

## Here In HICO

In this, the beginning of the first month of a new year, most business men are engaged in "taking stock."

The nature of the newspaper business is such that making an inventory of its assets consists not so much in counting the raw materials and products for sale on hand, as in finding out just what it possesses to deserve whatever money it anticipates during the ensuing year.

Good will is an asset of indeterminate value in any business. No institution, however large or complete as to its offerings and service, can exist unless there is present a willingness on the part of the people to patronize it. This is more especially true in the case of a newspaper.

Great effort may be expended in getting news, special care used in shaping it up for publication, and a great deal of money spent in the mechanical end of the shop and in mailing the paper out. And still this is to no avail unless a paper enjoys the respect and good will of the people it represents. In our mental inventory we are placing greatest value on the good will we flatter ourselves by believing the News Review enjoys. For years and years the home paper has faithfully striven to paint a true picture of local progress, emphasizing the good things, and passing lightly over the matters in which nothing would be gained through publication. While this program might not conform with the latest rules of journalism, still it embraces our idea of how a home paper should be run, and until now no one has convinced us that we are wrong in this idea.

So closely linked with other businesses which it represents through its advertising columns is a newspaper that it carries the double responsibility of safeguarding the good will needed by its advertisers along with that so necessary to its own existence.

There are many occasions every week when we could show some individual up in a bad light if we so desired, and still not be sued for libel. Likewise, there are things we can do to bring out the fact that most local business men are working for the best interests of the town, and are cooperating toward better serving the public. In choosing the latter course, we have no apologies. We believe it is our duty to tell the world of the good things about Hico, and to that duty we again consecrate ourselves. In doing this, we solicit the cooperation of the entire citizenship.

Last week's issue of this paper was one in which the force took genuine pride.

As has been so generously said of that issue, it had everything that goes to make up an interesting paper.

That remark we take not so much as a compliment to ourselves as to the spirit evidenced by our readers and patrons. In a week featured by slow business, little advertising, and handicaps of outside interference of various natures, the News Review carried news about some two thousand local people, along with another feature giving the outlook of various individuals as to the prospects for the coming year. No little effort was expended in preparing copy last week, but we feel repaid by the reception the issue received.

While we cannot regulate the number of happenings week in and week out through the New Year, the News Review will continue its endeavors to faithfully present the news as it happens.

After hearing and reading the blurt and plaintive pleas of other papers for payment of back subscriptions, we are prouder than ever of our subscription list which is one hundred per cent paid.

Sometimes it is hard to remove the name of a good subscriber when his time is out. But in the past seven years we have not been severely censured on many occasions for doing that. In fact most of those who through oversight have allowed their subscriptions to lapse have admitted in renewing that the fault was theirs, not ours.

We have never willingly deprived anyone of the paper who showed a genuine desire to receive same. But we have to know that a subscriber wants the paper before we send it. We don't intend to force our sheet on anyone. And the fact that the News Review's list is now in the best shape it has ever been proves that our subscribers appreciate this business-like method of handling the matter.

Everyone who thinks the News Review is worth two cents per week is welcome to join the ranks of those loyal people now receiving the paper. We need and want every one of them. And we thank the numbers who have recently subscribed, whether this was an initial or renewal subscription.

# HICO TO HAVE BIG POULTRY SHOW

## George Dudley Died In Hospital Monday At Stephenville

After an illness of shortly over a week, during which he had been confined to the Stephenville Hospital where he had undergone an operation, George Dudley, who would have been 81 years of age, died Monday evening at 6:20.

Mr. Dudley was taken to Stephenville the day after Christmas for examination, and returned the next day for treatment. It was considered necessary to perform the operation, and while he put up a valiant fight, the end seemed imminent even before he breathed his last. He died contragiously, uncomplainingly, as he had lived, in the presence of his close relatives.

The body was returned to Hico by Barrow Undertakers, and funeral services were held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Sellers Tuesday afternoon at 3:30, conducted by Rev. H. A. Anderson of Hamilton. Pallbearers were H. N. Wolfe, H. E. McCullough, E. H. Randall, J. A. Simonton, S. J. Cheek Sr., and R. L. Holford. Interment was made in Hico Cemetery.

George Dudley was born in Windsor, Vermont, May 15, 1856. He came to Texas in 1877, landing in Fort Worth, the end of the railway at that time. He located in Bosque County, near Meridian, where he married Madge Strong on November 29, 1885. Mrs. Dudley died in Hico on Oct. 7, 1929.

In 1888 Mr. Dudley moved to a ranch south of Hico where for a number of years he engaged in farming and sheep-raising. In 1898 he moved to Hico, where he had made his home since.

Two children survive, Mrs. H. F. Sellers of Hico and C. S. Dudley of Tulla, Texas, as well as a number of other relatives who are joined by a host of friends in their bereavement at Mr. Dudley's passing.

## QUARRING OF GRANITE MARBLE GREAT POTENTIAL INDUSTRY IN TEXAS

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 5.—The State of Texas building, outstanding architectural triumph of the Centennial exposition, not only survives the big show but may be one of the best known and most appreciated of a little-known but potentially great Texas industry—the quarrying of building and ornamental stone.

Texas, it is true, has been producing fine granite, marble and limestone for five decades or more, but has never been widely known either for the volume or quality of its stones. It is pointed out by the All-South Development Council.

However, the fact that this dominant and superbly eye-catching building of the Centennial is constructed mainly of native Texas stone has brought home to millions of visitors some of the great potentialities of these materials whose "appreciation" heretofore has been largely confined to academic geologists.

The handsome construction of the million-dollar edifice is of white Texas limestone and much of the interior of Texas shell limestone. The dazzling purity of these stones has combined with the modern, yet restrained, architecture of the building to produce an effect which has led many out-of-state visitors to proclaim it one of the handsomest buildings in the world.

According to C. I. Baker of the Bureau of Economic Geology of the University of Texas, the Lone Star State has "more granite and a larger variety of granite than Vermont, more marble and more varieties of marble than Georgia, and better and more beautiful limestones than the famed limestones of Indiana, yet it imports all these materials from these states which have done a better advertising job on the resources."

Texas does do some exporting of building stone, but its exports are confined to granite. It is the belief of Dr. E. H. Sellards, director of the bureau, that Texas is destined to become one of the largest centers of the stone industry in this continent, because there is no other known area of comparable size that has so great a variety of commercial stone.

That the time is opportune for the expansion of this industry and the encouragement of outside capital which would create new wealth for Texas and give employment to many persons through the continued development and expansion of a new industry is seen by the Council in the fact that building activity is increasing in all sections of the country.

## Preaching at Dry Fork.

Next Saturday night and Sunday afternoon will be the regular monthly services at the Dry Fork school house if it is the Lord's will.

Saturday night at 7:30 p. m. and Sunday afternoon at 2:30. Preaching by Bro. Newton.

Everyone has an invitation to attend these services.

## Urgent Plea Sent For Conclusion Of Democratic Funds

Austin, Jan. 5.—Urgent messengers requesting Democratic leaders throughout the state to bring to a swift and successful conclusion the present post-election campaign to raise \$50,000 in party funds, were sent today by Roy Miller, state director of the Democratic National Campaign committee.

The \$50,000 quota is being raised in Texas to help the Democratic National committee remove a half-million dollar deficit.

Mr. Miller urged that the campaign be concluded in January.

"Indeed, it would be a magnificent tribute to our Texas Democracy," he said, "if the entire amount could be raised and forwarded before the inauguration January 20."

He called attention to the final report on the pre-election campaign in which contributions from 22,217 loyal Texas Democrats totaled approximately \$275,000.

"While this is unquestionably the largest number of Texas Democrats ever contributing to a National campaign, it is perfectly obvious that there are thousands of Democrats whose names are not now on the list who would be glad to have their names added to the roll of honor if given the opportunity," Mr. Miller said.

"As the record now stands, it is apparent that not more than two of every 100 Democrats participated in the recent finance campaign."

Before the recently-resumed post-election campaign was temporarily suspended in deference to the Christmas holiday period, approximately \$14,000 was raised by the Texas campaign organization and forwarded to W. Forbes Morgan, treasurer of the Democratic National committee, leaving a balance of about \$35,000 yet to be raised.

"But when we consider the favorable, indeed prosperous, conditions which now exist practically everywhere throughout the country and particularly in our own state, I cannot help but feel that loyal Democrats, regardless of contributions they may have made heretofore, will be happy to avail themselves of this new opportunity to express their gratitude to our great President and our Democratic administration," Mr. Miller declared.

"To say that these conditions which now exist would have happened in any event regardless of legislative or executive action on the part of our Democratic administration, is to deny facts which cannot be controverted. Everyone knows, and practically everyone now admits, that the program of legislation sponsored by our great President was solely responsible for the miraculous recovery which has occurred."

Local Democratic leaders in the state were praised by Mr. Miller for their sacrifices in time and effort already made in the interest of their party, but urged their immediate renewal of campaign efforts in order that the state quota in the "deficit campaign" may be reached within a few days.

"I am sure you feel as I do when I assert that Texas Democrats, in view of the remarkable record they achieved four years ago and again in the recent past, will not fail to meet all our obligations placed upon them by our National leaders," he wrote district and county Democratic chairmen. "I am therefore, counting upon your continued and further cooperation for just a few weeks longer in order that our glorious record may be preserved."

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

E. E. Dawson, Pastor

Like the first church at Jerusalem, deacons will be chosen next Sunday morning. That is, two new ones will be elected. They will be chosen by written secret ballot without nominations, and those desiring a part in this important matter will of necessity have to be present. Most earnest thought is being given the matter. At the worship hour the pastor will speak on "New Testament Deacons." Every member of the church is requested to be present. Sunday school will meet at 10:00 o'clock. The B. T. U. will hold its meetings at 6:30 in the evening.

The worship hours are 11:00 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.

Yon, dear reader, have cordial invitation.

## COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Hamilton County Baptist Sunday school organization is scheduled to meet next Sunday afternoon at First Church, Hamilton, 2:00 o'clock. An interesting and important meeting is in prospect. Every Baptist Sunday school of the county is automatically a member of the organization and is requested to send a delegation.

On Tuesday and Wednesday of next week delegations will go from all parts of the county to a state-wide meeting at Waco. Outstanding leaders of the South are on the published program.

## Keeping Up With TEXAS

E. E. Babers entered the Hole-in-One Club during the week end at the Corsicana Country Club when his tee shot on the 125-yard seventeenth hole rolled into the cup. This is the first ace registered in Corsicana this year. No similar feat was recorded during 1936.

The treasury announced Tuesday at Austin that a general revenue call of \$2,963,163.24 which left a deficit of \$14,143,257.99 in that fund. It will pay warrants to and including No. 158,748, or those issued to May 26, 1936. The deficit on December 31 was \$15,816,313.30. The treasury also announced it was purchasing for the state highway investment fund Confederate pension warrants to and including the November 19 and December, 1935, issue, provided they were not discounted.

Funeral services were conducted at Fort Worth Tuesday for a 1-2-year-old Donald Hosen, who had two Christmasmas in 1936 because it was thought he would not live until December 25. Donald died in a hospital Monday of leukemia, for which he had been under treatment for months.

Missouri Pacific officials investigated Tuesday the cause of a wreck which killed Gus A. Rothman of San Antonio, engineer, and injured four other persons near Austin. The engine and an express car of passenger train No. 6 plunged down an embankment on the north end of the Colorado River bridge early in the day. Rothman's body was removed from the engine cab after more than an hour's digging by firemen and policemen.

Senators Morris Sheppard and Tom Connally of Texas announced Saturday they had recommended appointment of Stanford C. Stiles of Detroit, Texas, as United States marshal for the eastern district of Texas. He would succeed Ed L. Taylor, temporary marshal since the death of J. E. Ponder at Texarkana in August.

Chairman House Democrat, Texas, of the house agriculture committee, Washington, said Monday he and Senator Bankhead, Democrat, Alabama, would introduce bills calling for an annual \$50,000,000 appropriation for 10 years to help tenants buy farms.

Governor Allred Monday announced appointment of Dolph Briscoe of Uvalde as chairman of the racing commission after Jay Taylor of Amarillo, who previously had accepted an appointment to the position, reconsidered and declined. Taylor changed his mind because he could not give the time required, the governor said.

A proposed bill providing for the regulation of underground water on public lands has been sent back to a subcommittee by the Texas Planning Board for re-drafting and for determination of constitutionality.

Mr. Scofield's office last week sent out 55,000 of the SS-1 forms and several weeks ago sent out 28,000 of the Forms 940. He urges all who receive these forms to read the instructions carefully. If further details of the law are desired he will mail on request copies of Regulations 91, dealing with the employment of one or more persons under Title 8 of the Act.

"Many persons receiving these forms may not be employers under the law," said Mr. Scofield, "in which case they may disregard the forms or file them back to me with a notation that they are not employers. On the other hand, many employers doubtless have been overlooked, and these are urged to write immediately and ask for the form required for their business."

F. F. A. CHAPTERS OF VALLEY START ANNUAL CONTEST

Stephenville, Jan. 5.—Saturday morning at 9 o'clock F. F. A. chapters of the Brazos Valley district will start their annual chapter conducting contest at John Tarleton College.

Teams from Dublin, Stephenville, Tolar, Walnut Springs, Granbury, Hico and Gordon will participate. Winners will be determined by judges D. C. Larner of Dublin, Tom Denman of De Leon, D. W. Graves of Comyn, and W. Z. Compton of Comanche. An F. F. A. plaque will be awarded the winning team, which will afterwards participate in the area chapter conducting contest.

J. H. Taylor, vocational teacher in Dublin High School and adviser of Brazos Valley F. F. A. district, and Ben Cook, vice-aax teacher at Tolar and district secretary, are in charge of arrangements for tomorrow's contests.

For the first time in history Texas grapefruit this winter commanded a 35 cent per box premium over California and Florida grapefruit on the New York market. The premium grapefruit was grown near Mission.

## Collector Explains Two Tax Features of Social Security Act

Austin, Jan. 4.—Thousands of Texans are seeming to learn for the first time that there are two distinct taxing features of the Social Security Act now in effect, one applying to the employment of eight or more persons and the other to one or more, according to Frank Scofield, collector of internal revenue for the First Texas district. Since the eight-person title went into effect first and that is the one in which the state cooperates, many people have been under the impression that was the only Social Security tax.

"There are two taxes," said Mr. Scofield. "In a nutshell, here they are: Under Title 9 employers of eight or more persons pay a tax of 1 per cent for the year 1936, 2 per cent for 1937 and 3 per cent thereafter, payable annually on or before January 31, reported on Form 940, and not to exceed 90 per cent of the federal tax may be claimed as a credit for contributions to the state unemployment fund. The proceeds of this levy is to finance unemployment insurance. The exceptions and requirements of this act are pretty well known by this time. The tax is paid solely by the employer with no deductions from wages."

