# SEASON'S GREETINGS

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Here In

Last week's excursion into the

HICO, TEXAS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1939.

### "What Now, Little Man?"



Papa wants to know what you

feel all right?"

know if you have fever; sister L. Fisher and son, Joe, and the wants to know what kind of com- latter's family, of Beaumont; Mr. pany you keep; Fred wants to and Mrs. C. L. Keffer and Miss know if your machine doesn't need Mamie Keffer, Wichita Falls; Mr. overhauling: A. J. wants to know and Mrs. R. L. Connally, Mrs. if you have in your application at William Mayfield and son and any institution; and I want to daughter, Dublin; Mr. and Mrs. know how you expect your poor, H. M. Wieser and Mr. and Mrs. unsuspecting subscribers, includ- P. L. Maxwell, Hamilton. ing me, to understand things that are above the heads of the intelligentsia. I would also appreciate definition of the following: (May I say just here that I would be having qualms as to my literacy if Papa hadn't given up tooand also that it's s-u-c-c-i-n-c-t)

ger, vendir, gonter, lartage, ristan, for a hearing before the State Indian), pirot, Fislong, garavids, gonate, duranomic, walage, brackid, J. Manley Head, State Senator doorands, napid, zincan, mastisse, from this district, and Henry garbistan, risible, redactor, hacque- Clark, mayor, of Stephenville; Kal ton, hyratory, whigmaleerie, lo- Segrist, State representative, Dalgion, viole cense, hypoplasia, vesi- las; and J. B. Pool, county judge, cates, cancrizans.

"Aside from that I understood every word.'

It's this way:

they are, they shouldn't be, for in so that the road might be included making them up, particular pains in an early constructon program. were taken to check the diction- The delegaton asked the commisary and change them sup. That's sion to send a formal letter to the idea in this double-talk busi- that effect to each of the judges of ness, for which tutors in the art Hamilton and Erath Counties. have formed their own vocabulary. They are supposed to similate real words, but any connection with other sections of the state inter-Websterian words, living or dead, ested in this important road were is purely coincidental Somewhere. Charles G. Cotten, manager of the although we didn't suspect it highway department of the Fort when we engaged in the art temporarily, there must be some ma- Mr. Thomas of San Antonio; and Palace Theatre, announces that on licious quirk of the perpetrators' the county judge from Johnson Saturday morning, beginning at disposition which takes advantage City. of the gullibility of the average reader. After looking up two or three, he is supposed to start gnawing on the dictionary and home from the Stephenville Hos- is being given in the spirit of the The event is scheduled for Dec. 27. throwing things. When his disgust pital Friday of last week and was had reached its deepest ebb, the reported doing nicely. double-talker evidently is supposed to run in a few real words. And that's the catch.

lexicon, although we didn't find dead-end railroad town nearby to have no fear as to whether the anyone who is interested is always them all. For instance, risible save some sort of Christmas mesmeans amusing; a redactor," as sage for this space. But she outyou ought to know, is an editor; did her usual self and sold them hacqueton is acton which is medi- all. So all that is left for us is eval armor: whigmaleerie is a the time-worn but happy phrase, gimerack or a knickknack. but why should we tell you all We're glad we're living. We apthis? If you're interested, look preciate all the favors that have them up for yourself. If you can't come our way. And we hope that find them, come down and we'll our friends, which we hope inhelp you hunt.

We told the advertising mana-

Mrs. Frank L. Fisher, former resident of Hico who died at the home of a son in Beaumont Monday after a four months' illness. was buried in the Hico Cemetery Wednesday afternoon. Funeral services were held at the home of Double talk may be all right for Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Sellers, long-Elmer Roessner and fellows who time friends of the family, by Rev. write in Esquire. But it is of no Alvin Swindell, pastor of the Hico further use to this column. We Baptist Church.

MRS. FRANK L. FISHER

Former Resident, Died Monday In

Beaumont; Funeral Here

have been brought to the sad real-Pallbearers were Alsey Alford. ization that it gets a fellow in bad. George Powledge, John Higgins, and accomplishes no worthwhile John Simonton, Cole Hooper, and Grady Hooper,

Besides her husband, Mrs. mysteries of the art of double talk Fisher is survived by one son, Joe brought strange repercus- Fisher, of Beaumont; a sister, sions. Threats of reprisal have Mrs. F. E. Beaty, Van Nuys, Calif.; been made. But the worst thing two brothers. Tate Keffer of Althat has resulted from the mis- amo, and Charlie Keffer, Wichita carriage of wit has been the effect Falls; and four grandchildren. upon our friends who have been Mrs. Fisher was buried near

stealing furtive glances into the the grave of another son who depths of our eyes when we hap- died during the influenza epidemic pen to meet them on the street, of 1918. Several other members of Several have been solicitous of both families also are buried here. our health. And most everyone Mamie Keffer was born at Rich knows the meaning of the quota- Valley, Va., August 14, 1868, and tion from Fannie Brice, "Do you came to Texas with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Keffer, in 1883. Some few letters have been re- She was married to Frank L. ceived, but it seems that most Fisher Dec. 15, 1887. While here people are too mad to go further Mr. Fisher operated the old Hico nto the matter. And so are we. mill and elevator, which his fa-After repenting to a proper degree ther established as the first roller

we shall dispense with the subject mill west of the Brazos River in and pass to less dangerous fodder Texas, and which was later sold this fountain of fact and fool- to the Wiesers. Leaving here in 1890 they established a similar business in Hamilton. They also Little sister, who works for one lived for brief periods at Dublin Ferris Watson up at Garland, and Comauche, and for a time in swiped one of his letterheads and Oklahoma. For the past four his typewriter, supposedly, to ease months they have made their her mind. Here's what she said, in home with their son. Joe. in

Among those from out-of-town were drinking; mama wants to here for the services were Frank

ROAD DELEGATION

Assured Of Highway Construction In Hearing At Austin

Lawrence Lane, mayor, J. N. Russell and Ray D. Brown of Hico "Muctor, namic, poncab, dran- went to Austin Monday morning surmantate, punjab (that sounds Highway Commission, along with at the nursery, a delegation which also included Hamilton.

The immediate subject discussed was completion of State Highway 220, from Hico to Chalk Mountain, Well, Lorena, since it is about deeds for which were delivered to time to write my triennial billet- the counties some time ago. The first grade nursery stock at rea- after dinner address. doux to you, and since others also delegation was assured, according sonable prices. are inquisitive, the following is to Mr. Lane, that when the deeds the nearest explanation at hand, were turned over to the counties the commission expected to build The first twenty-two words in the road. They appeared anxious the list just ain't-or if by chance to speed securing the right-of-way

> Appearing along with the local delegation as representatives of Worth Chamber of Commerce;

> > Mrs. Ross Home

Mrs. William Ross was brought

ger, who by the way is good in The last ten in the list represent spite of jealousy-inspired asperords that can be found in some sions cast in her direction from a "Merry Christmas.

cludes every one of our acquaint-In the words of a compatriot, ances, have the best Christmas cer Hugh, born last Saturday in der a doctor's care. they have ever enjoyed.

The family and the force say they feel the same way about it. of Hico, weighed six pounds.

WALDROP'S NURSERY

Well As Homefolks

Among those who came from Mr. Hartman, and another gentle- Russell Hotel. man whose name was not learned. who came from Fredericksburg to was carried out 'a the decora- home in Iredell Monday afternoon

year. He reports also that his mound of snow in which was nes- more than fifty years. He made who died in March, 1932. stock has been moving out fast, tied miniature figures. Places his home with a son, H. A. Simpespecially since the mailing of were marked by small cards tied son. seven thousand bulletins during to tiny reindeers. the past few weeks. He increased

Waldrop said this week. "We have ment Association. one hundred and fifty thousand, all grown at home, and true to miles from Hico.'

FREE SHOW

At Palace Next Saturday Morning Exclusively For Kids

E. H. Henry, manager of the 9 o'clock, he will throw his doors sold, and admission will be given until January 1. only those within the age limits set out above.

cut-ups will be held down to the welcome at these affairs. spirit of the occasion, which is to provide some good clean fun at no expense to the children or their

Announce Birth Bakersfield; California, have an-Bakersfield. The young man, who FLOCK OWNERS

Attracting Visitors From Afar, As Honored With Dinner At Russell Died At Iredell Monday; Burial Hotel by the Keeney's

great distances this week to visit Keeney's Hatchery were hosts to son, long-time resident of the Ire- Dorsey, who had he lived until with gaseous atoms, one per cubic and make purchases of nursery their flock owners and a few in- dell community, were held at the next Spring would have rounded stock at the J. W. Waldrop Nur- vited guests at their annual Christ- Iredell Methodist Church Tuesday out fifty years of unbroken sersery were Otto and Henry Love, mas dinner Tuesday night at the afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted vice with the institution

A red and green color scheme Mr. Simpson passed away at his interest. Mr. Waldrop has been shipping room and red candles burned on was in the Hico Cemetery.

