

CITY TO HAVE MODERN 3-STORY HOTEL BY NEXT MAY

The Air-View

And now a modern hotel for Spearman. Skeptics and doubters who said it couldn't be done are wrong again. All they have to do is take a look at the location where the foundation is now being laid for the new hotel. Work has actually begun.

Again we say, there isn't a greater group of public spirited, hard working citizens in the whole wide world than those found in Spearman. For months—years and several years—men who paid no attention to those who said "you can't," have been working faithfully on securing a modern hotel for their city. They knew the hotel was needed, that it would be a valuable asset to their city and they didn't give up when things looked the darkest. No sir, they kept on working all the harder and they got what they went after.

And of all things—putting over a real public improvement project like a new hotel—in 1931 when most everybody was croaking hard times and chronic depression. We'll say again that you've got to hand it to J. W. Ratekin, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, officers and members of the chamber and many other "real citizens" of Spearman who went after the new hotel and got it—in the face of numerous odds.

Just for a moment let us again enumerate the commendable achievements of the City of Spearman made in 1931. A new water system; newly paved streets; a modern telephone system; paved highway across Hansford county; a new modern courthouse; a new and modern hotel. We'll place a record like that beside any county in any state in the Union for 1931 achievements.

What's the matter with the Lions Club? Members are pleading work and of course "old man depression." That's entirely the wrong attitude for members to take. After a brief respite of holiday activities the Lions Club ought to get back in the harness and start to work. They've done a lot of good for Spearman and they're a mighty big force in the civic advancement of the city but there's plenty of work right now for them to do. Let's start in January 1, 1932, with a new resolution. Make our meetings show a 100 per cent attendance record. If all the members are not present, nothing can be done. The president and his co-workers are helpless unless the members attend the meetings and offer their services. What's the matter with the Lions Club? Let's hear you roar. Spearman is expecting it of you. You can't afford to lay down now.

A. F. BARKLEY HEADS C. OF C.; RATEKIN RE-ELECTED

Wm. E. McCLELLAN IS MADE VICE PRESIDENT DIRECTORS ELECTED

POWERS, LYON, LUSK, MERRITT, WILBANKS FORM DIRECTORS FOR 1932

A. F. Barkley, tireless civic worker and business man of Spearman, was elected president of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce at a call meeting of the newly elected directors Monday night. Barkley's splendid work as director last year in the organization and his thorough knowledge enables him to fill the office that he has been honored with in a most creditable way. He succeeds W. W. Merritt, retiring president.

Wm. E. McClellan, who served efficiently last year as a director was elected vice president. Other officers of the organization, making up the directorate are Sid Powers, P. A. Lyon, Fred Lusk, retiring president W. W. Merritt and Sheriff H. L. Wilbanks.

Directors of the organization were elected at the regular annual meeting last Thursday night, where members selected from a list of fourteen names that had been submitted.

At the meeting Thursday night, retiring president W. W. Merritt, who presided, thanked every director and member for their loyal support and cooperation in the many accomplishments that the organization had recorded during the year.

R. L. Snider, superintendent of the Spearman Public schools said that the activities of a chamber of commerce could be just what the membership wanted to make them. He said that his heart was in the work of the girls and boys of this city. He also pointed out that the chamber of commerce had always been behind this school work 100 per cent, and urged that the work be strengthened with new efforts.

Wendt Says Worst Over "It seems like the most good is done by folks when times are the least big hardest," was the way in which Frank Wendt put it in his remarks. He said that farming had profited much by the strained economic condition that over had worked hard and put over a real program of good. "I believe that we have seen the worst of our hard times," he said. "There is a bright future for agriculture in Hansford county. We want the aid of the chamber of commerce and with it and the aid of other citizens of the county, we will be able to put over a splendid program next year."

IS RE-ELECTED



For the third consecutive time, J. W. Ratekin, was again named Secretary-Manager of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce at a meeting of that organization's newly elected directors last Monday night. Since his taking over the work here, Ratekin has built up one of the strongest chambers of commerce organizations in Texas.

GOOD SNOW FALLING OVER NORTH PLAINS

Reports From Neighboring Cities Say That Fall Is General

Snow started falling in Spearman at about 7 o'clock Wednesday morning and continued throughout the day. The total fall had reached about 3 inches by noon with a moisture precipitation of approximately .25 of an inch, according to Fred Brandt, U. S. weather observer in Spearman.

Barely freezing weather allowed the snow to melt rapidly and farmers declared it to be ideal for growing wheat.

Good snows were reported at Perryton, Canadian, Stinnett, Dalhart, Morse, Gruver and Stratford.

Highway Work Is Now Running Full Blast

Laying caliche on highway 117 across Hansford from the east county line is now in full blast. Tractors are moving the caliche from pits near the highway rapidly and men and spreaders are busy giving the new highway its first coating.

So long as there is no rain or snow, cold weather will not effect the progress on the highway, superintendent P. C. Neal of Womack-Henning Construction company said.

Two Hurt In Wreck When Blinded By A Heavy Snowstorm

Finis Maize former deputy sheriff of Hansford county, was badly cut about the face with flying glass with serious injuries to his shoulder, when the automobile in which he was riding collided with another car driven by Wade Gill about 6:30 o'clock Wednesday morning on the highway east of Spearman. Gill was also badly cut about the face, several teeth knocked out and one of his knees badly sprained. Both cars were badly wrecked.

The victims attributed the accident to the blinding snow storm that impaired their vision. Maize was unconscious before Gill, who was the lesser hurt of the two, went to the farm home and summoned help.

Maize was returning from his work at the caliche pit east of Spearman and Gill was on his way home from town.

Although his condition is said to be serious, his physician, Dr. J. E. Gower said that Maize's chances of recovery are good.

Jno. R. Collard Goes After Son In School

John R. Collard of Spearman left Tuesday for Terrell, where he will visit with his son, Jno. R. Jr., who is attending Texas Military College in that city. Jno. R. Jr., will return with his father to spend the holidays with home-folks.

Poultry Show Is Most Successful In History Of Hansford County

SEVENTEEN BREEDS OF POULTRY SHOWN AND 4 VARIETIES RABBITS

MANY WHO VISITED SHOW AMAZED AT HIGH QUALITY BIRDS SHOWN

Seven cities over the North plains vied for honors here last Friday and Saturday in what was claimed to be the most successful poultry and rabbit show ever to be held in Spearman. Besides Spearman the cities represented with entries in the show were: Gruver, Waka, Perryton, Guyton, and Panhandle. Seventeen breeds and varieties of poultry were shown, which included a total of 255 fowls. Four breeds of rabbits came in for honors, making a total of 60 in the show.

With the majority of first prizes going to poultry raisers in Hansford county, the show clearly indicated that the county has high grade birds, quite enough to stock every farmer's place with breeds that would be classed far above the average.

Leslie Cook, head of the poultry division and O. C. Raney head of the rabbit division and county agent Frank Wendt, who had charge of arrangements of the show expressed themselves as being well pleased with the excellent attendance and the interest that was manifested. The chamber of commerce and business men were thanked for their aid in making the show a success. Following is a list of the winners and their various classifications:

- Barred Rocks: Hen—George P. Grout, Panhandle, first; Wilma Coleman, Waka, second; George P. Grout, Panhandle, third. Pullet—Wilma Coleman, Waka, first; Mrs. H. M. Shedeck, Spearman, second; George P. Grout, Panhandle, third. Cock—George P. Grout, Panhandle, first. Young Pen—Bill Sampson, of Spearman, first; C. W. Hendricks, Spearman, second. Old Pen—C. W. Hendricks, of Spearman. White Rock Pullet—Elmon Jacobs, Spearman. White Wyandottes: Hen—Margaret Perryton, second. Pullet—Virgil Perryman, first, second; Mark Perryton, first and second; Mark Perryton, third. Young Pen—Pearl Dixon, Gruver, first; Virgil Mathews, Spearman, second.