"Under Title 8, effective January 1, 1937, a tax is levied on both the employer of one or more individuals and the employee. The rate is 1 per cent of the payroll due as an excise tax from the employer and a 1 per cent income tax from the employee, payable monthly and reportable on Form SS-1. The tax is reported and authorized to deduct 1 per cent of the employee's wage. The employer makes no return and the employer is liable for the payment of the 2 per cent total. He reports the 1 per cent for the month of January, 1937, must be in the collector's office on or before February 28, and monthly thereafter for the preceding month. The proceeds of this levy is used to finance and endow an old age retirement fund, is solely a federal function, with the state having no participation in it."

There are several excepted classes of labor under Title 8, as under the better known Title 9. These include agricultural labor, domestic service in private homes, employment by certain charitable, religious, educational and scientific organizations, but not including clubs, lodges and commercial organizations. Persons over 65 years of age are not taxable under Title 8.

"Agricultural labor," said Mr. Scofield, "includes ranching, poultry raising, and similar work. Domestic service in private homes does not mean in rooming and boarding houses, apartments and hotels. A rooming or boarding house is one primarily used for business purposes rather than a private home."

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## Preparations Made To Set Casing At Seaboard Test Well

At a depth of 3635 feet, drilling is reported to have stopped at Seaboard's Olin-Fairy test well last week and preparations were begun for setting casing in the hole.

The Marble Falls lime is said to have been encountered at that depth, and penetrated for about a foot. Casing is on hand, but drillers reported the first of the week that they were waiting for orders. There is nearly a full hole of water, and it was thought best to have the casing on hand inspected before putting it down, since there was a possibility of its collapsing under the immense pressure.

Everything is in readiness for continuation of drilling, it is reported, when orders are received. However up to Thursday afternoon operations were at a standstill.

Quite a bit of conjecture and speculation has been noticeable locally since the shut-down, many varying reports having gained circulation. However there seems to have been no foundation for the most optimistic of these. At least there seems a possibility of continued activity, even if the present test does not bring forth the long-sought oil believed to be in this section, for other leases have been obtained in this locality.

In the meantime the Fairy-Olin test is being watched with a great deal of interest, not only from local people, but from outsiders who have been attracted by the favorable indications.

## Sixty-Five Cents Out Of Every Dollar Went To Project Workers

SAN ANTONIO, Jan. 5.—Project workers have received sixty-five cents out of every dollar expended by the Works Progress Administration in Texas, it has been announced by State Administrator H. P. Drought.

Entering the eighteenth month of operation in December, the WPA had expended \$40,661,506 on projects in Texas, Drought reported. Of this total, \$30,872,655 was paid directly to the work or on the project, \$5,161,949 was spent for materials, supplies, and equipment, and \$4,626,902 was expended for rentals and services. A considerable proportion of the latter figure was also disbursed in the form of wages for truck and team operators.

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## Will Run Three Days, Jan. 14-15-16, Public Asked to Cooperate

The Chamber of Commerce, in cooperation with the Hico F. F. A. Chapter, announced this week the date for the first annual poultry show as January 14, 15 and 16.

The show is to be held in the C. L. Lynch building, across from Katy station.

In conversation with the Breeders, the poultry enthusiast said of the coming show: "This is the poultry raisers' show, and cannot be a success without the full cooperation and support of all people in the county who are engaged in the poultry industry, and each should remember that they are invited to place entries, and that their birds will be welcomed in the exhibit, no matter how small or how large their flocks may be. Every bird entered will be given the same consideration by judges who will be poultry experts."

The Hico trade territory is noted at the present time for its strong market for eggs. Let's build up our poultry industry and make Hico a stronger poultry, turkey, and egg center.

Therefore, breeders please keep in mind the dates, January 14, 15 and 16 as dates for the poultry show. Bring your poultry and turkeys and make it a large and beneficial poultry show.

Due to the lack of time we will be unable to publish a catalogue of rules and regulations. The following rules will govern the show and are subject to change by the management:

1. Competition will be open to every one.
2. All birds entered for competition must be in the show building by Thursday, Jan. 14, at 12:00 o'clock noon.
3. Exhibits will be open to visitors at all times.
4. All birds must have numbered leg bands but no band shall carry the name of the owner. Numbers must be stated on the entry blanks.
5. All birds showing symptoms of diseases will be excluded from the show.
6. Exhibitors may display their names and advertising matter above the coops only after the judging has been completed.
7. The Superintendent of the show has the right to classify and arrange all exhibits.
8. No exhibit shall be removed from there until 3:30 p. m. on the last day of the show, Jan. 16.
9. Mixed pens will not be accepted. That is young birds and old birds may not be shown together.

CLASSIFICATION:  
A. One cockerel and two pullets shall constitute a young pen.  
B. One cock bird and two hens shall constitute an old pen.  
C. Cockerels and pullets are birds hatched after Jan. 1, 1936.  
D. Cocks and hens are birds hatched after Jan. 1, 1936.  
E. Turkeys carry the same classification.

11. Birds may compete only in classes in which they are entered.  
12. No exhibitors shall assist the judge unless assigned by the Superintendent of the show to do so. The decision of the judges shall be final and shall be guided by the American Standard of Perfection.

13. Birds may be entered as singles and may also be included in pen entries.  
14. All birds entered must be the property of exhibitors, and must be owned by the exhibitor at least thirty days prior to the opening date of the show.

There will be no charges or entrance fees of any kind, so bring your poultry and turkeys to the show Thursday, January 14, at 12:00. The birds will be cared for and watched day and night until the owners call for them at 3:00 Saturday, January 16.

BAPTIST WORKERS TO HAVE CONFERENCE JAN. 11

Hico, Texas, January 11, 1937. Theme: Let's Wish for 1937.

Morning  
10:00 Worship Period.  
10:20 My Best Wish for the World for 1937, Rev. James Carroll, Carlton.  
10:40 My Best Wish for Texas Baptists for 1937, Rev. Joe T. Howard, Evans.  
11:00 My Best Wishes for our Association for 1937, Rev. R. H. Gibson, Carlton.  
11:20 I Wish for Tomorrow and Wednesday, John Allen, Evans.

11:30 Conference Period.  
11:40 Sermon, Rev. R. L. Dohson, Guest Speaker.  
Noon  
Lunch served at church.

Afternoon  
1:30 Board Meeting.  
W. M. U. Conference.  
2:00 What Looks Most Improbable to Me for 1937, Rev. H. A. Polne, Iredell, guest speaker.  
2:20 First Down and Goal to Go, Rev. Judson Prince, Hamilton.





# The Mirror

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One of the best resolutions made this year as far as we have learned is the one which Miss Mary Gandy made and which she will keep all during more 12 months. That was to start the year right by subscribing for the News Review. She had not been taking the paper but plunked down her dollar to put her name on the list. Miss Gandy is employed on WPA project and has been connected with business firms for many years in Hico, being well-liked by everyone. We hope she enjoys her home paper.

A communication comes from Mrs. J. S. Waldrop away out in Slaton, Texas, which reads like this: "Why not start off the New Year with my home paper? I was in Lubbock Christmas and borrowed my friend's Hico paper and it made me homesick so will now subscribe for it myself. I can hardly wait for my paper." What is nicer than for a home-paper to have friends like this? May she also enjoy every issue of the News Review.

When we wrote about the Green Frog Cafe making improvements on the outside of their building we did not know at that time that they were spending considerable time on the inside also making the place look more attractive. They have done some redecorating, rearranging of large counters, and other things to make it more convenient for their customers and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bailey, who are owners, believe in keeping a-pace with the times.

The Fire boys and invited guests are looking forward to their annual banquet tonight (Friday) which will be held at the Little Cafe. Since we received an invitation, our mouth is already watering when we think of the turkey and all the trimmings which will be served. When it comes to banquets, the firemen can not be beat in entertaining and serving. Long live the fireboys!

A few weeks ago when the King's candy salesman out of Fort Worth called on the Lackey Grocery for the first time, Mr. Lackey took him to the office to meet their cashier. Imagine their surprise when Mr. Lackey said, "Mrs. Cotton Everett meet Mr. Everett Cotton."

Friends here of Mrs. E. K. Ridenhower are glad to learn that she has improved sufficiently from her illness to walk around in the room. Several weeks ago, she became quite ill, and at times her condition was considered grave. She has so many friends made during the many years she has lived in this and the Olin communities.

Another citizen who has improved and was able to be in town on Tuesday for the first time in several weeks is J. S. Bryan. He seemed natural to see him on the streets shaking hands with old friends.

Still another one of our good friends, Mrs. H. Smith, continues to improve. She has been confined to her bed for the past two months by advice from specialists, but was able to sit up in bed this week. Friends are rejoicing to learn of her improvement.

Mrs. Ida Purter is having her home made more comfortable and attractive by improvements about the place. A new roof has been added besides other things for its protection. It is located near the Methodist church.

### PAUL RUSK'S BABY DIES IN PAMPA HOSPITAL

Joyce Sharon Rusk, 2 years and 9 months of age, died of pneumonia in a Pampa Hospital at 12:05 o'clock p. m. December 25. She had been ill for about two weeks.

Surviving are her parents and a brother, Brian, besides many near relatives. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Rusk. Her father, a former Hico barber, is well known and has many friends here who extend their sympathy to the bereaved family.

Funeral services were conducted at 2:00 o'clock Sunday Dec. 27, in the First Christian Church with the Pastor, Rev. John Mullen and Rev. Todd officiating. Burial followed in Fairview Cemetery under direction of Pampa Mortuary. Pallbearers were: W. M. Wright, Hugh Ellis, Roy Dyson and John Tate.

**OLIN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Are you making plans for the New Year? Do they include God and your Church? A special New Year's Message will be brought to the Olin Baptist Church Saturday night by the Pastor, J. W. Caldwell. Sunday morning the theme will be, "A Championship Team." "The Transferred Christ" is the subject for the Sunday Evening service.

**BOYS and GIRLS** plan for your hour led by Mrs. Caldwell just before the service Sunday night. The Workers Conference meets Monday. Will you be there?  
J. W. CALDWELL, Pastor

### Memories

By a Senior Boy.  
Students just think it won't be long. Until this school year will be gone. There will be memories in my heart.

As from dear 'ole High School I shall part.  
What do I have the first two periods, let me see, I have nearly forgotten.

Oh, yes, I have chemistry. And after that come the third period.

About that time I get tired and worried. One more period and then comes noon.

But the forty-five minutes are gone too soon. After lunch comes period five and some of the students seem hardly alive.

Under Miss Johnson comes English IV. And students all sit and stare at the floor.

Because the life of man is such a thing. That is not very interesting. Under Mrs. Segrest comes the seventh period.

Which seems very short after all. The last period is a study hall. And in years to come, I will think with a sigh—

Oh, the fun I had in dear 'ole Hico High.

### Pep Meeting.

Monday afternoon the pep squad girls met to discuss the coming event, the football pep squad banquet, being held next Friday night at the club house. There will be 58 guests including the teachers. It is not definitely decided just whether the banquet will be this Friday or not, because there seems to be some doubt as to the vacancy of the club house. But if it is not this Friday, we will have it the following week.

After the banquet there will be a big dance for everybody. We want each and everyone of the people who read this to come and if that is possible, tell everyone that you see.

**Biology Gossip.**  
Wonder why Nellie Vee always blushes when Babe mentions her spinal column? Could it be her sweetheart's love for music?

Biology says it is dangerous to kiss—we warned you Daisy. Babe often wonders where his abdomen is. Or is it his Adam's apple? Ask Coach.

Most of the Biology students are curious as to what a horse looks like. Maybe Addie Lee would furnish one for our special use.

Wonder why Gladys makes eyes at the teacher's desk. Could it be because Coach is there.

Biology is the science that tells how plants and animals live. We all enjoy studying Biology even if it is "tetched in the upper story."

Hico, Texas, Jan. 5, 1937.  
Dear Aunt Leida:  
Well, I guess everyone had a Merry Christmas. Everyone here did.

Friday night, Richard had a party. There were just about eight or nine there, but we had a good time. We learned about three or four new games. We were going to stay up and ring the bells, but Mrs. Little was afraid we might get sick since there were so many who had colds. So we went home about 11:30. And then Saturday night, Louise Blair had a party. We made candy, popped popcorn, and ate apples. We had a good time at her party, too.

Sunday afternoon, Richard wanted some kids to come up to his house and play, and so we did. We started to bake a cake, but didn't have much to make it out of. We got hungry and they didn't have anything up at the house, so we just went to their neighbors and got some raw turnips and ate and ate. We didn't feel so good when we started home, but I guess we are all right now.

So long,  
CARROLL ANDERSON,  
8th grade Reporter.

**Science News.**  
In Biology this week we will have a very interesting experiment, studying the earthworm. These earthworms are twelve in-

ches long, and will be dissected to learn and study all of its parts. The Junior Science Class will study the simple cell and electric bell.

The Christmas class just finished an unusually interesting experiment, the etching of glass with hydrofluoric acid. They took glass plates and etched many pictures, etc.

It was reported that "Santa Claus" brought one pupil a chemistry set. Just work on Santa.

Two new pupils, W. O. Cunningham and Lila McCowan, entered school today, and they joined the General Science class. W. O. is also in the Biology class and these two classes welcome these pupils.

**Sport News.**  
The Bosque-Hamilton County football game that was played at Cranfills Gap Christmas Eve proved to be a good one. The Bosque County boys won 13 to 0. Bosque County had 8 towns to pick their team from, while Hamilton County had only two. Bosque County had Hamilton County outclassed, had better punters, and very good defensive players. The game was played for the purpose of helping to raise money for sweaters for the lettermen. Romine of Cranfills Gap coached the Bosque County team while Rogstad of Hico coached the Hamilton County team.

The Cranfills Gap P. T. A. gave our Hamilton County team a very good dinner. Any school should be very proud of an organization as a P. T. A.

There were six or seven of Hamilton High playing on the Hamilton County team. Everyone who made the trip played some of the game before a good crowd, the largest we have had this year.

The starting team consisted of the following:

Ends: Gandy, capt., Hico; East-ering, Hamilton; Tackles, Elkins, Hico and B. Hall Hico; Center, A. C. Hays, Hico; quarter-back, Dan Holliday, Hico; half, A. D. Land, Hico, and Beach, Hamilton; full back, Burris, Hamilton.

Hico High and Alumni played Morgan and Alumni January 1st at Morgan on a muddy field and before a small crowd. The weather was unfavorable. Hico won 28 to 0 (4 touchdowns and 2 extra points). The Hico team outclassed Morgan due to the ex-stars as Carroll Smith, Otis Holliday, Durrwald Lane, Sam Abel and Dick Little. Coach Rogstad also played to get a workout and to see how it feels to play in a matched game again.

It seems that Hico always plays Morgan on a muddy field. The money will be used for the sweaters for the lettermen.

This close the season. The next problem is to raise enough money to finish buying the sweaters. If anyone has any ideas for this send it up to the high school.

