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"BUTTER AND EGG" MEN RAID GOTHAM'S CLUBS

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Having "fallen" for the big "butter and egg man" Broadway was a wee bit drier today as a string of padlocks is being extended from the "roaring Forties" to Greenwich Village, decorating the front doors of fifty-eight of New York's most popular night clubs and restaurants, as a result of sweeping federal prohibition raids.

JUDGE C. H. WILLINGHAM BACK ON JOB IN COURT

Judge C. H. Willingham, pioneer of this county, former county judge, now justice of the peace, was back at his office in the court house Wednesday, following a 11-day stay at home caused by a broken right arm. He says the arm is healing fast and that he is feeling fine.

SENATORIAL CAMPAIGN CHARGES THROWN OUT

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Charges of campaign irregularities in Oregon, Missouri and Washington, were thrown out today by the Senate campaign funds committee.

Old Fashions Fall as Capital Changes

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The ebb and flow of fashion is retiring into history many of the customs in dress and manners once characteristically a part of the official life on Capitol Hill.

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FORMER WINTERS CITIZEN KILLED NEAR HOUSTON

Oliver Cryer, 33 years of age, formerly of Winters, employed in Houston on construction work, was killed Monday while at work on a bridge of the Houston North Shore Interurban at Highlands when a heavy beam fell, crushing him. Mr. Cryer had also lived in Dallas.

Following is what the Houston Chronicle said about the accident:

"Mr. Cryer was working on a bridge of the Houston North Shore Interurban at Highland when a beam fell, crushing him. He was taken to the Baptist Hospital in a Fogle-West ambulance and died on the operating table 30 minutes after his arrival.

"He suffered internal injuries, a broken back and neck and a crushed chest. Justice of the Peace Overstreet held an inquest and rendered a verdict of accidental death. Survivors are a sister, Mrs. Estella Craddock, of Dallas, and a brother, Howell Cryer, of Winters."

Relatives and friends from Winters were in Ballinger Wednesday to meet the noon Santa Fe

which brought the remains of Mr. Cryer from Houston. Quite a number of Winters people were in the party. Interment will be made at Winters.

URGED TO FIND NEW COTTON USE

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—An investigation by Secretary of Commerce Hoover to discover new uses for cotton, was called for in a resolution introduced today by Representative McDuffie, Democrat, from Alabama.

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Hearts That Are Bigger Than Packing Boxes



ARREST THREE AFTER BATTLE

(By Associated Press)
CLINTON, N. J., Dec. 22.—Two brothers and their sister, who for twelve hours withstood an attack of state troopers on their farmhouse near here, were captured when the officers made a concerted rush on the house today.

Christmas Trees at Piggly Wiggly.

22-2td

"KING BEN" IN COURT ON COT

(By Associated Press)
BENTON HARBOR, Michigan, Benjamin Purnell, "King" of the House of David colony, was carried on a stretcher into Justice Weldon's court today to be arraigned on the first of two warrants, charging criminal assault, sworn to by Mrs. Bessie Woodworth, a former member of the colony.

ACQUITTED OF LIQUOR CHARGE

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Col. Ned Green was acquitted in San Francisco yesterday on charges of embezzling confiscated liquor and was ordered reinstated as prohibition administrator in that district.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Ward have gone to Dallas to spend a few days. They will return to Ballinger Friday.

THIRD ROBBER HELD IN IOWA

(By Associated Press)
CLARINDA, Iowa, Dec. 22.—Search is being made today for \$2,000 in currency which James Hairston, native Texan, claims he scattered because he feared it would connect him with the Texas bank robbery in which he now admits a part.

Christmas Trees at Piggly Wiggly.

22-2td

FIRE CLAIMS 2 AT FT. WORTH

(By Associated Press)
FT. WORTH, Dec. 22.—Death today claimed C. F. Berry, 54 years of age, a farmer, who was the second victim of the fire in which Ben Shields, 5 years of age, burned to death last night, near here.

Berry was fatally burned trying to rescue the boy, a son of a widowed employee on the Berry Hog Farm.

The house was ignited by an explosion of an oil lamp.

