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Hagerman is situated in one of the best farming regions of New Mexico. A good place to live.

Hagerman—Where the most valuable mineral water in the Southwest flows from an artesian well in the city.

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## PLANS FOR THE SCHOOL CARNIVAL GOING FORWARD RAPIDLY NOW

Students Are Practicing Hard For Minstrel—The Carnival Queen Contest Will Close Promptly At 4:30 P. M.

School carnival this year has planned on a more elaborate than heretofore. New and ideas have been worked out minor as well as the special of the carnival. Special has been put forth by the of the faculty and students those who attend an evening of thrilling entertainment.

Practice is underway for minstrel to be given as a feature of the carnival. The midgets will dance at a program. Carnival merry will throw baseballs at dolls to represent members of city. Attractive booths, containing a variety of amusing sights to delight the crowd.

At 9 o'clock the carnival queen will close and at 10:30 the contest will be crowned of the carnival. Representatives from the contest have been from the high school classes.

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Walker spent Tuesday in attending to business matters.

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Mrs. W. H. Blythe, of Roswell, spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Mills on Thanksgiving day at St. hospital at Roswell.

E. T. Bramblet, of Abilene, with Hardwick Etter Co., was guest of Mr. and Mrs. Dub-

Mrs. R. G. Campbell and of Dona Ana, New Mexico, Thanksgiving with relatives here.

Mrs. Omar Barker, of Roswell, spent Thanksgiving with Barker's parents, Dr. and Mrs. McCormick.

Mrs. Harrison McKinstry, daughter, Elizabeth, ate Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Prichard at Roswell.

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## LOCAL SUNDAY SCHOOL HAS SPLENDID RATING

The Sunday school of the Methodist church of Hagerman has just received from the General Sunday school board of that church a seal of efficiency—indicating that they rank 100 per cent as a C type Sunday school.

Owing to the lack of equipment this church could not compete in a higher class than "C," but there are few Sunday school throughout the church that rank as high as the local school, and their teachers are just as efficient as those that have the same rank in Sunday schools of a higher class.

## CONGRESS CONVENES AT WASHINGTON MON. FOR A SHORT SESSION

Opening with the usual formalities, congress convened Monday at Washington and heard President Coolidge's annual message. Chairman McNary of the senate agricultural committee has introduced a new farm relief measure which together with the tariff revision is expected to be the most important measures to come up for consideration. Republican leaders are at odds over the passage of the new farm relief bill. The bill resembles the McNary-Haugen bill, but does not contain the equalization fee provision, which proved distasteful to President Coolidge.

The first day's session consisted of the brief routine, followed by adjournments out of respect to members who have died in the interim. Along with this went a lot of handshaking, greetings, congratulations and sympathy, for about 35 democrats in the house and half a dozen in the senate were caught out in the republican ballot snowstorm in November.

There was only about 500 bills introduced during the day, as compared to about 6,000 at the first session of the seventieth congress. All were deposited in the house bill basket.

## SCHOOL NEWS

### CHAPEL EXERCISES

In chapel Tuesday morning, Merle Sweett was the first on the program. She played a piano solo which everyone enjoyed. Then Professor White talked on the subject of "Choosing a School." He said that this was one of the vocations which many people choose. There are many occupations which one could follow as his life work, but not all of them could be considered as honorable positions.

In choosing, your life work, it is very similar to the way taxi-drivers call at large stations. When one gets off the train, there are numerous taxis there; each driver calls to you to take his taxi. So it is when you choose your life work, there are many paths open which are calling you. There are many openings, a large per cent of which, if properly stamped, would bear the signature of pleasure. Then there are a few paths of duty which are also calling to you. These paths are the most profitable, in the end. Therefore, here in school, we should now be equipping ourselves in such a manner that we can be relied upon to recognize the path of duty and choose that for our vocation or life work.

After Mr. White's talk, Miss Snyder played "Nola" by Arndt. This lovely selection was so delightfully rendered that she received an encore. For her second number she played a very popular song, entitled, "That's My Weakness Now."

### ATHLETICS

Another practice game took place Monday afternoon at Dexter between the Hagerman boys and Dexter boys. The score was decidedly in favor of Hagerman. Every citizen of Hagerman should let the teams know that they are in favor of clean athletics. Athletics has an important place in any school and it is essential that the patrons show their approval by attending the games and boosting our boys and girls. Scheduled games start soon. Make it a point to be there.

### SCHOOL CARNIVAL

Again we call your attention to the carnival which will be given by the faculty, assisted by some of the students, at the High school gymnasium, Saturday night, December 8, beginning at 7:30. The proceeds are to be used in financing athletics, music and debating contests. There

## ARTESIAN WELL LAW IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL SAYS JUDGE HATCH

The Decision Is Rendered At Roswell—Case To Be Appealed To High Court And May Go To The U. S. Supreme Court.

The 1927 artesian well law passed by the last state legislature, has been held unconstitutional in a decision handed down by Judge A. Hatch, Thursday at Roswell. Judge Hatch presided over the case in the absence of Judge Richardson.

Judge Hatch in this case held in effect that the law meant the taking of property without compensation and was therefore unconstitutional. The case will be appealed to the state supreme court, and it is eventually expected to go to the supreme court of the United States. In this case Herbert W. Yeo, state engineer, was plaintiff and Oscar and Clarence Pearson were defendants. The state was represented in the hearing by Robert C. Dow, attorney general, and the defendants by Roberts and Brice, of Santa Fe, and Reese and Reese of Roswell.

This decision affects thousands of acres in the Pecos valley, and is regarded here as one of the most important cases ever filed in this district.

In a friendly suit filed before the one heard by Judge Hatch, the state law was held to be constitutional under a decision rendered by Judge G. A. Richardson.

The law which has been held to be unconstitutional sought to prohibit drilling of additional artesian wells in the Pecos valley, unless the consent of the state engineer be first secured upon the theory that additional wells in certain areas would only drain the wells already drilled and would serve no good purpose.

## HOW TO RUN A NEWSPAPER

Men will take the liberty to tell you how to run a paper, when they would not think of hinting to the merchant how to conduct his store or tell the preacher what to preach. They pay money for schools, and don't know whether Jimmy is learning the rule of three or how to hold a cigarette gracefully, but when it comes to the newspaper, there's where they all get off.

During the past week a friend wanted to know why we did not try to run a paper a little more along the lines of how Christ would run a paper. We don't know how that would be. In the first place if Christ were back on the earth we don't believe that he would go into the newspaper business at all. There is not an editor or a preacher that could tell the whole truth for thirty days and stay in the community in which he lived. If our friend doubts this statement let him try telling the absolute truth just one week and see where he lights.—Ex.

## AEROPLANE HERE SUNDAY

An aeroplane landed here Sunday afternoon and spent some two hours taking passengers for a ride at \$3 per head.

This kind of an animal looks safe for someone else, but many people would have to be paid to ride in them.

## COTTON MARKET

The New York cotton market, based on January delivery has remained comparatively steady for the past week. The market opening and closing is given as follows:

	Open	Close
Nov. 30, .....	20.79c	20.37c
Dec. 1, .....	20.39c	20.31c
Dec. 3, .....	20.23c	20.10c
Dec. 4, .....	20.12c	20.26c
Dec. 5, .....	20.35c	20.35c
Dec. 6, .....	20.35c	

will be many attractions and you cannot afford to miss them.

## CARNIVAL QUEEN CONTEST

An intense interest is being manifested among the students as well as the town group in the contest which will decide who will be crowned queen of the carnival Saturday night. The standing of the respective contestants is as follows:

Ruth Hughes, 158; Hazel Zimmerman, 128; Irene Knoll, 728; Bulah King, 293.

Votes may be purchased for one cent each at Tede's Confectionary. Votes may be secured also for returned library books or books usable for school.

Messenger Want Ads pay.

## K. C. SERVATIUS BUYS NELSON RANCH SOLD AT AUCTION WED. DEC. 5

K. C. Servatius purchased the old Nelson ranch which was sold at auction on the premises Wednesday. The consideration was \$5.50 per acre. Mr. Servatius believes this ranch is in the shallow water belt, and being a real farmer he will soon have a first class farm and ranch of this place.

Miss Eleanor Paddock, student at Texas Woman's college in Fort Worth spent the Thanksgiving holidays with Miss Dorthea Cowan at C. I. A. at Denton, Texas.

## ONE KILLED AND ONE INJURED IN AN AUTO WRECK NEAR CAPROCK

Benjamin F. Sanders, 88, was almost instantly killed and his daughter, Mrs. Laura Farrar, was seriously injured late Friday afternoon when the car in which they were riding struck some fresh gravel on the highway 25 miles east of Roswell, left the road and turned over.

J. W. Sanders, son of the dead man was driving the car, but he escaped uninjured.

Mr. Sanders was pinned beneath the overturned auto and died before assistance could arrive to remove him from the wreck.

Mrs. Farrar was taken to St. Mary's hospital, Roswell, where she is suffering from severe bruises, but she is expected to live.

The accident occurred while the party was returning to their home near Caprock from a business trip to Roswell.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Boyce were in Roswell the latter part of last week.

Perry Crisler, who has been confined to his home the past several weeks by illness, was able to be in town Saturday.

## SOCIETY ITEMS

### SUNDAY SCHOOL PARTY

Mrs. Burrel entertained her class at the Methodist Sunday school with a party last Friday evening. Each girl invited a guest and a number of children were on hand to enjoy the games and other sports. Delicious refreshments were served.

### CLUB ROOMS OPEN

The Woman's club rooms will be open Saturday afternoon December 8, from 3:00 to 5:00 o'clock. If you have any books to donate to the library bring them at this time.

