

Personal Items

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wood were in Hamilton Sunday, guests in the Mark Carlton home.

Miss Gwenola Elkins of Dallas was a week end guest of Mrs. T. B. Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Simpson of Waco were holiday guests of his sister, Mrs. Watt Ross and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Hudson of Ireddell visited relatives here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry McCarty of Coleman were recent guests of Grandpa Fewell, who is quite ill.

J. J. Newsom of Wichita Falls was here one day last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Newsom.

Mrs. Nicey Cage of Stephenville was here last Thursday visiting her mother, Mrs. M. A. Gillentine.

Dan Wilkerson, who is manager of a lumber company in Cross Plains, was here Christmas day, guest of Miss Doris Sellers.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Burtner and little son, Robert, of Dallas, were here as holiday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Newsom.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Parker of Albany were week end guests here of their sister, Mrs. M. Hunter and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Knott and children were in Dallas during the holidays visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Christian of San Antonio, were here the latter part of last week visiting her sister, Mrs. F. M. Mingus.

Miss Grace Simpson of Dallas was here the first of the week, guest of her sister, Mrs. F. M. Mingus.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mingus spent last Thursday in Ireddell with Mrs. Mingus' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Simpson.

John B. Samples, bookkeeper at the Barnes & McCullough Lumber Co., spent Christmas with his parents, who reside at Austin.

Mrs. B. D. Cole and children, Beulah and Billy Garth Cole of Stamford spent Christmas here with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Garth and Lucille.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Carlton and daughter, Miss Nell Carlton, of Hamilton, were here last Thursday, dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Harris of Cisco were Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Langston.

Mrs. T. J. Hyde and daughter, Daisy Dean, of Fort Worth spent the first of the week here visiting her brother, J. D. Diltz and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Petty, accompanied by Mrs. Truman Holladay of Austin, spent Christmas in Stamford with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Wall.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Culbreath returned home Saturday night from Brady, where they spent several days with their daughter, Mrs. A. B. Cox and family.

Hardy Parker, who has been in Providence Hospital, Waco, where he underwent an operation, returned home Tuesday. He is improving as rapidly as could be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Aiton Sr. and family moved this week to the Parker farm in the northwest edge of Hico. Mr. Aiton intends to engage more extensively in the raising of chickens.

Mrs. J. H. Hancock spent the early part of last week in Hamilton at the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Mary Stedham, who passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Roy Santy, Tuesday after a brief illness.

Mrs. B. F. Williams spent a part of last week in Shawnee, Okla., visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. C. Roberts. She also visited another daughter, Miss Evalena Williams, who is a nurse in a hospital at Seminole, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Parker and children and Mr. and Mrs. Hobert Proffitt and children of Breckenridge are here visiting their brother, Hardy Parker, who is ill. They are also visiting their sister, Mrs. M. Hunter and other relatives.

Miss Quata Wood of Dallas was a holiday guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wood. She left Saturday for Port Arthur to spend this week with her brother, Tom J. Woods and family, before returning to her school duties in Dallas next Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Phillips and children of Stephenville, and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Phillips and daughter were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Phillips Christmas evening. Mrs. Phillips said they enjoyed a lot of Christmas fruit sent them by the Faulk family who now reside in California. Mr. Faulk who died sometime ago was a brother of Mrs. C. D. Phillips.

Spills Like This Are No Novelty to Steeplechasers



Jockeys Feakes and Parvin being thrown from their horses, "Casse Fire" and "Second National," in the Clewer Steeplechase at Hawthorn Hill, England.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Y. Wallace spent Christmas day in Bluffdale with relatives.

Mrs. Annie Goodman of Ireddell was here the first of the week visiting her sister, Mrs. Sue Segrist.

Mr. and Mrs. Orba Fewell spent Christmas with her father at Hagerman near Fort Worth.

W. H. Whisenant of Dublin was here Saturday visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Whisenant.

Mrs. Sarah Hall and children of near Morgan were here last Thursday visiting her mother, Mrs. S. A. Smith.

Dr. and Mrs. P. G. Hays and sons spent Christmas day in Brownwood with Mrs. Hays' sister.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ellington and children were dinner guests of her mother, Mrs. E. J. Ables, near Fairy on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Jackson of Bangs were holiday guests of their daughter, Mrs. G. S. Schwartz and family.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Creath of Coleman were here Christmas, guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Wiseman.

Mr. and Mrs. Watt Petty are in Wichita Falls, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hooper and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ellington and daughter, Mary, were here Sunday visiting Mrs. Ellington's mother, Mrs. M. Ellington.

Mrs. E. F. Porter and daughter, Miss Martha Porter, were week end guests of her mother, Mrs. J. A. Shannon in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Porter of Big Spring were here over the week end visiting his mother, Mrs. Ida Porter, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Adams of Fairy were here Christmas day visiting their cousin, Miss Joannie Huchingson.

S. O. Rosser and family of Joshua were here Friday and Saturday, guests of Rev. and Mrs. L. P. Thomas and children.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Whisenant spent from Wednesday of last week until Friday in Dublin with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Tillinghast of Cisco, and Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Cobb of Fort Worth were here last Thursday, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Make Johnson and son.

Mrs. Charlie Collins of Waco, and Mrs. E. H. Sparkman of Baylor University, Waco, were here a part of last week, guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Wolfe.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Newton of Wichita Falls were week end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Farmer and other friends and relatives.

Dr. V. Hawes was a week end guest in Waco with his sons, Sam and Dr. H. C. Hawes. He had also had a physical examination while there, and seems to be getting along nicely at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Waldrop of the Honey Grove community, and Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Davis of the Millerville community were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Johnson.

Frank Joiner of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Hamilton and children of Hillsboro and Jess Hestler and family of Itasca were here as Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Joiner.

J. N. Collier of Whitney, Mrs. Seales, son, Rudolph, and daughter, Nell, of Austin, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Newsom of Stephenville were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Lane.

Mrs. T. U. Little was in Mineral Wells a part of last week on account of the death of her sister, Mrs. Luther Johnson, who was laid to rest in the Mineral Wells cemetery on Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Persons and baby of Temple and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Persons and daughter, Ruby Sue, of Haskell were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Persons, and other relatives.

Rispy Newton who is in the Hamilton sanitarium for treatment is reported as getting along nicely and is expected to be able to be out of the sanitarium in a few days.

JOE GISH FREE AIR... WHAT KEEPS FOLKS FROM GOIN' WRONG AIN'T ALWAYS CONSCIENCE; SOMETIMES ITS JUST COLD FEET.

John Pruitt and family of Ireddell were here Christmas day visiting Mrs. Maggie Pruitt.

E. R. Lynch and Goodwyn Phillips were in Waco the first of the week on business.

A. Platt of Stephenville, was here Wednesday visiting his mother, Mrs. Willie Platt.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Holton and family of Dallas were here last Thursday visiting his sister, Mrs. C. C. Christopher and family.