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WINTER FLOODS TAKE TOLL OF NINE LIVES

100 FISHERMEN LOST IN STORM

(By Associated Press)
TOKYO, Dec. 22.—Dispatches received here from Mukpo, Korea, today report that 30 fishing boats were sunk in a heavy storm yesterday. About one hundred fishermen are missing.

BEARCAT TEAM AND PEP SQUAD BANQUET

Members of the 1926 Bearcat football squad and members of the pep squad attended a banquet given in their honor, Monday night at the dining room of the Baptist church. The football squad of about 20 members and the pep squad of about 40 members were present. Members of the Freshman and Sophomore classes of the Senior high school served the repast.

J. B. Pace Jr., principal of Senior high school, acted as toastmaster. Several members of the faculty were also present. Short talks were made by various members of the pep squad, the football squad and the faculty.

Misses Maxine Russell and Dorothy Chancey, who are attending Texas Christian University at Ft. Worth, came in Tuesday night to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Russell and Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Chancey.

(By Associated Press)

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 22.—A steady downpour of rain in Kentucky, Arkansas, Tennessee and West Virginia, today threatened to raise the already swollen rivers and tributaries to a more dangerous flood stage.

The rising waters in these states yesterday took a toll of five lives and caused an unestimated property damage.

Sixty hours of rain broke many precipitation records with from four to seven inches of rain being reported in scores of cities.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Dec. 22.

Four men are reported missing and are believed to have been drowned today when the center span of the Midland-Atlantic bridge over the Big Sandy River at Catlettsburg, Kentucky, collapsed.

Three other men, who were working on the bridge, which is under construction, were removed to a hospital. One of the men is in a critical condition.

SCHOOLS RECESSED FOR CHRISTMAS

All teachers and school children of the Ballinger city schools were released today for the Christmas holidays which start Thursday and continue until January 3rd, for the students.

College students are arriving daily to spend the holidays with their parents and friends. Most of these students have to be back at college on January 3rd.

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Christmas Eve

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A viola found in Edinburgh has a body 17 1/2 inches long, or 2 1/2 inches longer than the average viola. It was made by Hieronimus Amati, the master of Stradivarius.

The French budget for 1927 promises a surplus of between 800 million and one billion francs.

MANY SUICIDES AND HOMICIDES IN TEXAS DURING YEAR 1925

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, Dec. 22.—Suicides and homicides in Texas in 1925 showed startling numbers, statistics made public by the Bureau of Vital Statistics reveal. With a population of five million, Texas reported 45,102 deaths, 336 of these being suicides, and 322 homicides.

Of the suicides, 159 used firearms, while others employed poison, knives, jumping from high places, rope and water.

Of the homicides, 237 were slain by firearms, 72 by cutting, and 13 were killed by other means.

Auto accidents took 431 lives and train accidents 168, while 356 persons were accidentally killed by firearms, 192 accidentally drowned, and 139 fell to their deaths accidentally. There were 283 deaths during the year as a result of conflagrations, and 164 were accidentally poisoned.

While diseases took most of the victims, the statistics show 2,866 persons died without the cause known; that 3,241 babies were still born, and there were 1,488 children who died of premature birth, while no infanticides were reported.

Mrs. Crawford Lemburg, of Mason, is here on a visit to her father, J. M. Skinner. Mr. Lemburg will join his wife here Christmas day.

Miss Naomi McWilliams is at home from Abilene where she has been attending Simmons University, to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

Miss Mildred Reasonover has gone to Raymondville, where she will spend the Christmas holidays with relatives. She will return here to resume her school duties after Christmas.

Miss Frances Trail is at home from Simmons University to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Trail.

Miss Ione Herring has returned from C. I. A., at Denton, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Herring.

Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Douglass have gone to Cleburne, where they will spend the holidays with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira L. Sims and children left Wednesday afternoon for Houston where they will spend the holidays.

Russell Thomson has returned home from Texas Tech, where he is attending school, to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Thomson.

