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PLAINVIEW WILL SPEND A JOYFUL CHRISTMAS

CHRISTMAS TREES, DINNER PARTIES, FAMILY RE-UNIONS, HELP FOR THE POOR

The people of Plainview and Hale county will spend a very joyful Christmas. Most everybody has made plans for a very happy Yule-tide. The Sunday schools will each have a Christmas tree tonight, Santa Claus will make his visitation, and the churches and lodges of the town will look after the needs of the poor.

There are many visitors in town and country, and there will be many family re-unions and dinner parties and other social functions.

The Elks will have a Christmas tree at their lodge home at 2:30 Saturday afternoon for the poor children of the town. A committee will gather up the children and bring them to the tree. The Boys Scouts band will furnish music at the tree, so manager G. A. Wright announces.

The Elks will give the annual Christmas dance Tuesday night, Dec. 23, and there will be other dances during the week.

A Million a Day

Rats annually cost this country about \$365,000,000.

It has been said that of all animals the rat is proving itself best fitted to survive in a modern world. Surrounded by enemies, it continues to hold its own. In this country the rat population about equals the human population. In rural neighborhoods the people are greatly outnumbered.

In some other countries to the South every house is overrun with rats. The humans, used to them, do not seem to mind them.

But that doesn't make rats any more desirable. Rats destroy or damage grain of all sorts in fields and in barns. They destroy young chicks, wild birds and their young, fruit, vegetables, flowers, food stores of all kinds. The average cost of rats to each individual in this country in one year is nearly \$4.

More menacing than any destruction of food is the tendency of rats to spread disease. One of the more dangerous diseases they spread is trichina. But also they spread the bubonic plague, which has killed millions of humans in other parts of the world and occasionally threatens the United States.

Rats might be exterminated in this country. Building can be constructed rat-proof, and the rats starved out and killed off. But this would require scientific and organized effort.

Realize \$107 from One Turkey

Brownfield, Dec. 21—Gore & Hughes, produce merchants, tells of the unmistakable profits in turkey raising by children in Terry county. Recently they paid out to one little girl \$107 for turkeys raised from one hen turkey. The girl retained sixteen hens from the increase for breeding purpose in 1921. They bought twenty seven hens from another woman here who started with one hen. The woman retained sixteen hens to start on a grander scale next year.

Marriage Licenses

Mr. Arthur P. Barker of Lockney and Miss Bernice Henry, Dec. 22. He is a brother of L. P. Barker.
Morris Eubanks of near Hale Center and Miss Pearl Cliff of Sweetwater, Dec. 22.
Leon Cooper and Miss Lexie Hooker, Dec. 22. Both live at Hale Center. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hooker.

Fourteen Degrees Above Wednesday

The weather Wednesday morning was the coldest of the season, the thermometer registering fourteen degrees above. Prior to that time there had been several weeks of fine weather.

Yesterday morning the weather began to grow colder and cloudy, and there was some snow, which may develop into a heavy fall.

Hamon Woman Has Surrendered

Clara Smith Hamon, the young woman who is charged with having shot Jake Hamon, the well-known millionaire in Ardmore, Okla., three or four weeks ago, from the effects of which he died, surrendered in El Paso Wednesday, and is now in custody of the Ardmore sheriff and is en route to Oklahoma.

The old Pack two-story residence has been moved from Tenth street to just north of the McGill hotel, by R. W. Otto, who will occupy it with his family.

No Paper Next Tuesday

On account of the holidays, the News will not publish next Tuesday, missing that issue. The paper will be published as usual next Friday.

Big Poultry Show Next Year

Already the officers and directors of the West Texas Poultry Show are making plans for a larger, and if possible a better, show for next year. Each year has seen it larger and better. In order to enlarge the show, a show room larger than any at present in Plainview will have to be obtained. There is some talk of building a large room for this purpose. The show directors and the officers of the Northwest Texas Fair will probably meet soon to make definite plans along this line.

This success of the show this year has been largely due to the efforts of President T. O. Collier, Secretary W. J. Klinger and Superintendent J. M. Lipscomb. Exhibitors have nothing but compliments for the manner in which Mr. Lipscomb has managed the exhibiting end of the show. He has been on the job from early in the morning until midnight and has seen that every bird received the proper amount of attention. Mr. Klinger has also been burning the midnight electricity in checking up on entries and winnings.

New Mexico Man Is Bad

Sunday afternoon a man named Russell was arrested near Olton by Sheriff Tom Keenan of Lamb county and is now held for New Mexico officials.

It seems that Russell got into some trouble in New Mexico and hired a car at Olton to come to Plainview the driver being a young man who knew nothing of Russell's trouble. When near Olton Russell made a gun play at the youth and forced him out of the car, taking possession of it driving it to Olton, burning the bearings out. He caught the Plainview-Olton mail car and came to Plainview, later hiring a car from the Broadway garage, and was driven back to Olton, where he was arrested by the sheriff, who had been informed of his misdoings by the Olton youth.

G. H. Wilson, Jr., Dies

Geo. H., son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Wilson, died at the sanitarium Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock, of brain trouble, caused by after effects of the influenza. He was eight years of age.

The funeral was held at the Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon. Pastor H. E. Bullock assisted by Rev. H. J. Matthews, conducting the service. The pall bearers were George Saigling, A. B. DeLoach, L. F. Cobb, Guy Gibbs, R. H. Knoobuizen, W. E. Risser. Undertaker Garner had charge of the interment in Plainview cemetery.

Mr. C. W. Wilson of Texarkana, relative is here.

Auto Crashes Into City Hall

Monday night while the city council was in session, Mrs. D. B. Watson, while driving along the street lost control of her car, and it crashed into the northwest corner of the building, damaging it some, also breaking the windshield of the car, and the little daughter of Mrs. Watson, who was sitting by her side, was cut in the cheek by a piece of glass. Her baby was in her lap, but did not get hurt.

Wheat Drill Mangles Hand

Ralph Garrett, while working with a wheat drill Thursday, got the little finger and a part of his right hand badly mangled, when he got caught in the coils of the drill. The accident happened at the farm of his father, W. H. Garrett, north of Plainview three miles.

It is hoped by physicians that the hand will be saved.

Dawsons Go to Canadian

Dr. L. V. Dawson of Kansas City, who lived in Plainview several years ago, has formed a partnership with a doctor at Canadian, Texas, and they are opening a sanitarium in that town. Dr. Dawson and family have many friends in Plainview, who wish them much success in their new home.

Will Establish Electrical Business

Allen Turner of Vernon has been here the past week considering the installation of an electrical supply company in Plainview. He is so well impressed that he stated he would establish the business as soon as possible to do so.