Mrs. Earl R. Lynch spent the first of the week in Hamilton with her mother, Mrs. E. Secrest, and sister, Miss Ruth Secrest.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bass and daughter of Waco spent the holidays here with Mrs. Minnie Bass and Mrs. Claude Barbee.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Bess were Christmas dinner guests in the Cox Weaver addition.

Joe T. Collier was a Christmas dinner guest of his son, John Collier and family in the Camp Branch community.

W. O. Cunningham of Dallas, is spending a few days here with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hardin.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland L. Holford and daughter, Carolyn, were holiday guests of their parents at Garland and Dallas.

Bill Elkins who is attending school in Dallas was here over the holidays with his father, E. H. Elkins.

Miss Nettie Rodgers of the Baylor University, Waco, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rodgers.

Mrs. Forgy and son, Rolene, were Christmas guests of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. L. J. Vann, at Mullin.

Doris Gamble, who is attending Baylor Med. in Dallas, spent the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barto Gamble.

Robert Prater and family and Mrs. W. A. Bess were guests in the Clayton Lambert home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Lambert reside six miles out on the Stephenville road.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Copeland accompanied Miss Johnnie Copeland and Miss Gladys and Lois Segrest to Denton Wednesday where they will re-enter North Texas State Teachers' College after spending the holidays here with their parents.

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter Langston and Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Blain and son of Dublin were here Sunday, guests in the Ike Langston home.

Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Bird and little son, V. H. Jr., spent Christmas day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McDurmitt at Hamilton.

Mrs. J. F. Butler and grandson, Albert Boyd, of Gordon visited her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Clepper Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Jim Holland and daughter, Miss Reecie, of Mullin, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Holland of Sanderson were here Sunday, guests in the J. E. Burlison home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hawes of Springfield, Mo., Dr. H. C. Hawes and Sam Hawes of Waco were holiday guests of their parents, Dr. and Mrs. V. Hawes.

Mrs. Hudson Smith of Stephenville and Mr. and Mrs. Penn Blair and daughter, Yetta, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim D. Wright Christmas day.

Mrs. J. F. Chenault and daughters, Mrs. John Lackey and Miss Florence Chenault were in Hamilton Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Sim W. Everett and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark and children of Sweetwater were here for the Christmas holidays visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Clark, and Mr. and Mrs. D. F. McCarty.

W. A. Anderson of Durango, Colo., and Mr. and Mrs. Sim W. Everett and son, Barton, of Hamilton, were here as Christmas guests of Mrs. J. F. Chenault and daughter, Miss Florence.

Misses Elizabeth and Ora Lee Clepper, who have been visiting relatives and friends at Brad, Ranger and Gordon for the past two weeks, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. W. T. Oats of Gage, Okla., is here visiting her sister, Mrs. V. H. Bird, and also her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McDurmitt, at Hamilton. This is the first time Mrs. Bird had seen her sister in eleven years.

Mrs. Harvey Smith will leave Sunday for Waxahachie to spend some time with her son, W. V. Smith and family. She expects to spend the remainder of the winter with her other children, Mrs. T. A. Huckabee at Cleburne, Mrs. Lee Howell at Dallas and O. R. Smith at Waco.

Rev. Frank Nixon and family of Clifton were here on Christmas day as guests of Rev. and Mrs. L. P. Thomas and children. Rev. Thomas says they especially enjoy guests of this nature as they brought turkey with all the trimmings. Rev. Nixon is pastor of the First Baptist Church in Clifton.

Christmas guests in the E. S. Jackson home were, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Ridenhower and three daughters and Ray Ridenhower of Junction. Miss Minnie Jackson of Dallas, Robert Jackson and family of Abilene, Holland Jackson of Waxahachie, and Lamar Byers of Breckenridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Holladay, who are students of the State University at Austin, were here a part of last week visiting Mrs. Holladay's sister, Mrs. Wallace Petty, and also old friends here. They are liking their college work fine, and progressing nicely with their education.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Copeland and Miss Johnnie Copeland spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Copeland's father, J. W. Chandler, at Eastland, and also at Albany with Mrs. Copeland's sisters, Mrs. Allie Newman, Mrs. O. B. Lawrence and Mrs. O. B. Stanley. Mr. Copeland reported the falling of some sleet at Albany Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Truitt and little son, Ed, of Hamilton, were here Sunday visiting friends. Mr. Truitt is manager of the Gulf States Telephone Company at Hamilton. They were located here a few months ago when Mr. Truitt was foreman over special work done in and around Hico by the same company.

Miss Winnie McAnelly, who is teaching in the Gustine School, entertained the faculty with a dinner at her home here Saturday, December 20th. Turkey with all the trimmings was served from a beautifully decorated table suggestive of the Christmas season. The teachers included Miss Scott, English instructor; A. D. Pettit, principal; Hays Frank, Miss Hazel Porter and Ina Gene Couch. Other guests were Mr. Estes of Gustine and Mrs. LeRoy Guyton of Waco.

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Best Girl

By HELEN NORRIS



First Installment
"Gee, that is pretty," she said as she gazed at the picture of the girl who had been the best girl in the school last year. "It's just like the girl I saw in the window of the department store last week. I wish I could see her again."

The man, a small, huddled, insignificant figure in the close gloom of the ugly little room, roused himself alertly. The double bed's other occupant also roused, groaned, and Maggie's mother stirred reluctantly and asked anxiously apparently out of deep slumber:
"Maggie, how's the Mayor?"
"I didn't have time to look, Ma. But don't get up," the girl urged her, concernedly. "I'll bring you in some breakfast, and the paper too!"
"It don't seem right you should," Mrs. Johnson said perfunctorily. "Is Lizbeth up?" she asked. "You make her do the share! The worst of housekeeping," Mrs. Johnson, who had a very slight acquaintance with the subject, resumed, sighing, "is dividing up the work so one don't get it all."
Maggie, too well accustomed to these rambling dissertations, to waste time in listening to them, had returned to the kitchen. She poured her father, who came noiselessly out in his postman's gray, a cup of smoking coffee, poured herself a glass of milk, and put the toast and butter between them.

"I could laugh at this," she said presently, in a clear, rich, rolling voice, every word enunciated. "I— a Petheridge—eatin' in my kitchen! And waitin' on me is my daughter, Len, but—considerin' the home you took me from, and the ways things was there, I should think it'd seem funny to you! Don't it?"
Len Johnson started nervously as the last word was shot at him. "Indeed it don't my dear! You're quite right, I think we get along real well—considerin'!"
"Considerin' what?" the woman asked with quiet menace.
"Considerin' that your sister is entirely beyond our control, and don't pay no more attention to the father and mother that bore her than the babe unborn—considerin' that you are slavin' away the best part of your life in a five-and-ten-cent store," Mrs. Johnson took up the challenge with deadly readiness, "and considerin' that your father who was supposed to have a fine future in a bank when I married him, as God is my judge and as I set here this minute—Maggie," she broke off the automatic and quite unattended tirade to ask suddenly, "what are them

Johnson and all her bedclothes are down on the floor!" Maggie answered, voice tearful with rage. "And the next time she wears only my silk stockings, I'll have her arrested—that's what's the matter! I went without lunches four days for those stockings, and she's got 'em full of runs, and I want to tell you—Where's Pop?" She interrupted herself, suddenly calming. "Has Pop gone?" she demanded blankly, her angry face taking on an almost ludicrous look of concern and disappointment.
"Maggie, I wish you wouldn't be so sharp with Lizbeth," her mother said, protestingly: "it's common to have two sisters always squabblin'. If she borrowed your stockin's—"
"Borrowed! You might as well borrow a waffle," Maggie burst forth scornfully. "You might as well borrow a bath! How long ago did Pop go?"
"I can catch him—good-bye, Ma!" Maggie called, her voice coming back on the wave of cold air that was admitted by the opening kitchen door.