EASY TO DARKEN YOUR GRAY HAIR

When you darken your hair with Sage Tea and Sulphur, no one can tell, because it's done so naturally, so evenly. Preparing this mixture, though, at home is messy and troublesome. For only 75 cents you can buy at any drug store the ready-to-use preparation, improved by the addition of other ingredients called "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound." You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. By morning all gray hair disappears, and, after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully darkened, glossy and luxuriant.



Gray, faded hair, though no disgrace, is a sign of old age, and as we all desire a youthful and attractive appearance, get busy at once with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound and look years younger.

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TEXAS CATTLE IN GOOD SHAPE

(By Associated Press)
HOUSTON, Dec. 22.—Texas cattle generally will go into the winter in good shape and with an abundance of feed, H. H. Schutz, government statistician, said in his livestock report recently issued here.

Due to an abundance of feed in the Plains district, more stock will be fed for market this season than usual, the report recited. The range in that section is termed very good, but some localities need rain to toughen the grass. An apparent shortage of stocker cattle exists but quite a number have been shipped in. Trading has been fairly active, demand for cows has been increased, big steers are slow, while yearlings are bringing from \$45 to \$50. Most of the calves have been shipped to feeders in the corn belt.

Cattle in West Central Texas, the report recited, are in excellent shape for winter but some shrinkage has been noted from eating acorns. Some ranges are well stocked but others are not and trading has been considerable in cows and calves at advanced prices. Large numbers of calves have been shipped out.

In Central and East Texas, cattle are fewer than usual and their condition is called good, although eating acorns has caused a temporary shrinkage in condition. Trading in stockers has been active but prices have advanced out of line with fat cattle and caused a lull in bids.

West Texas cattle are very fat, the range is extra good, but was becoming dry in a few sections. Most calves and steers have been sold and shipped and there is a strong tendency to hold cows and heifers for re-stocking. Better classes are in strong demand, with many ranchmen desiring registered bulls and high grade heifer calves, with only a few available.

Stock are scarce in the Southern part of the state, the range is the best in years and trading has been very active with range prices from \$5 to \$10 above those for fat cattle on the market. Good cows are in strong demand with only culls available. Meanwhile East Texas cattle are being shipped in for re-stocking purposes. In some sections farms are rapidly replacing cattle ranches.

Southeastern Texas ranges are called very good, but lightly stocked. Cattle are going into the winter in excellent shape, feed is plentiful and trading has been brisk, but the supply of stockers is short. The outlook is termed very encouraging.

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Seaborn Smith, of McCamey, is here to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents.

SANTA FE MAKES YARD REPAIRS

Announcements are expected to be made after January 1st in regard to improvements along the Santa Fe lines from Brownwood to San Angelo, according to rumors coming from Brownwood and other towns on the Santa Fe.

It is understood here that the Santa Fe is planning to make several improvements in the local yards as well as in San Angelo and other towns along this branch of the road. No definite information, however, has been received here in regard to the improvement.

At the present time, however, considerable improvement is being made in the Brownwood yards, which are declared second to the Temple yards, the largest Santa Fe yards in Texas. Several crews are now at work in Brownwood on the improvements.

Following is a story that appeared in a recent issue of the Brownwood Bulletin telling of the work there:

"The Santa Fe Railroad is busily engaged in making many improvements on their property in Brownwood. A construction crew of about 150 men are camped on the outskirts of the East yards, and are now engaged in building additional sidetracks for the storage of freight cars. The work now being done is in the West yards, where about six miles of new track is being laid. After this work is completed practically all of the available ground suitable for additions to the West yards will have been used.

"After the first of January the rock crusher belonging to the Santa Fe will double its output, as the works are to run both day and night.

"The contractors who have the job of putting in the new turntable have begun the unloading of equipment and will soon be at work installing this much needed improvement, as the present turntable is not large enough to handle the large engines that are needed to haul the heavy trains that come to Brownwood.

"When asked by a staff man of the Bulletin as to whether the railroad planned to double the

capacity of the roundhouse and shops here, an official of the road said that nothing of the kind would be done, until the company was sure that there would be plenty of water. He stated that during the past summer the railroad hauled many trainloads of water here for its own use, and unless a sufficient supply of water is assured them, no expansion of the shops here will be undertaken, since the water supply will not accommodate the present business. When a bountiful water supply is assured there is no telling what the Santa Fe will do in Brownwood, said the official interview.

