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Diversification

(By Mrs. M. Luther Owens)

I never mind giving my ideas about a thing, but when it comes to giving them out as a prize winner, I'm always afraid some one will think I imagine I think I know more than any one else, which isn't true. But for fear I may have an idea that will do some one good I am going to pass it on and not hold it as the old man did the nugget of gold.

But in New Mexico a tired prospector stopped one evening at Old Laguna just as the sun was sinking behind the sage brush and cactus of the desert. After dinner he engaged his host the grizzled old prospector of the inn in conversation about the surrounding territory. He told the old man he had been prospecting for gold but of late hadn't had any luck. For a long time the old fellow listened to the story of his guest, then got up and went out of the room, returning in a few moments with a large nugget of gold, which he displayed in his hand. The effect was electrical, the prospector was no longer tired but alive and alert.

"Well pardner," he drawled, "if I know anything about gold, that's the real thing. Ever have it assayed?" "Nope" said the inn keeper, "never run across no one that knowed anything about ores, picked it up one day 'bout twenty years ago and just kept it as a kind of souvenir." "Do you remember where you found it?" said the prospector. "Shore" taint more in 'bout thirty miles from here." The prospector leaned over and placed his hand on the old man's knee and way into the night talked of the great wealth and painted pictures of what it would mean to the old fellow in his declining years. At length they decided to go fifty-fifty in the profit of their wonderful gold mine.

Next morning they started off on horseback for the foothills on the horizon. All day while riding along through the heat of the desert they gloried in the riches which were at their finger tips. Finally toward evening as the tired horses started up a long hill, the old man said, "now, as I recalls, we're just about there, on tother side of this hill is the spot." But lo, and behold! When they reached the top of the hill they looked down upon the smoky stacks and derricks of the "Big Jerome," one of the richest gold mines in all the west. That night two sad men turned their horses homeward to Old Laguna. They were ten years too late.

The moral is simple—if you have anything good don't hold it or you may lose it. So for fear I may have an idea that may be of some good, I'm going to give it. Instead of saying why, first, and how, next, I am going to tell you how, and then why, as a farmer's daughter, and when I say that I mean I was a part of the working force on that farm.

At nine years of age I would help burn brush way into the night until we had cleared two hundred acres of black land in Falls county, and ne West Texan knows just what that meant. When I was twelve or thirteen I was picking three hundred pounds of cotton a day. Friday morning we would wash, then back to the field in the afternoon. Saturday morning iron and clean house and afternoon work in a general merchandise store my father was running in connection with the farm. On our farm we had cotton and we had corn, cane, sorghums and ribbon cane. We had large patches of Irish and sweet potatoes in such large quantities we would plow them up, gather and sell what we didn't need for home consumption, then bed the others up for the winter. We raised so many melons over what we could eat, we would haul them in and put them in a room in the barn, time after time to feed the hogs. Yes, we had hogs, and lots of them. Sometimes sixteen to twenty and more. I can just see them now coming from all direction out of the big pasture we always had as we would call them to their feed. Sometimes we would have to carry water for them a far ways from a tank, but we had hogs. And by the first freeze we would have

fried ribs, stewed ribs, ham and sausage and all the good meat we wanted hanging in the old smokehouse. I can imagine I can hear the squealing of those hogs now as shot after shot would be fired while the years supply was in the smokehouse—and yes over in one corner you would be sure to smell a barrel of sour kraut and pickles, by the kegs. As we always had a large garden and old Aunt Mary, an old negro, who always lived with us and my mother would can all through the summer, vegetables and fruit, for we had an orchard also. I can paint a picture of myself coming home from the field and stopping at the orchard and eating all the fruit I wanted before going to the house.

On our farm we never went to town for our Christmas turkey—we raised it, and chickens all over the place. I can hear now the potrack of the guineas, the quack of the ducks and the call of the old ganders to their mates, and see the little ducklings and goslings swimming in the tank made for them between the house and barn. Our tock tanks which were known all over the country as the double tank pasture was quite a ways from the house and cost several hundred dollars to build. The fun of picking time would come, the catching of the geese. I can just see the indignant look of the old ganders as they would walk off with their pretty bold fronts all gone. My mother supplied our feather beds and pillows in this way, also for all her children as they married and went away. And then if you've never tasted one, you should just try eating a baked goose, my, that wonderful white meat from the breast.

We also had fresh sorghum and ribbon cane syrup made fresh every year from the mill by my sister and husband, who lived on the place. Fresh honey from our own hives. Every Saturday we had fresh, warm meal from the mill too, no weevils in our corn bread.

We had lots of stock, from six to eight milk cows, with fresh butter every day, and all the milk we wanted, with lots left for the pigs. We raised mostly Durham and Jersey stuff. Then on Saturday we drove the best horses in the country, as my father always raised blooded stuff. My riding pony was one of the fastest quarter horses in east Texas, was known on the race track as, "Sketer." We had a buggy horse whose pacing record was a mile in one minute and twenty seconds. Then we had the fourth horse to the fastest trotter in the world, "George Wilks" which was his great grandfather, "Tennessee Wilks" his grandfather and "Belzant" his father. Our horse "Robert J."

Every child on our place had a horse all their own and I think these things are what held us on the farm. Some of the best people from all the towns around made our place the pleasure ground of the county. We were not ashamed of the farm or that we worked on the farm.

What we did in Falls county, you can do in Runnels, nearly everything that grows anywhere, will grow here at some season of the year. We can even grow, or do grow more kinds of feed stuffs than we did there, a variety of things on a farm breaks the monotony as well as the actual need of variety. If, one can raise most of the stuff they use, why try to raise enough cotton to go and buy this same stuff and get it second-hand, besides pay more for it? Then too, the farmer's wife could get it fresh from the garden or orchard every day when she has to come to town to buy. Raise more hogs and chickens and you can afford to plant more feed and less cotton. With more food stuff of every kind on the farm will make it cheaper and it will make the high cost of living less, as well as the cost of labor. We can, besides farm products, raise wonderful fruits in this county. There are lovely strawberries grown in Winters. I have the finest dewberries in my own garden, I ever saw, and canned several bushels of fruit from trees in my back yard. I wish our land-owners would wake up to the value of the farm. I should love to see a pretty entrance gate to all our large farms, with the farm named some at-



Winters Ice & Fuel Building New Vault

Workmen have just about completed a very modern and up-to-date cold storage vault at the local ice plant. The new vault is 30x50 feet and when completed will consist of three compartments. There is a small space about 12 foot square which the local manager, Mr. Williams, refused to inform us what use it is to be put to, saying that was a secret. We understand the three compartments of the new vault will be offered for rent to those who have need of cold storage.

Right here we want to take this opportunity of complimenting Mr. Dillingham upon the up-to-date ice and cold storage plant which he is operating in Winters. We're all proud of this progressive, up-to-date institution.

G. E. Nicholson, local manager of Higginbotham Bros. & Co., will go to Cross Plains the latter part of this week after his family. They will be domiciled in one of the new Clements homes. We welcome this family to our city.

ENTERPRISE TO COME OUT EARLY

On account of the suspension of the mails on Christmas Day, and it being Christmas, too, The Enterprise will come out one day early in order that our readers may get their paper before Christmas Day.

The Paper next week will be composed chiefly of Christmas greetings from the merchants, and we ask you to let us have your special items and announcements of coming events during the holidays as early as possible.

BOND ELECTION CARRIES

The bond election last Tuesday resulted in a very light vote, but the proposition carried nearly twelve to one. The election was for the purpose of converting all short time warrants held against the city into long time bonds, thereby saving the city a considerable sum in interest as most of the warrants were drawing eight per cent, and the long time bonds will draw six per cent.

Following is the vote:
For the bonds 59
Against the bonds 5

tractive name, and fences along the roads taken down and fields plowed to the roads. But if you must have fences make them as attractive as possible.

Now I hope this biography of my own farm life will be an incentive to some one, and if I have said any good thing, I shall be glad.

Winters Enterprise P. T. A. Ass'n. Hold Meeting

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WINTERS CAN AND WILL

In looking over our exchanges, which came mostly from West Texas towns, we are continually noticing where this town and that one has voted for \$100,000 up in bonds for the purpose of erecting modern school buildings, and this brings us to the point we want to make and that is "Will Winters Build a High School Building in Accordance to Her Wealth Like Other Progressive West Texas Towns are Building?"

We need to build a good, modern high school building that will take care of our needs for some ten years hence so that our school authorities can send out the good word that Winters is the place to build a home and educate your children. We need this room so we can go out after the boys and girls of this section and bring them to Winters instead of letting them go elsewhere, remembering that the boys and girls of today are the men and women of tomorrow.

Any way you want to figure it, it will be worth the money to the town, and the Enterprise believes that "Winters Can and Winters Will."

Mrs. Johnnie Hamilton and baby of Abilene are holiday guests in the home of her mother, Mrs. J. L. Allred.

Local Baptists Attend Meeting at Brownwood

Quite a number of Winters people attended a district meeting of the Baptist W. M. U. at Brownwood, which was held in interest of raising the indebtedness of the Foreign Mission Board.

Dr. Sallee from China, Mrs. Geo. W. Truett of Dallas and Miss Laura Coupland of this city were the principal speakers.

Winters had the largest representation of any of the churches in the Brownwood district with the exception of Brownwood. Those attending the meeting from the local church were: Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Stephens, Mrs. J. W. Patterson and Misses Laura Coupland and Mary D. Taylor, Frank Humphrey and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Alexander and Mrs. S. L. Alexander.

The Parent-Teacher Association met Tuesday, December 8th with a goodly number present and a good interest manifested in the work.

Mr. Smith stated the scales and slide had been installed, but this wasn't at all necessary for in a few days all the parents will know it as from what I could see of the use they were making of the slide, there will be quite a bit of patching for the mothers to do in a few days. I am also afraid some of the teachers are going to have to sit up late some night doing the same thing. Any way our school is growing so rapidly. If you do not visit it often you are going to get awfully far behind.

This is the last meeting until after the holidays. Then we are hoping every one will return with a new and cooperative interest.

The P. T. A. is wishing every one a very, very Merry Christmas and a Happy Prosperous New Year.

—Reporters.

H. W. Lynn was a business visitor in Ballinger Wednesday.

Car Drivers Finding Use for Their Brakes

Yesterday morning when the people began filling up the city they found that somebody had been quite busy the night before as white lines had been painted at crossings in which pedestrians were to walk and at the point where Dale empties into Main street from both east and west there is a big "STOP" painted in white, and as cars whizzed up to these points you could hear the brakes crying.

Incidentally, we might give you the benefit of what we overheard Marshal Kirby confiding to a small gathering on the street corner early yesterday morning. Mr. Kirby informed the listeners that he was going to warn and explain the traffic regulations for a few days and then he was going to expect the people to observe them. He told them that cars coming into Main street from Dale were to come to a full stop and then proceed and the same rules also apply at the Jackson & Holcomb and J. W. Tanner corners on Dale street. Markers are also being painted on the pavement for parking cars.

If the people will do their part it won't be long until the officers will be handling the heavy traffic with ease.

Winters Needs Better Water Supply

When the present board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce were elected and the secretary's position filled a questionnaire was mailed out to every subscribing member of the organization asking his opinion of the most urgent needs of Winters. Almost every card returned and now on file in the Chamber of Commerce office placed the need of an adequate and permanent water supply first. The other larger items on the year's program are being worked out and soon announcement can be made in regard to them.

Taking up the water question promptly the Chamber of Commerce, in co-operation with the city officials, secured the services of one of the foremost engineering firms in the state for a thorough survey and report upon what should be done to put the city in a position of safety with reference to abundance and quality of water. The report we assume most of you read in the Enterprise. At the meeting the secretary was instructed to familiarize all who are not fully advised of the water situation in Winters with the position taken by the board of directors, and this he will do by seeking the aid of every organization in the city and through a series of water articles in The Enterprise of which this is the first. It is not amiss here to express appreciation for the generosity with which The Enterprise permits use of its space and the expense of composition for this and every commendable proposition which concerns the welfare of Winters and this entire section of Runnels county.

The present water supply was provided when Winters had a population of fifteen hundred or less. The money spent putting it in and maintaining it was well spent. In fact it was the only thing that could have been done then and in none of our work for a large and dependable water supply is there any fair or just criticism due. In fact, with the capital available those who have handled the water situation are to be complimented for handling a bad situation the best it could have been done. But we have now reached a time, and it is right upon us, when we must provide a water supply sufficient to take care of a city that has doubled its population in five years and will double again in less time than that. Any further money spent on the present reservoir will be largely lost so far as providing sufficient water is concerned. The washings of soil from the surrounded cultivated areas draining into the lake will fill it about as fast as we can raise the dam. And this drainage from a thickly populated territory carries with it the constant menace of typhoid, unless a chlorinating plant is installed to destroy the B. Coli germs. It has only been a short while since the lake went dry during an interval between rains, and of course would do so again should there be a dry spell of any duration. And that brings about a situation costly in insurance, harmful to the town in its reputation abroad and very distressing to its citizens. Lawns can not be beautified nor shade trees planted with success when water must be withheld from them when they most need it. The appearance of lawns, and streets have much to do with the value of residence property.

(To be continued)

Winters Chamber of Commerce
H. O. JONES, President
J. E. FARROW, Secretary.

DOCTOR'S ORDERS

Mr. and Mrs. George Hill and son, of Winters, were here Sunday, Mr. Hill taking in the sights of the bright lights and visiting fellow newspapermen. Mr. Hill is editor of the Winters Enterprise.

Ballinger Ledger.

Our doctor advised a change in climate, to get away from the din and noise of the city, to get close to nature and listen to the "twitter of the little birdies," so we took the wife and boy and drove over to Ballinger last Sunday afternoon, as that is about all the time any business man of Winters can afford to be away from the rushing business always going on in this town.



CASH ONLY

Beginning Jan. 1, our prices will be materially reduced on tires, tubes and accessories, due to the fact that we are eliminating bookkeeping and collecting expense by selling everything for cash only—except cars. We will continue to give liberal terms on all cars. We do battery repairing. Also sell Willard batteries for all makes of cars. Also sell Michelin tires and tubes.

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The One who Forgot

By RUBY M. AYRES

THE monotonous whir-whir of the sewing machine that had been the only sound in the little room stopped suddenly, and Nan Marrayb leaped her elbow on the table before her and ran her fingers through her rough hair with a weary gesture.