During a round-table discussion, grandchildren also survive. Mr. and Mrs. Waldrop are par- the flock owners voted to meet ticularly anxious to have home monthly with some poultry au- whom were present for the fu- gentleman of the old school. people call at the nursery and thority for a discussion of their neral, others from out-of-town inspect the stock as well as the problems. Upon the perfection of were: Harve Henderson, Tahoka; premises. "There is no use of go- the organization the group will be Alec Henderson, Eastland;

and Mrs. O. M. Olson, Cranfill's Bauknight, Ganado. name, just three and one-half Gap; Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Clark, Fairy; Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Curry, Carlton; Glen Rose; Mrs. W. E. Bush, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. McMurray, Miss Jennie Mae McDowell, Mr. and mie Thomas, and Mr. Gardner.

> Public Invited to Roping Invitations are in the mails for

open to children between the ages the roping to be held at the home of 6 and 10 years for a free show. of G. S. Johnson, west of Hico, and This Christmas party, he says, his niece, Mrs. Pauline Hubbard. season, and is exclusively a show but in case of rain or cold weafor the kids. No tickets will be ther the roping will be postponed

Since there may have been some who were overlooked when the Proper order will be maintained invitations were mailed out, Mr. Henry says, and parents need hosts wish to make it clear that

S. O. Shaffer III In Waco

J. S. Gray took his father-inlaw, S. O. Shaffer, to Waco last Thursday, where he took treatment at Hillcrest Hospital and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hollis of later was moved to the home of his sister, Mrs. Jordan. He will nounced the birth of a son, Spen- remain there for several days un-

visit him.

T. S. SIMPSON

Here Tuesday

buy a general line of fruit trees tions. Red and green bells and after being stricken seriously ill Lula Stovall of Hico, who died about three years later. In 1920 he toward effects might be expected nursery stock by parcel post to the mantel. The centerpiece was a Mr. Simpson, who was 85, had an old friend and member of a the same parties all during the lighted tree, surrounded by a lived in and around Iredell for prominent family at

Mrs. Cecil Segrest entertained children: Miss Grace Simpson, tous, and in his quiet way he behis stock greatly this year, and with a short skit, after which L. Dallas; Mrs. Alba Milam, Austin; friended many in need without one was killed and only one man, is well satisfied with the response M. Gardner, representative of the Mrs. Emmett Harris, Walnut any hope or desire of compensabeing given his efforts to supply Purina Mills, of Waco, made the Springs; Sam. H. A., and Wick tion. Those who had spent a life-hurt. Wooley was burned in the

Besides the children, all of course of business, knew him as a sion, the roar of which was heard

LIGHTING CONTEST Large List of Entries

The list of names of local busi-Mrs. G. C. Keeney, Jr., Mrs. Ma-ness establishments and home owners entering the Christmas lighting contest sponsored by the To Be Distributed Through Three result of thoughtlessness on the Hico Chamber of Commerce, entries in which were received until noon last Saturday, was turned over to the committee in charge Saturday and judging is expected | to take place this week.

ponse was made to announced every Hico home. Those three plans of the Chamber of Commerce to award prizes of \$10 and \$5 to first and second place winners in classifications.

Lighting displays must be kept illuminated from 6:00 to 9:00 p. m. each evening to be eligible for the prizes. Many displays have been erected which are not entered in the contest, and visitors to the city have expressed pleasant surprise at the holiday spirit ated by the attractive lighting Mrs. H. N. Wolfe, Mrs. L. W. Lord and Were that date's issue of Roberson and Mrs. J. B. Russell ton and were that date's issue of

idea grew out of blackouts.

R. A. DORSEY DIES

Hico Banker Succumbs To Illness After Half Century In Hico

R. A. Dorsey, who had been in ill health for some time, and whose condition for the past several weeks had been such as to confine him to his home, died at 8:45 Sunday night. Funeral services were held at his home Monday at 1 Mrs. Mattie Fagan, 77, tion to Columbia, Mo., where bur-ial rites were performed Wednes- dence. She was the widow of a day afternoon. The body was ac- former county treasurer constantly in attendance during Rich Fagan, Stephenville fire marthe latter days of Mr. Dorsey's ill- shal and Hal Fagan, Belen, N. M.

Pallbearers at the funeral were C. L. Woodward, E. H. Persons, added another distinguished Pan-J. Earle Harrison, H. E. McCul- American scholar to its Latinlough, J. B. Ogle and H. N. Wolfe. American Institute faculty in Dr. Among the out-of-town people Ramon Martinez Lopez, formerly here for the funeral were Mr. and professor at the Instituto Espan-Mrs. Ed Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Ed- ola of Lisbon, Portugal. Officials gar Moore, and Mr. and Mrs. P. L. recently announced Dr. Amado Maxwell of Hamilton; Ed Harris Alonso of the Universities of of Dublin; Mrs. R. F. Higgs, Leo Buenos Aires and La Plata would Frey, and Ben McCollum of Ste- teach at the institute, to be phenville; Mr. and Mrs. Prentice launched next Summer. Dr. Lopez Evans of Bowie; E. Morrison and will lecture on Portuguese and daughter, Mary Virginia, of Cle- Brazilian and contemporary Spanburne; Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Moore ish drama. of Fort Worth.

Robert A. Dorsey was born at Columbia, Mo., March 5, 1860, the eldest son of Jerry S. and Margaret Williams Dorsey, and one of seven children. A sister, Mrs. Nellie Ogden of Ithaca, N. Y., and a brother, John S. Dorsey of Hico. survive. He attended Columbia grade schools and the normal department of the University of Misbarked in the retail shoe business and formed a partnership with B. Miller of Columbia. After several years of successful experience, Mr. Dorsey sold his interwith J. S. Moss, also of Columbia. They organized the First National Bank, and opened up for business Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Keeney of Funeral services for T. S. Simp- Moss sold his interests to Mr. gration is spraying the universe by Rev. Loyd Lester of Killeen. headed and which was his life's disclosed a "gaseous hole expand-

In 1914 Mr. Dorsey married Mrs. was wed to Miss Fannie Douglas.

Mr. Dorsey's private life was Survivors include the following pleasant, charitable, and conscien- 414,000 public grain elevator

bank, Mr. Dorsey attained a rec-Mr. ord that was unique in banking chairman of the Houston Port ing away to get your trees." Mr. known as the Poultry Improve- and Mrs. Sam Henderson, Mathis; circles over this section, and in Mr. and Mrs. Paul McCullough, fact, throughout the country. In shortly after the explosion. He de-The guest list included: Mr. Goldthwaite; and Mrs. James M. relation of assets to liabilities, the clined to estimate the damage. bank has always been known as being in an outstanding liquid condition, and customers from over a children are almost as dangerous and Mrs. W. M. Curry, Carlton;
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Vaughn, To Be Judged By Saturday Night; confidence in the management by surance Commissioner Marvin sending their money here for de- Hall warned Wednesday

> CHRISTMAS BASKETS Local Organizations

If the hopes of members of three Hico organizations are fulfilled, Santa Claus will make An unusually enthusiastic res- Christmas bright and cheerful in a crime.'

organizations are the American Legion, the First Baptist Church mas business in San Antonio both the commercial and residence and the Hico Methodist Church, Monday, Postmaster Dan Quill whose members are working faith- had a bundle of newspapers fully this week to see that every 28 1-2 years ago to deliver to the Christmas stocking is filled. raised by these organizations dur- Antonio-Aransas Pass Depot, the

ing the past three weeks, and bundle of 11 papers was delivered those in charge report a gracious to Postmaster Quill Monday, abit response on the part of local late but still in good condition. radi- people to their pleas.

the two churches.

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Texas

Keeping Up With

p. m., conducted by Rev. Alvin Erath County treasurer, died in a Swindell, after which the body Stephenville hospital Wednesday was taken to Meridian in a Bar- morning of burns received last row funeral coach for transporta- Friday, when she was burning companied by Jerry Dorsey of served two terms herself. She is Dallas, a nephew, who with his survived by two daughters, Mrs. sister, Mrs. C. W. Bates, and other Jim Crane, Borger, and Mrs. Kate members of the family had been Bryant, Kingsville, and two sons,

The University of Texas Monday

Directors of the Southland Paper Mills, Inc., attended an informal "preview" of the print plant at Herty Monday, They uspected the mill at the conclusion of a routine meeting at Lufkin. Later they said that only a few odds and ends were needed for completion of the \$6,000,000 plant. pulp newsprint mill, is expected to be producing in commercial quantities shortly after Jan. 1.

