

Good Crowds Here For Christmas Week Dance

The Christmas holiday dances at the new Shannon-Couch hotel were well attended. A series of 3 dances Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights drew large crowds from Ozona and surrounding sections.

Music was furnished by the Oriole Sereaders of Brownwood. This same orchestra will furnish music for the dances to be given this week-end as a feature of the Rodeo and Race Meet.

Miss Celeste White is here from San Angelo visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ewart White. She was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Gus Jones.

BAND IS BETTER THAN THE 'GANG'

Why United States Is Becoming Most Musical Nation in World.

Radio, the phonograph and the public school band are conspiring to make the United States the most musical nation in all the world, according to C. D. Greenleaf, of the Conn Music Center.

With the ether wave charged with melodies—with the phonograph bringing into the living room the gaiety of the million-dollar jazz band—and with son regarding the post of first cornetist in the High School band as a position as vital as that held by the



C. D. Greenleaf.

quarterback of the football eleven, the band instrument manufacturers are reporting a demand for their wares such as they have never before known.

U. S. Creating Music.

"After hearing more music than any other generation has ever heard, America is expressing an ardent wish to 'blow its own horn,' in the actual sense of the phrase," says Mr. Greenleaf. "The creative spirit is lifting its head and today the United States is housing more musicians and embryo musicians than ever before.

"Scarcely a day goes by during which the American family isn't treated to the most pleasing of harmonies. This harmony is recruiting a vast army of men, women and children who are setting out to create their own music. It is one of man's inherent instincts, this desire to produce pleasing tunes.

"No matter how far short he may be from the accepted standards of his instrument, the player derives far more satisfaction and pleasure in the knowledge that he is creating music than he could possibly feel from the strains of the modern masters, artificially reproduced.

Music as a Vocation.

"Our schools have been developed so that now a child can learn to be a carpenter, mechanic, printer, or any one of a number of other professions, all at the public expense, which is as it should be," says Mr. Greenleaf. "The day is at hand for school authorities to extend the same opportunity to children who desire to take up music as a life work.

"Music is a healthful influence. Parents are learning that the band is better than the 'gang' for their youngsters.

"Music is a mental stimulant. A survey recently conducted in the schools of a mid-western city revealed that children who had studied music averaged considerably higher in all lines of school activities."

OZONA MEETS JUNCTION ON GRID FRIDAY

All-Star Teams Battle As Curtain Raiser To Race Meet

GAME STARTS AT 10

Proceeds From Gate Receipts Go To H. S. Athletic Fund

Two squads of local grid aspirants are taking daily work-outs at the fair grounds in preparation for the contest between the Ozona Lobos, a team of local all-stars, and the Junction Wildcats, husky gridiron stars of the neighboring city, who will meet on the Ozona field Friday morning at 10 o'clock as one of the features of the Mid-Winter Rodeo and Race meet Friday and Saturday of this week.

Although definite arrangements had not been made for the field, it is virtually assured that the game will be played on the fair grounds gridiron as a preliminary to the opening of the rodeo and race meet.

An admission charge of \$1 will be made for the contest, the proceeds to go to the school athletic fund. The athletic department of the Ozona schools is approximately \$200 in debt and it is hoped that through the all-star football game to pay off a considerable portion of that debt. Players who will take part in the game are donating their services for the cause.

The Junction Cats invade Ozona with a determination to claw up the wolves. They are reported to be one of the strongest teams in this section and the locals are looking forward to a rough tussle Friday morning. The Junction aggregation is reported to have an unblemished record of three years. For three years members of the team have been rounded up at Christmas time, put through a brief practice period and then sent out to conquest. And they've always brought home the bacon, according to reports.

Leaders of the local outfit are predicting, however, that the Lobos will muss up an otherwise spotless record this week-end and one of the biggest crowds ever to witness an athletic contest in Ozona is expected to be on hand to see the struggle.

The first string for Ozona has not yet been selected from a score or more who have been out to practice. Many former collegiate stars are included in the probable line-up, however, and a strong team is expected to take the field against the invading Cats. The probable line-up of the locals was announced as follows, with the estimated weights of the players and their college experience, if any, given:

Left end—Allen Robinson, Texas University, 155.

Left tackle—Bill Grimmer U. S. Navy, 160.

Left Guard—Red Finley, Eldorado, 190.

Center—Big Boy Deland, Ozona Hi, 185.

Right Guard—Beauty Brown, Big Lake, 170.

Right tackle—Chas. Davison, S. M. U. 200.

Right end—Othro Adams, T. C. U. 185.

Quarter—Sherman Taylor, 165.

Left half—Homer Adams, T. C. U., 180.

Right half—Frank Russell, 160.

Full back—Morris Dudley, Southwestern, 185.

Others who had not reported for practice early in the week but who may be selected for positions on the first team were given out as follows: R. O. Reynolds, former star with Osage Indians, two-letter man, tackle 190 pounds; Harry J. Friend, tackle, 150; T. A. Kincaid, guard, A. & M. College, 185; Eric Anderson, end, 150; Bob Weaver, full back, 175; John R. Weaver, half back, 160; Vernon Cox, full back, Peacock M. C., 185; Arthur Phillips, end or half, T. C. U. 150; Hillery Phillips, cen-

ter or guard, T. M. C. 160; Worth Odum, full back, 200; and Jake Young, guard, 185.



A New Year—a New Calendar.

Three hundred and sixty-five bright new days full of new opportunities.

This is inventory time and so let us take stock of self. Let us consider our personal standing in the world at this milestone of time—our relationship to those around us. Is our supply of friendship low?

Are our shelves bare of love for our fellow man. Are there but a few kind words and tender thought remaining? Is our stock of gentlemanly and womanly courtesies exhausted. Just how do you stand at this time?

See yourself as others see you—X-ray your heart and soul and mind. Are you an asset to the world—or are you a bankrupt of worthwhile qualities.

It's 1927—a New Year.

Let us start NOW to make it full of happiness—joy—peace—goodwill—love and every noble name in the language.

Let us start NOW to do our part in making the New Year prosperous and happy—and the world a better place to live in.

BIG STRING OF RACE HORSES AND BRONCS HERE FOR THE RODEO

Approximately 20 race horses, fifteen outlaw horses, 25 head of steers and a number of goats are in pens at the Ozona Fair Grounds ready for the opening of the Mid-Winter Rodeo and Race Meet Friday afternoon.