The Christmas seals are now on sale at the Hagerman stores and will also be sold at the bazaar Saturday. Be sure and get your supply early.

### GIRL SCOUTS HAVE PARTY

On last Thursday night the Girl Scouts gave a party at the club rooms. A large number of the girls were present and a most enjoyable evening was had by all. Refreshments of popcorn balls and cocoa were served.

### MISSIONARY SOCIETY MET WITH MRS. HARSHEY

The Missionary Society met with Mrs. L. E. Harshey Wednesday afternoon. As the president was absent the vice-president, Mrs. Stine had charge of the meeting. Plans were made for the bazaar to be held Saturday at the Cumpsten building. It was decided that the society would not have another meeting before Christmas. Refreshments of salted nuts, doughnuts and coffee were served to Mesdames Watford, Stine, Tom, Edmond and James McKinstry, Campbell, Carter, Curry, Michelet, Jacobson, and Swisher.

### EASTERN STAR ELECTS ITS OFFICERS FOR 1929

The annual election of officers for the Order of the Eastern Star was held at the lodge room Wednesday evening of last week. Below are the names of the new officers:

Mrs. Howard Russell, Worthy Matron.  
W. P. Woodmas, Worthy Patron.  
Mrs. Harold Miller, Associate Matron.  
Mrs. C. O. Holloway, Secretary.  
Mrs. Willis Pardee, Treasurer.  
Mrs. W. P. Woodmas, Conductor.  
Mrs. Ernest Bowen, Associate Con-

## TEXAS PACIFIC WANTS TO BUILD ROAD IN LEA COUNTY TO LOVINGTON

Asks Permission To Build 70 Miles Of Railroad In New Mexico With Lovington As Terminus Of The Line.

WASHINGTON.—A plan to construct 70 miles of railroad into Lea county, New Mexico, was submitted to the interstate commerce commission for approval yesterday by the Texas and Pacific system.

The Texas-New Mexico Railroad company, a Texas and Pacific subsidiary, proposed to undertake the construction, building from its present terminal on the Texas-New Mexico state border to Lovington, N. M. It was explained that Lea county oil operations need the facilities.

A charter was granted the Texas-New Mexico Railroad Co., a subsidiary of the Texas-Pacific system by the state of Texas, over a year ago, according to press reports. The application stated that the proposed line would be run from some point in or near Monahans to the Texas-New Mexico line, passing through the Winkler county Texas oil field.

## LOCALS

Del Hartley was in Artesia Sunday.

Mrs. Pete Losey was a Roswell visitor Tuesday.

Geo. McDaniels, of Abilene, spent Thanksgiving here.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Gant visited Lake Arthur Friday night.

W. A. Losey was a business visitor to Roswell Saturday.

Judge Claude Neis, of Roswell was in town last Thursday.

N. S. West and Harry Cowan were in Roswell Wednesday.

Rev. A. W. Henry and Charles Tanner were in Artesia Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Mason and children went to Caprock Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. D. A. Marrs, of Acala, Texas, was here on business the latter part of the week.

Miss Alma Thompson, teacher in the Dexter schools, was a Hagerman visitor Tuesday.

Mrs. F. F. Anderson, of Coleman, Texas, spent Thanksgiving with relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Mitchell spent Thanksgiving with their son, E. W. Mitchell and family at Roswell.

Mrs. Annie Smith, of Artesia, and Mrs. Martha Addington, of Carlsbad, spent Thanksgiving in the C. H. Stroud home.

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## J. P. ELECTION JANUARY 8

January 8th, next, is regular election day for justices of the peace in this state, and two candidates have already announced for the office in the Roswell precinct.

So far no one has announced for this precinct, and the campaign will not likely be as warm here as in larger communities.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bible and family, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bible, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bible and small daughter, spent Thanksgiving with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bible at Dexter.

## AN OLD TIME REVIVAL BEGINS AT NAZARENE CHURCH TEXT SUNDAY

An old-time revival is announced to begin at the local Nazarene church next Sunday morning, and services will continue for several days.

The pastor, Rev. A. Warren Henry and wife will do the preaching. They are said to be splendid revivalists.

Jack and Ruby Carter will lead the singing and Miss White, of Bethany, Oklahoma, will preside at the piano.

All these people are recognized as splendid revivalists, and interesting services are promised.

## EIGHT AND A HALF MILE EXTENSION IS NOW OPEN

The eight and a half mile extension to the north and south Pecos valley highway, leading north out of Carlsbad was open to travel the first of the week according to an announcement from the highway department. This road would have been opened previous to this time, had not an additional mile and a half been constructed. The new road will eliminate much trouble experienced in wet weather, as it is on a new location and a high type of road demanded by federal specifications.

—Artesia Advocate

## AT THE CHURCHES

### METHODIST CHURCH

We appreciated the splendid congregation at church last Sunday morning. Our service next Sunday will be interesting. We will have services both morning and evening. Subject Sunday evening: "Jonah and the Whale." You are invited to all the services at the church. Come to Sunday school Sunday, its great.

### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The pastor will preach in Dexter Sunday morning but will preach here in the evening. Sunday school and Christian Endeavor at the usual hours. The subject for the evening will be "Within Crumbling Walls."

### CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Sunday school, 10:00 a. m. J. W. Baugh, Supt.

Our Sunday school is growing each Sunday. Better pay us a visit.

Morning service 11:00 a. m. Sermon—Mrs. Henry, Subject: "What is Nazarenism?"

N. Y. P. S. meeting, 6:15 p. m. Preaching service, 7:15, By Rev. Henry, Subject: "Revivals."

Our revival meeting starts Sunday evening with Jack and Ruby Carter, singers and Miss White, of Bethany, Oklahoma, pianist. Rev. and Mrs. Henry, evangelists. Service each evening at 7:15. There will be lots of singing. I'm going, are you? A. WARREN HENRY, Pastor.

### PRESBYTERIAN REVIVAL CLOSED SUNDAY NIGHT

The revival meeting that has been in progress at the Presbyterian church at this place came to a close Sunday night.

Dr. Cornelius Walker, the evangelist, preached some splendid sermons that were enjoyed very much by all who attended.

The song services, conducted by Mr. Frank Frazier, were fine and were also very much enjoyed.

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THE WEEKLY NEWSPAPER

Last week we were visited by one of our subscribers who lives in another state, who told us that the Messenger was a welcome visitor in her home each week, and after they had read it they turned the paper over to their neighbors who enjoyed reading it as much as her family.

This is the case with most weekly newspapers; they are different from many dailies; they carry the social news of the community and as has been said many times—are like a letter from home.

The weekly newspaper is recognized by national advertisers as the best medium, because they are more thoroughly read than the daily—and because they reach a larger number of people than the daily. These advertisers have tried the dailies and magazines, and have come back to the weekly.

Only a small per cent of the people take a daily paper, but almost every family takes one or more weekly. Some are not able to take the daily, but the price of a weekly is within the reach of all.

With the inauguration of the rural free delivery of mail many of the craft thought the weekly paper was doomed—but after more than a quarter of a century this form of publication is more popular than ever.

As the only weekly newspaper in Chaves county our business is growing, and we have just closed the best month's business in the history of the paper. We cover a field not covered by any other publication, and expect our business to continue to grow.

## THE DEER POPULATION (Alamogordo News)

The fact seems to be well established that more than the usual number of bucks have been killed in the Sacramentos for the open season this year, November 10 to 20. Also it is highly probable, without the statistics at hand, that there have been more hunters than ever before.

Relative to the deer supply, past, present and to be hoped for, in the Rincon section, which is the best portion of the mountains for deer, the writer discussed the matter with O. M. Lee. From the fact of his long acquaintance with that section, and general knowledge of the situation, we estimate him to be about the best posted man in this section of the state.

Speaking of the area south of the Alamo canyon for 25 miles, and east and west about the same distance or in all some 625 square miles, Mr. Lee estimates that about 20 years ago there could not have been much over 100 deer, does and bucks, in this entire area. Deer had about been exterminated in the best section of the Sacramentos in 1907. A number of refuges were established and have served to re-stock adjacent areas, until Mr. Lee's estimate is that there are at present about 2,500 head in the area, with probably enough bucks left after this hunting season for breeding purposes.

Mr. Lee believes that the area is capable of sustaining a deer population of six or seven thousand head. The greatest obstacle he sees at present is from predatory animals, which seem to be on the increase as well as the deer. He believes that game associations have a splendid effect in creating a public sentiment for game conservation.

## SELF-RELIANCE AND KNOWLEDGE

Man stands at the peak of creation in intellect, resourcefulness and mastery of his environment.

From the dim dawn of savagery to this era of mechanical miracles, he has been learning the great lesson of self-reliance.

Today he places his independence on his own brain and muscle, no longer content to live a helpless slave of nature, feasting and warm when she smiles, starving and cold when she frowns.

Self-reliance plus knowledge have gained him freedom from nature's uncertainties.

Self-reliance, backed by real knowledge, is any man's sure path to success.

Without knowledge, self-reliance will blunder into rash experiments and costly mistakes.

Without self-reliance, knowledge will be timid to adventure and slow to seize chances.

But the man equipped with both knowledge and self-reliance is master of his destiny.

Knowledge will open his eyes to opportunities in every direction. Self-reliance will spur him on to exploit these opportunities.

Rely on yourself and on your own sound knowledge of your business—if you lack that knowledge, get it quickly and keep on getting it.

## TOUGH ON BANDITS

The state bank examiner is going to ask the coming legislature for the death penalty for bank robbers. This is a good move and will have much to do with turning these gents from New Mexico. A robber who breaks into a bank or private home will shoot to kill if detected, and deserves the extreme penalty.—Portales News.