**Social Diary.**  
During the holidays, everything was done from cooking on the river to a formal dance at the club house. We had so much fun that it would be impossible to write it down, but we only hope that everybody else had as good a time as we did, and here is hoping it continues through the entire year of 1937.

**Rambblings.**  
Jane was asking everyone Saturday, "What time is late milking time?" Have you found out yet, Jane?

We all are wondering if Hosea is completely crazy now? Last Sunday night he would say, "Mo, I'm a cat." Kinda batty? I think.

Jeanette doesn't seem to mind what kind of a car she drives, just so it rolls.

W. O. Cunningham has started back to school. Since the time he quit, he has gotten rather conceited. He walked in the other morning and said, "Here I am back—you lucky people."

Frances, where were you last Saturday night and what were you doing?

Juanita seemed to have had a good time last Saturday night too. Daisy, Rachel and Jeanette found some "sprits" in the back seat of "French's car, even if it was the "Spirit of 1936." Hic!

Well, Mildred, have you figured out who that girl is yet?

Ask Juanita what happened at

Arlington Sunday, and she will say "Fort Worth here we come."  
Mamye Louise just can't forget her old flames even if she does meet a New Mexico boy who doesn't come but every six months.

Albert said he wouldn't make any new year resolutions, because he wasn't surprised at what happened in the future.

Who was the "big hero" who said he would end a gang fight if some one started one?

We think Mavis is losing her "power" on account of she couldn't even bribe the mother to play—although she tried a bobby pin.

What two senior girls rushed madly to the fire New Years Eve, only to be guided directly to Willard Leach's Filling Station?

What Senior girl has lost all interest in boys, especially the Hico ones?

Wonder who the Hamilton special was that took Marie to the dance?

Some people are awfully dumb—can't even get on a horse on the right side.

What's this about A. C. making six trips to Hamilton last week?

It's a shame that some girls get stood up by such a handsome Denton student.

**Ambitious Students.**  
With the beginning of a brand new year, we all have become ambitious when I asked some students in Hico High, here are the answers that were given:

A. C. wants to be a "hula-hula" dancer.

Ann wants to be a snake charmer.

Hosea wants to be an animal imitator.

Daisy, a blues singer.

Tom wants to have the ability of a lie detector.

Rachel, a designer of (stream-line) elephants.

It seems that Jean, Jane, and Mary Jane have the same ambitions: it is to get out of this darn school.

Margaret R. wants to be night club hostess.

Rolene is going to see the world through a port hole.

Jeanette wants a pair of (how far is it to Waco?) boots.

Dan's highest ambition is, "to be a dog catcher in one of them 'ere big cities."

Mildred stills wants to be a soda jerker.

Marguerite wants to be a movie star like Martha Raye.

Mamye wants to be a monkey trainer.

Robert doesn't have an ambition. He said he guessed he would just be a haunt all of his life. We agree.

H. L. G.

**List of the Seniors New Year Resolutions.**

1. Mildred—Jay with the little train in the Corner Drug Store more.

2. Jeanette—Resolved to cut out more paper dolls this year.

3. Lusk—Resolves to kill more dead snakes this year.

4. Johnnie—Resolves to run over less cattle.

5. Tom—Resolved to stand up on the club house floor better.

6. Louella—Resolved to play with her dolly more.

7. Hosea—Resolves to go to Hamilton more.

8. A. C.—Resolved to learn to speak Spanish.

9. Gladys—Resolved not to talk back to Mr. Masterson.

10. Russell—Resolved to study bookkeeping less.

11. Ben—Resolved to be more careful in the library the 5th period.

12. Loraine—Resolved to learn to herd a truck.

13. Mildred—Resolved to learn to herd a truck.

14. Opal—Resolved to learn to like Hico.

15. Albert—Resolved to be more serious.

16. Bernice—

17. Jack—Resolved not to be absent from school so much.

18. Paul—Resolved to be better in Miss Johnson's English IV class.

19. Gerald—Resolved not to be so "frisky."

20. Dan—Resolved to learn to like school.

21. A. D.—Resolved to come to school more.

22. Lavina—Resolved to come home earlier.

23. Elizabeth—Resolved not to fall in the bath tub again.

24. Nadine—Resolved to talk more.

25. Mamye—Resolved to study her Civics more.

26. Marie—Resolved to stay at home (as usual).

27. W. H.—Resolved not to be so noisy in history classes.

28. Mavis—Resolved to go on a diet.

**New Students.**

The 9th and 10th grades had two new students Monday. One was W. O. Cunningham, who has attended Hico school before. Every one is glad to have him back although we hope he is better satisfied this time.

We want to welcome Zella Williams to Hico High. Her former home was McGirk. We will all be ready to help her in anyway we can and hope she likes our school as well or better than where she came from.

**Try It.**

Who slits sheets  
Fore the sheet slitters daughter  
While the sheet slitter's daughter  
slit sheets?

A skunk sat on a stump.  
The skunk think the stump stunk  
The stump think the skunk stunk.

**Things to be given Attention.**

1. Shooting off guns.

2. Playing in sand piles.

3. Putting slugs in a machine.

4. Pouring water in sugar bowls.

**More Society.**

On Tuesday before school turned out on Wednesday, Mildred and Jeanette entertained with a "shin dig" at the Country Club.

Every one had a swell time, because they promised to give another one soon.

Christmas Eve, the whole crowd was again entertained with a dance at the Club House. There seemed to be a few New Year's "spirits," but every one had a swell time.

Christmas night one of Hico's ex-senior girls gave another "get together." Every one had a swell time. Although the boys ran out of money rather early, we couldn't expect them to have "gobs" of money since Christmas. Any way we all had a swell time.

Every one thought that after Christmas the parties would dwindle down, but they seemed to increase. Monday night after Christmas Mildred and Jeanette again entertained. Then on Wednesday, Mildred and Helon gave a dance.

New Year's Eve night, Kathrine gave a very nice dance. Every one had a swell time and we were glad to have some guests from Hamilton and Stephenville. At 12:00 most every one came back to town to ring bells and blow whistles. About 12:15 the group went back to the club house which was beautifully decorated in "tissue paper," and remained until 2:00.

**Thumbnail Sketches.**  
After the happy Christmas holidays it was rather hard to get down to business with Mildred Boustead, that red headed Senior girl. Although her answers were just a little pert, I think she means most of them. When asked what her favorite song was at the present, she replied, "You're Not the Kind of a Boy." Just what she meant I didn't ask, but my imagination is strong. Guy Lombardo thrills Mildred, and for her actor she said, "I lik'en all." Myrna Loy appeals to Mildred because she is so "homey." She likes home life a lot, and she really should believe that Mildred let Christmas effect her eating to a certain extent, because her favorite food is celery. She said the reason she liked to eat it is because she can annoy other people. Mildred said her favorite sport was hunting, because of the healthy exercise.

Even though she tried to go every day last week—she never made the ripple. When asked if she had ever been in love, Mildred said very seriously "Yeahh, and I had a swell time Christmas, 'cause my honey and I made up."

The last question took Milly a long time to answer 'cause she rather hated to reveal it, but her ambition is to be a professional dancer.

M. H.

### Gustine

By  
THYRA EARLEY

A. L. Earley, Judson Cole and Lee Roy Hatcock of Hico were business visitors in this community Wednesday evening. They were also supper guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jonah Almond.

Mr. and Mrs. Clemons and family moved from the Dr. J. P. Brown farm Thursday. We hope they will like their new home.

Jim D. Wright and Mun Hall of Hico were business visitors in our community Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Earley and children of near Hico moved to the Dr. J. P. Brown farm Saturday.

All the school children were eager to get back to school Monday morning after the Christmas holidays.

Those who were home to spend the holidays returned to their various occupations this week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Vinson moved to the J. H. McKinley home the latter part of last week.

Miss Evelyn Almond spent the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McKinley of Harmony.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonah Almond were business visitors in Ft. Worth Saturday.

Mr. Osborn of Dallas is here visiting his daughter, Mrs. C. C. Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Reinhart and family are visiting her brother, Joe Poindexter, at Roby.

Mr. Will Patterson is very low at this writing.

Mr. W. L. Vinson is still on our sick list.

Mrs. Bird was very low Sunday night. We hope that these will all soon be on the road to health.

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(Published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes)

ASSETS	
Loans and discounts	37,435.58
Overdrafts	1,117.94
United States Government obligations, direct and fully guaranteed	252,400.00
Other bonds, stocks, and securities	5,758.00
Banking house, none; Furniture and fixtures, \$1.00	1.00
Reserve with Federal Reserve bank	56,514.53
Cash, balances with other banks, and cash items in process of collection	156,192.80
Other assets: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation	449.91
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>539,860.76</b>
LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	404,024.32
State, county and municipal deposits	5,931.01
United States Government and postal savings deposits	1,547.42
Capital account:	
Common stock, 500 shares, par \$100.00 per share	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	50,000.00
Undivided profits—net	28,358.01
<b>Total Capital Account</b>	<b>128,358.01</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>539,860.76</b>

State of Texas, County of Hamilton, ss:  
I, E. H. Randals, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
E. H. RANDALS, Cashier.  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of January, 1937.  
J. C. RODGERS, Notary Public.  
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Avoid Inconvenience by Taking Care of Your Bills Promptly  
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# IREDELL ITEMS

By MISS STELLA JONES, Local Correspondent

Mrs. Melvin Hudson and her father-in-law, Mr. John Hudson and little Miss Norma Enger were in Cleburne Wednesday.

Mattie Lynch is on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Crump and her sisters, Miss Myrtle and Maybelle Chaffin of Dallas spent the day with their parents recently.

Mrs. Olive Hozark came in Wednesday night from her home in Llano for a visit with Mrs. Homer Gosdin.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Martin visited relatives in Duffau this week. Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Tidwell, Mrs. Ray Tidwell and son and Miss Stella Jones were in Stephenville and Hico Thursday. They went to the Wolfe Nursery, two miles south of Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Locker and children of Grandview, visited his father and family a few days this week.

Mrs. Alba Milan of Austin, visited her father, Mr. T. S. Simpson this week.

Mrs. Rosa Cunningham and Miss Betsy Potts spent Sunday Dec. 27 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wellburn Phillips. Miss Mona Wolfe of Clairette was also there. She is Reuperts lady friend.

Mr. and Mrs. George Adis of Stamford spent the week end with Mrs. Cora Mitchell.

Miss Cathryn Oldham returned Saturday from Louisiana where she visited her sister, Mrs. Marian Benson.

Misses Andy Davis Polnac and Pearl Roark of Walnut, spent the week end with Winnie Theima Polnac.

Miss Naomi Jackson spent Friday in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Mary Squires visited her brother, Mr. Bud Brann and wife of Actur, Hood Co. Mrs. R. A. French and Miss Glover went with her.

Mrs. Horace Whitley was in Waco this week.

Mr. Clark Newton of Fort Worth spent Xmas Day with his sister, Mrs. Sallie French.

Miss Nettie Gordon was taken to Stephenville Monday and a growth was removed off of her left eye. She remained there till Thursday. She is getting along fine.

Mrs. Frankie Dawson and her brother, Terrie Washam were called to Dallas Saturday. Their nephew, Floyd Gene Washam is seriously ill of pneumonia. Allen Dawson took them.

Mrs. Willie Scales returned Wednesday from Austin where she visited Mrs. Addie Scales and children during the holidays. Allen Dawson, Fred McIlhenny and J. D. Gregory met her in Waco on her return home.

Ralph Tidwell was ill a few days this week with the flu.

Miss Josie Harris was in Hico Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hudson of Walnut were here Saturday.

Mrs. Myrtle Duncan and son of Matador, Texas, and her cousin, Mrs. Morris of Portales, New Mexico, are visiting relatives here. Mrs. Duncan before her marriage was Myrtle Williamson. She lived here when a child and some of her friends remember her and was glad to see her.

Mrs. J. B. Rhodes of Dallas, visited Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Rhodes during the holidays. Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Clifford Davis accompanied her home Sunday and spent the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Golden spent last week end in Dallas and Fort Worth.

Some young people and some older ones enjoyed a social at Mr. and Mrs. Prater's Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. William Farr of Fort Worth visited her uncle, J. L. Dearing and wife Friday.

Mrs. Edgar Sandler and son returned to their home in Ennis Saturday night. They spent the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bryan and other relatives. Edgar came after them Saturday morning.

Misses Wilma Russell and Juanita Taylor spent the week end with Myrtle McDonel.

Some time in the fall, Mrs. Squires, Mrs. R. A. French and Mrs. Scales visited in Acton, Hood Co. They took Mrs. Squires there to visit relatives, while there the ladies visited the cemetery. The wife of David Crockett, who fought in the Alamo, is buried there. On May 20, 1913, a monument was erected to her memory. The only living grandson of this noted man is Ashley W. Crockett of Grandbury, is 79 years old and is editor of the Hood County Tablet.

Wallace McDonel has returned to his home in Tennessee after a visit here with his parents.

Mrs. Arnold of Blum, spent the week end with his wife here.

Mr. E. H. Dunlap, who has been very ill for the past week, is improving and is up some.

Mr. and Mrs. Dearing were visitors in the Hog Jaw community Thursday.

Miss Ola Sparks was in Meridian Saturday.

Miss Lillie Turner, who spent the holidays here returned to Denton Sunday.

J. L. Dawson returned to his home in Dallas Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gosdin and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Helm and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hughes.

Miss Lasetta Sue Schremacher spent the week in Meridian.

Mrs. W. R. Newsom and son returned to their home in Big Springs Sunday. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Parks took them as far as Eastland where they went from there on the train. Mr. and Mrs.

Parks stopped in Breckenridge to see his sister, Mrs. R. V. Wilson who has been laid up from a car wreck since Thanksgiving Day.

Miss Loraine Tidwell returned to Addicks Sunday where she is teaching.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Washam and their grand son, Harold Dawson, went to Dallas Friday on account of the serious illness of Floyd Gene Washam. He is the grand son of Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Washam. He has visited here some with his parents and it is hoped he will recover.

Hardy Lisle was taken to the home of his sister, Miss Dorothy Lisle of near Walnut Monday morning. She died Sunday night.

Mrs. T. M. Tidwell, Mrs. Ray Tidwell and son, Thomas Ray, Mr. Ed Lawrence, Miss Nannie Lawrence, Madeline, Mildred and Johnnie Jean and Raymond Harper, Mrs. Annie White Gordon and son J. C. visited Mrs. Miller Rose and family near Whitney last Sunday.

## THE WINNING BOY

By Stella Jones  
(Continued From Last Week)

"Who found me, mother?" asked James. "Your father heard you making a mournful noise and as it was time for you to be in, he went out to see if he could see you and he heard you. Your clothes were badly torn and your head was hurt very bad from the lick he gave you with his pistol."

"Did they catch him?" asked James.

"To be sure they did, and he is in jail," said his mother.

"He lived over where we came from," said Mr. Bryson.

James was in the hospital for two weeks.