Something else to worry about: ests in the store to Mr. Miller and McDonald Observatory astronocame to Texas in February, 1890, mers are about convinced the entire universe is being "gassed." Photographs of invisible from a remote star has led them in May of that year. In 1917 Mr. to the belief that "stellar disinteinch of space." The guilty star is P. Cygni. Photographed with an he ultra-violet camera, the pictures ing into space approximately 100 miles per second." The announce-

A mighty explosion that blew oncrete and steel about like jackstraws made shambles of the simple and unassuming. He was four top floors of Houston's \$1,the ship channel late Monday. No J. C. Wooley, an employe, was Simpson, all of Iredell. Eleven time with him, as well as those face. Twelve men were in the whom he met casually or in the building at the time of the explofor blocks around. Large steel In conducting the affairs of his window casements were blown from the four floors. J. W. Evans. Commission, was on the scene

from the gas-atom bombardment,

Fireworks in the hands of young Marvin in condemning the practice of celebrating Christmas with gun powder. "Hundreds of our youngsters each vear are maimed for life as the part of their parents," To safeguard children from fire the year around, and then turn them loose for its reckless and unrestrained indulgence during the holidays is worse than folly. It is

Along with the rush of Christaddressees. Discovered by work-Funds for the needy have been men tearing down the old San The papers were mailed July 13, Mrs. H. N. Wolfe, Mrs. L. W. 1911, to San Antonio from Galvesare on the American Legion com- the Galveston Tribune. The bundle mittee for the distribution of of newspapers apparently had Mrs. Hagborg, of Sutton, Eng. Christmas baskets, and the organ-slipped down under the floor in Mr. and Mrs. Gray and Mrs. land, paints keyholes in luminous ization they represent is working the baggage room of the station is the grandson of Mrs. Mae Hollis Shaffer were down Sunday to paint for war-time England. The in cooperation with members of where they had remained through the years.

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### **December Home Work**



By MISS STPLLA JONES, Local Correspondent

Mr and Mrs. Bryan Smith and house and moved to the Pylant

eek with her daughter, Mrs. Jake of Fort Worth. Mrs. Deatherage is visiting rel-

tives in Cleburne Mrs. R. A. Allison of Ennis riends as Rose Pennel. She was n and reared here. I visited her the home of Mrs. Turner Fri- Aden. lay She is a great talker: knew her. Her father, Mr. Pennel, re and in a few years it burnt of eight children, all married. She were glad to see her and hope she the funeral will appear next week.

will come again. a business mission. She is the Mrs. Tidwell. former Miss Etta Williamson. Mrs. Dave Appleby left Satur-

Mrs. Potter and daughter, Sam-Saturday. Mrs. Duncan and children va-

Mrs. Emma Houston's. Miss Isla Thompson of Kopperl

and Mrs. Hanshew. Dallas spent the week end with Waco. They were accompanied by

Billy Anderson of Freer is Tisbrought him Tuesday. Mr. and to the needy children. Mrs. Joe Powers visited in Sanatorium before he returned home. Mrs. Gilmore and son of Phoenix, Arizona, spent a few days here with her sister, Mrs. John

visiting in Walnut Springs. Mr. Brantley Hudson of Dallas spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Hudson. He was accompanied by Mr. Brittain. They enjoyed hunting while

Mr. and Mrs. A. Little and son J. D., and daughter, Wanda, spent last Sunday with their son and brother, Mr. Noah Little and wife, of Duffau

W. D. Terrell of Stephenville was here Saturday.
Misses Lola Mae, Erline and
Eunice Rainbolt of Penelope visited their aunt, Mrs. Prater,

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Worrell enjoyed a turkey dinner at the dining hall at John Tarleton College on Sunday, Dec. 17. Their ton, Arthur, came after them. Misses Helen Harris and Vir-

ginia Ramage spent the week end Mr. and Mrs. Mino Loughlin and daughter of Dallas spent the

week end here. Louise Prater spent last week end in Penelope with relatives. Patsy and Weldon (Buddy) Brantley spent the week end in Meridian with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Brantley. Their aunt. Miss Brantley, came up Friday and the children accompanied her

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoope and son vacated the

house this week.

ited Mr. Gosdin, who has been in Stephenville Hospital for a week. He was taken to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Jack Noel of Dublin. He is getting along fine. Mrs.

spent the week end with his sisters, Mrs. Scales and Mrs. Mc-

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Washam of parents well. I don't remem- near Fairy were here Saturday. Miss Opal Jordan of Meridian morning. the first preacher to preach is visiting her sister, Mrs. Brant-

Mr. T. S. Simpson, who has been lown. She is the last one that very ill at his home here, died Dec. 18. His children said she was a small child but re- Mrs. Alba Milam of Austin, Mrs. membered it well. She lived here Emmett Harris of Walnut Springs, or many years. She is the mother and Miss Grace Simpson of Dallas. His sons, Wick and Sam, who and Mr. Allison live in Ennis and live north of town, were also with are very happy. Her many friends him. A more extended account of

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Ware and son of son of Gordon community spent McKinney were here Saturday on Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aldridge has returned from a visit to her old home at Itasca.

day for a visit to New Orleans, A Christmas pageant which La., for a visit with her children. will be sponsored by both churches will be put on Sunday night, Dec. mie, of near Meridian, were here 24, at the high school auditorium. Everyone is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Tidwell and ated the rooms at Mrs. Gann's Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Terrell of and moved to the apartment at Stephenville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bern Sawyer.

Mrs. Georgia Hollon and daughis visiting her grandparents, Mr. ter, Pearl, and Cleo attended the funeral of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hoffner of Bob Hollon, Sunday afternoon at her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clem Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Hovey and

The Baptist ladies had a Christiting his grandparents, Mr. and mas tree at the Baptist Church Mrs. T. M. Davis, Mr. Joe Powers Monday afternoon and gave gifts

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MRS. RUBY JOHNSON

Mr. J. L. Dawson of Dallas of their son, Charlie, and wife,

Si Johnson and son, Kenneth. were visiting in the Leonard Mc-Lendon home in the Greyville community a short while Sunday

Sunday visiting his wife and little son, Kenneth Earl, who arrived 16. Mrs. Patterson and son

Mr. and Mrs. Marcelle Johnson of Waco arrived Sunday night for an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Si Johnson, and brothers, Frank and Kenneth. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McLendon

and daughter, Marlene, were guests of Mrs. McLendon's sister, Mrs. Charlie Tolliver, and Mr. Tolliver Sunday night. The Mc-Lendons formerly lived here, but are now residents of our neighbor-

ing community. Greyville. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy Hathcock were visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tolliver, near Walnut Springs Monday.

Si and I. E. Johnson were business visitors in Hamilton last

E. B. Thompson and wife and Charlie Tolliver were Stephenville visitors last Wednesday.

### Sentinels of Health

Don't Neglect Them!

Nature designed the kidneys to do a marvelous job. Their task is to keep the flowing blood stream free of an excess of toxic impurities. The act of living—life idelf—is constantly producing wasts matter the kidneys must remove from the blood if good heath is to endure. When the kidneys fail to function as Nature intended, there is retention of waste that may cause body-wide distress. One may suffer nagging backache, persistent headache, attacks of disniness, getting up nights, swelling, puffiness under the eyes—feel tired, nervous, all worn out.

under the eyes—feel tired, nervous, all worn out.

Frequent, scanty or burning passages are sometimes further evidence of kidney or bladder disturbance.

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### MERRY CHRISTMAS . . .

We wish to add one more greeting to the many others you are receiving this Christmas. May you enjoy the happiness of the season as much as we enjoy your patronage.

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# Greetings

To the People of HAMILTON & CORYELL COUNTIES

At this Yuletide season I desire to extend to each of you my sincere wish for

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And a

HAPPY, PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

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# **GREETINGS**

To our many friends whose patronage we have enjoyed during 1939. Our Christmas wish is that we may continue to be of service to you all through the coming year.

**DUZAN-JONES** 

ond regular session of Congress meets on Jan. 3, but the job for several weeks, and every returning member is made aware by more or less devious means of communication, that it would be smart for him to vote for this, that or the other proposal-or

the Representatives come up for reelection calls for little explanation. Of course, it is never-or hardly ever-put as bluntly as to if he doesn't vote for a given proand he will lose a lot of votes rect contact with infected animals which would be extremely useful or following the use of raw dairy in his district. But when it is considered that practically half of the members now sitting got in by such close margins that a shift of only a thousand or so votes would lant fever, is reported every month have elected the other fellow. It would seem as if it wouldn't take that it occurs most frequently in much more than a hint to swing July, August, and September. a good many members' votes.

