

Read the Many Christmas Shopping Suggestions In This Issue

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Here In HICO

The business section of Hico this year is the prettiest it has been in several years at least, probably ever. And no little part of the reason for this is the fact that a new system of Christmas lighting has been installed by the Chamber of Commerce.

Meeting last week, the members of the Chamber of Commerce authorized a committee to spend up to seventy-five dollars this year on new lights, intending to spend a similar amount each year until the city could boast of being the best-lighted small town in Texas at this season of the year.

Judging from the results of the initial step, this condition will come to pass before many more years.

The committee is to be praised for its work, even though one of its members did his part by remote control, having gone deer hunting in the middle of the week, but he made up for this with individual decorations later, so we won't call his name.

Really, if you haven't been down town at night since the lights were installed, it would be worth your trip to do so.

This week's News Review is carrying a large number of store messages, practically every one of which contain suggestions for Christmas. It would pay pretty shoppers to look the ads over and consider the advertisers when making their selections.

The force is especially loud of the advertising message this week, and although the editorial matter may fall below par, ask your forbearance through consideration of the immenseness of work connected with assembling the advertising messages and getting them into print.

Since thinking the matter over though, we have no apology to make as to the editorial content of this issue. For doesn't carry quite a number of Santa Claus messages from the children?

In the past we have had that grownups and all are interested in these letters from the children, and perhaps one reader will find something to interest the herein.

The kids laid down a law to some extent, but it may partly our fault for trying to get them. Those who did not get their letters in this week still had time to write them and they will be printed later.

At first we thought the children wanted less than usual. During the depression we had lots of letters every Christmas, demonstrating that there was a demand for one thing which was not being filled. Can't be that now things are better and the children are getting practically everything they want without writing Santa for them?

Although times are definitely better than for the past years, we do not think that the reason. We are holding our offer open, and will print next week and possibly the week following. So if there are children who want to be happier Santa's visit, they'd better do it right now and let the wants be known.

TRADES DAY WEDNESDAY SAW LARGE CROWDS AND MUCH CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

If the humor of the crowds in evidence on the streets of Hico Wednesday of this week, when the regular Monthly Trades Day was observed, may be taken as any indication as to what may be expected for the remainder of the holiday season, then Hico is assured of an old-fashioned, good-natured Yuletide season.

Men, women and children thronged the streets throughout the day, and looked through the stores to their hearts' delight, finding many things to supply their needs and putting broad grins on the faces of the merchants. While some think it is still a little early to expect a rush of buying, most merchants interviewed report a satisfactory run of early shopping.

This is most pleasing to them, for it allows them to handle the business more easily and with more mutual satisfaction, and at the same time keep their stocks up to normal. However they are not averse to taking care of last-minute shoppers. They merely suggest that the early shopper benefits most.

At the regular monthly gift distribution, awards went to the following: J. R. Bobo, city; Mrs. Ira Trantham, Route 3; Geo. E. Holiday (a repeater); Route 3; Mrs. Earl Patterson, Route 2; Mrs. George Norwood, city; and Mrs. Weldon Pierce, Route 6.

Next regular Trades Day will be held the first Wednesday in January, which falls on the 6th of the month. The Hico Chamber of Commerce, which sponsors the gift distribution, reminds the public that the plan will be continued in the New Year, and asks consideration of the shopping public in making their purchases. "Buy where your trade is appreciated" is the slogan they use in asking for their due share of the patronage of the people throughout this territory.

PALACE THEATRE OFFERS SERIES OF EDUCATIONAL FILMS EVERY SATURDAY

In an effort to give its customers the latest in entertainment, as well as educational features, E. H. Elkins, manager of the Palace Theatre, announces that each Saturday he will offer one of a series of educational films in addition to the regular program.

These features cover a variety of subjects, and Mr. Elkins believes that the patrons will be interested in the points brought out in such a vivid manner. The feature to be offered Saturday of this week considers the difficulty of securing good stands of cotton, and gives the answer to the problem. An amazing feature of the film is the actual growing of plants right before the eyes of the audience.

RECEIVE CERTIFICATES IN WORK OF MASONIC LODGE

Three members of the Hico Masonic Lodge went to Hamilton on November 25 and were examined for certificates to teach the esoteric work of the order before W. S. State of the Hamilton Lodge.

As a result of the examinations, which all passed, the three members were awarded their certificates as follows: M. A. Cole, lifetime; Marvin Marshall, three years; and C. G. Masterson, one year.

None of the members of the local lodge attended Grand Lodge of the Masonic order, which was held at Waco last week.

Services at Olin.

Rev. J. W. Caldwell will preach at the Olin Baptist Church Saturday night, Dec. 12th at 7 o'clock, and Sunday morning at 11, and again Sunday night at 7:00. Before the services Sunday night there will be a special program for boys and girls.



Letters to Santa

Hico, Texas, Dec. 10, 1936
Dear Santa Claus: We are two little boys, seven and nine years old. We study hard at school and try to be good boys. I James Roy, and a Mickey Mouse wrist watch, a toy typewriter, rubber building blocks and just any other toys you want to bring.

I, LeRoy, want an air rifle, a cowboy suit and a bicycle. I would like a little car with lights, and James and I both want a scooter with air-filled tires.

If we have asked for too much, Santa, you may leave off what you wish and please remember all other little boys and girls. Our tree will be ready for you so long Santa.
Your little friends,
JAMES RAY AND LEROY BOBO.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 8, 1936
Dear Santa Claus: I want a bicycle. I have a little sister. She wants a doll and a doll bed. Mother wants a radio. Daddy wants a radio too. Sister wants a doll buggy, and doll cover. I want an electric train. A book about fairy tales.

I want all of us a box of candy.
Yours truly,
TOMMY COSTON.

Miami, Okla., Dec. 4, 1936
Dear Santa Claus: I want a football suit and a electric train and a football and a sled. Please bring mother a pair of hose. And a bike for Alice Terrell. I made you today with cotton. Dear Santa Claus.
ERNEST PIERCE TERRELL.

Miami, Okla., Dec. 4, 1936
Dear Santa Claus: I want a bike for Christmas. My brother Ernest wants a football. He also wants an electric train too. Bring mother a new pair of pajamas if you please. Dear Santa, bring Jimmie some new pajamas. Bring Mrs. Derham a new dress. Bring Wanda a cedar chest. Bring Mr. Derham a new pair of shoes. If you will bring these things this year I will not ask for so much next year.

Your friend,
ALICE.
P. S. I will thank you very much.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 7, 1936
Dear Santa Claus: We have helped to be very good boys and tried Daddy. Please bring us a train, trucks, harp and holster set apiece. Bring plenty of fruits, nuts, candy and some fire crackers and sparkles. Thanks for the things you brought last year.
Your little friends,
DONALD AND JIMMIE PHILLIPS.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 7, 1936
Dear Santa Claus: We are two girls, one nine years and one three years old. Please bring me, LaVerne, a doll, sewing set, scarf and anything else you may care for me. Bring me, Aretta Maye, a doll, phone truck, broom, plenty of fruits, nuts and candy, also some fireworks.

Your little friends,
LA VERNE & ARETTA MAYE PHILLIPS.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 7, 1936
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy eight years old. I go to school at Fairy. For Xmas I want you to bring me a ball, train, tractor, a guitar, and a little typewriter, also books, fruits, nuts and candy. Please don't forget my baby sister, Elva Jean. Bring her something that she can play with.
Love your friend,
CLOVIS FRANK GRANT.

Jonesboro, Texas, Dec. 4, 1936.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy three years old and have been a good boy this year. I want you to bring me a little guitar, a tool set, a joke mouse and lots of fruits, nuts and candies. I guess that will be all this time. My tricycle you brought me last year is still good, and don't forget all the other little boys and girls. I will be looking for you.
Your little friend,
BILLY GENE BRITTON.

Jonesboro, Texas, Route 1.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 10, 1936
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 7 years old. Have tried to be real good the past year and want you to bring me something for Christmas. If possible please bring me a ring, paint, book, candy, nuts and fruits. Thanks.
Your little friend,
ELVENA JOY GIESECKE.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 7, 1936
Dear Santa Claus: We are a little boy and girl who help mother and daddy work. So we will be expecting you Xmas Eve night. This is what I, Georgie, want you to please bring her, a baking and cooking set, embroidery set, a good looking doll. I, Jimmie, would like a football, fireworks, Tinker toys, and don't forget lots of fruit, nuts and candy.
Your little friends,
GEORGIE & JIMMIE LAMBERT.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 7, 1936
Dear Santa: I am a little boy five years old. Please bring me a train tractor, guitar, hall, books, fruit, nuts and candy—and just anything else that you think I would like. And don't forget my little sister. She's just eight months old. Bring her something she would like. And please, Santa, if we have moved before Xmas, be sure and hunt us up.
Your little friend,
CHARLES WALLACE GRANT.

Hico Route 7, Dec. 7, 1936.
Dear Santa: I want a watch and two books. I don't want much. Bring me some nuts, candy and fruit. Don't forget the other little boys and girls. I am 10. Leave our presents at Papa Koonsman's.
With love,
WENDOL SCOTT.

Pangburn, Ark., Dec. 8, 1936.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 6 years old and am in the second grade at school. I like my teacher fine. Her name is Miss Stella Dailey. Don't forget her. Please bring me a big doll that will go to sleep and cry, some apples, oranges, nuts and candy.
Your little friend,
LOUISE VAN PATTEN.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 7, 1936.
Dear Santa: I am a little boy almost three years old. I have been very good and I help my daddy work in his shop.
For Xmas I would like a big red wagon, a toy gun, a big story book and unless you can bring some new tires for my streamline racer, I will need a new one. Bring me lots of nuts, fruits and candy.
Lots of love,
ROLINE CHANEY.

P. S.: My little cousins are all expecting you, and don't forget my little friend, Bobby, who he has been kinda mean.
Your friend,
MURLES GORDEN.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 8, 1936.
Dear Santa: I am a little boy seven years old and am in the second grade. I go to Buck Springs School and like my teacher fine. I want a Mickey Mouse book and a little stove. Bring me some nuts, apples and candy.
Your friend,
MARY HELEN ALEXANDER.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 8, 1936.
Dear Santa: I am a little girl nine years old. I go to school at Buck Springs and like my teacher fine. I want a doll and doll buggy. Also lots of candy, oranges, apples and other good things to eat.
Your little friend,
MARY KILPATRICK.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 8, 1936.
Dear Santa: I am a little boy who was ten years old March 30, 1936. I go to school at Buck Springs. I am in the 4th grade and I like school fine. Please bring me a tool set and lots of candies, nuts and fruits.
Your friend,
RUSSELL JOHNSON.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 8, 1936.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy seven years old and I go to Buck Springs School.
I want a gun, pencil set, French harp, knife, candies, fruits and nuts. Your little friend,
JACK STANFORD.