"I am sorry I had to miss a week," he told one of the teachers.

"Well, that is all right. We will give you credit for the work."

Our winning boy was liked very much in the college, while in the hospital, James received many gifts from his friends from the college and from other friends.

He still had some of the \$500 he got as a present, but decided he would get a job in some store and make more as next year he would finish.

We find him a clerk in a drug store in the city.

One day he was walking along the street to his home and met Mrs. Emerson.

"Oh! I am so glad to see you," exclaimed the lady. "And how are you?" She had heard about him getting h-jacked.

"I am all o. k. now," said James. "I am working in a drug store to help pay expenses. You know next year, I will finish. Daddy is working too."

"Didn't know they were here."

"Yes, they moved here last year. He got tired of the farm."

She accepted his invitation to go home with him and she enjoyed her visit. Mrs. Bryson told her she was afraid he would be robbed or killed as some of the boys were watching him very close.

"I would love to see some of them after him," exclaimed the Mrs. Emerson. "I sure would have them punished some."

He is an extra smart boy and is loved and respected by all. Perhaps if that little incident hadn't taken place in his early life, he would not be so enthused, but the impression the woman made on his mind about the value of an education stayed with him.

She gave him the 50 cents and that boosted him on to get a thorough education.

One Monday morning a nicely dressed man came in the drug store, made a purchase and paid for it.

The manager counted out \$200, and told James to take it over to the bank. The man watched the druggist as he counted out the money, he looked very innocent of doing anything wrong.

Little did James know what danger was waiting him on the outside. The man walked out of the door into the street, a car drove up, James was close to the car and also close to the bank. No one was stirring much at the hour of 9 in the morning. A shot rang out on the morning air, our winning boy was shot in the right shoulder and arm. He was rushed to a hospital close by. The innocent looking man had got the money, the officers soon arrived, and he was arrested, and the \$200 was safely in the bank. The man who did the shooting sure did make his car go in a hurry, was caught in a few days and put in jail.

The parents of James were notified and soon came to him, bringing Gladys too.

"Oh, my poor boy, what will happen to you next?" said his mother.

"I don't think this will be very bad," said one of the nurses.

In a month he was well as ever and back at work.

The good druggist paid his hospital bill and his wages kept on. "I am sure thankful to you for your kindness to me," said James.

When the Fall term of the college opened, we find the winning boy in his place. He was a very industrious student and made his grades and came out head of his class. James was also a very obedient son to his parents. The boy had studied so hard, that at the end of the term, he suffered a nervous breakdown, was ill for a month or more. A fine position was awaiting him in a busy bank in Chicago.

"I owe some of my good luck to Mrs. Emerson, who boosted me to go to school in my young days. I owe more to my dear parents who gave me the chance to go. God bless them!"

His face brightened up as he told this to the president of the bank.

All the boys and girls should strive to maintain a thorough education like the winning boy done. He started in young and was determined to win and he did.

He was cashier of the bank and got a fine salary. When he had been there a year, he was made president of the bank and was very proud indeed of the promotion.

James was a fine young man, very religious, was a regular attendant at the Baptist Church of which he belonged to.

One summer day, after banking hours, he was walking down the street on the way to his room when he noticed coming up the street a woman. He could tell she was a very poor woman. James thought to himself, perhaps she is a widow. He thought that looked a little like Mrs. Emerson, but no it can't be her. He walked up to her and sure enough it was the woman who gave him the 50 cents.

But, oh, what a change had taken place. He lifted his hat and spoke.

"I believe this is Mrs. Emerson," said James.

"Yes, sir, this is Mrs. Emerson, but I don't know you young man. I believe you are an honest man and I need help for I am in trouble."

(To be Continued.)

## DRAGON'S DEN

Have Watch Party.  
The Girls' Glee Club and guests had a New Year's Eve watch party on Thursday night in the gym. Everybody came dressed in a kid-dish costume.

This group caroled for about an hour, after which they returned to the gym and played juvenile games such as drop the handkerchief.

Beginners Present Health Play.  
The first grade, sponsored by Mrs. Little, presented the play, "Katy Had a Toothache," last Monday morning for assembly.

The Homemakers.  
The home economics I students are studying a unit on the preparation and serving of luncheons. They are preparing their luncheons and inviting guests.

The second year girls are observing the most convenient method of arranging the working area in kitchens. They visited several kitchens this week, and scored them according to their convenience and attractions.

The third year girls are studying the care of smaller children during this unit. Some of the smaller children from the grade school have been taught better manners, both in eating and playing.

Basket Ball.  
Basket ball is the major sport now for both boys and girls. The girls are working hard in their daily practice periods.

Saturday, January 2, they attended an invitation tournament at Sidney. The team was at a tremendous disadvantage because so many players were ill and could not go. Blanket defeated the girls in their first game, the final score being 15 to 22.

Although the game was lost, the day was well spent since the girls met some keen competition and witnessed some nice team work in the Comanche county teams.

Grammar School Honor Roll.  
The following children were on the honor roll the past six weeks: First Grade: Westley Gosdin, Marvin Larson, Joanne Jean Harper.

per, Paula Morgan, Ruby Ellen Phillips.

Second Grade: Desie Belle Toliver, Geneva Thornton, Lena Rivers New, Heilen Evans, Bobby Jo Gosdin, Dick Pruett, Bobbie Joe Montgomery, James Harris and Clark Bowman.

Third Grade: Sybil Pylant, Aubrey Loyd Lester.

Fourth Grade: Norma Jean Cavness, Wilma Chaffin, Elna Faye Perkins, Sammie Patton, Nolan Haught.

Fifth Grade: George Ella Harris, Alta Mae Fritz, Billy Louise Montgomery.

Sixth Grade: Kathryn Harris.

High School Honor Roll.  
Seniors: Jo Heyroth, Billy Lester, Juniors: Doris Minus, Sophomores: Dona Mae Worrell and Juanita Taylor.

Look Natural.  
The rich farmer was paying a visit to his son at the university and thought it might be a good idea if they had their photograph taken.

The photographer suggested that the son should stand with his hand on his father's shoulder. The farmer objected: "It would be much more life-like," he said coldly, "if he stood with his hand in my pocket."

Evading the Law.  
They wanted to prosecute poor Jones as a swindler, but his lawyer got him off on the grounds of insanity. It seemed that Jones was selling stock in a company that was to buy old knot holes, cut them up, and sell them for loose leaf perforations.

Given Name.  
Rosalie, a first grader, walking with her mother, spoke to a small boy.

"His name is Jimmie, and he is in my grade," she explained.

"What's the little boy's last name?" her mother asked last week.

"His whole name," said Rosalie, "is Jimmie Sitdown, that's what the teacher calls him."

Greyville  
By GLADYS HICKS

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tolliver and family of near Walnut Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McLendon of near Iredell and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Thompson of Carlton spent Sunday, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Tolliver.

Miss Nellie Vee Mullins accompanied by Capt. Latham of Dry Fork spent the mother of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Lemmie Trantham and little daughter of Hico.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hicks and daughter spent Sunday afternoon, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Tudor and little son of Dry Fork.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barrett and son of Hico and Margaret Barbee of near Fairy spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Parker and daughters.

Miss Gladys Snider spent Monday night with Miss Lovioa Odell of near Hico.

Miss Gladys Snider spent last week in Hamilton visiting her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Ray and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Parker and daughters accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barnett and son of Hico spent Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Barbee and family of near Fairy.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hicks and daughter accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Lackey of Hico spent Friday of last week, guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hendricks of near Hico.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Alexander and family have moved to their new home near Alexander. We are sorry to lose them from this community but hope them happiness and prosperity in their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ogle and family have moved in the house they vacated.

Duffau  
By ELMER GIESECKE

The Baptist church house was razed by fire Sunday noon. It was caused from a defective flue. The contents was saved and we understand the building will be replaced at once as it was covered by insurance.

Our school work was resumed this week after 10 days of vacation. It seems that teachers and pupils are glad to be back on the job.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Burgan are the delighted parents of a 11 pound bouncing boy.

J. P. McDowell has been confined to his bed for several days he is better at present.

Ben Herrin and Roy Wyson are attending to business in Fort Worth today.

There is more moving at this writing than has been known in several years.

S. V. Alexander traded his farm to a Mrs. Lewallen of Blackwell, Texas. Mrs. Lewallen son and wife have moved on the place. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander have moved to Cedar community.

Walter McGinnis and family have moved to Stephenville territory.

Dave Higginbotham is moving near Bluff Dale; T. B. Giesecke to the Hyde place; Pack Brown of Alexander to the Hardemon place; Eph Wilson to Pottsville; Pink Sullivan to Stephenville; Norman Howard to McAnally place. This is about half of the news on the moving question. We'll not take up your valuable space—suffice to say we wonder (who is my neighbor).

Carlton  
By CORRESPONDENT

Mrs. Charlie Stephens and daughters spent Saturday near Dublin visiting Mr. and Mrs. Printice Tackett.

Miss Cleo Wright who is attending school at Howard Payne College at Brownwood, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Wright.

Ceciel Burnett who is in C. C. Camp at Dublin, and Gladys Bramlett of Stephenville, spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Burnett.

J. O. Pollard was a business visitor in Dublin Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Carter of Convent are here visiting his sister, Mrs. Bill Grey and husband.

Miss Elnor White of Meridian spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wilhite.

Ben Barrett of Stephenville has been visiting his niece, Mrs. John Prater and husband the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Smith and Mrs. Dock Finley and Mrs. B. A. Maddox, Mrs. Rosa Birdsong were in Hico Saturday afternoon in the C. D. Richbourg home.

Mrs. C. D. Ogle is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Tinnie Cartain and husband near Dublin.

Mrs. R. D. Stephens of Dublin visited her sister, Mrs. Dearth Thompson and family Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Smith had all of their children at home with them Sunday. They were: Mrs. R. A. Maddox of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Finley, Carlton, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Richbourg and daughters, Quata, and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Harrison of Hico.

Word was received here a few days ago that Mrs. Manda Edwards of Pecos, was very low. Mrs. Edwards is the sister of the Smith brothers as follows: Jim, Robert, Ben, all of this place. Mrs. Edwards one time lived near Dublin. We are hoping to hear that Mrs. Edwards is improving.

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#### OUR OCEANS AND OUR NAVY

In 1922 delegates from the principal nations of the world met in Washington and agreed to limit their navies until January 1, 1937. Again, in 1936, the United States, France and Great Britain signed a naval treaty limiting the size of guns on naval vessels to 14-inch caliber. That treaty also expired on January 1.

Now the great sea-powers are again engaged in a race for naval superiority. Japan is starting to build 38 naval craft, four of them huge battleships with 16-inch guns. The United States has 83 new naval craft planned, two of them big battleships with 16-inch guns. Great Britain's new navy program contemplates 99 new ships. Italy is planning 66, France 43 and Germany 39.

Someone once defined the word "peace" as meaning "the interval between wars," and that seems to fit present conditions.

Naval authorities in this country are urging an even greater and faster program of warship construction. Ever since the Panama Canal was opened we have been on a "one-navy" basis, because our ships can't be moved so quickly from one coast to the other. Now there are beginning to be doubts as to whether that is a safe policy.

The recent earthquake in Central America was much too close to Panama to be pleasant. All of that region is volcanic, and it would not take much of a quake to block the Canal. Our navy, which is mostly in the Pacific, based on San Diego, would have to steam around South America to get into the Atlantic in a hurry if the canal were choked up. Enough more ships to provide two navies, one for each coast, and a second interoceanic canal, across Nicaragua, are what the big navy people are now calling for.

Whatever the cost, such a program would be cheaper than war.

The Supreme Court, in deciding, by a vote of 7 to 1, that Congress had power to delegate to the President authority to impose embargoes upon shipments of arms to nations at war, reaffirmed the principle that in foreign relations the states surrendered to the Federal government any rights they had, when they ratified the Constitution. Also, the power of the Executive is supreme in all international affairs. The only exception is that formal treaties must be ratified by the Senate.

#### THIS COCKEYED WORLD

The people of Germany have been put on short rations because of the shortage of Germany's 1936 wheat crop.

American farmers have sowed the largest acreage on record to winter wheat, with a prospect of a bumper crop of 500 million bushels or more. Unfortunately, however, Germany's international political policies are such as to make it difficult, if not impossible, for the people of that great nation to obtain sufficient supplies of wheat from this country, or for the farmers of America to sell their surplus to them.

The wheat shortage in Germany is so acute that the sale of fresh bread has been prohibited by the government. Bread must be at least one day old. This is expected to reduce bread consumption, since people will not eat as much stale bread as they would of fresh bread. Thus 50 million people are made to suffer because their government seeks to be self-contained and rigidly restricts the importation of, or even food supplies from other countries.

It would be a different picture if Germany were "broke." But while its people are on short rations, the Hitler government goes ahead with preparations for war on a tremendous scale.

This is indeed a cockeyed world in which we live.

An organization that could swing into action immediately if this country went to war, is the Army Nurse Corps directed by Major Julia Catherine Stimson, of Washington, D. C. She is the only woman entitled to hold a real rank in the United States Army. The corps has 427 officers scattered at various army posts and its reserve force is the Red Cross Nursing Service with more than 62,000 nurses enrolled.

Dallas.—The price of imported Chinese tung oil, now being produced in six southern states, fluctuated from five cents a pound in 1933 to more than 10 cents in 1935.

Washington, D. C.—All states except Connecticut, Indiana, Iowa and Tennessee have an "official bird" by virtue of choices by women's clubs or state Audubon societies.

## MODERN WOMEN

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

Another distinguished representative of the stage, Ina Claire, has been awarded the gold medal for good d'ction by the American Academy of Arts and Letters. Miss Claire, a Washingtonian, has starred in many well known plays. She said she first became aware of clear speech at the "lucky age of 13" and that she was a good mimic and had a good ear. The medal was first awarded in 1925. Since then four other women have received the award, Edith Wynne Matthison, Julia Marlowe, Alexandra Carlisle and Lynn Fontaine.

If anyone thinks that sports and other outdoor interests have made women lose their flair for needlework you have only to learn about the exhibition of women's work that is held in New York every year. Mrs. William W. Hoopin announces that in addition to the display of petit point, gros point and other examples of needlework, a prize of \$100 has been offered for the best original American floral design. The winner will be announced in January. Last year Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr. received the gold star for the best piece of needlework.

It is particularly gratifying to educators all over the country to hear that Virginia C. Gildersleeve, Dean of Barnard College for twenty-five years, has received the sixth annual Award for Eminent Achievement of the American Woman's Association. Dean Gildersleeve was cited as a gifted scholar in varied fields of English and Latin literature and for her vision which has broadened the scope of woman's opportunities.

Los Angeles boasts of having the only woman belt-maker in the world. Mrs. A. S. C. Forbes says that she has probably turned out hundreds of thousands of belts in more than a quarter of a century she has been doing this work. Among her belts are tiny reproductions of California Mission bells and all kinds of church bells, big and little.