That is the popular notion of has been made the theme of many a romantic piece of fiction, and a the wheels actually go 'round in of their Congressmen as rather weaklings concerned with nothing but their own personal continuance in office. That is a wrong picture, for several,

First, it is not as easy to influence the average Congressman or Senator to vote in favor of any measure which he does not honestly believe is for the public welfare, as many folk think it is. The average of high and honorable probably higher than in any other pasteurized if used. the world. There are honest differences of opinion, and a preference to fol-Congress carries its own evidence that there are many members who their honest convictions above party policy.

votes cast, and on important sible effect upon the success of one party or the other; but on even months before normal health the whole, the controversial issues will be determined by the majority opinion of their merits. thing. And for another, the acti-

avoided, if even part of the President's program for enlarging the national defenses is carried through. And on that matter the belief in Washington is that the public is pretty solidly behind the

Better Feeling Toward Business The problem is how to raise the additional billion or so without cutting essential expenses in other fields, and without adding to the tax burden on business.

There is a much more tender feeling toward business apparent here than there has been in the past. The force of the argument of is being felt at both ends Pennsylvania Avenue. The only alternative to increasing taxes. limit. Any economies, however drastic, made in other departments, seem certain to be offset by increased expenditures for the

The agricultural relief situation is one of the things which this session will be called upon to readjust. One of the most powerful pressure blocks in Congress. icked by the most powerful of all the lobbies, is the farm block The American Farm Bureau Federation has come out with its definite plans, approved by the Secretary of Agriculture, for a new o be used for the purpose of giving farmers a price for their products which would put their purchasing power on a parity with

that of industry.
Less Coalition Talk There is less talk, however, about a coalition of Labor and Agricultural lobbies. Organized labor is beginning to realize that its nterests are not the same as italists and employers of labor. The Labor lobby is less power ful than it formerly was, because of the split between the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations. A program along that line is being worked out in the Department of Justice. It would at-tempt to remove all obstacles, legislative or otherwise, in the way of consumers obtaining goods at the lowest prices at which producers or dealers are willing to sell them. One effect of such a

bill, introduced at the last session, tient often appears fresh. in the taxing chain stores out of busi-Also contemplated are removal of all existing restrictions on mail-order distribution of merchandise and the removal of tax barriers to commerce between

Some changes in the Federal Housing laws, to remove artificial control of prices of building materials and labor, are talked of. Those are only a few high spots in what looks like a busy session

UNDULANT FEVER

In Man Is Caused By Contact With Animals Carrying Disease

"Brucellosis (undulant fever) is saused by a germ found in hogs, brucellosis in man, or undulant fever; in animals, Bangs' disease or contagious abortion. The condisay to a member of Congress that tion referred to was formerly termed Malta fever. Man acquires posal the heat will be turned on undulant fever as the result of diproducts from infected dairy cows," states Dr. George W. Cox. State Health Officer.

"Though brucellosis, of the year, case records show

"Since 1924 when two deaths were reported in 1925, and annualthe way of the lobbyists' work. It ly from 1929 to 1939. In the ten years' span 1929-1939, the prevalence of undulant fever has inlot of folks who don't know how creased from three cases in 1929 to 293 cases so far reported for Washington are inclined to think the year 1939. A significant upswing in reporting the disease was noted when in 1937, 190 cases were reported as compared with 1936, when 43 cases were reported.

"Because of its nature, the disease is more prevalent on farms than in cities, with the exception of packing house workers. The handling of infected cows or sows or the animals at the time of birth represents hazardous types of contact. The germs of undulant fever enter the body through the mouth or skin; therefore, care should be used in handling animals known up for to be infected, and dairy products from the same source should be 'More men acquire the disease

than women, and adults seem more "Undulant fever is so named be cause of the wave-like variations clude rising temperature, loss of weight and strength, chills, joint pain, and sweats. The mortality rate of undulant fever is comparitively low, but the disease persist for a number of weeks and and strength are restored. The pa

morning, but is extremely fatigued by afternoon

"Prevention of undulant fever is based upon detection of infectious bortion, or Bangs' disease, in livestock, and the elimination of the infected animals from the herd. Dairy herds should be tested for bacillus abortus. Pasteurization of milk will prevent spread

from this source. "The continued increase of undulant fever in the State of Texas justifies increased precautions against contraction and adoption of methods for prevention of the disease. It also is evident that additional research is needed to determine more accurately treatment procedures in the disease and prophylaxis against contrac-

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Hico, Tex., Friday, Dec. 22, 1939. WHAT IS AMERICANISM.

What is "Americanism?" That question is on the tongues Congress has been working for a five hundred dollars. year or two investigating

American activities" without giv-

ing a precise definition of what is American and what is not. Americanism definitely is not Communism, nor Fascism, nor Nazism. It is none of the philoso- cast met tonight at the High

Americanism is a scheme of del of a member . government based upon the Declaration of Independence as much Fairy this week end . . . Prominent as upon the Constitution; and the root of Americanism is found in the Declaration's assertion that governments derive their just pow- New front steps to high school ers from the consent of the gov- building .

Upon that fundamental principle ideas? of Americanism a nation has been built whose people acknowledge no authority superior to their own -the people's - and in which there is no human with power to dictate to the citizens what they may or may not do, except as the citizens themselves have delegated much powers temporarily to their governments for the promotion of

the general welfare. Americanism, in short, is the Americanism, in short, is ing. We're waiting for a lot more hurt. And if on Christmas Eve greatest and mose successful experiment ever made in the history grand times during the holidays. fond memories of our childhood of the world in human self-government. Any time Americans want to exchange their system for one in which the administrators joyous aspect with Christmas that relation Jesus taught us to of government will be rulers in drawing so near. We will all wellook up and say, "Our Father." stead of servants of the people

they are at liberty to do so We do not think many Americans want to make that change.

### NEITHER NAZISM NOR COMMUNISM

efforts to inculcate the Nazi doctrines in America have received a set-back by the conviction of Fritz Kuhn, the leader of the German-American Bund. Russian Communism is currently at a discount also.

The pact between Stalin and Hitler has disillusioned many who have been taught that there was a distinction between the two varieties of totalitarian government. It turns out that instead of being enemies, Hiler and Stalin are working for the same end, the destruction of all human liberty. But, as Prof. T. V. Smith of the University of Chicago pointed out recently, it is not the Hitler of Germany or the Stalin of Russia that we need to fear as much as the "little Hitlers and Stalins in

They are at work all over the nation, trying to plant imported and definitely un-American ideas in the minds of youth and of the discontented. In time of stress it is human nature for people to blame their troubles upon someone else. They look for a scapegoat, and are ready to listen to anybody who tells them that some particular people, class or sect is responsible for their distress.

The Nazi philosophy makes the Jewish people the authors of the world's economic woes. In the Communist scheme of things, Capitalism is to blame. Both philosophies are completely material. Religion of any sort is suppressed or discouraged, and the moral principles of which religion is the

Sensible people are not fooled.
They know that neither in Germany nor in Russia has the lot of common people become easier happier: rather the contrary. fortunately there are self-seekdemagogues and trouble-mak re busity engaged in trying to hange the American system of ree enterprise, free thought and ree speech, and the other personal liberties guaranteed by the till of Rights, into a new scheme

# The Mirror

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### BAND NEWS

Friday the band was very pleasantly surprised when Mr. Brown announced that the band is now in possession of the long-coveted Sam Browne belts. In case no one knows what these are, here's a description: They have a white, diagonal strap across the chest and a wider belt. They will make our band look more complete and will add to its attractiveness one hundred per cent.

The band received a formal invitation to attend the Cotton Bowl game and literature concerning ickets. The band who sells the most tickets to the game will reof people today more frequently ceive a prize of five hundred dolthan ever before. A committee of lars. What we couldn't do with

### GIRL SCOUT DIARY

Tuesday, December 12, 1939: Since we were desperately in need of a little practice on our forthcoming play, those of us in the

ever to direct or regulate the acts week . . Civics class having trial thoughts, beliefs or manuers of to convict Charles Burden of murany citizen without the consent of dering the Editor Physics class making plaster of paris mo-Basketball boys to play in tournament at students cutting up at Cocoanut Grove Thursday night ers in Austin over week end. . Glenn, what have you done now to give other people

### NOTICE

Due to circumstances beyond her control, the Lady in the Hall is Christmas shopping this week.

### SOCIAL SANDBAG

Friday night the bunch went to the Burdens for another good took children into his arms and time. Everyone found dancing and blessed them. Whom Jesus has all the games more than interest- blessed let no man in any wise

SOPHOMORES

come our week vacation and all

.... Muriel Phillips

Mary Brown Roberta McMillan

This inefficient reporter enjoyed the trip to Austin with the rest of the debaters and Messrs. Clapp and Smith last Friday and Mirror" extend our neartiest Saturday. The Capitol City was beautifully bedecked with Yule-

Teachers, here we will wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Earline of Stephenville were Sun-Happy New Year.