Hico Route 7, Dec. 7, 1936.
Dear Santa: Please bring me a tractor and a large red wagon, also nuts, fruit and candy. Don't forget Papa and Mama Koonsman—they are worth a present. I am eight year old. I love you.
VON SCOTT.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 7, 1936.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 2 years old and have been a good little girl. And I want you to bring me a doll, doll buggy, stove, broom, a little car I can ride in, fruit, nuts, and candies. Come to see the other little children.
Bye-bye.
NELLIE WYNELL TRANTHAM.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 5, 1936
Dear Santa: I am a little boy eleven years of age. My birthday is October 16. I want an air rifle with a box of shells, some candy, fruits, and other toys.
Your friend,
CLAUDE BARNETT.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 8, 1936.
Dear Santa Claus: This is my first year to go to school and I like it fine.
For Christmas I want candy, apples, a little gun, a ball and bat and a French harp.
I'll leave my stocking on the right side of the fireplace.
Your little friend,
GEORGE KILGO.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 8, 1936.
Dear Santa Claus: I go to Buck Springs School and am in the first grade. I am six years old.
Please don't forget me Christmas eve night. I want a dump truck, a set of Tinker Toys, plenty of fireworks and lots of fruits, nuts and candies.
Your little friend,
WENDELL RAY KNIGHT.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 8, 1936.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl eight years old and am in the fourth grade. I dry the dishes and help my mother at the house.
I want a Mickey Mouse book and a little stove. Bring me some nuts, apples and candy.
Your friend,
JIMMIE LOIS SEAY.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 8, 1936.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl nine years old and am in the third grade. I go to school at Buck Springs.
I hope you won't forget me. I want you to bring me a wagon, a baby doll, a pin game, and lots of fruits, nuts and candies. Bring me anything else you want to.
Your friend,
LORENE HYLES.

Pangburn, Ark., Dec. 8, 1936.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy eight years old and am in the fourth grade at school. I like my teacher fine. Her name is Miss Almada Crook. Don't forget her. Please bring me an air rifle, a lot of steel shot, a story book of the title, "Adventures of Tom Sawyer", and I want some nuts, candy, oranges and apples.
Your friend,
ALTON VAN PATTEN.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 8, 1936.
Dear Santa: Don't forget me on Christmas night. I want a tractor, equip with two trucks, fireworks, candy, fruits and nuts.
I like school fine. I am in the 4th grade.
Please, Santa, don't forget all the other little boys and girls.
Your little pal,
BILLIE JACK GORDEN.

Hico, Texas, Dec. 8, 1936
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy ten years old. I go to Buck Springs school.
For Christmas I want a ball, a bicycle, air rifle, and some candy, fruits and nuts.
Don't forget the other little boys and girls, Santa.
With love,
JACK STANFORD.

J. W. WALDROP ANNOUNCES NURSERY IN NEW LOCATION ON THE J. J. GRANT PLACE

Moving his household effects and stock this week, J. W. Waldrop calls attention of the public to the new location for his nursery on the J. J. Grant place, north of Hico on Highways 66 and 67.

In making this move Mr. Waldrop believes that he will have an ideal location, and hopes to build up a nursery that will be the pride of Hico citizens in general as well as a convenience to those interested in securing nursery plants.

He has conducted this type of business for several years at his old location near Carlton, and is familiar with the details of successfully conducting a nursery. He has many customers throughout this section who will be interested in knowing of his new location, and Hico people will wish him well in his determination to conduct a nursery that will be a credit to the town and community. All his interests will be in Hico, and he announces that he intends to cooperate in any manner possible in furthering the welfare of this town and community.

R. J. ADAMS INSTALLS NEW MACHINERY FOR CLEANING CLOTHES AT CITY CLEANERS

With a view toward equipping his shop to handle his trade as well as the shops in the larger cities, this week R. J. Adams installed the "Super Hi-Tone" Cleaning machinery in his shop in Hico, which he has successfully operated for some time.

In announcing the addition of this new machinery in a display advertisement in this issue of the News Review, Mr. Adams states that he is now a licensed operator of this type of cleaning, and that only licensed operators are allowed to use the method. Inviting everyone to come in and inspect the new machinery, which includes the latest developments in the cleaning art, Mr. Adams offers an attractive proposition to customers to introduce this new service to them.

The new machinery involves quite an outlay of money and brings the service along this line offered in Hico right up to date.

Keeney's Hatchery Moved.

G. C. Keeney this week moved the hatchery and feed store from the building next door to Ragsdale's Market to the building on Main Street formerly housed by the A. & P. store which moved from Hico sometime ago.

The new location enables the business to continue to expand, and adds to the convenience of same.

The Keeney family moved here from Carlton several months ago, and their business is steadily growing.

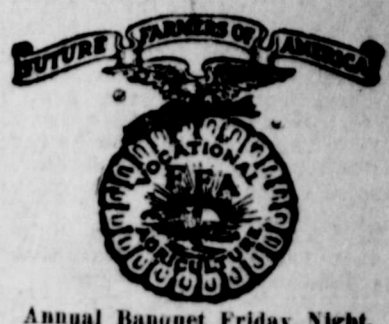
Hico, Texas, Dec. 8, 1936.
Dearest Santa: I am a little girl nine years old and am in the fourth grade. I go to school at Buck Springs and like my teacher fine. Santa, I'll be a good little girl and study my lessons hard if you will bring me a doll bed, a story book, also some fruits, nuts and candies.
Santa, don't forget my little brother and sister, Charles Alfred and Velma Dean, who would like something also. Your friend,
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Your friend,
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Annual Banquet Friday Night.

There has been 115 people invited to the annual Father and Son banquet. The program for this banquet is as follows:

- Invocation, Bill Hall.
- Opening Ceremony and Introduction of Dads, Senior Officers.
- Introduction of Guest, W. H. Brown.
- Introduction of Honorary Members, Robert Anderson.
- Introduction of Former Students of Vocational Agriculture, Travis Nix.
- Introduction of Faculty, Melvel Hunter.
- Introduction of School Board, Grady Brown.
- F. F. A. Objectives, Wintford Houston.
- Green Hand Initiation, Chapter Conducting Team.
- History of Chapter, C. A. Giescke.
- Closing Ceremony, Senior Officers.

SEABOARD TEST WELL NEAR HICO GOING DOWN FAST

Reports from the Seaboard Oil Corporation's test well in the Fairy block, between Fairy and Olin, this week were to the effect that the hole had reached a depth of around 3200 feet Thursday morning, and was going down at a rapid rate.

Galagher & Lawson, contractors on the test, have had very little trouble in their operations, and the well which was started only a few weeks ago should be put to contract depth at an early date.

While some are very optimistic over the outlook, others state that the outcome is merely a matter of conjecture. Whatever the consequences, landowners in the vicinity have been benefitted to a great extent already through leasing activity, and fair prices have been reported paid on a number of small tracts near the well.

This is the fourth well Seaboard has put down in this locality, but is nearest of the four to Hico and for that reason is exciting more than the usual interest. The other wells were abandoned, that at Hamilton in which gas was encountered being the only one which has showed indications of pay.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

E. E. Dawson, Pastor
Next Sunday is a very important day in the church year. On it the church looks forward to its future, lays its plans, elects essential officers for its activities. It is like the first congress that meets after the election of a new president. If you cherish the church in your heart, if you believe in its mission and destiny, if you earnestly desire to see better days for it and more of prosperity for its ministry to the world, then come and lift a prayer as you come. The church is a democratic organization, and its life depends on the proper functioning of the individuals who make it up—as Paul puts it, so many parts that compose the body of Christ. Is Christ a parasite in this community? Yes, if its members be inert, shrunken away, inactive. Well, we'll be looking for you.

Sunday school at 10:00.
Morning worship 11:00.
B. T. U. 6:45 P. M.
Evening worship 7:15.
All that sincerely warm hearts can do to make souls welcome and comfortable will be done.

WEATHER REPORT FOR PAST SEVEN DAYS GIVES LOCAL OBSERVER'S DATA

The following report, submitted by L. L. Hudson, gives conditions locally as reported to the Chronological Service of the Weather Bureau of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Date	High	Low	Prec.	Day
Dec. 2	45	44	1.38	cloudy
Dec. 3	51	37	0.00	cloudy
Dec. 4	53	45	0.00	cloudy
Dec. 5	67	46	0.20	cloudy
Dec. 6	65	42	0.05	pt. cdy
Dec. 7	55	23	0.00	clear
Dec. 8	59	29	0.00	clear

Total precipitation so far this year, 29.85 inches—something over 1 inch over normal annual precipitation.

Rebuilding House.

R. M. Bowles this week had workmen start on rebuilding and remodeling his house on North Elm Street, near the school house, and expects to have it repaired and modernized at an early date.



Howard Rierson is the new help at Lynch's Hardware Store during the holidays, and from the looks of the store he is a good assistant. He says learning all the names of various kinds of articles was a little hard at first, but now he can easily tell the difference between a horse collar and a fish hook.

Paul Kenneth Wolfe was quite disturbed the other afternoon as his Persian kitty came into the house with its tail almost severed. He telephoned for Dr. Hedges to see if he could do something for the suffering animal, and learned the physician was away on a call. So he telephoned Bernard Ogle, a druggist, to see if he knew what to do. So finally he was so overcome by grief that he just took the animal to the drug store to get aid from someone and Bernard, assisted by S. J. Cheek, Jr., clipped the end of the cat's tail completely off, and the boy and his kitty went away happy.

The local stores have taken on a pretty appearance since most all of them have been decorated in holly, Autumn leaves, bright-colored crepe paper, or in some other way. Quite a lot of energy has been put forth, and a lot of time spent in making them so attractive. When in the stores, just take a peep at the various kinds of decorations.

The Modern Cleaners are making several changes in their place of business. They are moving some of the machinery toward the rear in order to make a larger office space. Mr. Goodman, the manager, has added a stock of Wear-U-Well shoes for both men and women.

Noel Spaulding said he didn't mention about his recent trip to the Centennial in Dallas, so we got him in a good humor by telling him that we would guarantee to give him a big write-up if he attended the celebration again—one hundred years hence.

Buster Harris said they had a smart baby. It has been crying some at nights keeping him awake, but the nearer it is to Christmas, the better the infant tries to be. He thinks the child is looking for a visit from Old Santa Claus.

And speaking of babies, W. L. McDowell still admits that their child is far above other children in so many ways. He said in spite of it's being only fourteen months of age, it is now cutting teeth that other children never get before they are 21 months old.

We have missed our good friend, J. S. Bryan, and just learned on Monday of this week that he has been ill and confined to his bed for the past three weeks. He is getting along nicely, according to reports, and probably will be able to be around town mingling with his friends before many more days have passed. We wish for him a very speedy recovery.

Here is a hint to Mrs. Grady Barrow. We heard Grady say on Monday of this week that all he wanted for Christmas was a nice pair of house shoes. But he emphasized the word, "nice."