Miss Grace Helene Miller has the unique job of outlining the program for teaching New York high school girls and boys how to eat properly. She says that it will be an asset to the personality of any boy or girl to know just what constitutes good manners in eating.

## Very Latest



Designed in Sizes: 12, 14, 16, 18 and 20. Size 14 requires 2 yards of 54 inch material for the jumper and 2 yards of 39 inch material for the blouse with short sleeves. For blouse with long sleeves 2 1/3 yards are required.

**Jumper Frock.**  
Pattern 8878: Are you wondering what sort of dress would be serviceable, warm and easy to make up for your daughters in school especially for the winter days coming?

The jumper idea always has been, and still is, the answer. This little pattern with the cute blouse included is one of the most practical numbers to be offered this season. Your high school miss will not tire of this dress because it can be endlessly varied by changing blouses. Choose for the jumper some wool crepe or worsted and for the blouse anything you might have on hand.

## He's On His Toes

by A. B. CHAPIN



## Nancy Hart's HOME NEWS

What are some of the beauty faults most annoying to men? This was the question asked in a recent survey and the answers are helpfully enlightening. Oddly enough the high nail polish shades are no longer so repulsive to the male of the species. Strong perfumes, particularly wrong odors, received a unanimous "thumbs down." The rustle of new taffeta petticoats is quite okay, but most men registered annoyance at sight of the edge of a pink and white slip showing under a dark skirt. One wanted to know what feminine gesture was more graceless than pulling up a girdle on arising from a chair. Another bold young man suggested that hairy legs should hide behind service-weight stockings or be shaved before slipping into sheer hose. Dirty fingernails are, of course, inexcusable to all. But no lady ever has them. False eyelashes were not at all bad, but lashes so heavy with mascara that they stick together are definitely divorced from beauty.

When a nail starts to split or peel, don't follow the old custom of bevelling the edge to work away the broken part. Bevelling only thins the nail tip and weakens it. Of course if the nail is actually broken it must be filed back beyond the broken spot. But if a layer has begun to split or peel off, instead of shortening the nail, simply file the edge clean. Then apply polish, clear over the nail tip. Or, if you want the nail tip to show, apply a second coat of colorless polish over your deep polish, and cover the tip with the second coat only. The polish reinforces the weakened part and protects the nail, besides forming a smooth, even surface that won't catch when you pull on gloves or stockings.

Serawny throats, and the neglected area back of the neck, upper arms, elbows and knees are best treated with a body brush in the bath. Soft bristles are much more invigorating than cloths or sponges. Continued massage with plenty of warm sudsy water will soon coax these neglected areas into a state of satin smoothness and whiteness—evidence of a youthful skin. Where there are blackheads and other unattractive skin conditions, it is especially important that the body brush be used regularly.

An exhibition of model apartment and home furnishings shows closet doors that slide back and forth on a grove, flat with the surrounding wall. They have many advantages over the ordinary closet doors that open out in the rooms and are all too often left gaping. Another clever idea are drawers in a man's chiffonier, opening out at the end, just the width of his shirt.

If you have a rose geranium plant, geranium jelly can be made from some of the juice. Pour hot syrup over a geranium leaf and let it remain in the boiling syrup for a few minutes, then take it out. Geranium jelly is particularly nice with cream cheese for tea sandwiches. The leaf is the crinkly kind that exudes perfume when pressed between the fingers.

Bread which resists getting stale forms the subject of a recent patent. The addition of a small quantity of wood sugar, technically known as xylose, is

sufficient to ward off staleness, according to the inventors.

**Household Hint:** A whole clove, dropped in the fat in which doughnuts are to be fried, will give them a delicious, spicy flavor.

**Cyrl:** I really think our British custom at the telephone is superior to your American "hello."

**Tom:** And what do you say in England?

**Cyrl:** We say, "Are you there?"

**Then, of course, if you're not there, there's no use going on with the conversation.**



**First S.S. Man**  
NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y.—John D. Sweeney, Jr., (above), 25, a Princeton graduate, shipping clerk and Republican, was the first man in the U. S. to receive a social security registration card. His name came out first in a drawing by lot.

Holland.—Dr. de Haas, University of Leiden, succeeded in recording a temperature only one-five thousandth of a degree above Absolute Zero.—Minus 459.6 Fahrenheit.

Washington, D. C.—Winter is a cold period, not because the sun's rays are cooler, but because there are so many fewer hours of sunlight.

## Sunday School Lesson

by Rev. Charles E. Duman

New Life in Christ.  
Lesson for January 10th. John 3:1-17.

**Golden Text:** John 3:3. There are three characteristic words in the gospel of John, Light, Love, and Life. The book assures us that Jesus is the Light of the world (chapt. 8:12). We are at once reminded of the famous painting, "The Light of the World," depicting the Master knocking on a door long shut. Will we open the door? Will we admit the Light?

And John also teaches that the climax of Jesus' message is Love. Consider the familiar verse in our lesson text: John 3:16, which Luther so aptly called the "little gospel." Or turn to John 15:12 where Jesus urges his disciples to love one another even as He has loved them. But we are especially interested in the third key word, for our lesson is entitled, "New Life in Christ." John's gospel opens with the assurance that "in him was life," and it closes with the hope "that believing, ye may have life through his name." And in between we read such declarations as "I am the bread of life," "I am come that they might have life," "I am the resurrection and the life."

What does John mean? He is telling us that life in its full reality is given to us here and now through the living Christ. We do not need to wait, for example, until we die before we can enjoy the eternal life, for heaven is now available to all. Death does not alter in any fundamental way the ever-flowing current of divine life. The resurrection takes place in this present world when men are born again, and it is this new birth which carries them from spiritual death into a new life imparted by a living Person.

So our Golden Text, "Unless a man is born again he cannot see the Kingdom of God," is of central importance. The destiny of man hangs upon it.

## BRUCE BARTON Says

... hats off to ministers' sons  
Three years ago a little New England school sent three boys to one of the big eastern universities and this last year all three of them were elected to Phi Beta Kappa, the honorary scholarship fraternity. This is an amazing record. I wrote to the headmaster to congratulate him. In answering my note he said:

"Our boys have made a very satisfactory record in all of the colleges, but these three have been outstanding. All three are sons of ministers and come from families without means."

Subtract the sons of ministers from the history of the world and you would leave a mighty vacancy. Here are a few examples:

Cleveland, Clay, Buchanan, Arthur, among statesmen. (In the presidential election of 1912 both the candidates, Wilson and Hughes were preachers' sons.) Cecil Rhodes and Harriman, financiers; Agassiz, Jenner, Linnaeus, scientists; Sir Joshua Reynolds among the artists, and Sir Christopher Wren, the architect; Hallam, Froude, Sloane, Parkman to represent the historians; Tennyson, Ben Johnson, Cowper, Goldsmith, Addison, Matthew Arnold, Emerson, and a multitude of other poets and writers.

Preachers' sons have good books, they hear good conversation, they spend their childhood in an atmosphere of idealism. If the church did nothing in a community but support a preacher and so enable him to raise a family, it would justify all its cost.

One other advantage the preacher's son has is that he has to live frugally. When it comes to raising the right kind of children money seems to be about the last thing that counts.

... watch the paper scale

## The Family DOCTOR

By JOHN JOSEPH GAINES, M.D.

**GERMS GO TO CHURCH TOO**  
A neglected church, one that is occupied by worshippers only two or three times a week and remains closed the rest of the time, may become distinctly unsanitary, if its sexton is not alert for the welfare of his congregation. I am not warning my readers to stay away from church—no, not that. An amusement resort may be ten times as malignant, where all sorts of respiratory diseases are present in all stages. But, the theater operator is, as a rule, pretty careful to keep his place in a sanitary condition. In constant operation, the place is generally swept clean, and the air changed over and over again. I am sorry to say that rural houses of worship are seldom cared for as they should be.

The church where I attend regularly may be cited here, since I am fond of "honest confessions." Our sexton—a young man—makes his living from more remunerative work. The church gets him as cheap as possible, hardly more than five dollars a week. Our indoor nooks are always dusty, and the plunder in choir-rooms is laden with dust. The most isn't known here; the moist and cloth, if ever used, has not been discovered. Our sexton is the lowest paid official in the church service.

It ought to be otherwise. He should be qualified to do expert sanitary work and should be paid for the work required of him. We pay an elder about \$30 a trip, to come around every three months and check us up morally and financially—about \$320 for the four annual visits. Our spare-

time sexton would drop dead if he were to get one dollar for a harder hour's work!

Sometimes a cheap janitor or sexton costs more in health than the high-priced spiritual supervisor. Think it over.

There are enough women in New York City holding positions with railroads, airlines, steamship and trucking concerns to have their own club of more than 200 members. The Women's Traffic Club's president is Miss Beatrice Sadowsky.

Miss Abbie Putnam Dill, an airplane pilot of Ohio has been appointed field representative of the National Aeronautical Association. She will visit Ohio towns and cities spreading the message of aviation. Miss Dill has many hours of flying to her credit.

The United States has thus far concluded agreements with 14 countries—Cuba, Belgium, Haiti, Sweden, the Netherlands (and Netherlands Indies), Brazil, Switzerland, Columbia, Honduras, Guatemala, France, Nicaragua, and Finland. Negotiations are under way with several other countries, and the possibility of undertaking negotiations with additional countries continues to receive constant study.

Some people think of many things that don't amount to anything.

Look out for a job, not for a salary.

## The House of Hazards

By Mac Arthur





# Local Happenings

### ROSS SHOP, Jewelry, Watch and Clock Repairing. 22-tic

I. J. Teague was a business visitor in Waco Tuesday.

Mrs. L. E. Johnson of Waco, is here visiting her daughter, Miss Martha Johnson.

Johnnie Farmer visited his brother, Dine Farmer and family in Stephenville Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Teague were visitors in Stephenville Monday evening.

Mrs. Maude Morris of Portales, New Mexico, is here visiting her cousin, Mrs. Lenora Langston.

Mrs. J. T. Mobley and children spent the latter part of last week in Strawn with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Adams were in Fort Worth Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Mark Workman.

Miss Jane Adams spent the week end in Walnut Springs with friends.

Miss Pauline Driskell left Wednesday for Dallas to visit her sister and family. Mr. and Mrs. J. Oliver Rosamond and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Arvad Goad of Dallas were New Year's guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Goad.

Mrs. Mark Workman of Fort Worth spent the past few days here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Teague spent Sunday in Moody with Mr. Teague's mother and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McDowell and little daughter, Sherry Kay, spent the first of the week in Fort Worth on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wren have rented and are occupying the home of Mrs. W. F. Culbreath in the south part of town.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Petty spent Sunday in Lampkin in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Wall.

Misses Jeanette and Flossie Randals returned to Denton the latter part of last week where they are students at C. I. A.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Ogle and Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Teague were visitors in Stephenville Monday evening.

Mrs. Birda Boone has returned home from Turnersville where she visited her aunt and other relatives and friends.

Tom Pitts and J. B. Woodward were in Dallas last Friday attending a banquet given for employees of Beckley's Produce.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Shelton of Abilene, spent the week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Looney of Helm were in Hico Saturday visiting his mother, Mrs. E. J. Parker and other relatives.

Mrs. Thoma Rodgers spent Sunday in Waco visiting her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Dinter and son.

Mrs. Agnes Looney spent last Friday in Hamilton with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Z. R. Dixon.

Miss Mettie Rodgers of Waco spent the week-end here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Eads.

Mrs. B. B. Winn of Waco was in Hico Sunday visiting her mother, Mrs. W. E. Russell and other relatives.

Miss Quata Woods has returned to Dallas where she is a teacher in the schools after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Jones and children of Turnersville spent the past week-end here visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Owens. Mr. Jones is Mrs. Owens' brother.

Mrs. Louise Baldwin and daughter, Betty, left Saturday for Goose Creek after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Smith.

John K. Moore, Magnolia Service State Supervisor, out of Waco, was in Hico Tuesday on business with the local station, of which Ras Proffitt is manager.

Mrs. Vernon Hooper and daughter, Alora Marie, have returned to their home in Wichita Falls after spending several days in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hooper.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Beaman spent the Yuletide in Coleman with friends and relatives. Enjoyed a wonderful turkey dinner in the home of T. E. Daugherty. Mr. Daugherty was Mr. Beaman's substitute on the Coleman route. The two families had been close friends for the past sixteen years.

Mr. and Mrs. Sim Everett and little son, Barton, and Mrs. John Lackey spent Sunday in Waco visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Chenault and son.

Mrs. Emma Barnes and Mrs. May Petty spent a part of last week in Port Arthur visiting Mrs. Petty's brother, Fayette Sellers and family.

Miss Mary Ella McCullough returned home the latter part of last week from Goldthwaite where she visited her grandparents through the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Gray have returned to their home in Thrall after spending the past ten days here with Mack Phillips and Miss Grace Phillips.

Miss Ruby Wood of Dallas is here spending a two-weeks' vacation with her mother and sister, Mrs. M. E. Wood and Miss Fannie Wood.

Eugene (Chick) Horton of Sweetwater, and Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Horton of Abilene were here the latter part of last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Horton and children.

Miss Edna Graham and her two nieces, the Misses Graham of Canyon were here the latter part of last week visiting their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Meador. Miss Graham has been teacher in the Canyon schools for numbers of years.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Beaman, Leta Mae, Robert and Norman, motored to Abilene New Year's Day. Norman is a student in Abilene Christian College. Robert is staying with him and working there.

Mrs. E. F. Porter and J. W. Dohoney, Jr. accompanied Miss Martha Porter to Denton Sunday where she is a student in C. I. A. She spent the holidays here with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Gamble accompanied Doris Gamble to Dallas Tuesday where he has employment after spending the holidays here with his parents.

Mrs. Lawton Blackburn and baby left Sunday for Dublin for a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hooker before returning to their home in Dallas, after a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Smith.

Miss Roberta Beaman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Beaman, is visiting friends in Austin and planning to take a course in journalism in the University during the next semester.

Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Bennett of Marlin were here Monday for a short visit with Dr. H. V. Hedges enroute to Hamilton for a visit with friends.

Miss Dorothy Hackett of Fort Worth spent a few days here this week visiting her mother, Mrs. C. L. Hackett. Miss Hackett will graduate from Harris Hospital in four months.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Farmer of Fort Worth spent Sunday here with her mother, Mrs. M. E. Wood and daughter, Miss Mary Lou Farmer who had spent the past week here accompanying her parents home Sunday afternoon.

J. N. Ragsdale and two sons moved the first of the week from the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Cheney to the home of his brother, F. E. Ragsdale, in the southwest part of town. The F. E. Ragsdale family are living on a farm near Iredell.

Musical Contest At Fair. There will be a musical contest at Fair school Friday night, Jan. 9. All amateurs invited to enter. Three prizes will be awarded, judged by applause from audience. Everybody invited. Admission 10 and 15c.