Now that Thanksgiving is over with, let's talk about Christmas a while.

## THREE BILLS TO BE CONSIDERED

One guess is as good as another with reference to what the next state legislature may do or may not do, however, for the past few years we hear intermittent discussions on what is ordinarily considered two important measures. Will Robinson of the Southwestern Dispatch says, that it is now apparent there will be three measures introduced. One is for the re-codification and revision of the state laws. Another is to supply free text books and still another is to put the state land office under the civil service.

The proposed free text book law has been the most talked of among the three measures and has furnished some desirable campaign fodder, but aside from these features, there has never been a serious effort to pass the measure, principally because nobody has ever found a feasible plan to finance the measure without raising the tax rate, which tax payers think is high enough. Another aspect of the free text book situation, if adopted in New Mexico, comes from a health standpoint, and is not very pleasant to consider. The state would necessarily have to build a sterilization plant to sterilize the used text books, if such a plant would be successful or else run the risk of spreading disease.

The re-codification of the state laws, is a worthy measure proposed, provided of course it could be done with a minimum expense. This proposed measure would not only be good for New Mexico, but for many other states as well.

The proposal to put the land office under civil service is a measure worthy of consideration. Its popularity will depend on the manner in which it is submitted to the legislature, for ratification.

## AUTO TAX HELD VALID

SANTA FE.—The state supreme court last week in an opinion by Justice Howard Bickley upheld the constitutionality of the motor vehicle law of 1925, affirming District Judge Reed Holloman in his decision that a property tax receipt must be presented before issuance of an automobile license.

The case originated in a mandamus action by George C. Taylor, Albuquerque attorney, who sued when the state comptroller's office refused to issue a license for his automobile until Taylor produced his receipt showing payment of property taxes on his automobile.

The supreme court held that constitutional prohibition laws embracing more than one subject must be given a broad and extended meaning, to enable the state legislature to include in one act all matters having a logical and natural connection.

It also held that the motor vehicle act is not discriminatory in requiring the payment of property tax on motor vehicles in advance of the regular paying time.

Mr. Taylor has been driving around with a 1927 license tag on his car, pending the outcome of the case. The result may mean that he will have to pay two licenses about the same time, one for 1928 and one for 1929.

## NEW MEXICO POSSIBILITIES

The purchase of about four hundred lots and thirty houses at Columbus, this state by L. M. Stiles of El Paso recently furnishes a striking example of the further possibilities of the state as a health resort. Mr. Stiles purchased the property under the hammer at auction and will redeem property abandoned after the boom days at Columbus. Mr. Stiles plans to sell or rent the reconstructed property to arrested tuberculars.

What will be done at Columbus could be done over the entire state, provided the residents of the state would make a united effort to tell the world about the benefits of our climate, notwithstanding the fact that Columbus can possibly offer more inducements in the way of cheap rents and cheap property than most other towns.

Despite that fact New Mexico can not offer as many advantages at the present time as some of the eastern states, it can offer a splendid climate, which has meant life to thousands and would mean life to many more, if they knew about it.

## WE LIVE TO LEARN

We live to learn, some find the task more difficult than others. The majority of the business men of today with experience have found that the customer who beats his bills at one store will beat them at another. The honest customer recognizes his obligations regardless of where the purchases are made, whereas the dishonest customer has no hesitancy in running his credit as long as he can at one store and then changing his place of business.

Failure to recognize this trait among those who are inclined to be dishonest has caused the Artesia business men the loss of several thousand dollars. This evil can only be remedied through some sort of concerted action, with an organization like a retail credit association.

## TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS

We have sent out a number of statement to subscribers who, according to our books were delinquent. If you receive one of these and it is incorrect, please call our attention to it, and we will correct it.

The postal regulations require us to drop from our lists all subscribers who have become as much as twelve months in arrears—and we intend to comply with these regulations. However, if you are entitled to credits that are not shown on our books, we will be glad to have you call our attention to it that we may get our records straight.

It is often times an impossible task for "Old Beck," to help lift the mortgage on the farm when she is kept between the cotton rows, but let her have the help of a few hogs, cows and chickens and the job will be easier.

Portales farmers say that the syrup making industry helps to sweeten the country as well as provide another means of diversification on the farm.

When stocks get as high as they can go on the stock exchange, what effect will the reaction have on business conditions?

If King George, of England, dies the Prince of Wales will have to settle down—whether he marries or not.

And speaking of Christmas—the season would be more enjoyable if we had some chestnuts to roast.

## INSIDE INFORMATION

Combinations of different vegetables lend variety to the daily bill of fare. The classic example of a vegetable mixture is of course succotash—corn and lima beans. Corn with tomatoes and string beans; corn with tomatoes and okra, are all excellent combinations and may be made of either fresh or canned vegetables. Peas blend well with diced cooked carrots or chopped cooked celery. Equal parts of celery and white turnip cooked together make a palatable combination. Rutabaga turnips boiled with white potatoes fried together was an old-fashioned dish which used to be popular as "bubble and squeak." Combinations of various greens give good results. To spinach and chard may be added sorrel, mustard, kale, parsley, cress, or dandelion, according to what is available. Sliced boiled potatoes baked in layers with apples and carrots combined with apples, offer two flavors new to many people.

Where rats are troublesome, set out a cafeteria meal of small portions of different kinds of foods—meats, vegetables or fruits, and cereals, each poisoned with powdered barium carbonate, which is odorless and tasteless. The poison should be thoroughly mixed and worked into soft baits in the proportion of 1 part of the mineral to 4 parts of the selected food. Add water when necessary to make the baits moist. Sift the powder over sliced baits and rub it into them. The slices should be thin and should be moistened if necessary. Expose a teaspoonful of its equivalent of each of the three or more kinds of baits, in places frequented by rats. They may be placed on strips of paper or on boards, or in paper bags. Uneaten baits should be picked up the next morning and destroyed, and a new set, using different materials, should be prepared. Some of the material rats will take are: Hamburg steak, sausage, fish, liver, bacon, or cheese, thin slices of muskmelon, apple, boiled carrot, or baked sweet potato; rolled oats, bread, corn meal, flour, or cake. Kitchen scraps and garbage can be worked into the ration. Baits should be fresh and of good quality. While barium carbonate is a relatively mild poison, it should be kept out of reach of children and irresponsible persons, and from domestic animals and fowls.

## COULDN'T PECOS VALLEY FARMERS DO THIS TOO?

Farmers of the Portales valley diversify. Among other things they raise ribbon cane for syrup. Could not the farmers here grow ribbon cane as well? In speaking of the syrup making industry a press dispatch from Portales says:

"The syrup mills in the Portales valley are busy taking care of the enormous crop of seeded ribbon cane, grown under irrigation for syrup making purposes. Some farmers report a yield of 200 gallons of cane syrup per acre from this crop. It is estimated there will be between twenty and twenty-five thousand gallons of cane syrup manufactured in this section for the season. It is finding a steady sale on local and nearby markets at an average price of one dollar per gallon."

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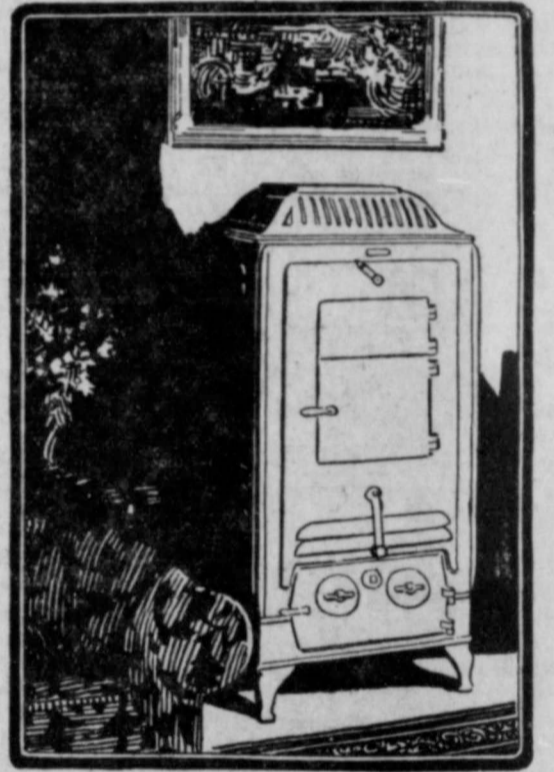
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"The Quickest Way"



## TOURIST SEASON NOW WITH BIG BANG

—The tourist season is now in full swing with a bigger bang than ever. The road work of the past year has been a large factor in the increased number of cars seen, according to chamber of commerce statistics throughout this section of the state.

The rebuilt road from Alamogordo to Las Cruces is seeing more cars daily than any other time in recent years. Cars coming into both from over this route, report driving time which seldom exceeds two hours by more than a few minutes. Cars can be seen at almost every hour of the day parked by the roadside while sightseers climb the strange undulations of gypsum and photograph them.

Carlsbad Cavern, while the winter rush is over, the winding road leading up to the cavern's mouth is very well populated with tourists from every state in the union. Mrs. Boles, custodian of the cavern, reports that it is contemplated to build a small sized fortune on the new trails and installing signs in the cavern. Roads leading in all directions are in good shape. A little over two hours will bring a car from either Carlsbad or Lovington to Carlsbad, the driving time from Van Horn is slightly over the three hour mark.

The Alamo-El Paso highway which has been badly beaten by wind erosion and highway forces. Except for a few short sections this road is safe for travel at maximum speed limit. Cars are checking into Alamo from every day with a driving time of two hours while an ambitious driver can make the trip in one hour and forty five minutes.