P. S. We all hope the teachers come back in a good humor and make mid-terms just a little eas-

# Six Inch

## Sermon

REV. ROBERT H. HARPER

The Child and the Kingdom. Lesson for December 24: Matthew 1:18-25; 18:1-6; 19:13-15. Golden Text: Isaiah 11:6.

The first part of the lesson tells Nazism. It is none of the philosophies based upon the power of the strong to oppress the weak, of a minority to control the majority by force. More than that, Americanism is not a system or belief in a system which concedes to Government any authority whatever to direct or regulate the acts thoughts, beliefs or manuers of shall lead them."

shall lead them."

Then we read how Jesus as a man exalted childhood and taught the disciples a lesson of faith and humility. And as he set a child in the midst of the disciples, let us set a child in the midst of all our concerns. And let us instill the concerns. And let us instill the thought of all the good we desire in our churches, in society and in the nation in the hearts of little children.

When Hector went forth to fight his last battles before the fight his last battles before the walls of Troy, he would hasten back, during the breathing spells of the conflict to the gate where his wife waited and inquire: "Is the child safe?" This question should be asked in every community and city in the land.

How beautiful it was that Jesus come to us and the blest relation we sustained of children to a fa-The Sophs have all taken on a ther, may we rejoice anew that in

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### Salem

MRS. W. C. ROGERS

Mr. Tom Moore of Dallas visited several days the past week with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Brown, and daughter. Mrs. E. E. Johnson and son of Selden visited in the Brown

home during the week end. Mrs. Iris Akins and son, Otis of Hico were week end guests of her mother, Mrs. T. R. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dunn of

Bluffdale visited a while with Mrs. C. A. Vincent. Mrs. Dunn was Miss Effie Roberson. The Vincent home was once the home of the Robersons.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Scott and children of Johnsville visited Sunday afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Laney.

day guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ebb Driver and son, Winfred. Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Giesecke of Millerville spent Sunday afternoon in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hinton and daughter, Miss Ruth, of Johnsville Louise Savage, Forest Mayfield, and Miss Amanda Driver were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. Rudolph Koonsman, Howard Savand Mrs. O. E. Bramblett and chil-

spent Saturday night and Sunday reported a good time. with Mr. and Mrs. F. M. McElroy. Eldon Rogers of Weatherford They were Mmes. Evert Scott, J. spent Saturday night with W. C. W. Scott, R. M. Savage, Eber Ray, Rogers and family

H. G. Driver were shopping in ing will be at the home of Mrs. Hico Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Houser and day in January of 1940

daughter, Martha Lee, spent the week end in Lingleville visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam McCollum and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davis of Dry Fork spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Vincent. Geoffrey Rogers is here from lredell visiting his parents for a few days.

The Clairette basketball teams came over and played our teams, winning by a score: girls, 6-3, boys, 13-9.

Mrs. Emmett Smart entertained her Sunday School class Friday night with a party. Various games were played and refreshments of iced punch and cookies were served to Misses Hazel Walker, Louise Savage, Juanita Bramblett, Vella Lee Stone, Betty Jo Scott, Winnie Moore, Mrs. Zella Mae Scott, Mrs. Golda Scott and Messrs, Elvis Bramblett, Norval Robertson, Forest Mayfield, Von and Wendol Scott, Rudolph Koons-man, Marshall Ray, Griffen Walker and the hostess and her husband.

The Salem basketball team was entertained with a weiner roast Wednesday night by their coach, Miss Winnie Moore. Those present were Helen Driver. Wendoll Scott. Tina Rogers, Dalton McEntire, Juanita Bramblett, Doris Driver, age, Mary Catherine Brown, Von Scott, Charlie Farrell, Tommie Mr. and Mrs. Ewin Sumrall and Laney, P. H. Mayfield, and Mr. son, Jimmie Ray, of Indian Creek and Mrs. R. M. Savage, Everyone

The Salem quilting club met at Mr. and Mrs. G. R. French and the home of Mrs. Ivan Jacobs. Elzie Pate, E. S. Farrell, P. H. Mmes. W. E. Koonsman and Mayfield, R. H. Moss, The meet-R. M. Savage on the first Thurs-



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irs. De Alva Doubleday of Dubvisited Tuesday in the home Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Dorsey.

disses Mayo Hollis and Lucy ison were visitors in Saturday.

tily James Clark was here nday visiting his grandmother, s. Willie Platt.

ROSS SHOP, Jewelry, Watch, Clock Repairing. 14-tfc. Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Wimberly of sboro were business visitors

Hico Saturday. fat turkeys for your ristmas dinner. See Roy Sears at Connelly's Grocery. 1p.

1p.

R. Williams, tax assessor and ector of Hamilton County, was Hico Wednesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nelson of ifton were here last Friday visng Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hudson

R. M. Hanshew was called to dell Tuesday morning to the side of his mother, Mrs. J. C. inshew, who is seriously ill.

V. F. Dupree, who has been siting relatives in Cleburne, Lub-ck, Waco, and other points, has turned home for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Finis Clark of Dal-

spent Saturday night and Sunhere with his father, S. A. ark, and other relatives. Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Gillis of

ort Worth were here Sunday visng in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Porter. Mrs. Gillis is Mrs.

Jim R. Moss, Lou Moninhan, irley and Carl Armstrong and n, Carl, Jr., of Cisco spent Monand Tuesday with Mr. and

EMORIAL WREATHS, SPRAYS

50c to \$5.00 Fresh for a long time, material reserved to keep their natural eauty. Many beautiful combinations will be found at the Hico

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Logan will ave Friday for Fort Worth to end Christmas, after which they

innsboro. guests of Mrs. Wilbur Wright. hey attended a Christmas party ceremony. ven by the Waco garden club

George M. Cox and Robert A. ox, professor of economics at Kirk. e University of Texas, were here Bot sturday and Sunday at the bedide of R. A. Dorsey, who died unday night. The Cox brothers rmerly lived here.

S. J. Cheek, who has been manging the Lubbock cotton office Bush and Witherspoon, came in uesday night to spend the holiys with his wife and family. He orts business good at Lubbock, conditions looking better an for some time past.

F. M. Mingus accompanied his ughter, Mrs. Paul McCullough, nd Mr. McCullough to their home Goldthwaite Wednesday end the Christmas holidays. Mr. nd Mrs. McCullough had been ere to attend the funeral at Ireell of her grandfather, T.

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27-3c. from Dallas to Del Rio, which will this week if Santa Claus were com-

to her home this week from Am- ico City. herst, where she has been visiting

Helping Hand Class Has Christmas Party Last Week.

Mrs. Sim Everett, Mrs. J. C Mrs. Bess Warren. Mrs. Marvin Marshall and Miss Florence Chenault were hostesses to a Christmas Party Tuesday night, December 12, at the home of Mrs. Everett.

Santa Claus, who appeared at the climax of the party, supervised ning through Laredo and Monter-life in a world where ideals are the exchange of gifts and the love shower given for Mrs. A. L. Ford, oldest member of the class.

Members of the class sang. There's A Song In the Air," and Mrs. Marvin Marshall gave the tern tourists are concerned. They story, "The Other Thief." Barton could enter Texas through Dallas, gave two readings.

Other members present were: Mmes. George Stringer, J. C. Bar- terrey and Laredo, thus avoiding row, Opal Hendricks, H. N. Wolfe, the necessity of leaving Mexico by Julius Jones, Annie Waggoner, the same route taken on the trip of the life that is behind them.

Lusk Randals, Tom Munnerlyn, to Mexico City.

And to the world we'd le Watt Ross, A. T. McFadden, John Haines, E. H. Persons, S. E. Blair, Highway Commission has indi-Jim D. Wright, J. B. Russell, C. cated that if the Mexican govern-W. Malone, A. L. Ford, Hurshel ment will build a dirt road from Williamson, J. C. Prater, E. C. Al- Mexico City to Del Rio, Texas will lison, Jr., George Griffitts, Tyrus be waiting there with a paved road lem all our own. What would we or for the worker's parents, if they King, B. B. Gamble, Misses Jessie from Del Rio to Dallas, Garth, Wilena Purcell, Docia Lack-

Miss Frances Stanford Married

To Charles Spaulding Saturday. Miss Frances Stanford, daughter ill go to their new home in of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Stanford, and Charles Spaulding, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vergil Spaulding, were H. F. Sellers and Mrs. C. L. married Saturday evening at oodward were in Waco last week o'clock at the home of Rev. Alvin Swindell, who officiated in the

The couple was attended by Mr. nd a luncheon at the Hamilton and Mrs. Jack Meador, Mr. and Mrs. Noel Spaulding and son, Bennie Melvyn, John Henry Munnerlyn, and Mrs. Wynell Stanford

> Both the bride and bridegroom were reared here and attended the Hico schools, from which Mrs. Spaulding was graduated in 1939. They will make their home here.

