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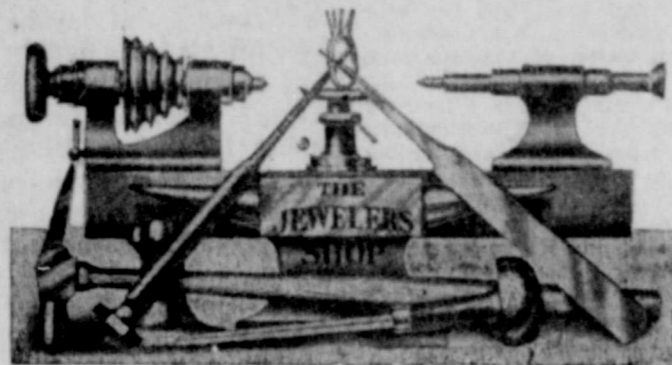
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Hardison Retained.

At a meeting of the board of the Christian church last Sunday morning Rev. D. R. Hardison was retained for another year as pastor of the church. The Christian church has enjoyed a great growth and wonderful improvement under the leadership of Rev. Hardison during the past three years, and no more appropriate appreciation could have been expressed than his retention for another year.

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Not the LARGEST in Jewelry, but the BEST in Quality

VISITS TRICKHAM WELLS.

Party From Brady Report Activity in the Field.

Messrs. W. D. Crothers, H. N. Cook, L. C. VanVleck and G. R. White visited the oil field at Trickham and bring back good reports. They report five rigs in the field, and state that a contract has been let to put down another well on the 100 acre tract adjoining that on which the Robertson well was recently brought in. Also two other wells may be started in the near future. The foundation for a tank has already been put down and the tank will be erected in a few days, after which they will begin pumping the Robertson well, and a test will be made of its production. The oil is said to be of a very high grade, and indications point to the opening of a good field. If this should be the case, it will mean a renewal of activities in the local fields, as the Trickham wells are only about twenty miles from those at Lohn. Interest in the developments is keyed to a high pitch, and everyone is hopeful that a good well will reward the endeavors of the drillers at Trickham.

Judge Harvey Walker was called to Mercury Saturday to try Mrs. Etta Green of that place for lunacy. The unfortunate woman was adjudged insane and application has been made to place her in the San Antonio asylum.

Ties in Christmas boxes make a pretty and useful present. Nuff Sed. - See Kirk.

LISTEN!

Last Call. Christmas is drawing dangerously close and that Christmas present is here waiting for you. Come and select it and I will put it away for you.

ALLEN THE JEWELER

Make him happy—give him a year's subscription to The Standard at Christmas.

Selling Below Bankrupt Prices

FOR THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS WE WILL UNDERSELL
ALL BANKRUPT SALE PRICES



Now be Wise. Come to the Grand Leader and buy 15 per cent below bankrupt prices, as we will only ask you 10 per cent above wholesale cost to cover freight and handling.

THEY MAY GIVE YOU THE COST MARK, BUT THERE ARE SOME STOCKS OF GOODS MARKED WHEN FIRST PUT IN THE HOUSE 20 PER CENT ABOVE WHOLESALE PRICES, ALSO THE AVERAGE 5 PER CENT DISCOUNT IS NOT TAKEN OFF. SO WHEN YOU BUY AT THE REGULAR COST MARK YOU ARE THEN PAYING 25 PER CENT PROFIT ABOVE THE ACTUAL WHOLESALE COST.

REMEMBER YOU CAN PURCHASE A SUITABLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT AT THE GRAND LEADER FOR GRANDFATHER OR MOTHER, PAPA OR MAMA, HUSBAND OR WIFE, SON OR DAUGHTER, BROTHER OR SISTER OR YOUR "MOTHER-IN-LAW." YOUNG MEN, COME IN AND MAKE A SELECTION OF A NICE FUR SET FOR YOUR BEST GIRL.

WE APPRECIATE THE BUSINESS THE GOOD PEOPLE OF BRADY AND SURROUNDING COUNTRY HAVE GIVEN US SINCE WE HAVE BEEN IN BUSINESS, AND ESPECIALLY THE PAST WEEK. THEY HAVE SHOWN BY THEIR ACTIONS THEY DON'T APPROVE OF THE BIG, FLASHY SIGN SALES, AND IF YOU WILL CONTINUE TO PASS THEM BY, IT WILL NOT BE LONG UNTIL THE FLASHY SIGN AND WIND-JAMMING SALES WILL PLAY OUT IN BRADY, AND THE MERCHANTS PRACTICING THIS THE PAST FEW YEARS WILL HAVE TO GIVE VALUES INSTEAD OF A BUNCH OF WIND. "AS YOU WILL ALWAYS PAY THE FIDDLER WHEN YOU DANCE TO THEIR MUSIC."

SO GET THE COST MARK OF ALL BANKRUPT SALES AND EXAMINE THE GOODS, THEN COME TO THE GRAND LEADER AND BUY YOUR BILL OF GOODS AND SAVE 15 PER CENT.



Let us prove our assertion, if we don't make good, we will make our little bow and bid you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. For 30 days we will undersell bankrupt prices

TIPTON & STRIEGLER

The People That Have All Bankrupt Prices Skinned a City Block for Thirty Days

XMAS ENTERTAINMENTS.

Methodist, Presbyterian, Christian and Baptist Churches.

Christmas will be observed with programs and appropriate songs and plays at four of Brady's churches Christmas eve, Tuesday night, the 24th.

Methodist Church.

- "Silent Night," choir. "O Holy Night That His Birth," John Martin. "The Christmas Song," little girls.

- Responsive reading, school. Anthem, choir. "The Bethlehem Baby," Raymond Warman.

- "Silvery Messengers," babies. "In the Name of the Holy Child, Jesus," Jim Mann Beverly.

- "The Men," six girls. "Is Born a Savior," girls.

- "I Will to Men," men.

- "The Song," four girls. Belle Jackling.

- "The Comes to the girls. Stewart.

- "The Children Love the little girls. "The Joy Bells," six girls.

Presbyterian Church.

At the Presbyterian church a novel presentation of the Christmas spirit will be given in a little play entitled "The Christmas Fairy Queen."

Christian Church.

At the Christian church a pretty program has been arranged. The Christmas tree will be supplanted by a representation of the old oaken bucket and the well will provide a store house for Santa Claus' gifts.

- 1. Song, "Joy to the World." 2. Reading. 3. Prayer. 4. Bell ringers. 5. Address of welcome by Lemay Jordan, Maurine Wolf. 6. Reading, "Christmas Time," Louise Richardson. 7. Pantomime. 8. Song, "The Old Oaken Bucket." 9. Distribution of gifts.

Baptist Church.

At the Baptist church both old and young will be entertained with an appropriate program of songs, recitations and other forms of entertainment.

- 1. Song, "O, I Hear the Glad Song," Juniors. 2. Recitation, Robnet Moran. 3. Dialogue, "Shore," five children. 4. Song, "Tis Love That Lights the Candles," Sunbeams.

Heartburn is a symptom of indigestion. Take a dose of HERBINE in such cases. The pain disappears instantly. The bowels operate speedily and you feel fine, vigorous and cheerful.

Fruits and vegetables at Abney & Vincent's.

The latest in ties at Luhn's.

EXCUSE ME! RUPERT HUGHES NOVELIZED FROM THE COMEDY OF THE SAME NAME. ILLUSTRATED FROM PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE PLAY AS PRODUCED BY HENRY W. SAVAGE.

CHAPTER I.—Lieut. Harry Mallory is ordered to the Philippines. He and Marjorie Newton decide to elope, but wreck of taxicab prevents their seeing minister on the way to the train.

CHAPTER II.—Transcontinental train is taking on passengers. Porter has a lively time with an Englishman and Ira Lathrop, a Yankee business man.

CHAPTER III.—The elopers have an exciting time getting to the train.

CHAPTER IV.—"Little Jimmie" Wellington, bound for Reno to get a divorce, boards train in maudlin condition. Later Mrs. Jimmie appears.

CHAPTER V.—She is also bound for Reno with same object. Likewise Mrs. Sammy Whitcomb.

CHAPTER VI.—Latter misses Mrs. Jimmie for her marital troubles. Classmates of Mallory decorate bridal berth.

CHAPTER VII.—Rev. and Mrs. Temple start on a vacation. They decide to cut loose and Temple removes evidence of his calling.

CHAPTER VIII.—Marjorie decides to let Mallory proceed alone, but train starts while they are lost in farewell.

CHAPTER IX.—Passengers join Mallory's classmates in giving couple wedding blessing.

CHAPTER X.—Marjorie is distracted over their situation.

CHAPTER XI.—Ira Lathrop, woman-hating bachelor, discovers an old sweetheart, Anne Gattie, a fellow passenger.

CHAPTER XII.—Mallory vainly hunts for a preacher among the passengers.

CHAPTER XIII.—Mrs. Wellington hears Little Jimmie's voice. Later she meets Mrs. Whitcomb.

CHAPTER XIV.—Mallory reports to Marjorie his failure to find a preacher.

CHAPTER XV.—They decide to pretend a quarrel and Mallory finds a vacant berth.

CHAPTER XVI.—Mrs. Jimmie discovers an unsuccessful hunt for a preacher.

CHAPTER XVII.—Dr. Temple poses as a physician. Mrs. Temple is induced by Mrs. Wellington to smoke a cigar.

CHAPTER XVIII.—Sight of preacher on a station platform raises Mallory's hopes, but he takes another train.

CHAPTER XIX.—Missing hand baggage compels the couple to borrow from passengers.

CHAPTER XX.—Jimmie gets a cinder in his eye and Mrs. Jimmie gives first-aid. Cocaine is then resumed.

CHAPTER XXI.—Skill no okeyman. More borrowing.

CHAPTER XXII.—Dr. Temple puzzled by behavior of different couples.

CHAPTER XXIII.—Marjorie's jealousy aroused by Mallory's baseball jargon.

CHAPTER XXIV.—Marjorie suggests wrecking the train in hopes that accident will produce a preacher.

CHAPTER XXV.—Marjorie tries to induce the conductor to hold the train so she can shop.

CHAPTER XXVI.—The Dog-on-Dog Again. As the conductor left the Mallories to their own devices, it rushed over him anew what sacrilege had been attempted—a fool bride had asked him to stop the Trans-American of all trains!—to go shopping of all things!

He stormed into the smoking room to open the safety valve of his wrath, and found the porter just coming out of the buffet cell with a tray, two low-stemmed glasses and a bottle swaddled in a napkin.

"Say, Ellsworth, what in—do you suppose that female back there wants?—wants me to hold the Trans-American while—"

But the porter was in a flurry himself. He was about to serve champagne, and he cut the conductor short: "Excuse me, boss, but they's a lovely couple in the stateroom forward that is in a powerful hurry for this. I can't talk to you now. I'll see you later." And he swaggered off, leaving the door of the buffet open.

The conductor paused to close it, glanced in, started, stared, glared, roared: "What's this! Well, I'll be a dog smuggled in here! I'll break that coon's head. Come out of there, you miserable crony hound." He seized the intruding Snoozeums by the scruff of his neck, growling, "It's you for the baggage car ahead."