Following is a little communication received in the mail Monday night, sent to us by a Hico business lady who, in our opinion, has the right idea concerning advertising:

"Dear Dink: Perhaps you may not find the following definition of the word Advertising in your dictionary, but I think you will agree it has Mr. Webster beat a bit. "Advertising: The education of the public as to who you are, where you are, and what you have to offer in the way of skill, talent or commodity. The only man who should not advertise is the man who has nothing to offer the world in the way of commodity or service."

Hector Hollis who is located at Bakersfield, California, says his friends out there get quite a thrill out of reading the Hico paper. At times Hector gets quite peeved at some of the names they call it, and at some of the remarks about his being from Hickville. But Hector says they must enjoy it, for he never gets to see it until they have

all read every line in it. Anyway the home town boy is glad to still call this city his home.

L. E. Williamson stopped us the other day and asked us if we knew who the three most noted persons were and why. Of course we bit, but did not get the answer right. He said Christopher Columbus discovered this country, Franklin D. Roosevelt recovered it, and Sally Rand uncovered it.

R. J. Adams of the City Cleaners has installed a house full of new machinery of the latest type, and wants the public to know that any job, regardless of the fabric, and whether small or large, can now be turned out in first-class shape. This week in his display ad, he is printing a coupon worth 25c on a 75c job, just as an introduction to show the wonders of the new machinery.

Fairy By CORRESPONDENTS

W. L. Jones who in company with Joe Abels, was injured in a wreck near Waco last Wednesday evening. After remaining in a Waco hospital until last Friday, both men were brought home. At the present time they are recovering nicely.

Mrs. Wallace Edwards was in Hamilton Monday of this week.

Coach Ollie Ford and Andrew Duncan were in Hamilton Monday night.

Mrs. Clancy Blue of Hamilton visited last Wednesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wolfe and family.

Mrs. W. E. Goyno and daughter, Wilma Grace, and Miss Imogene Pitts were Hamilton visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oran Wilford visited with relatives at Hamilton Saturday night.

Woodrow Wolfe has returned home after a few weeks' visit with relatives at Littlefield.

Rev. Robt. Le Croix was here for his regular appointment at the Church of Christ last Sunday morning and evening.

You are invited to attend services at the Baptist Church here next Saturday evening, Sunday and Sunday evening with Rev. Thurman Rucker as pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Whitson and daughter, Mary Ona, and Mr. and Mrs. Appleby and son visited Mrs. Goyno and daughter, Zell, and Mrs. Josie Blakley Sunday.

Miss Erma Dee Homer of Hico spent Saturday night with Miss Lucille Herricks.

Mrs. Willis Herricks has been in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ike Malone of Honey Creek for the past week where she has been at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Baker, who is critically ill from a stroke of paralysis.

Mrs. Walter Whitson and Mrs. Hub Wolfe entertained the Sunbeam Club on Wednesday, Nov. 25th. The spirit of Thanksgiving was carried out with a delicious turkey dinner. The members spent the afternoon gaily chatting and quilting. New officers elected for the coming year were: Mrs. Will Smith, president, and Mrs. Oran Wilford, reporter.

Mrs. Ella Bullard of Hico spent Monday with her mother, Mrs. J. S. Morrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wright, W. F. Clayton and Miss Freda Clayton were Hamilton visitors Monday.

Miss Wilna Caraway visited with Mrs. Charlie Hackett of Hico last week-end.

Mrs. Wallace Edwards and Mrs. Oran Wilford visited last Saturday with Mrs. Rice Edwards of Hico.

Mrs. C. C. Parks and Mrs. Johnnie Jackson were in Hamilton Monday of this week.

spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shaffer. He left Saturday for Shamrock and will return later.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Parks of Fairy spent awhile Monday afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Proffitt.

We are sorry to lose our neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Slaughter who moved Monday to Hamilton. We hope they will like their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Proffitt and children were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shaffer Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Tolliver spent Saturday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Thompson of Altman.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Bell of Olin spent Sunday afternoon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burnett and grandson, Ray D.

Raymond Johnson of Dublin spent the week end with home folks.

Sam Morgan and son, Joe, have moved to the Carlton community, and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Smith have moved on the place they vacated.

Miss Estella Herrin was in Stephenville Saturday to see her sister-in-law, Mrs. Bill Herrin, who is in the hospital there.

Bertha Lea Barnett spent Wednesday night of last week, guest of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barnett and son, Wayne, of Hico.

Mrs. Ellen Williams has returned to her home at Clairette after a weeks' visit with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Seay and family.

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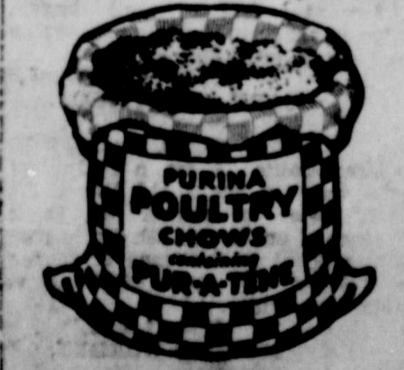
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SPORTSMAN FLIES HIGH

by Lawrence A. Keating

Fifth installment.
SNOPSIS: Detective Dan Colwell of the Graber-Vael private detective agency is assigned the job of shadowing lawyer Arthur McDonald whose wife fears gangster enemies are plotting to murder him. McDonald is murdered in spite of Colwell's watchfulness. Dan is hot on their trail and suspects a sinister plot.

The two exchanged looks. "Never mind—they ain't really so important, Colwell, only I thought maybe you'd have them, see? What's this slip meant?"

"Just my car license. In case it would be stolen, I'd know, see? Most people don't know their own license numbers?"

Quillen sneered. Suddenly he lowered his gun and became friendly. "I'll make it worth your while, Colwell. Guess you don't make more than forty-five a week, do you? How would fifty bucks extra look? Maybe you got those numbers stuck away somewhere. There's fifty in it if you come across. But I'll know the right ones!" he warned.

Colwell shrugged. "You gave them to Graber!" Lefty charged. "Of course not. I don't know what you're talking about."

Quillen sprang to his feet in new rage. "Then you had 'em! Or you know 'em—that it? Say, what is your game anyhow?"

Dan held his ground. From his two inch advantage he looked down at the killer. "I'd be a fool to give you something you want so bad when you figure to bump me off next minute because of what I know about those murders?"

Lefty drew back. A malevolent smirk came over his face. He nodded comprehendingly. "Smart guy eh? Trying to make a deal with me? Without moving his gaze he jerked his head. "I'll call Thies-

sen in. Guess we can make this boss talk, eh, Helen?"
The girl stood close to Colwell. Of a sudden he flinched, clutching his cheek. His eyes blazed at her but she blazed back with twice the fury. Deliberately she had raised her hand and in a quick



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slip made a long, angry scratch down his jaw.

"You don't need Thiessen. We can handle this smart aleck alone. Come on, Quillen, let's start. We'll get it out of him!"

"Now you," the charming Mrs. McDonald spat at Dan. "you come through with those numbers, the right ones, or you're go-

ing out of here in a basket. Understand?"

Quillen jabbed his gun into Dan's stomach. "Sit down!"

He sat down. Over Lefty's shoulder he saw Helen go pale. Quillen reversed the weapon. He clipped Colwell lightly over the

head. The blow made stars shower in his brain and gave him a sudden, he saw Helen go pale.

teeth, clenched his big hands on the arms of the chair. He blinked up at Quillen with unsteady eyes.

"You better not go on with this. You'll pay—double!" It brought a sneer. "Tough, eh?"

Quick as a flash the fellow clipped him again, the same deft blow and no harder. It was a practised blow that would make a man on his feet reel. Quillen must know all kinds of blows according to the effect he desired.

The girl shrank back shuddering. Colwell did not lose a whimper. He took it as grimly, as silently, as any man could. Helen lunged in with her fists under his jaw. The diamond ring on her finger cut. Quillen hit him again, kicked his shins, slapped his face so that it made a white welt that took twenty seconds to turn glowing red.

Colwell hadn't heard yet what he had to know. When the shipment was due. What the numbers—

Again Lefty struck with his gun butt. Every fibre screamed the command to fight back. The self-preservation instinct in a man was all powerful the instant those nerve telegraph wires whirled the news to his brain that something hurt!

But he bore it stoically. They hit him, slapped him, lambasted him, kicked him. Dan hoped he was hard enough to stand it without being crippled. He kept his mind on one thing: he had to stand it. If he could last it was going to mean seventy, eighty perhaps a hundred thousand dollars. Of which Quillen was going to pay a fat half.

His sense became foggy. "Gimme those license numbers!" screamed Lefty. "Gimme 'em, you rat!"

Shocked, Colwell's mind functioned dimly. License numbers! That was it. That was what the slip bore that he had snatched from the running board of McDonald's taxi!

He had that much. He needed a little more: the when and how of the quarter million dollar shipment of snow. . . .

The buzzer of the corridor door jerked Quillen upright. Helen Fane's face was chalky. The brown eyes that could be so alluring swept to Lefty then to the door.

"Graber!" Quillen gulped. "Otto Graber!"

She nodded, swallowing and looking furiously at Colwell.

Dan felt himself going unconscious. His last remembrance was of Quillen's voice far away. And he seemed to be lifted. "I'll take him to the bedroom. Listen, get rid of that louse quick as you can—and don't let on I been around!"

Quillen shouldered Dan's hundred and seventy-six pounds. He held a gun on for strength. He staggered to the bedroom and flopped Colwell unceremoniously on the pink taffeta covered bedstead where Dan lay with eyes closed. Quillen shut the door and sat down in a rocker, listening.

There was a slam of the corridor door. Then a torrent of abuse in the harsh tones of Otto Graber of the Graber-Vael Detective Agency, who it appeared, was not hunting in Ewing, Pennsylvania. He wrenched Helen Fane's arm and made her wince. A chair crashed and heavy objects struck the floor.

"Where is he? I betcha he's here!" He must have bored the bedroom door with his eyes, wrenched out a gun and stepped gratefully for Otto. Suddenly Quillen yanked the door open. The pair faced each other levelled automatics.

Graber sucked breath. He must have straightened in dismay. "Wh—what!" he yelled. "What's that dam' gun poked at me for? Take it away, Quillen, you rat! Where's that snow? You think you can give Mac the works and snatch thirty thousand and never hear from me, Me, Otto Graber?"

Lefty's ire boiled anew. "Shut up, you big goat! What do you think made me try it, eh? You and Mac workin' to squeeze me out! Yeah, me and others, too."

"You didn't have to kill him, did you? Why didn't you wait? What the devil makes you think we meanly give on for suddenly? Graber's heat subsided a little as though cooled by the equal wrath of Lefty. He lowered his gun. He preferred a chance to shout when nothing was aimed at him. "Listen, you jumped at conclusions. What's eatin' you? Come on, come on," he urged placatingly. "put up your rod. Say, we never had an idea to give you boys the run around!"

"And you go out and bump Mac off," he pursued aggressively, "and set the whole town on fire. Yeah, and Soup's found in the ally. Say, any two-bit cop can tell it was the same guy did both jobs! Why, you like to put us all out of business."