The viaduct at Las Cruces is nearly completed, only the center span remains to be finished and some handrails to be installed. This structure is attracting tourist eyes, many are wistful as they bump across the railroad crossing. Construction work is in progress on U. S. 80 is temporarily held up owing to rains. Engineers state that it is impossible to do this work in rainy weather although the oil once laid makes another road which is superior to the crushed gravel or stone. About seven miles of this

work is now complete with nine miles yet to construct. The finished part is exceptionally smooth and has the easy riding quality which is one of the virtues of the oil process. This road is safe and comfortable for the maximum speed limit.

Lordsburg has opened a new hotel of metropolitan appointments which is accommodating increasing numbers of tourists. Cars from every state of the union can be seen parked along the main street any day of the week, according to Willard Holt, secretary of the Lordsburg Chamber of Commerce. A paved stretch through Lordsburg is contemplated at an early date, he reports.

The consensus of opinion of commercial club leaders and chambers of commerce is that last year 1929 will see New Mexico's gross tourist business amount to in the neighborhood of \$30,000,000, a gain of ten million over this year. Practically every community in the state is contemplating an increased publicity campaign either through local agencies or through the state chamber of commerce.

### New Handkerchief Fad



She does not "wear her heart on her sleeve" for her party dress is sleeveless, but she does tie her handkerchief, which is a huge square of filmy chiffon to her wrist, so that it will flutter and flutter as she "trips the light fantastic." If you would bring joy via a Christmas gift to the modern miss who is looking for thrills in the way of new trinkets of fashion, present her with one of these "formal" handkerchiefs as they are called.

Messenger Want Ads pay.

### \$32,439 IS PAID TO NEW MEXICO FROM FORESTS

New Mexico receives twenty-five per cent of the receipts of the national forests in the state to be applied on state roads and schools, and the amount paid to the state for the fiscal year ending July 1, was \$32,439.25, according to figures announced by headquarters of the Lincoln national forest.

The contribution from the Lincoln forest was \$7,500; the Gila national forest \$6,137; Datil \$5,460; Carson, \$4,655; Apache, \$3,678; Manzano, \$2,740; Santa Fe \$1,631 and the Coronado in Hidalgo county \$735.

The twenty-five per cent fund is apportioned back to the counties in which the forests are located. Out of the Lincoln forest receipts the counties received the following: Otero, \$2,987; Eddy \$909; Torrance, \$800 and Chaves, 297.

### Field Mice Eat Trees

Field mice gnaw the bark from orchard trees, and kill many by gnawing them. In a single winter they damage nurseries near Rochester, N. Y., to the extent of \$100,000.

### The Pastor Says:

Man shall yet establish passenger routes between all the ports in the seven seas of space, and shall broadcast his whispers to other universes. —John Andrew Holmes.

### Various National Sports

The national sport of Spain is bull-fighting; of Scotland, golf; England, cricket; Belgium, cockfighting; Cuba and South America, jai alai.

IT will pay  
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### SEIZE LIQUOR

Federal officers, who arrested W. H. Maxwell and J. S. Maxwell at their ranch 25 miles southeast of Portales, seized 400 gallons of moonshine mash and a still, according to a report to the prohibition office here.

The men were bound to the federal court on \$100 bond each by U. S. Commissioner Goodwin.

Pedro Rubio, and Polito Maestas,

arrested at Jamez Springs, were to be given a hearing before Judge Milton Helmick Friday. The men are charged with sale and possession of whiskey, wine and beer.

Victor Armita was arrested at Las Cruces on a charge of manufacture of liquor. His hearing was postponed because of the defendant's illness. —State Tribune.

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There's no place like HOME

WHEN your children hear some one sing "Home, Sweet Home," what will their memories picture to them? A flat or a boarding house—or a nice, comfortable house, with a stretch of lawn and some trees and flowers, and mother and you!

This is the home-building year. Here is what Herbert Hoover says, in a survey of the home-owning situation: "A family that owns its home takes a pride in it, maintains it better, gets more pleasure out of it and has a more wholesome, healthful and happy atmosphere in which to bring up children." Ask us to estimate costs and help you plan. Among other things, ask us about Upson Board for walls, ceilings, partitions, lining and insulating attic and cellar. Goes up in 1/2 the time of plaster, at a fraction of the cost. Phone or write us today.

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cleanse the system of poisons

Two of the great enemies to youth and vitality are delayed elimination and intestinal poisons. To keep yourself free from both these common difficulties will help you to stay young.

With the use of Nujol you can do it too. For Nujol absorbs body poisons and carries them off, preventing their absorption by the body. Nujol also softens the waste matter and brings about normal evacuation. It is harmless; contains no drugs or medicine. It won't cause gas or griping pains, or affect the stomach or kidneys. Every corner druggist has Nujol. Make sure you get the genuine. Look for the Nujol bottle with the label on the back that you can read right through the bottle. Don't delay, get Nujol today.

**Feen-a-mint**  
The Laxative  
You Chew  
Like Gum

No Taste  
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**Babies Love It**

For all stomach and intestinal troubles and disturbances due to teething, there is nothing better than a safe Infants' and Children's Laxative.

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**DRESSES**

NEWEST FABRICS

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\$10.75 VALUES

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OTHERS UP TO \$31.95

Here's a sale that for thrills, for bargains, for low prices—will pale into insignificance all former attempts at big sales. Our entire stock bears terrific reductions that are sure to amaze and delight you. This sale has fairly started and we urge you to attend early because the low prices that we are quoting will cause this fine stock to sell fast—COME TOMORROW!

FUR TRIMMED  
**COATS**

All new fall styles—latest color and line combinations and you'll marvel at the beautiful linings. Exquisitely tailored by smart designers. All \$29.95 values now—

**\$19.75**

DOUBLE  
**BLANKETS**

Soft fleecy texture, full weight and full size woven in pairs. Choice of colors—each with colorful borders. Regular \$4.00 value, now—

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**SUITS**

The price you pay—the excellence of the fabrics—the masterful tailoring—the satisfaction you receive—make this the greatest money saving offer in suits this section has ever known. Newest fall styles—styled to a perfection of line that meets the requirements of both young men and men who stay young as well as the conservative dresser. Superior of cut, finish and fit never before thought possible at such a low price.

**\$15.95**

**TUCKER'S**

ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO



### Improving Stanley

By JANE OSBORN

MOLLIE TRAYNOR never left the office in company with Stanley Hicks nor did she consent to talk to him on any matters that were not of a strictly business nature within office hours. The young men who were seen to have their minds on personal and social matters during business hours didn't stand a good chance of advancement in the firm of Brooks & Smith. But the noon hour was their own and two or three times a week Mollie consented to meet Stanley on the corner and go with him to luncheon. Mollie never permitted herself to discuss with Stanley matters of a more or less confidential nature with which she was acquainted as private secretary for Mr. Brooks. That is, she had never done so until a certain day in late summer when Mr. Brooks was away on his vacation.

That day she appeared at luncheon with a large envelope in her hand, and before she showed Stanley the clippings it contained she told him that she had reason to suspect that he was in a line for a big chance in the autumn.

"If that's the case, then, Mollie, my dear Mr. Brooks will have to be looking for another secretary. It's all we're waiting for now."

Mollie's smile assured Stanley that she had had no change of heart—still there were other matters to discuss at present. "Mind you," she said, "I didn't say positively that you were going to get this promotion—only I know that Mr. Brooks is thinking of taking you with him on his western trip. If you go you'll have to meet the members of the western firm. Mr. Brooks will probably have you put up at the same hotel and there will be important business lunches and dinners—and you'll be asked to the country club and things like that, don't you know?"

"I'll bear that in mind," said Stanley. "But why all the clippings, Mollie, my dear?"

"I've been saving them for you," she said. "I am so anxious to have you succeed and—just see what this one says." Mollie opened one of the clippings. "This young man had never been to college or anything and some one told him about this set of books that contains all the world's best literature. He read it night and learned a lot of appropriate questions and—then when he was asked to dinner at the home of his rich employer he simply amazed everyone with the way he could talk. Now he is a member of the firm. And this young man, that it tells about in another clipping, joined a club that sent him all the most-talked-about new books. He read them and then when he went out socially he always made a hit with his chatter."

Stanley, seeing that Molly wanted him to take her seriously, asked: "Which proposition do you think I ought to begin on?"

"Well, perhaps you'd better begin on the set of books and read what you can and learn the quotations so if you go in the autumn with Mr. Brooks you'll feel in a way prepared. The other night when you were with Uncle Jed he was delighted with the way you could talk about potato crops and fertilizers and the cider mill and all—only you've got to remember that while you were just struggling along helping your father on the farm these other men you'll be likely to meet were getting wonderful college educations."

Two months later Stanley Hicks went West with Mr. Brooks, and one Monday morning six weeks later Mr. Brooks stepped briskly into his office.

"We've had a great trip," he told Mollie as he took his seat before his desk. "That young fellow Hicks—well, you were right. I never would have thought he had so much to him. He always seemed unsocial and too taken up with his own particular job here in the office. But, boy! Out there he certainly made a hit. We had a big dinner one night out at the country club. Invited a couple of men we were trying to put a big contract through with—and he had 'em fairly hypnotized. They told me later that the reason they signed up was on account of Hicks—"

"And what did Mr. Hicks talk about?" asked Mollie.