ISOLATION CARDS

Will Be Tacked Up On Hundreds Of Texas Homes This Winter

"Isolation placards for the various communicable diseases will be tacked up on hundreds of Texas homes during the coming winter months, but even then there will not be enough of those signs use," Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, declares.

"The reason for this is that many parents who do not call a physician unless their child becomes seriously ill, will fail report the case to the local health officer or their family physician. The physician reports existence of communicable disease when he sees a case, but reporting is the parents' responsibility when no physician is called.

"If parents neglect this duty, their home will not be placarded, and visitors, particularly children. will not be properly warned there is communicable disease within By entering the house, they risk the danger of exposure and possible illness as a result.
"A number of parents erringly

consider an isolation placard to be sign of disgrace when in reality is a symbol of honor. Displaying the placard indicates that the family in which there is a case of communicable disease is doing its part in helping reduce the spread of infection. Use of the placard where necessary this winter will help protect others against measles, whooping cough, scarlet fever, mulnps, and other diseases which increase during the colder

"Whole-hearted cooperation in the observance of isolation is both desirable and necessary for the control and prevention of communicable disease. The law provides penalty for persons who fail to observe health regulations.

> Dr. A. A. Moore Graduate Veterinarian HAMILTON, TEXAS

Office 78 Phones

STILL BOOSTS HICO Kal Segrist Securing Publicity For Dallas to Del Rio Road

and conversation of Kal Segrist, as everyone here knows. Although Kal is now serving Dallas County as representative in the State legand Mrs. E. S. Moore of Mrs. Anson Oden and little islature, he has not forgotten the Worth are here visiting and daughter of Brownwood are here old home town and takes advanvisiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. tage of every opportunity to give the town a boost

Mrs. R. M. Hanshew and son, the State Observer, edited by Van R. N., returned the latter part of Kennedy at Austin, which gives an last week from a visit in Hamlin interesting sidelight on this atwith her parents. They stopped titude. The highway referred to is over in Brownwood and were ac- routed through Hico, and is to tra- mas spirit, but mainly because companied home by Mrs. Han-verse Highway 220 from Chalk we've been so snowed under with articles prepared by Jesse C. Carshew's little granddaughter, Bar-Mountain to Hico. Here's what work that we could just sit down ter, manager of the Waco office Kennedy said about Kal:

gleam in his eyes.
"The highway that makes him ever get them done.

lone accompanied them to the San By using existing highways and route between Dallas and Del Rio can be opened up, thus bringing a vast new region of West Texas

much closer to North Texas. "But the international possibilities of such a road are extremely alluring. The Mexican government promises to build a connecting "At the present time there is soul only one satisfactory way to go the Pan-American Highway run-

would offer a second route to tour- tutions totter and crumble around ists and commercial travelers. ities so far as Northern and Eas- seen them seek refuge in cynicism. These additions represent a tre-Everett, Dorothy Grace Mann and go to Del Rio, then up to the Big America, a confidence born of the ity. The family is the basic unit Paul Kenneth Wolfe sang, "Holy Bend International Park, then to happiness and contentment that in our society, and adequate se-Night," and Glenna Maude Russell Mexico City through Western Mexico, and on the return trip they honest living. could go through Victoria, Mon-

"Segrist said that the Texas

"It's not a dream which can be highway can be brought into existence.

METHODIST CHURCH

Both Morning and Evening Hours like spinach, Frankly, we wouldn't

Services appropriate to the Advent season will be held at both hours Sunday at the Methodist Church. The subject of the morning ser-

mon will be "The Memories of Mary." The evening program will be one of Christmas carols, sung by children and adults, a reading, Christmas meditations, and a short story, The First Christmas Candle related by Mrs. Marshall and dramatized by pupils of the

Church school. Miss Beulah D. Cole, senior student of the voice department of Texas Wesleyan College, will sing at both services All whose duty does not call

hem elsewhere are cordially invited to be present.

J. C. MANN.

CHURCH OF CHRIST Life is a mystery to all of us

yet there is much in life for all who diligently search for truth this earthly life presents. Many of us look for certain days and seasons for the climax of earthly joy and happiness, but rejoicings of this nature are in rain as to eternity. Jesus said, "I am the way, the

truth, and the life; no man com-eth to the Father, but by me." Bible school at 10:00 a. m. Sermon and communion at 11:00. Young people's class, 6:30 p. m. Evening sermon, 7:00

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Jokes & Jingles

JENNIE MAE

happy all this week-partly beor stand anywhere and find so "When he talks of a certain pro- many things to be done within cated at 604 Superior Building. posed highway, Representative elbow reach in any direction that Kal Segrist of Dallas gets a bright we didn't have time to wonder if we and our shadow together would Act, and it is believed the infor-

connect up with a road on down ing to see us. Our faith is not in Miss Mary Bob Malone returned through Western Mexico to Mex- the least shaken by all the rumors that float around about this herst, where she has been visiting "Segrist is the chief pusher on time of year. Beyond the least her aunt and uncle. During the the project, and he reports great quiver of a doubt we know he will summer and early fall Miss Ma- encouragement all along the line, because he always has. True, he's of this series, monthly benefits been more generous at times than for old-age insurance are figured Geo. B. Golightly of Hamilton is in Hico Wednesday on busisin Hico Wednesday on busistates.

By using existing highways and been more generous at times than for old-age as follows:
of new road, the direct, airline that Santa forgets.

On the fi

The old man's problems are tough ones. We wouldn't for a minute swap jobs, but there are things we'd like to do, if we were wage, he gets 10 per cent. Santa Claus . .

proposal, and has made tentative weather we'd seen thinly clad little figures lingering hopelessly at Class of the Methodist Church at their nation to connect at Del Rio. Toys-small things to satisfy a

To youth we'd leave all the ento Mexico City and that is down thusiasm and ambition they will need to lay a solid foundation for rey. Construction of the new road shattered in an instant and insti-"Segrist points out the possibil- perplexity and bewilderment, we'd of monthly benefits for survivors.

new confidence in the future of

To old people we'd leave peace might recall the pleasant memories And to the world we'd leave

that trouble men's minds. But then, if all this were true, we'd have an unemployment prob- and for such children themselves; do with Santa Claus?

Here, on the eve of our Christmas holidays, we find Mr. Webster, Mr. Funk & Wagnals, and their associate, Mr. Unabridged, wholly at a loss to furnish words to express the joy and good cheer we find daily in our associations with you. If, on occasion, we are in For quick relief an ill humor, it's because we had Will Have Christmas Services At spinach for lunch and we don't trade the lot of you for a soot-

sprinkled old Santa with a mink coat. (And we do mean mink).

Give me a line. Wanta send greetings To friends of mine.

A very, Merry Christmas, A Happy New Year, too. Hope your thoughts are happy The ones I have of you.

FORMULA

For Figuring Benefits Under New Social Security Program

Editor's Note: The following is the third of a series of eight of the Social Security Board, lo-These articles will explain the new amendments to the Social Security mation contained in this series will be read with interest, since it is educational and explanatory of the provisions of the old-age and survivors insurance program).

According to the new formula, referred to in the preceding article On the first \$50 of a man's av-

erage monthly wage, he gets around 40 per cent On the next \$200 of his average

This basic amount is increased We'd leave every little boy and by one per cent for each year in girl all the toys they'd ever which the wage earner made at has taken a keen interest in the dreamed of, because, in shivering least \$200 in covered employment.

Thus, while the new plan mainmembers of the Helping Hand road through the western end of the windows where the toys were, rate of earnings and rate of benefits, it also works out to the advantage of those who will have been in the system a long time before their benefits are due.

Another change which increases of supplementary benefits for aged overnight, because, from wives and dependent children and To their parents we'd leave a mendously significant step in the direction of greater social securhappiness and contentment that in our society, and adequate seinclude the security of those dependent upon him. This is recogquiet, and security in which they nized in the amendments. They provide additional monthly benefits for an annuitant's wife if or when she is 65, and for his minor chilsolutions to all the problems of dren. When an insured worker government, science, and religion dies, survivors' benefits are provided for his widow, if she is 65 or has minor children in her care, are aged and dependent, and if there is no widow or child.

Next Week: Examples of Monthly Benefits.

WHY

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suffer from colds'

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# **CHRISTMAS** CHEER!

In connection with the Christmas Lighting Contest sponsored by the Hico Chamber of Commerce, city officials want to go on record as heartily commending the civic enterprise.

We would urge everyone to enter into the spirit of the occasion, and even though not entering the lighting contest, to clean up their premises and decorate to whatever extent they feel justified.

LET'S MAKE HICO BRIGHT AND CHEERFUL THIS CHRISTMAS!