Mrs. Olin Ridenhower and three daughters, Mary Jane, Virginia and Elizabeth of Junction, have been here visiting with Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Jackson. Mrs. E. K. Ridenhower, and her sister, Mrs. J. B. Pool and family, Miss Mary Jane returned to Waco where she is a student in Baylor University, and the others left Sunday for their home in Junction.

Back From Trip. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Smith have returned home after having spent the holidays with Mr. Smith's brother, Dr. E. G. Smith and family at Mercedes, Texas. While there, they visited over in Old Mexico at three different points, Matamoros, Reynosa and Rio Rico. Dr. Smith being the government physician at that place.

They also visited Port Isabel, Brownsville, Boca Chica and there saw the Gulf of Mexico. On their return home, they stopped in San Antonio seeing all the most interesting places, among them being the Alamo, the St. Joseph Mission, Breckenridge Park and the Sunken Garden.

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

Mrs. Joe Nelson of Clifton, and Mr. and Mrs. Haldor Duncan of California were here Wednesday visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fairry. Miss Margaret Fairry who had spent the past few days in Clifton, accompanied them to Hico Wednesday.

### Eastern Star Members Enjoyed New Year's Party

Miss Fannie Wood, worthy matron of the local Eastern Star Chapter, assisted by a few of the members, staged a New Year's party at the Midland Hotel last Friday evening.

The regular meeting of the chapter was held at the hall, and immediately following this, the members went to the hotel where they were met by some invited guests and the game of "42" was enjoyed. Five tables had been arranged for the games.

At the conclusion, delicious brick ice cream and dark and light cake were served to Mr. and Mrs. Guy Aycock, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Masterson, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Keeney, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Blair, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fairry, Mrs. L. L. Hudson, Mrs. C. P. Coston, Mrs. Ruck, Mrs. B. R. Gamble, H. Smith, Miss Fannie Wood, Mrs. Frankie Forgy, George Golithly of Hamilton, Louise Blair, Thomas Ray Coston, and Mary Lou Farmer of Fort Worth.

### W. M. S.

The W. M. S. met at the church Monday 2:30 p. m. with 9 ladies present. Song 88 led by Mrs. Jno. Clark. Devotional, Mrs. Dohoney.

Our regular monthly program from Royal Service paper, Mrs. R. Wright.

The Worker's Council meets with us next Monday, Jan. 11. We will have our Circle meeting on Tuesday, 2:30 p. m. North Side to meet with Mrs. Dohoney. Edna Mosley Circle to meet with Mrs. J. C. Rodgers. We are expecting you. Come.

### Dry Fork

Several persons from this community attended the funeral of Mrs. Jim Morgan at Palmrose Tuesday.

We have several persons on our sick list at this writing.

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Mr. and Mrs. Pace have moved into our community. We are glad to have these folks and hope they will enjoy their new home.

Irwin Douglas visited homefolks here Sunday.

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Rader and Dal White of near Hamilton were Saturday night visitors in the J. P. Columbus home.

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### Millerville H. D. Club Had Interesting Meeting

All business, financial and otherwise, was finished when the Millerville H. D. Club met Friday afternoon, January 1, in the home of Mrs. Arthur Lambert.

The club is ready to begin the new year with all debts paid and some money in the treasury.

The club voted to pay for their year books from the club treasury.

A new member, Mrs. Bill Loden, has been added to the club roll.

The club will meet for an all-day quilting Friday, January 15, in the home of Mrs. George Loden, bedroom demonstrator. Each lady will carry a covered dish to be served at noon.

The club is starting a new year's work and invite anyone who is interested to visit with them at any time possible. All members are urged to attend regularly.

REPORTER.

### PALACE

HICO  
FRIDAY—  
"TO MARY WITH LOVE"  
With Warner Baxter and Myrna Loy  
NEWS COMEDY

SAT. MAT. & NIGHT—  
"TWO IN REVOLT"  
With Johnny Arledge  
COMEDY

SUN. MAT. & MON. NIGHT—  
Jenn Harlow  
"SUZY"  
With Franchot Tone, Cary Grant, Lewis Stone, Benita Hume  
NEWS COMEDY

TUES. & WED.—  
"SECOND WIFE"  
With Gertrude Michael and Walter Abel  
COMEDY

THURSDAY & FRIDAY—  
Carole Lombard—Fred McMurray  
In  
"THE PRINCESS COMES ACROSS"  
NEWS COMEDY.

### TWO HICO STUDENTS NAMED ON HONOR ROLL AT JOHN TARLETON COLLEGE

Stephenville—Algie Louise Campbell, daughter of George T. Campbell, and Herman Harris, son of W. H. Harris, both of Hico, were named to the John Tarleton College scholastic honor roll for the second preliminary, according to announcements from Registrar Gabe Lewis today.

Miss Campbell and Mr. Harris returned to Tarleton this week after a two-week Christmas holiday visiting at home. Other Hico students at John Tarleton College are:

Benn Arnold Gleason, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benn Gleason, junior in agricultural education; Martha Gene Masterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Masterson, junior in home economics; Wendell Jack Weeks, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Weeks, special student; Winifred Galle Hampton of Ireland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hampton, junior in social science; Florine Adams, Jonesboro, junior in home economics; Kathleen Adams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Adams, junior in elementary education; Frank Courtney, Jonesboro, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Courtney, junior in social science; Burton Rex Hurley, Pottsville, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hurley, senior, agricultural education; Nadine Waldrop, Pottsville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Waldrop.

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### Gordon

By  
MRS. ELLA NEWTON

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sawyer took Miss Mittle Gordon of Iredell to Stephenville for an eye operation Monday. They went after her on Thursday and she is staying with them for a while.

Mrs. Rachel Harris spent Wednesday with Mrs. Vella Harris of Black Stump.

Mrs. Minnie Perkins and children visited Bern Sawyer and wife Wednesday evening awhile.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Harris and children spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Helms and children and W. R. Myers.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bowman and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Bowman and son visited Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sawyer awhile Thursday night.

Mrs. Minnie Perkins and children spent Wednesday with Mrs. Ella Newton and Ima.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Pruitt and daughter spent Friday with Bern Sawyer and wife.

Mrs. Virgie Lester spent Saturday afternoon with Mrs. J. D. Craig and little son, Bobbie Ray.

Dave Bullock and son, Edgar, spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sawyer.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Sawyer and son visited Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Rhoades one day last week.

Mrs. Ima Smith visited Mrs. Fannie Sawyer Tuesday afternoon a while.

W. D. Perkins and children, Jack and Edna, visited in the A. B. Sawyer home Wednesday night.

Kathryn Harris spent Wednesday night with her grandmother, Mrs. Arnold Harris of Iredell.

Elma Perkins spent Saturday night with Mrs. Ella Newton and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Smith and son, John D., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bud Smith and family.

Willie Mae Perkins spent Sunday with Kate Harris.

Miss Loraine Tidwell who teaches at Addicks, visited her sister, Mrs. Bryan Smith and family a few days this week.

Coy Newman of near Iredell spent Saturday night and Sunday with Jack Perkins.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Craig and little son, Bobbie Ray, visited their parents, F. D. Craig and family of Flag Branch Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Miller of near Iredell spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bern Sawyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Harris were in Hico and Stephenville Monday.

Twenty four new canning plants have been established in the lower Rio Grande Valley during the last five months to supply the demand for Texas citrus juice and other citrus products, according to data compiled by the Texas Planning Board.

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Mi-31 Solution, pint ..... 49c

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# News Of The World Told In Pictures.

## Doherty Forecasts 5,000 Birthday Parties, Jan. 30

### ALL FUNDS TO AFFLICTED

New York, N. Y.—With Colonel Henry L. Doherty serving as chairman for the fourth year. Plans for the nation's country-wide series of celebrations on January 30 in honor of President Franklin D. Roosevelt and on behalf of its small sufferers from infantile paralysis are well underway here.

Enthusiastic responses from chairman in all parts of the country forecast more than 5,000 parties. Colonel Doherty has announced, and the outpouring of the nation's concern for those crippled as a result of infantile paralysis is expected to result in the largest fund yet raised.

Among the nationally prominent men who are taking an active part in plans to make the vast celebration a success are Bishop William T. Manning, General John J. Pershing, William Green, Edsel B. Ford, Will H. Hays, Patrick Cardinal Hayes, Vincent Astor, Ambassador Joseph E. Davies, Charles G. Dawes, Admiral Cary T. Grayson, W. Averell Harriman, William Randolph Hearst, Walter S. Gifford and Colonel Edward M. House.

Announcement from Washington that the inaugural ball will not be held this year owing to the close proximity of the inaugural ceremonies to the President's birthday, has lent added significance to the forthcoming celebrations. Geo. Allen, chairman of the District of Columbia, has announced that the Capital's celebration will be on a gigantic basis.

Many of the nation's foremost radio stars also are taking a leading part in plans for the celebration.

#### Distribution of Fund

The same plan of distributing the funds raised through the parties used last year will be followed this year. Colonel Doherty has announced. Seventy cents out of every dollar will remain in the community raising the funds to be used for after-treatment in the rehabilitation of children suffering from the disease. The remaining thirty per cent will be turned over to the President for the Warm

#### Doherty Again Serves



NEW YORK... As national chairman for the fourth year, Colonel Henry L. Doherty (above), is directing organization of the nationwide celebrations, January 30, in honor of President Roosevelt's birthday, to raise funds for the country's fight against infantile paralysis.

Springs Foundation for use in the nation-wide battle against infantile paralysis.

Since the movement was first launched in 1933, thousands of children suffering from the effects of infantile paralysis have been helped through funds raised with the birthday balls. Simultaneously scientists assisted by a portion of the funds are searching for a method of controlling the disease and so stamping out a menace to childhood that has existed since the earliest records of mankind.

## René Maison to Sing Samson in First Metropolitan Opera Saturday Broadcast

By René Maison

THERE comes a time in every man's life when only belief in himself and in his destiny will save him. It is then that the man who is moved by a deep, underlying faith finds strength to go on, to overcome the obstacles that stand between him and the fulfillment of his destiny.

I, too, have had my hours of discouragement and not only during the years when, like all other youthful singers, I was striving for recognition. In my boyhood, during the years that my native Belgium was under German occupation, I worked in a coal mine at Charleroi, near my home in order to avoid being deported to Germany.

All about me men and boys were breaking down under the heavy labor, the underground atmosphere and the constant breathing of coal dust. But I kept a stiff upper lip, as you say in America, and dreamed of the day when I, René Maison, would be singing in grand opera. When it was all over I found that I was taller, heavier and stronger—ready to take advantage of my opportunities to study voice, to sing first at Geneva, then Paris, Buenos Aires, Chicago and, now finally, at the great Metropolitan Opera.

And that is what finally restores the strength of Samson, the role I am singing in the opera "Samson and Delilah," which will be broadcast over National Broadcasting Company networks Saturday afternoon, December

26, direct from the stage of the Metropolitan by The Radio Corporation of America. You may think what you will of Samson's weakness under the guile of the faithless Delilah, but notice, the broken trust that keeps the



René Maison

blind and enchained giant a captive is finally healed by a reborn faith and he goes on to triumph over his enemies.

There is a great moral in this Biblical drama set to music by Camille Saint Saens and now given its first performance in eleven years at the Metropolitan. First we hear Samson

feverently calling upon his fellow Israelites to take courage and throw off their yoke of oppression. But they are without a leader, without arms, and more important, without confidence. Only the mighty Samson has the courage to strike when the satrap enters with many warriors to mock the despairing Israelites. He, the man with the strength of a hundred because he believes in his destiny, leads an open revolt against the Philistines.

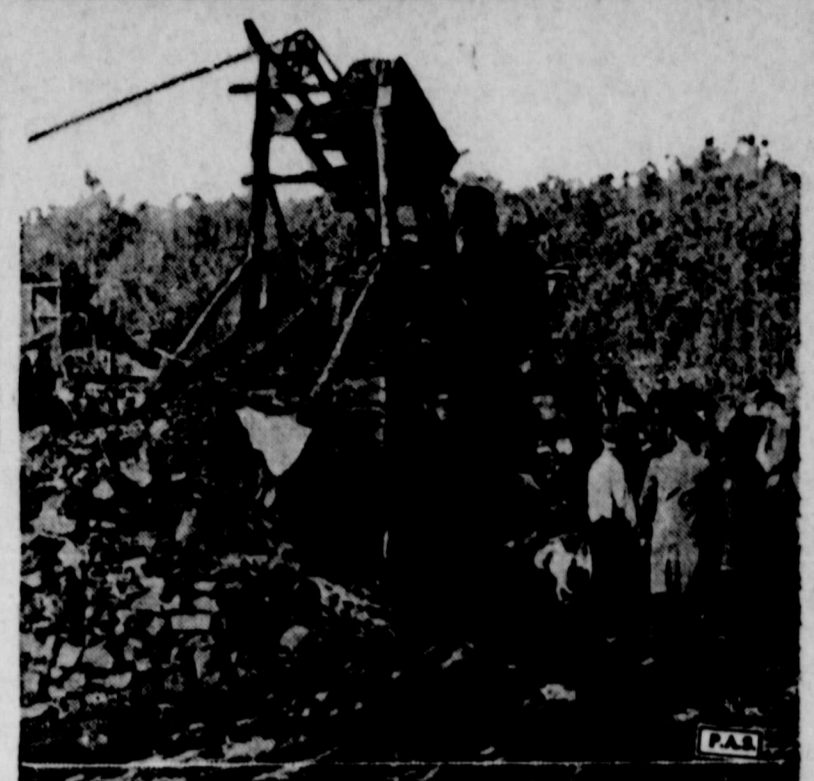
But now Delilah, young, lovely and sensuous, comes forth from the temple bearing garlands of flowers for the victors. She approaches Samson, conscious of her power to sway the emotions of men. Samson prays for power to resist the temptress but his senses are confounded, Samson is lost. The Philistines fall upon him and take him captive.

Blinded and shorn of his heavy locks, Samson is put to grinding corn for his captors.

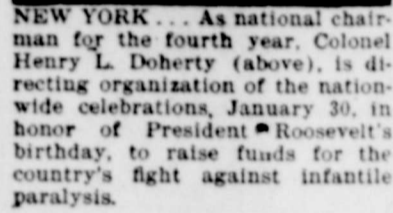
His opportunity finally comes when the High Priest and the Philistines feasting in the temple, weary of making sport of the shorn giant. He begs a boy to lead him to the pillars that support the temple and, with the strength that comes of renewed faith, pulls down the supports and brings the structure crashing down on himself and his enemies.

It is a tragedy, of course, that Samson must die, but do not forget that he fulfills what he knows is his mission. We can all learn something from that story, the story of a man's faith and trust born again.

## Bootleg Coal Mining Stirs Pennsylvania Officials



POTTSVILLE, Pa. . . "Who owns the mineral resources of the nation" is a question Governor Earle is again asking. The "bootleg" coal mining activities of unemployed miners has stirred action in this state. Governor Earle and other state officials are shown above visiting a "bootleg" coal mine near here.