"Well, somehow we got to talking about applejack and he got telling about the rubes he knew when he was a boy—and how they used to drink applejack, and it was better than a three-ring circus. Then after dinner we egged him on and he gave us the funniest talk you ever heard about an old-fashioned pig sticking and how they made sausages. He could take off those old country characters until you felt they were right there. Well, there was a couple of young college graduates there who'd been trying to get next to these big men on account of belonging to the same fraternity. Well, they had to sit back and take notice. Later one of the men told him that he ought to go on the stage—doing impersonating—but Hicks told them that if he had a chance to make good with Brooks & Smith there wasn't any contract in the world that would tempt him to do anything else. So I signed up with Hicks the very next day. Three times what he was getting with a profit-sharing clause besides. He seemed tickled to death, because he's got a girl he's planning to take for his wife as soon as he gets back."

### THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN

By GENE BYRNES



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### EZRA MEEKER PIONEER OF COVERED WAGON ERA DIES AT SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Washington. — Ezra Meeker, 97, one of the last of the survivors of the pioneers of the covered wagon era, died here Monday morning after an illness of several months.

Meeker clung tenaciously to life until the end, holding on by sheer will power after physicians and relatives had given him up. He had been at the point of death in a Detroit hospital for two months before returning here eight weeks ago. He had grown gradually weaker and when his condition became alarming it was impossible to move him to a hospital.

Last Thursday the pioneer was reported to have shown great improvement and hopes were held momentarily by his doctors that he would recover and live to reach his 98th birthday this month. He was in fine spirits over the week end and his pulse and temperature were about normal.

Late Sunday there was a turn for the worse and he sank rapidly.

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### Colored Mirror Artware



For Christmas gifts of distinction, the better shops are displaying very choice and lovely modernistic vases, also library and other intriguing boxes made of mirrored glass mounted on metal backgrounds. They baffle description. Just one such art object and the whole room seems to scintillate the beauty radiated from its mirrored surface. The fact that they accent the modernistic in their design adds to their interest. The unique triangle vases and the box in the picture are handsomely done in two tones—royal blue glass with the natural silver tone.

### "SAWFUL!"

The cows are in the clover, There is dirt upon the floor, The bathtub's running over, And he doesn't know the score.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, LAS CRUCES, N. M., NOV. 23, 1928.

Notice is hereby given that the State of New Mexico has filed in this office Indemnity School Selection List 9297, Serial No. 038621, for the following land:

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The purpose of this notice is to allow all persons claiming the land adversely, or desiring to show it to be mineral in character, an opportunity to file their objections to the allowance of the selection.

V. B. MAY, Register.

Messenger Want Ads pay.



E. T. STRONG  
President and General Manager  
BUICK MOTOR CO.

DETROIT, Nov. 22, Praising Detroit newspapers and officials of the city for the safety campaign which recently has been waged against speeders and reckless drivers here, E. T. Strong, president of the Buick Motor Co., has expressed the hope that a similar program might be carried out in every city, town and hamlet in the nation.

Messages are being sent to the more than 4,000 Buick dealers throughout the country, each of whom will be urged to get behind such a movement in his district.

"The fact that some communities have accomplished so much in the humanitarian work of avoiding traffic casualties is conclusive proof that the campaign can be carried to a successful conclusion everywhere," Strong declared, "and the Buick Motor Co. pledges the fullest cooperation of its giant resources in working to this end."

"The automobile no longer is a luxury—it is a necessity, and much of its immense value to the world is being periled by those who use the streets as speedways and those who drive without due care in the crowded traffic of the present era."

That the problem is a big one, Strong is certain, but he is equally certain that with the proper cooperation of all concerned the streets and highways can be made safe and the value of the automobile for business and pleasure consequently increased.

### PECOS WATER HEARING ON AT ROSWELL NOW

A hearing looking toward the adjudication of the water rights under the Pecos river and its tributaries in the Pecos valley is being conducted at Roswell by Attorney George E. Remley, of Raton, special master appointed by Federal Judge O. L. Phil-

lips. This suit is entitled United States of America vs. Hope Community Ditch et al, represented by approximately 2,000 defendants. A mass of testimony is to be introduced in the hearing and it is expected that it will take several

days to complete the case. CHRISTMAS CARDS With Your name printed or engraved—The Messenger. If you have a house or room rent, try a Messenger want ad.

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Cow, Chicken, Hog, Dog and suppose we could find something for the Cat

Look for the Checkerboard Bags

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AFTER DEC. 10th

We will be in the market for Turkeys. Will pay top price for No. 1's. Get our prices before selling your Turkeys.

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### A Handsome Dover Electric Percolator

4 Cup Size . . . . \$3.95

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These will make wonderful Christmas presents

## Southwestern PUBLIC SERVICE Company

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### A DELICIOUS LUNCH

At our confectionery, topped off with a saucer of Velvet Ice Cream, will make you feel like a different person. Try it.

You can order Kipling's Cream from the McAdoo Drug Company in Hagerman

## KIPLING'S

Roswell, N. M.



**An Old-Fashioned Christmas**  
 by Harold L. Cook

Mr. BEES settled back comfortably in the new easy chair which his daughter-in-law had given him for Christmas. His feet were resting on a little footstool from his granddaughter; in his hand was a briar pipe from his grandfather on his lap a first edition of Sawyer from his son. He was in a velvet lounging robe from one of his daughters, and under his beard could be seen a new diamond tie and the edges of a new shirt. Comfortable looking slipshod adorned his feet, and a new reading glass was in his hand. A box of cigars, a dozen books, ties, and a fountain pen were on a table at his side.

Mr. Bees was smoking and gazing into the fire. The strains of a New York orchestra playing "Holy Night" came from the mahogany radio in the corner. The seventy-five electric lights on a beautifully ornamented Christmas tree furnished the only illumination in the room except that from the music of laughter came from the adjoining room.

Mr. Bees was not conscious of his surroundings. As he was gazing into the fire his thoughts were drifting through the mysterious flame to a distant past. He was living again the first, and perhaps the best Christmas day that he could remember, a Christmas day some seventy years before.

In a tiny house in what was then Canada West, now known as Roswell, a poor family was struggling to make the elements for its very existence on the frontier of civilization.

Marvel of Marvels—a Big Red Apple!

There must have been four or five children at the time. His mother and father were in their early twenties. The one-room house was practically buried in a drift of snow that was as deep as the eye could see.

Mr. Bees, then only Ted, was busy with the pictures painted by Jack on the one window of the little house. Such hoar frost! Was there the like of it before or since! It was a veritable forest of ferns and bushes, snowy white, more beautiful even than the green ones that grew so thickly in summer along the stream in back of the house. The air was more impenetrable. Stars and comets were in this frosty air, too, and here and there the gleam of a palace, at least for the nation of little Ted. It was the most beautiful thing that he had ever seen or probably ever would see, in his world at least. He could see it now, in his memory, as plainly as he saw it then.

His mother was at the stove preparing supper. Soon she called him from the stove, and he sat down by the box with her and with his father. A pan of warm milk was on the table—and in the milk were hunks of bread—a feast for a king. Each of the little family took a spoon and drank from the brimming pan. How good it was! Would he could taste it now. His mother swept up the floor. Ted hung his stocking near the fire. Then his mother pulled up the trundle bed, and in two minutes Ted was in the land of dreams.

He could not see the house was that Christmas morning when at five o'clock he awoke from his trundle bed and ran to the stove to get his stocking! He dug quickly back to bed, and dug his way down into the toe of his stocking. Santa had left for him. Oh, what a feast of marvels, a big red apple, four little animal cookies! But the best of all, a stick of peppermint candy striped with red. What could any child desire?

"After-dinner coffee, sir," said a be-capped maid at his elbow. He drank the coffee, and looked into the fire, and listened to the music. He heard only the pan of milk on the stove, saw only the frost forest, and tasted only the peppermint candy, his happy memories in life, perhaps.

1924. Western Newspaper Union.

**The Older the Better**  
 A woman should always be old. You may be sure that in 1728 and so on back they deprecate the rush and uproar of their times and sighed for the good old days of 75 years before.—Woman's Companion.

**JUST KIDS—Chocolate Sodas** By Ad Carter



**COTTONWOOD ITEMS**  
 (Miss Alma Bradley, Reporter)

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Funk and children motored to Roswell Saturday.

Mrs. Johnson and two daughters, Gwendolyn and Alice have returned from York, Nebraska, where the late Mr. Johnson was buried.

The Upper Cottonwood school is planning a pie supper at the school house Thursday night. Governor Dillon is expected to be the guest of honor.

Misses Mable Vowell and Ruby Jenkins, teachers of the Upper Cottonwood spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mrs. R. A. Larremore, of Lakewood.

Misses Lula and Mae Wilson, who came home for a few days visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson, returned to Plainview, Sunday where they are attending Wayland college.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Carson drove down from Las Vegas to spend Thanksgiving with Mrs. Carson's father Mr. Watson, and family. Mr. Carson returned Friday, but Mrs. Carson will remain longer.

**Handkerchief's Beginning**

The necktie worn by the men of today was evolved from the bunch of fabric adopted in long ages past, which was worn as a protection for the clothing. It served as a napkin at meals and general utility at other times. To shield its offensiveness it took the form of a fancy lace-trimmed article and subsequently men who were more exquisite than others took to carrying one of these in the hand, which finally led to the idea of the handkerchief.

**Jewelry the Gift Ideal**



Smart mode calls for bracelets, necklaces, earrings and shoulder pins which, if they do not actually match in color, must at least harmonize with the costume. Which solves the problem of "what to give" this Christmas. Here are a few highlights from Paris to guide the would be donor into making a timely choice. Novelty chokers and necklaces are fashioned of huge beads of colored crystal, cut square, rectangular and other shapes; with bracelets and earrings to match as pictured. For daytime wear select gold, silver, or enamel effects. Flat pearls are featured this season.