Wages Are Being Reduced

In most every industry and in all parts of the country wage reductions are being announced. A much lower level will obtain after the first of the year.

Seniors Defeat Juniors

The Plainview high school seniors defeated the juniors in a game of football at Lamar grounds Tuesday afternoon, the score being 6 to 0. The game was a good one.

Lamar Defeats Hale Center Girls

In a game of basket ball Saturday afternoon between Lamar school and Hale Center girls, at Hale Center, the Lamar girls won by a score of 38 to 12.

PERSONAL MENTION

Dick Groves left Wednesday morning for a business trip to Sweetwater. Miss Nancy Sanderson of the Ralls public school will spend the vacation. Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Helfinstine are spending the festive season in Lubbock.

Mrs. O. L. Wilson has gone to Snyder to spend the holidays with relatives.

Prof. J. J. Wilson, superintendent of the Lockney school, was here yesterday.

Miss Marguerite Willis of Waco is here to spend the holidays with friends.

Boi Matsler and the little child of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Martin are sick with pneumonia.

Miss Vada Russell of Silverton school faculty is here to spend Christmas with homefolk.

Miss Minnie Coffin of Wayland college faculty has gone to Fort Worth to spend Christmas.

Leo DeLay has returned from Bonham, where he has been to see his mother, who is sick.

Mrs. N. L. Thomas of Pond Creek, Okla., is here to spend the winter with Mrs. N. E. Barrett.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Wingo will leave tonight for Wolfe City, to visit relatives during the Yuletide.

A. J. Bell will leave Monday for Dallas, and from there he will likely go to Alabama to spend Yuletide.

Recently of Jones county, have moved to Plainview to make their home.

Prof. and Mrs. J. E. Watson left Wednesday morning for Franklin, to spend the Yuletide with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Roberts and son of Amarillo have been here this week visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Whitacre.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Eubank have gone to Fort Worth to spend the festive season with C. F. Farrell and family.

Frank Meadows, student in Culver Military Academy, Indiana, is here spending the holidays with his parents.

Mrs. A. J. Allison and son Jack and Miss Janet Edens have gone to Abilene to spend the holidays with their parents.

Miss Wilma Winfield, who is attending a college in Greenville, is here to spend the holidays with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Ford of Hunt county have arrived to spend the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. B. E. Mitchell.

Mrs. Elmer Anderson and baby left yesterday for Proctor, Comanche county, to visit her parents during the holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Lloyd and child left Wednesday morning for Big Springs to spend the holidays with relatives.

Miss Belle Brown, who is attending school in Amarillo, is here spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. O. R. Martine.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Davenport and child of Dallas are here to spend the holidays with the Davenport and Nance families.

Mrs. M. F. Brashear will spend the holidays with her daughter, Miss Georgia, and her sister, Mrs. Durrett, in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Eller of Duran, N. M., arrived this afternoon to spend the holidays with their sons, R. M. and J. J. Eller.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Reedy left Wednesday for Henrietta and Childress, where they lived for many years, to spend the holidays.

Mrs. John Eakin and two children of near Runningwater left Wednesday for Brownwood, to visit her brother during the holidays.

Miss Mabel Hill, who is a student in Kid-Key college, Sherman, came in Sunday to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Ida Hill.

Chester and Don Shifflet, who are attending college in Kingfisher, Okla., came in yesterday morning to spend the holidays with their parents.

Miss Ruth Matthews has returned from Baylor University, Waco, to spend the holidays with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. H. J. Matthews.

Prof. Hartley of the Des Moines, N. M., schools arrived yesterday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Hartley, near Ellen.

Truman Eller came home yesterday from Fort Worth, where he is attending school, to spend the holidays with his father, R. M. Eller.

Miss Marshall of Whitesboro, is here to spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Thorne, near Finney Switch.

Mrs. E. G. Sherman, who has been visiting her sisters, Mesdames R. W. O'Keefe and G. M. Phelps, left Monday for her home in Normal, Okla.

Miss Lucile Kinder of the faculty of St. Mary's college, Dallas, is here to spend the holidays with her parents, Judge and Mrs. L. S. Kinder.

Miss Lucy Clift came in Wednesday from the Missouri State University, Columbia, Mo., to spend the holidays here with her aunt, Mrs. J. I. Smith.

JONES SAYS DANGER OF FARM DESERTION

Congressman Declares Desperate Situation is Facing Farmers of the Nation

Congressman Marvin Jones, in a speech in the House of Representatives Tuesday, December 14, declared that the United States is now confronted with a situation that is "not fanciful, but real," in that farm and ranch products are selling below the cost of production and asserting that unless relief is given the farmers, the farms and ranches of the country will be deserted. Following is an extract of the Congressman's speech:

"A desperate situation confronts the producers of this country—not fanciful, but real. Wheat, corn and cotton, as well as live stock are selling below the cost of production. Relief must be given, or the farms and ranches of this country will be deserted. In this problem every man, woman and child in America is virtually interested. Everything in this country depends upon the prosperity of the producer.

"In the first place the net earnings of the Federal Reserve System, already accumulated should be authorized as loans to the farmer and stockman. The organized banking machinery of this country too long has been limited to the commercial interests, whereas the producers of this country are the business man must finally go to the wall. Nearly \$100,000,000 could be furnished at once under this plan.

"The Treasury Department should be instructed to immediately revive the War Finance Corporation, and through it to extend credits to the producers.

Advocates Embargo

"An absolute embargo should be placed upon the importation of wheat, cattle, cotton and wool, so that the millions of bushels of wheat and other products could be kept out of this country until a living price for farm products is restored.

"Again, inasmuch as we are to have a tariff to help pay the war debt, it should be placed upon raw materials as well as the finished product. The doctrine of free raw materials and a protected manufactured product is a pernicious one. Requiring the producer to buy everything in a protected market and to sell in a free one means bankruptcy for the farmer and ranchman. In other words the tariff should be uniform. There is no escape from this logic, and this has been my position since I first began to study public questions.

"This is not a local question, it is an American problem. Fifty-two per cent of our people live in cities and towns of more than 2,500 people. When tillage begins the other arts follow? "The farmers therefore are the founder of human civilization. The farmers and ranchmen throughout this nation are expecting us to do everything possible; the demand is pressing and immediate."

Additional Police for Holidays

The city council has ordered several additional police to be employed during the holidays, in order to protect the town from any lawlessness that is sweeping over the country or fires that may break out.