#### Finds Mother



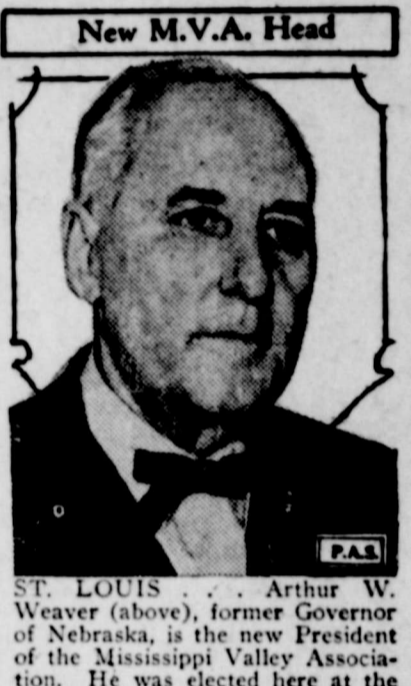
NEW YORK . . . Wallace Ford (above), film actor, was placed in a foundling home in England when 3 years old. He arrived in Canada at 7 and first went on the stage at 15. Now, after a 21 year search, he has found his mother in England where he is buying a home for her.



#### Judge Threatened



KANSAS CITY . . . Judge A. L. Reeves (above), was told over the 'phone, "We're going to get you for this," a few hours after instructing a Grand Jury to reach for high as well as low in the alleged election frauds, November 3rd.



ST. LOUIS . . . Arthur W. Weaver (above), former Governor of Nebraska, is the new President of the Mississippi Valley Association. He was elected here at the 18th Annual Convention.



#### Mayor at 23

PORTSMOUTH, N. H. . . . Edward E. Goldsmith, 23, and college graduate, has a job he thinks he is too young to hold. He's the new mayor of this town of 15,000 persons, defeating the Democratic incumbent by some 3,000 votes. He's going to try out the job anyhow.



#### In Opera at 15

CHICAGO . . . Betty Jaynes, 15, made her Grand Opera debut, singing opposite Nino Martinelli in "La Bohème," to receive high praise of the critics who predict a bright future for her.



#### Gets Wedding Okeh

WASHINGTON . . . Myles Standish (above), descendant of the Myles Standish in Longfellow's poem, now U. S. Vice-Consul in England, is the first American diplomat abroad to receive permission of the State Department to wed a woman of foreign citizenship.



#### "Queen of Clubs"

MIAMI . . . Miss Travis Lee Harris, 23 (above), of Louisville, Ky., and Senior at the University of Miami, is the new "Queen of Clubs," elected at a convention of sororities here.



#### Achievement

NEW YORK . . . Princess Nina Toumanova, fleeing from the Russian Revolution, arrived here with \$29 and not one word of English. Today she is an American citizen, a Doctor of Philosophy from Columbia University, and her first book, an interpretive biography of Anton Chekov, is on the press.



#### Baby of Congress

WASHINGTON . . . All records indicate that Rep. Lyle H. Boren, 27, (D.) of Oklahoma (above), will be the youngest member of the new Congress which convenes January 5th. Rep. Boren celebrates his next birthday, May 11th.



#### Finds a Family

LOS ANGELES . . . Her birth certificate destroyed in the San Francisco fire years ago, Mrs. Keeworth Chandler, (above), author and playwright, made attempt this year to establish her citizenship . . . thus she learned she was not an orphan . . . but that her mother was still living and that she had two brothers and three sisters.

## Tot Gives Toys for Needy Children



Hearing that the Voice of Experience, famous radio counselor, was distributing toys and fruit to the needy at Christmas, five-year-old Jean Elkins, singer on the NBC Sunday morning children's program, decided to help by contributing some of her last year's toys to the supply. Jean is parting with her favorite Teddy Bear for the cause.



## 1-MINUTE SAFETY TALKS

By Don Herold

"I took three risky dashes today, but I'll score better tomorrow"

**MAKE A GAME OF SAFE DRIVING**

It might help safety statistics if a lot of us took careful driving as seriously as we take golf—and played at it as hard.

Do you "slice" on curves? Do you "hook" on hills? Every night when you get home (if you get home) rehab your day's driving. How many times did you darned near have an accident? How many narrow squeaks did you have? How many times were you foolish? How many times were you rash and reckless when you should have taken a little more time and played safe?

Did you dart out of line on curves or hills when you should have waited a little longer? According to statistics gathered by The Travelers Insurance Company, that is one of the worst traffic sins.

In golf and in driving, a good score is a matter of keeping your head.

"Poise under stress" is what Bobby Jones calls it.

A good golfer or a good driver lets nobody hurry or rattle him.

How many times in your day's driving today did you "blow up"?

There ought to be loving cups for people who make exceptional driving records. I'd give a cup, for example, to William Lavin, a chauffeur of Toledo, who has driven 500,000 miles without an accident.

"You've got to give more than you take," says Mr. Lavin. "Even if you have the right of way, it doesn't mean you have to take it. It's only a matter of half a minute to stop or slow down." And "I always give the pedestrian the right of way. If he walks into your car, he won't damage it. But if you drive into him . . .

There's a man I nominate for the National Safe Driving Championship—and a loving cup. Can you beat him?



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HAMILTON, TEXAS



SPORTSMAN FLIES HIGH by Lawrence A. Keating

**Ninth Installment.**  
SYNOPSIS: Detective Dan Colwell of the Graber-Vael private detective agency is assigned the job of shadowing McDonald whose wife fears gangster enemies are plotting to murder him. McDonald is killed in spite of Colwell's watchfulness. Now, with McDonald dead the smuggling ring which he had become disorganized. Colwell risks his life to gather evidence by playing one against another.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY

Dan replaced the receiver. His eyes met the rich brown eyes of Helen Fane, who looked questioning. He shrugged. They talked to Colwell's hunting alibi until the corridor buzzer sounded.

"This fellow won't interrupt us long," Colwell told the girl. "Won't be any rough house, I guess."

He moved to the door, peered through the slot, and saw someone with a hulking blond giant. Colwell admitted the man, who clamped inside and dropped his kit of tools, smiling the shy smile of Swedes. "I got right at it," he announced. "I don't stay long, mister."

"That's right don't stay long." He walked to the inner office where Helen waited. She was burrowing in her purse. Suddenly she whipped out a gun. His face took on a hard, tired look.

"Sit down!" Helen commanded.

The steamfitter, stepping catlike after, shoved a weapon into his back. He hesitated, then obeyed. The Swede without a word returned to the corridor door. He fumbled a moment at the lock and bolt and swung it wide. Otto Graber sauntered in.

"Good work, Helen!" The florid face of the man wore a jeer and his blue eyes danced. "How are you, Dan?" He swung a thigh on Colwell's desk and sat facing him. "Come across with it."

Dan scowled from Graber to the girl. He dropped his eyes.

"Guess I'm a sucker," he said.

Graber leaned and plucked the gun from Dan's shoulder holster. Then he got the second weapon from his hip pocket. "I want that snow, Colwell, and we'll tear up the place if you don't produce it, quick!"

"Forty grand buys it."

Graber's face darkened. "You're asking trouble then? Ole, tear up the floor. It's likely between the floor and the ceiling below. Sit tight, Colwell, because if Ole doesn't find it we'll be wanting next to tear you up. The safe," he said with a wave of his fat hand, "is empty. You forgot to ask the salesman what the combination is. Just a front. But I'll open it to be sure. I got the combination easy—made out we were partners."

Dan did not move or change expression. There was a wrench of splintering wood in the outer office as Ole's crowbar began the desecration of the pine floor. A board here and there gave onto blank spaces between steel beams.

His flashlight slanted into the dark. His grumbling indicated Ole was having no success.

Methodically the fake steamfitter ripped one board from each beam section. Methodically he dropped on his knees and poked

his flashlight for a look. Minutes passed but the tableau in the inner office did not change. Graber had found the safe empty, of course.

Finally Ole stood in the doorway mopping his brow with his sleeve. "It ain't here. I bet it's under the floor in there."

"No use bothering," Dan suggested. "It isn't in the office at all but you wouldn't have believed that before. I could get it in a hurry in case you brought the forty thousand, Otto."

Graber leaned with a curse and struck Dan on the head with muzzle of his gun. The steel bruised Colwell's scalp and hurt. Otto struck again where the adhesive tape crisscrossed. Dan turned pale, sucking his breath.

"Don't do that," he protested angrily. "You knock me out and you'll never get it! Nobody else can tell you, you fool!"

Graber rose and paced up and down, his lips twitching. The Swede watched from the doorway. Finally Otto halted, feet apart, hands on hips, and the automatic still in his fist. "You're tough, Colwell. I never thought you had much guts. But—" He sighed resignedly. "How soon can you get the stuff here?"

Dan's pulse speeded. He did not relish another beating such as Lefty and Graber had administered in the Kennebec Hotel. The question seemed to indicate that Otto knew he had met his match and that he had at last concluded to pay.

"I can get it here in ten minutes. But before I send for it, Ole goes. I want to see him across the river on that boardwalk. Just you and I stay—not Helen either."

"Aw! What's the matter with Helen? She'd have to wait for me somewhere, anyhow. And," he added with suspicion, "how do I know you'll be alone? The guy that brings the stuff in . . . I don't want any tricks, Colwell!"

"There won't be any," he fingered the new bruises on his head while he gazed thoughtfully at the girl. "She does ornament the place at that. I'll tell you: I'm keeping my gun out, see? You and Helen don't. When the stuff comes. Those are my terms. Take it or leave it."

Graber hesitated. "Hurry up," he snapped briefly.

When Colwell saw Ole across the river on the boardwalk he picked up the telephone. He looked around. "Put your money on the desk, Graber."

Otto did. Dan gave a number. "Hello, Ah Wei? You savvy which laundry Mr. Colwell? Right. I got 'em laundry slip here but no can 'em Chink. Savvy? Send 'em quick this number: 1124 Lawyers and Doctors Building. You know right one? All right—quick!"

As he talked he shook the contents of the waste basket, scrutinizing scrap after scrap of paper. At last he found an ordinary laundry slip with Chinese characters painted on it.

Presently the buzzer sounded. "Sit tightly," Colwell warned. "Let's have the deal over and no funny business. You're getting a bargain as it is." Gun in hand, he walked to the door and after a preview through the slot, opened it a few inches. "Thanks, Ah Wei."

Here's a buck for your trouble. So long!"

He brought the fat parcel back and placed it on the desk beside the money. "Now Otto, don't look so greedy. You'll get it. Let's say you hand me the cash as I hand you the package. Sure this is the stuff you want?"

"If it's the snow, the whole two hundred and fifty grand worth!"

"Oh, it is, Otto, it is." He made the exchange and stuffed the bills into his coat pocket while Graber breathlessly ripped open the package. He sighed vast relief. "We made a deal, eh, Otto?"

The man straightened. "I'm

brain that it was . . . the telephone. Then he remembered that battle. There was a pool of his own blood beside him on the floor. He groped to reach his feet. Graber had got away.

It seemed incredible. It seemed an impossible thing!

He groaned aloud. Irita was due now or murder. That was positive and it would not be long happening!

"Hello," Dan listened at the receiver. His dazed eyes rolled. "Lefty! What? You've got it—alright? Wait. Wait! I think." Quillen had his cash; he wanted to come for the stuff now. "Listen," Dan mumbled. "I—I haven't got it any more. Hold on—I know I promised! But Graber came in like a cyclone. I was talking to Helen, see? I'm crazy about her on the level, I am!"

He nodded. "Sure, I figured she was nothing to you. But I—I want her," he whispered hoarsely.

"Otto skipped with the stuff, grabbed her to shield him backing

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field, fifteen minutes. Hell, I tell you I want Helen that's all!"

He hung up. Clinging weakly to the desk, Colwell uttered a prayer that had the fervor of his soul in it. He stumbled drunkenly for the door.

"If Lefty's wrong!" he mumbled in anguish. "If Lefty's wrong."

They left their hurriedly chartered cabin ship at Norcross, a city of considerable size. Ewing had no airport nor even a landing field shown on the chart.

It was seventeen miles to Ewing. The deal with a taxicab driver was quickly made. The two men sprang in and the car rolled away. Colwell waved a ten-dollar bill before the fellow's eyes.

"Keep over forty-five and this is yours. Get us there in a hurry!" He sank back. His glance at Lefty Quillen made him ponder again for the dozenth time, on the strangeness of his sudden partnership. But there was no other chance so far as he knew. Graber's camp was not in Ewing, and a man could search these timbered hills for weeks aimlessly without discovering what he sought. Quillen would do: he was as anxious as Colwell to confront Otto.

Their glances crossed. "Remember, I get the snow! That's on the level, ain't it?" There was an evil threat in the way he said it.

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**Fifth and Sixth Grades.**  
Judging from the many New Year resolutions that have been made, we are going to have a hard working group of students from now on.

We are glad to welcome Miss Connie Mae Robinson into our sixth grade class. She is from Jonesboro.

Ila Ruth Parks and Rosemary Miller in the fifth grade and Joylette Able and Juanita Simpson in the sixth grade were judged best in story telling contest last week.

**Girls 4-H Club.**  
The girls 4-H club, after disbanding started the New Year off right by reorganizing. January 4, 1927 Miss Sally Jones met with us and helped us to take up the work again.

The same officers will be used with the exception of our secretary, Elbridge Williamson. Dalphine Hoover was elected to take her place.

We will start making our shorts and shirts as soon as we get our materials.

**Interscholastic League Work.**  
We began all the interscholastic league work Monday. We are going to work hard and try to decorate Ole Fairy with blue ribbons.

**Girls' Sport News.**  
Hurrah! for the New Year. We are going to do our best to win more games this year than we did in the past one. So, girls that means we must "fight."

We are glad to have Doris Robinson on our team as guard since we lost one of our best guards she will be a great help to our team.

We are planning to play our first game this year Tuesday night at Iredell. We have played Iredell two games this season. We have won one and lost one. We are hoping to win. We are also planning to go to the tournament Saturday at Hasee.

**Boys' Sport News.**  
January 1, Carlton came down and played us a game in basket ball. Although we were defeated by two points, but we played them a tight game. The Tigers led the field until the last quarter, then Bird from Carlton shot some of those long field shots, and "by the way" they went through too. Duncan was high point man for Fairy. At the end of the game the scores were 15 to 17.

We are going to Iredell Tuesday night and play Iredell. We are also planning to go to the tournament at Hasee Saturday.

**Amateur Program**  
There will be an amateur program here in the Fairy High School auditorium Friday night, January 8. We are expecting to have musicians from all over the county, and probably some out of the county. There will be three prizes awarded to the three best hands or musicians. If you wish to join, don't forget to bring your instruments with you.

Everyone is invited to come as it will be a real treat. We will have plenty of music to entertain you. Admission 10c and 15c.