Marjorie, now getting new bearings on Marjorie's character, spoke across the rampart of his Napoleonically folded arms:

"Well, you're a nice one!—making violent love to a conductor before my very eyes. A minute more and I would have—"

She silenced him with a snap: "Don't you speak to me! I hate you! I hate all men. The more I know men the more I like—this reminded her, and she asked anxiously: "Where is Snoozeums?"

Mallory, impatient at the shift of subject, snapped back: "Oh, I left him in the buffet with the waiter. What I want to know is how you dare to—"

"Was it a colored waiter?"

"Of course. But I'm not speaking of—"

"But suppose he should bite him?"

"Oh, you can't hurt those nigger waiters. I started to say—"

"But I can't have Snoozeums biting colored people. It might not agree with him. Get him at once."

Mallory trembled with suppressed rage like an overloaded boiler, but he gave up and growled: "Oh, Lord, all right. I'll get him when I've finished—"

"Go get him this minute. And bring the poor darling back to his mother."

"His mother! Ye gods!" cried Mallory, wildly. "He turned away and dashed into the men's room with a furious: "Where's that damned dog?"

He met the porter just returning. The porter smiled: "He's right in the head, sir," and opened the buffet door. His eyes popped and his jaw sagged: "Why, I left him here just a minute ago."

"You left the window open, too," Mallory observed. "Well, I guess he's gone."

The porter was panic-stricken: "Oh, I'm terrible sorry, boss, I wouldn't have lost that dog for a fortune. If you was to hit me with a axe I wouldn't mind."

To his utter befuddlement, Mallory grinned and winked at him, and murmured: "Oh, that's all right. Don't worry. And actually laid half a dollar in his palm. Leaving the black lids batting over the starting eyes, Mallory pulled his smile into a long face and went back to Marjorie like an undertaker: "My love, prepare yourself for bad news."

Marjorie looked up, startled and apprehensive: "Snoozeums is ill. He did bite the darkey."

"Worse than that—he—he—fell out of the window."

"When!" she shrieked, "in heaven's name—when?"

"He was there just a minute ago, the waiter says."

Marjorie went into instant hysterics, wringing her hands and sobbing: "Oh, my darling, my poor child—stop the train at once!"

She began to pound Mallory's shoulders and shake him frantically. He had never seen her this way either. He was getting his education in advance. He tried to calm her with ineffectual words: "How can I stop the train? Now, dearie, he was only a dog."

She rounded on him like a panther: "Only a dog? He was worth a dozen men like you. You find the conductor at once, command him to stop this train—and back up! I don't care if he has to go back ten miles. Run, tell him at once. Now, you run!"

Mallory stared at her as if she had gone mad, but he set out to run somewhere, anywhere. Marjorie paced up and down distractedly, tearing her hair and moaning, "Snoozeums, Snoozeums! My child. My poor child!"

At length her wildly roving eyes noted the bell rope. She stared, pondered, nodded her head, clutched at it, could not reach it, jumped for it several times in vain, then seized a chair, swung it into place, stood up in it, gripped the rope, and came down on it with all her weight, dropping to the floor and jumping up and down in a frenzied dance. In the distance the engine could be heard faintly whistling, whistling for every pull.

The engineer, far ahead, could not imagine what unheard-of crisis could bring about such mad signals. The fireman yelled:

"I bet that crazy conductor is attacked with an epileptic fit."

But there was no disputing the command. The engine was reversed, the air brakes set, the sand run out and every effort made to pull the iron horse, as it were, back on its haunches.

The grinding, squealing, jolting, shook the train like an earthquake. The shrieking of the whistle froze the blood like a woman's cry of "Murder!" in the night. The women among the passengers echoed the screams. The men turned pale and braced themselves for the shock of collision. Some of them were mumbling prayers. Dr. Temple and Jimmie Wellington, with one idea in their distempered souls, dashed from the smoking room to go to their wives.

Ashton and Wedgewood, with no one to care for but themselves, seized windows and tried to fight them open. At last they budged a sash and knelt down to thrust their heads out.

"I don't see a beastly thing ahead," said Wedgewood, "except the heads of other fools."

"We're slowing down though," said Ashton, "safe stops! We're safe. Thank God!" And he collapsed into a chair. Wedgewood collapsed into another, gasping: "Whatever are we safe from, I wonder!"

The train-crew and various passengers descended and ran alongside the train asking questions. Panic gave way to mystery. Even Dr. Temple came back into the smoking room to finish a precious cigar he had been at work on. He was followed by Little

Jimmie, who had not quite reached his wife when the stopping of the train put an end to his excuse for chivalry. He was regretfully mumbling:

"It would have been such a good shank to shave my life's wife—I mean my—I don't know what I mean." He sank into a chair and ordered a drink; then suddenly remembered his vow, and with great heroism, rescinded the order.

Mallory, noting that the train was checked just before he reached the conductor, saw that official's bewildered wrath at the stoppage and had a fearsome intuition that Marjorie had somehow done the deed. He hurried back to the observation room, where he found her charging up and down, still distraught. He paused at a safe distance and said:

"The train has stopped, my dear. Somebody rang the bell."

"I guess somebody did!" Marjorie answered, with a proud toss of the head. "Where's the conductor?"

"He's looking for the fellow that pulled the rope."

"You go tell him to back up—and slowly, too."

"No, thank you!" said Mallory. He was a brave young man, but he was not hearding the conductors of stopped expresses. Already the conductor's voice was heard in the smoking room, where he appeared with the rush and roar of a Bashan bull.

"Well!" he belloved, "which one of you guys pulled that rope?"

"It was nobody here, sir," Dr. Temple meekly explained. The conductor transfixed him with a baleful glare: "I wouldn't believe a gambler on oath. I bet you did it."

"I assure you, sir," Wedgewood interposed, "he didn't touch it. I was here."

The conductor waved him aside and charged into the observation room, followed by all the passengers in an awe-struck rabble. Here, too, the conductor thundered: "Who pulled that rope? Speak up somebody."

Mallory was about to sacrifice himself to save Marjorie, but she met the conductor's black rage with the withering contempt of a young queen: "I pulled the old rope. Whom did you suppose?"

The conductor almost dropped with apoplexy at finding himself with nobody to vent his immense rage on, but this pink and white slip: "You!" he gulped, "well, what in—Say, in the name of—why, don't you know it's a penitentiary offense to stop a train this way?"

Marjorie tossed her head a little higher, grew a little calmer: "What do I care? I want you to back up."

The conductor was reduced to a wet rag, a feeble echo: "Back up—the train up!"

"Yes, back the train up," Marjorie answered, resolutely, "and go slowly till I tell you to stop."

The conductor stared at her a moment, then whirled on Mallory: "Say, what in hell's the matter with your wife?"

Mallory was saved from the problem of answering by Marjorie's abrupt change from a young Tsarina rebuking a serf, to a terrified mother. She flung out imploring palms and with a gush of tears pleaded: "Won't you please back up? My darling child fell off the train."

The conductor's rage fell away in an instant. "Your child fell off the train!" he gasped. "Good Lord! How old was he?"

With one hand he was groping for the bell cord to give the signal, with the other he opened the door to look back along the track.

"He was two years old," Marjorie sobbed.

"Oh, that's too bad!" the conductor groaned. "What did he look like?"

"He had a pink ribbon round his neck."

"A pink ribbon—oh, the poor little fellow! the poor little fellow!"

"And a long curly tail."

The conductor swung round with a yell: "A curly tail!—your son!"

"My dog!" Marjorie roared back at him.

The conductor's voice cracked weakly as he shrieked: "Your dog? You stopped this train for a fool dog?"

"He wasn't a fool dog," Marjorie retorted, facing him down, "he knows more than you do."

The conductor threw up his hands: "Well, don't you women beat—? He studied Marjorie as if she were some curious freak of nature. Suddenly an idea struck into his daze: "Say, what kind of a dog was it?—a measly little chow-chow?"

"He was a noble, beautiful soul with wonderful eyes and adorable ears."

The conductor was growing weaker and weaker: "Well, don't worry. I got him. He's in the baggage car."

Marjorie stared at him unbelievingly. The news seemed too gloriously beautiful to be true. "He isn't dead—Snoozeums is not dead!" she cried. "He lives! He lives! You have saved him." And once more she flung herself upon the conductor. He tried to bat her off like a gnat, and Mallory came to his rescue by dragging her away and shoving her into a chair. But she saw only the noble conductor: "Oh, you dear, good, kind angel. Get him at once."

"He stays in the baggage car," the conductor answered, firmly and as he supposed, finally. "But Snoozeums doesn't like baggage cars," Marjorie smiled. "He won't ride in one."

"He'll ride in this one or I'll wring his neck."

"You bend in human flesh!" Marjorie shrank away from him in horror, and he found courage to seize the bell rope and yank it viciously with a serenade: "Please, may I start this train?"

The whistle tooted faintly. The bell began to hammer, the train to creak and writhe and click. The conductor pulled his cap down hard and started off forward. Marjorie seized his sleeve: "Oh, I implore you, don't consign that poor sweet child to the horrid baggage car. If you have a human heart in your breast, hear my prayer."

The conductor surrendered unconditionally: "Oh, Lord, all right, all right. I'll lose my job, but if you'll keep quiet, I'll bring him to you." And he slunk out meekly, followed by the passengers, who were shaking their heads in wonderment at this most amazing feat of this most amazing bride.

When they were alone once more, Marjorie, as radiant as April after a storm, turned her sunshiny smile on Mallory:

"Isn't it glorious to have our little Snoozeums alive and well?"

But Mallory was feeling like a March day. He answered with a sleetly chill: "You care more for the dog than you do for me."

"Why shouldn't I?" Marjorie answered with wide eyes, "Snoozeums never would have brought me on a wild goose elopement like this. Heaven knows he didn't want to come."

Mallory repeated the indictment: "You love a dog better than you love your husband."

"My what?" Marjorie laughed, then she spoke with lofty condescension: "Harry Mallory, if you're going to be jealous of that dog, I'll never marry you the longest day I live."

"So you'll let a dog come between us?" he demanded.

"I wouldn't give up Snoozeums for a hundred husbands," she retorted.

"I'm glad to know it in time," Mallory said. "You'd better give me back that wedding ring."

Marjorie's heart stopped at this, but her pride was in arms. She drew herself up, slid the ring from her finger, and held it out as if she scorned it: "With pleasure. Good afternoon, Mr. Mallory."

Mallory took it as if it were the merest trifle, bowed and murmured: "Good afternoon, Miss Newton."

He stalked out and she turned her back on him. A casual witness would have said that they were too indifferent to each other even to feel anger. As a matter of romantic fact, each was on fire with love, and aching madly with regret. Each longed for strength to whirl round with outflung arms of reconciliation, and neither could be so brave. And so they parted, each harking back fiercely for one word of recall from the other. But neither spoke, and Marjorie sat staring at nothing through raining eyes, while Mallory strode into the Men's Room as melancholy as Hamlet with Yorick's skull in his hands.

It was their first great quarrel, and they were convinced that the world might as well come to an end.

(To Be Continued)

To the Patrons of West Texas Telephone Co.

We have just completed the distribution of our telephone directory and have endeavored to place them in the hands of all of our subscribers, and this is to request that should we have overlooked any one that they call our chief operator and so notify her of the fact in order that we may send you one.

This is also to earnestly request that you CALL BY NUMBER and by so doing you will not only expedite your own service, but will assist us very greatly in giving a satisfactory service. It becomes necessary, from time to time, to place different young ladies in charge of the operating, and they will no longer be in position to give you the desired connections only by your co-operation in calling for parties desired by number.