Hutchinson Man Beaten By Negro Assaulter and Murderer Is Recovering

Oscar Churchill, a native son of Hutchinson county, and well known by many old timers over the North Plains country, brutally attacked by Thomas Johnson, negro, who is sentenced to die in the electric chair in New Mexico, February 12, after having been convicted of criminally assaulting and murdering Angelina Jaramillo, of Santa Fe New Mexico on November 16, is on the road to recovery.

This information reached Spearman today from W. S. Christian, former sheriff of Hutchinson county at Stinnett, Sam Churchill brother of Oscar and a brother-in-law, Roy Hedgecoke, went to New Mexico immediately after hearing of his injuries. They declare that the injured man will get well.

Churchill, a Santa Fe night watchman who evidently apprehended the negro after he had committed the crime, was attacked, robbed and beaten about the head with a two pound hammer. His skull was broken eight inches. For some time, there was grave doubts of his recovery.

Midget Refinery Is Damaged By Fire Here

The midget Refinery of Spearman was slightly damaged by fire early Monday morning, due to frozen pipes in the refining chamber. The oil was not permitted to circulate, boiled over, coming in contact with a flame of 615 degrees fahrenheit.

The Spearman independent firemen responded to the call and extinguished the flames before the building was damaged seriously.

Spearman, third. White Eggs—B. M. Maize, Spearman, first. Brown Eggs—Mrs. G. C. Mitts, Spearman, first; Mrs. H. M. Shedeck, Spearman, second; Virgil Mathews, Spearman, third. Turkeys: Old Tom—Ruth Rogers, Perryton, first; E. S. Uptergrove, Spearman, second; J. B. Monroe, Spearman, third. Young Tom—Ruth Rogers, of Perryton, first; R. C. Stewart, Spearman, second; E. S. Uptergrove, Spearman, third. Hen—Ruth Rogers, Perryton, first; J. B. Monroe, Spearman, second; E. S. Uptergrove, Spearman, third. Pullet—Ruth Rogers, Perryton, first; E. S. Uptergrove, Spearman, second.

Thermometer Hovers Near 18 Degrees As Winter Continues Reign

On the heels of a brief warm spell here Saturday, winter again held sway, bringing a brisk northerly with snow flurries Saturday night that moved the thermometer down to 18 degrees.

Cold, piercing weather with a disagreeable south wind make subfreezing throughout the day Monday and Tuesday.

Wheat is uninjured by the cold weather farmers say, due to plenty of moisture. Although the skies were clear Tuesday, the weather man held out little promise for warmer weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Flinn Return To Spearman

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Flinn are again residents of Spearman after spending the past several months in Oklahoma. Mrs. Flinn is serving the Western Telephone Corporation in the capacity of Chief operator and Earl is again numbered with the clerking force at Merritt's store.

Contract Let Saturday for New Building to Cost Approximately \$40,000; Work is now under way

WILL HAVE 38 ROOMS, STEAM GAS HEATED; LOCATED NEXT TO McCLELLAN CHEVROLET COMPANY ON MAIN ST.; CITIZENS COMPLIMENTED ON EFFORTS

Immediately following the closing of a contract and the signing of necessary papers, foundation work was started on Spearman's new hotel this week. The contract calls for completion by May 1, 1932. W. M. Woods, well known hotel man over the Southwest is building the structure.

The new hotel will be modern throughout. It will be 50 by 110 feet, with high grade face brick fronting main street and running the entire length of the building on the east. Capacity of the new hotel will be 38 rooms with a spacious lobby on the main floor and a front and side entrance on two streets.

Local Marksmen Will Shoot For Geese As Trophy Next Sunday

Now comes the real thing for apt marksmen. Sid Powers and Fred Brandt, keepers of Spearman's shooting course, sends out the word that there will be a big "Goose Shoot," here in Spearman Sunday, December 20. Fine, fat geese will be held out to marksmen as trophies.

As has been the case in turkey shoots held here this fall, the contest is open to all comers. Qualifying scores will group the marksmen in flights fitted to their shooting abilities.

"We believe that some of the fellows would like to have a goose for the Christmas table," Powers said today. "We have a fine collection of honkers and we're asking everybody to come out and enter the match."

The contest starts promptly at 1:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon Powers said.

Converse Pig Club Boys Get \$165 In Prizes At Show Held In Spearman

One hundred and sixty-five dollars were awarded to five boys of Hansford county in the R. V. Converse Pig Club show held in Spearman last Saturday, where the finest collection of one and two month old pigs ever to be seen in Spearman was seen. R. V. Converse gave the prizes.

Hupbert Uptergrove won first prize of \$50, who entered a sow and a litter of 9 pigs. The litter weighed 607 lbs. James McNulty won first prize of \$50 on a sow and litter group that weighed 579 lbs. Lloie Kern won second prize of \$30 on a sow and litter that weighed 438 1/2 lbs. Earnest Rosenbaum won third prize of \$20 on a sow and litter that weighed 548 lbs. Clovis Uptergrove won fourth prize of \$15 on a sow and litter that weighed 447 lbs.

Scores of people who attended the showing of porkers declared the need of more pig club work in Hansford county. A move by the Spearman chamber of commerce together with the business men of Spearman next year will be started soon to form a pig club here with the hopes of getting as many as 25 or 30 boys to join.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Prewitt and Mr. and Mrs. Max Lackey were dinner guests last Sunday of Mrs. J. W. Jones at her ranch home on the Palo Duro west of Spearman.

Mrs. D. W. Hazlewood and family spent Sunday in Texhoma visiting with her parents and other relatives.

ADVERTISERS URGED TO GET COPY IN EARLY FOR CHRISTMAS EDITION

The annual Christmas edition of The Spearman Reporter carrying many last minute shopping suggestions and greetings of the season from Spearman merchants and business men, is scheduled to be off press and in process of distribution Wednesday, December 23.

The edition will carry out a new idea and will have a cover design in Christmas colors. It will be circulated over a wide area.

Local advertisers and those wanting to place a message of the season in this beautiful Christmas edition of the Reporter, are urged to get their copy in not later than Monday night, December 21, at 9 o'clock.



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International Sunday School Lesson

By DR. J. E. NUNN

FOR DECEMBER 20

General topic:—
"The Supreme Gift of Love"
(Christmas Lesson.)

Scripture Lesson:—1 John 4:7-19.

7. Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and all that joyeth is begotten of God, and knoweth God.

8. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

9. Herein was the love of God manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world that we might live through Him.

10. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

11. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

12. No man hath beheld God at any time: if we love one another, God abideth in us, and His love is perfected in us.

13. Hereby we know that we abide in Him and He in us, because He hath given us of His Spirit.

14. And we have beheld and bear witness that the Father hath sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.

15. Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God abideth in him, and he in God.

16. And we know and have believed the love which God hath in us. God is love; and he that abideth in love abideth in God and God abideth in him.

17. Herein is love made perfect with us, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as he is, even so are we in this world.

18. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear, because fear hath punishment, and he that feareth is not made perfect in love.

19. We love, because he first loved us.
Golden Text:—Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.—1. John 4:11.

Time:—It is the tradition that John died in the time of the Emperor Trajan, about A. D. 98. It is likely that his first Epistle was written not long before that year.

Place:—In that case it was probably written at Ephesus, and where John was the Bishop of the church.

INTRODUCTION

This lesson is taken from the first epistle of John. "It is almost certain that this Epistle was written by the author of the Fourth Gospel, the same peculiar style and special ideas appearing most conspicuously in both. Though the author nowhere designates himself an apostle, he claims to be an eye witness of the Gospel events and a personal disciple of Jesus Christ (1 John 1:1-3); and he writes with authority and fatherly affection for his readers. Very early testimony connects the work with John the son of Zebedee, and there is no ancient witness for any other authorship. It gives no hint of any locality where it was written. Probably it came from Ephesus, since John lived there."