Present prospects point to one of the largest affairs of the kind ever held in this section for the two days. Some of the best race horses in the country and some of the worst outlaw horses have been secured for the events and rodeo and race fans are promised a real show during the two-day event.

Among the famous horses here for the contests are three animals belonging to Lee Cook of Sanderson. These horses, Magician, Slip Along and Black Beauty, were brought here direct from Jaurez, Mexico, where they have been consistent winners on the famous Jaurez track. Both Slip Along and Black Beauty appeared on the local track last summer at the first rodeo and race meet of the Crockett County Fair Association, but this will be the first appearance of Magician before local fans.

Bob Murchison of Eldorado and Dick Nasworthy of San Angelo have four horses to enter in the races. Bill Cargile has one, Pat Lee has three, Dad Allen four and Elmer Armentrout two. At least three other race horses and possibly more are expected to arrive here in time to enter, according to Joe Pierce, one of a committee in charge of the race meet.

Nine of the outlaw horses already here for the bronc riding events, were here last summer, while seven or eight others have been added to the string. Some of these broncs are considered the worst in the country. Mr. Pierce declared, and riders are going to have to "do their stuff" to stick with them.

Several entries in the bronc and

steer riding events have already been received and several others have promised to be here. Among the more famous riders of this section are Louis Cravey, Chief Correll, an Indian bronc rider who has been a consistent winner, and Chic Reynolds, another daredevil rider. Two others from Eldorado and several others have promised to enter.

Among the "bad 'uns" in the bronc riding division are "Hell to Set" and "White Lightning." Both of these horses are from the "tall uncut," it is reported, and are expected to give the vilest performance of the lot. "White Lightning" has a widespread reputation for "spilling 'em" in front of the grandstand, laying 'em at the feet of spectators, as Pierce put it, and local fans are giving odds that he'll do as much for the riders in the coming events.

The Rodeo and Race Meet will not begin until Friday afternoon, but a football game between the Ozona Lobos, local all-star team, and the Junction Wildcats, an unbeaten aggregation from the Kimble County capital, will serve as a curtain-raiser Friday morning. The game will begin at 10 o'clock Friday morning, the proceeds from the gate receipts going to the Ozona High School athletic fund.

The first event on the Friday afternoon card is a free-for-all half-mile horse race for purses totalling \$125. The next event will be a steer break-away for purses totalling \$75. A quarter-mile cow pony race for \$75 in purses will be the third event and bronc riding contests for a purse of \$50 and goat roping for \$75 in purses will close the afternoon's card.

Two horse races and a steer break-away are scheduled for Saturday morning's entertainment. The first will be a maiden race for three-year-olds and under for a quarter mile, with purses totalling \$75. A quarter mile cow pony race for \$75 in purses will be the second event and the steer break-away for \$75 purses will close the

Augustine Buys Pecos Co. Land

Twelve Sections In Oil Development Area Is Included In Sale

The sale recently made by E. T. Corder of Marfa of twelve sections of land in Pecos county to W. H. Augustine of Ozona has just been announced. The price was \$5.50 an acre, involving a sum of about \$40,000. The land purchased is south of Fort Stockton in Pecos county, and oil development in the county have added materially to its prospective value. Mr. Augustine is to take possession in the near future. It is his intention to lease the property for oil development.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Taylor of Houston came from Coleman where they had been visiting Mr. Taylor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Augustine. Mr. Taylor will return home on Thursday but Mrs. Taylor will remain in Ozona until the middle of January.

Lee Wilson was in Dallas this week on business.

morning.

Saturday afternoon's card will be the feature of the two days, including horse races, bronc riding, steer riding and goat roping events. The first will be a 3/4 mile free for all for \$125 in purses. Next will be a bronc riding contest for a \$50 purse. A free-for-all half mile horse race for \$125 in purses will follow and steer riding for a \$20 purse will be next on the schedule. A one mile free-for-all horse race will be the feature race of the two days, purses in this event totalling \$150. The Mid-Winter Rodeo and Race Meet will close with a goat roping contest Saturday afternoon for \$75 in purses.

The race track is in excellent condition for the races and a big crowd is expected to be here for the two days entertainment. A dance will be given at the Shannon-Couch hotel each evening, with the Oriole Sereaders of Brownwood furnishing the music.

MILLION SAVED MEMBERSHIP BY S. & G. RAISERS

Association Completes Most Successful Year In Its History

DRASTIC RATE CUT

Sheep Goat And Traffic Assn. Responsible For Reductions

From the standpoint of actual benefits and volume of work accomplished, the Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association of Texas has just completed the most successful year in its history, according to the annual report submitted to President T. A. Kincaid by A. H. Priest, traffic manager of the Live Stock Traffic Association of Ft. Worth.

It has been through the combined work of Mr. Priest, the Traffic association and the Sheep and Goat Raisers association that the remarkable record for 1926 has been established. Among many accomplishments during the year the association has secured reduced rates on shipments of sheep and goats and cattle that will mean a saving of approximately a million dollars annually.

The most drastic reductions in the history of livestock rates were made in compliance with the demands of the association members, according to the report. In conjunction with President Kincaid, a committee appointed by him and Mr. Priest, an adjustment of rates was secured from and to points on the Orient lines in Texas. The reductions, on the basis of a minimum 36 foot car, to Ft. Worth, Oklahoma City, Wichita, and local points in Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Kansas, Arkansas and Louisiana on cattle, sheep and goats amounted to \$2.20 to \$22. On the same basis to St. Louis, Denver, Chicago, Omaha, Cincinnati, Indianapolis and points taking identical rates the reductions ranged from approximately \$35 to \$75, while the reductions on cattle averaged \$40.

In conjunction with Pres. Kincaid and a committee of the association, Mr. Priest presented the matter of securing the cattle rate and minimum on sheep and goats in double-deck cars from all points in Texas to interstate destinations to the Southwestern Lines Rate committee. The roads proposed a 3 1/2 spread higher than the cattle rate, this being rejected by the sheepmen. The matter will be taken up at the January meeting of the rate committee.

The association secured suspension of proposed increases in rates on all classes of live stock from Texas points to destinations east of the Mississippi. The reduction in rates were as follows: Indianapolis, Ind. and related points, cattle, \$6.60 per car, sheep and goats, \$9.90; Cincinnati, cattle, \$8.80, sheep and goats, \$19.80; Birmingham, Ala., cattle, \$27.50 per car, sheep and goats, \$14.30; Chattanooga, Tenn., cattle, \$41.00, sheep and goats \$18.70.