"The Santa Fe realizes the need of a double track out of here West, but it is stated that it would likely be some time in the future before such a prospect would be undertaken. At present many of the passenger trains coming from both the East and West are sometimes delayed for several hours on account of the slow moving oil trains.

"The Santa Fe shops here have had a record run of work recently. In thirty days time, a total of 1,145 locomotives were handled in the shops, being turned out for service after repair of various kinds. The Brownwood shops now rank second in Texas, only the Temple shops leading in the volume of work done, it was stated Saturday night.

"The official seemed to think that Brownwood is on the verge of a boom, and prophesied that within a very few years the city would double or even triple the present population. He regretted that he was unable to buy a large amount of vacant property in the city and reap the profits that he is sure will come."

Notice
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Eating too much rich food may produce kidney trouble in some form, says a well-known authority, because the acids created excite the kidneys. Then they become overworked, get sluggish, clog up and cause all sorts of distress, particularly backache and misery in the kidney region, rheumatic twinges, severe headaches, acid stomach, constipation, torpid liver, sleeplessness, bladder and urinary irritation.

The moment your back hurts or kidneys aren't acting right, or if bladder bothers you, begin drinking lots of good water and also get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good pharmacy; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys may then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to activity; also to neutralize the acids in the system so that they no longer irritate, thus often relieving bladder disorders.

Jad Salts cannot injure anyone; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which millions of men and women take now and then to help keep the kidneys and urinary organs clean, thus often avoiding serious kidney disorders.

SANTA FE PASSENGERS LUNCH HERE TUESDAY
Passengers on the West bound Santa Fe from Temple to San Angelo, remained in Ballinger almost one hour Tuesday afternoon for lunch on account of the wreck West of Rowena which held the train up for several hours after arriving at the scene of the accident.

Nine tank cars, loaded with oil, went in the ditch near Rowena and it tied up traffic for some time. Workmen got busy and built track around the wreck, allowing the lighter trains to pass.

The East bound Santa Fe ran some twenty minutes late Tuesday afternoon. A wrecker from Brownwood came out to do repair work.

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Movies

"Four Horsemen" at Palace Today and Tomorrow

An epic tale of surging passion sweeping from the wide plains of the Argentine through the fascinating frivolities of pre-war Paris into the blazing turmoil of the German invasion of Northern France is unfolded at the Palace Theatre today and Thursday, with Rudolph Valentino and Alice Terry in the leading roles. It is the triumphant return of "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," the \$1,000,000 Rex Ingram production made for Metro-Goldwyn, which has been a screen sensation in New York, Chicago, Boston, Pittsburgh, Detroit and Los Angeles. The picture, adapted by June Mathis from the great novel of Vicente Blasco Ibanez, has intensified the dramatic force of the original story and holds spectators breathlessly intent as with swift, sure strokes it hammers home the terror and grandeur of the war—and a great deal of the humor and light-hearted gaiety that kept bubbling up through the turgid stream of struggling humanity when the world was in arms.

The director, Rex Ingram, succeeded in concentrating the great struggle in a series of unforgettable pictures that flash out the quintessence of life at white heat. "The Four Horsemen" is the fulfillment of the promise of a noble art in pictures.

Zane Grey's "Desert Gold" is the Christmas Feature at the Palace Theatre

The famous Red Rock Canyon of California, which is said to be the nearest replica of the Grand Canyon, has lost its prize boulder, a massive stone weighing approximately 15 tons.

The stone was dislodged during the making of "Desert Gold," Paramount's picturization of Zane Grey's story, which will be shown at the Palace Theatre on Friday (Christmas Eve) and Saturday (Christmas Day).

An important sequence finds Robert Frazer and Shirley Mason, with only a deformed Yaqui servant, hidden behind the boulder. Attacking bandits, led by William Powell, as Landree, their leader, are about to ascend the hill and capture them. There is no way out until "Yaqui" finds a way to dislodge the boulder and send it crashing down hill, killing some of the bandits and driving the rest away.