Mrs. Johnson sat on dreamily, munching and pondering, Maggie and the man of the family had to punch time clocks at half-past eight. But Elizabeth, the older daughter, could saunter down to the beauty parlor where she demonstrated a complexion cream, at any time before ten.
She came out now, tousled and sleepy as her mother had been, and wrapped like her mother, in a soiled kimono.
"Oh, Lord, I'm dead!" she said simply.
"Have good time last night?" her mother asked, rattling sheets of newspaper.
"Time of my life. Oh, Lord, I'm dead. I got a cold, anyway. Helen's got her death of cold. Chess Rivers was just in from Denver, and he's just about dead!" Elizabeth said simply, obviously undisturbed by these mortuary details.
"Ma, you ought to get a Jap in here. This place looks something awful!"
The older woman continued to crunch and read, unruffled. Her first born could do no wrong.
"I know it, Lizbeth. But two dollars a day! My God, you wonder what next! Two dollars a day for what?" I asked one of them.
"A few dishes," I said, "and to sweep a cottage of five rooms—why? I said, 'it's child's play. When I first was married, I told him, 'I could get a girl for fifty cents a day!'"
"It seems like Maggie thinks of nobody but herself," her mother said, out of a long pause, "and that's the truth!"
But fortunately for Maggie, it was only on rare and terrible occasions that her mother and sister agreed in criticizing her. Now Elizabeth came indifferently to her defense.
"Oh, poor kid, she doesn't get many breaks!"
"You'd stand up for her, of course," Mrs. Johnson commented in resentment.
"Well, she don't get many breaks!" Elizabeth repeated absently.
"Poverty is a curse, all right!" Mrs. Johnson presently responded vaguely. But her daughter had heard this remark so often that it made no impression, except, perhaps, that of deepening the formless discontent that was one of Liz's most marked characteristics. Maggie had danced along the frosty winter street beside the bent, meek little figure of Len Johnson, postman, chattering, with her usual eager rush, of everything in general and of themselves in particular.

Len Johnson made almost no response. She was always like this, her eyes, her voice, her feet eager in the rush of joyous vitality that



"I—a Petheridge—eatin' in my kitchen! And waitin' on me is my daughter."

Len Johnson sat down cautiously, sent an interrogative glance to the bedroom door. He was a small, timid man, with strands of silky hair brushed damp and neat across the shining bald dome of his head.
"Mad?" he asked, without sound.
Maggie set down her glass, looked straight at him, looked at the bedroom door, and shook her head.
"You wakin' her up?" Len Johnson breathed almost inaudibly.
"She didn't care!" Maggie shapely the words, with her lips, rather than said them.
Mrs. Johnson, lured by the appetizing odors kitchen-ward, appeared majestically in the doorway.
A worn and spotted kimono was wrapped about her, her rich dark hair was in disorder, her eyes were fixed steadily upon her husband's shrinking form. Maggie leaped to her feet, and as her mother, who was an enormous woman, sank heavily into the vacated chair she busied herself with the coffee pot and sacrificed, without a second's hesitation, the toast she had made for herself.
While she spread fresh slices on the oven grating, she watched both parents uneasily. Her father, pretending to eat and to act naturally, have been under the eyes of a cat; her mother, automatically stirring her coffee and reaching for sugar and cream, never moved her gaze from him.

cotton gloves like, at the Mack?"
"I didn't hear you, Ma. I was talkin' to Pa," Maggie said.
"Pop, I'm working tonight. It's Sat'day. Are you on late?" It was hardly above a murmur, it did not in the least interfere with the majestic monologue of the lady of the house.
"Shall I wait for you like I used, dearie?"
"No—you get comfortable and read your paper after dinner. Murphy comes right to this corner—it ain't so far, anyway. You'll be on for the Christmas rush next week, anyway."
Maggie washed her hands at the faucet with a piece of yellow soap, pulled a small and shabby hat, once a hat of her older sister, tightly down over her thickly coiled hair, and hung up her respectable apron. She was slipping her arms into a thick, clumsy coat—also a discord from her sister—when, reminded perhaps by the garment of its important first owner, a change came over her face, and she said in consternation:
"Oh, heavenly day! It's five past eight, and Liz says to wake her at half-past seven!"
"For heavens sake, what is it, Maggie?" Mrs. Johnson screamed agitatedly a moment later. "Don't come flyin' out of rooms that way—you'll have me in a faint on the floor. What's happened! What is it?"
"What's happened is that Liz

marked, for Maggie the rise of every new day.
But even he took as a matter of course. Lizbeth was the family belle, aristocratic and exacting as a debutante, like her mother, a poor Minnie-well, she hadn't a much of a match when she had chosen Leonard Junior. He had never let her forget it, he had had a last touch to her husband's despair.
In that same day, tumbled bedroom off the kitchen, she had emerged this morning, Minnie quite unexpectedly, a second daughter, a girl, born into the world as unceremoniously as she had entered it.
Why indeed could she have dreamed that gazing at that little "drowned rat," was going to turn in a few years of finite, companionable, loving, over little Maggie?

After the general collapse of the family fortune, and the loss of her only son, Mr. Johnson had made no further efforts to plant and foster her husband's business ambitions, or to hold up her own head in the world.
Continued Next Week.

TO THE PEOPLE OF HAMILTON COUNTY:
It is with a deep sense of gratitude that my four years of service among the good people of Hamilton county comes to a close. That the voters of the county where I grew from my childhood inspired me with so important a duty; that the patrons, students, teachers, business leaders and public officials of the county have so generously lent me their genuine assistance throughout my tenure; that the ideals of efficiency which characterized my predecessor's work have been carefully attempted throughout my administration; these are the halcyon memories which shall linger long in the recesses of my heart and mind.
My unqualified support is tendered my successor along with a sincere hope that he may receive a continuation of the very commendable cooperation that has almost invariably been extended me. May the cause of education continue upward under his direction and able leadership and may he and his constituency ever remember that they have a true and lasting friend in the retiring county superintendent.
Gratefully yours,
GENEVA SILLS.