Respectfully, H. W. DAY, Manager, West Texas Telephone Co.

Warning—Fireworks Ordinance

I want to call attention to Article 39 of the Revised Criminal ordinances of the city of Brady, as follows:

"Art. 39. Any person who shall expose or set off or cause to be exploded or set off any fire cracker, roman candle, sky rocket, anvil or other fireworks, or shall explode or cause to be exploded any torpedo within the fire limits of this city or on or across any public street or alley in this city shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, on conviction, be fined not to exceed one hundred dollars."

I hereby give warning that any violations of the above ordinance will be prosecuted to the full extent.

J. M. ANDERSON, City Marshal.

The Success of Failure.

Since the Messenger has reached the low water mark of failure we have been supremely happy because we are relieved of the haunting fear that something might start it down hill.

Years ago we had an ambition to become a great journalist and strove daily and nightly to make each issue better than the preceding one, nursing with rare pride every little compliment we could torture out of good natured friends, and all that time we were miserable, because there was always a dread that we would fail, but now that dread has passed—and there is a soothing satisfaction about being at the bottom—a knowledge that even the luxury of idleness cannot pull you down from your firm stand.

Even the great statesmen, who have reached the topmost round on the ladder of fame are almost miserable because of the dread that they may make a false step and fall. Their efforts must yearly outstrip the accomplishments of the year before, else their greatness becomes commonplace and their friends are dissatisfied with them and they with themselves; but the man who is a failure has no such worries—he can be happy every day in the year, caring never a darn what the world thinks of him.

The man who earns just enough to feed and clothe and school his family and buy circus tickets, never laying by a dollar for his heirs to fight over, is of course a failure; and the man who amasses a fortune and worries himself to death looking after it, is surely a success; but just the same, the great army of failures, journeying care-free through life, happy every day, and thankful every night that tomorrow's sun will bring them another day of failure and pleasure, are the happiest mortals that walk old earth.

Nothing succeeds like failure.—Menard Messenger.

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SOCIETY

God an infant—born today!
Born to live, to die, for me!
Bow, my soul: adoring say,
"Lord, I live, I die for Thee."
Humble then, but fearless rise;
Seek the manger where he lies.

Tread with awe the solemn ground,
Tho' a stable mean and rude,
Wondering angels all around
Through the seeming solitude:
Swelling anthems as on high,
Hail a second Trinity.

'Neath the cavern's dim-lit shade
Meekly sleeps a tender form.
God on bed of straw is laid!
Breaths of cattle keep him warm!
King of glory, can it be
Thou art thus for love of me?

Hail my Jesus, Lord of might!
Here in tiny, helpless hand
Thy creation's infinite
Holding like a grain of sand!
Hail, my Jesus—all my own:
Mine as if but mine alone!

Hail, my lady, full of grace!
Maiden-Mother, hail to thee!
Poring on the radiant face,
Thine a voiceless ecstasy;
Yet, sweet mother, let me dare
Join the homage of thy prayer.

Mother of God—O wondrous name!
Bending seraphs hail thee Queen.
Mother of God, yet still the same

Mary thou hast ever been:
Still so lowly, tho' so great—
Mortal, yet Immaculate!

Christmas Thoughts.

Of the many great and joyous festivals of the year that of Christmas awakens the strongest and tenderest associations. To the soul of mankind it comes as a blessing just at a time when the old, battle-scarred year is drawing to a close and one's thoughts are traveling the old familiar byways, lingering for a moment in the meadows, where wind and bird sing their sweetest lays and flower and brook look their loveliest. The very air is charged with music; the chiming Christmas bells in the high church towers sound their tender notes over the roof tops of the busy world in pleasant jubilee, carrying our thoughts far across the Judean hills to the stable of Bethlehem, where, centuries ago, was born the humble Prince of Peace. The beautiful story of the Shepherd-King fills our vibrant hearts with hope and love. The touching pastoral scenes, the far off blue mountains and their grazing flocks, the midnight prayers of the shepherds grown eager with longing, the march of the hopes which their glorious dream was to bring them—all these come to us who are tired of life's ceaseless "sturm und drang." Our wavering spirits grow strong in the faith which was brought to a weary and discontented world nearly two thousand years ago when the angels sang the simple message of peace and good will into the hearts of the children of men.

Six o'Clock Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. White entertained most pleasantly on last Friday evening with a six o'clock dinner, the members of the White family being present. Covers were laid for Messrs. and Mesdames J. H. White, G. R. White, S. A. Benham, John Wall, C. T. White, Misses Fay Wall, Lucile Benham, Laura Lee White and Mr. Robert White.

Forty-Two Club.

Mrs. G. R. White entertained the Ladies "42" club on Wednesday afternoon from 3:00 to 5:30 o'clock. Quite a number of spirited games were played at four tables. During the afternoon a dainty ice course, with confections, was served.

Committees were appointed to arrange for a Christmas party to be given during the holidays.

Surprise Party.

Mr. Barron Vaughn was host Friday evening to a surprise party given by a large number of his young friends, who called very unexpectedly.

Music, games and gay conversation combined to make the occasion a delightful one. During the evening dainty refreshments were served. Some thirty young people were included in the party.

On departing the young host bade his friends to call again whenever they had another such a pleasant evening in store.

Music Recital.

On last Tuesday night Prof. J. C. Robbins gave another of his splendid music recitals at the court house. With each of these a marked improvement is shown in the work of his diligent students. The well planned program was rendered with excellence.

The rostrum in the court

house furnished a pretty stage, it being effectively decorated in potted plants and ferns.

Prof. Robbins is to be praised for his success in teaching, also for the evening's entertainment he has furnished for our little city.

An Evening in China.

So read the invitations issued by Mrs. Jas. T. Mann to the members of the Missionary society of the Methodist church and their husbands on last Thursday evening.

The spacious living room of the Mann home was appropriately decorated with hand-painted Chinese fans and lighted by lanterns.

The hand-painted guest book was presided over by Mrs. J. M. McAnally, and as each guest arrived they were duly registered, Chinese fashion.

After being made comfortable on cushions strewn over the floor, the party was entertained with a varied and pleasing program rendered by the members of the Society.

Refreshments were served a la Chinese, consisting of sandwiches, tea, rice with whipped cream, stuffed dates and olives.

A TEXAS WONDER.

The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, removing gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive St., St. Louis Mo. Send for Texas testimonials. Sold by druggists.

After an hour's diversion in music and games, the guests reluctantly took their departure, each and everyone loud in their praise of a most delightful evening.

Some fifty persons enjoyed the pleasures of the evening.

The Beau-Nots will meet on next Wednesday afternoon with Miss Estella Bradley, at 3:30.

For Miss Scharff.

Mrs. Jack Nussbaum gave quite an enjoyable affair on Thursday evening in compliment to her niece, Miss Nita Scharff, who is her guest for the present.

Five hundred was the diversion of the evening, five tables of players being included in the game.

A combined salad and ice course was served at tray tables.

Those accepting Mrs. Nussbaum's hospitality were: Misses Lizzie Souther, Rosa Stallings, Chase Crothers, Harriet Cook, Minnie Wiley, Gillie Macy, Ida Mae Souther, Addie Conner, Laura Lee White and the honoree; Messrs. Harry Schwenker, Max Scharff, Harry Lindley, Wiley Walker, Edward Ogden, Alfred Reissner, N. H. Hardin, Jamie Brook, B. Simpson, Forrest Adams.

Have your cleaning and pressing done at Luhn's. They do it best.

There is real enjoyment in cooking if you are using a Charter Oak stove. The Charter Oak, without one single exception, is the best stove made, and if you have never used a Charter Oak, you do not know what satisfaction there is in them over other makes. Broad Mercantile Co.

The best quality of woolen underwear is to be found at Luhn's.

PERSONAL ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. White left Wednesday for Eagle Lake to spend the holidays with relatives.

Miss Clara Webster will be in tomorrow and will be the guest of her sister, Mrs. Julian Davis, next week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McAnally and little daughter, Fay, will leave Saturday for Waco, where they will make their home for the winter.

Mrs. John Griffin left on the early train yesterday morning for Comanche, where she will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Walker and son, Guy, were in town Tuesday and Wednesday. Miss Gladys Walker returned home with them to spend Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. McCully came in Monday from Sweetwater and returned that afternoon in their car. They were accompanied home by Miss Gillie Macy, who will remain as their guest until next Monday.

Notice.

Everybody is specially invited to attend the fifth Sunday meeting of the Brady Baptist association which will convene with Placid Baptist church Dec. 26-29th. Come and see our new church. I am sure you will be delighted with its beauty. All trains will be met. PASTOR.

Coal! Coal!

Macy & Co. are making the price on coal. See them before you place your order for the winter.

Pretty Christmas ties in boxes at Kirk's. Nuf Sed.

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

A pure, healthful, Cream of Tartar Baking Powder

When buying an article of food you are entitled to know exactly what you are buying—its quality and ingredients.

If this information is refused don't buy it.

Some of the low grade baking powders are advertised, but the ingredients of the powders are scrupulously concealed.

A housekeeper would not use a baking powder containing alum if she knew it.

It is well when buying to examine the label on the can. Unless it shows the ingredient cream of tartar, don't buy it.

Dr. Price's baking powder is absolutely free from alum.

THE BRADY STANDARD TWICE-A-WEEK

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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

The holiday season will soon be with us—a time of good cheer. "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men" is the spirit of the season and is symbolic of the anniversary of the birth of one who brought peace upon earth, and established His Kingdom of Good Will among men.

It should be a joyful time with all, and it is our sincere hope that it will be a joyful time—with rich and poor alike; the good, and those who ought to

be good.

And more especially do we wish happiness in the households of all our subscribers—those who have encouraged us in our efforts during the year now closing, and with whom The Standard has been a welcome visitor. To you we send our most sincere wishes for a very, very Merry Christmas.

BIG EDITIONS.

Last Sunday's Star-Telegram was nothing short of a monstrosity—the most remarkable paper we have ever laid eyes upon. The edition was composed of 250 pages and is said to have been the largest single edition of any paper ever issued in the United States. The paper weighed 3½ pounds, and 14c in stamps was required to mail one copy. In the edition were seventy-two full page ads, not to mention the numerous smaller ads. The Star-Telegram is to be congratulated upon the success of its endeavors, and the fact that it possesses an equipment and staff capable of such an unique bit of enterprise.

The Fort Worth Record also had a Christmas edition, and while nothing elaborate was attempted, it was nevertheless a credit to the Record staff. There was plenty of good reading, and the edition was, all in all, a high class production.

The Temple Mirror had a noteworthy 48-page special last Sunday—a Cotton edition that told in story and illustrations Bell county's achievements the past twelve months in the growth of cotton as well as the development and improvement in other lines, and the fact that Bell county was twelfth in cotton production in the United States was featured in an arti-

cle of special merit. The Cotton edition was a splendid example of fact and figures graphically presented, and was distinctly a credit to that always creditable paper.

NO PAPER WEDNESDAY.

There are no holidays in the calendar of the newspaper publisher and the printers. Fourth of July, Labor Day, Independence Day, Thanksgiving—all are the same as any other day. The paper must be ready for the subscribers at the appointed time, and holidays count for naught. But hold! There is one exception. Just once in the year's round of labor does the sunshine of freedom pervade the printing office—that's Christmas.