Philos Win in Debate

In a debate between representatives of the Philo and Englo societies at Wayland college Friday night, the former won by a unanimous verdict of the judges.

Canyon, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mahan

of Wellington and Sid Sheffy of Dimmitt will spend Christmas here with relatives.

Mrs. Zillman of Ranger has been here visiting her sister, Mrs. H. B. Tatum, and left yesterday for Hobbs, N. M., to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Dalmont.

Col. R. P. Smyth returned Wednesday from the Kosse oil fields, where he has been looking after interests of the Plainview people who have investments in that section.

W. C. Mathes, Jr., Chauncey Gidney and Miss Otella Graham came in yesterday morning from the State University, Austin, to spend the holidays with home folks here.

Misses Kate and May Bryson, students in Lindenwood college, St. Charles, Mo., have come home to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Bryson.

Wesley Upton of Clarendon college and Miss Ruth Upton of Texas Woman's college, Fort Worth, are here spending the Yuletide with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. S. J. Upton.

W. T. Moore from Hall county has bought the W. W. Wise place of 320 acres north of town, from M. W. Mires, and will occupy same with his family. The Mires family will remain in this county.

G. A. Wright was in Fluvada Friday night and organized a Boy Scout

"Pull Together"

One of the traits of a wide awake, progressive town is civic pride. It is a good trait, for while some times it leads one into making slightly exaggerated statements, yet in the main is it a good, healthy feeling for the individual, and at all times conducive to the prosperity and growth of his town or city. It makes one vigorous in defense, and persistent in undertakings; it is incentive to industry; it makes the individual contented and therefore happy. Believe in your town and talk your belief. If you have any old fogies remember they are in the minority, and that it takes all kinds of people to make a world anyway. Encourage live people to move in by making it worth their while. Welcome outside capital in developing any natural resources the town or country adjacent may have. Don't begrudge the dollars the enterprising man makes, but hustle around and collar a few yourself. Above all "pull together", and Plainview will ride the high wave of prosperity over the most discouraging breakers, and every inhabitant will get his or her share of the profit from the voyage.

Won't Join Base Ball League

Wylie Brashear and H. S. Hilburn attended the base ball conference in Sweetwater Sunday as representatives of Plainview, to confer with representatives of other towns relative to the organization of a West Texas base ball league. It was proposed to have an eight-team league, with Lubbock, Plainview and Amarillo as members with Sweetwater, San Angelo, Mineral Wells and other towns in that section. As Amarillo and Lubbock refused to join, it was decided that it was too long a jump from Sweetwater to Plainview, hence this town also declined to join.

Much Legislation Asked for

The passage of a measure extending the work and scope of the West Texas Normal College at Canyon, creating an agricultural department to the college, a law levying a tax of one cent on each gallon of gasoline sold, the money derived to be used in the maintenance of the public roads, and an extension of time on the penalty for delinquent taxes for the year 1920 for a period of 90 days were favored by a meeting of citizens from all over the Panhandle Tuesday afternoon at the Panhandle-Plains Chamber of Commerce in Amarillo, and the next state legislature will be asked to pass these measures.

Visits of the Stork

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Owens, Plainview, Dec. 16, girl.

J. C. Green, Plainview, Dec. 16, boy; named Luther Floyd.

O. E. Fauver, Plainview, Dec. 14, boy; named Orlynn.

C. D. Hensley, Plainview, Dec. 19, boy; named Cline D. Jr.

Clyde Wise, Plainview, Dec. 16, girl; named Alva Esthol.

Gabriel Upton Undergoes Operation

Gabriel Upton, son of Rev. and Mrs. S. J. Upton, underwent a surgical operation for rupture in Denver, Colo., Tuesday, and his condition is good, so says a telegram. Gabriel is attending a university in Denver, preparing for the ministry.

Fractures Arm While Cranking Fodder

Saturday night Harold Rightmire got a bone in his right arm fractured when he was cranking a Ford car. The accident occurred near the Broadway hotel.

One thing—if we had no millionaires

there wouldn't have been any Carnegie libraries, nor Rockefeller Foundations, nor John Tarleton colleges, nor Brackenridge Halls at the Texas University, nor Chicago University, nor Leiland Stamford University, nor ten thousand other great philanthropic institutions for the advancement of civilization. Gainesville wouldn't have had her additional high school building, nor the Texas University wouldn't have had that remarkable library donated to it by the late Major Littlefield. No system of taxation under the democratic system would have been made to supply many of the greatest philanthropic institutions now existing. Moreover it takes great capital to furnish employment for millions of people who would be unemployed under a socialistic regime. Those who would dispute this statement take no notice of common human nature, which is the same now as ever. Some millionaires probably are tightwads, but many of them have served their own and future generations nobly.—L. B. Russell in Comanche Enterprise.

The following public school teachers

left yesterday to spend the holidays elsewhere: Prof. Sparks, Lamas; Prof. and Miss Ann Morgan, Georgetown; Miss King, Wharton; Miss Wiley, Canyon. Several of the other teachers here also came to other

MEDICAL SOCIETY ELECTS OFFICERS FOR 1921

DR. UNDERWOOD, PRESIDENT; DR. MCCLENDON, SECRETARY; DR. JONES, CENSOR

The Hale-Swisher County Medical Society, at its monthly meeting held in Dr. E. F. McClendon's offices in Plainview Tuesday of last week elected officers for the coming year.

Dr. S. J. Underwood of Hale Center was elected president; Dr. C. G. Gidney of Plainview, vice president; Dr. E. F. McClendon, re-elected secretary-treasurer; Dr. D. P. Jones of Plainview, censor.

The president will appoint the committee of public health.

BETHEHEM STAR

This old sobbing world of ours is

one year older than it was when the last Christmas carol was chanted. It has had another twelve-month of experiments and of experience, of advancement on many lines of human research and acquisition. But it has not outgrown Jesus Christ. For Him it has discovered no substitute. The star of Bethlehem is the only star that never sets. Jesus Christ alone

fully all human necessities and the loftiest of human aspirations. Christianity is the only universal religion, the only one adapted to all ages of life, to all human conditions, to all races and all nationalities. Other lights have arisen, waned and vanished forever. The Greek mythology is utterly shaken to ruin as its own splendid Parthenon. The chief religious of Asia—Brahmanical, Buddhist and Moslem—are all limited and local; they are all moribund. While they make no inroads on Christianity, the religion of Bethlehem and Calvary makes constant inroads upon them.

The systems of error which Paul and Peter fought have vanished out of sight, and the whole east is catching glimpses of the star that first dawned over Judea's sky. In spiritual dynamics blood tells and God has trusted His gospel of salvation to the most powerful races on the globe.