"Fed up, fed up, fed up!" she said fiercely. Then all at once she laughed, looking across at the girl who sat in a low chair by the fire, with a newspaper spread on her knees.

Nan watched her for a moment in silence, a little frown bending her level brows; then she said gently: "Leave that old casualty list alone, dear. What is the good of worrying yourself, when you know quite well that Tim is all right. It's no use crossing an imaginary bridge before you come to it." She pushed back her chair, and, rising, went over to her friend and, stooping, drew the newspaper gently away from her.

"I don't believe in meeting trouble more than half-way," she said briskly. "Heaven! what a sight I look!" "Why in the world didn't a kind Providence present me with a sleek head like yours?" she demanded. She glanced down at the smooth, fair hair of the girl beside her with envy. "I don't believe you're paying the least attention," she complained aggressively.

Joan Endicott raised her eyes. It was Mrs. Lee Johnson who had been the hostess to the members of the Wesley Work Sunday school class at her lovely home Tuesday evening, December 22, when she will entertain her 92.

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It was not often Nan allowed her thoughts to stray like this; she realized how necessary it was to keep a firm hand on herself during these days, for her own sake and also for the girl with whom she was sharing homes—the poor little wife of two happy years, who was wearing herself to a shadow for the sake of a man with a jolly laugh and a heart like a lion, who was facing death hundreds of times a day out in France.

And it had been to Nan that trouble had come first. Peter Lyster had been wounded seriously. Afterwards better news followed, and Nan drew a breath of relief and the strained look left her eyes a little, till now when she knew that he was out of danger and coming home.

"If it had been me I should have gone to France if I had had to walk every step of the way and swim the Channel," Joan said after a moment, her thoughts still with that fateful night when the yellow envelope had been put into Nan's hands. Nan made a grimace. "Ah, but then you're Tim's wife," she said ruefully. "And the War Office don't recognize a sweetheart in the same way. I suppose it's all right, but . . ." She shrugged her shoulders. "Anyway, I shall see him

soon," she added cheerfully. She and Nan were a great contrast, for Nan was tall and straight as a willow, with blue eyes that looked fearlessly at the world from beneath level brows, and a firm mouth with a whimsical line at one corner that gave it an odd, crooked sort of appearance, and a mass of thick brown hair that curled like a boy's about her face, and was caught up in a knot of artistic dishevelment at the back of her head.

The cotton overall she now wore was as blue as her eyes, and the rather severely cut blouse was turned down at the neck, showing a white firm throat, and the glimpse of a thin gold chain on which, as Joan knew, hung Peter Lyster's big signet ring.

She had tried so hard not to be im-



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patient—not to let the dread and longing overwhelm her, but this evening the shadow she had kept at bay so determinedly was very persistent. It seemed to be hovering all about her, waiting for an unguarded moment in which to envelop her with its stifling embrace.

"Let's go out. I believe I'm tired of the house—let's go to a picture palace and laugh . . ." She broke off suddenly. There was a knock at the outer door of the little unpretentious flat which the two girls shared together.

Nan dared not look at Joan. She dared not raise her eyes from the glowing heart of the fire. It seemed an eternity till the little maid servant went down the narrow passage from the kitchen to the front door—a lifetime until they heard the door open, years of torture till she came back again.

Nan was on her feet then—she had crossed the room and flung the door wide—she felt as if she were suffocating. "Yes, who is it?" "If you please, miss—a gentleman . . . his card, if you please, miss." Nan grabbed the card. "John Arnott, Lieutenant, —th

Middlesex." She read the name aloud—the blood hammered at her temples. "It's John Arnott—the man who wrote to me when Peter was wounded—" she said breathlessly.

She passed the girl and went out into the narrow hall. A man stood in the open doorway—a man in khaki; he turned rather stiffly as he heard her step; he saluted gravely.

"Miss Marrayb?" "Yes." Nan felt as if all her breath had gone out in that little monosyllabic answer; something was the matter—he had come to tell her . . . to tell her . . . she swayed forward with momentary loss of self-control, gripping his arm. "What is it? It's Peter—tell me . . . tell me."

The man answered hastily. "No, no—I'm sorry if I startled you; it's nothing—nothing like that. Please don't be afraid. I promise you that Peter is all right—he is quite well."

Nan forced a shaky laugh. "I'm sorry—I'm not often such a fool. Won't you come in?"

Trys for Record



Lieut. John A. Marceready, U. S. A. will attempt to break the existing world's record in a flight at McCook Field, Dayton, O. He is shown in his electrically heated, furlined "altitude suit."

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Rev. J. H. Baldrige of Coleman was a pleasant visitor here last Friday. Many friends were glad to welcome Rev. Baldrige back to Winters as he was pastor of the Methodist church here for a number of years.

Be sure and see Spill Bros. before buying your Christmas furniture.

Hall's Catarrh Medicine

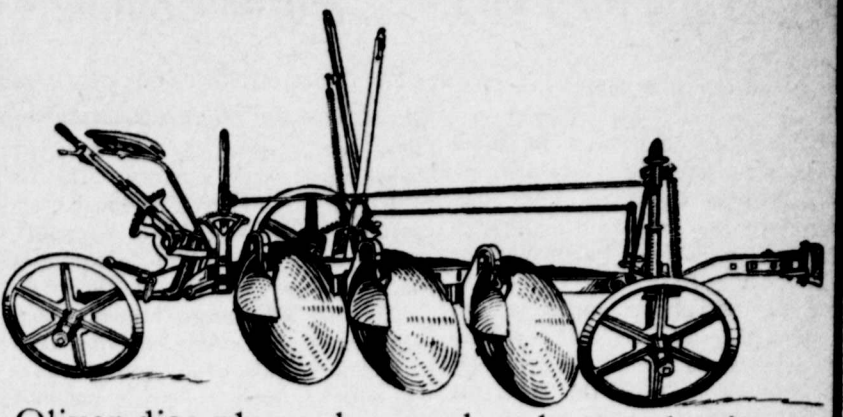
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Chevrolet Expecting 1926 to Be Record Breaker

In anticipation of another record-breaking year during 1926, the Chevrolet Motor Company has greatly expanded its field organization to assure quick distribution of cars and parts to its thousands of dealers. The expansion program just completed involved the opening of three new zone offices in key cities and the erection of specially designed sales and service buildings at four other zone points. The new zone offices are located at New York City, Cleveland, O., and Omaha, Neb. The offices are in the heart of the automobile districts in their respective cities. The new zone distribution buildings

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are at Des Moines, Ia., Minneapolis, Minn., Charlotte, N. C. and Jacksonville, Fla. All of the buildings have direct railroad freight service, facilitating the receiving of cars and parts and their re-shipment to dealers throughout the zones. The drive-away stocks of cars are so arranged that they may be started enroute within a few minutes after a call is received from any dealer in the zone. The supplies of parts are compactly arranged in special stock rooms adjoining the packing and shipping departments. This arrangement insures equally quick action on requests for parts. Besides providing ample space for stocks of cars and parts, the new buildings contain zone offices, assembly rooms for meetings of the zone organizations, and Chevrolet service schools where dealers' shop experts are given special training with especially-designed Chevrolet precision tools. There now are 20 of these schools, the number having been doubled during 1925.

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Bradshaw Store is Entered Early on Wednesday by Yegg

Entry of the Bob Middleton drug store at Bradshaw by safe blowers, which occurred about 3 a. m. Wednesday, was reported yesterday. The robbers failed to gain entrance into the safe vault, although a shot of explosives was used, the report said. The store is directly under the telephone exchange and it is thought that the guilty parties were frightened away when their "shot" failed to open the safe. A few articles were said to be missing from the store.

Why not see if Henry Ford cannot get the boys back to the mines by Christmas?

It's a bumper apple crop.

Announcement Made by Kilpatrick Motor Company

The Kilpatrick Motor Co., who have the agency for Chevrolet automobiles, have a special announcement elsewhere in today's paper. The ad to which we are calling special attention is very brief but to the point, and is calling attention to the fact that on January 1st, this house will do away with all charge accounts and sell strictly for cash, believing that by adopting this policy quite a saving will be made for their patrons. "Of course," said Mr. Kilpatrick, "we will continue to offer liberal terms on cars, but all repair work, accessories, oil and gas, will be sold at cash prices, which will enable us to save many dollars for our customers, as it will eliminate the expense of bookkeeping and collecting."

Special Program at Baptist Church

Those members of the First Baptist church, some twelve or fifteen in number, who had definitely surrendered their lives to be used by their Lord in any field He might call them met last Sunday night after the evening services and organized a volunteer band thus, further, signifying their willingness to be used of the Lord that His work might be advanced not only here in Winters, but out to the ends of the world. This volunteer band will have charge of the evening services at the Baptist church Sunday night, Dec. 20, 1925, and will render the following program:

Opening prayer and song service. Quartet.

A review of recent weeks activities—Claude Gregory.

The Volunteer Band. Who and What are its members—Miss Adah Barber.

The Object of the Band and How to Reach It—Chas. Dorsett.

Solo—Otho Caldwell.

The Band and the Pastor; Their Relation—Miss Velma Jeffries.

My Responsibility as a Member of the Volunteer Band—Perry Barber.

Song—Entire Band.

Prayer.

What the Volunteer Band Means to its Members—A. H. Lovvorn.

Scripture Reading and Comment—Bro. W. H. McGuire.

This program will not exceed the

length of the usual evening service and will be one of benefit to all who attend. All members of the Baptist church are requested to be present and all others who will come are heartily invited. Let's plan and expect great things to come from our program for next year, of which this is a beginning.

Rev. H. H. Stephens spoke on the subject, "Price of a Great Sunday School," to a large crowd of Sunday School workers at the First Baptist church in Ballinger last Wednesday evening.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE OR TRADE

FOR SALE—Paragon Radio. A bargain.—Mrs. Horace Hawkins. Phone 259 or 144. 33-1tc

FOR SALE OR TRADE—For farm Plains farm. 176 acres, good soil, fine water, well improved. Nice location, 10 miles due west of Post.—Harrison Davis, Post, Texas, route A. 33-2tp

FOR SALE—233 acre farm, 2 miles of Wingate. Priced right.—Guy Gannoway, Wingate, Texas. 30 3-tp

FOR SALE—My residence.—J. W. Huffhines. 31 4tc


MAMOTH BRONZE TURKEYS.—Extra tall, World's Fair Madison Square Garden winners. Young toms weight 20 to 25 pounds.—Viola Yeats, telephone 4414, Winters, Texas. 32-3tc

FOR SALE—Some Purebred Barred Plymouth Rock, young hens, \$1.50 each.—Mrs. L. S. Adams, Winters, Route 2. 32-2tp

FOR SALE—Store and Lot Stock of goods and fixtures, all free from debt; good condition. Will sell at a bargain. Address "Owner". Call Box No. 23, Winters, Texas. 32-3tc

FOR SALE—A farm of 136 acres; all in cultivation; Winters high school district; \$82.50 acre. \$2000 will handle. Balance long time. See—L. R. Cook. 32-2tp

FOR SALE—Farmers in the market for good young work mules will do well to call at my place and look them over. Ages from 3 to 4 years. Height from 14 1-2 to 16 hands. Will sell them at a bargain, on easy terms.—Floy England, 14 miles east of Winters, known as



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Attendant with your turkey are nuts, fruits and a host of other tasty delights. The "M" System this year has one of the largest and freshest lines of Christmas eats in the city. Everything to grace your table to make your Christmas dinner the best you ever saw.

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This car is the last and best car we have handled. You will find prices reasonable.

We wish to thank you for your patronage during the past two months and hope to be with you next fall.

We still have a few cases pure, home made ribbon cane syrup.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. We are yours truly.

Cochran & Snyder

Practical Gift Suggestions

The Christmas Spirit is in the air and the Gift Giving time is here. We have many items that would make splendid gifts which not only express the beautiful sentiment of Christmas but have a practical value, and are worth looking over.

To My Friends and Customers:

It is with deep regret that I am taking the step I am, but after careful consideration I find it necessary to do so. I have been doing a credit business now in Winters for the last 15 years, and have many loyal friends whom I am loath to have to quit carrying, but I believe in the end they will find it the best. I believe the time is coming when we will all be forced to do only a cash business. When that time comes, we will all be better off and happier, as we will not have the worry of a big debt hanging over us.

I would be glad for all my old customers come in and let me have a talk with them over this matter.

I know in doing this I am going to have to give service and price, which I expect to do, with dependable merchandise.

You will hear from me again as to my intentions.

YOURS VERY TRULY

Farmers Mercantile COMPANY

SOCIETY

Social Calendar For the Holidays

As the approaching Yuletide draws near many social occasions are scheduled. Maids and Matrons alike are thrilled with the joy of anticipated pleasures.

Two social occasions of more than passing interest, especially to the younger set are scheduled for tonight (Friday), one at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert E. Low, when Mrs. Low will be hostess to the Senior class of the high school and promises to be a jolly occasion, the other will be at the lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Q. McAdams, when their daughter, Miss Marjorie will be hostess to the members of the Junior class and each junior experienced a keen sense of delight when bidden to come to this hospitable home and make merry.

Mrs. Lee Johnson will be hostess to the members of the Wesley Workers Sunday school class at her lovely rural home Tuesday evening, December 22, when she will entertain with a Christmas party.

Quite a number of lovely parties

are planned for the week following Christmas Day, among which are a party for the Intermediate B. Y. P. U. to be given by Miss Josephine Pumpfrey and a Christmas dinner party with Mrs. C. S. Jackson, hostess to the members of the Diversity club and their husbands.

Supt. and Mrs. A. H. Smith Honor Faculty With Dinner Party

On Tuesday evening, December 15th, Superintendent and Mrs. A. H. Smith entertained the members of the school faculty with a dinner party at their home at seven o'clock.

The house was artistically decorated in Christmas ropes, festoons and bells and the holiday spirit was very apparent in the merriment of the evening.

A four-course dinner was served on beautifully arranged playing tables, consisting of fruit cocktail, baked turkey, dressing, oyster gravy, cranberry sauce, sifted peas, creamed potatoes, olives, frozen fruit salad, salted wafers, chocolate pudding and sweet cream, and hot chocolate.