So next week, if your Standard does not reach you on Wednesday or Thursday just ascribe it to the fact that we are celebrating—a safe, sane celebration of the greatest anniversary and holiday of the year.

NOT HIS HOBBY TO RIDE.

Make a resolution now that this will be one holiday season that you will not get full and make an ass of yourself—it will save you a big head and lots of misery the next morning.—Menard Messenger.

Send Callan your quarts and quarters, and let him do all these "don'ts" for you.

Buy Christmas seals and bring a happy Christmas to the little unfortunates—victims of the great white plague.

Send someone a Christmas card. It may bring far more happiness than all the expensive Christmas gifts you may buy.

Here's to a Merry Christmas for you and yours.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS

DR. Wm. C. JONES,
Dentist

Office: Front Suite Rooms Over New Brady National Bank Building
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All Acute and Chronic Diseases Scientifically Treated

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On Farms and Ranches. No Delay. See S. W. Hughes for full particulars.

BROWN BROTHERS

Austin, Texas

W. H. BALLOU & CO.

FIRE INSURANCE

THAT'S ALL

Office Over Commercial National Bank

Matthews Bros

Draying and Heavy Hauling of All Kinds

Will appreciate your draying and hauling business. Your freight and packages handled by careful and painstaking employees.

Matthews Bros

Meets every Thursday night. Visitors invited to attend.

W. H. MARSDEN, R. E. LUHN, JR., Clerk. Consul Com.

WOODMEN CIRCLE Meets second and fourth Saturday of OLIVE GROVE NO. 1120 each month at 3:00 p. m. MRS. WADE, Guardian MRS. RAINBOLT, Clerk

Blankets and Comforts

That you packed away in the Spring must soon be brought into service again now that cool weather has come. To have them fresh and clean you should have them laundered by

The Brady Steam Laundry

W. H. JEFFRIES, Prop.

THE HOUSE of satisfaction

We Claim We Can Give Satisfaction
We Will Give Satisfaction



Every Article in our store would make an appropriate GIFT for some member of the family.

Come in and see us, even if you just want to look we would be glad to show you.



Nothing makes a better present than a well chosen piece of furniture. A Rocker, a Table, a Bookcase, a Davenport or a picture. Something for the home and something the home folks will enjoy. Their pleasure and comfort is yours, and the consciousness that they are pleased with their present is the best satisfaction of all.



O.D. Mann & Sons

BRADY :: :: TEXAS

Connolly's Semi-Annual Clearance Sale

Will Close Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24th

You have read of sales; you have heard of sales; but you have never before had the opportunity of attending a sale like this—a sale where *every item* in the house is marked down to the lowest possible figure. "The highest in quality, the lowest in price" is our motto. Every item guaranteed to be just as represented or your money refunded. Just a few more days until Christmas, and just a few more days to take advantage of our sale prices. Notice the following—just a few of our prices:

Clearance Sale on Men's and Boys' Clothes		Sale of Staples (Continued)		Sale of Men's Hats	
\$17.50 Suits for Men in fancy colors, blue serges and blacks, sale price only	\$12.95	10c grade of the very best 36-inch wide unbleached Domestic, sale price, per yard	7½c	\$7.50 John B. Stetson Hats, sale price	\$6.25
\$15.00 values in all colors, all new goods, sale price	\$10.85	Extra good Brown Domestic, 36 inches wide, sale price, per yard	6½c	\$6.50 John B. Stetson Hats, sale price	\$5.15
\$13.50 values in all colors, all new goods, sale price	\$ 9.75	The best 9-4 Unbleached Sheeting, per yard	22c	\$5.00 John B. Stetson Hats, sale price	\$3.00
\$10.00 values in all colors, all new goods, sale price	\$ 7.95	The very heaviest Canton Flannel, per yard	8½c	\$4.00 John B. Stetson Hats, sale price	\$2.95
One counter of Men's 3-piece Suits carried over from last year, ranging in prices from \$10.00 to \$17.50, choice while they last	\$ 4.95	The best grade of Gingham	9c	Sale of Men's and Ladies' Shoes	
An excellent line of Boys' Knickerbocker Suits just received, at prices which you can afford.		The best Apron Gingham, per yard	7½c	\$5.00 grade of Men's Packard Shoes, sale price	\$4.15
Sale of Staples		Cotton Sweaters for Ladies, all colors, sale price	39c	\$4.50 grade of Men's Packard Shoes, sale price	\$3.85
Best Calico on earth, per yard	3c	35c grade of Ladies' Vests, sale price	22c	\$4.00 grade of Men's Packard Shoes, sale price	\$3.45
25 yards of good Cotton Checks for	\$1.00			\$4.00 grade of Ladies' Shoes in all leathers, sale price	\$3.35
				\$2.50 grade of Ladies' Shoes, sale price	\$1.95

During this sale we are giving two votes on the piano for every penny. Two hundred votes for every dollar spent. Not only can you buy goods cheaper than ever before, but at the same time you can be of great assistance to your favorite contestant.

SALE OF HARDWARE WITHOUT A COMPARISON—We have purchased the Noble Bros. stock of hardware at less than 60c on the dollar of whole sale cost, and are continuing the stock at the same location, on the west side of the square. During this sale we will make you prices on this hardware at prices far below the first cost. We will make it to your interest to investigate it. **ASK FOR TICKETS IN PIANO CONTEST.**

North Side

Wm. Connolly & Company

Brady, Texas

PERSONAL & LOCAL

D. H. Bickenbach was here from Mason yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Walker came in from the ranch Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wihelm came in from the ranch yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny White came in from the ranch yesterday.

Citizen John Armor, the sage of Lost Creek, was in the city Tuesday.

Miss Chase Crothers left this morning to spend a few days in Fort Worth.

Dr. Mose Jones will return today to Austin to spend the holidays at home.

Henry E. Moore of Comanche arrived yesterday and is greeting friends here.

Dr. J. B. Lockhart leaves today to spend Christmas with his family at Austin.

W. F. Crothers will return Sunday from A. & M. at College Station for the holidays.

Edward Willoughby has returned for the holidays from Terrill School at Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. White left yesterday for Eagle Lake to spend the Christmas holidays.

G. W. Vineyard and family were in from Stacy this week doing some Christmas shopping.

Miss Mary Schaeg will return tomorrow from the San Antonio Female College for the holidays.

Will Roberts, Jr., came in from Lohn yesterday evening, bringing Miss Linnie Bell to the train.

C. B. Kyzar has taken up his residence in the Whiteland com-

munity and orders his paper to that place.

Billie Gibbons was here from Richland Springs Wednesday enroute to Fort Worth on a business visit.

Bailey Jones will arrive Sunday from Austin to spend Christmas here with relatives and friends.

Arthur Hall and J. A. Burrow were in from the Stacy community yesterday transacting Christmas business.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Ledbetter and little son were here yesterday from Pasche doing some Christmas shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. McKnight and Misses Mina and Clyde Wright were in from the ranch the first of the week.

Miss Ethel Fletcher leaves tonight for Brownwood, from where she will go to Oklahoma to visit during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Cheek and family left the first of the week for Eldorado, where they will make their future home.

Mrs. Bigham is here from Millersview to spend the holidays with her sisters, Mesdames M. J. Moore and W. H. Jones.

Evans Adkins will arrive tomorrow from Millersview, where he is teaching school, to spend the holidays with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Schaeg and daughter, Mary, will spend Christmas with Mrs. Schaeg's sister, Mrs. J. W. White, of Mason.

George Yantis will return Sunday from Southwestern Medical college at Dallas, remaining until after the holidays.

Trainmaster W. E. Livingston of the Frisco passed through Brady Thursday morning enroute to Menard, returning last night.

O. B. Preston, traveling freight agent for the Trinity & Brazos Valley, and C. E. Wynne, division freight agent for the Frisco, were in the city Wednesday.

Our good friend, L. Ballou, thinks The Standard beats any sort of a letter he might write, so he orders it sent a year to his sister, Mrs. J. B. Heard, at Cuero.

Judge and Mrs. Harvey Walker and family will leave Saturday for the Jones Bros. ranch in Kimble county, where they will spend the Christmas holidays with their daughter, Mrs. Cleve Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McAnally and little daughter, Fay, will leave Saturday for Waco, where Mr. McAnally has accepted a position with the Waco Mill & Elevator Co. They will remain in Waco until next summer.

Miss Linnie Bell, who is teaching in the Lohn school, was in the city yesterday enroute to her home at Luling for the holidays. Her sister, Miss Zonia, who teaches in the Rochelle school, accompanied her home.

Donn's Regulats are recommended by many who say they operate easily, without griping and without bad after effects. 25c at all drug stores.

Let us figure with you on a buggy. Christmas is coming and you surely cannot put off the buggy much longer. Broad Mercantile Co.

Why pay more for flour when you can buy Cream of Wheat for \$1.50 per sack. Every sack guaranteed by Abney & Vincent.

D. A. Hurd let the Christmas spirit pervade The Standard office this week, with the result that out of the goodness of our heart we have credited his subscription up into the '14's.

Silk hose in boxes—they're the thing for Christmas. Kirk, Nuf Sed.

CHRISTMAS ATTRACTION.

"Redemption," a Wonderful Picture, at the Lyric.

The management of the Lyric Theatre announces the securing for Christmas night of one of the best feature reels that has ever been shown in Brady—"Redemption," a wonderful production over which thousands have raved in Paris, London and other world centers.

"Redemption" is a wonderful story of the fascinations, but lures and the dangers of the gay city of Paris. It is the story of the girl who falls lower and lower, until an event changes her whole life. She is redeemed, and finally gives up her own life to save that of the woman who brought about her redemption. It is a fascinating story, with a strong moral, and one which will interest all.

The story is shown in three reels, and will be presented next Wednesday night in addition to the regular program of pictures.

RALEIGH, N. C. CHILD

Made Strong and Well by Vinol.

When we tell you that Vinol is the best remedy in our whole stock for making weak, puny, ailing children strong, robust and rosy, we are only telling you what has been proved by hundreds of mothers.

Mrs. W. O. Strother, Raleigh, N. C., says: "My little girl, Hazel, has been taking Vinol to build her up after a severe spell of sickness. It has done so much good by restoring her appetite and building up her strength that I think Vinol is the finest tonic ever prepared, and I am telling everyone about it."

What Vinol did for this little girl it will do for very weak and ailing child, because sickly children need the strengthening cod liver elements and the tonic iron that Vinol contains—that is why Vinol builds them up quickly and gives them a fine, healthy color. It is pleasant to take, and we guarantee that the results will satisfy you—money back if they do not. **Central Drug Store, Brady, Tex.**

Admission will be 15c and 25c.

For tonight and tomorrow night there will be a feature attraction in the showing of pictures taken from real life in Brady, with a number of our citizens snap-shotted in funny postures and comical situations. The attraction promises to pack the house to capacity, and two shows will be given each night, beginning at 7:00 o'clock, with Saturday afternoon matinee. Admission will be 15c and 25c.

Dr. Wm. Sadler, author of "The Cause and Cure of Colds," says that common colds should be taken seriously, especially when they "hang on." Foley's Honey and Tar Compound is a reliable household medicine for coughs and colds, equally effective for children and for grown persons. Take it when you feel a cold coming on. It will avert danger of serious results and cure quickly. No harmful drugs. Jones Drug Store.