One of the greatest achievements scored by the association was the securing of suspension and cancellation of a new tariff which would have completely upset the entire southwestern rate structure and result in a combination rate from, to and between many points in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas and Louisiana on all classes of live stock. The saving to shippers ranged from \$14 to \$30 per car.

Daily service to shippers was rendered by the Livestock association in settling overcharge disputes. The saving through formal negotiations was \$5,721.98, while the saving through informal negotiations is estimated at more than twice that amount.

Among the other accomplishments of the association are the securing of reduced rates, \$6.80 to \$19.50 a car, on calves from north

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The Purdys
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Paul Robinson
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Giant Steer Is Butchered

Big Fellows Hide To Be Mounted And Displayed In Market

A giant steer, who had roamed Crockett county ranges from calf-hood, was reduced to beefsteak Monday of this week by R. J. Cooke, Ozona butcher. The steer was one of the largest ever butchered here and his hide will be mounted and set on display in the show window of the Cooke Meat Market in the new Perner building.

The big steer, which was purchased from Tom Smith, dressed in at 918 pounds. He measured 15 feet from head to tail and his horns spread 7 feet. Mr. Cooke says the big fellow weighed approximately 290 pounds more than any beef he had ever slaughtered here, and he is reputed to have been one of the largest in the county.

The hide and horns have been sent to a Kansas City taxidermist to be mounted. The animal will be mounted as nearly lifelike as possible and placed on rollers and displayed in the market window.

Miss Rebecca Baggett and Maasie West were married Christmas day at 3:30 o'clock at the First Methodist Church. The church was decorated with flowers and altar was heaped with them. The two attendants, Miss Vivian Baggett, sister of the bride, and Clay Adams preceded the couple to the altar. Rev. Stanley Haver performed the ceremony.

The bride was attired in a blue going-away dress, trimmed in silk lace, and a black hat. She carried white rose buds. Miss Baggett wore a peach colored georgette dress and carried pink rose buds. The groom and best man were attired in dark business suits.

Mr. and Mrs. West left immediately after the ceremony for San Antonio. They will reside on Mr. West's ranch near Juno.

Miss Pearl Young of San Angelo is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. O. Secrest.

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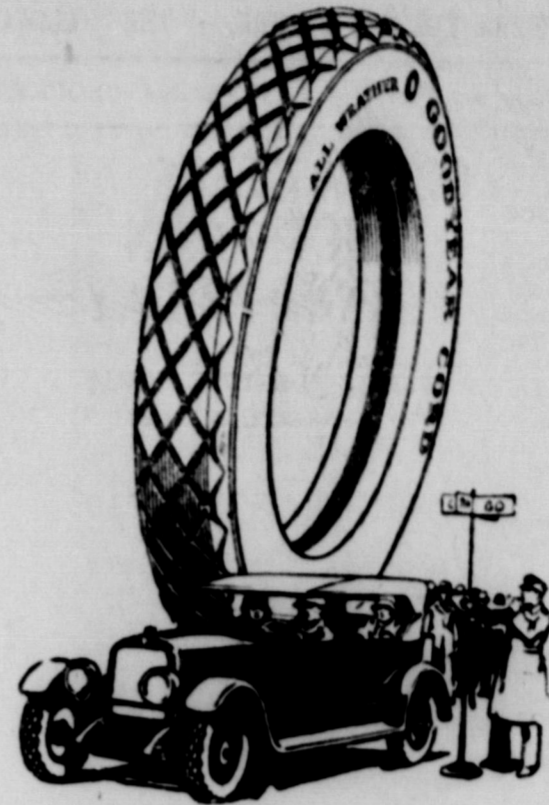
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EACH WEEK IN
The OZONA STOCKMAN

Goodyears For New Year



It's about the time of year when New Year resolutions are in order and we suggest that one of the best resolutions you can make is to equip your car the first of January with Goodyear tires. Low-cost mileage plus Dependability are factors that have kept Goodyears in the lead for many years.

Here's Wishing You A
Happy and Prosperous New Year

Ozona Garage

Although in age we are just a few months older than the New Year now at hand, we feel that we have a very definite place in the life of Ozona and Crockett County. We are thankful for the splendid patronage we have enjoyed during the few months we have been open for business and we hope that in 1927 we may continue to merit your goodwill and patronage.

The New Year, with its 365 brand new and shiny days, holds many opportunities. We are almost as young and just as ambitious as the New Year and we are going to grow with this community in 1927.

Meanwhile, here's wishing you all a very, very

Happy New Year

THE OZONA HARDWARE CO.
General Hardware, Queensware, Windmills, etc.

Lights Placed On Turn Posts

Attractive Globes Replace Cans; White Way Realized

Ozona has now blossomed forth with a great white way. Residents were gratified this week to note the installation of attractive lights atop the concrete turning posts where for many months rusty tin cans served as the only decoration. Lights covered with a white round globe which diffuses the light and lends an attractive appearance to the downtown section have been mounted on all the turning posts. The attractive turning posts were donated to the city by the Woman's Club and lights mounted on them at their completion. Hail last year, however, broke every globe and they were never replaced until this week. Mr. and Mrs. Bright Baggett have engaged Mrs. S. W. Friend's house on the east side of town and expect to move there from Barnhart the last of this week. Mr. Baggett takes charge of the County Clerk's office the first of January.