Following the dinner "forty-two" proved a lively contested game until departure time.

The faculty members present were:

Gives Her Home



Famous, Countess of Warwick, has given Easton Lodge, her Essex, England, home, as a foundation for an international labor university.

Mesdames Rhoden, Deffenbaugh, Hall, Garrett, Jackson, Misses Wilson, Dunn, Farnsworth, Allen, Barber, Killgore, Mitchell, Jones, Carter, Gannaway, Lloyd, McElroy, Messrs. C. R. Robertson, C. R. Smith, D. Mitchell, M. P. Mathews. Guests were Miss Eskaleo Roberts and J. W. Norman.

Mrs. Smith was aided in entertaining by Mrs. C. R. Smith and Mrs. M. P. Mathews.

Mesdames Paxton and Ables Entertain Wesley Workers Class

Mesdames J. Frank Paxton and L. R. Ables were joint hostesses to the members of the Wesley Workers Sunday school class of the Methodist church and invited guests Thursday, December 10, when they gave a delightfully planned party at the lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Paxton.

The reception rooms were beautifully decorated in Christmas suggestions and five tables for forty-two were arranged for a series of progressive "42" games.

A dainty refreshment plate of pressed chicken, salted wafers, olives, hot tea and fruit cake was served and lovely red chrysanthums were used as plate favors.

The guest list included Mesdames F. J. Brophy, Chas. Chapman, Marshall Chapman, Osburne, Neely, A. H. Smith, Hal Cryer, Graham, Oliver, Preston, Rhoden, Frank Williams, Edwards, Wall, Deffenbach, Hall, Davis and Mrs. Peggy, of Granger.

Senior B. Y. P. U.'s Entertained

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert E. Low last Monday evening, Mrs. Low and Miss Mary D. Taylor were hostess to the Judson and Truett B. Y. P. U. members.

The large living room beautifully decorated in Christmas bells, holly wreaths, poinsettias and mistletoe and warmed by a cheerful blaze in the fireplace, graced the sitting for many games, stunts and contests.

At ten o'clock the large dining room doors were opened, revealing an old fashioned Christmas tree from which each one present received a gift with which they made merry the remainder of the evening.

Just before time for the guests to button on their heavy coats and face the blustry north wind, the hostesses assisted by Mrs. Joe Childers served delicious hot chocolate, whipped cream and sandwiches.

The young people are always glad to spend an evening in this hospitable home, and this occasion was no exception to the rule.

Mrs. J. E. Forbus Honors Birthday of Husband

On last Sunday, December 13, Mrs. J. E. Forbus was hostess to a number of friends and relatives when she gave a dinner in honor of the birthday of her husband, which was quite a surprise to Mr. Forbus.

A delicious turkey dinner was served to the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. George Forbus and family of Norton, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Forbus of Pumpfrey, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Speer.

Methodist W. M. S. Meet in Bible Study

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church met in the parlor of the church at 2 o'clock Monday, December 14.

After singing the song, "Rescue the Perishing" prayer was led by Mrs. Baker.

Mrs. Bryan, teacher of the Bible study, conducted a very interesting lesson on Mary Magdalene, Mary and Martha, bringing some valuable in-

Sport Jersey



This tan sport jersey is almost straight lined, with just a narrow belt about the waist. A bronze tie and white pique collar and cuffs. The hat is bronze felt with two tan quills caught at one side. They are worn by Mildred Davis.

formation and interesting facts on the study of these noted women of the Bible, followed by a short business meeting.

Next Monday will be a Bible study again.

Closing prayer was led by Mrs. Walter Oliver.

SENIOR C. E. WILL MEET

The Senior Christian Endeavor will meet at the Presbyterian church Sunday at 6:15 p. m. Mrs. Gannaway will be leader of the subject, "Why is Christmas a Time of Joy?" Scripture reading will be found in Matt. 1:18, 23, 2 Cor. 9:15.

Cradle Roll Department of M. E. Sunday School Enjoy Party

On last Friday afternoon at the Methodist church, Mesdames A. O. Strother and Clyde Whigham were hostesses to the mothers and babies of the Cradle Roll department, when they gave a cleverly planned Christmas party.

The rooms were beautifully decorated with Christmas suggestions combined with ferns and cut flowers, carefully arranged to form a pretty setting for a delightful program.

Miss Laura Coupland gave a most interesting talk on "Mothers and Babies and Christmas in China." A song by Miss Allen and a reading by Miss Brown were both well rendered and very entertaining.

The hostesses served delicious refreshments to twenty mothers and babies and Christmas souvenirs were given each baby.

J. J. Swatchesue and son, John J. Jr., expect to leave Saturday morning to spend the holidays with relatives in Iowa City, Iowa. This is the first trip that John Jr. has ever made to Iowa and quite naturally is eager for Saturday to arrive and keen with anticipated joy of spending Christmas with a dear grandmother whom he has never seen.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Freeman of Freeman's Dry Goods store are the proud parents of a fine boy who arrived Wednesday. He announces that he will make a real good citizen of Winters and we predict a change in the style of the firm name in the near future to that of Freeman and Son's Dry Goods Co. Mother and little son are doing nicely.

It would be funny if Ponzi should find Florida as easy as Boston.

Christmas is worth all it costs if it only makes the children happy.

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"THE RELIABLE SINCE 1906"

Harmony

Rev. Quindlin of Winters, will preach at Harmony Saturday night, Sunday at 11 a. m. and Sunday night. Everybody invited to come.

Rev. J. R. McCorkle, Runnels county Missionary and Rev. Yancy were in the community working in the interest of Harmony Baptist church one day last week.

Mr. Bob White, County Superintendent, visited the school last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Seals and children and Mrs. W. N. Seals of Winters made a flying trip to Abilene Friday.

Rev. Autrey and family moved to Wingate one day last week. Our best wishes go with them.

Mrs. Edgar Branham visited Mrs. Fred Gearheart and little son one day last week.

Mrs. D. W. Yeager and daughters, Miss Muta and Mrs. Truitt Billups called on Mrs. Edna Wheeles Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Queen have moved to the Fred Gearheart farm.

Mrs. Tunnell and children and Mrs. West and daughter, Vivian took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Seals Sunday.

W. P. Gardner left last Wednesday for a few days visit out on the plains.

A BARGAIN—If sold at once, a small farm 2 miles northeast of Winters.—See W. H. Rogers. 33-2tp

Announcement is being made in this issue of the paper of a big price reduction of Dodge Brothers automobiles, by local dealers, Davis-Patrick Motor Co. The prices on all cars will be given the public on January 7, 1926, but buyers now will be given the benefit of the reduced price in a refund.

These reductions are made possible by a tremendous expansion program which consists of new buildings, and equipment that will double the capacity of Dodge Brothers factories.

Mr. Patrick of Davis-Patrick Motor Company stated that there are great things ahead for getting a price on these cars that will be lower than any other car, considering the type and class.

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SANTA'S ON HIS WAY

Santa Claus pops his whip and away he goes—speeding along to reach Winters early Christmas morning. The old fellow is almost ready

to pay his happy, annual visit to the homes of the good people of this community. Santa has made reservations at practically every store in town. He has accumulated gifts of every conceivable kind. Everything is in readiness for his visit.

Are you ready?

Many, many articles that make handsome Christmas gifts are advertised in the Enterprise this week. Our stores are alive with the Christmas spirit, and they offer you the best that can be obtained anywhere and at equal value in dollar and cents. Large stocks offer a fine choice of selection.

The postal force, you know, gets your tokens in the mail early.

Winter's Threat Calls For Protection

When the blizzard king rules his realm of ice and sleet, when his frosty whip is snapped over our land bringing snow and penetrating wind, then it may be too late for you to remember,

"I FORGOT TO ORDER COAL TODAY"

Winters Ice & Fuel

We Keep You Cool in Summer and Warm In Winter

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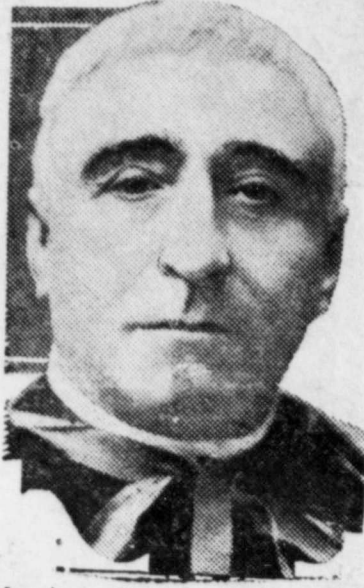
REGULAR PRICE

Buy now while you can secure a worthwhile saving. This wall paper must be sold in order to make room for new stocks which will arrive about the first of the year.

H. H. Hardin

"Everything for the Builder"

To Be Cardinal



Monsignor Vera, secretary of the Sacred Congress of Rites, is to be made a cardinal in the consistory to be held at Rome, Dec. 14.

A CHRISTMAS SUGGESTION

What shall I give? The answer is a year's subscription to The Enterprise, a gift that will be immensely appreciated. Each week its arrival will renew the ties of friendship and kindly thought subsisting between the one who gives and the one who receives.

The Enterprise will be welcomed by every member of your family or your friend's family, for all of them have an interest in it in some way or other. It will be used and enjoyed every week of the year 1926.

GOOD COUNTRY

America may not be a law-abiding country, but it is still a mighty good place to live. If there were fewer laws for people to break we might yet develop into a nation of law-respectors.

IT'S YOURS

At different times people remark, when paying your subscription to this paper that they have taken The Enterprise for so many years that they should have an interest in it. You have. While the plant is personally owned, yet we want you to feel that the paper is part yours and that your interest and appreciation, if known to us, will determine the policy of the paper.

We are here primarily to make a livelihood, but in the meantime we want to publish, with your help, a paper that will be of the most interest and benefit to the most people. That is the making of a good newspaper.

WHO'S GOT THE BUTTON?

The U. S. used nearly 35 million dollars worth of buttons last year. Suspenders are surely coming back into their own.

RAISING THE DUST

There are many men who waste a lot of valuable energy in merely kicking up the dust. The dust they raise isn't the sort that can be checked out of the bank either.

Love letters, when read in court, illustrate the difference between the sublime and the ridiculous.

The early shopper gains.

ATE TOO FAST

South Carolinian Took Black-Draught For Indigestion, and Says He Could Soon Eat Anything.

Ballentine, S. C.—Mr. W. B. Bouknight, of this place, gave the following account of his use of Theford's Black-Draught.

"Just after I married I had indigestion. Working out, I got in the habit of eating fast, for which I soon paid by having a tight, bloated feeling after meals. This made me very uncomfortable. I would feel stupid and drowsy, didn't feel like working. I was told it was indigestion. Some one recommended Black-Draught and I took it after meals. I soon could eat anything any time.

"I use it for colds and biliousness and it will knock out a cold and carry away the bile better and quicker than any liver medicine I have ever found."

Eating too fast, too much, or faulty chewing of your food, often causes discomfort after meals. A pinch of Black-Draught, washed down with a swallow of water, will help to bring prompt relief. Bloating sensations, eructations, bad breath and other common symptoms of indigestion have disappeared after Black-Draught has been taken for several days. NC-164



GASOLINE TAXES

In one or two states officials are urging the adoption of a 3-cent tax on gasoline in lieu of all other motor assessments. The idea is to get away from the annual license rush. By paying a dollar or two the owner of a car would get a number which would continue as long as the car held together. There are arguments on both sides, but the yearly license tags will probably hold the field for some seasons ahead.

A LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS

Wingate, Tex., Dec. 8, 1925.—Dear Santa Claus: Send me for Christmas a little doll that cries, a doll buggy, also a broom, set of knives and spoons. Bring me a cradle to rock my doll in.—Alma Lauanders.

No mail delivery on December 25 means that the R. F. D. carriers will have their day of thanksgiving on Christmas. Only the chronic and persistent pessimists will object to the carriers having a holiday like other workers. Fair-minded patrons will wish these faithful employees of Uncle Sam a Merry Christmas on their rounds the day before.

THE NEWSPAPER FIELD

A young man asked us our opinion about entering the newspaper field. We answered this wise:

If he can listen with a smile to tiresome things he's heard oftentimes before; if he can refuse to do what three or four people ask him to do without making them mad; if he can write in a way to make people laugh when he feels like cussin' or a way to make them weep when he feels like cracking his heels together and laughing out loud; if he can remain silent when he feels like he'll burst wide open if he doesn't talk; if he can argue without getting mad or making the other fellow mad—if he can refuse a woman's request for free publicity without making all the members of her set mad at the paper; if he can react to the loss of a good news story and catch a better one on the rebound; if he can explain a typographical error without using up more than thirty minutes time; if he can concentrate and write intelligent copy while three different conversations are going on around him, several typewriters clicking away and the telephone ringing and the subdued hum of the presses in the next room drumming on his ears; if he can explain why Mrs. Jones' poem on "The Sylvan Depth of Oct. Woods" did not appear in the paper without her husband stopping his advertising; if he can take a four line story and spread it to a half column, or take a two-column story and condense it to two paragraphs; if he can read proofs without overlooking an error and

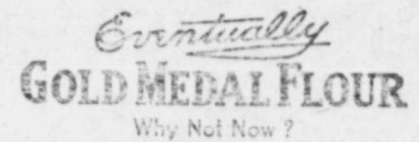


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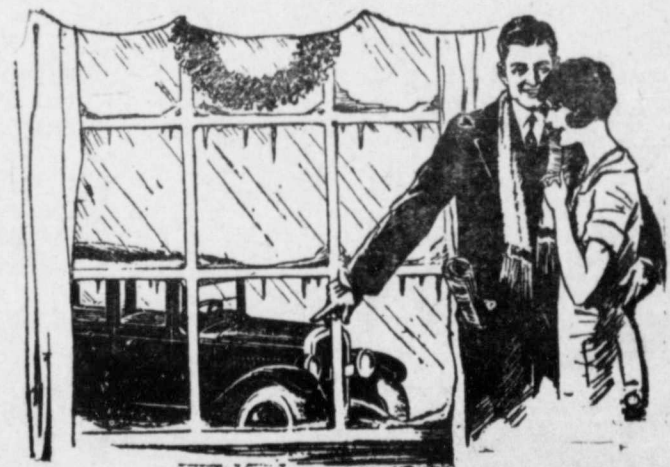
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CUMMINGS & LITTLE

write headlines without murdering the game. In fact if the young man the King's English; if he has a nose can qualify under the above statement for news, an itch for writing an advertisement of requirements we've got an inclination to work fifteen hours a desk for him in this office.—Mineral day, then we'd advise him to get into Wells Index.