Lefty walked out of the bedroom pulling the door shut, but it swung partly open again. His gun was lowered. "That's all right. You tried to slip it over on me and I showed you I won't stand for it. What I want to know is, why the gag about Mrs. McDonald? You put Helen here up to posin' as Mac's wife when he never had one. An excuse to set one of your gunshoe artists trailin' Mac?"

"Aw, Lefty, I figured you might do somethin' to land the bunch of us in the mud. Yeah—and you damn near did! Helen suggested—" He stopped, flung the girl a look of inquiry whether he had revealed something best kept secret. "I mean she tried to talk you into keepin' cool. But nothing'd do, you had to get all heated up. Hell, that game didn't work out much anyhow. Forget it."

The killer sneered. "Yeah, forget it! I s'pose you come here for the package, eh?"

"You bet I did. And I mean to split in it, you hear? You can't put nothing over on me, Lefty Quillen! Not with two murder raps ready to grab you and me knowing plenty. But why should I ever spill it?" Otto interrupted himself. "Say, we gotta work together like we always did! Made money, ain't we? But you might trot out that package," he hinted eagerly.

There was a brief silence. "I haven't got it. I don't know who has. Thought Soup pulled a slick

one on me and snatched it, but now. . . ." Quillen shrugged and scowled. "Hell, I don't know where it is, Otto."

The detective agency head hung on his words, speechless. He made rumbling sounds in his throat. "You're a dirty liar, Quillen—you sold the stuff already! That's what you did, and now you're tryin' to whine off. But you can't get away with it, see? Gimme my share—quick!" he roared, and again whipped up his gun.

They were like wildcats, ready to spring. With a gasp Helen Fane darted between the two guns and struck them up. "Stop it! What's accomplished by killing each other? You—You saps!" the girl flung at them so hard it stung. "Listen, Otto: Lefty tried to give you and me and Mac the run around. He thought we were trying to give him the run around. See?"

"Well, Mac's gone and he was the boss. That package is gone too, and Quillen has no more idea than you have where it is. That's straight. He only wishes he did have! We've lost it, that's all. My guess is that Soup Catterby pulled a fast one, had the stuff taken from the newstand man in the Lawyers and Doctors Building. Then Quillen kills him. Now the guy that was messenger for Soup is sitting pretty. Trying to find him would be like hunting a needle in a haystack. We're out of luck!"

"But the shipment's still coming. We know the smuggling scheme is okay. However—" She paused. "How did that trial package come in, Otto?"

He parted his lips to speak, pressed them together suddenly, and gave a taunting smile. "Never mind. Got in, didn't it? Mac had the license of the truck on him—that I don't know. You got it off-a Mac?"

"Well, listen, I did, but—" "What!" A new outburst came from Graber which lasted several minutes and necessitated another daring move on the part of the girl lest the pair murder each other.

"Keep still!" she cried. "Put your guns up! We've got to get together on this or we're all sunk! Otto, you know how the stuff's coming in: spring it!"

He had refused before, but now, cagily, he growled: "Truck, of course. What did you think? But hell, if we haven't the license numbers— Them roads are lousy with trucks! I'm through with you!" he yelled. "Both you bone-heads!"

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Somebody said that life is one thing after another. Somebody else said that life is what one makes it. We like to say that, but really, isn't life what our friends make it for us? Just another shallow thought to wonder about. Life is supposed to be the most complicated piece of something in existence. Something to take on the chin.

Never knowing what is to happen next, guessing, wondering, blundering—that's life. To lead a perfect existence—Oh, well, call it impossible. Those little and big things that make life complicated must be contended with.

N. L. S.

The Seniors of '37.

Dear old Fairy High school we love you with all our hearts, but we know it won't be very long until we, seniors, from you must part.

And as we journey onward we will think of you each day and recall the many pleasures of our good old high school days. We hope you grow and prosper. Each year that is to come, that you may be a better school. If so, it can be done.

Juniors.

We are through taking our six weeks' tests except the ones that were absent. We will list the highest grades next week.

Sophomores.

The ones who made 90 or more in history were: Margie Lee Huton, Wilma Shephard, Kathryn Cunningham, Vernon Jackson, Katy Lea Carson, Lola Mae Edington, Juanita Parks, Daphne Hoover, Audie Parks, James D. Richardson, Billie D. Blakley, and Frank Coit Allen.

The ninth and tenth grades rendered a very interesting program in chapel Friday or at least they thought so.

Freshmen.

Friday night on the fourth of December the 7th and 8th grades gave a party for Willadene and Doris Lee who are leaving. They will go to school at Carlton. We will miss them very much and hope they will enjoy the new school.

Christmas will soon be here and everyone of the freshmen are looking forward to see Old Santa.

Wonder Why?

Mrs. Rainwater quit her car and wonder what was the matter started riding the old grey mare with the 9th grade history papers—those D's.

Lost.

Mr. Ford's time going to Latham. Mr. Squares false teeth. Mrs. Rainwater's good roads. Whit Whitson's plug of Brown Mule. The 5th grades good history grades.

Seventh Grade.

We have finished our tests and those who made the highest in mathematics are: Francis Cable, Elbert Akin, and Wynonne Atrant. The highest in history is Bertie Mae Gossett. In English: Francis Cable. We are expecting to get our report cards the last of this week.

Can You Imagine—

Ruby making 92 on spelling? Nellie B. making 74 on history.

Fifth and Sixth Grades.

Four students made an average of A in the 6th grade this month. They are Wilma Dean Mason, Wanda Lea Carson, Joyette Abel, and Edward Grames. The 6th grade made a much higher average the past six weeks than they did the first six weeks.

The high four in the fifth grade this time are: Cecil Trantham, David Battersell, Rosemary Miller and Gladys Little. The new officers for the 5th and 6th grade English Club are as follows: Joyette Abel, president; Rosemary Miller, vice-president; Clarence Little, secretary. Officers are elected every six weeks.

Sport News.

The Carlton basketball boys came down to Fairy and played the Fairy Tigers in a fast game of basket ball. The Tigers lineup was: Morrison, center; Duncan and Russell, forwards; Bridges and Hughes, guards. The referees were Pee Wee Allison and Lefty Miller.

The scores were 19 to 12 in the Tigers' favor. Although Carlton was defeated they played a nice game. We will return their game Thursday night if the weather is o. k. We are also planning to go to the tournament Saturday at Pottsville.

B. O. B.

Pep Squad.

The Pep Squad is almost ready to get down to do some real yelling for old Fairy. We have our royal blue sweaters with the white P. and P. E. P. on them and also white caps.

There are 27 in the Pep squad and the leaders are: Shirley Arrant, Geraldine Brummett, Dalton Driver and Braxton Edington. Yes, with that many leaders and members we ought to have a real pep squad. Well we are going to do our best to make it the best in the county and we are going with the ball teams every time we can.

A cozier is to be given away Wednesday night. Maybe you will benefit from reward.

TODAY and TOMORROW

FRANK PARKER BOOKBRIDGE

PATENTS celebration They have been holding a celebration in Washington for the centennial of the American patent system. I wished I could take time out to attend, for the U. S. Patent Office was one of my playgrounds when I was a boy and my uncle was Commissioner of Patents. I learned more, I think, from the exhibits of models of early inventions than I ever learned in school.

Many folks have a wrong idea about patents. They think they are intended to create monopolies. The exact opposite is true. The word "patent" means "to make public." In return for disclosing the secret of his device or process so that anyone can use it, Uncle Sam gives the inventor the sole right to use it for seventeen years. After that it is public property.

America is one of the few countries where the owner of a patent does not have to pay an annual tax on it. That is one of the reasons why we are the most inventive people in the world. The other is that we had to invent machines to do our work because we wanted more work done than there were men to do it.

INVENTIONS the public In 1884 Henry L. Ellsworth, then Commissioner of Patents, said that the Patent Office would soon be unnecessary, since there was nothing left to invent! Just a few of the inventions since then are the telephone, electric light, gas engine, phonograph, airplane, photographic dry plate, motion pictures, radio, and about a million and a half other devices for which patents have been issued since Mr. Ellsworth's time.

For years the Patent Office refused to consider applications for patents on flying machines on the ground that it was impossible for men to fly. They still refuse applications for "perpetual motion" machines unless accompanied by a working model, no inventor has yet produced a model that works. A patent, however, is no proof that an invention is valuable. The value of any invention depends entirely upon whether it meets a public demand.

SUN power From time immemorial inventors have been trying to find some way of storing the energy of sun heat. In sunny countries it is easy to test tanks of water by the sun's rays, and many patents have been granted on solar engines. Most of these, however, cost so much in proportion to the power generated that it doesn't pay to build them.

Dr. Charles G. Abbott, secretary of the Smithsonian Institute of Washington, however, thinks he has solved the problem. At the Patent Centennial he showed an engine run by sunpower which may point the way toward conservation of fuel when the earth's supplies of coal and oil are exhausted. "Nothing could be more useful than costless power," I hope Dr. Abbott is on the right track.

GLARE under control One of the most promising of the new inventions shown at the Patent Centennial is a method of taking the glare out of headlights. Scientists have long known that light can be "polarized"—that is, so reflected that the light beams are parallel and go in one direction only. But all previous methods of doing this have been too expensive for general use. The result of years of work in two great industrial research laboratories. It is a simple transparent sheet of a new kind of material which can be used instead of glass in motor headlights, and will project their beams in a straight line ahead instead of into the eyes of approaching drivers.

This one invention alone, when put into general use, will be worth untold money for its value as a preventer of motoring accidents.

SOND death ray

Another amazing new thing is a device which produces sound waves at a pitch too high for the human ear to detect. These vibrations, or "ultrasonic" sounds, have remarkable powers of penetration and can even cause death. Dr. R. W. Wood of Johns Hopkins laboratory, who developed them, showed how passing these ultrasonic waves through a tank of water would kill all the fish in the water. That suggests a possible use in killing the larvae of mosquitoes in their breeding places.

Amazing and industrial compounds can also be found by these waves. Oil can be mixed with water and powdered coal which has been suspended in water is consolidated into a solid lump by means of the new vibrations.

Mlle. Suzanne Lacorre, the third woman Minister in the French Government, has the job of taking care of the children of her country. Her title is Undersecretary of State for Child Welfare and for 36 years she had worked unostentatiously as schoolmistress among the 500 peasants of the Village of Ajat in the Dordogne. She would like to see established centers of education for children and for parents and welfare centers for the study of infant care.

Sunday School Lesson

John's Vision on Patmos. Lesson for December 13th. Revelation 1:4-18. Golden Text: Revelation 1:11.

The strange but fascinating book of Revelation is not, as some insist, a prophecy of the final drama of the world. It is neither a time-table of far-off events nor a treatise on heaven, though there are vivid anticipations of immortality in it.