"The letter is not written to those at a distance, but, rather, to those who are living in the writer's own diocese. John was so old that all in the church, fathers and sons alike, seemed to him to be little children. To them all he wrote these words of instruction and advice. These younger generations might read these words and recall his voice as they had heard them utter them. This little book would be the last will and testament of the last of the apostles to the Christian Church. It would go along with his Gospel as the church's most precious heritage. It would appeal to the Christians of all the generations as directly and as intimately as to those of John's own day.—Prof. D. A. Hayes.

"Love One Another" v. 7.

"Beloved." This is a letter from a pastor to his dearly beloved flock. In the portions of the letter treating the subject of love he commonly addressed them as "beloved." "Let us love one another." They are to show to one another the spirit of love. In John's extreme old age, with every faculty becoming numb, when he could no longer walk to the place of Christian assembly, he caused himself to be borne thither, that he might address the brethren; and this was his whole address: "Little children, love one

another." The disciples and brethren, hearing nothing but this from him, asked him why he always spoke the same thing to them, and nothing else; to which he replied that it was the command of the Lord, and if this only were done, enough was done. "This paragraph is a worthy compliment to the matchless hymn of love sung by Paul in the thirteenth chapter of the First Epistle to the Corinthians, for it gives to the virtue which Paul praises its mighty motive, and finds its birth in the being of God." Prof. Charles R. Erdman.

"God IS Love" v. 8

"He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love." If we have not love in our life, we may be sure that we have not God in it. "Love is the yardstick by which our deeds as Christians in relation to other Christians are measured. It is the warp and woof in the garment of our righteousness. Some years ago I observed in Florida in the packing houses where the oranges were prepared for shipment, that they had a long trough with holes of varying sizes cut in its bottom. This trough was elevated sufficiently to permit the oranges to run down the slope. As they ran down the trough, they dropped through the holes, each separated from its fellows, according to its size and value. I have conceived of love as a trough by which our deeds are measured, and the hole sizing them is the love we give our fellow. Our deeds are small or large or indifferent as measured by the love they embody."—Rev. J. D. Masseur, D. D.

"The Love of God" v. 9

"Herein was the love of God manifested in us." "The love of God" here means God's love of men, not men's love of God. This also marvellous to say, is manifested through humanity. "That God has sent his only begotten Son into the world (there is only one Christ) that we might live through him." If Christ had not come into the world to show us the Father and to die for our sins, we should have died in our sins, we should never have entered eternal life.

"Herein is love." Namely, in what follows. "Not that we loved

God, but that he loved us." Out love, at the best, is imperfect, but God's is perfect. Our love is secondary, flowing from God's love; but God's is primary, original, the fount of love. Our love is tainted with self-seeking, but God's love is pure self-giving. "And sent his Son to be the propitiation of our sins." "Propitiation" means "atoning sacrifice," with the thought that by means of it the wrath of the Eternal Judge is removed and he becomes gracious to the sinner, pardoning all his guilt. The heart of Christian theology is in this word "propitiation." Herein is love, God's love to man, that, if accepted, renders the sinner one with God through all eternity.

"He First Loved Me" v. 19

"We love, because he first loved us." Herein is the humility of Christian love. Let no man have confidence in his own love to God or man, but let him have all confidence in God's love, which is the perfect source of our imperfect human love. "Ye did not choose me," said Christ to his closest friends and apostles, including John himself, "but I chose you" (John 15:16). "In the words of this verse is the romance (if we may dare to call it so) of the divine love-tale. Under its influence the face once hard and narrow often becomes radiant and softened; it smiles, or is tearful, in the light of the love of his face who first loved.

We may say of the silvered sea that it shines because the moon sheds upon it its silvery light. We may say of the full orb moon that she shines in soft beauty because she reflects the glory of the far absent sun. But of the sun we can only say that it shines because it shines. We know of no external sources from which it draws its glory. So that it is with the great heart of God. He loves because he loves. "He first loved us."—W. E. Burroughs.

God's Gift of Love

The best illustration and proof of John's treatise on the love of God is the story of the birth of Jesus Christ in the stable at Bethlehem. The most beautiful of the accounts of the greatest of all earth's events is that of Luke's Gospel. As we look back upon it in the light of the nineteenth century, we marvel at its simplicity and loveliness, its perfect fitness to show God's love for man. How could he better do this than by coming to earth to live man's life with him, from the cradle to the grave? And if he had come as an admired sage, or as a powerful conqueror, or as a man of amazing wealth, or as a mighty ruler, he would not then have entered into our common life and lived as a brother alongside of us. But no, his advent was made known to humble shepherds about their tasks, he was born of a lowly peasant woman, betrothed to a village carpenter; he was crowded out of the simple inn at Bethlehem and first saw the light in the stable walls, being laid in a manger. In all ways through his brief life he shared our human experiences. He met all our temptations and conquered them. He endured the stress of poverty. He confronted persistent opposition. He as misunderstood even by his nearest and dearest. And finally he was hounded to an ignominious death of awful agony. But thru

it all, by his gracious words of heavenly wisdom, by his tender deeds of kindness to the outcasts, and by his miracles of healing and of marvelous power, he so manifested the love of his Father that men have ever since believed it, have sought it in all their troubles, and especially in the greatest of all troubles, in their sins.

The government helium plant at Amarillo, Texas, will be enlarged if recent recommendations of the United States Bureau of Mines are followed.

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Spearman, Texas

Insurance Commissioner Warns Against Fires At Christmas Time

J. W. DeWeese, State Fire Insurance Commissioner issued a warning today to the people of Texas against fire caused by carelessness during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. DeWeese said that past records reveal that ninety percent of the fires that have occurred during Christmas Holidays was due to carelessness on the part of the people by their failure to keep the many common fire hazards that are so prevalent in the average home and place of business.

The following Rules, Mr. DeWeese said, should be adhered to during the Christmas Holidays to prevent fires of Careless origin.

It is unsafe to put highly inflammable materials on the Christmas tree; however, if such materials are to be used, every precaution should be taken to prevent fire in any form to come into close contact with the tree, and especially should every precaution be taken to prevent unsafe electrical wiring in and about the tree.

Under no condition should a tanny or wire be used to replace a burnt-out fust plug. The fuse is the Safety Valve for protection against overloading and to use a tanny or wire to replace is defeat the purpose of the fuse as safety protection.

Lighted candles should never be placed on the Christmas tree. Lighted candles should not be placed in the window near curtains or other inflammable materials.

All wrapping paper, boxes and other rubbish, should be removed from the house immediately when package has been opened.

Small children should not be permitted to play with matches, as is thru this medium that many unhappy fires have occurred.

Small children should never be permitted to handle fireworks.

Under no condition should two people engage in a roman candle fight, for to do so is likely to result in serious bodily injury to one of the two. Past records reveal that many people have been severely burned, or received an eye injury. Neither should one person throw a firecracker at another person, for such innocent pleasure may result in serious injury.

Parents are warned not to leave small children at home to take care of themselves, for there are too many dangerous fire hazards in the household and small children are not aware to such dangers. The records reveal that such practice as this on the part of parents has resulted in the death of small children not capable of taking care of themselves.

Last, but not least: All people are urged to think in terms of safety before doing any act during the Christmas Holidays, and if this precaution is practiced, we are sure to have few fires of careless origin and less casualties than ever before.

Judge Speer Announces Candidacy State Office

Judge Ocie Speer announces this week as a candidate for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court at the July primary, to succeed Judge William Pierson.

Judge Speer is a native of Texas and is 62 year old. He was for twelve years Associate Justice of the Court of Appeals, and for four years a member of the Commission of Appeals to the Supreme Court. His term on the Commission expired two years ago, since which time he has resided and practiced law in Austin.

Besides his long service on the bench, he is the author of a number of legal works, including the Law of Married Women in Texas, 1901; Law of Marital Rights in Texas, 1916; Law of Briefing, 1925; Third Edition of Law of Marital Rights in Texas, 1929; Adoption, Bastardy, Chattel Mortgages, Cotennacy, Descent and Distribution, Husband and Wife, articles appearing in Texas Jurisprudence, the most comprehensive legal publication ever undertaken for Texas.