THE CITY OF HICO MAYOR AND COUNCIL

A Hearty Christmas Greeting

AND OUR SINCERE GOOD WISHES TO OUR MANY FRIENDS

Our Christmas wish is that we may be of service all through the coming

WE STILL HAVE A SELECTION OF

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# Lovely Gifts

That would make some acquaintance or member of your family happy on Christmas morning.

MAY WE HELP YOU IN THE FEW REMAINING DAYS?

THE June DRUG STORE

Porter's Drug Store "In the Center of Hico's Business Activities"

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DAYS LEFT

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# Dale Carnegie 5-Minute Biographies

Author of "How to Win Friends and Influence Peoble."

HELEN JEPSON A Darn In Her Stocking Set Her Feet On the Ladder to Fame

Well, here is one that actually ial costumes and sang before clubs

This is the story of a little girl most beautiful singers of all time. This is the story of a little girl

who was so poor that she couldn't Metropolitan Opera Company in

In 1930, this girl had one radio audition after another; and nobody wanted her. Four years later, the radio editors of America voted her the most important new radio personality of the year.

One season while I was broadcasting I often admired a beautifront row of the studio audiencea glamorous blonde with soft other than the famous Helen Jep- as sweet and colorful as hers. George Possell, the flute player in have. She had showmanship, the orchestra.

to know I am married and have a girls who had sense enough

When her baby was born, the Jepson won the scholarship. nurse in the hospital put an idenholding it in her hands.

Carry Me Back to Old Virginy be- cents a day to spend on food, s thus: She had always longed to in Paris. Hardships? Not a bit of was a star performer in the glee their lives. after she graduated, she got | One of the things I

Do you like Cinderella stories? times dressed herself up in colon-

and social organizations. One day a business man heard her sing at the Rotary Club, who was once called "Fatty" but heard her sing "Carry Me Back to who grew up to be one of the Old Virginy." He needed a salesgirl to sell phonograph records in his store; so he gave her the job who was so poor that she couldn't and changed the whole course of afford to take music lessons; yet her life. In the music store, she she is now a prima donna in the played operatic records over and over again and tried to imitate them, and she sang with Jeritza

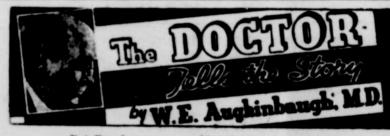
and Bori and Rosa Ponsella. Finally, she had an opportunity to compete for a scholarship in the famous Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia. Should she go? It would take almost all her savings to buy a ticket to Philadelphia. She was only one of two ful platinum blonde sitting in the hundred girls competing for the

Nevertheless, she gambled on brown eyes, a stunning figure, and her future and went to Philadelpersonal charm. Finally I met her phia. Some of the other two hunand discovered she was none dred contestants had voices just son, and that she was the wife of she had something they didn't ability to sell herself, the ability I asked Helen Jepson what was to put her songs across. And then the most astonishing thing she one of the judges noticed that she knew about herself and she said: had a neat little darn in one of Well, most people are surprised her sockings; and this judge liked darn their stockings. So Helen

She and another girl rented a tification tag around the baby's room on the outskirts of the city. neck -a string of beads with the They had to walk up five flights, baby's name on it. Miss Jepson has and on cold winter days, they sat had that tiny string of beads made on one another's feet and rocked a bracelet and she wouldn't back and forth to keep warm. fresm of wearing that bracelet or They lighted candles and put them on the floor and imagined the If Helen Jepson hadn't sung had a fireplace. They had only 5 fore the Rotary Club in Akron, they cooked their meals over a lit Ohio, she might still be selling the gas burner. Sometimes they corsets today instead of being one had nothing but soup for dinner of the most talked-of figures in but they sang songs from La Bothe musical world. It happened beme and imagined that they were

be a singer. In high school, she it. They were having the time of

a job selling corsets in a depart- about Helen Jepson is the fact that ment store in Akron, Ohio, A dull success and fame and money havelob; but it enabled her to save n't spoiled her. She is just as demher pennies and nickels and dimes ocratic and unassuming now as and go to Cleveland occasionally when she was sweeping the floor take music lessons. She sang in and frying pork chops for her fahe choir on Sundays, and some- ther back in Akron, Ohio.



Most fat people have only themselves to blame for their condimuch at meals and kept up that take a pound of flesh off those practice through adult life.

Or they inclined to being lazy, neglecting to take proper exerise and spent too much time sleeping. All of these help in the accumulation of excessive fat. Of course there are other causes for fat developing in the human being. The chief ones, over which the individual has absolutely no control, are the various forms of

glandular troubles. For such cases medical science has discovered a means that often proves helpful, namely the use of different glandular extracts. But cream. Do not use salad oils. Eat the use of these medicaments is attended with extreme danger and their administration should be

done only by the physician. It is the belief that there is no ducing cures, advertised extensively, are positively liable to cause death because they have as get thin. one of their ingredients a drug chy foods-potatoes, bread, baked which has already killed many

tried it, twelve trained nurses being among the number who had tion. Early in life they, in all their lives snuffed out by a patent probability, started eating too medicine guaranteeing to daily using the preparation.

If everything you eat seems to turn to fat, it is proof positive that through faulty metabolism. your system cannot use up the fats it produces fast enough, and you should consult your physi-

The best reducing method is to cut down on your food intake so that the fat will gradually disappear. Stop wines and alcoholic drinks, especially beer. Eschew sweets of all kinds, especially cake and candy.

water cress, lettuce, onions, and radishes, making a salad with lemon juice, as a dressing, Plenty of raw fruit, some melon,

general medical treatment for such as kale, spinach, dandelion, obesity and the so-called fat re- beet tops, and cabbage, make excellent foods for those anxious to

beans. Keep your mind occupied. Go to the movies and the theatres Fishing and hunting will give you exceptional exercises tending to reduce your weight.

Baths, morning and night, are excellent for this purpose also Bodily exercises which induce perspiration are good, and should be done after your meals have had time to digest. By thus combining diet, with

curative measures and proper exercise you can add to your years and increase the comfort of liv-

An authority on miniature glass lamps, which began to make their appearance after the Civil War, is Mrs. W. G. Greer, of Topeka. Kansas, who has a collection of more than one hundred at present and is still on the lookou for more.

Mrs. Greer is certain that many of these tiny lamps were made originally for little folk, some of them even bearing quaint little sentiments for children. It is thought that physicians used them too, and often they were lighted in sick rooms. Imperfections in some of her examples lead her to believe that these were made for children out of leavings.



AND THOUGH THE PACE HAS GOT US DIZZY, WE WANT TO SAY WE'RE NOT TOO BUSY TO LET YOU KNOW, ALL THROUGH THE YEAR, HOW MUCH WE LIKE YOUR FRIENDSHIP HERE.

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MANY NEW THINGS COMING IN THIS WEEK! TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR VERY LOW PRICES.

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A Bright Christmas and the Best New Year Ever!

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> We Wish A MERRY CHRISTMAS And

HAPPINESS IN THE NEW YEAR BARROW FURNITURE CO.

### CERCECE CARRIER CARRIE

### HOLIDAY GREETINGS ...

May Christmas bring you the greatest of all gifts:

HAPPINESS, HEALTH, AND PROSPERITY

FEWELL'S SHOE SHOP

### epepperererererererere MERRY CHRISTMAS . . .

May all that is good be yours to enjoy as Christmas time comes 'round

We are still dressing turkeys at our plant. Bring us your birds.

ROSS POULTRY & EGG CO. eppppererererererere SEASON'S GREETINGS ...

Again we say Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, and with a sincerity that increases as the years go by.

MIDLAND BARBER SHOP J. C. Prater

### GREETINGS ...

We wish you a Merry Christmas, with heartfelt appreciation of your patronage.

May we have the opportunity of serving you often during 1940?

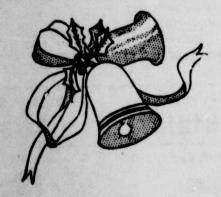
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With all sincerity we wish our friends and customers happiness, good health, and prosperity. We are deeply appreciative of the liberal patronage accorded us, and invite you to visit us in 1940.

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Season's Greetings

MAY THIS HOLIDAY SEASON MARK THE BEGINNING OF A NEW ERA OF PROSPERITY AND HAPPINESS IN YOUR LIFE.

MANLEY, LOLA, SHARON, AND JIM HEAD

CHARLES CHICKER CHICKER CHICKER CHICK

Clairette By NILA MARIE ALEXANDER

Rev. B. J. Martin of Fort Worth filled his regular appointment

Mrs. Roy Sherrard who has been

on our sick list is better now. The Junior Class of the Alexander High School went to a picture show at Hico Friday. After they returned they enjoyed a party at the home of Miss Virginia Mans-

business trip to Abilene Tuesday. Miss Leona Hardin spent Tuesday night with Misses Vita and

Rita Roberson. Mrs. Arthur Lambert is ill in the home of Mrs. Sam Wolfe at Dublin. Last report was that she was improving. Her infant daughter was buried in Clairette Cemetery Thursday afternoon.