Rather is it a tract for the times, practical in aim, immediate in purpose. Much of it, to be sure, sounds grotesque to modern ears, for it is full of eccentric imagery and lurid passion. But, nothing in Revelation was strange to the folk for whom it was written. They understood every word.

What was their situation? Toward the close of the first century an edict had gone forth from the Emperor Domitian that his subjects should worship him as God. The Jews were exempted from conformity to this ordinance, but not the Christians. Imagine their plight! On the one hand we observe a splendidly powerful empire; on the other, a mere handful of struggling churches.

At that terrible crisis in the early history of the Christian movement Revelation was written. What is its purpose? To put heart into the dismayed people of God. Its theme? The certain victory of the Lord Omnipotent, and of His Christ. Here the church is exhorted to be faithful unto the end, for Rome and evil are to be destroyed, and Christ exalted as a conquering King.

Thus Revelation is a flaming tract of faith for bad times, and inasmuch as our own age is threatened on every side by disintegrating forces, we find this final book of the Bible germane to our plight to day. For it calls for a heroism and endurance needed now fully as much as in those dark hours when it was written. And it proclaims the glorious news that evil, despite its terrific strength, will be finally overcome. Its Christ is One who makes history by marching on gloriously, and putting his enemies under foot.

Nancy Hart's HOME NEWS

If you want the kind of complexion that makes people reach out and stroke a baby's cheeks, the first rule is to watch your diet. Cosmetics and skill in make-up can never take the place of good health. This means that you must practice self-denial and moderation; eating fresh or cooked fruit for dessert rather than cake and rich puddings; limiting meat and eating more plentifully of vegetables. And most important, vigorous exercise in the open air.

Beauty specialists are now almost unanimously advocating washing the face with plain soap and water as the first essential for a clear, healthy skin. Wash the face at least once a day—at morning and night is even better. Use a mild soap and plenty of warm water, followed by a splash of cold water to close the pores. It is estimated that half the cases of dry skins, oily skins, coarse pores and blackheads can be corrected by proper cleansing with soap and water.

Do you have trouble kindling a fire in your open fireplace? A Californian advocates the use of dried orange or grapefruit skins for kindling. The oil in the skins makes them burn hot and fast, and gives a nice aromatic smell. But they must be bone dry.

Tripe, as many know, is a popular dish in England. But tripe as a style item comes as a surprise. It is common, garden variety of tripe treated and tanned by a special process that makes it softer than felt, with a suede like feel. It is used for hats, belts and gloves. Doubtless another name will be selected before it becomes very popular here.

The glycerine rinse is reported to add longer life to stockings and is so easily done that it is well worth trying. You simply add a teaspoonful of glycerine to each pint of water in the final rinse, after washing the stockings. Press out the water gently, hanging them to dry while fairly damp. You'll find the stockings will last longer and prevent the dull slaty-black look that aging socks sometimes take on.

Knitted frocks, a classic fashion borrowed from English women, are playing a more important part in the wardrobe of chic American women. They are practically wrinkle proof and are popular for business wear as well as many other occasions.

Since modern Chinese women have discovered that high-heeled shoes create the illusion of small feet, the centuries-old custom of binding the feet is fast disappearing.

Household Hint: Wine stains can be removed from linen if salt is put on the spot and boiling water is then poured through.

Daughter: Do you believe in love at first sight? Mother: Of course. Do you think I would have married your father if I'd taken a second look?

Knocking another compliments him while belittling yourself.

I'M A NEW WOMAN THANKS TO PURSANG. Yes, Pursang contains elements of proven value, such as Organic Copper and Iron, which quickly aid nature in building rich, red corpuscles. When this happens, the appetite improves. Nervousness disappears. Energy and strength usually return. You feel like a new person. Get Pursang from your druggist.

MODERN WOMEN

CHARL ORMOND WILLIAMS, President of National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Club, Inc.

The American Academy of Arts and Letters in New York has honored Anna Hyatt Huntington, the only woman sculptor member of the Academy, by devoting its fifteenth annual exhibition to her work. Mrs. Huntington, the wife of Archer M. Huntington, is perhaps best known for her equestrian statue of Joan of Arc on Riverside Drive, New York. Replicas of this statue may be seen in San Francisco, Gloucester, Mass., and Blois, France.

A House of Citizenship in South Kensington, London, is the outgrowth of an experiment made three years ago to train young women of the leisure class in civic matters. The two principles of the House are Miss Margaret C. Godley and Miss Dorothy Neville Rolfe. The House offers opportunities to young women to study by means of lectures and practical work, such subjects as imperial history and geography, modern economics, social conditions, and the theory of local, national and colonial government.

More than 150 members have enrolled in the first Business and Professional Women's Club to be formed in the maritime provinces of Canada which was organized recently in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Mrs. Evangeline Watts, chairman of the St. Johns, New Brunswick, club, has announced plans for an organization there.

After more than thirty years' service with a telephone company in Indianapolis, Ind., Miss Edith Timmerman of the traffic department has retired. She has served as operator, clerk, chief operator, training instructor, chief telephone instructor and service officer.

Maine has its first woman member of the Executive Council. Mrs. Edith W. Small, a Republican nominated by Governor Louis J. A. M. Small, who died recently while serving his two-year term as councillor.

Two women, Dr. Ida A. Bengston and Sarah E. Stewart are credited with having standardized the gas gangrene anti-toxin. Dr. Bengston, a senior bacteriologist of the National Institute of Health, is working on endemic typhus and spotted fever.

Other occupants of the car were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Parsons and a 7-year-old son, Carl Jr. of Clarendon, all of whom were thrown from the car. Parsons was killed instantly while Mrs. Parsons and son died thirty minutes later in an Amarillo hospital. Mrs. Rusk was killed instantly, her skull being crushed, and arms broken. Her beautiful body, horribly mutilated, was virtually dug from beneath the mass of twisted steel and broken glass. The occupants of the truck escaped uninjured, and could give no cause for the accident, which local authorities who are investigating declare it to be the most horrible automobile wreck they have ever seen.

Mrs. Rusk, who was formerly Miss Catherine Bennett of Pampa, is well known in and around Hico. She is survived by her husband and mother, besides a number of near relatives and a host of friends.

Interment was made in the lovely Pampa Cemetery Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

One comfort in hitting the bottom is that you can't go lower.

One who tries to ride a college diploma is usually bumped off.

A rich dead man is as poor as the rest of us.

Some people make the worst of the best.

One's value depends on how much he does that he doesn't have to do.

If you can't go with your crowd, walk alone—don't run with the enemy.

When you dislike another's friendship, you deserve his enmity.

A homely person does not have to get over being beautiful.

Anything gained by underhanded methods is not worth having.

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Local Happenings

Gamble spent a part of the week in Austin with friends.

SHOP, Jewelry, Watch Clock Repairing. 28-29

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. McCarty and Travis, were visitors in Steville Tuesday.

Miss Lurline Hardin has returned home from Dallas where she has been visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cox of Brady arrive Sunday for a visit with mother, Mrs. W. F. Culbreath.

Mrs. Lillian Bolding and Miss Ce Ballou of Hamilton were visitors Sunday.

Mrs. C. W. Bates was a visitor Waco and Temple the latter part of last week.

Herbert Kittle of Hamilton with Central Truck Lines was a business visitor in Hico Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Petty and sister Wall were in Dublin, Steville and Comanche Sunday.

They Young, who is employed the Buckhorn Cafe, was a visitor in Dallas Wednesday.

Mrs. Joe Nelson of Clifton spent Wednesday here, guest of Miss Gertrude Fairley.

For a limited time only will give course FREE with each silk dress purchased. See them—Mrs. Gamble's Shop. 29-2c

Mrs. R. B. McClure of De Leon spent a part of the week here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Fewell, as her mother is ill.

Buster Shelton and Miss Margaret Hogan of Austin spent the week-end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Shelton.

Dr. and Mrs. Gus Lancaster and daughter, Delight, and Mrs. Nan Stafford of Granbury spent Sunday here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Woodward.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Cole are leaving this week to a farm out in Hico, and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall and sons will occupy Cole residence.

Word has been received in Hico at Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McCarty and daughter, Sylvia Ray, moving from Shreveport, La., Greenville, Miss., where he has accepted a splendid position.

FLOWERS
A lovely gift to friends, mother, sweetheart, a blooming pot plant, cut flowers or corsage.—Mrs. Lawrence Lane, the Hico Florist. 28-3p

Rev. M. K. Little of Long Beach, California, spent Sunday here visiting his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Hodges. This minister was preaching elder of this district number of years ago, and enjoyed seeing old citizens in Hico again.

CHRISTMAS PHOTOS
In frames or new folders are so appropriate.

Christmas Photo Greeting Cards made either from your own film or from a Studio negative have that personal touch.

Christmas Kodaks—We have a nice line including the new BULLET at \$2.85 and the BABY BROWNIE at \$1.00

THE WISEMAN STUDIO
HICO, TEXAS

Mrs. Fred Wiley and two children of Moran were here recently visiting her mother, Mrs. Lenora Langston, and other relatives.

Morris Harvick and two daughters, Misses Sylvia and Florence, spent Sunday in Hamilton with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Leeth and son Tommy of Hamilton spent Sunday here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Leeth.

MEMORIAL WREATH
Beautiful Christmas Memorial wreath for graves. Prices from \$1 to \$5.—Mrs. Lawrence Lane, the Hico Florist. 28-3p

Mr. and Mrs. Harley D. Wood and children of Lubbock were here a part of last week visiting old friends, en route to Hamilton to visit her brother, Perry Maxwell, and family.

Mrs. Charles Shelton and little son, of Angleton, Texas, are here on a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Randall, while Mr. Shelton is in Gainesville on a business trip.

Bert Pirtle of Wichita Falls spent Sunday here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Pirtle. He reported that his wife was recovering satisfactorily from a recent operation.

Tullus Carpenter who is employed by Western Produce Co. at Brownwood will spend the Christmas holidays here with his wife and children, and mother, Mrs. Mollie Carpenter.

Miss Margaret Ross has returned to Waco where she is taking a beauty course at Nicotia School of Beauty Culture after a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Ross.

H. N. Wolfe, H. F. Sellers and C. P. Coston returned home the first of the week from a hunting trip on a 15,000-acre ranch north of Laredo, where they joined a party from San Antonio and other points last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. McCarty spent the week-end in Gainesville visiting their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark and children, Travis McCarty who had been there visiting his sister and family accompanied them home Sunday.

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Mrs. W. H. Black and Mrs. J. W. Fairley were in Dallas Tuesday where Mrs. Black bought new things for her store here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burleson and daughter, Elita Lofs, left Tuesday for San Angelo where they will make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Elkins spent last Thursday and Friday in Dallas with his mother, Mrs. Charles W. Trawick.

Travis McCarty left Tuesday for Sherman where he has accepted a position with Marks Bros. Department Store.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Johnson and son, E. J. Jr., of Dallas spent the week-end here with her father, W. J. Crump, and wife.