His latest work is The Law of

Special Issues in Texas, a practical text book just from the press. Judge Speer has probably written more pages of Texas law than any other judge or text-writer.

He is a member of the American and the Texas State, Bar Associations. He served as a member of the Court of Appeals for the M. E. Church South from 1914 to 1918.

He was active in securing the franchise for women in Texas primaries before the Nineteenth. He is known as an authority on the marital laws and others affecting the property rights of women in this State. He has appeared before the Supreme Court in some of the most important cases in the State, the latest perhaps being the one involving the recent Act of

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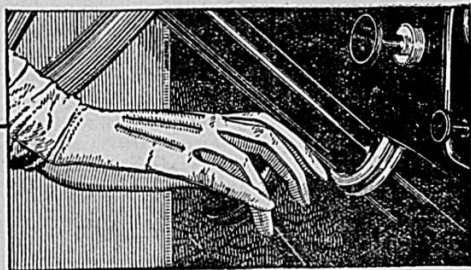
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READ THIS FIRST
Magda Altorf's career as a pianist in Vienna is ruined by her venal protector, General Mannlicher, when he repulses her for his daughter's maid. She escapes starvation by becoming an Austrian spy, chiefly rebelling Lieutenant Kronau, Russian spy. Mutual admiration develops. He visits her recklessly in her apartment. General Mannlicher, turning up to persecute her, interferes and is killed by Kronau. Magda flies to Russia, army headquarters, to do spy work as a maid. She obtains the plans for a Russian offensive from the Adjutant, lofting them down in musical notes as a code. Kronau recognizes and captures her at headquarters, but is puzzled by her musical manuscript.

Chapter XXVI

As the non-commissioned officer entered Kronau motioned him to a place beside the door.

"Stand there," the Colonel said, indicating that the light switch be close at hand. "Turn out the lights when I tell you to." Magda watched him curiously as he walked to the fluorescent and turned to her. "May I bother you to step here?"

She sauntered toward him with candor and amusement. "Tell me, please, her before the radiant apparatus. His touch was quite controlled—even cold. He stepped back and began to adjust the incandescent mechanism of the machine.

"I hate to put you to all this trouble," she said frivolously. "Of course, I appreciate your interest in my interior. I'm curious about it myself. But really, I haven't swallowed any little metal tubes containing messages. As a matter of fact, I'm on a diet—doctor's orders."

She stood immovable as he directed the sergeant to turn off the lights. Darkness blotted the room for a moment. Then Kronau switched on the fluorescent. A faint outline of Magda's trim figure leaped out on the shining panel before Kronau.

Then with a frustrated chirp of the lips he flicked off the rays. "Tell the manager to come here," he directed the sergeant, and beckoned Magda down off the fluorescent stand.

"You haven't told me how I look," she reproved him archly. "How are my lungs? Still performing properly, I trust. And my liver—in good condition? Most of all, how's my heart? I might tell you that you're privileged. You're the first man that's had an intimate glimpse of my heart. Were you able to divine what's going on in there?"

Kronau made no answer, only squeezing a cigarette between his fingers tightly. Striding to the music sheet, he laid it out to dry on his desk, and contemplated it intently, lighting his cigarette and appearing to lose all consciousness of Magda's presence. It was only when a knock came on the door that his glance took her in again.

"Come in," the Colonel commanded, and the hotel manager entered, blinking in flustered surprise at sight of his chambermaid in this inquisitorial presence. "Have you a piano here?"

"Yes, sir—in the bathroom," the manager mumbled. A startled look twitched across Magda's face, but faded at once as Kronau turned to her, gathering up the music sheet.

"I'm in the mood for a little music," he whistled, and now it was his turn to be brightly cheerful. She shrugged. "A strange time for it... but then, I know how eccentric musical people are."

She went with him as they followed the manager down the hall to a door leading to a large room, in which he switched on the ghostly illumination of a couple of side clusters. The hall with its empty chairs seemed cheerless and cavernous, especially dolorous in the corner where stood the deserted piano, forlornly leaning against a wall and a bass viol, amid rickety skeletons of music stands. Stepping to the piano, Kronau drew it toward him, placed the music sheet on the rack, and turned to Magda with the grave courtesy of an impresario.

"Madame plays, I believe?" Madame nodded. "Would you be so kind as to play a song for me?" A properly solicitous man flickered on his lips. "If I like it, I might help you to get it published."

With an answering devil-may-care challenge she seated herself, inclined toward him in a sprightly little bow of thanks, and then ran the scale brilliantly, with a sidewise, chipper glance as if to plague him a little. He seated himself calmly, apparently prepared for such a prelude in an artist limbering up. Then she launched into a spirited little piece.

When she swung around after a stirring finish, she found Kronau's face sparkling. The officious investigator had been laid aside for a moment. Her fluent technique had captured the man who had captured her. "You play exceptionally well," he observed, genuinely gracious. "You have a pretty talent that is rusting—in this work." He might have referred to chambermaid chores or spying.

"I once had my ambitions," she said, her voice trailing off on the last word. "You like that composition?"



"I'm in the mood for a little music," said Kronau, gathering up Magda's manuscript.

"Very much," he said, and she rose from the piano bench with evident pleasure. "I've always liked it. It's a well-known Russian folk-song. I'm glad you picked it."

Her shoulders sagged, almost indistinguishably, her rise had failed. Purposely the Colonel strode to the piano bench and seated himself.

"I'll play your composition as it actually reads," he said. From the manuscript he crashed out a piece—discordant, barren of melody or rhythm. It was merely a jangled march of disconnected notes, void of structure, more arid than the most advanced music he had ever heard.

Yet Magda herself listened with the rapt attention of one who was hearing it ecstatically for the first time. The manager was frankly confounded by this wildness of jangling sounds.

Kronau finished and whirled about with the painful candor of a well-meaning critic. "Very bad!" he commented. "I'd advise you to give up music."

"You're not fair," she retorted. "You didn't accent it properly. It's very modern music, quite daring in its harmonics. You overlooked some important notes. You made no real attempt to play it sympathetically or accurately."

"No?" He grinned at her affronted, turning to the manager. "Do you play?"

"A little—yes." The manager in response to Kronau's nod sat at the piano and studied the composition, more fussed than ever. Then, making an occasional slip but correcting himself earnestly, he made a rather lumbering into a sedulous reproduction of the pot-heroes on the musical staves.

Magda listened to him intently, as one who treasures up in her mind a cherished bit of artistry.

At the end the Colonel turned to her with a mute question, and she shrugged her shoulders in resignation. He thanked the manager and dismissed him. "Come," he said momentarily to Magda, and escorted her back to his office.

There he waved her to a place opposite him on the couch, while he sat at the desk, poring with a creased forehead over the sheet. At last he seemed to reach an enlightening conclusion. He looked at her triumphantly.

"So you set down our battle array on these staves, didn't you?" She smiled, a whimsical smile. "Don't you even want to give me credit for the ability to compose in my own original way?"

"That was rather clever," he said, perusing the notes again. "But not quite clever enough." Briskly he stepped to the shelves glittering with jars of powder and bottles of liquid. Selecting one by its label, he returned to the desk, placed a pan in front of him, and lighting a match, set fire to the music sheet, letting the flaming mass drop into the grate.

"How foolish!" she jeered. "You're destroying the evidence to convict me."

"I destroy everything I can that's dangerous to Russia," he said with marked significance, keeping his eyes on the burning manuscript. "As to convicting you," he added trenchantly, "my word will do that."

"You feel I deserve this, if only for summoning the man who shot at you as you left my apartment. As a matter of fact I didn't!"

"No," he said seriously. "He came too soon for you to have time to summon him. Besides, I had your word not to give the alarm for five minutes. Somehow I couldn't think you'd break your word."

She shrugged. "Nice of you." He stepped to the couch, contemplating her with darkly pensive eyes. When he spoke the husky-like monotone was gone from his voice.