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Cross Country Auto Roads Now Kept Open Through the Winter



The Federal government and the several states have made the automobile an all year instrument of pleasure and entertainment. When winter comes with its chilling blasts and drifting snow the motorist need no longer put up his car and wait patiently for spring to bring back fair motoring days. All he need do, if he is in the north, is point the nose of the car southward. Soon he will come to a through transcontinental highway that leads to sunshine and flowers. The roads have been made not only adequate but splendid for all year driving. This fact is revealed by a survey just completed by the Automobile Club of Southern California in conjunction with its thousands of sources of information from all over the United States. The club, in its survey kept ten cars on the road, each carrying two thoroughly experienced road information men. The cars went an average of 300 miles per day. This

meant that the total per day of the cars was 3,000 miles. In a month they had traversed 90,000 miles and had covered every essential bit of road that motorists may use in crossing the United States in the winter time. On the map shown above, all of the heavier roads are open through the year. Those that are farthest South are less troubled with storms and untoward local conditions than those in the North. In order to facilitate the use of the roads during the winter months by the motorists of the United States the automobile club has instituted an unusual service. Should any reader of this paper wish to make an automobile journey that touches Southern California over any of these roads, the Club will be glad to extend him every possible help and entirely without charge. Prospective motor travelers should address the club at its headquarters, Twenty Sixth and Figueroa streets, Los Angeles. If road maps are

wanted, state the place of beginning, the destination and the route home and the principal cities that are to be visited going and coming. The Club will then send a full set of detail road maps covering the entire journey. If information about hotels, motor camps, hunting, fishing or other forms of sport are wanted, state this clearly in the request and the information will be sent. If the visitor wishes, he may tell the club only his place of start and destination and ask the club to route him over the best route. The time that the journey is to be taken should be stated as routes vary in desirability with the several winter months. Once the visitor arrives in Southern California the Automobile Club will make him a guest member giving all services for six months without charge. On the Pacific Coast the motor visitor will find paved highway completely covering the Pacific Slope from Canada to Mexico.

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Miss Elizabeth Cox and Albert Benchoff of Ft. Worth were married quietly last Sunday morning at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cox in San Angelo. Mr. Cox is now manager for the Robt Massie Co. but he and his family were residents of Ozona for many years.

Mr. and Mrs. Hary J. Friend and family have returned from Alpine where they went to spend Christmas with Mrs. Friend's parents. Miss Margaret Friend who is a student in Sul Ross returned with them.

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Opening up the New Year with two complete stores, one in a brand new attractive building, the Smith Drug Stores are prepared to give you up-to-the-minute service in 1927. Our fountain will be open in the No. 2 store this month and a full line of attractive merchandise, gift articles, candies, drugs and sundries is open to your inspection there. Smith's Drug Stores No. 1 and 2 can take care of your wants. Your liberal support in the past has made possible our expansion and we hope to merit your continued support during the coming year. And here's our heartiest good wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

Smith's Drug Store



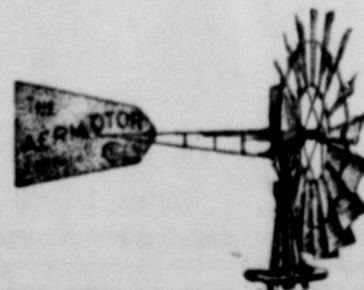
Our New Year Wish

As the Old Year dies, and the New One is born, we feel a deep gratitude for the happiness and success of 1926 which our friends made possible. We wish you all the compliments of the season and hope 1927 will bring you much happiness and success.

Our New Year Resolution

Is to serve you and Ozona and Crockett County to the whole-hearted extent of our ability. May we have the opportunity?

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A brand new year, whose slate is spotless, is here. It's great to be able to think about it in that light, isn't it? The coming of the New Year wipes out all the sins of the old, leaves us a clean white sheet on which we may begin all over again. The New Year is young and tender, with all good intentions and a rosy prospect. Looking back over the adversities of the Old Year, we have no regrets at its passing and we eagerly turn our gaze down the long lane of the bright New Year, resolve to never again make the mistakes we made in the past and to seize upon all the glowing opportunities offered by the New Year.

That's the romantic side of the New Year. It would be great if it could be like that. But the bitter facts must be faced. The New Year brings a new calendar, and that's something. It also gets us all mixed up on writing the date, and when we have finally mastered the change and get to where we can write the date without erasing the last figure, we've got to change all over again. That's the New Year.

Then again, New Year is just another "first of the month" with all of the attendant evils of that well-known period. And what's worse, it's the first of the month after Christmas. It takes a mighty good man to be optimistic when he's waist deep in bills. It even takes the good taste of Christmas away, for it's about that time we fellows get bills for our own Christmas presents. You know, that screaming necktie, ropa ceagars, or ill-fitting socks that She gave you.

All of that, coupled with the lingering effects of your Yuletide feasting, makes the "happy New Year" not altogether what she's cracked up to be. We don't get any more presents, we don't get any more turkey. We have to sit up until past midnight and hear a lot of racket and then get up early the next morning to start dodging bill collectors.

But far be it from us to throw any cold water on your romancing. Gwan make your resolutions—and break 'em. Gwan say "Happy New Year." We're gonna do it too.

But to speak seriously of the New Year, we've a mind to take it upon ourselves just to make a few resolutions in the name of Ozona. Most of us get along better if we map out our program in advance and then work toward getting everything on the program done.

And that's a good plan for a town to follow. There were many improvements and advancements made in Ozona during the past year and the New Year holds promise of even greater progress. But there are certain very definite things that should be done, things that will demand the united effort of every person in the community. In order to get these definitely in mind and to keep them before the people throughout the year, we are going to draw up a platform for Ozona's 1927 stand. Each plank in that platform is of vital importance to the town and at the end of the coming year we are going to check up on it and see how many of the objectives here set out have been accomplished.

Ozona's 1927 Platform

1. Pave the streets.
2. Clean up the walks.
3. Get good roads thru the county.
4. Organize a Chamber of Commerce.
5. Trade at home.
6. Beautify the park.
7. Provide a recreation center.
8. Build a golf course.
9. Build a hospital.
10. Build a swimming pool.
11. Attract more business.
12. Build new residences.
13. Beautify the town.
14. Improve the school building.
15. Improve the teacherage.
16. Get about a closer knit community.
17. Have some institutions in Ozona town.
18. Move toward the betterment of the community and to operate to

that end and be satisfied with nothing short of perfection.

While we're still on the subject of New Year, The Stockman too wishes to join in the chorus and wish you a very, very happy and prosperous New Year. Although we have but a few months in 1926 to our credit or discredit, we have found time to be happy in those months living in Ozona, and we hope to be able to become a permanent fixture in this community.

The Stockman has experienced a wonderful growth during the few months that we have been at the helm and we hope for further growth in 1927. We want Ozona to grow and we want to grow with her and we dedicate our efforts to that objective.

Hail the coming of the new day! The rusty lard cans that have for so long graced the tops of Ozona's handsome turning posts have at last been replaced by handsome light globes and everything's hot-sytotsy now. Now, if the streets were just paved, or at least graded and rolled in the proper manner, and the city park mowed and improved, Ozona would present a much neater appearance.