Friend Adams—We arrived in Los Angeles after two months on the way. Touched seven states, rode on six different rail roads, stopped ten times and had relatives in every town except Salt Lake City, were called Tom or Uncle Tom most of time.

Was in Denver when the D. & G. R. and the Great Western railroads sold under a mortgage and they only brought five million dollars, thus beating out all small bond holders.

We found the Grand Canyon some ravine. The Rainbow Canyon of Nevada can beat it for beauty. The Harrimans put the Salt Lake route down this canyon without consulting the weather man. It was put through with the least resistance possible, hence when the weather man turned on the tap. The company found sixty-nine miles of their road washed away with the other equipments. It took them four months to get higher up and go through thirteen tunnels.

Was much pleased with Salt Lake. The country highways for miles are electrically lighted and business houses vie with one another as to who can get up a more attractive sign. Cheap water power is the reason. Drinking fountains are on every corner. And an observatory frequently. The only difference is you take marble steps to go down instead of up.

The business blocks here are five to the mile and I tried to convince my bigger half that they were no longer than the Plainview blocks. After the show one of the loveliest snows was falling, flakes as large as cat tracks falling down from a twenty story building among many colored lights was wonderful and it was brought about by a nudge "its ruining my hat."

County Court

There was a hung jury in the W. B. Knight and E. E. Warren case. A judgment was given N. A. Price against Miss Lois Pack for \$200, by default. This is a commission case.

TODAY'S MARKETS

Eggs, dozen	50c
Turkeys, lb.	25c
Hens, lb.	12c
Stags, lb.	8c

Chicago woman died and left \$8,000 to her pet dog, and \$5 to her brother. Her will shows conclusively that this woman felt closer kin to a canine than

TOY TREE TABLE DECORATION

Miniature Christmas Emblem May Be Surrounded With Presents Tied With Red Ribbon.

DECORATE the table with a Christmas tree, one of the toy ones, and pile around its foot a quantity of presents tied with red ribbons. These should be only what a college man would call "grinds"—perhaps a tiny tin piano for a would-be performer, a lantern for the one the points of whose jokes are difficult to see, a placid paper golf bag for the enthusiastic player, and so on, each with a rhyme or quotation, says Harper's Bazar. If one considers a goose a somewhat undignified bird, ducks may be exchanged for it, either the domestic fowl or the more expensive canvas-back or redhead. Fried celery is very good with duck, the crispest pieces dropped in batter and then cooked in deep fat. But the apple sauce croquettes should not be omitted even with this. For this informal dinner there is a very good and innocuous drink to serve with the heavy course—sweet cider, spiced and sugared to taste, cooked ten minutes and served hot.

YULETIDE THORN TREE SAVED

Blooming Glastonbury, Subject of Beautiful Legends of Christmas, Was Doomed to Destruction.

ONE of the most beautiful legends of Christmas is that of the Glastonbury thorn. The thorn tree grew at Glastonbury Abbey, in Somersetshire, and was supposed to have developed from the staff of Joseph of Arimathea. According to the legend, Joseph came to Glastonbury and while he was resting on a hill, afterward known as Weary All hill, he stuck his staff in the earth. The staff immediately grew green and budded, and at Christmas time it blossomed into beautiful flowers. One chronicler states that during Queen Elizabeth's reign the thorn had a double trunk, but that a somewhat bigoted Puritan, who disliked the tree because to his mind it smacked of popery, started to cut it down, and succeeded in demolishing one of the trunks. A miracle rescued the remaining trunk of the tree by causing a chip of wood to fly up and hit the Puritan in the eye, while at the same time he slipped and cut his leg. Later the tree was grubbed up, but a number of smaller trees raised from slips of the original are said to be owned by persons in the neighborhood.

CHRISTMAS BAG FOR GUESTS

Container for Presents Attached to Backs of Chairs With Bow of Red Satin Ribbon.

THE Christmas bag is an innovation planned by one housekeeper. The breakfast table is to be decorated with a mirror in the center, outlined as a star by holly sprigs, and with a slender cut glass vase in the center holding red chrysanthemums. Long-stemmed flowers also radiate from the central star with the blossoms toward the plates of those for whom the flowers are intended. Every napkin lies beneath a Christmas card with a sprig of holly tied upon it with red ribbon, and to the back of every chair is tied a bag with a big red satin bow. The bags are of all sizes, and each is full of individual gifts. One is an opera bag, another a shopping bag in black and gold, still another is brown leather and gold nailheads, another a bag for collars and cuffs, another a gay laundry bag, one is suggestive of the scraps grandmother will put into it, and the other of books that a small girl will carry to school. All are as dainty and fine as careful workmanship and good materials can make them, and there will be fun emptying the materials out of the various bags.

Roses at Christmas.

The fact that we can get flowers out of doors at Christmas time is in itself a sufficient justification for growing the Christmas rose, but besides that it is worth growing for itself, says Country Life in America. Its large white flowers, fully two inches across, resembling those of a giant single rose, although as a matter of fact it belongs to the same family as the buttercups, never fail to excite enthusiasm in the season of snow and ice. The plant itself grows only six to eight inches high, and the large, greenish-white flowers are borne in clusters and nestle closely among the dark green leaves.

Novel Christmas Salad Bowl.

By the time that the salad course arrives at the Christmas dinner all that surround the festive board are apt to be warm. It will be refreshing to see the salad come to the table in a block of ice. Smooth the ice square with a hot flat iron and make a cavity in the center with the same utensil. Border with crisp lettuce and sprigs of holly and fill with salad. Place the block on several thicknesses of cloth or a deep platter and put around it a wreath of holly.

Ex-Sheriff Hughes, pioneer officer of Amarillo, died this week from pneumonia.

MAKE OUT GIFT LIST EARLY

Thoughtful Shoppers Start Task Several Weeks Before Rush Begins in Busy Stores.

THE buyer who really puts some altruism into her Christmas gifts makes out her list several weeks in advance. If she be a canny somebody she has kept her list of the year before and is able to see what were her gifts the preceding season, and thus avoid the risk of repeating herself. Still more canny is she if she has made mental or written notes from time to time of various articles for which she has heard a desire expressed by friends. Such note taking will greatly lessen her labors.

For it is no light thing to choose Christmas gifts judiciously. The whole secret of their acceptability lies in their appropriateness. Not only must they be appropriate to the person from whom they come and to whom they go, but to the circumstances in which the latter is placed. For an instance, there are few housekeepers who do not welcome an addition of fine linen to their store. But if to a housekeeper who lives plainly in simple surroundings one sends a superb lace-trimmed tea cloth or dollies that throw all her other possessions into the shade, there is an unsuitability about the gift that robs it of much of its charm.—Harper's Bazar.