"What a pity that a woman like you has to die such an ignoble death." "Don't be absurd!" she countered lightly. "What could be nobler than dying for my country?"

"Not this way," he reflected somberly. "Too bad!" "Oh, you're taking this much too seriously. What am I? Just X-27. You know a little about X-27, but nothing about the woman."

"What was she, the woman?" "Nobody," she said casually. "Once, perhaps—but she'd become Madame Nobody. The only sort of death she could look forward to was gas—or the river."

"I don't believe it!" he said, a pucker of incredulity on his brow. "Really, it was so," she assured him. "And now I'm playing in tuck X-27's death will be a triumph over the woman's life." She smiled, almost as if to comfort him. "So you needn't have any uneasy moments about me. As a matter of fact, I find it much more agreeable dying for my country than living for my countrymen."

"Have you any last wish," he asked, "that I can grant before you die?"

She nodded slowly, earnest now herself. "I'd like to spend my last hours on earth with you."

For a moment he was on his guard. His commiseration was veiled in a reminiscent twinkle. "Do you think," he smiled sceptically, "that you will find me as easy to fool as you have fooled the other officers?"

She shook her head pleadingly. "I give you my word of honor that I won't try to escape." She looked at him wistfully. "I just want to be with you... that's all."

"Well..." He debated for a moment with himself. Some kind of internal struggle seemed to grow within him. Then it burst forth. "Do you know that I'm madly in love with you?"

His hard military reserve had crumpled—his feelings had swept away the dam in a flood. His eyes went softly toward his, bereft of anger or blandishment.

"I thought you might be," she said. "But I'm glad you told me yourself." She smiled courageously. "Since it has to be, I'd rather you killed me than anyone else I know. And I'd like your voice to be the last I ever hear. Get ready—load—aim—fire!"

Her voice held up undimmed through those ominous words. He looked at her, stricken silent. She rose from the couch and wandered to the window, looking out at a murk of clouds that sifted across the heavens. He stood up and moved slowly to her side.

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P. A. Lyon, one of Hansford county's progressive citizens, has been in Hansford county for sixteen years, coming here from Denton, Texas. He is active in all civic moves for city's good.

W. W. Merritt, a former resident of Springfield, Missouri, located in Spearman over two years ago. Since his residence in Spearman has been very active in all movements of the city and county and has taken an active part in the Lions Club of Spearman and also served as a director and later president of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce.

Fred Lusk is one of the citizens of Spearman who cannot be too highly praised for his fine interest in every movement of this city and county as well as adjoining territory. Mr. Lusk is manager of the Western Telephone Corporation of this city.

H. L. Wilbanks, Sheriff of Hansford county for many years, located here some thirty years ago coming from Johnson County, Texas. Sheriff Wilbanks is a gentleman of wide knowledge, fair minded in all details of matters concerning the upbuilding of the city and county and is to be counted on in every movement for the building of a greater Hansford county.

J. W. Ratoikin, the secretary-manager of the Chamber of Commerce, is a native of Warren county, Kentucky, and believe it or not has all the ear marks of a Kentucky gentleman, as formerly referred to. Ratoikin has a wide knowledge of every detail of Chamber of Commerce work and what is most necessary to build cities and communities.

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The incoming president, A. F. Barkley, in his talk last Thursday night again stressed diversification for farmers and declared that the organization should direct its efforts and lend its cooperation in aiding farmers with a well concerted program in this direction.

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PERSONALITY SKETCHES OF NEW OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF C. OF C.

A. F. Barkley, president, has been a citizen of Hansford county for 26 years, when there was not over 150 voters in the whole county, he coming here from Ford county, Texas. He has been a tireless and faithful worker.

Wm. E. McClellan, vice president, came to Hansford county in 1903 from Hill county. Been active in ever progressive movement of the county and city since.

Sid Powers, lived in Hansford county for 36 years, coming here from New Mexico. Herded cattle and rode the range for many

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LYNX BOYS AND GIRLS ATTEND TOURNAMENT

Friday and Saturday of the past week the Spearman boys and girls attended the Perryton basketball tournament. Although they were not successful in capturing first place in the tournament they are all proud of the showing that they made. The girls were eliminated in the semifinals by the strong Dalhart aggregation, while the boys were eliminated in the second round by Follett. Perryton girls and Berger boys were easily the pick of the teams entered and found it easy to capture first place. The defeats handed the Lynx teams has in no way dampened their spirits, because the boys and girls know that they can acquire the playing ability to beat any team in the Panhandle if they will work hard enough, and the practice for this week seems to be stimulated rather than slowed up by the fact that we all know what has to be done if winning teams are put out this year.

We appreciate the fact that Perryton invited us to take part in their fine tournament, and are very grateful indeed for the many favors shown us while there. Next year when Spearman High stages their tournament we hope Perryton will come to our town and help make the affair a grand success.

GIRL'S BASKETBALL

The Spearman basketball girls have been working very diligently the opening of this basketball season. They are very sorry that they didn't bring back some of the outstanding victories from the Perryton tournament, but their intentions are for every one to come out each afternoon and put forth more effort than ever before, and help win the next tournament.

The coach, Mr. J. E. Gunn, spends several hours every day, working with the basketball girls, and they surely appreciate the attitude he is showing.

Our next game is with Stratford, next Friday the 18th at Spearman. We are asking everyone to come out and see a good ball game.

HOME ECONOMICS CLUB

Thursday afternoon from 3:15 to 4:00 the Home Ec Club met in the Home Economics Department. Mr. Word gave an interesting talk on "The Relation of Science to Home Economics". We drew names and planned to have a Christmas tree December 16.

SPOT LIGHT

There is a certain dark complexioned girl in the senior class, who seems to be an ideal lover, at least all the boys are falling for her, but I think none of them have a chance since Lewis came on the scene.

She has brown eyes and freckles. Her hair is as black as a raven's wing, and she has figure that would make Hollywood sit up and take notice. It has been told that she can overpower Daphne Hazelwood in basketball. From all reports she is a typical high school girl.

We wonder if it is true that she has been trifling on Lewis, because we found a note that leads us to believe so; nevertheless the spot light turns on Louis McCauley.

SOPHOMORE REPORT

The Sophs are all very sorry that we lost our English teacher, Mrs. Wendt. Did I hear someone say she had gone? No! A false alarm. She is still in our room, but we had to let her go because we didn't want her to get old and cross from having to work too hard with the Latin students. We are all pleased with our new teacher, Mrs. Roundtree. She is a very likable teacher and is easy to get along with.

We feel honored; one of our Sophomore girls is taking the leading part in "The Call of the Banshee." There are two other Sophs in the play. They are Fred Holt and Billie Jenkins. All of you want to come to see this mystery play.

Bluebonnet seed are being distributed at cost in San Angelo in furtherance of the West Texas beautification program of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

SENIOR CLASS

We seniors have received our rings and they are certainly good looking. The class as a whole think they made a fine selection. We are expecting our pictures almost any day now, and are trying to collect the money, so we can get them out of the postoffice, when they come.

Several seniors went to the Perryton tournament. They all seem to have enjoyed the games, even if our teams were beaten.

The seniors are planning to have a big party during the Christmas holidays and I am sure it will be a good one.

JUNIOR NEWS

The Juniors are looking forward to the Christmas vacation. When it is over we will be ready to begin our work again.

We are thinking about the class plans that we are to order. They have not been decided upon yet, but will be in the near future.

The Junior play is to be given some time in January. We are sure that everyone that sees it will enjoy it very much. It is to be "My Irish Cinderella." Come and see it!

FRESHMAN NEWS

Three of the freshmen girls helped to win the Booker game last Friday night. They are Gertrude Barkley, Alvino Caldwell and Elsie Reed. We hope they will get to play in the tournament.

Oleta McClellan, Caro Lee Pratt, Ruben Deering, Homer DeBerry, Richard Williams and Hershel Ooley have been on the sick list this week, but they are all back in school now.