FAIRY ITEMS

The holidays being almost over, everybody will soon be back in the old routine of business again. Many old friendships were renewed and many have been made happy by visits of relatives and friends, which perhaps will not happen again until another Xmas.
Cupid made his appearance again in our community this time capturing for his prey, Mr. Guy Heartgraves and Miss Wymer Allison, who were quietly married last Tuesday at Ireland by Rev. Studer, pastor of the Methodist Church here. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edd Allison of Fairy, while the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Heartgraves of Jonesboro. Both are accomplished young people, which bespeaks for them a happy voyage through life. The groom is superintendent of the Fairy school and the bride is pianist of the Methodist Church. They will be at home to their friends in rooms secured from Mrs. Pitts.

Mrs. Grimes had several of her children with her for Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Huckelly of Walnut Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Grimes of the County Line community, and Mr. and Mrs. Brunson of near Fairy.
Mrs. Grimes and son, Henry went to Fort Worth Friday for a few day's visit with her children there.

Atwell Duncan of Hamilton visited his mother, Mrs. M. C. Duncan Xmas day, presenting her with a gift of a nice lounging robe.
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jones of San Angelo visited relatives here during the holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Crist of Hico spent Xmas day with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Jones.
The Cranfill Gap ball team and Fairy played a ball game at Cranfill Gap Friday night, the game being won by Cranfill Gap, 14-11.
Rev. Gafford of Valley Mills was a Fairy visitor Friday.
Earl Cables of New Mexico is visiting his children, also M. E. Parks and family, who have been caring for his children the past few years.
Mr. and Mrs. Cox and two children, Dennis and Jewel, of Corpus Christi, Mr. and Mrs. McDaniel of Gorman, and Mr. and Mrs. Smith and three children of Comanche County, spent the week end with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Olga Duncan.
School was resumed Monday after a week's vacation for the holidays.
A Christmas tree was enjoyed at the school auditorium last Wednesday night. Two of the rooms had a Christmas tree on Friday evening.

"Does Snookem's baby get off any original sayings?"
"Oh, he did, but they were so dumb that Snookem had to hire a ghost writer for him."
McFall, the factory foreman, was asked by the manager whether the new man he had hired was making progress.
"Progress!" exploded the foreman. "Why, I've taught him every thing I know and he is still an ignorant fool!"

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There is only one way to conduct a business under the cash plan—that is to treat everyone alike and stay in line all the time. We are going to do this and believe our customers and friends will appreciate our position and not ask us to break over.
We want to serve to the best of our ability, and are convinced that this plan is best. Every courtesy will be extended the public, but we wish to remind everyone again that everything is STRICTLY CASH—we are required to pay cash for what we buy, and must have the money when we sell.

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GROW LESS—GET MORE

That is the title of a little pamphlet which has just been got out for free distribution by the Federal Farm Board. It is worth every farmer's while to read it.

If any proof were needed that the less of any crop were produced, the more actual money the growers would get, it is furnished in the figures which the Farm Board cites. Every farmer realizes that when potatoes are scarce in the market he gets a higher price per bushel. What many do not realize is that the price per bushel is so much higher, in time of scant supply, that he actually makes more money on his small crop than when he grows a large crop.

The potato figures are the ones the Farm Board uses. In 1928 the United States had the largest potato crop on record—463 million bushels. The average farm price for potatoes that year was 66 cents a bushel, and the total received by the farmers was 185 million dollars. In 1925 the potato crop was small—only 321 million bushels. As a result, the average price was a full dollar higher than in the year of the big crop, or \$1.66 a bushel. The farmers received 337 million dollars for less work and less expense than when they got only five-eighths as much.

Of course, crop reduction won't work to increase farm prices unless all or most of the farmers in a given district, growing the same commodity, agree to cut down their acreage. One of the results of the cooperative system which the Farm Board is charged by law to inaugurate, is a wider exchange of information among farmers, and a better mutual understanding, so that it should be easier in the future than it has been in the past, for farmers to agree to reduce their acreage in wheat, corn, cotton, potatoes or the other staple crops, to the advantage of all. Fewer acres, under cultivation, larger yields per acre, are the only secrets of real farm prosperity.

THE TURN OF THE YEAR

What will 1931 bring? The year just ended will go down in history as one of the hard years, economically speaking. Everybody in the United States has felt the pinch, not of poverty but of "hard times." Business has been slack, money hard to collect, credits have been curtailed, spending has been less, more people have been out of work, than at any time since the last great depression, which lasted through the year 1921.

Yet there was little actual suffering in 1930, and the great majority of people continued to drive their automobiles, to enjoy themselves in much the same way as they were in the habit of doing. Most of us didn't buy as many new clothes, but nearly all of us had just as much of the same sort of things to eat. According to those who study those things, more of us went to the movies in 1930 than in 1929. And when the calls came for help for the unemployed, we gave more money, in hard cash, for charitable purposes, than we had given in any year since the war, when everybody was "giving till it hurt."

In short, "hard times" as we have experienced them in 1930, would have seemed like very good times indeed to the great majority of Americans, if we had not had six years of such riotous prosperity just before us to distort our sense of values.

Nobody can foretell the future, but we doubt very much whether 1931, will come any closer to the old-fashioned sort of "hard times" with great masses of people everywhere reduced to beggary and starvation. All of the signs visible today point the other way. We know that in many lines business is getting better; we are told that it is improving in almost every direction. The principal thing the matter with our economic situation today is the habit of thinking in terms of hard times, which may take the better part of 1931 to overcome.

In the long run, however, one thing is certain. The United States of America will go ahead toward better and brighter times than we have ever known. To believe otherwise is to believe that the human race is going backward, and that is definitely not true.

HONEY GROVE

We have been having some fine winter days the past week. Mrs. Andy Bumgardner of Lampkin is visiting her brother and relatives this week.

Those present in the J. W. Jordan home Wednesday were, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. King and daughter, Miss Lona, Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Jordan and daughters, Dorothy and Mary Jane.

J. A. Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Fern Jordan and Mr. Mrs. Culmer Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. King and family were in the W. A. Moss home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Falls and son were in the J. S. Lemond home Friday.

Those present in the J. S. King home Sunday were Mrs. J. E. King and daughters, Enid, Jeanne and Myrtle of Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. King of Hico, Mrs. Andy Bumgardner of Lampkin, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moss and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards of Carlton.

Those present in the Tommie Falls home Sunday were, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Linn Fale of Carlton, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lemond and Mr. and Mrs. Dene Slaughter and family.

J. W. Jordan Jr. was a visitor of Vernon Jenkins Sunday afternoon.

Miss Ana Loue Moss had present with her last Friday afternoon Miss Wilma Slaughter.

Mrs. Andie Bumgardner was in the home of W. A. Moss Friday night.

Misses Woodie B. Looney and Mable Polnack were week end visitors of Miss Esta Lee Jordan.

J. W. Jordan and daughter, Hazel D., left Friday morning for different points of the west.

Rev. J. T. Gardner and Mr. McGuire were in the W. A. Moss home Tuesday.

Mrs. J. S. King and daughter, Miss Lona, and Mrs. Andy Bumgardner were in the J. W. Jordan home Tuesday.

Santy Did Come!