**Makes a Difference**  
 Blinks—I like to do things voluntarily.

Jinks—Yes, I don't mind it if it is to get into a parking place, but it makes me sore when a policeman orders me to pull over to the curb.

Messenger Want Ads pay.

**NOVEMBER VISITORS TO CAVERNS TOTAL 1322**

The total number of visitors to go through the Carlsbad caverns for the month of November were 1,322. The geographical distribution of visitors, taken from the records of the National Park Service follows:

Arkansas	7
Arizona	9
Alabama	1
California	53
Colorado	37
Florida	1
Illinois	31
Idaho	1
Indiana	2
Iowa	3
Kansas	32
Louisiana	4
Massachusetts	3
Michigan	5
Minnesota	11
Missouri	13
Nebraska	15
Nevada	2
New Jersey	3
New Mexico	304
New York	33
North Carolina	1
North Dakota	2
Ohio	11
Oklahoma	68
Pennsylvania	11
South Dakota	1
Tennessee	5
Texas	628
West Virginia	4
Wisconsin	9
Wyoming	5
Australia	1
Mexico	4
Canada	3
Switzerland	1

Total 1,322

Totals for other years:	
November 1924	119
November 1925	177
November 1926	375
November 1927	1657
November 1928	1322

**TEXAS SURVEYS NEW ROAD TO THE CARLSBAD CAVERN**

CARLSBAD.—Word has been received here that the state highway department of Texas is now surveying the 54 miles from Pecos to the state line to join up with New Mexico's road through Malaga to Carlsbad. This road will probably be built in the spring.

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### Frankness of Men

I have observed of my sex that there is a candor in their private conversations with each other that women know nothing about. In such contacts men admit their faults with proper shame, confess they should do better, and frequently do. I have learned much from such intimacies; as much as from any other source. . . . Men of real worth rarely boast; they are disposed to apologize.—E. C. Howe's Monthly.

### Degrees in Music

The musical degrees most frequently conferred in English-speaking countries for work in music are Mus. B.—Bachelor of Music—and Mus. D.—Doctor of Music. Less frequently the degree Mus. M.—Master of Music—is granted. In Germany the Ph. D. degree is granted instead of Mus. D., thus placing specialized work in music on a par with other studies.

### Needed Calories

As a rule it is appropriate to assume that an American man or woman who leads a quiet life at home with little exercise requires about 2,500 calories each day. If engaged in sedentary occupation, 3,000 calories are required. A moderate amount of exercise or a laborer doing light work needs about 3,500 calories. For hard work, 4,000 calories or more are necessary.

### Properties of Feathers

It is believed that in the development of wings and powers of flight in birds those feathers nearest the body were the first to become serviceable, but now the most important flight feathers are those of the outer margin. Wing feathers vary in strength, shape and power of flight, according to the mode of life of the different birds.

### Bells of History

Man made bells of clay before he had taught himself the art of writing. His first efforts were rather shapeless clay vessels which gave off a pleasing resonance when struck. Savages wear bells as some of their chief ornaments. The early Israelites are mentioned by Moses, Isaiah and Zachariah as using bells on the yokes of their horses.

### Woman's Work

By wearing a pedometer, a housewife, doing an average amount of work, discovered that she walked five to five and one-half miles in the house daily. Necessary shopping and taking the children out accounted for another three and one-half miles.

### Another Myth Blasted

For years the bears of Kadiak Island have been a bugaboo that rivaled the child-stealing witches for terror. Recent explorations have been conducted in the islands and it is now stated that Kadiak bears are no worse than others.

### Major Planets

Including the earth, there are eight major planets revolving around the sun. They are Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune. The moon is not a planet. It is a satellite of the earth.

### Hawaiian Language

The Hawaiian is one of the Polynesian languages. The written language dates only from the time of the arrival of missionaries in 1820. The alphabet consists of 12 letters which are pronounced as in Latin.

### House Like Sphere

To allow additional room in the streets, an architect of Dresden, Germany, has constructed a house formed like a sphere. The structure, about eighty feet in diameter, stands on a base 16 feet square.

### Master of Instruments

Antonio Stradivari of Cremona, Italy, who brought the craft of violin making to its highest pitch of perfection (1679-1736) also made some beautiful violoncellos and violas.

### Lamps Are Modernistic



When Santa Claus started to look into the matter of gifts for Christmas 1928, he could scarce believe his eyes, as he noted the changes since last he made his rounds. "Modernistic is the thing now" so interior decorators keep telling him. Consequently most of the gifts that he brings will be just that—modernistic, flaunting designs which abound in angles, triangles, cubistic outlines and flamboyant color. Which is especially true of lamps, shades, base and all as pictured.

### Why Men Love Dogs

I never knew a dog to betray his master, to give him evil for good, to return kindness with ingratitude, to forsake him when friends, or wealth, or reputation were lost. Such dogs have their influence over my own life. I am not ashamed to say that when they died I have known the bitterness of bitter tears and dug their graves with a heavy heart.

Have they souls? I wish I knew. But no man knows. Still I wonder if all that intelligence, that devotion, love, fidelity, the things we deem highest in our human kind, vanish into utter nothingness when they leave us.—Chicago Post.

### Why "Rule of Thumb"

Originally the phrase "by the rule of thumb" literally meant measuring with the thumb. In the clothing trade, as well as in carpentry, a thumb or thumb's breadth was taken to equal one inch. By extension, rule of thumb is used figuratively for any simple and roughly practical method of measurement based on practice and experience rather than scientific knowledge. The term was so used already in the Seventeenth century. In 1692 a man named Hope, writing on fencing, said: "What he doth, he doth by rule of thumb, and not by art." There is a Scotch proverb: "No rule so good as rule of thumb, if it hit."—Pathfinder.

### Why Abbreviation Prevails

It is a mystery to many people why "lb." should be used as the symbol of pound when that word contains neither an "l" nor a "b." However, "lb." is a contraction of "libra," the Latin word for pound. Strictly speaking, the plural of "lb." should not be formed by adding "s," because the Latin plural of "libra" is "librae." The error has been repeated so frequently that "lbs." is recognized by the leading American dictionaries and may now be regarded as good usage.—Exchange.

### Why "Taboo" Originated

The word "taboo" seems to have come into the English language for the first time through the great Eighteenth century explorer, Captain Cook, brought by him from Tonga. It refers to certain objects or persons whom to casually touch is to incur uncleanness or disaster—things and persons not to be lightly approached. Taboo was evidently invented by primitive man, chiefly in the Pacific ocean area, to re-enforce his inadequate police system of protection by religious restrictions and was remarkably effective.

### Why He Is a "Middy"

The term "midskipman" for cadets originated in the British navy about 200 years ago. The men who were going through a course in training to become officers were assigned quarters amidships on the lower deck. Hence the name.—Washington Star.

### Brief but Momentous

Columbus sailed from Spain to the Gulf of Mexico in 69 days—August 3 to October 12, 1492.

### For the Guest Room



They are just too lovely for words, referring to the rose-decorated boudoir sets made all of organdie. For an inexpensive Christmas gift there's nothing prettier. The wide organdie bands are to hold dainty curtains in place. The case which is a square of organdie folded to the center where it is caught with a rose, contains wisps of cotton with which the guest may "powder her nose."

**Sale Bills PRINTED**

If you intend to have a sale get our prices

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For Cuts and Wounds

Prevent infection! Treat every cut, wound or scratch with this powerful non-poisonous antiseptic. Zonite actually kills germs. Helps to heal, too.

### LAKE ARTHUR ITEMS

(Mrs. Ned Hedges, Reporter)

Bob Allison is doing jury service in Roswell this week.

John B. Neff was down from Roswell Saturday visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Evans were in town Tuesday in the interest of the drainage election.

Miss Anna Nihart of Roswell came in Wednesday and spent Thanksgiving with her parents.

Miss Ruby Parnell who has been seriously ill is reported to be out of danger at the present writing.

Clyde Nihart filled the pulpit at the Methodist church Sunday and conducted a most excellent service.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Chester and children spent Thanksgiving with her mother, Mrs. Ollie Smith and sons.

Gray Coggin and Lee Shinneman who are employed in Carlsbad, spent Thanksgiving and Sunday with their respective families.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Smith left Wednesday for El Paso to spend Thanksgiving vacation with Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howe.

Grandma Hedges was down from Roswell during the Thanksgiving holidays and visited in the homes of her son and daughter returning Sunday.

Baker Flowers who is now located at Carlsbad as instrument man for the State Highway Department on the highway to the caverns, spent Thanksgiving with home folks.

Fred Brannon and daughters, Lucille and Mildred were the guests of the Ned Hedges family Thanksgiving and they were down again Sunday, Grandma Hedges returned home with them.

A destructive prairie fire which started on the Walnut in E. L. King's pasture, swept a wide strip of range Monday, in spite of a gang of fire fighters. The fire burned a stretch of pasture ten miles wide which extended from Walnut to the Felix and destroyed several sections of pasture for E. R. King and Calvin Graham.

The December meeting of the P. T. A. will be held in the school auditorium Friday the 14th. The change from the 3rd to the second Friday was made to accommodate the teachers as the 3rd Friday occurs so near Christmas. Miss Carpenter's room has charge of the entertainment feature of the evening.