Some of the freshmen are in the new pep squad which was organized this week. The main yell is "Beat Perryton!" The pep squad know it is possible and that the Lynx will win.

Freshman Joke

Hershel Ooley was walking through a pasture with Bessie Rice when he spied a cow rushing straight at them. Hershel turned like a flash and ran for the fence. When he was safely on the other side the following conversation was carried on:

Bessie: "I thought you said you would face death for me?"
 Hershel: "I did."
 Bessie: "Then why did you run?"
 Hershel: "That cow wasn't dead."

GRAMMAR NEWS

Tuesday, December 10, was visitors day for parents, and the 7A are very glad to report that a large number visited their room during the day, and they invite all parents to visit with them. Those who came were: Mrs. Homer Allen, Mrs. Mabry, Mrs. Harbison, Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Sid Powers. Our room mother spent most of the day.

We are all glad to welcome to this room Miss Erma Mabry from Lubbock.

The 7B is getting ready for Christmas holidays, which will be soon. They are very sorry their English teacher, Miss Pearson, is sick. Very glad Mrs. Crook visited the room and hope more mothers will come.

The pupils on the B honor roll this six weeks are: Ruth Buchanan, Lela Daughte, Irvin Wilson, Rose Files and Eddele McCauley.

The 6A were very glad to have for visitors on visitors day Mrs. Lyon and Mrs. Womble.

They had a spelling match with the 6B and won. They all feel very proud.

The 6B were very sorry not to have any visitors visitors day.

They are all very sorry Miss Pearson is sick. They wish her a speedy recovery.

The 6B had a spelling match with the 6A room and were defeated, but they are all out for revenge, they say, so the 6A had better watch out. The 5A are very glad to report that they had a number of visitors on visitors day. They were: Mrs. Powers, Mrs. Buchner, Mrs. Barkley, Mrs. Gosssett, Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Hoskins.

The 4A have decorated their room until it looks like Santa's shop. They are practicing on a radio program which they are planning on to entertain the 4B.

They had several visitors Tuesday: Mesdames Keim, Brandt, Cook, Lee, Perry, Ging, Womble, Maybr and Snider.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT

Tuesday afternoon the eighth the P. T. A. members were entertained with a wonderful program by the First grade. Everyone present reported a most enjoyable time due to the talent of this little folks. Dorothy Jean Chammess gave an opening reading. Following this was their song of Santa Claus, carried out with motions to make it effective. Their little sketch of Christmas in other lands was very good. Their costumes helped to make this a success. One of the most interesting parts of the program was the "Spirit of Christmas." This was twenty-four verses taken from the Bible and read by Jewel Brandt and Cecil Bradford. They certainly did this wonderfully well. Neither made an

error all through the entire reading. Everyone wishes to compliment them on their ability. The program was closed with a song "Away in the Manger," by both classes. They presented the same program in assembly on Friday morning. The entire student body and all present enjoyed it to the greatest extent. These little folks are doing more than working up programs too. They have been completing their posters illustrating the story of the "Night Before Christmas" and starting their sand tables. The sand table in each room is very attractive. While visiting their rooms last week I looked at some of their writing. They are sure doing good work. They have new books and seem to feel very proud of getting these. Little Alton Elsworth was given a place in the aeroplane class. He has been a member of the automobile class. Also Oneta Horn, of the butter cup class was transferred to the Rose Bud Class. We are very glad indeed to have Leonard Honen from Wichita Falls, to join this class.

Mrs. Tuttle's room received 24 visitors Tuesday. Mrs. Finley's room had 18 visitors. They were glad to have you to visit them and wish you to visit them again soon.

As usual the Second A class is interested in songs. They are learning some Christmas songs now, and in a few more days their voices will rock the entire school building. They are also working on health posters and Christmas posters. These posters are in fine shape and look very neat covering the walls and windows. These little fellows are getting quite a collection of Christmas pictures, for what purposes I cannot say, but they will probably have a big surprise for us in a few days. The class is taking up some new readers. Joyce Lamb is back in school after a short siege of illness.

Bertaligh Pyle, from Morse receives a hearty welcome of the class. They are very glad to have her. Fourteen visitors came to our room last week.

The second B class are also making posters. They are showing much interest in this work and are improving in every way. They have had very good attendance lately and it appears that they intend to continue to do so, until after Christmas anyway. Every member of the class is working hard and show wonderful signs of improvement. This room had eight visitors Tuesday.

The 3A class is interested in making Christmas decorations. This class is practicing some Christmas songs also. They have some real singers in this class. In Amarillo last Thursday, Santa Claus had a visit from three of the members of this class. They were: Verna Gail Allen, Betty Morton and Jeanelle Womble. This class had nine visitors Tuesday.

The 3B has been working hard the past few days, making pinsetta pictures of Santa Claus. They are making bells to use for decorations. When they have completed this decorating scheme we must all visit their room and see what they have accomplished in art work. Idros Maize, Wanda Smith, Lois Cockrell and Myrtle Chammess have been absent on account of illness. This room received two visitors Tuesday.

gins—Come on Mama—Atta boy Hunka.

When I have time to look around, I see Mr. Gunn pulling his hair frantically, trying to keep the girls team from becoming excited.

The game is over and another game is won for the Lynx.

Ruth, did you hear those ladies call Mr. Jarvis beautiful? I wonder what they meant?

The girls played a fast and furious game Friday night and won where Ruth is. Oh, there she is, talking very confidentially to a Berger Boy.

We arrived home safe and sound and take it from Nosey, the tournament was enjoyed by all who attended it.

Yours,
NOSEY.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Spearman, Texas,
December 17, 1931.

Dear Santa Claus:
Our Editor-in-Chief doesn't want much for Christmas, so please Santa, bring it to her. Just three little articles are her heart's desire, and they, being very expensive, should appear without any hesitation. A diamond dinner ring, a red fox fur and a brown fitted hand bag top the list.

As a true friend to the "chief" I ask you a please not disappoint her.

Love,
RUTH CECIL.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl with curly hair. All I want for Christmas is a little Austin and a little dollie to ride with me.

Yours,
JOYCE.

Dear Santa:
All this year I've been a very

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Everybody knows it's the year's screamiest comedy. The dizzy nuts of "The Cocoanuts" and "Animal Crackers," in some more fun. If you would enjoy Christmas to the utmost, for the love Mike, don't miss this one.

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good little boy and I even got on the "A" honor roll last six weeks. Santa please come a week early and bring me a nice little original poster for Civics. Also bring me some nice little toys and mamma says, some that won't hurt me.

Your friends,
BUSTER KIRK.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl with gray eyes and red hair. I have worked very hard this first semester trying to make our school paper a success.

I wish to thank everyone for helping on the paper but Santa I wish you would withhold my staffs presents until they promise to hand in their reports on time.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas, I am,
EDITOR-IN CHIEF.

Dearest St. Nicholas:
We all know that the depression is on but nevertheless I want some bubble-gum and a pop-gun. I want some candy and four pounds of nuts and four pounds of oranges. Mrs. Snider said for me to tell you that she wanted a doll and a doll buggy. Please don't disappoint us.

A good little boy,
R. L. SINDER.

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Dear Santa:
I have been a very good little boy since last Christmas. Please Santa, won't you send me a red fire truck, a football and a pair of red mittens? I also want a machine to grade papers because I have to work so hard grading papers that I don't have time to play like other boys.

I hope I get all of these things
I love you,
AUBREY WORD.

The Stratford Star, Stratford newspaper, celebrated its thirtieth anniversary recently.

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A modern lime kiln is to be built at Big Spring.

A new high school building under construction at Seminole costing fifty thousand dollars.



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The Schools And The Unemployment Situation

What is the effect of the unemployment situation on public school attendance in the forty-eight states and how do the schools improve this situation in school attendance alone?