Phone 163 of your Christmas visits or visitors.

A splendid line of folding go-carts. The price is right. Broad Mercantile Co.

See the neckties, just out of New York. Kirk, Nuf Sed.

Bring your butter and eggs to Abney & Vincent.

E. W. Woods is not superstitious, but he changed the '13 date of his subscription to '14, and took some votes with which to make some contestant happy.

Automobile tires at Willbanks

Stockholders' Meeting.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Brady National bank of Brady, Texas, will be held at their bank on Tuesday, January 14th, 1913, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year.

JEFF F. MONTGOMERY, Cashier.

CLASSIFIED ADS

Rate 5c per line per insertion.
Farms for Rent.—Want a few renters for 200 acre farms; also a few for 100 acre farms. G. V. Gansel.

Want to buy a few cheap steer yearlings. Chas. Bumgardner.

Anyone having cows they would like to put out during the winter for their feed see Thos. Donnell at Sanitary Dairy. Will buy few good milkers.

For Sale—Few good cows, fresh in a few days. J. F. Schaeg.

For Sale—320 acres well improved; 90 acres in cultivation, balance good pasture land. Price \$13.50 per acre. See H. B. Murphy, Brady, Texas, for further information.

Bookkeeping, Shorthand and allied subjects, the latest and best. Satisfaction guaranteed or tuition refunded. San Angelo Business College, San Angelo, Texas.

Just three week days—then Christmas. Suit need cleaning and pressing? Phone 151. The Toggery.

Drives Off a Terror.
The chief executioner of death in the winter and spring months is pneumonia. Its advance agents are colds and grip. In any attack of one of these maladies no time should be lost in taking the best medicine obtainable to drive it off. Countless thousands have found this to be Dr. King's New Discovery. "My husband believes it has kept him from having pneumonia three or four times," writes Mrs. George W. Place, Rawsonville, Vt., "and for coughs, colds and croup we have never found its equal." Guaranteed for all bronchial affections. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free at Jones Drug Co.

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE

EAST BRADY.

Brady, Texas, Dec. 17.
Editor Brady Standard:
Well, I will try again this week, as my letter was lost last week before it reached the editor.

I will pause here to say that I will send in "A Citizen's" name for the prize.

Mr. and Mrs. Si Proctor are in after their things. They are moving down near Voca. We are very sorry of their move.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Willis of Voca made a flying trip to Brady this week.

Miss Ruth Barton spent the day Sunday with Miss Eda Castelman.

Mr. Roy Davison of Whiteland was in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Bratton of Freedom spent Sunday night at Mr. George Nix's.

Mr. and Mrs. Jargroves and family were in Brady Saturday.

Miss Ethel Brown is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Doewra and little daughter, Pearl, of Calf Creek were in town Saturday on business.

Mrs. Bratto and daughter, Sue, were in town Saturday doing their Christmas shopping, and spent the night with her daughter, Mrs. George Nix.

Miss Myrtle Hanson of Streeters here on a visit to her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nabors.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davison have returned from Oklahoma, where they have been looking for a new location, but really think they like Whiteland the better.

Mr. K. S. Davison of Whiteland was in town Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dacy of Padmoor were in town Saturday doing their Christmas shopping.

Mrs. Westbrook of Melvin, who has been spending about six months with her daughter, Mrs. Ella Tindel, of Brady, returned home Sunday. Her daughter, Mrs. John Westbrook, of Melvin, came down to return with her mother.

Miss Ruby Barton is on the sick list this week.

Mr. Wright and brother of the Tindel farm were in town Friday on business.

Mr. F. H. Blasdel and son, Alford, were in Brady Saturday.

Mr. Arthur Hall was in town Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Henry Barton and children were in town Saturday.

Mr. Ed Miller took a load to roadmoor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Willis of Voca were in Brady Tuesday.

If I should be the lucky one to win the prize, please send it my pen name.

THE BABE.

How to Bankrupt the Doctors.
A prominent New York physician says: "If it were not for the thin stockings and thin soled shoes worn by women the doctors would probably be bankrupt." When you contract a cold do not wait for it to develop into pneumonia but treat it at once. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is intended especially for coughs and colds, and has won a wide reputation by its cures of these diseases. It is most effectual and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

Wanted

Second hand cotton seed meal sacks that are in good condition, at the Bencini Oil Mill.

Let Kirk select a tie that will be sure to please HIM. Nuff Sed.

Famous Stage Beauties.

Look with horror on skin eruptions, blotches, sores or pimples. They don't leave them, nor will anyone who uses Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It glorifies the face. Eczema or salt rheum vanish before it. It cures sore lips, chapped hands, chilblains; heals burns, cuts and bruises. Unequalled for piles. Only 25c at Jones Drug Co.

PLACID PARAGRAPHS.

Placid, Texas, Dec. 15.
Today is Sunday and it is such a pretty sunny day! While I am resting, I will try to write a few lines to The Standard.

I see the editor has asked all the correspondents to tell who is their favorite writer. I have been reading The Standard for the past three years, and I can say there has been some mighty good writers among the correspondents. I can't decide who has really done the best this year, but I believe "Aunt Susan" is entitled to one of the prizes anyway.

Now listen! we had a wedding in our community last Sunday, if it did rain. Mr. Oscar Gault and Miss Maggie Lee were quietly married at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. Dunsworth officiating. May their pathway always be bright. They will make their home near Placid.

Mr. John Nichols and family, who took a trip to Oklahoma, have returned to Placid. We are glad to welcome them back.

Mr. John Wingfield and wife have also returned to Placid. John has been working on the railroad down about Waco.

Mr. Willie Stapleton and family are back home again.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Shaw, Nov. 18, a 10 pound boy.

Well, as news is rather scarce, I will ring off for this time, wishing one and all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

TILSON.

Dyspepsia is America's curse. To restore digestion, normal weight, good health and purify the blood, use Burdock's Blood Bitters. Sold at all drug stores. Price \$1.00.

Everybody Is Using It Now.
The Imperial Self-Heating Sad Iron. Sells in every home. \$50 per week to good hustlers. Write the Imperial Self-Heating Sad Iron Co., Box 285, Fort Worth, Texas.

MELVIN NEWSLETS.

Melvin, Texas, Dec. 16.
Editor Brady Standard:

The weather has cleared at last and we are getting ready for Christmas.

Mr. G. W. Scott and bride returned from their wedding tour Tuesday and stayed in Melvin a few days, waiting for their house to be vacated. They are now domiciled on the Rambo farm in Whiteland.

Rev. Dunsworth preached here Sunday. He expects to move here this week from Brownwood with his family to make Melvin his home.

R. B. Hardin has moved to his father-in-law's farm to farm another year.

Mrs. John Westbrook and Mrs. Vona Wilhelm went to Brady Sunday to accompany Mrs. Westbrook's mother back home.

The railroad dam work is progressing nicely.

Mr. Fritz Jordan left on the 9th of this month for Fredericksburg. We are wondering what for.

Mr. Morrow spent Sunday in Brady with his sister's family.

Mr. Young, the railroad inspector, spent Sunday and Monday at Algerita.

School closes next Friday for the holidays.

Mrs. Johnny Womble was shopping in Melvin Tuesday.

Will close with best wishes to the editor and a Merry Christmas to all.

BLUE BELL.

Foils a Foul Plot.
When a shameful plot exists between liver and bowels to cause distress by refusing to act, take Dr. King's New Life Pills and end such abuse of your system. They gently compel right action of stomach, liver and bowels, and restore your health and all good feelings. 25c at Jones Drug Co.

FIFE FINDINGS.

Fife, Texas, Dec. 15.
Editor Brady Standard:
Owing to the heavy rains last week, the news factory suspended operations, so we had nothing for The Standard.

Hog killing is the order of the day, and all are living high on spare ribs and sausage.

W. A. and Donald Finlay made a flying trip to Brady Wednesday.

Mr. Bright Baldrige has returned from an extended visit to Childress county.

The stork alighted at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell Wednesday and left a fine boy.

The young people enjoyed a very pleasant dance at the home of Mr. Burrell on Cow Creek.

Messrs. James Finlay and Ed Wade returned from Waco last week.

Mr. William Ulke left Saturday for New Mexico to make his home. We wish him success.

Mr. A. M. Finlay had the misfortune to lose a fine Jersey cow Thursday.

With the rains and a few days of sunshine the whole country is looking very green and fresh owing to the large acreage of small grain this year.

W. D. Walker and wife, accompanied by Mrs. Quinn Walker, were the guests of Mrs. H. D. Bradley Friday.

Messrs. Luther Pierce, Grover Duncan, Chas. Mitchell, Dair Baldrige, Henry Lawson and Wesley Tedder; Misses Oma Thurber, Fannie Pierce, Susie and Ida May Lawson enjoyed a dance at Whon last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roberts are entertaining a new boy at their home on Cow Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Lange, accompanied by Miss Susie Lawson, were shopping in Brady Saturday.

Mrs. R. K. Finlay is still confined to her room with rheumatism. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

Messrs. E. B. Baldrige, Bright and Miss Vane Baldrige, Miss Anna Belle Mitchell and Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Finlay were visitors to the "Hub" Saturday, hunting Santa Claus.

Messrs. Willie and Chick Rehm of Whon were the guests of friends Sunday.

Misses Ruby and Elva Payne were shopping in Brady Saturday.

We understand the entertainment which was to have been given here Dec. 21st, has been postponed indefinitely.

I cast my vote for the "Waldrup Kid."

Wishing all the readers, the correspondents and our editor a Merry Christmas and Happy and Prosperous New Year.

FARMER JONES.

California Woman Seriously Alarmed
"A short time ago I contracted a severe cold which settled on my lungs and caused me a great deal of annoyance. I would have had coughing spells and my lungs were so sore and inflamed I began to be seriously alarmed. A friend recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saying she had used it for years. I bought a bottle and it relieved my cough the first night, and in a week I was rid of the cold and soreness of my lungs," writes Miss Marie Gerber, Sawtelle, Cal. For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

We are making attractive prices on furniture. Broad Mercantile Co.

Munsing underwear is the thing for cold weather. Get it at Wm. Connolly & Co.

Brady Auto Co. solicits your business. Phone 152.

Children take BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP willingly, because it tastes nice. There isn't a better remedy anywhere for children's coughs, hoarseness and bronchitis. It's a good medicine and easy to take. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Central Drug Store.

In furniture we are the leaders. We carry the stock and we have the price that makes good. Figure with us on the bill. We can save you money. Broad Mercantile Co.

Wrinkles are usually a sign of age. We keep the wrinkles out of your clothes. The Toggery.

LOST CREEK ECHOES.

Voca, Texas, Dec. 16.
Editor Brady Standard:
The rain of a week ago was of the kind that us farmers like to see.

On last Thursday it began snowing about 10 o'clock and continued throughout the remainder of the day. At times it fell fast and in large flakes, but the ground being so warm it melted away as fast as it fell. It caused the already wet ground to become sloppy; just the thing though, for small grain.

Mrs. Otto Armor left Sunday for Eden, where she had been called to be with her mother, Mrs. Drinkard, who will undergo a surgical operation at that place.

Our literary and debating society is growing so popular that we find our school building to be far too small to accommodate the large crowds which attend.

