are you all worn out? Feel tired,
nervous, half-sick? Do you have a
constant backache; sharp twinges of
pain, too, with dizzy spells and
annoying urinary disorders? Then
there's cause for worry and more
cause to give your weakened kidneys
prompt help. Use Doan's Pills—a
stimulant diuretic to the kidneys.
Big Spring folks recommend
Doan's for just such troubles.
Mrs. A. B. Winslow, Big Spring,
says: "I had pains in the small of
my back, just over my kidneys. I
couldn't rest at night, because no
matter how I lay, there was a steady
pain that felt like a red hot iron
across my kidneys. I was subject to
nervous headaches and the least
noise startled me. My kidneys
didn't act regularly at all. After
using Doan's Pills I was entirely
cured."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't
simply ask for a kidney remedy—get
Doan's Pills—the same that Mrs.
Winslow had. Foster-Milburn Co.,
Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.—advertisement.

Big Spring folks must be big
hearted or else our city would not
be pestered with so many beggars.
Some of these beggars seem to make
visits here quite frequently—a fur-
ther indication that they find easy
pickings here.

The boys and girls who attend col-
lege, will begin to arrive home to
spend the holidays about the last of
the week. Quite a number of Big
Spring students are now attending
college at points in Texas and other
states.

W. W. Crenshaw, Dodge dealer,
received a carload of Dodge auto-
mobiles Monday. One each of the
latest model Dodge sedans, coupe
and touring cars was included in
this shipment.

TOILET SETS. SEVERAL IM-
PORTED ONES TO PICK FROM
.....CUNNINGHAM & PHILIPS.

FIRE! FIRE! FIRE!

Most fires are preventable. Many are caused by defect
wiring. If you wish to protect your property by elimin-
Hazards let us inspect your house wiring and remove any
fire hazards.

We are trouble shooters for anything in the electric line.

Phone 35 and we will come in a hu
CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY
BIG SPRING, TEXAS

Owing to the cold snap the at-
tendance at the Trades Day observ-
ance in Coahoma Monday was not
extra large but the next one is going
to be a whopper. The business men
of Coahoma are making plans for a
big Trades Day in January.

Be sure to mail your Christmas
cards and packages early as the post
offices throughout the United States
are to be closed throughout Christ-
mas day. Special delivery mail only
will be handled on Christmas day.
Keep this in mind.

Mr. and Mrs. George Arledge and
daughter after a visit here with rela-
tives, left Tuesday morning for El
Paso for a visit with her parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Dan O'Keefe.

W. W. Lay of Coahoma was a
business visitor here Tuesday.

Young Wife Afraid to Eat Anything

"I was afraid to eat because I al-
ways had stomach trouble after-
wards. Since taking Adlerika I can
eat and feel fine." (Signed) Mrs. A.
Howard. ONE spoonful Adlerika re-
moves GAS and often brings sur-
prising relief to the stomach. Stops
that full, bloated feeling. Removes
old waste matter from intestines
and makes you feel happy and hun-
gry. Excellent for obstinate consti-
pation. J. D. Biles, Druggist, ad-
vertisement.

FOR S

Carload of good
mules — priced
Also carload of
Superior Cotton
See

Joe Sto
BIG SPRING,

GIVE US A Davidson &

DRAY & TRAIL
Office at Joe B. No
have Trucks and Tr
haul your goods
PHONE 6

Dr. Otto

Licensed Vet
East Third Street

A few mens watch
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Love, Only Real First Prize

By VARICH SHALMAR

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IT WAS Ken Harland who first suggested to Rita Collins that she enter the beauty contest. She demurred until Peter Jones added his emphatic endorsement of the idea, all the more emphatic for the leaden sinking of his heart when Ken proposed it.

From the first Peter was sure she would win the contest and the contract for a hundred dollars a week for twelve weeks which the "movie" company back of the contest was offering as a prize. And her winning would be Peter's loss! What change would a mere lunch-counter keeper have with a movie star?

Rita was adjudged local winner. She won the national, the first prize.

Rita looked like one to whom the gates of Paradise had been opened when she bid her little crowd of friends goodby at the train that was to take her to California.

"Don't forget the old stand, kiddie," Peter said, wistfully.

"I never could forget you, Peter," she said earnestly; "nor how you staked me to the cats for three weeks that time I was pried loose from a job. I'm telling you, Peter, your line of talk may be played, but your heart, boy, is eighteen carat real gold."

Ken had little to say to Peter when he ate his tasty, if roughly served, lunches hunched over Peter's scrubbed lunch counter. One day he told Peter that he had arranged to be transferred to Los Angeles, and was leaving at once.