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WHEN POPULISM WAS IN FLOWER

By Joe Sappington

The populist party, whiskers and the celluloid collar, passed away at about the same time. Some of the loudest speeches I ever listened to, were delivered by populist orators and most of its members were public speakers, and never missed an opportunity to defend the "tenets" of their party. As an illustration of their party zeal take the circumstance of the burial of the stranger which took place in my town, when populism was at its zenith. The good people of the town had gathered at the grave yard to give the stranger decent burial and when the body was ready to be lowered to its last resting place, it was discovered that no clergyman was present and who so desired was at liberty to say a few words concerning the dead brother.

After a few moments silence, a small bow-legged man, wearing an

old battered derby, came forward and said if no one were going to speak for the stranger he would like to have about fifteen minutes of the crowd's time to explain the initiative referendum and recall and the beauties of the sub-treasury; without further ceremony he reached down in his breeches and brought forth a piece of chalk and proceeded to use a nearby tombstone for a blackboard. Long before the last shovelful of earth had been thrown on the grave, that bow-legged populist had three sides of the tombstone covered with figures and had proved beyond the shadow of a doubt, that the democratic party was in the hands of plutocrats, English syndicates, combines and trusts and by the time the last man was leaving he had the figures showing how this government was being robbed annually of millions and millions of dollars, be-

Rich Japanese



Mrs. Seiichi Takahata, said to be the wealthiest woman in Japan, recently arrived in America on the S. S. Berengaria.

sides showing that our own congressman had sold out to the money power.

Every class of public improvement was bitterly opposed by all populists and for one of its members to vote for anything that would increase the taxes, was nothing short of high treason to the party and he was fired from his councils.

When populism was at its height in my country a new court house was advocated by practically all democrats and opposed by all populists, no matter if the old building was about to tumble down. I was clerking in a store during this court house wrangle and a great many of our customers were middle-of-the-road populists and they seemed to hold me responsible for the movement on foot for a new building.

Looking back over those eventful days, it seems to me, that those populists had an exaggerated idea of my influence in the financial affairs of my county since my salary in those days was but nine bucks per week. It was nothing unusual during the 4 years of that agitation for some old long whiskered pop to walk up to me and stick his old warty fore-finger under my nose and dare me to defend the building of a new court house.

Poor old Uncle Tom Billings I fear he went to his grave holding me responsible for that dern court house. No telling how many times he said to me after the contract had been let: "Now you dern plutocrats have played h—l, haint you with us pore farmers; saddled a debt not only on us, but on our children and our chillerns chillern. Mark my word Joe, the plain common people air about to raise up in their might and sweep you plutocrats from the face of the earth."

Of course it is purly imaginary with me, but I can't keep from thinking that when Uncle Tom got to heaven he told Saint Peter all about Coryell county's new court house.

Then there was old Dave Trumbull, the old fellow who used his whiskers for a spitoon, he has shaken his old hairy fist in my face more times than I have toes and fingers and called me a grasping ohngarchist. He usually closed his onslaught by saying: "Joe Sap, you see yander court house you dern Wall Street henchmen built? Thar stands a debt that the unborn chillern of posterity will groan and stagger under fur ages and ages to come."

If old Dave's spirit was ever permitted to return to this earth, I'll bet it would look me up and abuse me about that blamed court house.

Bibles for gifts, will order Pelou- berts notes and other books.—Mrs. T. D. Coupland, at Coupland's Variety store. 33-1tc



WISE OLD SANTA

Knows where to trade when he wants to buy candies, nuts, fruits and other good things for filling stockings.

He heard of "the difference" long ago and that's why he sends so many folks to see us during the holiday season.

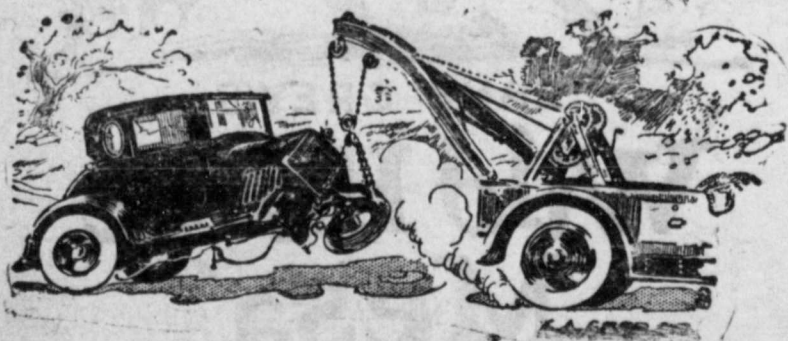
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Conklin Fountain Pen Set

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Stationery, Symphony Lawn, boxes from ... \$2.50 to \$5.00
Pyralin Toilet Set from \$25.00 to \$10.00

Also an assortment of individual pieces.

Purses made by Meeker. Hand modeled and hand made ladies' purses \$25.00 to \$7.00

Men's Purses, \$10.00 sets down to \$1.00

Toilet Goods, large sets of Cara Nome ranging from \$20.00 to \$5.00. Day Dream sets from \$15.00 to \$5.00.

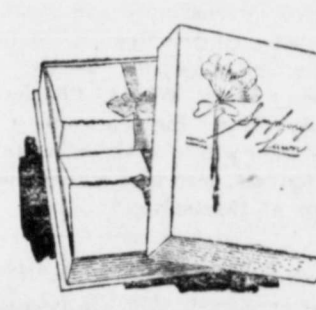
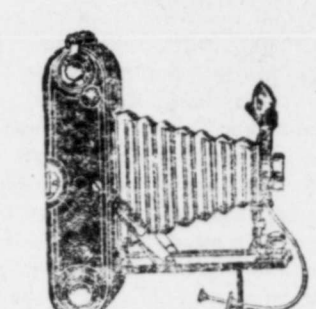
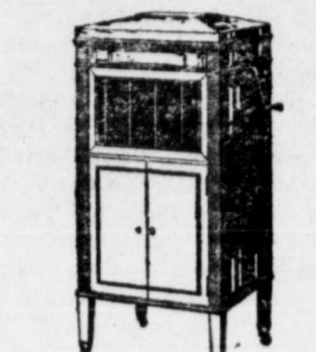
Jonteel sets from \$10.00 to \$5.00. Individual perfumes in, Cara Nome, Babani, Coys, Flours d'Amour, Ben Hur, Day Dream ranging from \$9.00 to \$1.00

Atomizers—We have a large assortment of imported, hand painted perfume atomizers ranging from \$15.00 to \$2.00, very appropriate gifts.

Kodaks—A complete stock of the Eastman kodak from the Box Brownie to the very best folding kodak that can be bought, ranging from \$2.75 to \$30.00

Cigars in Chancelors, Robt. Burns, Roy Tan, Portina, Travis Club boxes in \$1.00, \$2.25, \$3.00, \$3.25

Candy in Norris and Leggett's in boxes ranging from \$7.50 to \$1.00. Nothing more appreciated at Xmas time.



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City Drug Company
PRESCRIPTION DRUGGIST
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NOTICE TO FARMERS

I am moving to Levelland and going into the Real Estate business. Anyone in the Winters country interested in good cat claw and mesquite land in this section, should see or write me, as I can give you long time and low rate of interest. I will reside in town, so drop around and see me whether you buy or not.—Robt. F. Baker, Levelland, Texas. 32-3tp

Just received carload of mixed furniture. Be sure and see our line before you buy. —Spill Bros. Furniture.

Krupp factories are to make typewriters and baby carriages in place of cannon. Another victory for the wonderful "spirit of Locarno."

Read all the Christmas ads!

Mrs. Frank Flynt, Jr., and little son, Lanham Nance, are spending the week in Ballinger with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Flynt.

The advance agent of Santa Claus is making the rounds of Winters stores and making selections for his tour the night of Dec. 24.

—At the annual home-coming on Christmas Day, they will be glad to have your picture and you. And, if, perchance you can't go home this year how your picture will help.

JORDAN'S STUDIO



Music Brings Perpetual Joy

To music lovers, a rich toned

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"The Registering Piano"

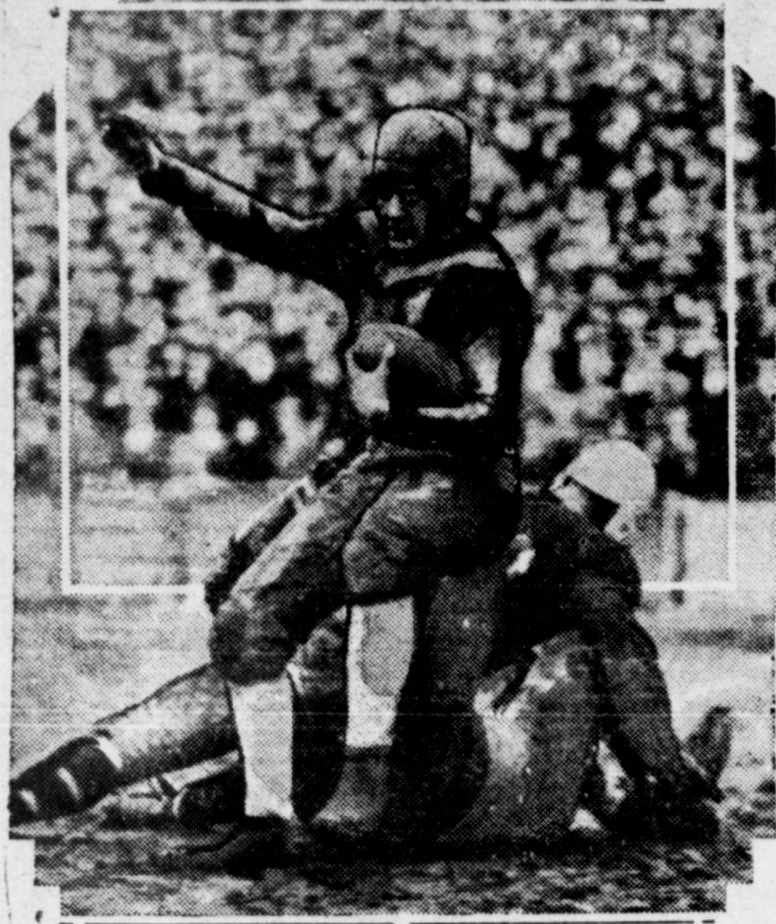
Is a thing of beauty and constant joy

The easy pedal movement and fine adjustment lend themselves to difficult passages

HALL MUSIC COMPANY

N. Main Street

The Famous 'Red' of the Gridiron



Harold "Red" Grange, famous Illinois college grid star, trying to break away for one of his famous "wiggles" before a howling mob in the Polo Grounds, New York City, where he played as a professional with the Chicago Bears. Grange has signed a \$300,000 movie contract.

Meighan Scores in Small Town Comedy

Every ambitious boy dreams of the time when he will go out into the big world and return to the old home town, famous and rich. Then the mean old grouch on the corner, the stingy grocer who kept too close an eye on his bananas, the catty school-marm, the patronizing wife of the town's "big man" who objected to juvenile sniffing—everybody will swell with pride and importance, and "I knew him when" will be the town's slogan.

That is the fundamental theme of Thomas Meighan's latest Paramount comedy-romance, "Old Home Week," will at the Queen Theatre on Monday and Tuesday, December 21 and 22.

But George Ade, the famous American humorist who wrote the story, has given this basic idea an original twist, filled it with comedy ingredients, added some dramatic trimmings, a surprise climax and a delightful ending, and the result is a picture bubbling over with wholesome humor, clean fun and homespun pep.

As Tom Clark, the native son who "makes good" right in his own home town, Tommy Meighan has a role that suits him to the proverbial "T." His performance rings true because there is an air of unaffected naturalness about it, an undercurrent of sincerity and plausibility that holds the interest of the audience from the opening flash-in to the final fade-out.

Not a little of the success of the photoplay is due to the intelligent scenario Tom Geraghty has provided and the deft direction of Victor Heerman. The picture throbs with reality and humaness because they have convincingly transferred the spirit and flavor of the story to the screen.

Mr. Meighan has the assistance of a tip-top supporting cast which is headed by charming and lovely Lila Lee who contributes a delightful characterization as Tom's sweetheart. Larry Wheat, Charles Dow Clark, Max Figman and Charles Sellon are a few of the other prominent players, who give a very good account of themselves.

The Enterprise circulation is growing.

Naming Racehorse
Two men were discussing horse-racing and remarking upon the silly names many horses were given. "If I kept a racehorse I know what I should call him," said one. "What?" said the other. "Money." "But that's absurd, isn't it?" Is it? Well, tell me anything that goes quicker.—Good Hardware.

If we can have civilized warfare, why not civilized peace?—Oil City Derrick.

Striking miners are carrying the fire-prevention idea a bit too far.—Florence Herald.

CHRISTMAS WITHOUT MOTHER

Friends who have your mother, listen,
To my story, sad but true,
I am in my grief and sadness
But some day it will be you.

All my life when Christmas came,
It was merry times for me.
But when Christmas comes this year
Sadness it will surely be.

Now I did not get a letter
Asking me to please come home
To spend Christmas with Dad and Mother;
For my Mother now is gone.

My childhood days were happy,
Oh, could I live thru all again
I would not want to change it,
But would have it just the same.

It seems I hear my Mother speaking,
Seems I almost hear her say
"We must have our cakes all ready
For the dinner Christmas Day."

The night before Christmas,
Always meant so much because—
We were busy, hanging stockings,
Looking for old Santa Claus.

But friends, now I realize
Who to thank for happy days;
It was Mother made things pleasant,
In so many, many ways.

But August 20th, 1925;
My Mother passed away,
And this will be our first sad
Christmas

How sad will seem the day,
Oh, how happy would I be,
Only was my Mother near;
I can almost feel her presence,
Oh, I wish that she was here.

Friends who have your Mother,
listen,
Do not wait till she is gone;
Show your love and appreciation—
Some day she will be called home.

Little deeds, kind words spoken,
Mean so much to Mother's heart;
Oh, please loved ones, get on duty,
For some day you, too, shall part.