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Duffau H. D. Club Met With Mrs. R. M. Studer

The Duffau H. D. Club spent an enjoyable day quilting at the home of Mrs. R. M. Studer Thursday, Dec. 3rd.

Topics of Christmas tree, gifts and arrangement of giving gifts were discussed and it was decided that the next meeting and Christmas tree would be at the home of Mrs. E. E. Giesecke on December 17.

All members are urged to come and invite their friends to come. Each person should bring an inexpensive gift. Home made gifts will be appreciated for the tree.

A delicious lunch was enjoyed at the noon hour by eleven members and one visitor.

Remember Miss Ellen Steffens, county home demonstration agent will be present at the next meeting on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 17th at the home of Mrs. E. E. Giesecke.

Salem
By
MRS. W. C. ROGERS

The weather was considerably cooler Sunday and Monday. The sunshine was very appreciative after such a long rainy spell.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Driver returned home Friday from their trip to New Mexico, where they were called to the bedside of her brother. They reported him as being better when they left him. We hope for them that he will continue to improve.

Miss Willie Saffell, who is living near Stephenville spent Sunday with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Albright of Seldon spent Saturday night and Sunday morning with W. C. Rogers and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Koonsman and children and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Koonsman spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Koonsman.

Mrs. W. D. Nelms and Mrs. W. C. Rogers were shopping in Hico Monday.

Eldon Rogers accompanied Mr. and Mrs. John Albright of Seldon to visit their sister, Miss Polly Rogers of Carlton Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wolfe of Indian Creek, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Koonsman of Unity and Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Scott and sons, visited in the H. Koonsman home Sunday.

W. C. Rogers received a message last week of the death of his niece, Miss Bobbie Lee Rogers of Clyde. Her father, Otto Rogers, is well known in this and the Buffalo communities. Bobbie Lee was also a niece of Mrs. Minnie Sikes of Hico and Mrs. E. A. Koonsman of Iredell.

W. M. U. Met Monday Afternoon At Church Building

The W. M. U. ladies met at the church Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with ten ladies present. The lesson was a regular missionary program in the Royal Service.

Song No. 157 was rendered after which Mrs. J. C. Rodgers gave the devotional.

Mrs. Rucker Wright led the lesson in a very efficient manner. The closing prayer was given by Mrs. Robert Jenkins.

The North Side Circle meets with Mrs. J. W. Dohoney next Tuesday. The Edna Moseley Circle meets with Mrs. J. C. Rodgers at 2:30 p. m.

The Workers' Council meets at Hamilton next Monday.

Clarette H. D. Club Meets With the Misses Lee.

The Clarette H. D. Club met on Friday, December 4, with Miss Eunice and Miss Nola Lee.

A Thanksgiving program was rendered, and each member answered roll call by telling for what they were thankful.

At the next meeting a Christmas program will be rendered and candy making demonstrated.

Refreshments were served to the following members: Mrs. J. G. Edwards, Mrs. Nora Dowdy, Mrs. L. Dowdy, Mrs. Glynn Lee, Mrs. H. K. Self, Mrs. W. P. Johnson, Mrs. K. C. Kennedy, Mrs. A. E. Denman, and Mrs. Lee Havena.

The club will meet Dec. 18 at the home of Mrs. Nora Dowdy. REPORTER

E. H. Persons
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
HICO, TEXAS

Sunday Class Celebrated Annual Christmas Party

Class No. 3 of the Methodist Sunday school celebrated their annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. J. J. Goad Tuesday evening, when Miss Wilena Purcell, Miss Jessie Garth, Miss Sallie Cunningham and Mrs. Grady Barrow assisted her.

The home was lovely in its holiday decorations, with a well-lighted Christmas tree perched in one corner of the living room containing gifts for every guest present, and a shower of gifts for their favorite member, Miss Sallie Cunningham.

After the business session and distribution of the presents, refreshments of red and green sandwiches, pickles, red and green mints, nuts, fruit cake and coffee were served to the personnel.

Those present to enjoy the affair were: Madames J. T. Mobley, S. T. Hollis, Birda Boone, Annie Waggoner, G. C. Keeney, Sim Everett, S. E. Blair, Tyrus King, Marvis Marshall, W. L. Malone, John Lackey, P. G. Hays, T. A. Munnerlyn, A. L. Ford, Bess Warren, John Haines, George Stringer, J. C. Mann, Lusk Randalls, J. D. Jones, Grady Barrow, Lee Autrey, Ola McKeage, N. A. Leeth, H. N. Wolfe, Jim D. Wright, J. H. Goad and Misses Sallie Cunningham, Jessie and Lucille Garth, Wilena Purcell, and Florence Chenault.

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One Silk Dress at the regular price, and another same-price dress for only \$1 additional. See this lot of beautiful dresses.

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FRUIT SALAD, No. 1 15c	PITTED DATES, pkg. 15c	Seeded RAISINS, pkg. 10c
PEACHES, Melba Hk. 2 1/2 19c	Lemon-Orange PEEL 10c	CELERY, stalk 15c
PINEAPPLE, Gem No. 2 20c	CITRON, pkg. 10c	CAULIFLOWER, lb. 12 1/2 c
PEAS, Tiny, No. 1 Can 15c	CHEERRIES, pkg. 15c	GREEN BEANS, lb. 10c
ASPARAGUS Tips, No. 1 19c	PINEAPPLE, pkg. 15c	NEW POTATOES, lb. 8c
Stringless BEANS, No. 2 10c	WHITE RAISINS, lb. 15c	ENGLISH PEAS, lb. 15c
Pitted CHEERRIES, No. 2 15c	CURRENTS, 7 oz. 12c	CARROTS, bunch 5c
	MOLASSES, Dark 20c	Fresh TOMATOES, lb. 10c

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IREDELL ITEMS

By MISS STELLA JONES, Local Correspondent

Mrs. J. L. Tidwell and Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Smith were in Waco Friday.

Mrs. John Wyche is visiting her son, James, and family, close to Dalhart.

Rev. and Mrs. Dean and son Forrest of Fort Worth spent the day Thanksgiving with her nephew, J. S. Sanders, and wife.

Hayden Sadler, W. F. Turner Jr. and Fred McIlheney were in Waco Thursday.

Mrs. Elmo Heyroth was taken to Gorman Hospital Friday for an operation for appendicitis. Her husband, her father, Mr. W. E. Boyd and wife, Mrs. R. S. Echols and Mrs. Ray Tidwell went with her. All came back Friday night except Mr. Heyroth. She was operated on Friday afternoon and is getting along fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker of Wichita Falls is visiting her sister, Mrs. Blasted Worrell.

Mrs. Alice Chester of Cleburne is visiting her sister, Mrs. Deatherage, and other relatives.

Mr. J. R. Porter returned Thursday from Carthage, where he attended the funeral of his father, Mr. J. T. Porter.

Warren Alexander spent the week-end at home.

Mrs. Koonsman and daughter, Miss Neva, returned Wednesday from Clyde, Texas, where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Koonsman's niece.

Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Gann were in Meridian Monday.

Mr. Arnold of Blum spent the week-end here with his wife.

Mrs. Faye Hargus of Hico spent the week-end with Mrs. Homer Woody.

Misses Marie and Pearl Fouts spent the week-end here. They are in John Tarleton College.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Scales and daughter, Mrs. Felix Schrader and children of Hico spent Monday with Mr. Scales.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Washam and their grandson, Harold Dawson, spent the week-end in Mineral Wells with friends.

Roy Lawrence spent the week-end here.

This section of the country sure has been blessed with rains the past week. It would be fine if the weather would be fair for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Whitley visited his brother, Homer, and wife, Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Boyd spent Thanksgiving in Belton with her sister, Mrs. Tilda Parrace. She accompanied Mrs. Boyd home and visited her until Sunday. She has been sick but was better when she left Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Randall Mitchell and baby and Lee Phillips spent last week-end in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. John Prater had a turkey supper at their home Friday night. Those present to enjoy the feast were: Mr. L. Prater of Kaufman, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Prater and children, Lee Prater and family, and Robert Prater, all of Hico; and Mrs. Stanley and children.

Miss Beatrice Loader spent the week-end with Miss Edna Lee Davis.

Mrs. R. S. Echols, son Billy Jr. and Robert Heyroth and Paul Patterson visited Mrs. Elmo Heyroth at Gorman Hospital Sunday.

Rev. Little of Fort Worth spent Sunday with his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Cora Little, and daughter, Mrs. Roy Mitchell.

Mr. Davis of Fort Worth spent Sunday with Marie Chancellor.

Monday morning dawned bright and beautiful. A heavy frost and some ice were in evidence. It is hoped the weather will be fine for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Brantley and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Baldridge of Meridian, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Olin Brantley.

Rev. and Mrs. Polnac and Mrs. Blanche Dawson attended the workers meeting at Cranfill's Gap Monday.

Mr. John Kaylor of Meridian visited his mother Saturday.

Mrs. R. S. Echols and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Pike were in Waco Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sadler were in Cleburne Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ramage, who live north of town, were in Fort Worth Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Basham and baby returned to their home in Whitney Tuesday after a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hensley.

Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Tidwell of Fort Worth spent Monday with his parents.

Mr. J. L. Dearing was in Meridian Monday.

Peggy June Tidwell was on the sick list this week.

Miss Josie Harris was in Stephenville Monday.

Mrs. Joe Sowder and son Ray of Denison and Miss Maye Sowder, a nurse in Temple Hospital, visited here Monday, returning home the next day. They lived here for a few years, and have many friends who were glad to see them.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson Miller and sons, who have been residing in the rent house on his father's farm, vacated the place and moved to Tulsa, Okla., Saturday, where he will work in an oil refinery.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Thompson who have been living with Miss Little Gordon, vacated their rooms and moved to the rent house on Miller farm Saturday.

Rev. Craig preached a fine sermon here Sunday morning. All the members should have been there to hear the sermon. The crowds were small at both services. Don't know why the people don't go to

church—they can go to other things regardless of the weather. The crowds are small at the Baptist church also.

T. W. Houston.

Mr. T. W. Houston was born in Burleson County, April 7, 1872, and died at his home south of town November 29, 1932.

He was married to Miss Emma Holley December 25, 1892. To this union six children were born: Nevada, Herman, Nelle, Giles, Nina and Leonard. Giles could not be located to come to the funeral.

He came here when a young man and has lived here most of his life. He was converted and joined the Baptist church July, 1905, and lived a faithful member until the end. The weather never was too bad for him and his faithful wife to come to church. They enjoyed going to all the churches. He did his part in church work, and was ever ready to do anything in his Lord's Kingdom. The Baptist church has lost a faithful member. He was ordained a deacon and filled that place to the best of his ability.

I have known the deceased for many years and had a high regard for him for he was a good Christian gentleman. He was ever thinking that it takes to make a Christian man. No one could ever say any harm of him. He was a devoted companion to his now lonely widow, who will miss him so much for most all the time where you saw one of them, you saw both of them. It was very hard indeed for this faithful wife to give him up, but his work was done and God called him and he was ready to go.