Miss Lila Sherrard who is taking a beauty course in Fort Worth spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sherrard. Mr. Buck East of Bunyan visted Mr. and Mrs. John East last Saturday.

were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs Henry Roberson Sunday. Mrs. W. W. Weaver visited with Mrs. Rob Sherrard Thursday af-

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Turner

Mrs. Aroa Denman, Miss Scottie Suitt, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Baldwin saw), a sack of shingle nails, a visited in the home of Mr. and dump truck, and also fruit and Mrs. J. H. Golightly Sunday after-

Mrs. Lucille Mayfield honored her daughter with a birthday party Thursday night. The H. D. Club met with Mrs.

W. F. Johnson Friday afternoon. Mrs. Burett Stanford and daughter, Sonja, of Dictator are visiting relatives this week. Mr. and Mrs. Willie Alexander

were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John East Sunday. Mrs. A. L. Thompson and Mrs. Conda Salmon attended conference

at Duffau Sunday. Misses Kathryn Huckaby and Mildred Beason spent Friday evening with Vita and Rita Roberson. and Jake fix the fence and feed Marie Mayfield visited Mrs. Hub train, a tractor, and a football. Alexander Sunday evening.

Mr. V. F. Dupree visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Turner Sunday too. Your little friend. evening.

Mr. Hub Alexander and daughter. Elizabeth, spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. John East. ill for the past six weeks in Gorman Hospital, passed away Dec. the girl nine years old and I am 11th at the age of 12 years. 11 in the third grade, and Miss Spinoon. Funeral services were conducted at 3 p. m. Tuesday at the Baptist Church, with Rev. Moreland officiating, Rev. Bayes assisted in the services. She is survived by her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Ruff Christian, four brothers, Billy, Sonny, Norman and Pat all of Clairette. Flower girls were her schoolmates.

### Dry Fork

OPAL DRIVER

Mr. and Mrs. Tynn Davis and Kenneth, were visitors in Flag Branch Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Giles Driver gave

an entertainment in their home Saturday night in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Tynn Davis. Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sanders and family visited awhile Sunday

night with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burns and daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Gordon and daughter, Jimmy, of Carlton spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Driver and

Kathryn Cunningham of Fairy risited Dorothy Box recently. Cleo Beene of Greyville spent Sunday afternoon with Opal and

Johnny Driver. Ewell Sanders attended the bas ketball tournament at Jonesboro Saturday and Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burns gave a party in their home Wednesday night in honor of the birthdays of Miss Charlie Riley and Mr. Horace

Misses Jane Buckingham and Katheryn Fair and W. D. Ridings and Preston Cantrill of Walnut Springs were among those that attended the party at Giles Driver's nome Saturday night.

Mrs. Henry R. Caraway, of New York, has turned a hobby into a profession. For several years she was interested in national and international affairs, and eventually made a hobby of the study of these subjects. Then people and organizations began to call on her to speak to them.

From the presidency of the Women's National Republican Club which has 4,000 members representing nearly every state, she has emerged as a professional lec-turer on "Today's Drama of the

### CHRISTMAS WARNING

Refer to Page 160, Article 480, Revised Criminal Statutes of Texas, you will find this language: "Any person who discharges any gun, pistol or firearm of any kind, or discharges any cannon cracker or torpedo on or across any public square, street or alley of any town or city within one hundred yards of any business house in this State shall be fined not more than ne hundred dollars."

Please do not mar the Christmas spirit by destroying property and the happiness of others-help oring good cheer to all. We wish you a Merry and happy bristmas. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

### Letters to Santa Claus

a ball and fruits, nuts, and candy. dishes. I guess that will be all. I And be sure not to forget our lit-tle baby sister, Jackie Arlene. Love, PATSY DOYLENE AND

THELMA JO DOTSON.

Hico, Tex., Rt. 6, Dec. 18, 1939. Dear Santa: Please bring me a ar, a gun, some books, a big red wagon, and a basket ball for me and my sister, Billie Louise. Be sure and don't forget her. She has been kinder good, and of course I have. Also leave some nuts, fruits, and candy. We will have our tree all ready. Your little friend, JERL WAYNE JACKSON.

Hico, Tex., Dec. 18, 1939. Dear Santa: I have been a very good little girl this past year. will soon be three years old. For Christmas I would like to have a tricycle, a little red wagon, and big doll. Bring some fruit, nuts, and candy, also. Sour little friend, VELMA SUE JAGGARS.

Hico, Tex., Dec. 16, 1939 Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy three years old and am good most all the time. I want Santa to bring me a wagon, a carpenter's kit (be sure there's a hammer and candy. Don't forget my little cousin, Annette. Thanking you, I am your little friend. HORACE FRANKLIN GRIFFI

Eastland, Tex., Dec. 15, 1939 Dear Santa Claus: Don't forge me a way off up here at Eastland. I saw you Saturday morning in Eastland when you came in the airplane. Bring me nuts, candy, and fruits, and anything you may think I need. I love you, Santa. BONNIE EVELYN PIERCE.

Hico, Tex., Dec. 16, 1939. Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy two years old. I help Daddy Mrs. William Sherrard and Miss the sheep. Please bring me a little Don't forget Junior and "Sistie." And I want some chewing gum

DOUGLAS LEIGHTON CUNNINGHAM.

Hico, Tex., Dec. 15, 1939. Dear Santa: How are you? hope you are all right. I am a little girl nine years old and I am days, was laid to rest in the vey is my school teacher. I am a Clairette Cemetery Tuesday after- good little girl, too. For Christmas I want a Didee Doll and a big ball and a pair of skates and a set of dishes and a doll buggy and a necklace and a house coat and plenty of fruits and nuts. Your little friend,

MARTHA JO SIMMONS.

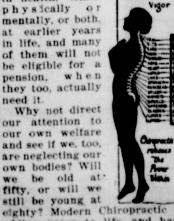
Hico, Tex., Dec. 19, 1939. Dear Santa: I am a little boy almost six years old. I have been very good and I want you to visit have a tractor, a train, a little reunion, a truck that dumps on the sime, and plenty of nuts, fruits and candy. Your little friend, ROLINE CHANEY.

Hico, Tex., Rt. 6, Dec. 15, 1939. Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy eight years old and am in the second grade at school, I live out at Olin but go to school at Carlton on the bus. I have been a good boy and I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. main thing I want is a football. then if you can spare any more money, I would like to have a knife and a cap pistol. I have a little sister two years old, named Naomi, and she wants a tricycle, and a rubber ball. And of course don't forget candy, fruit, and nuts. Hoping to see you soon. Your little friend,

### OLD AGE PENSIONS In most states, the subject of

pensioning those who have advanced in years beyond their earning capacity is of great concern-and rightly so. We know of many who have lived to advanced years who are in good health, both physically and mentally. still capable of doing certain

classes of work. On the other hand, we know of others who have been broken down in health, either physically or mentally, or both, at earlier years in life, and many of them will not be eligible for a pension, when they too, actually need it. Why not direct



we be old at fifty, or will we still be young at eighty? Modern Chiropractic is adding years to life, and happiness to our years - by releasing the life force to every organ and part of our bodieso produce normal function in

H. L. CAPPLEMAN Chiropractor Res. 702 N. Graham STEPHENVILLE

Hico. Tex., Dec. 18, 1939. Dear Santa: I am a little girl five years old. Mother and Daddy Dear Old Santa: We are two say I have been a pretty good good little girls. We want you to girl. I wish you would bring me bring each of us a rubber doll that a sleepy doll with real hair and a sucks a bottle, a wrist watch and pair of skates, a broom and some want you to visit in other children's homes, too. Love, WYNELL TRANTHAM.

Dear Santa Claus: I am eight years old and am in Mrs. Rainwater's room. Please come to see me Christmas. I need a nice football, a tool set, some story books and just anything else you have to spare. But don't forget the fruits, nuts and candy. Your pal, BILLY GENE PADDOCK.

Miss Mary W. Stewart, eightyone-year-old postmaster at Oxford. Md., opens her office regularly at 7:30 a. m., and closes it after 10 p. m. She has been on the job sixty-two years, and remembers only



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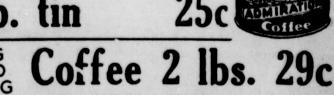
No. 1 Tall Libby or Del Monte Tomato Juice 3 for 25c No. 3 Del Monte

Peaches, Pears, Pineapples or Apricots Each 23c

25c Miracle Whip qt. 33c



**Admiration COFFEE** 



48 lb. sack \$1.40

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