Yes, just make your mother happy,
Love and cherish her each day,
Then when her life here is over
You can ever gladly say.

Mothers gone to live with Jesus,
Her sweet face no more I see:
I am sad and broken-hearted,
But my conscience says to me—

Your life made your mother happy,
To her you was ever true,
You will meet her over yonder
In that land beyond the blue.
—MRS. J. W. SMITH

A BARGAIN.—If sold at once, a small farm 2 miles northeast of Winters.—See W. H. Rogers. 33-2tp

SOME BARGAINS

Several slightly used pianos and phonographs at very special prices for the next few days.

HALL MUSIC CO.

HAVE YOUR PIANO TUNED

While you are making plans for Christmas entertainments in your home, remember that your piano is going to do much towards awakening the proper Christmas spirit within the hearts of your friends. Then don't neglect having it properly tuned by our certificated tuner, who is a thorough workman, and whose work is guaranteed by us.

HALL MUSIC CO.

"Can What You Eat and Eat What You Can"

To diversify we should sow small grains in the autumn months, such as wheat, oats and barley. And it will furnish grazing for the farm stock during the winter months and save feeding them. It will also enrich the soil for cotton. The grain will also furnish cash in the early summer.

In the spring we should plant corn, cane, maize and cotton, and a truck garden of all kinds of vegetables, and can some of each kind. Have the motto, "Can What You Eat and Eat What You Can."

Anyone should have a few hogs and could can the surplus and a few milk cows and separate the milk. The cream is cash at all times and the milk is the best feed for chickens and turkeys of which every farm should have several. Chickens and turkeys are beneficial to the crops as they destroy the insects that would otherwise destroy the crops. Turkeys are also ready cash, if the other crops should fail.—Mrs. W. H. Jennings, Winters, Texas.

Dodge Brothers to Announce Reduction

Davis-Patrick Motor company, local dealers for Dodge Brothers motor cars were informed early Wednesday morning by telegraph that tremendous price reductions will be made on all models, effective January 7. Although the exact size of the reductions have not been announced, a unique feature is that the price cuts will be effective on all cars sold since December 15 and the amount of the reduction will be refunded on cars bought between December 15, and January 7.

These reductions are made possible, the message states, by completion of a \$10,000,000 expansion program at the Dodge Brothers plant. New buildings and equipment practically double the capacity of the Dodge Brothers factories. Formal announcement of the reductions is made in this paper.

Interest in "Red" Grange has never been equalled in a world's series.

"Buy and Build." That is a capital slogan for Winters. Europe's war hatreds are dying out.

Lumber Co. Boosting School

Musser Lumber Co. of this city has prepared an exhibit of the material to be used in a 5-room frame house. The exhibit is displayed in the ward school museum. It consists of blocks 6 inches long, which are suspended from a 1 inch by 4 inch by hooks so that each block may be examined. On each block is written the kind of material and its price.

The high seventh grade is preparing an itemized bill of the material to be used in a 5-room house. The floor and specifications have been furnished by Mr. R. Q. Adams of

the Musser Lumber Co. The residence referred to is the home of Mr. C. C. Benson, North Main street. The offer of Mr. Adams is as follows:

The Musser Lumber Co will give a cash prize to the three pupils that makes out the most complete bill of the five room house attached and figures that nearest the exact cost of the material for the house.

First prize will be \$5.00.
Second prize will be \$3.00.
Third prize will be \$2.00.
Mr. A. H. Smith and Mr. M. P. Mathews will act as judges or get someone to act as judges.

Mrs. E. Guthrie Passed Away

Mrs. Edward Guthrie died at the local sanitarium Thursday, December 11, leaving an infant a few hours old.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. McLourin of Ballinger and Rev. Dunn of Crosbyton and were held at the family residence.

The remains were laid to rest in the Evergreen Cemetery of Ballinger at 10:00 o'clock Saturday morning.

Deceased was born May 20, 1889 in Lebanon, Mississippi and professed religion at the tender age of nine years and joined the Presbyterian church at that place before her marriage to Mr. Guthrie, the deceased was Miss Lucy Brady and formerly lived in Ballinger being in the employ of the Halley & Love sanitarium as a trained nurse.

Surviving her besides the grief stricken husband and tiny infant are her mother, Mrs. Alice Brady, two brothers, C. R. Brady and W. H. Brady of Leaine, Mississippi, and one sister, Mrs. J. E. Davis of this city.

Grief stricken loved ones are extended the sincerest sympathy of a host of friends.

John Q. McAdams left yesterday for a short business trip to Dallas.

Victory School

The box supper at Victory last Friday night was well attended and everyone expressed themselves as having enjoyed the program. We received fifty-four dollars which was enough to pay for the basket ball suits and some was saved for base ball equipment.

This is examination week and some of the ball players feel very blue, but the greater number of the children who have attended regularly have made very good grades.

Morris Williams has been sick the past two weeks, but we are glad he is with us again.

Santa Claus has already located in the primary room and is expected in the intermediate room, but the high school no longer believes in him.


The play ground equipment for the lower rooms is being erected and all glad to see it.

This will soon look like a prosperous school, having a good bumber system, three ball courts, two sets of swings, giant strides, ocean wave and see-saws.

Hold that smile until after Christmas.

The wise Christmas shopper is the only one.

Buy Christmas seals and save human lives.



Choicest Christmas FRUITS

Look as far as you like and you will find no finer quality or better variety at such prices as we have on—

CHRISTMAS CANDIES—NUTS, FRUITS
ALL KINDS OF APPLES

Buy them by the box for the holidays


W. B. Barrett Cash Grocery

Where Every Day Is Saturday

COMING TO

THE Queen

Friday and Saturday, December 25 and 26
A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS DAY PROGRAM

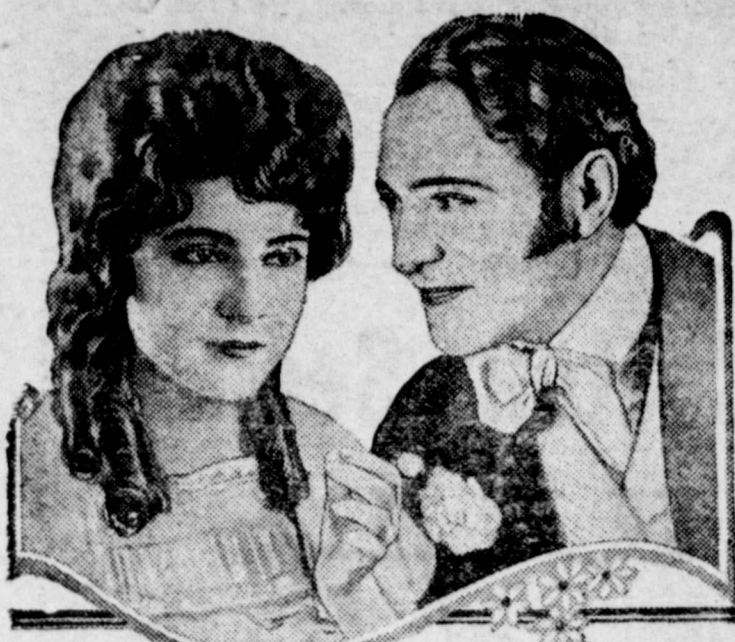


ZANE GREY'S Wild Horse Mesa

Another one of Zane Grey's greatest and biggest picture events ever reached. The biggest compliments awarded Zane Grey for his work on this wonderful production.

Spend your holidays at the Queen and see the biggest Zane Grey entertainment of the year

We urge everyone who can to attend the matinee and avoid the night crowds



BETTY BRONSON AND RICARDO CORTEZ IN THE SIDNEY OLCOTT PRODUCTION "NOT SO LONG AGO" A PARAMOUNT PICTURE

At Queen Theatre, Wednesday and Thursday, December 23 and 24

We are sorry to report Mother Gregory on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. W. P. Allen of Merkel spent a few days the past week with her daughter, Miss Eura Allen.

Miss Carrie Flynt spent Sunday in Abilene visiting friends.

The 69th congress will be the battle ground for 1926 campaigns.

Nobody wants the Kaiser back.

We can kiss without mistletoe.

Seasonable Suggestions For Gift Giving

We have moved over for the Post Office, and from now until Christmas we are going to make some good prices on our merchandise. We have many suitable things for gift giving such as

House Shoes, Silk Hosiery, Purses and Novelties, Belts and Ties for Men
Fancy Towels

We have just received new bloomers in all Colors and sizes

J. W. TANNER DRY GOODS CO.

Big Featured Cast in "The Spaniard"

Throughout the ages the name Spain has been almost a synonym for romance. Its long list of national traditions and customs, its colorful manner of dress, its liquid, resonant language, its dark-eyed señoritas and dashing young seniors all tend, in life and in story, to entrance and hold the romantic.

The very height of color and life in Spain centers at the great sporting classics of the year—the bull fights. It is this national pastime that furnishes the colorful background of "The Spaniard," the new Raoul Walsh Paramount production, which will be the feature at the Queen Theatre Friday and Saturday, December 18 and 19.

Richdo Cortez, Jetta Goudal and Noah Beery are featured in the leading roles of the picture, a screen version of the immensely popular novel of the same name by Juanita Savage, which was adapted for the screen by J. T. O'Donohoe.

In the beginning of the picture, Cortez, during a brief visit to London, becomes the idol of feminine society of the metropolis. On the eve of his departure for Spain, he meets his match as a breaker of hearts in Jetta Goudal, an English society beauty. She repulses his ardent wooing but he never loses his smiling self-confidence, and lets her know that his motto is to get what he wants.

A little later, while on a visit with relatives in Seville, Miss Goudal witnesses a bull fight at which the great matador, Fernandez, is the hero of the hour. At the conclusion of the fight the matador bows beneath Miss Goudal's box and she recognizes Cortez.

During an expedition to the Pyrenees, Miss Goudal is induced by a guide, Noah Beery, to accompany him on a visit to the Chapel of the Jewels. They are caught in a storm and seek refuge in an isolated castle, which proves to belong to Cortez. He tells her that he intends to hold her his prisoner until she has learned the meaning of love. She is placed in custody of a trusted servant, Emily Fitzroy.

Miss Goudal seeks to persuade Beery, the supposed "Guide," who decoyed her to the castle, to help her to escape. Beery, although in terror of his master, Cortez, hopes to secure Miss Goudal for himself, and consents to assist her. Their attempted escape is frustrated by Cortez, who orders Beery under the branding iron in sight of Miss Goudal. Just as the hot iron is about to be applied, Miss Goudal pleads for Beery,

herself taking all blame for the attempted escape. Cortez orders her to her room and has Beery thrown from the castle.

Anxious to make amends for his harshness, Cortez consents to take Miss Goudal riding. The girl is mounted, Cortez is about to mount his horse, when Miss Goudal slashes the animal across the flank, causing it to roar and plunge. Like a flash she dashes madly down the road. Cortez makes a hasty recovery and is after her, over streams and fences in a perilous and exciting chase that leads the pair of them to a bandit stronghold in the mountains, where Beery is in command.

Many Enroll In Weekly Purchase Plan

All records for early winter Ford sales were broken during November when 146,788 passenger cars and trucks were delivered to retail customers in the United States. This is an increase of approximately 25,000 over the November sales a year ago.

Another evidence of the popularity of the improved Ford passenger cars is shown in the enrollment in the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan, which have risen to unprecedented numbers. During November a total of 31,425 persons enrolled under the plan and began paying on cars, more than twice as many as enrolled during the same month last year.

As the holidays approached deliveries of cars to customers who have been buying them under the Weekly Purchase Plan are increasing. Some began paying on their automobiles as long as a year ago, others during the early spring and summer months, long before the improved Ford types were introduced. All new benefit in the convenience and comforts afforded by the improved cars and their increased value, without any additional cost.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Powell spent the past week visiting relatives and friends in Santa Anna, Cross Plains, and Pioneer.

The strife over Governor "Ma" Ferguson of Texas has come to a point that interests the outside world. Will submarines be outlawed?



Santa's First Choice

A BOX OF CANDY

A gift of candy is a tribute to the good taste of the one who gives and a delight to the one who receives.

The choice assortments in the special Christmas boxes is just what any one would be glad to receive.

REAL TOYS FOR THE CHILDREN

And most anything you want for the grown-ups

Jackson & Holcomb

Open ^F_OR Business

Branch of

The Abilene Army Store

Across the Street From City Hotel
at Winters, Texas

We have always had a nice business at Abilene from the Winters territory and this is responsible for our putting in a branch store at Winters. We invite our old friends to visit us, as well as others that have never been in our Abilene store.

SALE COMFORTS AND BLANKETS

For a Christmas present
Our Comforts and Blankets can't be beat. We handle a real assortment
Special Opening Price
10 PER CENT OFF
on all Comforts and Blankets

HARNESS

Our room is now limited for a display of our entire stock of harness, but we can give you anything you want.

Bridles, Saddles, Traces, Trace Chains, Collars, Etc.

Christmas Suggestions

FOR FATHER

Army Wove Sox
Army Overcoats
Army Wool Pants
Leather Coats
Shoes
Leather and Wool Gloves
Unionsuits
9 1-2 oz. Wool Shirts
Rifle Scabbard
Overcoats and Raincoats

FOR MOTHER

Comforts and Blankets
Gasoline Heating Stove

FOR THE BOYS

Stock Saddles
Riding Bridles
Sweaters
Belts
Canteens

Mess Kits

Intrenching Picks
Fancy Sox
Bootees
Dress Sox
Book Satchels
Wool Blazers
Cowboy Overalls

Our best advertisement is prompt service, good merchandise at a reasonable price, and a guarantee with each sale that the merchandise is as represented.

We have built up a real business at Abilene on this policy and we feel sure we can do the same here.

All We Ask Is a Trial

The Army Store

North of Mission Theatre, Winters, Texas

Why do so many women drive The OAKLAND SIX?

Women choose the new Oakland Six in preference to all other cars in its price class, not only because it is more beautiful and comfortable, but also because it is safer and easier to drive.