I have visited them in their beautiful country home which is on top of a mountain and everything was there to make them contented and they were happy with each other as they could be. He was a prosperous farmer.

On Tuesday of the week he passed away he butchered a big hog and in lifting the hog he strained himself which the doctor thought ruptured a blood vessel close to his heart. He was ill for a few days and was thought to be doing fine. On Saturday he came to town, not feeling any too good, and soon returned home.

Mrs. Houston said all day Sunday he seemed to be well and talked a great deal. About 9 o'clock Sunday night he was standing before the fireplace and she had finished writing a letter and glanced around and her husband threw up his hands, began jerking. She said, "What in the world is the matter?" and he fell back. By the

time he hit the floor he was dead—never spoke or made a sound. She was alone. Her nephew was at home but had retired. He was soon up and went for help. She furthermore said, he had been so well he told her that day he felt strong as a young man. This was an awful shock to his wife and children, for him to be taken from them so suddenly. His death also was a great shock to his many friends who were so sorry to hear of his death. He lived an upright, Christian life, and his influence will be felt for many years. Everyone liked Mr. Houston and respected him. If he had an enemy, no one knew about it. He was one of Iredell's best citizens and no one can take his place.

His children have lost a faithful and a loving father whom they will miss more than words can tell for he did everything he possibly could for their welfare. His work was finished and he had to go. The community where he lived has lost a good and true neighbor for he was a friend to all and would help any and everyone that he could. He would come to town most every day and he will be missed so much here by his many friends. He was of a cheerful nature, ready to talk to all of his friends. He was the same every day, which is a good thing to do for he was an everyday Christian.

At his home he had many pretty chickens which he loved so much and took a delight in having his friends to see them. They were such pretty chickens and he and his wife took great care of them.

He is gone from his home and his friends, and is missed by all. But may we all be submissive to God's divine will, for he doeth all things well.

The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at the Baptist church, of which he was a member. Services were conducted by Revs. Polnac, Lester and Johnnie Hutchens, all of whom paid glowing tribute to his memory. The church was well filled with relatives and friends who came through the bad weather to pay their last respects to his memory.

The casket was opened and all were permitted to look at him. I noticed so many of his friends when they went up to see the remains would stand and look at him for a minute or more—they could not realize Mr. Walter Houston was dead for he looked as if he were asleep and he was asleep in Jesus.

The floral offerings were very large and beautiful. The church was decorated with pot plants

which made it look pretty. Mr. Houston was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the order took charge of the remains after the services at the church. The remains were laid to rest in the new cemetery.

Besides his wife he leaves six children and three sisters, two of whom were at the funeral. All of his children were at the funeral except Giles who could not be found. Present at the funeral were Miss Nora Houston of Ryan, Oklahoma; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Houston of Wickett, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Asten and children of Wichita Falls; Mrs. Nelle Rider and daughter of Opelousas, La.; Mrs. L. M. Berry and Mr. Willford Berry and wife of Dawson, Texas; Mrs. Will Clark and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Davis of Purden, Texas; Mrs. Lula Tandy of Waco; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Greer, August Greer, Mrs. Duke Daniels of Dallas; Mrs. Walter Houston and daughter Inez and son Willard of Hico; Mrs. Porter Clark and son Croy, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Clark and daughter of Fairy; Mr. Ealen Holley and sons, Lynn and Ere of Hico; Mr. and Mrs. Keeney of Hico; Mrs. Clara Richard and Mr. Hornbuckle of Meridian; and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Blue of Noxice, Texas.

Mrs. Houston and children have the sympathy of their many good friends in the loss of their loved one.

Mrs. Nelle Rider and daughter of Opelousa, La., will stay with her mother, Mrs. Houston, for a while.

DRAGONS' DEN

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Music Classes to Present Operetta.

Thirty-two students selected from the fourth, fifth and sixth grades will present the operetta, "In Quest of Santa Claus," on Thursday night, December 17.

This operetta concerns a little girl, Jane, who starts out in search of Santa Claus to tell him what she wants for Christmas. She gets lost in an enchanted forest, but none of the wood-folk will help her because she has been selfish and unkind. Finally, she learns that the true spirit of Christmas is unselfishness. Then she is able to find Santa Claus easily.

The goblins, the fairies, the dolls, the snowflakes, the rabbits and

many other characters have characteristic costumes and sing many merry melodies in this production. Parents, as well as children, will find this Christmas operetta most entertaining.

No admission will be charged, and everyone is invited to come.

Seventh Grade Presents Play.

The seventh grade presented a short drama concerning Christopher Columbus on last Monday morning, December 7.

The scene was in the castle of King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella. Columbus was asking the king and queen of Spain to give him enough money to go to India.

After the drama, some Christmas songs were sung by the entire assembly.

H. E. Classes Receive Training in Entertaining.

All of the home economics classes have been serving meals to guests this week. The girls are graded on the skill they use in serving the meal, preparing and planning the food, and their etiquette while dining.

Basketball.

The Iredell Dragonettes went to Evant Tuesday night Dec. 2, where they met some strong competition. Because it was muddy and the girls were tired, Evant defeated the Dragonettes 38 to 14.

Evant returned the visit Friday night. Onlookers reported that this was the best matched game this season. The score saw-sawed until the last four minutes when the Dragonettes ran their score up six points. This gave them the victory.

Enology's team met the second string of Dragonettes Wednesday night for a practice game. Many of the girls couldn't get there because of bad weather, therefore a team had to be gathered from all three teams. Enology carried off the score with 26 to Iredell's 19.

An Object Lesson.

The teacher was trying to impress on the children how important had been the discovery of the law of gravitation.

"Sir Isaac Newton was sitting on the ground looking at the tree. An apple fell on his head and from that he discovered gravitation. Just think, children," she said, "isn't that wonderful?"

The inevitable small boy replied: "Yes'm, and if he had been sitting in school looking at his books, he wouldn't never have discovered nothing."

Fluent.

Note from teacher on Betty's report card: "Good work but talks too much." Note from father over signature on back of card: "Come up some time and meet her mother."—Texas Outlook.



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HICO, TEXAS



The Mirror

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Special Announcement.
 Miss Lurlyne Hardin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hardin of Hico, announces her marriage for December 23, 1936 to Mr. Alton Eases, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Eases of Hillsboro, Texas. Mr. Eases is at present an employe of the Duncan Coffee Co. in Dallas.
 A group of friends will accompany the two to the First Baptist Church in Hico where Brother Dawson will perform the ceremony.
 Lurlyne is a graduate of Hico High School and a girl loved by everyone. Her friends hate to lose her but the whole student body attends their happy congratulations to this young couple.
 M. H.

Sport News.
 The Hico football team underwent their first defeat of the season at Tolar on November 24. The final score was Tolar 14, Hico 7. Our team was outplayed the entire first half with the result of Tolar's scoring a touchdown and extra point. Our team went back in the second half determined to make a showing and within the first two minutes of play scored 7 points. This tied the score and our boys seemed to lose their fight. Tolar completed a pass for another touchdown. This made the score 14 to 7 and the game ended this way, but Tolar came to Hico December 1 and the game took a very different course. The field was muddy and Tolar's passes didn't click. Our team had a very different spirit and our captain, Walton Gandy, had decided that he could play football. The whole team was playing a hard game.

We scored 12 points in the first half and 7 points in the third quarter. By this time the field was a "job loly" of mud and water and real playing was out of the question.

The game ended with the score of Hico 15 and Tolar 9.

The defeat by Tolar on November 24 was the only one of the season and had only 33 scored against us. Our goal line was crossed in only four games. Two men, Brown and Hall, played in every quarter of every game. There were 14 lettermen this season. Dan Holliday was the high point man of the team. He scored 58 points. A. D. Land came second with 34 points.

Hico has not lost a game on the home field in the last three years. Our support was such that we financially came out even this year.

From present appearance we will have a very good team next year.

Coach Rogstad invited the entire football squad to his house Friday, Nov. 27 to play forty-two and cards. He served a very delicious oyster supper. Everyone had a swell time and the majority of the boys left at 20-minutes of 2 a. m. The team wishes to thank Coach for the grand time.

In conclusion, I will state that we have had a very successful football season. Walton Gandy has been captain for the past two seasons. Our next season's captain will be announced next week.
 O. W. H.

Thumbnail Sketches
 This week found me rushing around trying to find someone

who was willing and had time for an interview. I finally spotted Hico's little city "country boy," Albert Harold Little.

Albert Harold said his favorite song was "Old Man River" because the negro in Show Boat just made it famous. For the favorite orchestra, Wayne King holds the highest position in his estimation. He likes him because of that grand rhythm. For food, Albert cried, "Don't mention food, I see that all the time." Therefore I do not have the least idea of his favorite taste. Sport will find Albert hunting or fishing. This is why he loves the country and almost detests the city. For the movies, Albert likes Ginger Rogers and for his actor he likes all of them, even Buck Jones.

Albert Harold has only one ambition which he is physically and mentally inclined to develop. This is an ambition to be a musician and a grand singer. He won't have to go far in accomplishing his wish because Albert sings excellently now. All he needs is training.
 M. H.

Hico, Texas
 Dec. 8, 1936.

Dear Cousin Effie:
 Well, last week has been about as dull as it always is for us freshmen. Wait a minute, I'll take that back. We've just got through with six weeks examinations and are we glad.

Roberta McMillan, Louise Blair, Eugene Hackett and I went up to Richard's house Sunday night and made candy. We went in the kitchen to make it, but had forgotten how so Mrs. Little had to come in there and make some for us. We wanted to make taffy but Richard wouldn't let us. He said his house had been sticky enough from making taffy before.
 The eighth graders are trying to get us a ball team. Any one won't coach our basketball so we will have to start indoor ball.
 Until the next time I see you.
 So long,
 Carroll Anderson.

P. S. Here's a poem an eighth grader made up:

A Freshman's Will
 When I die, bury me deep,
 Put my Math at my feet,
 Put my English at my head.

Tell Miss Johnson, I'm glad I'm dead.

Put my Science by my side
 Tell Mr. Rogstad that's why I died.
 Lay that "old history" upon my knee.
 And please, please, mourn not for me.

Carlton

By
CORRESPONDENT

Miss Irene Stephens is visiting relatives in Fort Worth.

Mrs. L. C. Cook was called to the bedside of her sister at Iredell Thursday as she was not expected to live. We are hoping to hear that she is improving.

Dr. Raymond Tull and wife of Abilene spent the week-end here with his mother, Mrs. J. H. Tull. Mrs. Carrie Ogle who has been visiting her brother, John Tillinghast and family also Grandmother Ogle returned to her home in California last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Pollard were in Hamilton Monday attending Trades Day.

G. W. Massingill of Dublin spent Monday in Carlton. Mr. Massingill lived here one time and has many friends here.

Uncle Byrl Caudle moved to his home near town Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Aubry Duzan will occupy the house vacated by him.

Carlton visitors to First Monday were: Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Basham, Bill Grey and W. P. Barnett.