The greatest menace to a civilized community is the wholesale toting of pistols. In almost every community there are a number of boys who are blood-thirsty, or else they are cowards I rather suppose the latter, for I notice they always select the cover of darkness to disturb the quiet citizens by the showing of their 22-calibre, rim-fire popguns. I believe it ought to be made a penitentiary offense to carry deadly weapons without a lawful right.

A little 8 pound girl came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reed last Saturday to make her home.

Ben McBee is putting up a residence on the Dud Bailey farm.

A CITIZEN.

They Always Help Elderly People.
Foley Kidney Pills give just the help elderly people need to tone and strengthen their kidneys and bladder and regulate their action. John Mc Masters, Streator, Ill., says: "I feel better and stronger than I have for many years, and Foley Kidney Pills did it." Jones Drug Store.

WALDRIP WHOOPS.
(Too late for last week.)

Waldrup, Texas, Dec. 9.
We received another million dollar rain, and it is just what we were looking for, so let's don't grumble about cloudy, wet weather.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Briscoe have gone to Texico, N. M., where Mr. Briscoe will work on the new railroad.

Rev. Burleson came up Saturday, but owing to the inclement weather did not preach.

Orlando Chaffin was in Brady last week.

Miss Maggie Powell spent Saturday with Miss Lottie Daniels.

Mrs. H. L. Bratton received news Saturday night of the death of her cousin, Miss Emma Moseley, of Troy, Texas. Miss Moseley was well known around here and was loved for her sweet ways. It is with sorrow that we learn of her death, and are sure the staff joins us in sending the grief-stricken family heartfelt sympathy.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Bradley were in Waldrup one afternoon last week.

T. R. Briscoe and J. W. Crider went to Brady Friday.

Everyone is preparing for Christmas and I am too.

Will try and have a real newsy letter next time.

THE KID.

Wheezing in the lungs indicates that phlegm is obstructing the air passages. BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP loosens the phlegm so that it can be coughed up and ejected. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Central Drug Store.

We need the money; we are making the prices to get the money. Wm. Connolly & Co.

Christmas comes but once a year. Be dressed for the occasion. Toggery cleaning and pressing is the thing. "Best Yet."

Itching, bleeding, protruding or blind piles have yielded to Doan's Ointment. 50c at all stores.

UNION BAND SCRAPS.

Salt Gap, Texas, Dec. 17.
Editor Brady Standard:
Well, as I have never seen a letter from The Band, I thought I would write a few lines.

All the old farmers are smiling over the nice rain of a few days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Croft and Mr. Elvin Conley returned week before last from their cotton picking trip.

Mr. Tom Kellum is going to leave today for Coryell county, where he will remain for some time to go to school.

Mr. D. M. Sherman and family left for Lee county last Friday.

Misses Ruby Thompson, Maggie Coalson, Sallie Peel, Ethel Peel and Myrtle Peel were the guests of Miss Edna Peel Sunday evening.

Mr. Tine Bingham of the Valley was at the Happy Band Sunday.

Mr. Alex Croft is going to Burnet, where his folks moved while he was on his cotton picking trip.

Miss Minnie Peel was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Allie Sherman, Sunday.

A large crowd attended church Sunday.

A large crowd took supper with Mr. Clyde Peel Sunday night.

Prayer meeting was well attended Sunday night.

Mrs. Ridinger of Houston has been here visiting her friends at the Band and Gap, but has gone home now.

So, I'll quit this time.

DO FUNNY.

Deep-seated coughs that resist ordinary remedies require both external and internal treatment. If you buy a dollar bottle of BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP you get the two remedies you need for the price of one. There is a HER-RICK'S RED PEPPER POROUS PLASTER for the chest free with each bottle. Sold by Central Drug Store.

The best quality of woolen underwear is to be found at Luhn's.

W. W. Spiller writes from Sabinal to forward his paper to that place, he having decided to remain there for the present. He is also interested in Brady happenings that he requests all back issues since the time he left on his trip.

Sickly children need WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE. It not only destroys the worms, if there be any, but it acts as a strengthening tonic in the stomach and bowels. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by Central Drug Store.

A new wrinkle is all right sometimes, but not in your clothes. The Toggery will press all the wrinkles out. Bring them today, and have them ready for Christmas.

Farmers' Union Meeting.
By request of Pres. Bro. Peter Radford of Fort Worth, I hereby call a meeting of all Farmers union members to meet in Lohn hall on Saturday, Dec. 14, at 2 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing from one to four delegates to attend a Farmers union convention to be held at Fort Worth on January 14th, 1913, at 10 o'clock.

B. A. CORNILS,
County President.

P. O. Neel, with Luhn & Co., is a tailor in every sense of the word. When he takes hold of your clothes to alter, clean or press, or when he takes your measure for a suit, you may rest assured of a tailor-like job, done by a man who has had experience in the big clothesmaking shops of the North.

If you want fresh groceries, go to Abney & Vincent.

T. E. Schafer was here from Eden yesterday for the sole purpose of getting his subscription paid up until 1914.

HURRAH FOR J. M. PAGE'S SECOND STORE!



TROT OUT THE GROOM.

At a Brady wedding some time ago one of the men guests sat in a corner nursing a grouch. He never spoke a word during the most of the evening. His conduct took on a rather funny aspect. At last a stranger who had been watching him walked up and said joyfully: "Have you kissed the bride?" The sad man sighed as he answered: "Not lately."—The San Angelo Standard.

Over in San Angelo they also had a wedding recently and, as usual, had a big todo. After the ceremony the maid of honor and the best man were recounting incidents of the wedding. Said the m. o. h. "Well, it's all over, but did you ever hear so much disturbance while the ceremony was being performed?" "No, I never did," said the b. m. "And the children crying," continued the m. o. h., "did you ever hear the like? I don't see why they don't leave the children at home." "Neither do I," responded the b. m. "Do you know," continue the m. o. h. per-sively, "when I get married, I am going to have printed down in one corner of the invitation. 'No children expected'".

SOUR AND PESSIMISTIC.

Claude Callan of the Menard Messenger is getting real sour and pessimistic. With Christmas only a few days away, when he should be happy and hopeful, he emits this: "We favor an additional advance in the price of eggs. The dern things are out of reach anyhow."—Fort Worth Record.

W. S. House of Mercury lets us tell him the news of McCulloch county a while longer.

Look over our offers in our big ad, and if you do not find what you want, come to see us and tell us your wants. Wm. Connolly & Co.

We have quite a quantity of cane hay baled. If you need any hay, figure with us. Broad Mercantile Co.

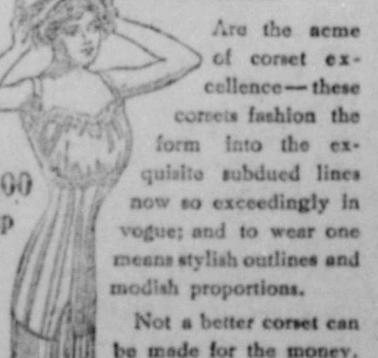
Still a few days left in which to order a suit and get an extra pair of pants free. The Toggery.

The latest in ties at Luhn's.

Our repair shop the most complete in West Texas. Brady Auto Co.

American Beauty CORSETS

Are the acme of corset excellence—these corsets fashion the form into the exquisite subdued lines now so exceedingly in vogue; and to wear one means stylish outlines and modish proportions. Not a better corset can be made for the money. American Beauty We carry in stock all of the latest patterns in stunning figure effects. For complete satisfaction wear American Beauty Corsets. Wm. Connolly & Co. Brady, Texas



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Closing Out Racket Stock Regardless of Cost

I have purchased the M. Neumegen stock of racket goods at 43c on \$1.00, and will close out the entire line at the same stand regardless of cost. Save money by looking over my stock before making your purchases.

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Registered and High-Grade Red Polled Cattle. Choice Mich-Cows and Young Bulls For Sale.

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Camp San Sabo, Texas

SUFFRAGETTE SONG.

Composed by Brady Lady Makes A Hit.

At a suffragette meeting in Eagle Lake recently Mrs. (Dr.) T. P. Doole made quite the hit of the occasion with a song upon woman suffrage, the song having been composed by herself and sung to the tune of "Tramp,

Tramp, Tramp, the Boys Are Marching." Word of the enthusiastic reception given the song has reached Brady, and there have been numerous requests from friends of Mrs. Doole for a copy of the song and Mrs. W. T. Melton has kindly furnished The Standard with the same, which we take pleasure in printing for the benefit of our readers.

SUFFRAGETTES.

There's a strong and grand,
In the land,
People we will get;
Rights,
The name of Suffragettes.

CHORUS.

Vote, vote, then for the women,
Cheer up, sisters, do not fret,
The world will realize it has surely gained a prize,
When the government is run by Suffragettes.

No more dishes we will wash,
No more darning of the socks,
No more cleaning house will all our soul and might,
We'll be dining at the club, but we'll take time to phone to Hub:
"Sorry, dear, but business keeps me here tonight."

No more cooking we will do, but as soon as breakfast's through
We will grab our hat and hit the road for town;
Then with every friend we meet with the glad hand we will greet,
And talk politics from sunup till sundown.

We democrats will declare that 'tis only just and fair
We should take a hand in the affairs of State,
While the republicans will shout, and believe it too, no doubt:
If they get in power, to starve will be our fate.

We would settle some affairs that have dragged along for years;
We'd have busted all the trusts long ago;
And our neighbor state would see just how neighborly we'd be
When our "Auntie" Sam said: "Be good, Mexico."

So this movement great and grand fast is spreading o'er our land,
And I'm sure that you will help our rights to get;
So whenever you chance to meet any friend upon the street,
Can't you speak a good word for the Suffragettes.



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Two preparations combined into one. It serves as a massage cream, thoroughly cleansing the pores of the skin, and as an invisible powder that cannot be detected.

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two little brothers—one is six and one is four, and a little baby sister 18 months old; be sure to get them something.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Ring, Size 6.

Dear Santa Claus:
You be sure to bring me a doll buggy and a ring, size 6.
PAULIM BENGTON,
Lightner, Texas.

Only a Doll Buggy and Bed.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll buggy and bed. From your best girl.
RUBY BENGTON,
Lightner, Texas.

Wants Fireworks.

Dear Santa Claus:
Bring me a knife, some apples, candy, nuts and fireworks.
GRADY SEYMORE,
Melvin, Texas.

One for the Editor.

Mr. Editor:
Kindly deliver our letters to Santa Claus. With best wishes for a Merry Christmas.
PAULIM AND RUBY BENGTON.

From Melvin.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to come to see me. I want you to bring me some fireworks and apples, candy, nuts, coconut and knife.
MARVIN SEYMORE.

Cradle for Dolls.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me a cradle for my dolls, a little bed, a buggy. That is all now, Santa Claus. Goodbye. Your little friend,
FLOSSIE CASTLEMAN.

An Air Gun.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a little wagon, fireworks, rocky horse, a little train, an air gun. Be sure and don't forget me, Santa Claus. Your little friend,
ANDERSON CASTLEMAN.

Bring Little Sister a Doll.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a little wagon, some apples, candy, pecans and peanuts. And please bring little sister a doll, some candy and apples. Yours lovingly,
GORDON SEYMORE,
Melvin, Texas.

Lots of Things.