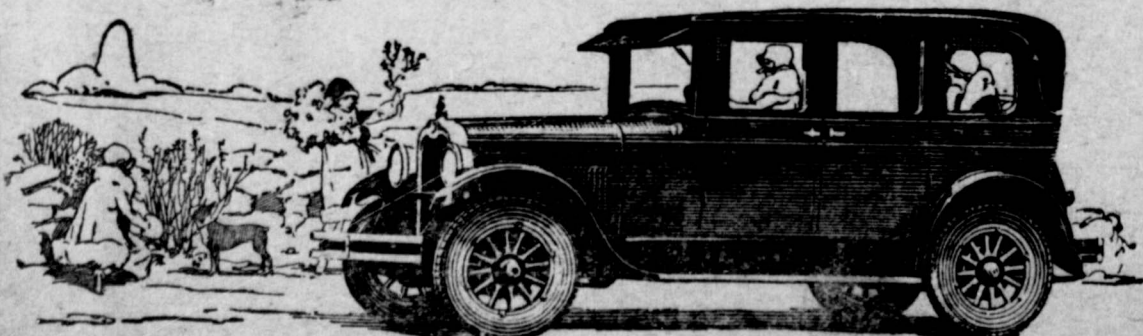
Threading through traffic in this car is a joy rather than a task. Steering and gear-shifting are pleasingly free from effort. Oakland's proven Four-Wheel Brakes respond to incredibly slight pressure. Night driving is made simpler and safer by the convenient dimmer on steering wheel.

All of these features combine to make the Oakland Six the favored car among women, just as its outstanding mechanical advantages, including Air Cleaner, Oil Filter, Full Pressure Oiling and The Harmonic Balancer—and new prices \$70 to \$350 lower—make it the preferred car among men.

Roadster \$975 (Old Price \$1095) Landau Coupe \$1125 (Old Price \$1295)
Touring 1025 (Old Price 1095) Sedan 1195 (Old Price 1345)
Coach 1095 (Old Price 1215) Landau Sedan 1295 (Old Price 1645)

All prices at factory—General Motors. Terms Payment Plans, however the lowest in the industry, have been made still lower. You can now save as much as \$40 to \$50 in your next payment plan.

GEO. SPEER



WINNING AND HOLDING GOOD WILL

OAKLAND SIX

PRODUCT OF GENERAL MOTORS

**Talk of Santa Fe
Buying A. & S.**

Hamlin, Dec. 10.—This week the Santa Fe surveying crew is running a line into Hamlin from the northwest. They are indicating that they would join the Abilene & Southern near the Old Mill. But the railroad building in West Texas is very uncertain, however there is considerable talk that the Santa Fe is contemplating buying the A. & S. road from Hamlin to Ballinger. This would undoubtedly develop into one of their best paying branches. But the Santa Fe is laying out extensive plans for the future and possibly hold down territory that other roads may wish to occupy. Hamlin would be certainly welcome a Santa Fe railroad and here is hoping that they will tap the good territory north of us and extend the line down to Ballinger.—Hamlin Herald.

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

There will be held in the banking room of the First National Bank of this city on the second Tuesday of January, 1926, same being the 12th day, the annual stockholders meeting of the First National Bank of Winters, Texas, at which time there will be elected a board of directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that may properly be presented to the body for consideration.—Bert. E. Low, Cashier 32-3tc

Greed always has a back-kick.

**What's Doing
In West Texas?**

Mineral Wells—Plans are going forward for a million dollar hotel to replace the Crazy Hotel destroyed by fire earlier in the year. The plans call for sale of \$150,000 in stock to local citizens and the hotel company will finance the project.

Winters—R. Q. Lee, President of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce addressed a joint meeting of the Lions Club and Chamber of Commerce here Tuesday. A number of

farmers were present as invited guests. Mr. Lee spoke along the lines he has followed during his campaign for diversification and intensive farming.

Dalhart—Three hundred Dalhart business men attended the annual chamber of commerce banquet here. A report of the year's activities was made by secretary Carl Guin. Homer D. Wade, Assistant Manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce made an address.

Claude—A dairy school will be here December 14th in charge of J. Lynch Thomas of A. & M. College, and M. B. Cats of the Denver road. A demonstration in selecting and judging dairy stock will be given. Prizes will be offered in butter making contests at a special contest for school children.

Spur—This territory is to receive deep tests for oil. One concern is drilling on Pitch Fork Ranch. The Texas Company is to drill a 3500 foot test on the 24-Ranch. Material and men are already here to put down the wells.

Brady—Brady is going strong to the district convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce at Coleman December 18th. Brady's famous chamber of commerce concert band will accompany the delegation, however, Brady will not bid for the next convention.

Slaton—A campaign looking toward improvement of cotton seed for planting is launched here. The Slaton Commercial Club is behind the move.

Haskell—Great interest is being evinced in this section in terracing. Numerous demonstrations are being made weekly before large gatherings of farmers. Hardware men have stocked terracing machines for the first time in history and it is likely to a terracing machine will become a part of the Haskell County farmer's regular equipment.

Amarillo—Records were broken at the Tri-State Poultry Show held here. More than 1200 birds were shown. The greatest attendance in the history of the show was registered. Hall county won first prize with 568 points, Tarrant second with 286 points, Randall third with 213 points and Wichita Falls fourth with 197 points.

Stamford—The Teachers of Central West Texas will hold annual insti-

tute in Stamford next week. This institution has become a regional affair and annually attracts several hundred public school men and women from several counties in this section.

Brownwood—The turkey season is on in full blast in this section of Texas and turkeys by the hundreds

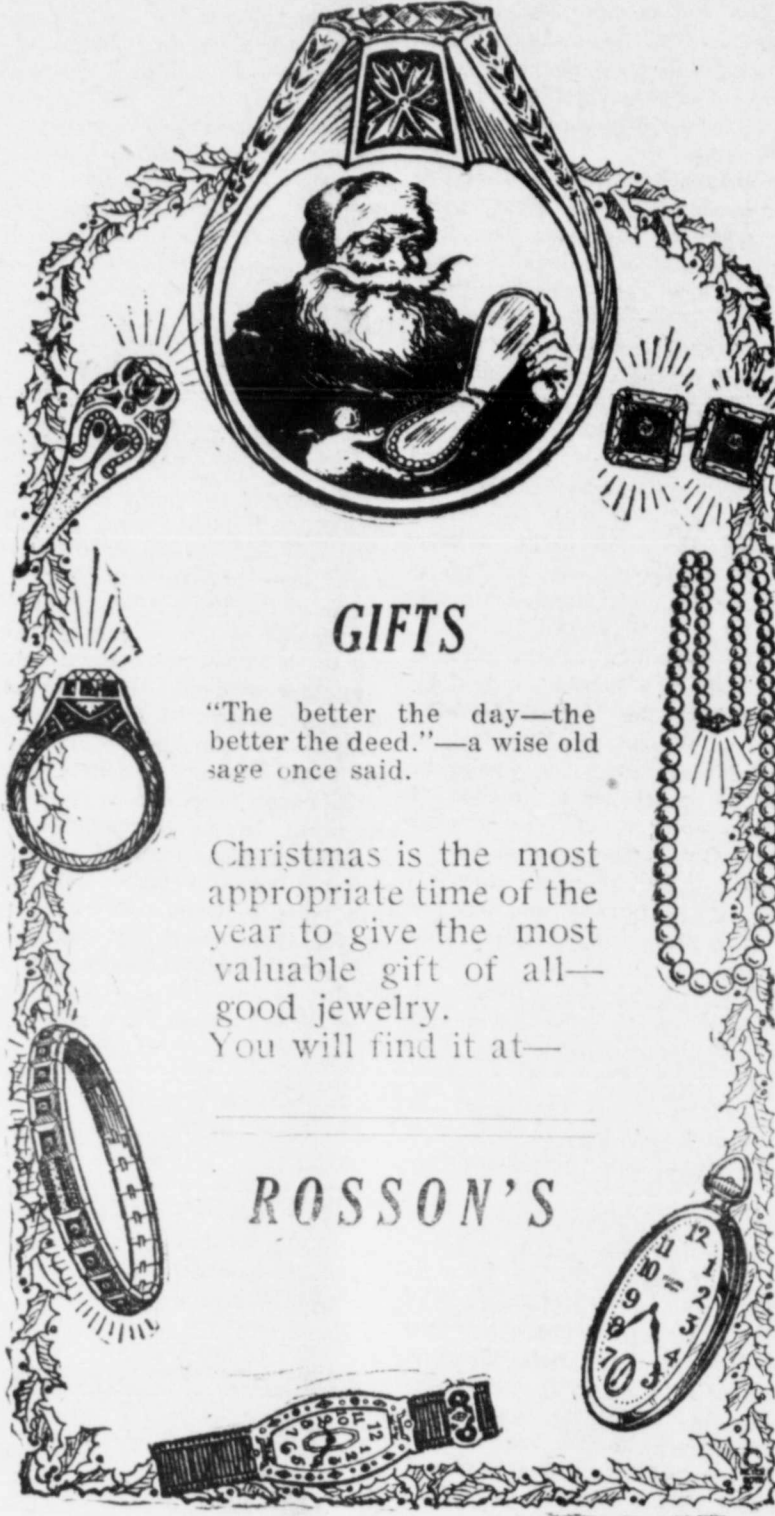
are moving to market. Five big companies have dressing plants here and turkey picking is vying with cotton picking as a means of employment. The crop is not as large as last year. Present prices are around thirty cents per pound.

Snyder—Sheep raising is grown

in popularity in Scurry county. The industry is not taking the form of big ranches here but individual farmers are putting small herds on their farms to eat the weeds and waste forage. Those who have followed the practice for several years re-

port unusual profits from the industry.

Littlefield—The Littlefield Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual banquet here December 15th. Homer D. Wade will be the principal speaker.



GIFTS

"The better the day—the better the deed."—a wise old sage once said.

Christmas is the most appropriate time of the year to give the most valuable gift of all—good jewelry. You will find it at—

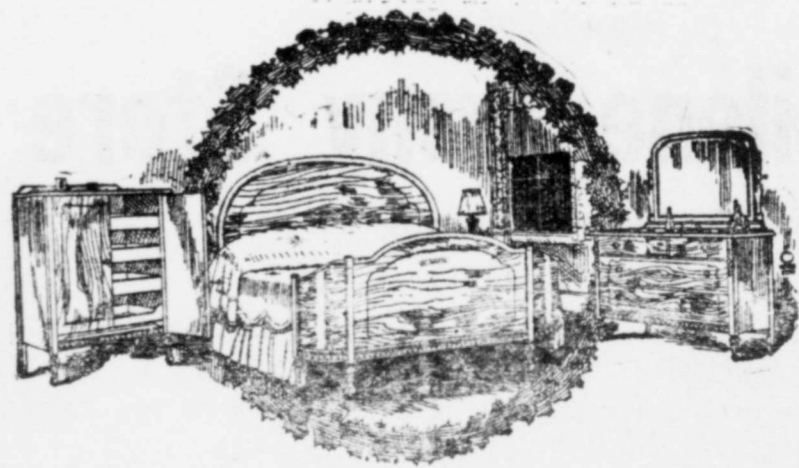
ROSSON'S

**Cotton Seed
HULLS
and
Cotton Seed
Meal**

A standard feed of the highest quality for range cattle and nothing better for milk productoin.

Get more feed value by trading your cotton see for meal and hulls

Winters Oil Mill



Furniture

THE ENDURING GIFT THE APPRECIATED GIFT
THE BEST GIFT OF ALL

SETTLE YOUR CHRISTMAS DOUBTS

Give something practical from our big store where selections are easy and prices right

Good furniture has an intrinsic value and a wealth of sentiment attached to it which is approached by little else. It is a gift everlasting for you. Make this year a furniture Christmas, and it will furnish you either as giver or recipient, more solid satisfaction than any other gift possible.

We Want to Meet You

This is an invitation to you to visit our store when you are in Winters. We want you to come right on in, get acquainted with us, and make yourself at home. We have come to Winters to be of service to the people, and this service will know no bounds. We want to do this, and there will be no greater pleasure than to serve you in any capacity that we can. Come to see us.

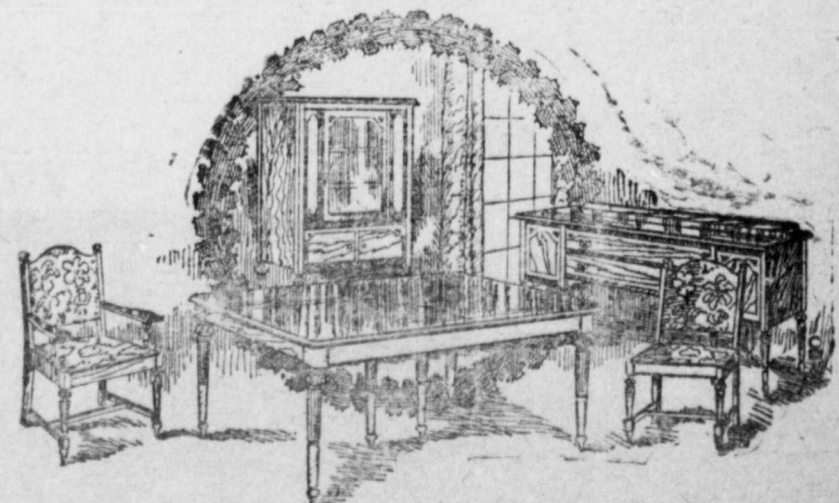
OUR HARDWARE DEPARTMENT

Has many things in it that would certainly make a useful and practical gift. Here you will find tools to do your work better from the kitchen on up to the blacksmith. But our suggestion is that you come and see, and you won't be long in selecting something that will prove to be useful and appreciated.

JOHN DEERE FARM IMPLEMENTS ARE THE BEST

IN OUR GIFT SHOP

You will find many little things that will please as gifts for the home, and that will delight your wife, daughter or sweetheart. Have you seen them? If not come in



Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

Successors to Clements Hardware Co.

A Tremendous Price Reduction



"On January 7, 1926, Dodge Brothers, Inc., will announce tremendous reduction in the prices of their complete line of motor cars.

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

When the new prices are made known on January 7, the full amount of the reductions will be immediately refunded to all purchasers since December 15.

These revolutionary reductions are made possible by a recently completed ten million dollar expansion program—new buildings and equipment that will nearly double the capacity of Dodge Brothers factories in 1926.

There is no change in the policy upon which Dodge Brothers established their leadership 11 years ago—the policy of constant improvement without yearly models."

Davis-Patrick Motor Co.