Ozona Schools To Resume Term Mon.

After a two-weeks vacation for the Christmas holidays, school children of Ozona will again hear the school bell Monday morning calling them back for the last six months of the present term. The schools closed December 17.

The Christmas holiday period for the schools was lengthened somewhat by the school authorities this year and as a result, it will be necessary to extend the term a few days this summer.

Nearly all the teachers spent Christmas with their families in other towns, a few of them remaining here through the holiday period. All of them are expected to be back Monday morning to resume their duties.

Rev. Stanley Haver, pastor of

Music Lures High School Students

One in Three of Denver Pupils Trained by Private Instructors

Elkhart, Ind.—More boys and girls of high school age are seriously studying music today than ever before. Information reaching the Conn Music Center here indicates an unusually high degree of interest in music by secondary school pupils.

An example of conditions said to be representative of the country is to be found in Denver, according to the Music Center, where the ratio of students studying music is one in three. A report on 1,740 high school pupils by J. C. Kendel, director of music in the Denver schools, showed that 623 were studying music under private instructors.

There are 3,292 musical instruments in the families from which these boys and girls come, and in 61 of the homes there is a definite musical organization such as an instrumental trio, a quartette or a small band. One home even reported an 11-piece orchestra as their solution to the problem of holding a large family together.

Orchestra music is preferred by 27 per cent of the Denver children, dance music by 20 per cent, instrumental by 19 per cent, band music by 17 per cent and vocal by 14 per cent.

MUSIC PRACTICE AID TO SURGEON

Constant practice on a musical instrument as a means of acquiring that degree of skill which the surgeon must have for the successful pursuit of his profession, is advocated by a writer in an English medical journal, copies of which have been received by the Conn Music Center. The editor of the magazine carrying the amazing article is a famous Gloucester surgeon whose advanced opinions are widely quoted.

The writer of the article maintains that constant and intensive practice on a musical instrument gives the surgeon a super-degree of dexterity. The difficult exercises required in bringing tuneful blasts from a horn are even superior to the skill required by the medical man in the midst of a major operation. Absolute muscular control of the fingers and their immediate response to mental suggestion are listed by the writer as paramount among the benefits derived from the musical side.

the First Methodist Church, is in Kansas City this week attending a meeting of Epworth League officials. Rev. Haver is president of the Epworth League board of this district.

"King Ben" Arrested on Girls' Charges



Benjamin Parnell, self-styled king of the famous House of David cult at Benton Harbor, Michigan, is facing serious statutory charges by Mrs. Reed (right) and Miss Rubel (left), former members of "King Ben's" colony. Parnell who has been sought since the scandal in 1925 is out on a \$120,000 bond.

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Happy New Year To You

Our success in 1926 has been marked and we are looking forward to an even better year in 1927. From a modest beginning we have built up one of the largest volumes of business in Ozona and we are mindful of the fact that it was the goodwill and loyalty of our friends that made such success possible. For that we are grateful and shall endeavor in the coming year to continue to merit your goodwill and patronage.

M. C. Couch



For The New Year

We wish you all the happiness and prosperity in the catalogue. Tho' it's just another year in the cycle of time, it is a year fraught with excellent promise of prosperity for this section. May you enjoy a fullsome share of such prosperity is our sincere New Year wish.

1926 has been one of the best years in our history. We can but attribute our success during the past year to the good will and liberal patronage of our many friends throughout the territory we serve. We look forward to a continuation of the same liberal patronage and friendship during the Coming year, and promise you the same service, courtesy and satisfaction as in the past.

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**Shannon-Couch Hotel
Scene Of Big Party**

Mrs. Joe Pierce, Jr. and Mrs. Tom Smith entertained with a de-

lightful forty-two party Tuesday night at the ball room of the Shannon-Couch Hotel. The room was crowded with the guests who enjoyed the presence of their friends

as well as the games.

Those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames Lee Childress, C. C. Minatra, L. B. Adams, Harold Baker, Bob Murchison, J. M. Baggett, Joe Oberkamp, G. L. Coates, Morris Dudley, Evert White, Bascomb Cox, John Henderson, Jr., J. C. Montgomery, Othro Adams, Joe W. North, W. E. Smith, Ralph Meinecke, Vernon Cox, Taylor Ward, Sherman Taylor, Warren

Clayton, Roy Henderson, Worth Odom, Paul Perner, N. W. Graham, Scott Peters, Bill Grimmer, Hurst Meinecke, Joe Davidson, Maubry Morrison, Tom Smith, Joe Pierce, Jr., and Misses Leta Graham, Emma Lou Phillips, Vivian Baggett, Josephine Nolen, Rachel Schraeder, Bill Scott of San Antonio, Elizabeth Fussell, Gertrude North, and Richard Flowers, T. A. Kincaid, Jr., Houston Smith, Clay

Adams, Nelson Hawkins, Kelly King, Herbert Kittle, Eli Hagelstein.

At the close of the games a delectable salad course was served to the guests.

**World's Record Golf
Expected This Winter**



The world may look forward toward January ninth as the day on which the greatest thirty-six holes of golf ever played will be turned in. The golf will be played by the winner of the Los Angeles \$10,000 open championship and will be to the credit of George Von Elm or of the man who beats him.

Von Elm is only in his middle twenties. And although he has never had the distinction of being a boy wonder he is within a few months of the age of Bobby Jones of Atlanta who has always had that title.

In winning the national amateur championship at Baltusrol Von Elm was one under even par for thirty-five holes. He has a record of 68 in nine under even par, for eighteen holes at the Rancho Club in Los Angeles. And the Rancho Club course may be selected for the final of the L. A. Open championship.

If it is the champion, who is still a youngster and whose game is getting better, will be playing in his first big tournament since winning the championship. He will be playing at home before his thousands of friends who have presented him with a magnificent sedan and who have otherwise honored him king.

He will be pressed by one of the greatest fields of golfers ever put together. He will be driving with the narrow stance, and the full pivot—this is the altered style that helped him to the championship. He will be playing in perfect golfing weather for the records reveal January days in Los Angeles to be bright and sunny, with comparatively little wind and neither too hot nor too cold.

With the driving he did to win the amateur championship at Baltusrol he was sixty-three at Rancho would have been more than likely a sixty-one.