"Yeh? Well, good luck," grinned Peter.

Ken's letter a few weeks later brought a scowl to Peter's face.

"Say, Pety, you remember Rita?" Ken had written. "Guess a pretty face isn't all there is to it. She's a diver. Old Rabinowitz won't renew her contract, and I saw her collecting dishes in a cafeteria the other day, though I suppose she'd die if she thought anybody from back home had piped her off. Some come down for a queen bee of Hollywood, eh, what?"

Peter finished the letter with a scowl on his face, took his hat down from the rack and walked out.

"Hey, Myra," he phoned an hour later to his waitress and assistant. "I'm goin' down to Los Angeles for a little trip. Keep things a-goin' as per usual till I get back; get me?"

Rita was out when he called at her boarding house address a few minutes after his arrival and he left his name and a note. Calling again the next day, the landlady told him Rita had said for him to come out to the World-Wide studios at noon.

"Oh, Peter, I'm so glad!" she cried, giving him both hands when he had finally located her in the bewildering bedlam of the lot. She was emerging from the cafeteria, where the actors were eating their lunch. She wore a waitress' apron—and no make-up!

"Kiddie, I know you're as game as they make 'em," he said. "Ah, you don't have to bluff with me, Rita. Ken wrote me all about your—your fop."

"Ken Harland?" Rita snorted. "Say, I turned that fresh egg down so hard that he scrambled! Flopped! I like—"

Peter handed her Ken's letter. After Rita read it twice she handed it back to Peter. He tore it up.

Something seemed to choke Rita's voice. "Dear old Peter," she managed to say. "When you heard I was a failure you—"

"Kiddie, I gave three cheers," he interrupted, because then he could tell you I loved you, wanted to marry you, and everything. If you'd made good, I'd stayed dumb for life."

Rita hesitated only one think.

Which caused Peter to ejaculate: "Honey, let's go somewhere; let's hire a taxi—where we can—"

And they did!

"What's this, Rita?" asked Peter, as a long, folded paper fell out of his wife's open suitcase on the home-bound train two days later.

"I didn't mean for you to see old Rabinowitz's new contract," Rita answered. "It was your only rival, Pety, I'm going to keep that now as a souvenir."

"New contract? Rabinowitz?" Peter read the paper. "Two hundred dollars a week for one year!" he summarized. But—but Ken wrote and you told me—"

"I didn't tell you anything, darling," giggled Rita, snuggling closer. "You seemed to know it all already. And when you proposed, I—"

"Aw, it's some joke," cut in Peter, returning the snuggle. "I saw you that day at the studio—the cafeteria—your waitress' apron—no make-up—"

"Old stuff. Practicing my part in the next picture, goose; getting at-mosphere," she laughed. Peter started to draw away. "Wait, Peter," she cried. "I haven't been happy one minute in the films. I just wasn't cut out to be happy that way. Honest I didn't belong. I'm afraid, Peter, I'd rather be the star in your—"

"Home, heart and dairy lunch," completed Peter. "Aw, honey, will you stick to me?"

Whereupon Rita gave him an excellent demonstration.

"Peter, dear," she murmured. "Love, that's the only real first prize. Besides, that director always wanted me to play waitress."

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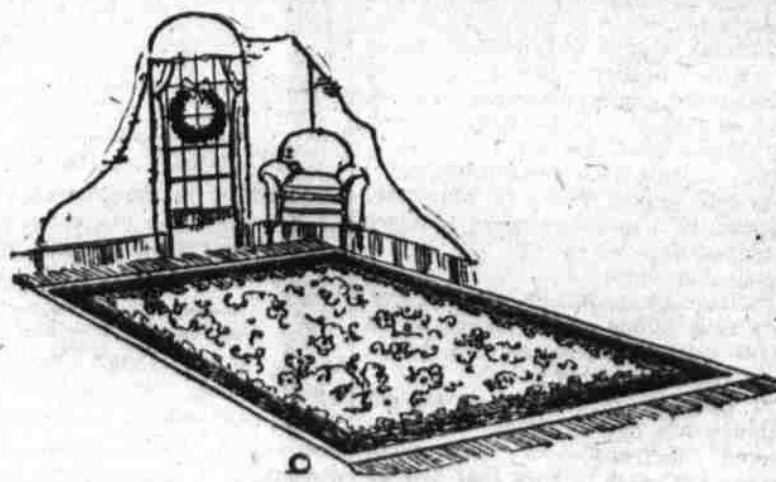
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