By the consent of the good editor, I will take this method of expressing our gratitude to Sister Clint Richbourg and her Sunbeam Class of beautiful little girls for their visit to our home on Christmas Eve. Yes, they came with their little hearts full of glee and gladness that Christmas had come. Yes, they all came in and sang some pretty pieces, then gave a rendition of some scripture verses by heart. Then little Santa, a pretty little girl dressed different from the rest, acted for Santa Claus. So she came forward and presented the gifts to us old folks, then they had prayer in concert and left.

We want the leader and all the children to accept as a token of our appreciation for their remembrance and visit to our home to come again. May God bless all of you.

—W. A. HUCKABEE AND WIFE

HAMILTON COUPLE MARRIED HERE SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Miss Ruby Vick and Mr. Byron Lee of the Hamilton community were united in marriage at the Baptist parsonage here Sunday afternoon by the pastor of the local Baptist Church, Rev. L. P. Thomas.

The marriage was witnessed by a few close friends who accompanied them here from Hamilton. They left at once for Hamilton where they will make their home.

Attention Review Club Members! All members of the Review Club are urged to be present at the regular meeting Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. James Carmean when the election of officers for the coming year will be a feature of the meeting.

GORDON NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Chaffin, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Braden, Bernard Braden and Misses Mae and Myrtle Chaffin all of Dallas spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Chaffin.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Smith spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Bud Smith of Black Stump. Gilt Newton and Euel Thompson of Iredell spent a while on Christmas day with W. W. Newton.

Doba Strickland and family spent a while Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. John Strickland of Iredell.

Miss Mintie Gordon of Iredell spent a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. Fannie Sawyer.

Bryant Smith and son, John D., spent a while, Friday night, with Mr. and Mrs. John Tidwell at Iredell.

Jim Furnis and family of Belton spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. Doba Strickland.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lester of Hico are spending this week end with Homer Lester a dfamily.

Mr. and Mrs. Edman Thompson of Kopperl spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. John Hanshaw and Earnest.

Frankie Dawson and family spent a while Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Burn Sawyer were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dave Bullock Saturday night.

Mrs. Terry Washam and Mrs. Frankie Dawson were in a car wreck last Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Washam got hurt pretty badly but is getting along very well now.

G. W. Chaffin and wife spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thompson of Iredell.

Weston Newton and family spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Horton at Iredell.

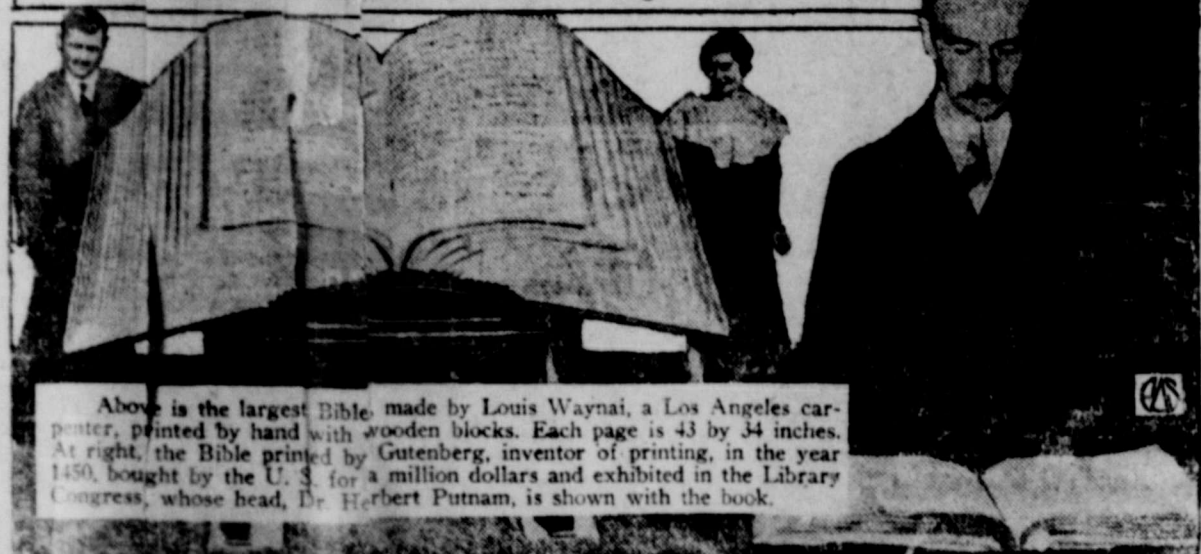
Mr. and Mrs. Burn Sawyers spent a while Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Harris.

Guess That Will Keep the Kid Busy

By Albert T. Reid



The Oldest Bible and the Largest Bible



Above is the largest Bible, made by Louis Waynai, a Los Angeles carpenter, printed by hand with wooden blocks. Each page is 43 by 34 inches. At right, the Bible printed by Gutenberg, inventor of printing, in the year 1450, bought by the U. S. for a million dollars and exhibited in the Library Congress, whose head, Dr. Herbert Putnam, is shown with the book.

Ten Children Who Have Only Five Birthdays Among Them



Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Kroger with their five sets of twins. Clyde and Claude, the oldest, are 18, Addie and Abbie are 16, Floyd and Lloyd are 11, Jean and Jeanette are 7, and the babies, Donald Dean and Norma Jean, are three months. Mr. Kroger is a carpenter in a railroad car shop and earns \$175 a month. "We get along fine," says Mrs. Kroger. "All the children help." The Krogers live at Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Pinky Dinky



THE WAY OF A MAN IS LIKE A RIVER

"THAT'S MY FATHER" A young professional man took me to a country town to call on his parents. The old couple have raised eight children, of whom six are living and doing well. The Father runs a small store. "I wanted you to meet my people," my friend said later. "They are poor, but I'm very proud of them. When any one talks pessimistically about marriage or human life in general, I like to remember the record of those two old folks." On my way from a summer hotel to a near-by golf course I picked up a caddy, a bright eyed youngster of thirteen. "Are you staying at the Inn?" he asked. "I nodded. "Have you met the night engineer?" "I said that unfortunately my contacts had been entirely with the day staff. "You should meet him," the youngster said proudly. "That's my father." It is assumed by those who view the social structure with disfavor that men work from only two motives—money or reputation.

THE DOCTOR JOHN JOSEPH GAINES, M.D.

SEASONABLE ADVICE This morning a man came to my office—my first patient for the day. He was quite hoarse, and immediately walked to the radiator to warm himself, briskly rubbing his blue fingers together to increase circulation—he was half-chilled. Being a very active, spare-built man of 60, he abhorred wraps; he disliked "bundling up." So, he had been dashing out into the cold, often without taking time to put on his coat; this morning he wore no vest; was still sticking to summer underwear, and had on loafers and shoes. At this very hour his ankles were almost bloodless, and his surface circulation to normal, indeed it could have been broader about in that time. Of course he had a large, less exposure of his body to cold air. The surface blood had been driven in by a skin which resented...

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NEWS FROM IREDELL COMMUNITY

By MISS STELLA JONES

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Williams and baby of Meadors visited here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers and baby of De Quincy, Louisiana, visited here during the holidays.