The man who beats Von Elm the day of the final is likely to have set his record the greatest round ever turned in. Hundreds will be in the play. The prize is the richest in golf and it is played at a time when most of the golf courses of the United States are closed. This will permit scores of professionals to be in the Southland who have to remain at their home clubs at other seasons.

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Notice—We will delay our regular "Every Thirty Day" Sale from the First to the Fifteenth of January. This is done because of the fact that most every one bought enough just at Christmas to do them the rest of the year. Also the various entertainments scheduled for the First of the Year will be in progress; not to mention the fact that we will be quite busy making an inventory of our stock at that time. We hope that this variation will not greatly inconvenience any of our customers.

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1lb. Schilling Coffee	\$0.59
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8oz. Schilling Vanilla Ext.	\$1.35
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"The Bat"

Is Flying Toward Ozona

The greatest Mystery Play of the past decade is coming to the Ozona Theater Monday and Tuesday of next week. "The Bat" has thrilled audiences all over the country and it will thrill you. See "The Bat" Monday and Tuesday.

Program

Monday and Tuesday "The Bat"
Wednesday "The Stampede In Trouble"
Thurs. and Fri. "War Paint" with Pauline Starke and Tim McCoy. From the story by Peter B. Kyne.
Saturday "Moana of the South Seas" A Paramount feature film.

The Ozona Theater
"Tasty Movie Menus"

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Clayton spent Christmas with Mr. Clayton's parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Clayton in San Angelo. They returned Monday.

Bob Austin of Ft. Worth came to Ozona to spend Christmas with his wife, who is visiting her par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Kersey. He left Saturday but will return in time for New Year's Day.

Mrs. Homer Adams is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Thompson, in Cleburne. She will return this week-end.

Stockholders Of Loan Association To Meet

Stockholders of the Ozona National Farm Loan Association have been notified of a meeting to be held here at 3:30 p. m. January 11 as required by law, according to N. W. Graham, secretary-treasurer of the association.

Among the matters to be taken up at the meeting will be the election of a board of directors for the ensuing year, to hear the annual written report of the secretary-treasurer and any other business that may come before the meeting. Every stockholder is urged to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Murchison and little son, Bob Perner, are spending the holidays with Mrs. Murchison's mother, Mrs. Mary Perner, and other relatives. Mrs. Max Schneeman, another daughter of Mrs. Perner's, entertained the entire family with dinner Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Evert White went to San Angelo Christmas day to see Mr. White's mother and sister. They returned Sunday.

Leonard Hensley and Weldon Hensley returned Sunday after a week's visit with their mother, Mrs. H. A. Summers, in London.

Mrs. Arthur Phillips' aunt, Miss Charlotte Rawls, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Phillips at their ranch home for two weeks.

Hugh Childress, Jr. has been suffering from a recurrence of trouble with his shoulder which was broken about three years ago. He expects to be up Friday.

Friends of Miss Elizabeth Childress have received invitations announcing her approaching marriage to Grady Mitcham of San Angelo. The wedding will take place January 11 at 10 o'clock at the First Methodist Church.

Miss Bill Scott, who is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bascomb Cox, will remain through Friday, the first day of the rodeo, before returning to San Antonio where she teaches school.

Spiritual Symbols Will Grace Floral Tourney



A new fame and a new glory is to be shed on Pasadena's famous Tournament of Roses on this coming New Year's day.

This year the cities will send floats as before, but they will be expressive of a more spiritual side of life. Some will represent songs. Others will represent graces and abstractions such as beauty, idealism, courage, patriotism, faith, hope, charity and kindness. The new note was given to the great day of flowers by Carrie Jacobs Bond, shown in the inset, and others of the famous creative artists of Southern California. They believed that in the twenty years of showing that the tourney had outgrown its primary inter-city competition. All of the cities fell in with the idea and this year will

bring to their aid, the ablest creative minds of the Southland in the fabrication of their entries.

As in the past all of the flowers used in the parade must be such as can be grown in Southern California at the New Year Season. These include roses of every description, carnations, sweet peas, calendulas, narcissus, bachelor buttons, larkspur, violets, marigolds, baby's breath, heather, sunflowers, bougainvillea, geraniums, calla lilies, orange blossoms, shasta daisies, chrysanthemums, poinsettias, straw flowers, camellias, tulips, daffodils, poppies, California poppies, pansies, sweet alyssum, azaleas, dahlias, similia, English ivy, asparagus, plumosa, evergreens (all varieties), hawthorne, holly, sage, dog-berry and huckleberry.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Carson and their children went to Bertram to spend Christmas with Mr. Carson's parents. They will be back in time for the rodeo and New Year at home.

Miss Lucille Ingham is home from T. C. U. spending the Christmas holidays with her parents.

Miss Geraldine Petty of San Angelo was a guest of Miss Louise Coates during Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Masie West who were married at the Methodist church here Christmas Day have returned from their honeymoon trip to San Antonio and other points.

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Mr. and Mrs. Worth Odom spent Christmas in San Angelo visiting Mr. Odom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paschal Odom.

Saxophones Used in Fight on Devil

The saxophone—"instrument of the devil"—is being enlisted by the churches in their fight on the devil. It is indicated in advices reaching the Conn Music Center, Elkhart, Ind. All-saxophone quartets and sextettes in church and Sunday school are among the "devil's own weapons" being used to win folks over to religion.

"Not so long ago it was quite common for church people to shun the mention of saxophone, let alone go to hear one played," says James F. Boyer, supervisor of the Conn Music Center. "The sentiment seemed to be, even among musicians, that the saxophone wasn't much good for but jazz, and for a while it did appear that the jazz artists were the only ones to recognize and make use of this comparatively new addition to the brass instrument family. Reports now coming in, here, however, indicate a changed attitude on the part of the public. Artists know that the saxophone tones come nearest of all others in resemblance to the human voice, and recognize that there is nothing so beautiful musically as a saxophone solo. H. Benne Henton, one of the greatest living masters of this instrument, claims that no cleaner, more elevating or inspirational music can come from any instrument, and will not play anything that has the slightest taint of jazz in it. Saxophone quartettes and saxophone sextettes are winning a place for themselves in churches, especially those that cannot afford a pipe organ, and other churches have found that the appearance of an orchestra at church functions invariably draws increased attendance. This is indeed fighting the devil with his own weapons."

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We Dedicate 1927 To Service

Business is sensitive. It goes where it is invited, and stays where it is well treated.