ART AND SCIENCE IN TOYS

Playthings for the Kiddies Necessary to the Proper Conduct of Their Society.

WHILE the making of toys is an art that is probably practically as old as the world itself, it has been only within recent years that science has bothered itself about them. Less than half a century ago they were regarded merely as playthings—amusing diversions for children, and not by no means necessary to their well-being. Today, however, science insists that there is a well-defined philosophy underlying the use of toys; that they are the tools with which the little ones ply their trade; the paraphernalia necessary to the proper conduct of their society; that dolls, for example, are more to them than the associates that help to entertain them in that they aid them in the attainment of their mental growth by stimulating the natural emotions which must be experienced in later life.

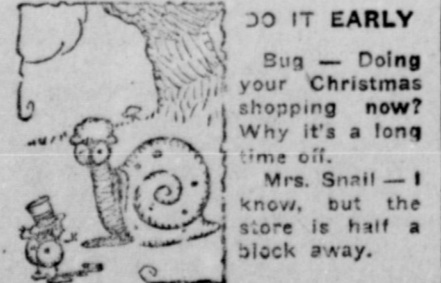
Whether this theory of the scientists is correct or not, the fact remains that children have always had the playthings requisite for their imitations of the domestic life and business affairs of older people; that they have always required their elders to provide them with such inventions, and that, when they could not obtain these toys by any other means they themselves have sought and found objects that might be made to suit their purposes. Even the somnolent middle Ages did not put an end to their pastimes. The toys in which they found diversion may have been more simple, but, as they met the demands of nature, they played their allotted part in the scheme of human development.—Public Opinion.

Ancient Christmas Custom.

Many quaint customs are observed at Christmas time in various English country parishes. In that of Cunnings in Berkshire, of which the living vicarage and the church a beautiful specimen of an old English parsonage edifice, all who pay tithes repair, after evening service on Christmas day, to the vicarage where the vicar is held in duty bound, by a usage centuries old, to regale them with four bushels of malt brewed into ale or beer, two bushels of wheat baked into bread, and half a hundred weight of cheese. Any remnants of this feast are distributed among the poor of the parish after morning prayer the next day.



POOR THINGS
Tramp Birds: They might throw us a few crumbs on Christmas morning.



DO IT EARLY
Bug — Doing your Christmas shopping now? Why it's a long time off.
Mrs. Snail — I know, but the store is half a block away.

An Easy Gift.
Small boy running up and displaying slate:—Just look, uncle, what I've done with my example! Got a whole million! I'll give it to you as a Christmas present.—Elegante Blatter.

Plainview, Texas, Dec. 20, 1920.

Dear Santy:
I am a little boy six years old, and I have been very good this year. I want you to bring me a jumping jack, and a little car, and, candy, nuts, and oranges and apples. I am your friend, Jack Aylesworth.

Perry Motor Company Moline Line

- Automobiles
- Trucks
- Tractors
- Grain Drills
- Row Binders
- Disc Harrows
- Peg Tooth Harrows
- Listers
- Disc Plows.

Opera House Building Phone 541

BOXES, OLD CHRISTMAS FAD

Ancient Custom at One Time Developed into Demand as Right and Became Nuisance.

THE bestowal of Christmas boxes is of great antiquity, and was formerly the bounty of well disposed persons who were willing to contribute something toward the industrious. Later the gift came to be demanded as a right and became somewhat of a nuisance. Long ago, the Roman Catholic priests had masses for everybody, and if a ship went to the West Indies they had a box in her under the protection of some patron saint, into which the sailors put money or other valuables in order to secure the prayers of the church. At Christmas these boxes were opened and were thence called Christmas boxes. In England the day after Christmas is known as "Boxing day," from the Christmas boxes which used to be in circulation, and in the British museum can be seen boxes covered with green glaze with a slit in the side for money and presents.

Paducah Bank Suspends

Paducah, Dec. 10.—The Farmers and Merchants bank of this city posted a notice of suspension of business this morning. General business conditions were given as the reasons for failing to open. The bank, which is a private concern, was organized this year with O. J. Combast as president. The capital was \$60,000 and the surplus \$2,600.

Chicago woman died and left \$8,000 to her pet dog, and \$5 to her brother. Her will shows conclusively that this woman felt closer kin to a canine than to her human brother.

Guy T. Smith of the skating rink has returned from a trip to Panhandle.

"Wasn't it Luck—"

that I happened to see it advertised. It was something I had been wanting for a long time and only by the merest chance I noticed where it was being sold."

She only HAPPENED to see it advertised. And she considered herself lucky.

But think how often she must have been unlucky—how many good things she must have missed by not being a regular reader of advertisements.

It will pay you to read the advertisements in this paper—to make a practice of reading them.

BECAUSE

- They carry the news of reliable stores in your town.
- They tell you of new and better things.
- They tell you where and how you can buy to best advantage.
- They save you time and money and make your shopping easier.

Read the advertisements REGULARLY

Plainview News

Phone 97



Try these— The music lover's favorite RE-CREATIONS

COME in and let us play these for you. They number some of the world's best-loved pieces of music. Take this opportunity to visit our RE-CREATION Department. See how our various services, to owners help you get the greater, finer joy out of your New Edison.

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| 50174 | Rosery (Nevic) Cornet | Couturier | 82092 | Gloria-12th Mass (Mozart) Gregorian Choir |
| | A Erema (Cortetti) Cornet | Couturier | | Hallelujah Chorus—Messiah (Handel) Oratorio Chorus |
| 50623 | Marche Lorraine | Imperi-11 Hornband | 82526 | Ave Maria (Euch-Gounod) in Latin |
| | Hawaiian Breeces | Waldia Hawaiian Orch (With Louise & Ferera) | 82077 | Depuis le jour—Louise Anna Case |
| 50670 | Wailana Waltz—Inst. Duet | Toots Paka's Hawaiians | 82171 | Silent Night (Gruber) Frieda Hempel |
| | Hawaiian Smiles—Waikiki Hawaiian Orchestra | | | O Holy Night (Adam) Frieda Hempel |
| 50671 | Semper Fidelis March | N.Y. Military Band | 82510 | O That We Two Were Maying Elizabeth Spencer and Thomas Chalmers in the Evening by the Moonlight, Dear Louise Hindermeyer and Chorus |
| | Trumpeter's Carnival-March Militaire | N.Y. Military Band | 82032 | Sweet Spirit, Hear My Prayer (W.ace) Venetian Inst. Quar. |
| 80128 | William Tell Overture (Pt. 1) Sodero's Band | | | Kathleen Mavourneen (Crou.h) Venetian Inst. Quar. |
| 82063 | Ave Maria, Violin | Carl Flesch | | |

McMillan Drug Co.