Mrs. Maxine Sadler, a student in a business school at Fort Worth visited here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Powell and baby of Houston visited here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Chaffin, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Braden, Mr. Bernard Braden and Mrs. Mae and Myrtle Chaffin, all of Dallas, spent the holidays with their parents.

Miss Lucille Fewell came in last Wednesday from Ranger where she has been for some time. She will leave in a few days with a family for a trip to New York City.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Loden, a son, December 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Marian Benson and son of Lovington, New Mexico, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Oldham here during the holidays.

Mrs. Hoyt, once a resident of Ireddell, visited here during the holidays. Her home is in Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stevens of Gorman visited here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Newsom of Dallas visited here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Newsom and baby and Lucia visited here during the holidays.

Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Tidwell of Brownwood visited here during the holidays. They were joined at the altar by their only daughter, Mrs. Turner, who was a visitor here in the name of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Tidwell during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Newsom and son of Fort Worth visited here during the holidays.

Mrs. Goodman and two children of Anson visited here during the holidays, guests of her mother, Mrs. Snell and sister, Mrs. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Carnes of Waco visited Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hensley during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyce Hensley and Miss Wilma Hensley spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Moore at Chalk Mountain.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Clepper and children of Hico spent Thursday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Tidwell.

Rev. and Mrs. Dean and son Forest and daughter of Fort Worth visited here Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Aston, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Houston and Miss Nevada Houston, all of Wichita Falls, visited here during the holidays.

Mrs. E. H. Dunlap and her youngest child, Obie Dunlap and wife spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Thompson of Kopperl.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Prechel and son Lloyd, Miss Eunice Davis and her brother Finis, all of Wichita Falls, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Davis during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Furnace and children of Belton visited here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Prater of Hico visited here during the holidays.

Rupert Phillips, a student of John Tarleton College, visited here during the holidays.

Mrs. Willie Lawrence and son John Robert of Hedley visited here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Myers and baby of Kopperl visited here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Woody and children were in Meridian Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tillinghast and daughter of Carlton visited their daughter, Mrs. I. D. Hurt during the holidays.

Mrs. Ollie Rutledge and children of Chickasha visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Newsom here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Lesley Conley of Fort Worth visited here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Sadler and son of Austin visited here during the holidays.

Mr. K. F. Phillips of near Ireddell and Miss Gladys Taylor of near Meridian were married Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Harris. Rev. D. D. Tidwell officiated. Mrs. Phillips is the daughter of Mr. Joe Taylor and is said to be a fine lady. It is not my pleasure to know her, but those who know her say she is a fine girl. Her mother died when she was a little girl, leaving three little daughters, and she reared them, which is very commendable of her. She no doubt was the star in her home and now she will reign as queen in her home. She came from a good respectable family. The groom is well known here and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Phillips of the Fairview community. Their friends wish for them much joy and happiness through their married life.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Thompson and baby of Kopperl visited here this week end.

Ben Scott of Waco visited his sister, Mrs. Albert Hensley here Friday, and went on to Breckenridge Saturday.

Miss Jewell Billings of Kopperl spent the week end here.

Mr. Dave Chaffin of Dallas visited here Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Powell, while visiting here, also visited in Denton before going home.

Maurey Thompson, who has been in the hospital for some time, has returned home.

Miss Anna Nolan, who has been in the hospital for some time, has returned home and will visit her mother at Denton during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Strong were in Denton during the holidays.

The Christmas tree here was well attended and a pageant was conducted which sure was fine. Everyone did his or her part well. Everything went off nicely here. Several turkeys were eaten on Christmas. If everyone did not have plenty to eat 'twas their own fault.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Hudson visited in Hico during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Loughlin and Miss Mittie Gordon visited in Cranfill's Gap and Fairy Sunday.

Mrs. Milam and children of Seymour, Mr. and Mrs. Christian and daughter of San Antonio, Miss Grace Simpson of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mingus of Hico and Mr. James Milam of Benjamin all visited in the home of their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Simpson, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Harris celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary on December 27th. All of the children and grandchildren were at home but Mr. Roy Harris and family of Houston. A fine time was spent in the home. Mr. and Mrs. Harris were married here in Ireddell by Rev. Levi Harris. They are loved and respected by all. May they live many more years yet to shed out the Christian influence of their Godly lives.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sanders had as their guests for dinner Sunday Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Roach, Ethel, Euless, J. T. and Cecil Byrd of Carlton, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Jones of Claude, Mrs. Will Lawrence and Vera and John Robert of Hedley, Miss Belle Cox of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fouts of Vernon, Mr. and Mrs. Will Fouts and family, Mr. and Mrs. Quince Fouts and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Harris and family and Mrs. Ila and Willa Sanders.

Rev. Compton, the Baptist pastor at Valley Mills and Mr. Stanton were here Sunday. Rev. Compton delivered a fine sermon in the morning hour in the interest of Baylor University. Mr. Stanton also made a talk.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Tidwell and son visited her father, Mr. Ragsdale of Clifton Sunday.

Mr. Jack and Irvin Tidwell and families of Dallas spent Sunday here with relatives.

Mrs. Cleveland Rhoades is very ill at her home.

Mrs. Fannie Paramore was very much surprised on Christmas day when her children came to her home with many presents for herself and children and a fine dinner, too. The following ones were present: Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Bishop of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Tidwell of near Hico and son of Hico, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Woody and Mrs. Mary Chancellor and children of Ireddell. The next day the crowd took dinner with Mrs. Chancellor. All had a fine time both days.

Henry Tipton Aireheart.

Mr. Henry Tipton Aireheart was born in Rome, Georgia, in the year 1843. He came to Texas in early manhood, settling in Cherokee County. Here he married Liza Jane Hogan in 1864. To this union 7 children were born, 6 girls and one boy, 4 of whom died in early childhood. One daughter, Mrs. Lillie Sanders, preceded him in death last August. Mrs. Aireheart died September 1, 1916, after nearly 50 years of married life.

Uncle Henry was a Christian in belief and the morning of his passing away, Monday morning, December 22, his baby daughter came for him. His face was bright as a saint as she beckoned him onward to that bright home where his other loved ones had gone.

All during his illness he was very patient. The funeral of this good man was held Thursday afternoon in the Methodist Church by Revs. Shannon and Lester, in the presence of a very good crowd. The floral offerings were beautiful. Everyone took his last sad look and he looked very natural and peaceful.

A large crowd followed the remains to the cemetery at Gordon where he was laid to rest by the side of his wife.

Surviving him are his two daughters, Miss Ada of Ireddell and Mrs. Emma Hubbard of Stephenville. His two grandsons, H. T. Jr. and Wilburn Sanders of Waco, also two great-grandchildren, Eva and Joseph Sanders of Waco. The bereaved relatives have the sympathy of their many friends in the loss of their loved one.

Party Friday Evening.