Dr. Maris M. Prott, consultant and specialist in guidance and industrial education in the Federal Office of Education, submits pertinent statement based on the relative ratio per cent of school attendance to population for persons sixteen and seven teen years of age between the years of 1920 and 1930. If the 1930 ratio had remained the same as 1920 more than 871,000 young people now attending school would be out of school and competing with adults for employment.

"The holding powers of the schools over this potential wage-earning group increased from 42.9 per cent in 1920 to 57.3 per cent in 1930." Dr. Proffitt says, basing his conclusions on 1930 census reports of population and school attendance. "In 1920 the per cent of urban population attending school was 39.2. In 1930 there were 60.5 per cent of urban residents (sixteen and seventeen years of age) in school. The percentage of the rural population attending school in 1920 was 46.1, and in 1930 it was 53.9."

The attendance increases are not always directly due to increase of population, the statistics disclose. Dr. Proffitt shows that in

some states there was a decrease in rural population of the above age group but the school attendance increased.

Among the reasons named for increase in school attendance, during the past ten years, of the pupils sixteen and seventeen years of age, are as follows: "Increase in the amount and character of vocational training offered in the public schools; the increased age of compulsory school attendance and better enforcement mainly because of increased need for technically trained and skilled workers; the increasing use of power machinery which tends to eliminate unskilled labor; and the growing recognition by students, parents and employers of the practical value of the educational training offered in the upper years of the public school curriculum."

GRAMMAR NEWS

The grades in the elementary department have been having an arithmetic tournament. The first match was between 5A and 6B. 5A won. Next 7A won from 5B. 6A and 7B held their contest Friday. 7A and 5A will match speed against accuracy December 11, and the winner will go against the winner of the 6A and 7B contest the following Friday. They have very high hopes of being victorious.

The 7B are working on "History Projects" and in Penmanship. They are making a book. The pupils on the B honor roll this six weeks are: Ruth Buchanan, Lele Daughtee, Rosa Files,

Edadell McCauley, and Irvin Wilson.

The 6A are all doing fine work. They are going to work against the 7B Friday in Arithmetic, which they all have high hopes of winning.

The boys in this room have a basketball team of which Henry Bruce is captain and Joe Womble assistant captain. The team consists of a group of the most lively boys in the grade schools.

The 5A are making some very pretty pictures for Christmas. Miss Ballentine has been absent for two days and Mrs. Womble has been teaching in her place. Mrs. Hutchison was a visitor Thursday. We were all very glad to have her.

The 5B have been very busy the past week, making art books, and putting up pictures. They have also been studying the forty eight states.

They are very glad to welcome a new pupil to their class this week.

The 4A group are making Christmas cards in art.

They had an arithmetic match with 4B last week and defeated them to the tune of 13-7. Everyone is sorry that Ida Mae McLeod is having to miss school on account of illness.

Those on honor roll this week are Lynn Burleson, Melvin Crawford, Howard Perry, Dorothy Day, Floydene Hays, Dennis Kerns, Ida Mae McLeod, Doris Cook and Billie Brandt.

PRISON PROGRESS THROUGH EDUCATION

Washington, D. C.—An achievement during the present Administration is a decided step toward absolute literacy vocational and moral training for Uncle Sam's 25,000 Federal prisoners.

According to a recent report of the Department of Justice the above and a number of other prison reforms have been put into practice by two Hoover appointees Sanford Bates, head of the U. S. Prison Bureau and his Assistant, Austin MacCormic. Supervisors of education and libraries have been placed in all U. S. prisons and reformatories, and actual vocational training has begun. The U. S. Health Service is now in charge of all medical, surgical, dental and psychiatric work.

Although New York, New Jersey and Massachusetts have done some pioneering in these "enlightening programs," the Federal Government is now taking the much belated lead in them. The twofold purpose in educating the prisoner is to make it possible for him to enter immediately some gainful occupation after obtaining freedom and to learn moral principles which will strengthen a desire "to go straight."

Drought Proves Blessing In Disguise To Indians

Washington, D. C.—The annual report of the Board of Indian Commissioners, discloses that last year's drought proved a blessing in disguise to several thousands of Indians in various parts of the West. When the drought and other depressive conditions struck Indian reservations the Bureau of Indian Affairs, aided by the Red Cross and other agencies, helping the suffering Redmen through winter.

While carrying out the program of relief and rehabilitation the field men of the Indian Service urged their Indian charges to raise food products on their own lands. In many parts of the Indian territory field men, aided by practical cooperation of experts from the Department of Agriculture and state and county agents, were so

successful in their efforts to get the Indians to produce foodstuffs for their own consumption that never before were so many vegetable gardens planted by Indians with such satisfactory results. Thousands of Indians have raised and stored enough edible products to help them to a considerable extent through this winter.

Cows Make U. S. Butterfat Record

Stephenville, Texas, December 17.—Two purebred senior three-year-old Jersey cows owned by John Tarleton Agricultural College produced more butterfat during the month of August than any other cow of the same age in the

United States. This report was in the August honor roll just published by the American Jersey Cattle Club. Cid's Combination Lou 816673 made 79.08 pounds of butterfat. Nobleman's Katy Lee 851863 produced 78.60 pounds. The next highest cow in the list made 68.21 pounds.

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Churches and Society

Blodgett P. T. A.

The Parent Teacher members and friends enjoyed a very interesting program last Thursday evening. The subject was "The Yule Tide." W. E. Prustman led the discussion by bringing some very valuable thoughts on the wise use of leisure. We were told that machinery and its power does the work of many people, pictures to present the subjects to classes, dispensing with the teacher and millions of new inventions such as the radio and airplane will present the problem of proper use of leisure to develop mental, physical and moral education. Good books, proper recreation, as hikes, picnics, socials, games and drama plays etc., were suggestions.

Mrs. A. D. Reed brought a very fine paper and list of good books for children, that is sent out by the state.

Lon Bauerfiend gave a very beautiful talk on "Significance of Christmas" or "The Celebration of the Birth of the Christ Child." Special entertainment was piano numbers by Miss Easley, Helen Austin and Ralph Blodgett. Readings by Mary Beth Austin, Ted Pearcey and Florence Bauerfiend. Violin numbers by J. M. Blodgett.

Pringle P. T. A.

The Pringle Parent-Teacher association met Friday evening, December 11, at 8 o'clock at the school house with Mrs. M. W. McCloy presiding.

A very interesting and instructive program was rendered. First number on the program was community singing followed by prayer by Mr. S. J. Logan. The main topic of discussion was health. Mrs. S. J. Lovell read a very interesting paper on causes and preventatives of diphtheria and then discussed the importance and harmlessness of inoculation for this epidemic.

Health teaching in home and school was discussed by Mrs. S. J. Logan. Percy Gilliam, Virgie Mae Parks and Merle Groves sang a song followed by a piano solo by Percy Gilliam. An interesting feature of the evening was a song contest between the school children and the parents, the children winning.

The requirements of affiliation of high school was ably discussed by Mr. Lovell.

Roll call was answered by Proverbs. Mrs. Cecil Webb served as secretary in the absence of Miss Iris Lieb.

Membership cards were handed to a few new members. There were 29 members and 28 visitors present.

Executive Meeting
The executive committee composed of officers and chairmen of different phases of the work met Friday evening, December 11, at 7 p.m. at the school house. Nine members were present. Mr. S. J. Lovell served as secretary in the absence of Miss Iris Lieb. It was voted to charge a small admission fee to the plays given December 19th, which is sponsored by the association. A committee was appointed to arrange for a carnival to be staged in the near future composed of Mrs. Roy Holton, Mrs. Dan Cambren, Mrs. Jimmy Claybrook, Mrs. L. W. Knudsen and Miss Iris Lieb.

Waka P. T. A.

The Waka Parent Teacher association met in regular session Friday evening, December 11. The topic for the evening was "The Importance of Health." Several

interesting subjects were discussed on health. A health play was given by Mrs. Mamie Powers' room which proved to be a high point of interest. This play was staged on the deck of a ship. Musical numbers were given by Dude Hart and F. C. Ashley.