The particular sequence is one of the most thrilling ever filmed for a Zane Grey story.

Neil Hamilton is the fourth featured player, with a fine supporting cast headed by George Rigas and Frank Laekteen.

George B. Seitz and Lucien Hubbard, who teamed on "The Vanishing American" as director and supervising editor, again functioned in this picture.

Curious Facts About Your Car and Its "Gas"

By ALAN P. INGALLS

A crow flying from Washington to Richmond, Va., would travel just about a hundred miles. Between 1861 and 1865 it required just about four years for the Northern Army to make that trip. Latterly people who have had to cover the route with motor cars have inclined to marvel that the Armies did it so soon. It is doubtful if in the known world there are any roads as bad as all roads were in this region down to a few years ago when Virginia launched a highway construction program. Now it is announced that before the opening of winter the fine new modern road between Washington and Richmond will be complete throughout, giving a link between north and south that has been grievously needed and assuring a great increase in north and south motor traffic the coming winter. Incidentally the Virginia Road Commission has developed an oil treatment for the sand-clay roads in that state which produces wonderful results. First used to suppress dust, it has been found that a heavy application of oil produces a splendid and lasting service. The state's roads are to be extensively treated in this way next season.

There are 270,653 miles in the state highway systems which include the roads eligible for Federal aid and all the important interstate and intercountry roads in the country. At the end of 1925, 145,508 miles of these roads had been surfaced, and 32,218 miles additional had been adequately graded and drained. In 1925, 17,836 miles of state road were surfaced and 5,316 miles graded and drained. The state highway departments expended approximately \$648,000,000 for construction and maintenance.

The 2 cents a gallon tax on gasoline drew an average of \$9.61 from every motorist in the District of Columbia during the fiscal year ending June 30. The report showed that 48,540,044 gallons of gasoline were used, yielding a tax of \$961,080.87. Compared with the preceding fiscal year the consumption increased 7,446,519 gallons.

Motor vehicle registration figures still continue their upward climb, according to the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads, which reports 19,697,833 registered in the first six months of 1926. This is 1,927,141 more than in the corresponding period of 1925, or an increase of 10.3 per cent.

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It seldom fails to relieve the torment without delay. Sufferers from skin trouble should obtain a small jar of Rowles Mentho-Sulphur from any good druggist.

Miss Ruth Holliday is at home from Abilene, where she has been attending Simmons University to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Mattie Holliday.

Hear—"Hello, Aloha—How Are You?" pipe organ solo. J. Y. Pearce Drug Co. 21-2td

Ledger advertising days

Real Estate Transfers

Warranty Deeds

C. N. Polk and wife to Royal Bishop, the South half of 328 1-2 acres of a certain tract, December 17, for the sum of \$5,275.

Stephen Norman et ux to B. J. Harris, lot 8 of block No. 75 of the original town plat of the city of Ballinger, December 21, for the sum of \$70.

F. Eckert and wife to C. L. Boykin, 30 lots of the Voss & Kuykendall subdivision of block No. 8 of Robinson's second addition to the town of Miles, November 27, for the sum of \$1,500.

C. L. Boykin and wife to H. W. Stringer, 30 lots of Voss & Kuykendall subdivision of block No. 8 of Robinson's second addition to the town of Miles, December 11, for the sum of \$2,066.25.

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DEATHS

Mrs. C. E. McMillan

Mrs. C. E. McMillan, 40 years 11 months and 7 days of age, died at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday evening following a short illness. Mrs. McMillan had been sick since Saturday.

Mrs. McMillan lived about nine miles North of Ballinger, just off the Crews road.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at the Old Runnels cemetery at 3:00 o'clock, with Rev. Pleasant officiating. Interment will be made in the Old Runnels cemetery.

Deceased is survived by her husband and three children: C. E. McMillan and Mrs. Flora Tenget, Miss Lillie McMillan and Troy McMillan; her father, S. T. Wood; brothers and sisters, Ollie Wood, Horace Wood, Mrs. Ella Forman, and Mrs. Betty McMillan; step-brothers, Robert Wood, Frank and Ollie McMillan, Arthur Wood, Marshall Wood, Curtis Wood, Homer Wood, Randolph Wood; Mrs. Lula Blocker and Miss Maud Wood.