The NEW EDISON "The Phonograph with a Soul"

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

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YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED. That you summon, by making Publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Hale...

Herein fail not, and have you before said court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

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The nature of the plaintiffs demand being as follows, to-wit:

A suit in trespass to try title, and to recover from the defendants the title and possession of Lot No. TWENTY TWO (22) in Block No. THIRTY ONE (31) in the town of Plainview, Hale County, Texas...

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Notice of Sale of Personal Property To Satisfy Mechanics Lien

STATE OF TEXAS.

County of Hale.

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Notice is hereby given that 20 days after the giving of this notice, and to-wit on the 31st day of December, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., and in 1920: I will sell the said property, at public auction...

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and there to answer a petition filed in said court, on the 20th day of November, A. D. 1920; in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 1881, wherein D. D. Bowman is plaintiff and the heirs of Geo. M. Slaughter deceased, Mrs. Geo. M. Slaughter and Janie A. Quillen are defendants...

This is a suit in Trespass to Try Title to recover the title and possession of Lot No. Fourteen (14), Block No. Sixteen (16), in the original town of Plainview, Hale County, Texas...

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NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the authority given in a chattel mortgage by Edward I. Miller, acting as the Plainview Rubber Company, dated December 1st, 1917, given to J. F. Garrison upon the property hereinafter described to secure eight notes for the sum of \$411.52...

ated and to be located on the building end premises set out hereinafter including in this suit one live gallon sarrise Bowzer pump and one Wayne Oil pump now located in front of the place of business described hereafter and now being used by Edward I. Miller...

J. F. GARRISON, Mortgagee.

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SUNDAY HALF A CENTURY AGO

Spirit and Letter of Commandment Both Thoroughly Obeyed In Western New York.

My mother was born and reared in a little country village in western New York. On the farm where my grandmother lived it was the custom to begin Sunday on Saturday night at sundown. The "hired man" came in from the chores, grandmother put away all her work in the kitchen, and then the entire family gathered in the "best room" and studied the Sunday-school lesson, or had a reading from the Bible, led by grandfather, and all the family retired not later than 9 o'clock.

In the morning, after doing none but the absolutely necessary chores on the farm, the team that had not been used the day before was hitched up to the big four-seated wagon and the entire family including the "hired" help, went to church. There was preaching service in the forenoon, and then we adjourned to a lunch for ourselves and the team. Then we went in to a Sunday-school service, and after an interval there was another preaching service, after which we hitched up and drove slowly back to the farm.

That was the way Sunday was kept in western New York a little more than 50 years ago. I can remember hearing my mother say that when she was a girl in this same New York state village, she was not allowed to walk except to the cemetery and back, on Sunday, and was not allowed to read any books except the Bible and "Fox's Book of Martyrs."—Christian Herald.

ROYAL PERSON WELL GARBED

Augustus of Poland Had Clothes Sufficient for Regiment—Also Had Other Idiosyncrasies.

Gentlemen of fashion today are more compared to what King Augustus III of Poland deemed necessary to his comfort. He filled two great halls with clothes and had a special watch, snuff box, sword and cane for every one of his hundreds of suits. To go with them he also had 1,500 wigs. Five artists were kept busy painting miniatures of the clothing and keeping these paintings in a catalog that the king might select from each day as he rose.

He took the lovely countess of Cozeile as his wife, and the mere fact that she had a husband already mattered little. He appeared at her door one day with a horseshoe in one hand and a bag of 100,000 crowns in the other. The gold he tossed at her feet to demonstrate his wealth and generous instincts, and the horseshoe he broke with his bare hands to demonstrate his strength and determination. The lady, impressed, got rid of her husband at once, obtaining a divorce of the sort that allowed of remarriage. Suspicious historians have hinted that the horseshoe might have been filed a bit before the kingly hand tore it apart.

Carnegie's Hardest Bargain.

Andrew Carnegie, in his autobiography, which Houghton Mifflin company is publishing, tells of his first financial bargain. One of his chief enjoyments was the keeping of rabbits, and the pets naturally attracted the small boys of the neighborhood. "My first business venture was securing my companions' services for a season as an employer, the compensation being that the young rabbits, when such came, should be named after them. The Saturday holiday was generally spent by my flock in gathering food for the rabbits. My conscience reproves me today, looking back, when I think of the hard bargain I drove with my young playmates, many of whom were content to gather dandelions and clover for a whole season with me, conditioned upon this unique reward—the poorest return ever made to labor."

Old American Glass.

The Pennsylvania museum announces a find of old American glass. One thousand specimens have been dug up near Alloway, N. J. The field where the specimens were found was once the site of the old Wistar Glass works, founded nearly two hundred years ago by Caspar Wistar, who was of Austrian extraction and titled. The specimens found were for the most part fragments of bottle and window glass, of which there have not been many specimens until now. The museum is now making a study of the types of glass that were produced in the early days of Pennsylvania and New Jersey. The first glass to be manufactured in this country was that of a Virginia company located at Jamestown, but the first produced successfully was that of Alloway, then known as Wistarburg.

Girls Traveled Far in Wilderness.

Down the wild and ragged east shoreline of Lake Winnipeg, Manitoba, where not a farm nor a settlement breaks the desolation, two young women of eastern Canada recently roved 200 miles in an open boat, taking a month for the trip and making their own camp every night. The collection of fossils, in which the region is rich, was the object of the remarkable journey. A lone Indian was the only human being sighted in the entire distance. The daring voyagers were deposited by a steamer at the mouth of the Berens river, about midway of the lake, and from that point were wholly dependent upon their own resources. — Popular Mechanics Magazine.

The Plainview News

Published Tuesday and Friday at Plainview, Hale County, Texas.

J. M. ADAMS, Editor and Owner

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Young men should remember that "Burning the midnight oil" does not refer to gasoline.

The fact is, we all played the fool during the hey day of prosperity by our extravagance. Now we are busy paying the fiddler.

Sometimes, when we see the way some of the bunch on the corner gets by and prospers, we are almost persuaded that work isn't the best paying policy.

An East Texas farmer is kickin' like a bay steer because a few days ago he sold a hide for 35c and then had to pay 40c for a hamstring, one inch wide and eighteen inches long.