In 1926 we tried to prove to you that we could provide the type of groceries and service which was appreciated by our regular customers and many newcomers who came to us for the first time.

But, if in 1926 our service was good, in 1927 it is going to be better. This business is never satisfied with good enough, when it can give something still better.

Service may mean the way our salesmen greet you—it may mean the promptness with which they serve you—the attention they give your every want—the courtesy with which they comply with your wishes—it may be the finding of something here which cannot be obtained elsewhere—it may involve the many little business courtesies due to you as a valued patron, such as, "Yes, Sir!" "Yes, ma'am!" and "I thank you," for which we are famous.

Service may mean promptness or sterling, reliable quality.

Service to us means everything!

In 1927 we shall try to make this business the sort of place that we have always liked it to be—the kind that is most talked about—pointed out on the street—recommended by one and all.

We want to thank you most heartily for the prosperity of 1926, and wish you great happiness and prosperity for 1927.

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ern Texas to interstate destinations; the securing of the withdrawal of market privileges; forcing the carriers to discontinue the use of arbitrary weights; cancellation of the rule providing for the application of stock cattle rates on stock cattle accorded the privilege of Texas markets, which amounts to approximately one-third of the freight charges, and the cancellation of the \$2.50 cleaning and disinfecting charge on shipments of southern (ticky) cattle.

The retention of market privileges on live stock, due to the work of the association, means a saving of hundreds of thousands of dollars to ranchmen. The carriers request, filed with the Interstate Commerce commission, for a general advance of 5 per cent in all live stock rates, was denied. This means a great saving to shippers.

Cases now pending include application for reduced rates on stock cattle from Texas points to Kansas pastures and application for general reduction on all classes of live stock between Texas points, about 25 per cent.

What Relationship

The deputy of a certain fraternal insurance society recently obtained the application of Mr. William Johnson, and gladly escorted that sensible individual before the examining physician. In the process of filling out the papers, Mr. Johnson was asked to name his nearest relatives, that they might be designated as beneficiaries. He explained as follows:

"I met a widow and married her she had a step-daughter. My father, a widower, visited us and married the step-daughter. My wife became the mother-in-law of her father-in-law and my step-daughter my step-mother. My father is my step-son.

"After a while my step-mother, the step-daughter of my wife, had a son. This boy is my brother, being my father's son, but he is also the son of my wife's step-daughter, and so her grandson. There I am my brother's grandfather.

"Then my wife had a daughter. My mother-in-law is her step-sister and also her grandmother, because she is her step-son's child. My father is the brother of my daughter, who is also the daughter of my grandmother. I am my mother's brother-in-law, my wife is her own child's aunt, my daughter is my father's niece and I am my own grandfather."

When Mr. Johnson finished he above simple and easily understood statement of his family relations, the doctor had collapsed and the deputy taken to the woods. The applicant is waiting for someone to come along and designate his beneficiary, so that he can go ahead and join.—Exchange.

Noted Music Bowl Self Sustaining

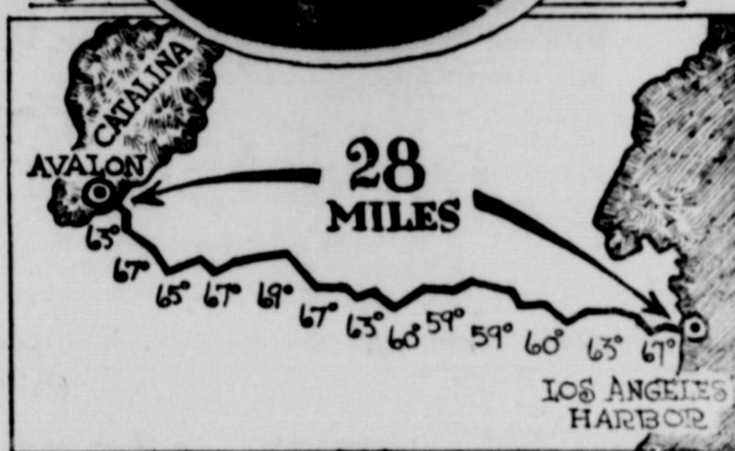


Symphony music is now within reach of the hundreds of thousands and even at the modest fees of twenty-five and fifty cents, the very finest of symphony music in America can pay for itself.

This is revealed by the annual report just made by Raymond Brite manager of the Hollywood Bowl, America's greatest outdoor music audience chamber. The Bowl seats twenty thousand persons. During the summer just past concerts were given three times weekly. They were listened to by 293,982 persons who paid \$110,188.79. This gives a surplus of nearly \$1,000 over expense.

The series of concerts will be given again next summer with world famous conductors drawn from all over the world.

Relay Maps Route for World's Greatest Swim



The world's greatest swim in one of the greatest prizes ever hung up—\$25,000 in cash—is to be staged in Southern California January 15 and thereafter until the swim is accomplished.

The swim is the Catalina channel. It separates the island of Catalina from the California mainland. The nearest distance is approximately twenty-three miles.

In the English channel the big problem was rough water and tides. In the Catalina channel an entirely new problem comes up. It is currents and change of temperature in the water.

Along the California shore the temperature is, as noted, 67 degrees. This is ideal for swimming. It is a factor that has made the California beaches the most popular in the world. But as one gets out a mile or so from shore the temperature starts downward. There is always a variable of eight degrees and frequently a greater variable. The shore temperature remains steadily at about 67 degrees and the channel temperature dropping to ten or even twelve degrees lower.

That the channel can be crossed by a swimmer has been demonstrated. Recently Fred Cady, coach at the Los Angeles athletic club, who has been a large factor in turning out crazy California swimmers, crossed it with a relay of swimmers. The first in the water was Viola Hartman Cady his wife. After she swam a mile, another swimmer entered. Temperatures were taken as the swimmers stroked across the water. They are shown. The journey with fourteen swimmers in the relay took 23 hours and seventeen minutes, and the zigzag course measured 23 miles. This is indicative of the difficulty of the swim. Frady Eberle swam the English channel alone in fourteen and one-half hours.

But then the English channel swimmers swam for glory. This swim is for \$25,000. The effort to cross on January 15 will be enormous. Will it be done?