Misses Clara Page and Joy Brown who teaches here were Hamilton shoppers Saturday.

Gordon

By
MRS. ELLA NEWTON

Mrs. Fannie Sawyer and Mrs. Rachel Harris spent Monday with Mrs. Nora Smith of Black Stump. Mrs. Ima Smith visited Mrs. Nora Smith of Black Stump. Mrs. Ima Smith visited Mrs. Minnie Perkins Monday afternoon. Mrs. Lucile Smith spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Ella Newton.

Mrs. Ima Stroud stayed with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Craig and little son last week.

Those who visited Mrs. Virginia Craig and little son, Bobbie Ray, Tuesday afternoon were: Mrs. Rachel Harris, Mrs. Ella Newton, Mrs. Ima Smith and Mrs. Tony Meadows.

Mrs. Fannie Sawyers spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Minnie Perkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Smith and family were Christmas shopping in Waco Friday.

Mrs. Oza Smith of Walnut visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cas Bowman over the week-end. Mrs. Homer Lester and Mrs. John Hanshaw are in Glen Rose taking treatment. We hope they will soon be feeling better, also Mrs. Frank Lester is visiting relatives near Glen Rose.

John Driskell of near Iredell spent Friday night with Homer Lester.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Dotson and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Craig and daughters of Flag Branch spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Craig and little Bobbie Ray.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sawyer were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tidwell of Iredell Sunday.



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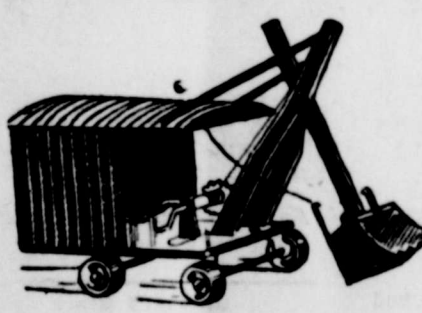


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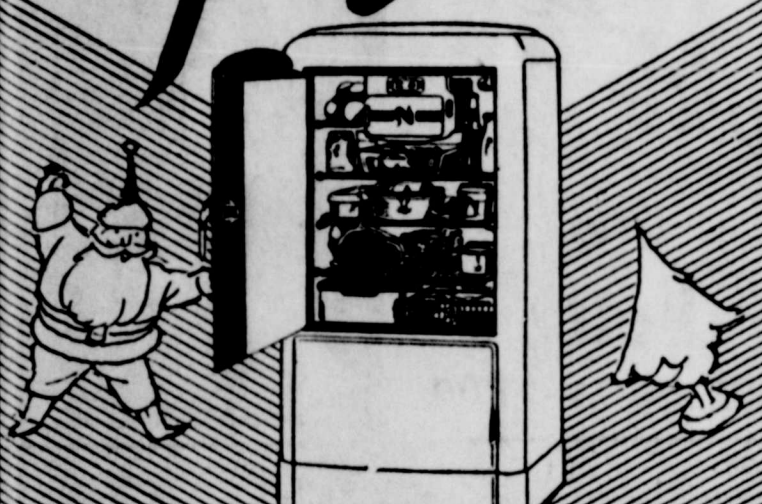


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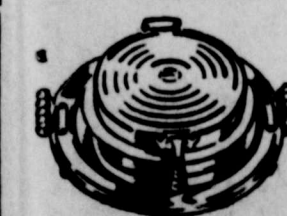


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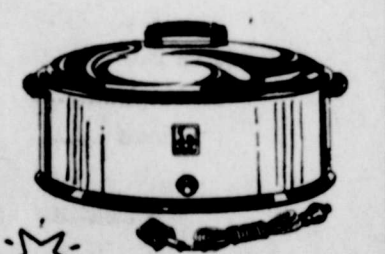
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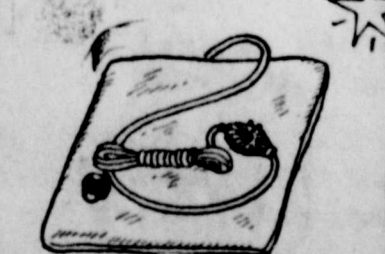
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(Clyde Enterprise)
Funeral services for Bobbie Lee Rogers, 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Rogers of this place, was held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Clyde Baptist church. Rev. J. S. Tierce, pastor, assisted by Rev. J. D. Brannon, district Baptist missionary, from Abilene, officiated.

Bobbie Lee died at 11:30 o'clock Tuesday morning in Hendricks Memorial hospital. She entered the hospital Saturday for treatment.

Born in Clyde, Bobbie Lee was a member of the sophomore class in the Clyde high school, and a member of the Baptist church here. She was vice-president of her school class, an honor student and was active in literary and athletic events.

Students in the sophomore class were pallbearers. David Miller, director of music at the Clyde high school, sang for the service, as did members of her Sunday school class. The high school dismissed during the service.

Survivors besides the parents are four brothers, Paul, O. L., Bailey and Wanda; two sisters, Johnny and Billy Jane, and her grandmother, Mrs. Etta Payne, who lives with the Rogers family.

Notes From Office Of Hamilton Co. Home Dem. Agent

Has Good Record.

"From my spring and fall garden my family has been supplied with fresh vegetables from early spring until Thanksgiving," quoted Pauline Morgan, chairman of Carlton 4-H club.

Pauline had a total of 2,560 feet in her spring garden and 530 feet in her fall garden harvesting about 2950 pounds from the two gardens. She had a good variety, planting 14 different vegetables in her garden. Other than the amount served fresh and the amount her mother used for preservation, Pauline put up 169 containers herself. Pauline did not stop at preserving vegetables but canned 33 containers of fruit also.

In her wardrobe work she reached all the goals set up in the year book and constructed eleven other garments besides, bringing the total to fourteen garments. She won first place in the clothing contest in the County and also won a trip to the annual short course. She says that her club work means a lot to her.

Plans To Fill Empty Jars.

"I have a number of empty jars on my pantry shelves that need to be filled," remarked Mrs. W. A. Moss, chairman of the Honey Grove Home Demonstration Club in conversation with the home agent.

In the discussion Mrs. Moss decided that she would fill part of the jars with greens and part with turkey. She has an abundant supply of greens in her garden which she can't use now, and in order to save them for later she is going to can some of them. Since she also has a number of turkeys that she doesn't want to sell because of the low market, and feels that she can't feed them longer, so to solve the problems she is going to can them. This will help fill her meat budget for the year.

WANTED: A MOSES!

When poverty increases the opportunities of the young diminish. The result is that only the hand-capped young remain in the region of increasing poverty; they go away searching for less poverty and more opportunity. Hamilton county faces that critical situation. Its soil is being transferred to the Gulf of Mexico to build up a delta at the mouth of the Brazos. As the soil leaves, poverty moves in, the younger generation seeks more fertile fields, and the residue of population faces a hopeless future. Were a Moses to come among us and lead the farmers of the county to make haste and save their soil a new day of prosperity would loom ahead, and schools and churches and homes and businesses and newspapers could grow in the prosperous wake of new life. Wanted: A Moses to lead soil owners in the salvation of the county.

E. E. DAWSON.

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Washington, Dec. 8.—The belief growing in Washington that President Roosevelt's trip to South America may prove to be one of the vital turning points in our national history, something which historians of the future will refer to as the beginning of a new era in world affairs.

Back of the President's attendance at the conference of American Republics, which is being held at Buenos Aires, is a definite purpose to bring the entire Western Hemisphere into a new agreement for cooperation in peace, common defense of war and the free exchange of commodities between the nations of the two Americas at all times.

The logic of such a lineup is quite obvious. This country does not want to be involved in European political affairs nor in Asiatic politics. Neither do the Republics of the South. War is breeding to the East and to the West. The American continent is separated from these warlike regions by the Atlantic Ocean and the Pacific Ocean.

Also to the South of us lies a great opportunity for peaceful developments of mutual trade. South America is the natural market for American manufactures and the United States is a natural market for South America's raw materials.

Likewise, South America offers to the adventurous, pioneering spirit of our youth as great opportunity for exploration and development as our west did in the early days of our continental expansion.

A Great American Empire.

It is not to be wondered at, therefore, that President Roosevelt should cherish the dream of a united Western Hemisphere, which could conceivably be entirely a self-contained and free to develop a vast empire with a new type of culture and civilization, in no way dependent upon either Europe, Asia or Africa. If that dream should be realized then the President's visit to Buenos Aires would, indeed, be a historical occasion.

Secretary of State Cordell Hull has the same vision. He is meeting the President at the Argentine capital and will remain there throughout the international conference to participate in the discussions which he hopes will result in the formation of an All-American League of Nations.

That American business and industry is at least hopeful that something will develop from this conference to broaden our export market and render the opportunities which South America offers more readily available to North American capital and enterprise, is indicated by the fact that Harry S. Sibley, President of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, flew to Buenos Aires last week to attend the conference. Sibley also plans the extended airplane tour of the principle South American countries and capitals.

All the reports that come into Washington indicate that the Latin-American peoples and their governments have shaken off the fear of aggressions on the part of the "Colossus of the North." This self-erasing politician of a type now rapidly losing influence in the southern continent. At present the road is clearer than it has ever been for such a Pan-American understanding. If not alliance, such as has been the dream of far-seeing statesmen for many years.

That European Tangle

It is no secret that the whole problem of foreign relations is one which is giving the Administration more concern than almost any domestic question.

The State Department is inclined to feel that the civil war in Spain may result in precipitating general European hostilities, since both Mussolini and Hitler have announced their recognition of the rebels under the leadership of Gen. Franco as the de facto government of Spain and Great Britain has announced that it will resist any attempt on the part of the rebels to interfere with British commerce in Spanish ports.

The rebellion in Spain is definitely a fascist movement, to set up a government of the same dictatorial type as those of Italy and Germany, while the existing government of Spain is distinctly Communist and has the backing of Soviet Russia.

It is difficult to imagine a situation developing which would bring about a general European war. In that event, America's position of neutrality would be increasingly difficult to maintain,

especially if England and France were involved.

The appointment of Joseph E. Davies as Ambassador of Russia is looked upon here as an important move on the diplomatic chessboard. Mr. Davies is a former chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, a lawyer of wide experience, a wealthy man in his own right who lately married one of the wealthiest women in America. It is the expectation that he will find it possible to make sound trade agreements and treaties with Russia.

Washington still looks longingly upon the Russian market for American manufactured goods and is not blind to the fact that Russia produces great quantities of mineral products which are essential to American industry.

The last appointment made by the President before he departed for South America is regarded here with enthusiasm. That is the naming of Charles Edison, son of the great inventor and head of the Edison industries, as Assistant Secretary of the Navy, the post which the President himself held in the Wilson Administration.

Mr. Edison has inherited a considerable share of his father's genius and has developed on his own account a high degree of business ability. The gossips here have it that he is slated to succeed Secretary Swanson, who is expected to retire from the Cabinet because of long continued ill health.

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