Miss Lorain Tidwell entertained Mr. and Mrs. Bill Powell of Houston with a progressive 42 and

bridge... people of the Church are urged to... this service. Worship 7:00 O'clock... No. 98 "Wonderful Words of Life" Bliss Hymn No. 154, "His Way With Thee" Nussbaum

Prayer. Scripture Lesson. Announcements and Offering. Doxology. Hymn No. 1163, "I Walk With Thee" Ackley Sermon, "Walking With God" Rev. A. C. Haynes Invitation Hymn No. 13, "Just As I Am" Bradbury "Abide With Me" by the Choir Monk

Benediction. Postlude.

Activities For the Week. Monday, 3:00 p. m., The Woman's Missionary Society. Tuesday, 4:30 p. m., The Junior Epworth Society meets at the Church. Parents, send your children.

Wednesday, 7:00 p. m., Prayer Meeting. Come and bring your Bible. The Board of Stewards will meet Wednesday evening after

Prayer Meeting. If your Steward does not see you, then see your Steward. Pray for the Revival Meeting March 22 through April 5. Rev. E. M. Wisdom, pastor of the Methodist Church of Hamilton, will do the preaching.

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Howerton House Destroyed by Fire Last Saturday Night

An alarm of fire just before midnight Sunday took the local fire company and a number of citizens to the southwest part of town, where the house owned by W. H. Howerton, known as the old Davis home place, was in flames. The fire had gained such headway before the alarm was turned in that it was impossible to do more than save a part of the front rooms and keep the conflagration from spreading to adjacent property. The dwelling was occupied by J. R. Glover, who had recently moved into one side of the house, and he stated that he was awakened to find the roof on fire. He was able to get his family out to safety and save a small part of the furniture. There was practically no wind, and water pressure was good, which accounts for the fire men, in which the fireboys performed their duty. The flames were extinguished in a short time, but the property was practically a complete loss. Insurance to the amount of \$2000 was carried on the dwelling, according to J. C. Rodgers, local agent.

COUNTY LINE

Everyone seemed to have a nice time Christmas as the weather was so warm.
Luther Duncan and wife spent part of last week with her family near Gatesville.
Lily Greer and family of Personville spent the latter part of the week with her parents, Jim Ragsdale and family.
John Ogle and family of Old Hico and Mrs. Levi Greer of Personville spent Friday afternoon in the Cole home.
Johnnie Ragsdale and Levi Greer were in the Goat Neck community Friday.
Mrs. Luther Cole and daughter, Dorothy, spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Hooper, Mrs. Rance McElroy and daughter, Theta.
Everyone was surprised Friday night when the marriage of Miss Velma Rhodes to Mr. Johnnie Ragsdale was performed by M. A. Cole of Hico. The bride has been residing in Goat Neck community for the past few months, and was a former resident of Fairy and Mt. Zion communities for the past nine years, moving here from Clairrette. We wish them the best of luck, success and prosperity.
Mrs. J. M. Sullivan and daughter, Ophelia, of Help spent Tuesday in the Ross home.
W. H. Summers of Help spent a while Saturday here.
Mack Chaney and family of Johnsville spent Thursday in the Jim Chaney home.
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and daughters of Mt. Pleasant spent Thursday in the Jim Chaney home.
Mrs. Jim Luckie spent Monday with Mrs. Luther and Miss Meador Cole.
Mr. and Mrs. Claude Barney of Waco spent Tuesday night in the Cole home.

DUFFAU NEWS

After a week's vacation the teachers and students have resumed their work in the school room.
Mr. and Mrs. Thea Mayfield and children spent Christmas holidays with his mother in Fort Worth.
Victoria Bramblett visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Bramblett last week.
Nora Smart of Fort Worth spent Christmas day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Smart.
Mr. Lawrence McAnally who teaches school at Atwell, Lonnie McAnally of Lubbock and Vieta McAnally who teaches school in Hico spent Christmas holidays with their parents.
Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Arnold and daughter of Fort Worth spent Christmas day with relatives here.
Miss Louise Alexander entertained the young folks with a party Christmas Eve night.
Inez Smart spent Friday and Saturday visiting relatives in the Blue Ridge community.
Mr. and Mrs. Lester Herod and daughter spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. P. Herod.
Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Hefner and children spent the last of the week with her parents at Clairrette.
The young folks enjoyed a party at Mr. George Bowie's Tuesday night.
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Arnold and daughter, Grace, and Wilma Burman attended a workers' meeting at Selden Tuesday of last week.
Miss Gladys Latham spent Saturday night with Victoria Bramblett.
Mr. and Mrs. John Smart of Ble Spring spent Saturday night and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Smart.
Miss Sebille Trimble who teaches at Lund Valley, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Trimble.

Poultry Meeting At Hamilton On Next Friday Night

The News Review is requested to invite all poultrymen of this section to a meeting to be held at the court house at Hamilton next Friday night, January 2, at which time matters of vital interest will be discussed.
Mr. E. M. Holmgren, poultry specialist with the Extension Service of A. & M. College will be on hand, and will deliver a talk on the care and management of baby chicks. He is well versed on this subject and his listeners are assured of a talk that will be of value to them.

Will Do Terracing At McLarty Farm Monday Afternoon

There will be a terracing demonstration at the McLarty farm, two miles from Hico and one mile off the Fairy road, next Monday afternoon, according to C. S. Nelson, County Agent, who will be on hand at that time to assist Mr. McLarty in some terracing work. All those interested in terracing work are invited to be on hand and any instruction or help that is within his power will be rendered by Mr. Nelson.

MILLERVILLE

We are having some real winter weather again.
There has been quite a lot of visiting in our community during the holidays.
Roy Nix of Wichita Falls spent the past week with his parents, W. J. Nix and family.
C. W. Giesecke and wife had their children with them for Christmas. They were Chas. W. Jr., and family and Miss Jewel of Dickens county, Jaun Burks and wife of Johnsville, Bob Land and wife of Hog Jaw.
C. W. Giesecke and family are getting ready to move near Stephenville so as to be close to school.
Jaun Burks and wife are moving on C. W. Giesecke's place.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AT MRS. J. HALL'S

The Helping Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. Waggoner and six other guests. The apartment was decorated and in the dining living room was tree beautifully. It was a gift.

The meeting by Mrs. Hall attended by distributed. Officers for the new year: John Lackey, vice; John Barrow, president; James Carneal, secretary; Mrs. T. B. Lane, treasurer; Mrs. Waggoner, clerk; Mrs. Lane, secretary; Mrs. Lane, treasurer; Mrs. Lane, clerk.

FLAG B

Miss Moie Bur the past week and family. Wilson visited myer home over the Misses Stella Martin of Donna at this place the Walter Hanshaw and family of Henry Loden at visitors at Willow T. C. and Allen las visited their Mrs. J. W. Bowen this week.

J. A. Flannery Stephensville visits this place Thursday. Miss Frances Mae Sawyer Wedn Lotus Gosdin of Thursday with Mr. Gosdin.
Mr. and Mrs. E Temple were visited Dunlap home the week in the Mrs. R. S. Graves and family G. W. Mingus home Fred McHainey the guest of Chestnut past week.
Iris Hanshaw was J. D. Craig Thursday Alvin Bundy and Anson, Nodie Band of Mineral Wells week in the J. A. Flannery home.
Mr. and Mrs. S. Minge are visiting Mr. Christian near Fairy.