S. M. Ramsey has resigned as managing editor of the Amarillo Daily News. We have not learned his future intentions. He is a very able newspaperman and has greatly built up the News.

Senator Harding is likely to get into trouble with his Baptist brethren, as it has been decided to hold an inaugural ball the night after he is sworn into the presidency. President Wilson banned the ball at each of his inaugurations.

We are gratified to learn that A. C. Richardson, several years ago editor of the McLean News, has struck a rich oil well at Breckenridge and is drawing down \$400 a day. We hope it will keep up the record for many months, and not take the sulks and don'ts like a couple the editor of this paper invested in.

Frank Kell, the well known and level-headed Wichita Falls business man, declares that the excess profits tax and the income tax below \$5,000 should be abolished, and a sales tax of 1c on every dollar's worth of goods sold be substituted. He says that a sales tax would make it impossible for merchants and others to add extra profits above the 1c on the dollar.

The count shows that the democrats polled a clean majority of 135,000 votes over all other parties in Texas in the November election. The republicans polled the largest vote since 1896, but fell far behind. Ferguson's party polled less than 10 per cent of the vote. The democratic party need not be scared of defeat in the Lone Star State.

The "drives" for the starving peoples of Europe are not being responded to by Americans as in times past. Americans are tiring of Europeans continuing their revolutionary foolishness, instead of going to work to rebuild their shattered nations. Europeans continue to revolute, build up their armies and navies for war, and they don't deserve and help so long as they do this. Some of the nations of Europe and the Near East seem to think that America should feed and cloth them for all time. Increased production, reduction of armaments and the most rigid economy is needed to pull the war-ridden countries out of the quagmire and put them once more on solid ground.

Martens, "ambassador" from Soviet Russia to the United States, is to be deported at once. He has been here for about four years, disseminating Bolshevik doctrines, and his examination has been in progress for several months. All his sort should be shipped out. They have no business here, in a country of freedom and sane government, where every person can have his say at the ballot box and the government responds to the wishes of the majority of the people. There is no room in America for Alien apostles of pessimism, unrest and revolution. The sorriest day labor and the common people ever had in America was far better than the best day labor and the common people ever had in Europe.

The senate has passed the Poindexter bill, which makes strikes that tie up or interfere with interstate commerce a crime and provides punishment of such strikers with terms in the penitentiary. Organized labor is making the greatest fight of its life to keep the bill from passing the house. The bill should become a law. Organized labor has shown itself on most every occasion that it cares nothing for the interests of the public—it will starve or freeze the people any time in order to carry out its program. The interest of the public should be set above that of labor or capital, and fights between those two militant forces should not affect the public. The strike which affects public utilities or the necessities of life must go. The strike is a relic of other days, and is used more to give labor leaders a stronger hold on their forces. The coming congress will likely adopt several far-reaching laws to protect the public from labor. Many states

... had a million increase in winter wheat acreage in Texas is indicated by a report of E. M. Johnston, agricultural statistician of the United States bureau of crop estimates. Conditions of the crop is 89 per cent of normal and very satisfactory. Texas winter wheat acreage planted this fall is estimated to be 1,834,000 acres, which is over a half million acres increase above that of last year. This year Hale county harvested one-twentieth of the Texas wheat crop. The wheat acreage this winter is an increase of possibly 20 to 25 per cent over last year. Hale county raises a lot of bread.

CHRISTMAS

The gladsome Christmas season is here again. The streets and stores are filled with happy-faced people, buying presents for those whom they love or esteem. Santa Claus is preparing to make his annual visitation to the children tonight, to fill their stockings with the things that will make them happy; the boys and girls are coming home from college; relations and friends are planning to visit, surely this is a blessed season.

It is well that people once a year lay aside the worries and fretfulness of life and give themselves over to being happy and in making others happy. People should enjoy the Yuletide to the fullest extent possible.

The great outstanding fact in history is Jesus the Christ. All good things flow from His advent and life upon earth and the principles He taught. The more He is exalted, the closer people live to Him, the better world we have.

To abolish money is said to be one of the Russian soviet plans. To borrow money from the United States is the plan of the rest of Europe.

A movement is said to be on foot, to bring 2500 Japanese families from California to the Rio Grande section of Texas, where they will purchase farms from a number of big land holding syndicates. The trouble that this class of Orientals has caused in California and other Western States should be sufficient to warn to the people of Texas to cause them to take advance action in protest against the importation to this state of such colonization schemes. The people of the Brownsville country are holding meetings and protesting against Japs coming to that section.

Though the federal reserve banking system clipped the claws of Wall Street, that district still has great power and influence over the financial affairs of the nation. It is stated that Wall Street financiers contributed to the depression of prices in order to reduce the value of their stocks and bonds so they can plead a great loss on January first in order to escape paying income tax, and that after January first they will go up. Wall Street is agile as a cat; it can be depended upon to alight on its feet when it falls out of a tree.

A wave of crime is sweeping over the country. Much of it is by young men and women. What's the answer? Why, they have cultivated extravagant habits of dress and other self-indulgence and now that employment is getting scarcer, they can't forego the temptation to commit theft and robbery for the sake of continuing their extravagance. It always leads to temptation, and in many cases the victim hasn't the moral and religious foundation to resist. Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. You can't change the law of gravitation.

Government officials say there is forty million gallons of liquor in the United States scattered in a number of government warehouses. It is "leaking" away at an alarming rate, and it won't be long until it is practically gone. Officials want to concentrate it in one warehouse for better protection. Congressman Fordney says possibly the best solution of the matter would be to let the toppers have one long drunk and get rid of it. With the big distilleries closed the illicit making of liquor does not amount to very much. When the old stocks are gone there will be very little drinking.

Kansas pulled off a big race riot last week, at Independence, when two persons were killed and five wounded. Kansas has many "nigger loving" white people, and negroes have "rights" in that state—which means they are arrogant, insolent and feel themselves as good as the whites. This always breeds trouble, and in the North it is worse than in the South for the Southern people understand the negro and know how to handle him in the best way. In the North when a negro commits a crime a mob often deals out vengeance to all negroes in the community. In the South the guilty party is dealt with only. The doings of the negro population of the North during the past several years will result in much trouble in those states.

It has been said by some one—and all experienced men will agree—"That the happiness we get out of life is attained through the thing we are doing."