Dear Santa Claus:
Want you to bring me a train that runs by itself and some apples and some candy and popcorn and lots of things. Love to Santa.
WALTER COFFEE,
Brady, Texas.

Wants to See Santa.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a doll, bracelet, ring, locket, rocking horse, a set of china dishes, a yard of blue ribbon, a white cap and a ring. Hope to see you at the Christmas tree. Yours truly,
EVA CARLSON,
Brady, Texas.

Wants a Dog—Not a Live One.

Dear Santa Claus:
I hope you won't get so many letters that you will overlook mine. I don't want much, but what I do want, I want awful bad. I want a doll and a doll bed, a dog—not a live one, just one that costs three nickels, I think—a little machine, and that will be all.
LEMAY JORDAN,
Brady, Texas.

Thinks of Others.

Dear Santa Claus:
How are you this year? Mother and father said they would give me some little Christmas presents, so if you have anything for me, please give it to some little girl who has no father and mother. But I hope I will get to see you. Yours for a joyous Christmas,
FAY McANALLY,
Brady, Texas.

Forgot Sister Last Year.

Dear Santa Claus:
I will write you a little letter and tell you what I would like for Christmas.
I want some marbles, a top, a horn, a train; and as it is cold and I go to school, I would like a pair of gloves. My hands get so cold.
And, dear Santa Claus, I have

two little brothers—one is six and one is four, and a little baby sister 18 months old; be sure to get them something.

You forgot sister last Christmas; I will hang her little stocking on mine; the little white one will sister's.

I'll go to Sweden and go to school. My teacher is Miss Mary Seap. I will be in the second row by Christmas. I am eight years old.

Will close, be sure to come. I will be a goody. Your little friend,
EUGENE SUELSON.

FIREWORKS AT THE PENNY STORE

Just received a small car load on which we are making the following special prices for Saturday, Dec. 21st, only:

- 4-ball Candles, per dozen... 10c
- 6-ball Candles, per dozen... 15c
- 8-ball Candles, per dozen... 25c
- 10-ball Candles, per dozen... 40c
- 12-ball Candles, per dozen... 50c
- 15-ball Candles, per dozen... 65c
- 20-ball Candles, per dozen... 75c
- 25-ball Candles, per dozen... \$1.25
- 30-ball Candles, each... 20c
- Baby Giants, 7 for... 25c
- 5c Firecrackers, 7 for... 25c

The Secret Terror.

The haunting fear of sickness and helplessness is the secret terror of the working man. Health is his capital. Kidney diseases sap a man's strength and vitality. They lessen his earning capacity. Foley's Kidney Pills bring back health and strength by healing the disease. They are the best medicine made for kidney and bladder troubles. The genuine are in the yellow package. Refuse any substitute. Jones Drug Store.

Pretty, useful, always acceptable—those silk hose in Christmas boxes at Kirk's. Nuf Sed.

The latest in ties at Luhn's.

G. W. Knoy orders his Standard changed from Brady to Rochelle, having moved to the Rochelle community to make his home the coming year.

For Lease or Rent—One 6-room rock residence one mile east of Brady, 115 acres of pasture land, also 20 acres in cultivation; never failing water, fine for a dairy. Apply to Mrs. Emma Campbell or phone 134.

The best quality of woolen underwear is to be found at Luhn's.

We are certainly making some attractive prices on iron beds, and if you are contemplating buying an iron bed, now is the time to get one almost at your own price. Broad Mercantile Co.

DON'T DELAY.

Some Brady People Have Learned That Neglect is Dangerous.

The slightest symptom of kidney trouble is far too serious to be overlooked. It's the small, neglected troubles that so often lead to serious kidney ailments. That pain in the "small" of your back; that urinary irregularity; those headaches and dizzy spells; that weak, weary, worn-out feeling, may be nature's warning of kidney weakness. Why risk your life by neglecting these symptoms? Reach the cause of the trouble while there yet is time—begin treating your kidneys at once with a tried and proven kidney remedy. No need to experiment—Doan's Kidney Pills have been successfully used in thousands of cases of kidney trouble for over 50 years. Doan's Kidney Pills are used and recommended throughout the civilized world. Convincing testimony follows:

W. E. Gideon, 201 E. Mosquito St., Coleman, Texas, says: "I was troubled by severe pains in my back. My kidneys were weak and there was an almost complete retention of the kidney secretions. I tried several remedies, but found Doan's Kidney Pills better than anything I had ever taken. Should the trouble return, I will know what to do."

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Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

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LAYTON'S HEALTH CLUB BAKING POWDER

25 OUNCES
ONE SPOON

Only One Cent an Ounce

In 10 5 & 25 Cans at all Good Grocers

Mr. Homer Bissett and Miss Emma Tetens were married last Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, Judge Harvey Walker performing the ceremony in his usual dignified and impressive manner. The wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents near Lohn, in the presence of a large throng of friends and admirers, who joined in showering them with congratulations and good wishes.

Following the wedding ceremony a supper was served to the newly weds and the assembled guests, and the occasion made merry with laughter and conversation, while music by an orchestra helped to make the day one long to be remembered.

Mr. Bissett is one of McCulloch county's leading young farmers, a man of high character and sterling worth. His bride is a most charming and talented young lady, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tetens, and is a popular favorite in the entire community, as well as with all who know her. The young couple have gone to housekeeping on Mr. Bissett's farm near Lohn, where they will be at home to their friends.

A. T. Jordan has bought the Marsden Bros. & Co. stock and is selling groceries cheap. Call on him for apples, fruits, nuts and candies.

Transfer paper at The Standard.

Have your cleaning and pressing done at Luhn's. They do it best.

UPTON PIANO CONTEST.

3	568,115
4	2,254,425
6	828,550
40	208,410
64	1,058,865
74	786,010
75	1,827,530
76	718,555
79	671,090
81	705,160
89	367,245
100	942,465
104	117,625
108	733,070
109	2,229,560
136	375,680
145	1,667,430
149	692,000
150	2,060,480
151	971,520
152	1,052,140
153	663,070
Fife School	1,443,130

Croupy Coughs and Wheezy Colds.

The quickest, simplest way to rid the children of dangerous croupy coughs and wheezy, stuffy colds is to give them Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. It gives almost instant relief and stops a cough promptly. It soothes and heals. Contains no opiates. Jones Drug Store.

There has been considerable interest taken in the distribution of the prize money offered by the Texas Commercial Congress for farm products. In a bulletin received in this office today, we note that a Milam county man won first prize. The total aggregate of money prizes totaled to \$10,000. We re-amount at McCulloch county was presented in the list of not representative competitors. We successfully looked over the have carefully their localities, list of men at everyone of the and find almost all in territory successful men worthy of rain-where there is plenty of it. The fall to help them succeed. The next season's prizes greater awarded to a somewhat trust, variety of products. We with a good season here, so one will be in the list of successful men.

There has been a very satisfactory response to the call of our farm demonstrator, Mr. J. W. Griffin, from the boys of the county on the milo maize proposition. We hope the list will still grow larger.

In this connection we wish to say that the opening season there will be quite a number of new seeds introduced for experimental trials. We will also say that there will be another exhibit the coming year, with the largest premium list ever offered in the county. It is not too soon to begin to prepare for it.

On the 24th and 25th of next month, January, 1915, the McCulloch County Poultry association will have their annual exhibit. This one will probably be open to the state, if sufficient premiums can be secured. These exhibitions are always educational to poultry raisers and fanciers. We expect to see a lively interest taken in this affair. For the benefit of some who are good workers along this line, we call attention to a few suggestions. Some of our best workers get worried because there are just a few who kick because their coops are not placed in the most prominent positions. Yet these fellows never, at any time, assist in the cleaning of the exhibit hall, never move or lift any of the exhibition coops, arrange none of the benches, bring no feed, nor provide for water; yet they want everything to go their way. Let us remember that all good business men expect a few like that everywhere, and they are always ready with a "juristic basket", where they can quiet hold the kickers until they needed, then they are too loose. But we are not too much with that class. All pull together to make record breaker.

Going home Xmas?

Low fares

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To points in Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Mexico and to Washington, D. C., Kansas City and St. Louis, Mo., Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo and Trinidad, Colo., and Chicago, Ill.

Any Santa Fe agent will be glad to quote you fares, give you dates of sale and limits and reserve Pullman accommodations for you, or address,

G. M. BENNETT, Agent

Big Wolf Chase.

Messrs. W. C. Wegner, Carrol Gray, Chas. McCombs and Jess Lindsay enjoyed a big wolf chase Wednesday night in the Jim Mann and Sid Espy pastures. They took with them twelve dogs belonging to various members of the party, and including those of P. O. Neel. The night was as fine as could be wished, and before they had been out long a big wolf had been jumped. After a four hours' exciting chase the pack of dogs ran into a bunch of cattlemen and lost the trail. All those who participated in the chase say they had rare sport, even if they did not run their quarry down.

For any pain, burn, scald or bruise, apply Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil—the household remedy. Two sizes, 25c and 50c, at all drug stores.

Merry Christmas will be yours if your clothes are Toggery cleaned and pressed. "Best Yet."

GOOD WORK HORSES FOR SALE. LONG TIME. ABNEY & VINCENT.

Coal! Coal! Coal!

See Macy & Co. for prices before you place your winter order for coal.

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Tickets on sale Dec. 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 and 31st to all points in Texas, limited until January 6th to return.

Tickets on sale December 23rd, 24th, 25th, 31st and January 1st, limited until January 6th, to all points in Oklahoma and Arkansas, one and one-third fare for the round trip.

On sale to all Louisiana points December 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 31st and January 1st, limited until January 6th to return.

Tickets on sale Dec. 21st, 22nd and 23rd, limited to January 19th, at a very low rate for the round trip to all points in Georgia, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and to Washington, D. C., Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis, Denver, Colorado Springs, and Trinidad.

For information, call on GRAHAM, Agent.

STILL AFTER OIL.

Three Rigs Delving Into Bowels of the Earth.

Work upon the three oil wells in and near McCulloch county is progressing steadily, or as much so as circumstances permit. The well at Millersview on the Schultz place is now down about 900 feet, and some oil and a lot of gas has encouraged the drillers so far. This well established a record in the southwest, in that it is cased to a depth of 830 feet with 8 1/4 inch casing. Work is being pushed on this well, and the contract calls for a 1500 foot hole, unless something develops before. A slight delay was occasioned by the snapping of a cable and the breaking of a friction pulley, but repairs were made the same day and work resumed.

The well on the E. W. Harris place near Pasche has reached a depth of 800 feet and is cased with eight inch casing to a depth of 600 feet. Work has been delayed all this week on account of a lost baler and tools to recover the balar are expected to arrive from Oklahoma on every train. Mr. Egan, who is drilling the well, had hoped to drill the well to 1200 feet by Christmas, thereby finishing his contract and enabling him to spend the holidays at home, but present indications do not look favorable for the realization of his expectations.

At Fife John Marks is making steady progress on the well on the Bradley place. Yesterday he reported having drilled 600 feet with the drilling going nicely. He struck the shallow oil sands at a depth of 425 feet, passing through seven feet of the sands.

P. O. Neel, with Luhn & Co., is a tailor in every sense of the word. When he takes hold of your clothes to alter, clean or press, or when he takes your measure for a suit, you may rest assured of a tailor-like job, done by a man who has had experience in the big clothesmaking shops of the North.

Phone Willbanks when you have auto troubles.