Winters, Texas

"Not So Long Ago" Feature at the Queen

"Not So Long Ago," a romantic love story of New York when life in the metropolis was gay and picturesque, comes to the Queen Theatre next Wednesday and Thursday.

Betty Bronson and Ricardo Cortez are featured in the picture, produced for Paramount by Sidney Oleott from Arthur Richman's Broadway stage success, adapted for the screen by Violet Clark.

The story, which takes place in 1850, is filled with the quaintness of old New York City in its most interesting period. In the production one sees the old fashioned fire-fighting apparatus, the famous bike-for-two the cobble stone street, the brownstone front, the newly invented sewing machine, the now extinct polka and quadrille dances, and the first horseless carriage in existence.

It is the last mentioned item around which much of the story hinges. Michael Dover, once wealthy but now poverty stricken, labors over his invention, an absurd horseless carriage. Betty Bronson, his daughter, works in an elaborate up-town mansion as a seamstress, supporting her father.

Betty is young, and romantic, and possessed of a vivid imagination. She is a confirmed addict of Bertha M. Cay novels. Known to no one but herself, she is deeply in love with Billy, she says, is in love with her of the woman for whom she works.

Sam Robinson, a bully and braggart, is in love with Betty. When he proposes to her, she is seized with one of her romantic inspirations and tells him they can never be married. Billy, she says, is in love with her and wants her to marry him.

Angry at her refusal, Sam goes to Betty's father and tells him of the clandestine love affair between the girl and the wealthy up-town dude. Together the men go to the Ballard mansion to demand an explanation.

PEN POINTERS

A resolution is something you change your mind about shortly after making it.

Talk is cheap until you ask your wife how much money she needs for Christmas.

A person doesn't necessarily sleep well just because he lies easily.

Many women are affectionate only when they want money—and that's usually often enough.

If a man only uses one hook in the clothes closet he's married.

When a bride and groom leave the church it's merely the tied going out.

Men have a speaking acquaintance with some women, and a listening acquaintance with their wives.

Love is made quicker these days, but it doesn't seem to last so long.

Sailor at Four



Walter Edward Lancey Jr., San Francisco, all set for his long trip, alone, from Frisco to Sydney, Australia to visit his father.

Christian Service at Baptist Church

The program committee for the Christmas entertainment for the Sunday school of the First Baptist church had planned a Christmas cantata, following this a Santa Claus and gifts for all, having in mind only our own entertainment and pleasure. Then the news came of the crushing debt on our Foreign Mission Board and how if this great debt is not met, our missionaries will have to be recalled and all foreign work stopped. In view of this great responsibility, the committee felt it would be nothing short of a great sin, to lavish upon ourselves and our children and not answer the call of foreign missions, so the committee decided upon a Christmas of giving (giving to foreign missions) rather than receiving—A WHITE CHRISTMAS WITH A CASH GIFT TO OUR KING.

Our church has met her apportionment plus \$100.99 but this is not enough. As long as there is one dollar indebtedness on our mission board the responsibility is ours.

Next Sunday morning beginning at 10:30 we will have a service of prayer and praise, followed by a program at the close of which each one will have an opportunity to make a cash gift to our King. Below is the program which will be rendered:

Song and praise service.
Song by beginners and primary departments.
Quartet arranged by Mr. Caldwell.
Play—"A Chinese Christmas"—by G. A.'s.
A plea by one from foreign fields—Miss Laura Coupland.
A plea by one who intends to go—Miss Myrtle Barber.
Our responsibility—Bert Low.
Story—"White Gifts For Our King"—Mrs. Leslie Alexander.
Offering—in which each individual places his or her money on the altar.
Closing prayer.
—Publicity Committee

ABILENE ARMY STORE OPENS BRANCH HOUSE HERE

W. A. Turnidge, owner of Abilene Army Stores is in the city opening up a branch store in Winters. They are located in the Jordan Building on N. Main street.

France may have to get a cabinet by a selective draft.

WOODMEN CIRCLE ELECTS OFFICERS

On December 10, a meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Catherine Hill, who is guardian of Grove No. 623.

Mrs. Annie Whitten of Brownwood the district manager was honored guest at the meeting and a delightful social honor was spent.

During the business meeting the following officers were elected: Guardian, Catherine Hill; Adviser Ava Byers; Inner Sentinel, Betty Thomas, Outer Sentinel, Willie Allred; Attendant, Betty Sims; Assistant attendant, Lillie Meadows; Managers, W. D. Meadows, chairman; C. L. Logan and W. L. Hinds; Clerk, Nannie Edwards; Banker, Julia Hinds; Post Guardian, Lena Bell

Snelling; Chaplain, Adell Townsend.

At the same hour of this meeting the W. O. W. had a meeting and after the close of the session the ladies were invited up and a program was enjoyed. Mrs. Whitten made a most interesting talk, telling of the home for the aged and orphans that the society is to build, also stated that the Woodman Circle wrote more insurance last year than any other woman's organization in Texas. She spoke of the splendid certificate the circle is writing and at the close of the meeting wrote several for the wives of the W. O. W.

Delicious refreshments were served.

Another big meeting is planned in January at the joint installation of Camp and Grove.

RUNNELS COUNTY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION ELECT OFFICERS

The Runnels County Medical Association met at Ballinger, Thursday, December 10.

During the business session the following officers were elected: Dr. Blasdel, president; Dr. Tinkle, vice-president; Dr. McCune, secretary.

NOTICE

My office will be closed from December 21 to January 1.—Dr. F. J. Brophy. 33-2c

Frank W. Stearns of Boston, unofficial observer at large, has returned to the White House for the winter.

Auction Sale Dec. 21, 1925



130 head of mules, horses, mares and Percheron colts. Some broke to work, all halter broke. This stock all raised by us and is in fine condition, free from disease and accustomed to this climate.



We will also sell at auction farm machinery of all kinds: engines, feed mills, row binders, single and double row plow tools and planters. Terms given responsible parties.

Sale starts promptly at 10 a. m., Monday, December 21st, 1925, at our ranch three miles Northwest of Paint Rock.

Dinner served on the grounds by the ladies of the Paint Rock churches.

You will save money on teams and tools if you wait for this sale.

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Stampede Climax in Zane Gray Thriller

Film fans, you who rave about the sensational pictures you have seen, you have witnessed the screen's mightiest thrills, you who have enjoyed the dynamic action of epic westerners—see "Wild Horse Mesa" at the Queen you'll have something to brag about!

For stupendous action, for spectacular thrills and for the most gasp-provoking climax ever flashed on the silver sheet, this Paramount melodrama, which George B. Seitz produced from Lucien Hubbard's adaptation of Zane Grey's gripping novel, has them all beat!

Imagine a tremendous herd of five thousand terror-stricken wild horses charging at top speed across a vast stretch of tableland, headed straight for a treacherous barbed wire corral! This stampede—the final, smashing highspot in the photoplay—is pictured in all its terrifying realism, and was filmed at great personal risk to cameramen and payers, many of whom narrowly escaped death from the thundering hoofs of the wild steeds.

And this scene comes as a fitting and high-powered finale to a series of tense, dramatic events which have their beginning when Jack Holt, hero of the picture, comes into open and bitter conflict with a gang of outlaws and horse thieves, captained by Noah Beery. Billie Dove is the lovely heroine and Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., portrays the fourth featured role, that of Holt's daredevil younger brother.

Just to prove that the story does depart from the regulation western plot formula, it is only necessary to point out that although several hundred Indians play a stirring part in the film, they are on Holt's side and prove of invaluable assistance at a very crucial moment.

The rugged and magnificent wilderness backgrounds are not the least of the photoplayer's worth-while features. All of the exteriors were photographed at Red Lake, Arizona, where was found an almost unbelievable duplicate of the Wild Horse Mesa—the actual locale of the story—with thousands of wild horses inhabiting the place.

"Wild Horse Mesa" comes to the Queen Theatre on December 25 and 26. Please attend the matinee and avoid the night crowds.

CARD OF THANKS

To our many friends of Winters and surrounding country: This comes to say that we want to express to you, one and all, the deepest gratitude of our hearts, for the many kind words spoken in this sad hour of our bleeding hearts. Your friendship and fellowship has been a blessed benediction to us in this sad hour when our dear husband and son, Carey was called away from us to his Heavenly home. God bless each of you, and help you to be a blessing to others, as you have been to us in our prayer.—Mrs. Carey Quindlin and M. A. Quindlin and Family.

The entire nation prays for the recovery of the grand old man from Plymouth.

Talk Winters to everybody. Our town is deserving of every possible boost.

With the Baptist

Announcements

SUNDAY—
Sunday school 10 a. m.
Preaching 11 a. m.
B. Y. P. U.'s 6:00 p. m.
Preaching at 7 p. m.
The morning hour, both Sunday School and preaching, will be given over to a Foreign Mission Program. At the evening hour the Volunteer Band will put on a program.

MONDAY—
The W. M. U. will meet at the church at 2 o'clock and carry out a mission program. Circle D. will have charge.

WEDNESDAY—
Prayer meeting "What Christmas Means to Me," followed by a meeting of Sunday school superintendents and officers.

Sunday afternoon at 2:30 the regular song service will be held. At this time a representative from the B. Y. P. U.'s of the surrounding churches will meet in a committee meeting to discuss plans for a great B. Y. P. U. training school to be held in Winters from the third to the fourth Sunday in January.

TO MY FRINEDS

I wish to advise my friends that I will continue to be with Higginbotham Bros. & Company, and would be glad to have my friends and customers call and see me.—John Shipman.

OLD GRAY MARE OF BROWNWOOD IS DEAD

Brownwood, Tex., Dec. 14.—The famous Old Gray Mare, mascot of the Old Gray Mare band, for the past five years, died suddenly on the Fabs farm this morning at the age of 19 years.

MISSION

FRI. and SAT. DEC. 18 and 19
JACK HOXIE IN—
"THE WHITE OUTLAW"

A thundering drama of the open
ALSO—2 Reel Century Comedy

MON. and TUES. DEC. 21 and 22

ART NIX
—IN—
"THE CYCLONE HORSEMAN"

A drama of the Range and its perils.
ALSO—2 Reel Progress Comedy

WED. and THURS. DEC. 23 and 24

KIT CARSON
—IN—
"OVER THE GREAT DIVIDE"

With All Star Cast
An epic of Frontier days—packed with thrills and romance.
ALSO—2 Reel Educational Comedy

Ajax Popularity Spreads to Oversea Nations

That the Ajax is already a familiar sight on the streets of most of the important cities throughout the world is shown by figures recently announced by the Ajax Motors Company.

Since its introduction last May, the Nash-built product has made its debut in a total of 31 different nations overseas. From the plains of the Argentine to the wilderness roads of South Africa—in Norway, in China, in Syria—people are now using the Ajax to meet their various transportation requirements.

Forty six far-distant cities now have dealer establishments equipped to sell Ajax cars and give Ajax service. Even in such an out-of-the-way corner as Weltevreden on the Island of Java, there is an Ajax sales-room doing an active business among the traders and natives of that territory.

"The reception accorded the Ajax overseas," says George C. Hubbs, general sales manager of the Ajax Motor Company, "has been equally as gratifying as the reception in this country, where in Los Angeles alone, over 20,000 people visited the Ajax in 10 days. This eagerness to see the Ajax Six was true in greater or lesser degrees in all of the 46 export cities where the Ajax is now represented. It fully justifies our conviction that not only the American market but the export market as well has a very definite place for a quality car of the Ajax type and price.

"Up to December 4th, a total of 1000 Ajax cars were shipped to overseas points. Production for export is being stepped up gradually—without exceeding the bounds of sound manufacture—and around the first of the year, when our new machinery and equipment is installed, we expect to practically double our present output in an effort to fill the pressing overseas demand."

The "flaming coffins" must go.

ENTERPRISE WANT ADS BRING RESULTS



Ricardo Cortez and Jetta Goudal in the Raoul Walsh Production "The Spaniard" A Paramount Picture! At Queen Theatre, Friday and Saturday, December 18 and 19

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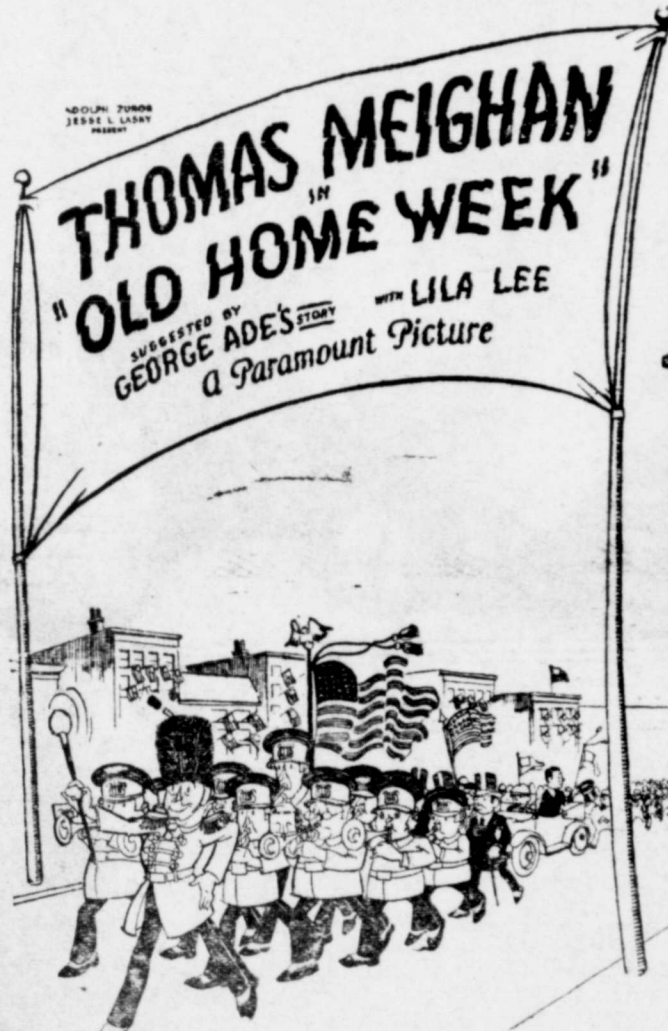
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Filled with comedy-speed and slashing action

EXTRA—Topics of the Day and 2 Reel Comedy

WED. and THURS. DEC. 23 and 24



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Delegation Here From Slaton After Thorobred Seed

N. C. Dickson, W. J. Anderson, J. W. Henry and E. E. Wilson, prominent business men and farmers of the Slaton section, were in the city the latter part of the past week endeavoring to interest the Winters Thorobred Cottonbreeding Industries in locating a small breeding block in Slaton, and in conversation with Mr. W. L. Galloway of the local company, we learn that the company has the proposition under advisement and if certain matters can be adjusted, the company will probably comply with the wishes of the Slaton delegation and locate a branch of the company at that place.