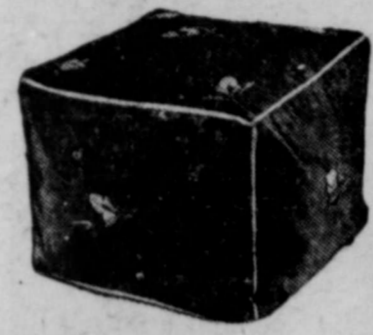
Mark A. Matley the Smith Hughes teacher in the Lake Arthur school with his judging team: Dick Derrick, Max Waldin and Ray Williams met with the judging teams from Tatum, Dexter, Hagerman and Roswell in Roswell Saturday. Lake Arthur stood 3rd in the contest with Dick Derrick making 600 points out of a possible 800.

The county health officer Dr. Forge and nurse Prager have recent-

ly completed an examination of the school children here, out of one hundred and ten children examined fifteen children were found five points perfect. The examination included teeth, tonsils, eyes, weight and posture. There are among the children a large number who need attention to teeth and tonsils and the health officers stand ready to help parents to acquire the medical attention for their children.

If you have a house or room for rent, try a Messenger want ad.

### Modernistic Cushions



Of course if you are giving cushions this Christmas, they must bespeak the modernistic, for modernistic is the word for things decorative this season. The two in the picture are the "last word" in cushiondom. The top one is of felt with appliques of felt giving a vivid splash of color. The large hand-embroidered black satin cube shape is a floor cushion and provides an inviting resting place for m'lady's dainty slippers foot.

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Men's Heavy Jumbo Stitch, all wool sweaters, was \$10.00, now \$7.98

Men's all wool Slipover Sweaters, was \$5, now \$3.85  
Men's Fancy Slipover Sweaters, was \$8, now \$6.15  
One lot Gossard Corsets, value to \$5, now \$1.35  
Men's Heavy Slipover Sweaters, was \$4.50, @ \$3.48  
Fancy Turkish Towels, 75c value, now 49c  
Fancy Rayon Slips now 98c

### Special Saturday Only!

24-inch Dressed Doll FREE to the first six customers making a \$10 cash purchase. This is an elegant dool and would ordinarily retail for \$2.00

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WEDDING INVITATIONS—THE MESSENGER

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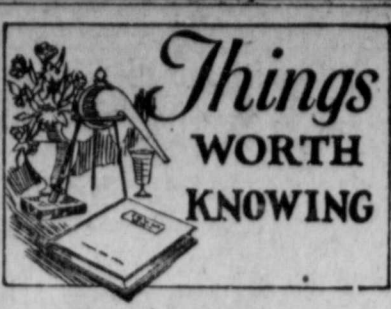
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 Lesson for December 9  
**PAUL GOES TO ROME**  
 LESSON TEXT—Rom. 1:8-15; Acts 1:28-31.  
 GOLDEN TEXT—I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth.  
 PRIMARY TOPIC—Paul and a Storm.  
 JUNIOR TOPIC—Paul's Voyage to Rome.  
 INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Paul Makes the Most of Circumstances.  
 YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Divine Leadership in Paul's Life.

1. Paul's Longing to See the Romans (1:8-15).  
 Rome was the center of the world's power and influence. Paul longed to see that metropolis with the gospel that might find its way from center to all parts of the world. He had a twofold object so far as the Roman church was concerned.  
 1. That he might impart unto them the spiritual gift to the end that they might be established.  
 2. That he might be comforted by their fellowship. There is a reciprocal relationship between the minister and people unto whom he ministers.  
 2. Paul's Voyage to Rome (Acts 1:28-31).  
 The ship (vv. 1-6).  
 It was a vessel of Alexandria sailing from Myra to Italy.  
 The company (vv. 1, 2).  
 Two of Paul's friends, Aristarchus and Luke, were permitted to go with him. Besides these three, there were a hundred and seventy-three in the ship (v. 27).  
 Overtaken by a storm (vv. 7-20).  
 Paul had advised that they winter at Fair Havens (vv. 9-12), but his advice was unheeded. The gentle breeze which deceived them so they sailed from Crete, only to be overtaken by the tempestuous wind called Eurylyon.  
 Paul's serene faith (vv. 21-26).  
 His rebuke for failure to heed advice (v. 21).  
 He bids them be of good cheer (v. 22).  
 He promised safety (v. 22).  
 The source of his information (vv. 23, 24). It was revealed unto him by the angel of God.  
 The reason for Paul's faith (v. 24).  
 "Those I am and whom I serve," Paul's consciousness of having been chosen by God and being engaged in service enables one in the midst of the most violent storm to rest in peace.  
 The ship's crew all safe on land (vv. 27-28:10).  
 This was exactly as the Lord had promised (v. 24).  
 The hospitable reception by the Roman citizens (v. 28:22).  
 They built a fire and made the shipwrecked people as comfortable as possible in the cold and rain.  
 Paul gathering sticks for the fire (v. 28:3).  
 Paul bitten by a poisonous serpent (v. 28:3). Among the sticks gathered there was a serpent. Perhaps it already coiled itself up for its prey's sleep, but when warmed by the fire it darted at Paul and fixed its fangs upon his hand. At first the Jews thought that he was an escaped murderer and that retributive justice was being meted out to him. When they saw he was unharmed they concluded he was a god.  
 Paul heals Publius' father (vv. 28:9-10). Paul now reciprocated the kindness of these people.  
 Paul's Arrival at Rome (28:11-17).  
 Paul's conference with the leading Jews from Rome came some miles to meet him. This greatly enraged him, for which he gave thanks to God. His desire to preach the gospel at Rome was now realized. He was treated with great leniency, and allowed to hire a house and live there, except that he was constantly guarded by a soldier. Being hated to a soldier was irksome, but he had a chance to preach to the soldiers, which he could not have done in any other way.  
 Paul's Ministry in Rome (vv. 28:18-31).  
 His conference with the leading Jews (vv. 17-22).  
 He did not, as usual, wait for the Sabbath day to speak to the Jews, but three days' rest he called the Jews together because of a desire to have a fair understanding of them. The result of this interview was that the Jews took neutral ground.  
 Paul expounding the Kingdom of God and persuading concerning Jesus (vv. 28:31).  
 He pointed out a real kingdom, the Kingdom of God, with the historic Jesus as King.  
**Prayer**  
 Prayer is the great lever of the spiritual life; nay, to speak in various ways, it is the lung by which it lives, it is the atmosphere in which it breathes, the wing by which it speeds its flight, and the language by which it communes with its own Originator—W. Knight.  
**The Richest**  
 The richest who possesses most of the world that was in Christ Jesus.—W. H. Methodiat.



### TABULATED ELECTION RETURNS OF STATE PROVES INTERESTING

The tabulated returns of the recent election in New Mexico furnish interesting reading. Over 118,000 votes were cast which was about 6,000 more than were deposited at the presidential election of four years ago. That increase in votes would have been doubled had it not been for the law requiring registration. Heretofore, thousands of non-registered voters swore in their votes election day. Mr Hoover received a majority of over 21,000, a number never approached by any candidate for president. Mr. Dillon's majority was nearly 14,000, the largest ever accorded a candidate for governor, and gave him the honor of being the first governor ever re-elected. The entire republican state ticket was elected and for the first time an entire state ticket was elected by one of the parties. Twenty counties out of thirty-one were carried by Mr. Dillon and in every county he showed strength, except Bernalillo, where his majority was but 239, compared to 1,400 two years ago, when he ran for governor against Mr. Hannett. His majority in the state was nearly 10,000 more than he received two years ago. The biggest upset in the results occurred in Chaves and Eddy counties where Mr. Dow served as district attorney some years ago. Although his brother Hiram Dow, a prominent attorney, conducted his campaign in Chaves county, he lost out by 851 votes to Mr. Dillon. Two years ago the county went 647 for Mr. Hannett. In Eddy county, Mr. Dow's home county, he managed to secure a majority of 155 as compared with Mr. Hannett's majority of over 1,400 two years ago. On the democratic ticket Mrs. Lusk for state superintendent of schools and Mr. Morrow for congress led, Mrs. Lusk being defeated by 3,822 votes and Mr. Morrow by 5,650. Had the voters during the campaign been fully advised as to how to vote a mixed ticket, these two candidates would probably have been elected by a small majority.

### LONG STAPLE COTTON PREFERRED BY BUYERS

There has been considerable sentiment developed in the past year largely by those with seed to sell to change from the longer staple to shorter staple cotton in the irrigated districts in southeastern New Mexico, says George R. Quisenberry of the New Mexico Agricultural college. These advocates maintained that the shorter staple cotton produced more and opened earlier than the longer staple. This, however, has not been true in the tests conducted by the college with farmers and at the experiment station. The shorter staple varieties frequently opened a few bolls earlier than the larger boll type, but it has been noted that before the season is half over the

### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR United States Land Office, OCTOBER 15, 1928.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the State of New Mexico, has filed in this office Indemnity School Land Selection serial 038855, List number 9317, for the following lands: S 1/2 NW 1/4 sec. 28, N 1/2 N 1/2, SE 1/4 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NW 1/4 sec. 29, T. 12-S., R. 22-E. Lots 3, 4, sec 26, T. 12-S., R. 21 1/2-E., containing 396.17 acres, N. M. P. M. The purpose of this notice is to allow all persons claiming the land adversely, or desiring to show it to be mineral in character, an opportunity to file objection to the selection with the Register of the United States Land Office, at Las Cruces, N. M. and to establish their interests therein or the mineral character thereof. V. B. MAY, Register.

First Pub. Nov. 8, Last pub. Dec. 6,

1 1-16 inch and the 1 1-8 inch cotton has opened up more cotton and before the season has entirely passed, the total yield from the longer cotton is considerably greater.