There is nothing that makes as nice a present as a piece of furniture. We have the goods, and best of all, the price, and you will be pleased to have you call and make a selection before the stock is picked over. Broad Mercantile Co.

Call Minister.

The members of the Baptist church last Sunday night voted to call Rev. J. H. Taylor of Commerce as their pastor to fill the place left vacant by the resignation of Rev. E. M. Francis. Rev. Taylor was here something like two years ago, at which time he delivered several splendid sermons, and made many friends and admirers among the members. No word has been received from him in reply to the call, but it is the hope that his response may be favorable.

Fit His Case Exactly.

"When father was sick about six years ago he read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Tablets in the papers that fit his case exactly," writes Miss Margaret Campbell of Ft. Smith, Ark. "He purchased a box of them and he has not been sick since. My sister had stomach trouble and was also benefited by them." For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

Two to one votes on every purchase during our big sale. Wm. Connolly & Co.

Don't forget that we have purchased the Noble Eros stock of hardware and implements and will make you close prices in these lines. Wm. Connolly & Co.

You will save money on feed at Abney & Vincent's.

Plenty of meal and hulls at the Bencini Oil Mill, and liberal exchange made for seed. A. W. Wood, Manager.

BOYS' MILO CLUB.

County Demonstrator Griffin Is the Organizer.

Below are the rules and regulations governing the club. I wish to say that I would appreciate the co-operation of every parent, farmer and business man of the county in the encouragement and support of the Boys' Milo Club. This is a home institution, and one that comes right down to your own doors, and one that all people alike should take an interest in. I want to see \$100 raised, in addition to the bushels of milo that the boys will donate to be divided into several premiums for the prize winners, and I am certainly glad to find the teachers of the county so willing and interested in the club. One teacher this week volunteered a contribution to this fund. You know I appreciate that kind of interest. I would like to see many of the farmers, teachers and business men alike contribute to this fund, and let's get the amount up before the first of January, so the boys will have some incentive besides their crop, and have it offered them before planting time.

We have adopted a nice gold plated button or badge for all boys who go through with their crops and make a report. I am also going to give a solid gold badge to the boy who wins first prize. These badges will be in the shape of an open book containing a head of milo, with the words: "Demonstrator, Boys' Milo Club."

Rules for Boys' Milo Club.

1. Members of the club, on entering contest must be between 10 and 18 year of age on January 1st, 1913.
2. No boy shall contest for a prize unless he shall become a member of the club.
3. The members of the club must agree to study the instructions of the Farmers Co-operative Demonstration work.
4. Each boy must plan his own work. A small boy may hire help for heavy work in preparing the soil.
5. The land must be carefully measured and the maize weighed in the presence of at least two disinterested parties, who shall attest the certificate of the boy.
6. He shall gather two average inside rows, shell and weigh, multiply this result by the number of rows, and divide by 50. Each plat shall consist of one acre.
7. Exhibits of one bushel and ten heads must be delivered to the secretary of the Brady Commercial club on or before October 15, 1913.
8. Each boy will be asked to contribute one bushel to the boy who makes the highest yield on one acre.
9. If there are more than 100 bushels contributed as above, the remaining bushels shall be given to the boys winning second and third prizes.
10. It is hoped and expected that there will be some valuable cash prizes given to the boys winning second and third prizes.

J. W. GRIFFIN,
Special Agent.

Could Shout for Joy.

"I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart," wrote C. B. Rader of Lewisburg, W. Va., "for the wonderful double benefit I got from Electric Bitters in curing me of both a severe case of stomach trouble and rheumatism, from which I had been an almost helpless sufferer for ten years. It suited my case as though made just for me." For dyspepsia, indigestion, jaundice, and to rid the system of kidney poisons that cause rheumatism, Electric Bitters have no equal. Try them. Every bottle is guaranteed to satisfy. Only 50c at Jones Drug Co.

It is not too late yet to save money on your fuel bill by buying a Cole's Original Hot Blast stove—the stove that actually satisfies. Broad Mercantile Co.

REVENUE FROM PRODUCE.

Amounts Paid for Produce in Brady Enormous Sum.

This is the last week for dressing turkeys at McCully Co.'s and Mr. Roddie states that he expects to close the killing plant Saturday night. This department has presented the busiest scene in Brady during the past six weeks, and the pickers have been working from break of day until eleven o'clock at night. The total number of turkeys dressed this season will be 7,000 and this represents something like \$8,000 paid to the farmers of McCulloch and adjoining counties for this one product alone.

Mr. Roddie has been encouraging the raising of larger and better turkeys, and the result has been noticeable already in this year's receipts as compared with those of last year. In order to still further encourage this improvement he has exchanged the Giant Bronze turkeys for the ordinary, giving pound for pound. He realizes that by assisting the farmers in starting right he will increase the stock, weight and grade of the turkeys in this territory, thereby not only benefitting the farmer, but himself as well, inasmuch as he can realize better prices for turkeys of ten pounds or better average than for the smaller ones, and consequently pay better prices for them. Mr. Roddie has greatly developed his territory this year, buying turkeys not only in McCulloch county, but in Mason, Kimble and Menard as well.

Another product that is daily increasing in importance, and is lining the successful producer's pocket with silver is the great American hen. During the past six months the shipment of chickens to market has averaged ten coops a week, with thirty to the coop, or 300 chickens per week. With an average price of 20c a piece paid to the farmer the amount of cash put into the farmer's pockets the past twenty-six weeks has been over \$1500.

Cured of Liver Complaint.

"I was suffering with liver complaint," says Ira Smith of Point Blank, Texas, "and decided to try a 25c. box of Chamberlain's Tablets, and am happy to say that I am completely cured and can recommend them to every one." For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

Time to clean and press your clothes for Christmas. Nuf Sed. Kirk.

Phone 54 and have your clothes cleaned and pressed for Christmas. Nuf Sed. Kirk.

The most appreciated gift you could make is a subscription to The Brady Standard. Better'n a letter. 104 copies, \$1.00.

Nothing will make a nicer present than a rocking chair. We have them from a dollar up. Broad Mercantile Co.

CARDUI WORKED LIKE A CHARM

After Operation Failed to Help, Cardui Worked Like a Charm.

Jonesville, S. C.—"I suffered with womanly trouble," writes Mrs. J. E. Kendrick, in a letter from this place, "and at times, I could not bear to stand on my feet. The doctor said I would never be any better, and that I would have to have an operation, or I would have a cancer.

I went to the hospital, and they operated on me, but I got no better. They said medicines would do me no good, and I thought I would have to die.

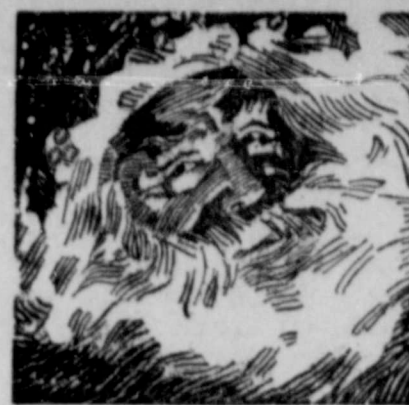
At last I tried Cardui, and began to improve, so I continued using it. Now, I am well, and can do my own work. I don't feel any pain.

Cardui worked like a charm."

There must be merit in this purely vegetable, tonic remedy, for women—Cardui—for it has been in successful use for more than 50 years, for the treatment of womanly weakness and disease.

Please try it, for your troubles. N. B.—Write for Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Leaflet, and 16-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper, no request.

CHRISTMAS GOODS



Unique lines—not a very large stock, but well selected. Numerous and dainty novelties, many inexpensive gifts—just the thing for Xmas.

COME AND SEE THEM THEY ARE GOING FAST

Jones Drug Co. Inc

"WHERE THE PEOPLE TRADE"

ROY E. BENDELL.

Entertainer and Impersonator Here Monday Night.

The next number of the lyceum course is to be given Monday night at the court house. Roy E. Bendell, entertainer and impersonator, will delight the attendants with his wit, humor character mimicry and excerpts of literary classics. Holders of season tickets can secure seats at the Jones Drug Co. by presenting their tickets and securing reserved seat coupons.

The following is the recommendation given Mr. Bendell by the management of the lyceum bureau under whose direction he is working:

"Mr. Bendell is a unique personality. He is large of body and large of soul. The artist tinges in every fibre of his being. Nature has endowed him with rare dramatic instinct, a rich resonant, musical voice, and a vigorous, flexible body that is highly interpretive at just the right moment.

"Mr. Bendell's repertoire is rich and varied and meets the requirements of any audience. He is equally at home in the classics or the popular in literature. His work extends in one way from exquisite clowning to the heights reached by our greatest tragedians. His interpretations are clear and sharp in their outlines, and full of the fire and dash that inspire and hold the attention of the most listless individual; and yet they are well shaded and tempered with that reserve that gives to art its needed balance and repose. His instinctive discrimination in literary and dramatic values gives to his work what all true art has—an educational value."

Don't waste time looking up the number in the telephone directory—just ring 151 when you want cleaning and pressing. The Toggery.

Bargains in groceries, dry goods, hats, shoes, ready-to-wear, in fact, everything to eat or wear. Wm. Connolly & Co.'s big sale.

Wedding Announced.

The wedding of Mr. Dudley Pumphrey of Mercury and Miss Charlotte Young of Brownwood is announced for Saturday, December 28th, at the home of the bride in Brownwood. Miss Young is well known to many McCulloch county citizens, and for the past two years has been in charge of the school at Nine, where she has endeared herself to pupils and patrons alike. Mr. Pumphrey is one of the prominent young men of Mercury, where he stands high in the estimation of all the citizens.

A Chee-ful Christmas.

A nice, warm, cozy home with plenty of good lumpy coal would certainly add to your Christmas cheer.

Phone us your order NOW. ALFALFA LUMBER CO.

Season's Greetings.

I wish to thank the people of McCulloch and surrounding counties for their liberal patronage during the year just closing, and want, in the future, as in the past, to merit a part of your trade by giving dependable goods at reasonable prices.

Wishing all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, I am, Very truly yours, J. F. SHAEG.

Just received a car of celebrated Denton county flour—a home product. Get it at Bumgardner's.

If you need a decorated lamp you can get one from us almost at your own price. Just let us show you what we have. Broad Mercantile Co.

Catarrah Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrah is a local or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrah Cure is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrah Cure is not a quick medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrah. Send for testimonials, free.

J. J. CHENEY & CO., Prop., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, price 25c per bottle. Take Hall's Family.

Stock National will be held at Tuesday, January 14th, between the hours of 10 and 4 p. m. for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year.

W. D. CROTHERS, Cashier.

Home Grown Oranges.

L. Ballou presented us with some dainty little oranges yesterday, and solemnly assured us that they were home-grown—without irrigation. The oranges are about the size of a golf ball and are perfect in form and color. They are of the dwarf variety, and the little trees make exceedingly ornamental plants about the house or yard.

None so big and none so good as the bargains offered at Wm. Connolly & Co.'s sale.

Do you need a good horse or mule? We have some splendid mung mules and horses, and would like to show you what we have. Broad Mercantile Co.

Piano votes given with every purchase of shelf hardware at Wm. Connolly & Co.

My Mama Says - Its Safe for Children

CONTAINS NO OPIATE

FOLEY'S HONEY and TAR

For Coughs and Colds

JONES DRUG CO.