This is quite a compliment to the local cotton breeding industries and shows the trend of farmers all over the country in procuring better seed for planting. The entire delegation here last week were sold on Thorobred cotton and are making every effort to induce the local company to install a branch of the company in Slaton. R. H. Tudor, who operates one of the big gins in Slaton, has offered his plant to gin Thorobred cotton, providing the company can be induced to come to Slaton with a branch plant. The following relative to the proposition is taken from Sunday's Dallas News:

Slaton, Texas, Dec. 12.—A cotton breeding plant is to be installed in Slaton if present plans now under way by the Thorobred Cottonbreeding Industries of Winters, Texas, are successful, according to C. B. Hill, representing the breeders. The object is to develop a cotton variety that will be thoroughly acclimated to higher altitudes.

Some 5,000 to 6,000 acres of cotton land are to be secured on which only seed from the breeding plant at Winters will be planted. One of Slaton's gins will be set aside and will gin only the cotton produced from pure-bred seed; a warehouse will be used for the testing, culling and shipping of the seed, and a cotton yard will be set aside on which only this cotton will be marketed. Following exhaustive tests, the bred-up and improved seed will be planted yearly, and with continual examinations the best possible production, lint percentage and staple will be produced.

Farmers have attended two meetings at the City Hall and have expressed themselves very much in favor of the move. The market price will be raised considerably in Slaton territory, due to the fact that only the pure-bred cotton, productive as it is of longer and better staple, will be raised. More than half of the necessary land has been subscribed, and it is expected that the remainder will be subscribed at other meetings in the near future.

Just received carload of mixed furniture. Be sure and see our line before you buy. —Spill Bros. Furniture.

Now is a good time to resolve to do your Christmas shopping early, whether you do it or not.

Be sure and see Spill Bros. before buying your Christmas furniture.

We all admit that the lowly spud is not very pretty in appearance, but the price just now is pretty.

GIFTS for Men

Should come from a man's store.

Let us show you the many things appropriate.

"FOR HIM"

C. G. MEEKS
The Men's Store

DRASCO

The young people had a social at Mr. and Mrs. Houston Puckett's Tuesday night. The prayer meeting at the Methodist church Wednesday night was led by Miss Opal Baker. Mr. Bud Belton will leave next time.

Mrs. Jessie Crow of Oklahoma is visiting her mother, Mrs. R. S. Stone. Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Patterson and daughter, Miss Hallie, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Patterson have moved to their home near Plainview, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Davis will leave next week for their new home near Plainview, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sanders of Amherst, Texas, are visiting at Drasco.

The Intermediate B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist church gave a box supper at the school house Friday night. A nice lot of boxes were sold. Funds will be used in purchasing a piano.

Miss Mary Lenora Horn is improving very slowly from her serious burns.

Mesdames Perry Wood and H. O. Davis visited in Abilene, Texas, this week.

Mr. Baxter and family of Franklin, visited in the Drasco community Sunday.

Dr. Sanders of Winters was at Drasco Friday.

Mr. Bert E. Low of Winters attended the box supper Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jackson have a new daughter.

The Drasco basket ball teams played games at Bradshaw this week and both juniors and seniors were victorious.

Rev. Swearingen filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church Saturday night and Sunday.

This time of year Santa Claus gets a bigger mail than any of the motion picture stars.

Baptist Ask For Mission Offering

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 14.—An active effort to obtain special funds to liquidate the debt of nearly \$2,000,000 on the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is in progress in Texas under the direction of Dr. and Mrs. W. Eugene Sallee, for many years missionaries in interior China. The campaign for mission funds has been indorsed by the Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas and the Convention, as well as the Woman's Missionary Union of Texas, all having taken the matter under consideration at their recent meetings in Mineral Wells.

A tour of the states is being made by Dr. and Mrs. Sallee, Dr. and Mrs. George W. Truett, Mrs. J. E. Leigh, the Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union and Dr. L. R. Scarborough of Fort Worth, President of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. At each place that the speakers visit large congregations are being assembled to hear the addresses.

A special collection will be taken in the majority of the Baptist churches of the State either December 20 or December 27 to raise the necessary funds for the liquidation of the debt. The collection has been indorsed by the officials of Buckner Orphan's Home at Dallas, to which the special offerings in December are usually given. It was the judgement of the Home officials that the special missionary offering would not affect the usual gifts to the Dallas institution. All special offerings mission will be sent by the churches to the Baptist headquarters in Dallas and remitted from there to the Foreign Mission Board.

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Sometimes the stocks make quite a boom when they do go down, too.

George, "Joe" All Tired Out



George Teller, Farmington, Minn., and his prize pig "Joe," were all tired out after having "unloaded" 22 times in six days and parading a mile or more at each stop during a tour of his home state.

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Removal Sale

Owing to the fact that I am going to move my stock of groceries and fixtures to a new location about Jan. 1st, 1926, I will make special reduction in prices on many items in the grocery line so that I can reduce my stock as much as possible before moving.

I will be located after the first of the year in the building now occupied by Gardner Bros. Dry Goods, where I hope to have a better location for operating a grocery business.

If you have not been a customer to my house start in now while I am offering you goods at a reduced price preparatory to moving the first of the year.

Come to me for all kinds of fruits, candies and nuts for the Christmas season and oblige.

Yours truly,

W. A. DRY

WANTS AVIATOR TO CHASE A BIG EAGLE

San Angelo, Tex., Dec. 14.—George McIntire, Sterling City rancher, was here today conferring with

owners of a commercial airplane, in effort to pit the efforts of an aviator against those of a depredating eagle that has caused much damage to McIntire's sheep.

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'Twas the Night Before Christmas

Of course this wonderful night is all excitement—but don't wait until then before you decide what Santa is to leave the kiddies—Come to our toyland now while there is an opportunity to choose the most attractive and new toys.

We have everything to gladden the heart of every youngster and to make them jump with glee on Christmas morn. Also many things for the grown-ups will be found in our large stock that will make ideal gifts.

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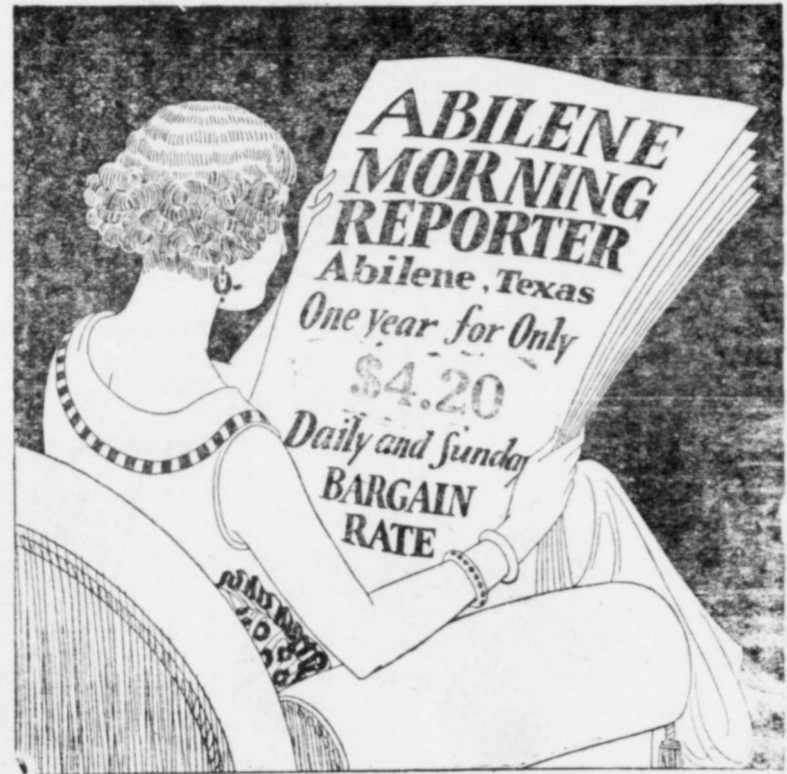
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What to give is the problem of the day. A problem that turns into pleasure as soon as you enter this Christmas store. You can't help but catch the Yuletide Spirit. It permeates every nook and corner. Every turn of the head reveals a gift, solution, and every ticket reveals a price that helps to make your gift money go far.

<p>All steel wagon, 34 inch long, 14 inches wide, with roller bearings, solid disc wheels with full balloon tires. Prices \$7.98</p>	<p>The bucking mule, sturdy constructed toy. Price 75c</p>	<p>Well built tricycle, our large purchasing power enables us to make you the bottom price. Steel tire Tricycle as above, price at \$2.75</p>
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<p>Winchester Repeating Shot Gun, plain finish, take down, 6 shots, 12 gauge model, 97 roll steel barrel, stock and action slide, plain walnut. Regular price \$46.00. We offer until Christmas \$37.95</p>	<p>Winchester Repeating, Hammerless Shot Gun, model 12, 20 and 12 gauge, regular price \$54.00. Now \$47.95</p>
<p>Winchester Model 1906 Take Down 22 Rifle, shoots 22 short, 22 long and 22 long rifle. Regular price \$21.00. Now for only \$17.95</p>	<p>Winchester and Remington Automatic 12 gauge shot guns, the new price today \$75.00. especially priced at \$58.00</p>

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Oakland Breaks All Records

Accomplishing what no other automobile has ever done on the Pacific Coast, an Oakland Six touring car loaded to capacity with five passengers and 1200 pounds of luggage broke all records of endurance, reliability and time in crossing the six highest summits in the snow-covered Sierra Nevada mountains in a single spectacular run.

Determined to open the winter season with a demonstration that would out-distance any previous test of durability ever demanded of a motor car, A. H. Patterson, Oakland dealer at Stockton, California, combined six continuous peak performance tests into a single gruelling grind over rocky mountain grades in ice and snow, returning with new record and a motor car in perfect condition, thus adding a new and brilliant chapter to motor car history through Oakland's stamina and performance.

Starting at Stockton, only 12 feet above the sea level, Patterson made the run of 730 miles from his place of business and back with three newspapermen and a photographer in the

actual running time of 30 hours and 42 minutes. The elapsed time was 44 hours and 14 minutes.

In negotiating the six nationally known passes, the Oakland Six climbed a total of 30,990 feet crossing the following passes at their respective altitudes:

Tioga Pass	9,941 feet
Ebbett's Pass	8,800 feet
Kit Carson Pass	8,600 feet
Echo Pass	7,600 feet
Emigrant Pass	7,100 feet
Sonora Pass	9,624 feet

As a performance test the crossing of any one of these craggy mountain elevations in the winter season is considered a remarkable feat and to emphasize the reliability of the Oakland, the hood and radiator were sealed, neither oil nor water were put into the car during the trip. Yet when the seals of the hood and radiator cap were broken after the trip, an examination revealed that only one quart of oil and one quart of water had been used.

Snow covered the highway in patches on all the passes except two, while on the Sonoro-Mono Pass, snow 6 inches deep was encountered. The possibility that snow had closed one or more of the passes, lent a spirit of adventure to the trip.

Even in summer the ordinary

tourist has little desire or occasion to cross more than two of the Sierra Passes on a single trip. Because of this fact the idea of negotiating all six of the passes on a single trip, appeared as an outstanding test of performance especially since motor travel across the higher passes had been considered ended for the season.

In commenting on the trip, A. H. Patterson said, "This trip was one of the most gruelling to which a motor car could be subjected. It demanded the utmost power to make the steep grades, combined with the best type four-wheel brakes to negotiate the sharp descents and dangerous curves in safety. The ride was completed without a mishap save for puncturing of two tires by nails. The average speed for the 730 miles was 23.72 miles per hour while the gasoline consumption averaged 18 1-2 miles to each gallon.

Be sure and see Spill Bros. before buying your Christmas furniture.

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Women in another state talk of boycotting potatoes owing to high prices. Sounds like war days again.

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PRESBYTERIAN NOTES

SUNDAY—
Sunday school 10 a. m.
Preaching 11 a. m.
Junior C. E. 3 p. m.
Preaching 7:15 p. m.

MONDAY—
Ladies' Missionary Society will meet at the church at 3:30.

WEDNESDAY—
Regular prayer service, 7:15 p. m.

ATTEND OPENING OF NEW OFFICE OF W. T. U. CO. ANGELO

Mr. and Mrs. V. Vanzandt attended the opening of the new offices of the West Texas Utilities Company at San Angelo Friday of last week. This was quite an elaborate occasion and the office is considered one of the finest offices of the Company. Refreshments were served the guests throughout the day and a big barbecue at 5:30 came as a very fitting climax of the day's entertainment.

Wonder what a bandit wants for Christmas?

It's easy to pick gifts from the fresh, complete assortments now on display at local stores.

Nick Longworth will likely use the speakership as a springboard to the presidency.

FOR SALE—Remington portable typewriter, \$32.50. Inquire at Meeks' Men's Furnishing Store, or phone 116.

STOP! LOOK AND LISTEN!

Notwithstanding all that has been done and said, after Dec. 24th, the house of W. P. Hawkins & Co. will be no more in Winters. We shall close on Christmas Eve night to open no more, and as a final farewell we are going to offer

FOUR RED HOT SPECIALS FOR FIVE DAYS ONLY

<p>Wool and Cotton Blankets \$6.50 values at \$4.45</p>	<p>Men's and Boys' Clothing at WHOLESALE COST AND LESS</p>
<p>Big selection of Fur Chokers and Scarfs. Price less than wholesale cost today</p>	<p>Men's \$8.50 and \$10.00 Crossett Shoes and Oxfords at— \$6.45 and \$7.95</p>

The above are all fine for Christmas presents, besides hundreds of other things at prices you will not see again soon. We thank the people of Winters and vicinity for their splendid patronage in the past and trust it shall be our lot to serve them again.

Sincerely,

W. P. Hawkins & Co.