For a period of years, the Acala at the experiment station has out-yielded other varieties, produced more uniform staple of better quality. Letters were recently sent to all licensed buyers in the state and those that replied unanimously recommended staying by the longer cotton. One makes the following statement:

"Last season, we paid the same for the shorter lengths and sold for the same. But this year, 100 off is the best I have been able to get. The shorter varieties will make an inch or a little better here and a 1 1-16th seems to be the best demand. Am doing everything I can to discourage the raising of the shorter lengths. It does not produce as much per acre and does not open any earlier or better than some of the longer Acalas."

Another buyer states that he is making from 150 to 200 points difference between the short and long cotton and does not care to handle any more at that figure as his firm does not want it at any price. He says:

"My honest opinion is that the short cotton is an injury to this valley and causes us to have to take less for the better cotton we can raise here."

All other replies have been equally as emphatic and condemn the planting of cotton producing a staple shorter than 1 1-16 inch.

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Timber and wood are required for the successful operation of the farm, and most farmers have some lands best adapted to tree growth. The growing of timber on these lands is legitimately a part of the regular farm program. There will usually be a surplus above home needs, to be sold for cash. Cutting the wood crop is often a profitable way to use time in the winter. Hens can't drink frozen water and they won't eat dry mash freely unless they have water to drink. To keep the water from freezing overnight some sort of electric heater is advisable. Or just put an electric light with a carbon bulb in a pail. The bulb should be painted black or covered tightly with a black cloth, so that no light will be thrown in the pail. Home-made electric heaters are sometimes made by soldering a quart can to the bottom side of a 2-gallon pail. An opening is then cut through the bottom of the pail and through this an electric bulb is placed in the quart can. The whole apparatus should be mounted in a suitable frame so the hens can drink from the pail conveniently.

If birds have been raiding your orchards the past season you may be glad to know that the presence of wild fruit in the neighborhood will always serve to protect domestic varieties, particularly when these are of the same kind as the tame fruit and ripen earlier. For the farm orchard it would be possible to select ornamental trees or plants for use around the home that would draw the birds away from the orchards. Such fruits include the mulberries, wild blackberries and stawberries, serviceberry, wild cherry and elderberry. Now is the time to make plans for next spring's planting.

Gorgeous Sofa Cushion



At Christmas time and all the year for that matter fancy turns to sofa cushions. The one pictured here is a gem in needlework. Here we see gay yarn embroidery at its best tufted on black velvet in bas relief.



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**∴ DEXTER NEWS ∴**

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pior were Dexter visitors Sunday.

Miss Hope Henderson spent the vacation visiting friends in Artesia.

Charley Rains' son who was badly burned several weeks ago is improving slowly.

Mrs. Edison Craft of Clovis made Mrs. Darrel Davis a short visit last Thursday.

F. H. Robertson returned home Monday from a short business trip to Lubbock.

M. H. Elford and W. W. Burke returned home from Big Spring, Texas, Monday.

Mesdames J. H. Southard, Harding, and Daniels of Artesia were Dexter visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Winkler spent Friday in Roswell guests in the J. W. Dudley home.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. S. Wilburn at St. Mary's hospital, a girl on November 30th.

Misses Mariet Lamb and Georgia Zink spent the vacation at their homes, in Roswell.

Tommy Hubbard spent Thanksgiving visiting with his parents Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hubbard.

Mrs. W. H. Miles and children returned home Sunday evening from an extended visit in Oklahoma.

Mrs. Schyler, of Lamar, Colorado, and Mrs. William Schaaphok, of Roswell, spent Sunday with Mrs. Roy Bailey.

Miss Grace Stanley of Cottonwood spent the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stanley.

Jack Knight from the State college and Carl Caruthers from the State normal spent Thanksgiving with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dudley and little daughter, Ruth, of Roswell spent Sunday with Mrs. Dudley's parents Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Clark.

Mrs. Jim Caffell, Mrs. S. Robinson, Margaret Robinson and Katherine O'Brien attended services at the Church of Christ at Roswell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Wayne of Tatum, attended the Aggie-Institute game in Roswell Thanksgiving. They spent the remaining holidays in Dexter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Robertson and son and niece, Miss Christine Smith, left Saturday morning for their home in Lubbock, Texas, after spending a few days in the F. H. Robertson home.

The Dexter High school alumni association held their second meeting Saturday evening at the school building. The minutes were read by the secretary and Josh McNeil read the by-laws and constitution which he had written. Other business matters were discussed and new committees appointed. Miss Grace Stanley, Mrs. Darrel Davis and Josh McNeil were appointed as the committee to revise and rewrite the present by-laws and constitution. Miss Ruth McMains, Mrs. Darrel Davis and Josh McNeil were appointed on the entertainment committee for the Xmas holidays. After the business meeting the members present and their invited guests enjoyed a marsh-mellow and weiner roast.

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The Dexter basket ball girls played Lake Arthur girls Wednesday November 28, on the Lake Arthur court. Dexter won by a score of 4-16.

The usual Friday night picture show will be given on Saturday night of this week. The show is "Tillie's Punctured Romance." Come! 15c and 25c.

Miss Alma Thompson spent Thanksgiving vacation in Las Cruces, visiting Misses Elizabeth Melhop and Gretchen Meilenz at the A. & M. college.

The boys and girls basket ball teams will play a double header at Lake Arthur with the Lake Arthur teams Saturday night at 7:30. They would like a large number of boosters. Every one go if possible.

The Dexter basket ball boys played Hagerman Monday afternoon on the Dexter court and were defeated by a score of 21-12. Even though the boys haven't done well in the past they hope to do better in the future and are improving greatly.

The Dexter High school glee club will give their operetta next Friday night December 7th, in the school auditorium at 7:30 p. m. The operetta is entitled "In Old Virginia," and is sponsored by Miss Alma Thompson. The following cast of characters will be presented:

- Virginia Langworthy
- Effie Mae Senn
- Frances Martin
- Avalee Barnes
- Mammy Liza
- Aylene Adams
- Harry Langworthy
- Agnes McMains
- George Washington Johnson
- Pauline Robinson
- Captain Noel Norton
- Mable Adams
- Picanninnie
- Jewel Sharp
- Mrs. Langworthy
- Ella Mae Bendle
- Lieut. Jack Langworthy
- Doris McVickers

The play will last about 1½ hours. There will also be an interesting vaudeville between acts. This will be well worth the small admission of 15 and 25 cents.

1929 AUTO PLATES TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO EACH COUNTY SEAT

The new 1929 auto plates are now ready for distribution, according to word received from the state comptroller's office. The licenses will be on sale in every county seat in the state.

All applications must be sworn to as required by law. The licenses for next year have a cream yellow background, with tulocain red numerals. They carry the sun dial symbol, a device on the state flag. H. C. Rochl, assistant state comptroller has ordered 70,000 plates for motor cars, exclusive of trucks and commercial vehicles. Last year this office ordered 65,000 and all but a few were used.

HOPE TEACHER ENTERS SCHOLARSHIP RACE

Irvin B. Murphey, teacher in the Hope schools will make a bid for the Rhodes scholarship of New Mexico. The committee which will award the scholarship will meet in Albuquerque today, says a press dispatch. The Rhodes scholarship is granted on a merit basis and carries with it \$2,500 and all of the privileges of Oxford college in England.

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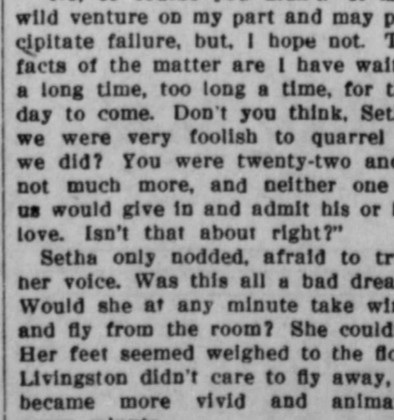
**YOU** loved him once and perhaps—she bit her lip as she said under her breath, "no perhaps about it, I still do." Annoyed at having voiced a sentiment even to herself which she had been trying to stamp out of her very soul for two years, she turned from her reflection in her dressing table mirror and seated herself near the windows. Confusing? It was maddening! Conflicting emotions were aroused which refused to be put down even by Setha's usually intrepid, fine, buoyant spirit. It was the aftermath, the letdown reaction of the rush and tumble of Christmas.  
"It was just fate that I should have been out both times when Livingston phoned. After two years! Now he surmises that this is a pretty little hoax set for him. But this letter is the most baffling of all. To think of a man having the presumption to ask you to attend with him a wedding of one of his friends when you hadn't corresponded, met or otherwise conversed after a break of two years' standing."  
Setha gave a deep sigh and reread the postscript again for the forty-fourth time. "Setha, please arrange to meet me so that we may have about half an hour to, well, get acquainted again."  
As Setha prepared to finish dressing she mused to herself that Livingston did presume a great deal in asking her to attend the wedding of one of his friends—and on Christmas day at that. The dress which had received so much favorable comment on its becomingness was instinctively selected and put on. How queer, thought Setha, when she bought that dress, the day after she had arrived home, in making the purchase she had said to herself, "wouldn't Livingston just adore that color!"  
There was Livingston. She stopped and admired his immaculate trimness and fine physique before entering the room of the church house and revealing her presence. Livingston, however, felt her glance and turned quickly.  
"Setha, how glad I am to see you. You did not let me know whether you would be here or not, and I was in hopes you would come. How lovely you look. Come in and sit down."  
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BAZAAR AND CHICKEN PIE SUPPER SATURDAY  
The ladies of the Methodist Presbyterian churches will hold bazaar and chicken pie supper the furniture store Saturday, December 8. The bazaar will begin 2:00 o'clock. Supper at 5:30. per plate fifty cents, children five cents.

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