THE OBSERVER

The Observer wants to serve notice that he is quitting. He is done. This thing of buying and mailing Christmas cards has gone far enough. Next Christmas he is not going to order a lot of Tailor-made engraved cards from an agent to mail to everybody that he suspicious will send him one. They are nice but they do not mean anything but licking and stamping for us and trouble for our Postmaster. They are too impersonal. Some of us who could not write a poetic line on pain of death buy a canned sentiment on a Christmas card, with our Mr. and Mrs. engraved beneath it and pay from 5cents to \$1.00 a piece for these. We are getting too upstage in Ozona—If a fellow wants to remember me on Christmas, I'd prefer him to go shopping with common citizens and rub shoulders with the bourgeois at Kress', Woolworth's or some other orthodox store and send me a red and green penny card with an Old Santa or Christmas tree on it. Then I know he is not trying to put on airs and I can send him the same kind. What shall we do with these, after we read them and feel if they are engraved, and say, "John and Mary picked nice ones, didn't they," and note what

FOR SALE—A porcelain top red kitchen cabinet and table practically new. Mrs. Roy Parker—Adv. 2t.

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they cost. The Observer and his wife have been counting over our cards so we will know how many for next Christmas. Folks, we getter quit, we just can't keep up with Ozona any longer—California—it's a fool's game anyway.

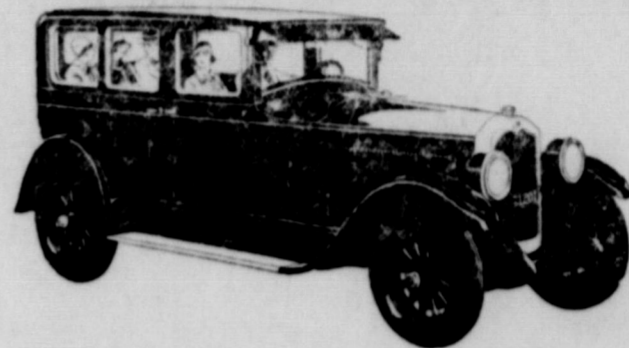
FOR SALE: 2 Dodge Touring Cars, 1 Buick Touring Car, 1 Essex Coach, 1 Ford 2-Door Sedan and 1 Ford Touring Car. These cars

are all in good shape and we will make special Christmas prices from now until Jan. 1st. Come in and look them over.

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\$1500.00 in cash prizes to be given away. Seven Horse Races, Steer Roping, Goat Roping, Wild Brahma Steer Riding, and Mean Pitching Horses. There will be dancing each night in the new \$150,000 Hotel. Music will be furnished by the "Oriole Serenaders" of Brownwood, Texas.

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Ozona Theater

8:45 p. m. January First

SURE THERE'S A SANTA CLAUS

By A. B. CHAPIN



**Matty Matsuda
Wrestles Here**

**Jap Jiu-Jitsu Expert
To Meet Chicago Man
Saturday Night**

Ozona sport fans will be given a rare treat Saturday night when a wrestling bout between Matty Matsuda of San Angelo, Japanese jiu jitsu expert, and Mike Reid of Chicago, who defeated Jack Gorman in a recent bout at San Angelo.

The match was arranged Thursday as an added attraction to crowds here for the Rodeo and Race Meet. The match begins at 9 o'clock Saturday night at the Ozona Theater. It will be a catch-as-catch-can affair for the best two out of three falls.

Matty Matsuda is one of the best known wrestlers in West Texas. He is a flash on the mat and a past master of the Japanese art. His work in San Angelo attracted a large following to him and a big crowd of San Angelo sport fans are expected to be here to see him in action against the Chicago man.

Mrs Albert Bailey, who has been

suffering from a severe attack of tonsillitis for the past two weeks, has recovered sufficiently to be up Thursday.

**Property Owners
Building Walks**

**Several Hundred Feet
Of Sidewalks To Be
Constructed Soon**

Several hundred feet of new concrete sidewalks will be laid in front of property along the street

on which the new Methodist church is located before the coming of spring, it has been learned. Sidewalks are now being laid in front of the home of Pleas Childress and as soon as this work is completed, similar jobs will be started for other property owners in that block.

Mr. Childress, in addition to laying sidewalks, is having the wooden fence in front of his home removed and the appearance of that side of the street will be considerably improved when the work is finally completed.

N. W. Graham has also contracted for sidewalks in front of his home and will also have the fence around his property removed, to be replaced with a concrete curbing. Others along the street are

understood also to have agreed to lay walks.

The work is being done by Walter Kyle, local cement contractor, and by going in together on the project, property owners have been able to make a saving in the cost of the improvements.

POSTED—My ranches lying in Crockett and Val Verde Counties Trespassing positively forbidden. T. A. Kincaid. —Adv. 12-27

Mrs. Albert Kay is reported recovering rapidly from her operation which was performed about two weeks ago. She expects to leave St. John's Hospital in San Angelo this week-end and stay with her sister until sufficiently



recovered to return home.

**New Year Greeting
From Your Bank**



We have shared your joys and sorrows, your successes and reverses in 1926 and we have enjoyed your confidence and friendship. The year to which we are now about to say goodbye has been prosperous for most of us and it is our sincere wish that you find 1927 even more prosperous, happiness more bountiful and reverses fewer.

We have done our best to serve you at all times to the best of our ability in the past and once more we dedicate ourselves during the coming year to devote our resources toward the betterment of this community and our customers.

Ozona National Bank
"A Good Bank in a Good Town"



As the Old Year draws to its close and we are about to hail the New, we are moved to an effort to express our appreciation to our many friends for their patronage and friendship during the past year and to hope that the coming year will find us still enjoying that friendship and patronage.

1926 has been a great year. Ozona and Crockett County have enjoyed unusual prosperity. This store has kept pace with progress and we promise you our best efforts in 1927 to give Ozona and Crockett County a store of which the community may be proud. We are thankful for our success in 1926. We feel it is but a reflection of your good will and patronage and it gives us great pleasure to extend to you our hearty wishes for a

Happy
New Year

Joe Oberkmpf
Furniture, Hardware and Plumbing



Another Big Year For Buicks

The Old Year is passing and with its demise we turn to greet the New. In 1926 Buick surpassed all automobile records and 1927 shows excellent prospects of even bettering the records of the past year. Make your New Year happy with a Buick.

COUNT THE BUICKS

The Wilson Motor Company has enjoyed one of the best years in its history in 1926, with records in this territory in the sale of Buick automobiles and Radiolas. We are going to make 1927 a bigger year still. Watch us

Our Best Wishes For A
HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

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