Our next meeting is to be January 8, 1932. The topic of the program will be "Thrift—What Is It?"

T. E. L. Class Social

Tuesday afternoon the T. E. L. class of the first Baptist church held monthly meeting of December, in the home of Mrs. R. H. Prewitt.

After a business meeting a very merry social hour was enjoyed. This being our Christmas social, gifts were exchanged. They were all put on a beautifully decorated tree. The rooms were decorated in keeping with the occasion. Santa Claus could not be present so he sent one of his helpers, who could not talk, but had a present for everyone. Mrs. Smart won a lovely prize in guessing who this helper was.

The class presented Mrs. Richards, teacher, and Mrs. Collins, president, each with gifts as a token of appreciation of the wonderful work they are doing and the help they are to the class.

The class has just completed a Sunday school room, of which they are justly proud and much of the credit should go to the men who so faithfully helped them. The Hostess, Mesdames. Prewitt, Thompson, Burran and Brandt served a lovely lunch at the close of the afternoon; suggestions of the holiday season were accentuated in all the party details. Those present were: Mesdames. J. H. Richards, O. G. Collins, Raymond Keith, Marvin Lee, D. W. Holland, H. B. Towe, Martha Babb, C. V. Main, J. H. Main, J. L. Lee, W. M. Glover, C. A. Robertson, and Smart. We were very glad to have Mrs. Max Lackey and Mrs. W. L. Russell as our guests.

Marvin Jones Elected Chairman Texas Group

Washington, Dec. 10.—At the regular annual meeting of the Texas delegation in Congress, the following new officers were elected: Chairman of delegation, Marvin Jones; Congressional Committee, Hatton W. Sumners; Secretary of delegation, Martin Dies.

Congressman Sumners succeeds Marvin Jones as the Texas member of the Congressional Committee, and Mr. Jones succeeds Mr. Garrett as chairman of the delegation.

San Angelo maintains municipal turnip patch where unemployed people are given jobs, and the turnips are used for charity purposes.

CAT'S EYE



The Cat's Eye has got the low down on the Gene Hill family. He passed their house last Wednesday and found out just who is the boss of their family. Here is what the Cat's Eye saw: Mrs. Hill was sitting on the porch watching Gene hang out the family washing. That in itself is an example of Mrs. Hill's executive ability, and will be a good talking point for other housewives of Spearman.

The news of Spearman's new three story hotel came as a surprise to many folks. The contract was signed Saturday night and the actual work begun the following Monday.

The T. E. L. Class met at the home of Mrs. R. H. Prewitt last Tuesday afternoon. It fell the lot of one of the member to act the part of Santa Claus and the Santa Claus make-up consisted of a pair of Mr. Prewitt's trousers and a pair of his shoes. Mrs. J. M. Thompson was the one getting to wear Mr. Prewitt's trousers, in playing the role of Santa Claus.

Bryan's store claims to have the largest assortment of Christmas candies in town, and he is selling two pounds for a quarter. Many other specials are listed in his ad in this issue.

Jitney Jungle's ad is on the back page in this issue and he says that his specials on foods will surely save you money.

Harbison Furniture company is still giving 20 per cent discount on all furniture in their store. They are advertising Axminster Rugs this week for as low as \$2.45. Read their ad.

Declares Dividend

Salina, Kans., Dec. 3.—Directors of Western Power Light & Telephone Company declared the regular quarterly dividends of \$1.75 per share on Series A 7 per cent preferred stock and \$1.50 per share on Series B 6 per cent preferred stock. Both dividends are payable January 1 to stockholders of record December 15.

Eight carloads of calves were shipped from Spur recently to northern points for winter feeding.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Garst of Stratford and Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Westerfield of Gruver visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Wilbanks Sunday afternoon.

B. L. Rogers, Farnsworth Announces Candidacy For State Representative

B. L. (Bird) Rogers of Farnsworth, announced his candidacy this week for the office of state representative of the 124 district, which is held at the present by A. C. Johnson of Dalhart.

Rogers came to Texas in 1918 and took charge of a ranch belonging to his brother F. P. Rogers. The place where the ranch house stood was known as Rogers-town and is shown on the old maps. It was also a country post office for a number of years.

Starts Farnsworth
With the coming of the railroad and the breaking up of pastures, Rogers moved to the railroad and established Farnsworth. Here he engaged in general merchandising. The Service Store at Farnsworth, belonging to Rogers, is perhaps the oldest general store under the same management in Ochiltree county.

Rogers is 53 years old. He was born in Missouri. His forebearers went from Kentucky to Indiana and finally to Missouri.

Spanish-American Veteran
Serving his country in Porto Rico and Cuba, Rogers was in the Spanish American war. At present he is commander of veterans of Foreign Wars post at Perryton. He sat as delegate to the two national encampments of the United Spanish War veterans, the Denver encampment in 1929 and at Philadelphia in 1930.

While active in civic affairs at home, Rogers has become known to a wider circle from having contributed timely articles and reports to numerous newspaper of the Southwest. He still admits that he is a country store keeper.

Rogers declares that he believes he is familiar with the problems of the farmer and rancher. His business experience he declares enables him to know something about what helps and hinders.

Tho, entirely self educated, Rogers has taken an active interest in school affairs in a constructive way.

Blodgett and Black Communities Program

A joint program and Christmas tree by Blodgett and Black communities will be held at the Blodgett school building Wednesday evening, December 23rd at 7 o'clock. A fine program has been arranged and everyone is invited. Come, bring the children. Old Santa is going to be there and a good time is in store for all.

"Mad Parade" At Lyric This Week End Offers New Thrills; War Theme

If you are one of those blasé souls who seldom speak of woman without intoning in the same breath "the eternal feminine"; drop in The Lyric Theatre this week and have your ears pinned back, your wits whittled to a sharp breaking point, your heart tossed boisterously about in your throat, and a lot of your pet illusions hobbled into a fresh slant at today's bright and beaming young world.

"The Mad Parade," produced under the direction of William Beaudine, from an original story of patriotism's wildest era, written by Gertrude Orr and Doris Malloy, is crammed with these kinds of thrills. Moreover, with all featured honors being usurped by women, nine of them to be exact, you'll be surprised at the terrific romantic feeling this unique production packs. Too, it has in generous portions, sympathy, broad comedy, menace, beauty, spectacle and high-powered action.

Here is a story of women whose emotions were unleashed in true perspective by the stress of war hysteria. It tells of the overseas adventures of a canteen unit, centering interest in the love-feud of two girls, both loving the same man. It has any number of big punch moments and the last episode will be indexed alongside your memories of Melisande being dragged by a lumbering truck as she bade goodbye to her lover in "The Big Parade."

Evelyn Brent, Irene Rich, Louise Fazenda, Lilyan Tashman, Marceline Day, Fritz Ridgeway, June Clyde, and Elizabeth and Helen Keating are the name members of the cast, which has, nevertheless, the requisite number of atmospheric performers to give it the feel of an epic.

And if the masculine impulse is not represented by name, it is

present in innuendo. Director Beaudine having made sharp and novel use of shadows and voices from positions out of the screen frame. You'll find it all entertaining of the exciting kind, wildly so.

A Winters farmer made a profit of nearly nine hundred dollars from a flock of four hundred turkeys.

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FOR SALE.—Corn and Maize. 6 miles north of Etter. Good scales for weighing on farm. D. L. Buckle, Stratford, Texas. 112p.



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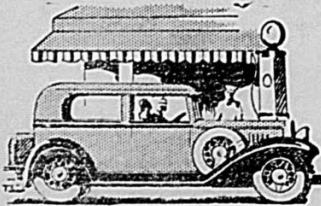
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Christmas Candy 2lb 25c

PANTREE OATS with 1 piece of glass table wear in each pkg. . . 10c

MAYONAISE Pint Jar 25c

CHERRY Chocolates In lb. Gift Box 29c

TOMATOES No. 2 Can, 3 for ... 25c

LUX Washing Powder 2 for 19c

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