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Mrs. Robert E. Bruce has gone to Arlington, where she will spend Christmas with her parents. Mr. Bruce will join his wife in Arlington on Friday.

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Brilliant Party Series

Beautifully suggestive of the Yuletide were the parties given last week by Mrs. D. C. Middleton Jr., in her home on Eighth Street.

On Wednesday evening at four tables beautifully laid in Madeira linens and centered with attractive centerpieces of Christmas decorations a three-course luncheon was served. In each course the colorful red and green motif was effectively employed. The first course consisted of turkey with dressing, rolls, cranberry jelly squares and coffee; the second course was a pineapple and banana candle salad topped with a tiny lighted red candle; and the third course was ice cream molded in Santa Clauses with white fruit cake. Bridge games furnished happy diversion until late. In this lovely hospitality Mr. Middleton joined Mrs. Middleton in including the following:

Messrs. and Mmes. Floyd Carr, Harry Lynn, C. W. Cheatham, C. W. Thorp, Robert Bruce, W. B. Woody, R. W. Earnshaw, Misses Katharine Penn and Minnie Johnson.

On Thursday, in this attractively furnished home with its beautiful decorations forty-two and bridge enthusiasts spent a most pleasant afternoon. Mrs. Middleton was assisted by her mother, Mrs. Gus Noyes, Mrs. C. W. Cheatham and Mrs. Ralph Erwin, in serving a delicious chicken salad course with tea. The individual guest favors were Christmas nut cups filled with red and green mints.

The complete guest list follows: Mmes. Alex McGregor, D. Reeder, W. C. McCarver, Ira Sims, Jno. Weeks, Joe Simmons, Ralph Erwin, L. R. Tigner, Geo. Holman, R. E. George, J. Y. Pearce, H. H. Luekett, C. P. Shepherd, R. W. Bruce, Jno. Currie, Frank Pearce, Dan Moser, J. C. Richards, Geo. Hill, W. R. Bogle, L.

H. Frye, J. B. Rainbolt, Ralph Vanceil, Joe Forman, J. D. Motley, Sam Behringer, Leslie Baker, Kathlene Drake, J. G. Douglass, Felton Wright, H. H. Thomson, Homer Carsey, Laurent Webb, R. G. Parks, R. T. Williams, F. C. Miller, Troy Simpson, M. H. Watson, A. R. Jones, M. S. Karmany, Geo. Vaughn, C. R. Stephens, Ross Murchison, C. W. Cheatham, Misses Louise Orgain, Nell Alexander, Mildred Herring and Felda Cathey.

Bridge Club Entertained

On Saturday afternoon of last week Mrs. R. W. Earnshaw was hostess to her bridge club members and friends who played substitute hands in her home on Eighth Street.

In surroundings made festive by the decorations appropriate to the season the usual three tables of players found places by means of attractive Christmas tables.

Score was recorded in dainty folders, and a pretty plate containing a red fruit gelatin topped with green cream and cherries, fruit cake and stuffed dates, was served at the conclusion of the games by the hostess and her mother, Mrs. Jno. Weeks.

The personnel included: Mmes. C. W. Cheatham, Harry Lynn, K. V. Northington, C. R. Stone, Ross Murchison, Cecil Thorp, D. C. Middleton Jr., Robert Bruce, Chancey Nelson, Felton Wright, Troy Simpson, Floyd Carr, R. L. Stephenson, Homer Carsey, L. R. Tigner, H. T. Forson, Alex McGregor, Misses Griffie Atkins, Thelma Midgeley, Katharine Penn and Mildred Herring.

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Robert Kirk is at home from North Texas to spend the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Jennie Kirk, and his sisters, Misses Eleanor, Margaret and Louise.

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Tommy Hall and Bill Dixon came in Tuesday from Georgetown and Killeen. Tommy had been down visiting while Bill came home from Southwestern University where he is attending school.

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