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### Fairy

By CORRESPONDENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Gilbert and little children of Marble Falls were guests of her mother, Mrs. J. S. Morrison during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Wilford and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Edwards and baby, Betty Lou, were in Hamilton Thursday night.

Mrs. Heral Richardson visited with relatives in Hico Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Wright and baby daughter, Mary Kathleen, were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burleson during the holidays. They live in San Angelo.

Miss Marianne Christensen of Cranfills Gap spent Friday night with Miss Wilma Caraway.

Doud Morrison, J. C. Beatty and Miss Freda Clayton were in Waco Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Wright have moved in the Old Hico community. We regret to lose this nice family from our community.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Richardson and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Edwards and baby were Stephenville visitors Monday.

Doud Morrison, J. C. Beatty and W. F. Clayton were in Hamilton on business Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. T. L. Betts and sons, Lester and Joe, attended a birthday dinner last Sunday given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Burden.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Cunningham and son, Billy, and Mr. and Mrs. George Cunningham of East Texas are visiting in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cunningham and Mr. and Mrs. Bogue Cunningham and families.

W. F. Clayton, Jr. spent ten days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Clayton and family during the holidays. W. F. is enlisted in the U. S. army stationed at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Lester Betts returned to Bryan after a week's visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Betts and Joe. Lester is a student of A. & M. College.

Carman Lynch of Dallas spent Sunday in the home of his uncle, W. F. Clayton and family.

Miss Oda Davis of Fort Worth spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davis.

Miss Annie Allison of Fort Worth spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Allison.

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WANT ADS

**FURS WANTED**—See me before you sell.—Herman Rhodes, Hico. 32-3p

**WE HAVE** heavy manila paper, suitable for wrapping meat.—Barnes & McCullugh. 31-2c

**FOR LEASE**—110-acre farm, 3 1-2 miles South of Hico. See W. L. Grisham, Route 3. 32-2p

**FOR TRADE**—Chevrolet pick-up, '28 model for small team. C. R. Oakley at McCarty place on Highway 65. 32-2tp

**FOR RENT**—Two rooms. Mrs. Willie Platt. 33-2tp

**FOR SALE**—Teams, Wagon, Harness and Implements. Also wood cook stove. Tom Boone. 32-1tp

Wanted, permanent, reliable renter for my home. Leaving Hico indefinite length of time. See Mrs. W. F. Culbreath or H. N. Wolfe. 31-1fc

**FRUIT TREES**—I have a good stock of trees and shrubs. This is a good time to prune, and set out fruit trees and shrubs. Prices are so low anyone can set some trees, in varieties that bear from May until October. Set a good pecan or walnut in your yard and watch it grow.—J. W. Waldrop, Rt. 7, Hico. 33-1c

**FOR SALE**—Three Jersey milk cows and calves. See C. M. Broyles, Lanham, Texas. 32-2tp

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FIREMEN TO BE HOSTS TONIGHT AT LITTLE CAFE IN THEIR ANNUAL BANQUET

Invitations have been sent out by the Hico Volunteer Fire Department to the annual banquet, at which time the members will be hosts to a number of invited guests.

According to Chief J. W. Leeth, invitations have been sent to mayors and fire chiefs of surrounding towns, the county judge and other notables, who it is hoped will accept. The annual gathering always breeds good fellowship, and provides an opportunity for the company to report on its progress and accomplishments during the preceding year.

In Mr. Leeth's records is a report of the attendance of various members during the past year. The report shows that there were 52 meetings, 12 regular, 29 called, and 20 fire calls. W. D. Gage enjoyed the honor of having answered the most of these calls, having responded 47 times out of 52. The lowest number of responses from regular members was 23, with an average attendance of about 35 out of the 52.

Total damage from fires during the past year is estimated by Mr. Leeth to have been around \$2,000, and he states that this is figuring broadly. While the exact amount officially reported by the insurance agents in losses has not been released as yet, Mr. Leeth's estimate shows that damage has been confined to a minimum, and that the extra efforts expended by the fire company in reducing losses have been effective.

R. J. Adams, who has charge of the invitation acceptances, reports a great number of people having notified him that they would be on hand.



Washington, December 15—Possible changes in the Social Security Act is one of the principal subjects being discussed by administration officials and members of Congress preliminary to the opening of the first session of the 75th Congress, which will begin on January 5.

The feeling is quite general that the act is not sufficiently comprehensive, in that it does not take in agricultural workers, domestic servants and employees of educational, charitable and scientific institutions and of "instrumentalists" of state and Federal governments.

The Treasury's ruling that all banks which are members of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation are instrumentalities of the government removes all bank employees from the provisions of the Act as it now stands.

There is also some talk about the possibility of eliminating the individual tax on employees' pay envelopes and providing for old age retirement benefits out of general taxation. It is not considered probable that this will be done.

It is certain, however, that the whole subject of old age pensions, either by means of individual contributions or provisions for old age assistance to those in need will be one of the most actively debated questions to which the new Congress will have to find a satisfactory answer.

**S. N. B. To Baltimore**  
And in the meantime, nothing could provide a better demonstration of the way in which government offices have made Washington the most crowded city in American than the fact that the Social Security board had to go to Baltimore, to find a suitable building to house its departments.

The board found that it was going to require, at the very beginning of its work in connection with the Old Age Benefit Insurance part of its work, at least 120,000 square feet of floor space. Not that much space could be found in the District of Columbia.

One hundred and twenty thousand square feet is as much as is included in a ten-story building, 100x120 feet in area. Moreover, beside needing floor space, the board found that it would have to fill that floor space with such a heavy load that nothing short of

factory construction would carry it. There will be more than 50,000,000 individual filing cards for ready reference. This includes the original registration cards filed out by workers, and the official copies of them which will constitute the working file. The cards alone will weigh about 250,000 pounds.

The board found a factory building in Baltimore with three acres of floor space; is moving in to it and hopes to be ready on January 1 to begin keeping the records of the earnings of the estimated 25,000,000 workers who come under the Old Age Benefits provisions of the Social Security Act. Also, a record of the payment of the income tax of one percent of each worker's wages and the additional payroll tax of one percent paid by his employer.

The decision of the Supreme Court by a tie vote of four to four that the New York state unemployment compensation law is constitutional is held here to indicate that the unemployment insurance provisions of the Social Security Act may also be held constitutional.

**Trade Situation Improves.**  
The international trade situation is reported by the State Department to have been greatly improved since France joined with England and the United States on an agreement to maintain the parity of their respective currencies by a stabilization agreement. Last week the remaining three nations which are still on the gold standard joined this international agreement. They are Switzerland, Belgium and The Netherlands, which is Holland.

One effect of this agreement in regard to currency is expected to be the working out of a means of checking excessive exports of gold from one country to another. President Roosevelt not long ago expressed concern over what he called "hot money" coming into the United States from Europe. What he referred to was investments in American securities against gold credits in the United States, resulting in the holding by foreign investors of billions of dollars worth of stocks and bonds which they might suddenly take a notion to dump on the market and so depress prices abnormally.

There is, of course, no way of preventing anybody anywhere from buying shares in American corporations. But if the other nations in this currency agreement cooperate in checking shipments of gold to this country it will be much more difficult for foreign speculators to acquire such large holdings in the American security markets as to constitute a danger to the stability of prices.

**That Peonage conviction**  
One of the exploits upon which the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice—otherwise the "G-Men"—is receiving congratulations, is the conviction of an Arkansas farmer on a charge of peonage. It is the first serious blow struck directly by the Federal government at a practice which is said to be common in many parts of the South and which amounts, in effect, to enslaving Negroes.

The system is the simple one of having Negroes arrested on the charge of vagrancy and then have the local court sentence them to forced labor under contract to a farmer. In this particular case the farmer happened to be the town marshal and arrested nine Negroes as vagrants and had them condemned to work out their fines by labor on his own farm. The G-Men's attention was called to this incident, and their investigation resulted in the conviction of the farmer-marshal, who was fined \$3,500 and sentenced to two years in prison if he fails to pay the fine.

CARD OF THANKS

To those who showed their sympathy in so many ways during the time of our recent bereavement, we extend our heartfelt gratitude. Please accept our thanks for every kindness, especially the beautiful floral offerings.

MR. AND MRS. H. F. SELLERS, MR. AND MRS. H. H. TRACY, JR., MR. AND MRS. C. S. DUDLEY AND DAUGHTER.

CARD OF THANKS

Words can not express our thanks and appreciation to those who helped us in any way during and after the fire that destroyed our home. May God's richest blessings rest on you now and forever, is our prayer.

Mrs. C. L. Kinser and Melvin, Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Kinser, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Kinser, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Beach, Mr. and Mrs. N. N. Noble and son.

NOTICE OF SALE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY

"Notice is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of the Iredell Rural High School has ordered sold the building of the former Camp Branch School District. Anyone interested in buying this property should leave or send their bids to D. E. Cavness, Secretary of Iredell School Board, on or before January 16, 1937." (32-3tc)

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**LOOKS** . . . . . the decoy  
Every merchant knows that second-rate goods in pretty packages sell better than first-quality stuff in plain wrappers. Most folk are not good judges of quality, and buy on the "looks" of the commodities.

My wife bought some Florida oranges the other day, which had a label pasted on each one reading "color added." Florida growers have been forced to "doll up" the external appearance of their oranges to compete with the more gaily-colored California fruit—which we think is not so good. But under the regulations of the Federal government they have to warn buyers that the color is not natural but artificial.

All up and down the line, from oranges and apples to automobiles, most people buy the article that looks most attractive, and give little consideration to real values, which don't usually show on the surface. I'd like to see someone start a school to teach people how to spend money.

STRIKES

**ordered some storm windows** for my new home in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, away back in October. It was late December before I could get them, and then only because Harry Rubie went to every sash-and-door mill within twenty miles and bought all they had in stock of a size to fit my windows.

"Strike in the glass works" was the answer he got everywhere. The glass-workers' strike is slowing down automobile production, building operations and many other lines of business. That means less work and reduced income for tens of thousands of other workers who are not at all concerned with the dispute between glass-workers and employers.

There is an epidemic of strikes all over the country. Few are based on anything but the question of union recognition. Employers generally are willing to pay the highest wages the business will stand for, but they don't want outsiders laying down rules for the operation of their businesses.

BUILDING . . . . . a censor

The building boom has begun and there will be a lot more houses "built to sell" which will need constant repairs and cost the buyers twice what they are worth. I've seen some awful examples of the tricks which unscrupulous builders put over on unsuspecting home-buyers.

A movement is under way to establish minimum standards for houses, which any building must meet before the big banks and insurance companies will lend money on it. I hope this plan of "certified homes" will spread. It costs a little more to build a sound, weathertight house which will last for a lifetime.

There is no more widespread swindle practiced on the American public than the exorbitant profits exacted by many speculative builders.

TENANTS . . . . . good and bad

We are hearing a great deal about the so-called evil of tenant farming and its increase in America. Most of those who are vocal about it seem to think that all tenant-farmers are down-trodden by heartless landlords and that they would all be good farmers if they only owned their land.

Land ownership can't make a good farmer out of a shiftless incompetent, and a good farmer can prosper as a tenant as well as on his own land. I don't know how many of the good land-owning farmers in the Mississippi Valley started as tenants until they had earned enough to buy their own farms, but certainly a lot of them did. It is the only way many able young men have been able to get a start.

One of the best farmers I ever knew was a Scotsman who farmed 25,000 acres and never owned an acre of it. He didn't want to bother with ownership. Landlords were eager to rent to him, for he was a good farmer and kept up the fertility of the soil.

STEAM . . . . . still factor

The time may come when internal-combustion engines, Diesels or other types, will replace steam entirely, but in the railroad field the steam locomotive is holding its own pretty well against both gas-turbines and electric. While some railroads are experimenting—with much success—with new kinds of motive power, others, and among them some of the largest systems, are running their new high-speed passenger trains with modernized stream-lined steam locomotives, and doing a good job of it.

One advantage the steam engine has over all other "prime movers" is its flexibility and its reserve power for emergencies. Another is that you can run a steam engine on any kind of fuel.

Geologists say the world's oil reserves may easily be exhausted in another fifty years, while the earth's coal supply has hardly been tapped.

Scores of inquiries are being received from Eastern manufacturers by the Texas Planning Board regarding the natural resources of the State.

HICO F. F. A. and  
CHAMBER of COMMERCE  
**Poultry Show**  
JANUARY, 14-15-16

This is your show and cannot be a success without the cooperation of the poultry raisers of this or other communities. Remember you are welcome and everyone will receive the same attention no matter how large or small your flock may be. Every bird entered will be given the same consideration by the judges, who will be some one from the Poultry Department of J. T. A. C.

We urge you to bring your share of the Chickens and Turkeys to the show on these dates, so that the show will be considered a success by everyone who attends.

Remember this is your show and unless we have your help and cooperation the show will be a failure.

Due to the lack of time we will be unable to publish a catalogue so the following are rules and regulations, entry classifications, and Ribbons that will be Awarded.

1. Competition will open to every one
2. All birds entered for competition must be in the show building by Thursday, January 14, at 12:00 o'clock noon.
3. Exhibits will be open to visitors at all times.
4. All birds must have numbered leg bands but no band shall carry name of the owner. Numbers must be stated on entry blanks.
5. All birds showing symptoms of diseases will be excluded from the show.
6. Exhibitors may display their names and advertising matter above the coops only after the judging has been completed.
7. The Superintendent of the show has the right to classify and arrange all exhibits.
8. No exhibit shall be removed from the building until 3:30 p. m. on the last day of the show, Jan. 16.
9. Mixed pens will not be accepted. That is young birds and old birds may not be shown together.

CLASSIFICATION:

- A. One Cockerel and two pullets shall constitute a young pen.
- B. One cock bird and two hens shall constitute an old pen.
- C. Cockerels and pullets are birds hatched after Jan. 1, 1936.
- D. Cocks and hens are birds hatched prior to January 1, 1936.

10. Turkeys carry the same classification.  
11. Birds may compete only in classes in which they are entered. Superintendent of the show to do so. The decision of the judges shall be final, and he shall be guided by the American Standard of Perfection.

13. Birds may be entered as singles and may also be included in pen entries.

14. All birds entered must be the property of exhibitors and must be owned by the exhibitor at least thirty days prior to the opening date of the show.

15. There will be no entry fee.

Awards will be made on each variety of standard bred poultry. There must be three or more birds in each class for the first place winner to receive first, second or third place, which will be awarded ribbons as follows:

	First	Second	Third
Best Hen	Ribbon	Ribbon	Ribbon
Best Pullet	Ribbon	Ribbon	Ribbon
Best Cock Bird	Ribbon	Ribbon	Ribbon
Best Cockerel	Ribbon	Ribbon	Ribbon
Best Young Pen	Ribbon	Ribbon	Ribbon
Best Old Pen	Ribbon	Ribbon	Ribbon

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