Several from the went to a party at Gordon Saturday night. Henry Roberson and family spent Friday with W. Barks family were cooped home. W. K. Hanshaw and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hanshaw and son Erndon.
Mr. and Mrs. John Flannery and Mrs. Earl Flannery relatives at this place Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Graves attended the funeral of Jeffie Hanna's baby Thursday evening.

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Final Cow Day Draws Large Crowd On Christmas Eve

Mrs. John G. Lightly of Clairrette bought the prize Jersey animal offered on Christmas Eve by the merchants cooperating with the Hico Lions Club in the Cow Day affair which has been a regular monthly feature for the past several months.
The crowd was larger than usual, and imbued with the holiday spirit, which made the day all the more enjoyable.
Announcement was made by Mayor J. C. Barrow, who officiated at the truck, that there would be no more Cow Days until further announcement. Several reasons were assigned for this action, chief among which was the present condition of the market for cattle and dairy products.

CHARITY WORK A HUGE SUCCESS ACCORDING TO CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE

According to Mrs. Grady Barrow, chairman of the committee on charity work, sponsored by Class No. 3 of the Methodist Sunday School, of which Mrs. T. B. Lane is teacher, the donation for charity for local people was a success in every way. People from every part of the city brought or sent old clothing and left at the Hico Furniture Company. One local merchant of the town donated about twenty-five or thirty men's and boy's suits to be used in this work.
People in need were found in various sections of the town, which were reported to the committee. After investigating, they were clothed according to their needs. Two families, with nine children in each, were found who were badly in need.
This has been a great work, and Mrs. Barrow expresses her appreciation to the good people of Hico for their willingness to help in this worthy cause. She says that the Hico people can be depended upon every time to assist for the good of their fellowman.

FAMILY REUNION HELD AT G. S. MASSINGILL HOME

A happy day was spent in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Massingill in the Carlton community on Christmas day when a number of their relatives gathered to enjoy the Christmas celebration.
A big dinner was the feature of the day and the merry conversation which prevailed in the afternoon added very much to the success of the occasion.
Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Herrington of Dexter, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Massingill and daughter, Katherine, of Hico; Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Hartrough, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hatley, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Hyles, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lowery and Rudie and Trudie Massingill of Carlton; and Miss Oleta Simpson, Hico. In the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Henley and son, Norris, were guests in the Massingill home.

FUNERAL HELD HERE FOR JOHN NOBLE ROBERSON

The body of John Noble Roberson, age 42 years, was brought to Hico last Thursday, following his death in Fort Worth December 23, 1930. He was a brother of Bluff Roberson of Hico, and other surviving relatives include a wife and one child, one brother and six sisters.
Funeral services were held on Christmas afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Duffau cemetery, conducted by Rev. A. C. Haynes, pastor of the Hico Methodist Church. Interment followed immediately afterward.

Notice to Book Readers!
The Hico Library has received twenty-five new books for children and adults. If you are not already a member of the library, join now and enjoy some of our new literature.
P. T. A. Meeting.
The News Review is requested by Mrs. Latham, reporter for the Hico Parent-Teacher Association, to announce that the first meeting for the new year will be held next Tuesday at the regular time. All members are urged to start the year off right by attending. Visitors are always welcome.

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SENIORS ENTERTAINED WITH TACKY PARTY

Miss Lorene Burleson entertained the members of the Senior Class of the Hico High School with a tacky party at her home last Friday evening. The guests arrived dressed in "tacky costumes" and much merriment was had upon their arrival. Prizes went to Ruby Lee Malone and Leslie Patterson for wearing the tackiest costumes.
Indoor games were enjoyed until a late hour when refreshments were served, consisting of two courses. The first course was gingerbread and sweet milk, and the second was a plate lunch of sandwiches, olives, fruit cake and hot chocolate.
The personnel included: Lois Boone, Dorothea Holliday, Loraine Fellers, Ruby Lee Malone, Nona Mayfield, Frances Vickrey, Elta Gandy, Woodie B. Looney, Inez Burleson, Leslie Patterson, Hector Hollis, George Holliday, Austin Fellers, Herbert Cook, W. H. Gandy, Willard Leach and Mrs. R. Alexander.

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YOUNG COUPLE MARRIED AT AITON HOME HERE

Mrs. Maybelle Loyd and E. C. Lively were married in Hico at the J. M. Aiton home Saturday night, when Elder Aiton officiated.
The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Bullard, who reside six miles on the Cranfills Gap highway. The groom has been residing at the home of his parents in the Iredell section.
The newlyweds left Sunday for Farrar, Texas, in Limestone county, where Mr. Lively has employment.

BUYS 60-ACRE FARM FROM LUTHER JAGGARS

A deal was made through Real-Estate Dealer, Joe T. Collier, Monday, whereby T. S. Moore of Clifton, became the owner of a 60-acre farm located two miles south of town, which was formerly owned by Luther Jaggars.
Mr. Moore and family are moving on their newly acquired property.

Large Attendance At Sing-Song Sunday Evening

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May the New Year bring you much happiness and prosperity.
We are ready to serve you in any way we can.
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OUR APPRECIATION

At the beginning of the year we extend to our Friends and Customers our sincere appreciation for the business they made during 1930.
Despite the fact that the course of business has been below normal as a whole, we find a substantial increase over the previous year due to the fact that we have been able to make this store known for its quality merchandise, prices, attracting a very valuable trade who have found it easy to shop here.
We are entering the year 1931 that we have built up a confidence among those who have patronized us throughout the months to come.

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8 lb. bucket Shortening	95c	All Purpose Gum	3 for 10c
3 lb. bkt. Maxwell House Coffee	\$1.10	Cigarettes	\$1.75 for 25c
3 lb. box Crackers	40c	Macaroni	10c
2 lb. box Saltine Flakes	32c	Macaroni	10c
2 lb. box Graham Crackers	28c	Macaroni	15c
Quart Jar Prepared Mustard	15c	Potatoes	for 25c

Admission to Bright and Early Coffee
Mother's China Oats 32c
Quaker Crackles 2 for 25c
Post Toasties, large pkg. 12c
Large Lima Beans, per lb. 11c
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SALE NEWS
Mr. and Mrs. J. Z. Burch Odessa spent the Christmas days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Mayfield.
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Johnson returned here Friday from Gonna where they have been visiting their daughter, Mrs. J. D. Lamb. They report the arrival of a son whom they named James L. von.
Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Scott and family, Mr. Cecil Mayfield and family, Walter Wolfe and family, H. Koonsmaa and family.
Henry and wife are the proud parents of a baby girl. Mrs. T. L. Johnson and daughter, Louie of Ranger, were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Johnson Friday night. She was accompanied home Saturday by her brothers, George and Grady and sisters, Arma and Velma.

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