The capital stock of the Federal International Banking corporation, being financed by Southern banks for the purpose of aiding the federal reserve banking system to facilitate the financing and exportation of Southern

and will soon begin functioning. This should help to stabilize the price of cotton and other products. The Europeans and Asiatics need our products; we have an abundance; there is some plan whereby the needy nations can buy our stuff, and modern business men should be able to find the proper plan and put it into operation. Germany needs millions of bales of low-grade cotton, which is at present a drug on the American market. Germany could manufacture this low-grade cotton into cloth and other things, and sell it, so why not if necessary arrange to ship her low-grade cotton on a commission basis, to be paid for when the manufactured goods are sold? Modern business men are going to find a way out of the present depression—you can bet on that—and prices will in time seek higher levels.

PLAINS IN GOOD SHAPE

The Plains is in better shape than any other section of Texas, or the Southwest.

Our farmers in Hale county have possibly 400,000 bushels of wheat on hand. They have a superabundance of row crops. They have considerable cotton, lots of cattle, hogs and some sheep, and the winter pastures are as fine as could be wished for.

While the prevailing prices on both farm products and live stock are not satisfactory, it is evident to most any forward looking man that there are ahead of us times that are replete with good for us all.

Prices of most all kinds of manufactured goods are coming down and will soon be in line with the prices of farm and ranch products, hence there should be no permanent discouragement.

Of course nearly everyone had great hopes of continued high prices and big profits, and to have to take less for our stuff and smaller or no profits for a time, is disappointing. But it must be remembered that as the law of gravitation brings everything back to the ground, the same principle holds good in business, and there is always a period of depression after a season of inflation, high prices and extravagance. After we get thoroughly sobered up we will all feel better.

The thing to do is to keep a stiff upper-lip, realize that we must take our losses sooner or later just as we took our big profits, and begin the New Year with an optimistic spirit. Pay all you can on your debts; don't force the other fellow to carry any more of your burdens than possible. Keep business going. Be a good sport. Things will come out alright in the end.

We are indeed gratified to learn that our friend, Joe L. Pope, is once more managing editor of the Amarillo Daily News. Pope formerly held this position, but several years ago resigned and became commercial secretary in Woodward, Okla. Pope is one of the best men in all America, is well known, is a booster for everything that is good, especially for Northwest Texas, and is a valuable man to have in any town or section. He is an able and interesting writer, and the Daily News is to be congratulated on his return to the tripod.

THE BIRTH AND EARLY LIFE OF CHRIST

By Bettie Holt of Petersburg school, 6th grade.

The time had come when all the world should pay taxes, and it was at this time when Mary and Joseph had come to the City of David, called Bethlehem. They were at this city when Christ was born. There was no place for Joseph and his wife to dwell that night except in a cave or barn with the cattle. It was in a manger that Christ was born, the Savior of the world. The angel of the Lord went to the shepherds, but at first they were afraid. The angel said, "Fear not, for I bring you good tidings, which shall be to all the people for unto you this day Christ, the Savior, has been born in the City of Bethlehem; and you will find the baby wrapped in swaddling clothes lying in a manger." Suddenly there was with the angel, a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Peace on earth, good will to men." As the angels appeared into heaven again, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us now go into the City of Bethlehem, and see if this thing has come to pass, which the Lord hath made known to us."

The shepherds came with much haste to the city, where they found Mary and Joseph and the young child lying in the manger, and when they saw it they made it known round about the country, and told what had been told to them concerning the child. The shepherds returned to their flocks, praising God for the things which they had heard and seen, as it was told to them.

Eight days were accomplished for the circumcision of the child, and His name was called Jesus, the name which the angel had given him before he was born unto Mary.

According to the law of Moses, the parents of the child brought him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord; and when they came to Jerusalem, there was a man whose name was Simeon. This same man was for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Ghost was upon him. It was revealed unto him that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

When the parents brought the child Jesus unto the temple, as custom, Simeon took him up in his arms, and

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Wishing all a Merry Christmas.

The City Bakery

Phone 170

Northside Square

they servant depart in peace according to thy word. Now my eyes have been the salvation. A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.

The child's parents marvelled at the things that were spoken of him. Simeon took him, he then said unto Mary his mother, "Thy child is set for fall and rising again, and it shall again be spoken thereof. Yea a sword, shall pierce through thy own soul also. That the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."

The child grew strong in spirit and truth and God filled him with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him.

Now at this time there was a feast of the pass over every year, and his parents went to this feast. When Jesus was twelve years old, they went to Jerusalem after the custom.

When it was time for them to return home, the child Jesus tarried behind them in Jerusalem, Joseph and his mother knowing nothing of it; but they were supposing him to be in the company, and went a days' journey before they really missed him.

They went to looking among the company and found him not, so they returned to Jerusalem. When they found him, he was in the temple sitting among the doctors and both hearing and asking questions. All that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers and when his parents saw him they were amazed. His mother said unto him, "Son why hast thou thus dealt with us, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing?" And he answered her saying,

"Didst thou not know, that I must be about my Father's business;" and they understood not the answer he gave unto them.

"He went down and came to Nazareth and was subject unto them; but his mother kept all this down in her own heart."

"Jesus increased in wisdom, and stature, and in his favor unto God and man."



CHURCHES

Christian Endeavor Society

Organized
A Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor has been organized at the First Christian church. Meetings are held on Sunday evening at 6:15 o'clock.

December 20th, 1920

Group 1
Sunbeam Program, Sunday

Subject—"The True Christmas Spirit"

Opening song—"Luther's Cradle Hymn"

Scripture reading—Math. 2:1-7—Wilma Bailey.

Prayer—"Why we Celebrate Christmas"—Vivian Sewell.

"The Right Kind of Giving"—Imogene Brooks.

"The Spirit of Giving", quotations from Vision of Sir Launfal"—Wm.

Smith.

Story "Nellie's Gift"—Opa Johnson.

Song, "Silent Night"—All Sunbeams.

Piano solo—Harriet Vanderpool.

Memory Verse, Math. 7:12—Gladys.

Memory verse, Jas. 1:17—Gladys E.

Reading—Elizabeth Matthews.

Talk—Mrs. Boyd.

Doxology.

The Lord's Prayer.

Benediction.

here with her mother.

Epworth League Program

Christian Lesson. (Scripture reading by League.)

Prophecy of the Coming of Christ. Isaiah 9:3-7.

Birthplace of Christ—Micah 5:2.

The Night—Isiah 8:22; 9:2.

Song—"Silent Night"—By Five Small Girls.

The Virgin Mother.—Luke 1:46-55.

The Shepherds.—Luke 2:8-12.

The Glory Song.

Psalms 19:1-6.

Hymn 111.

The Angels Song.—Luke 2:13-19.

The Wise Men.—Matt. 2:1-11.

The Good News.—John 3:13-21.

The Appeal to Our Hearts.—Luke 2:1-7.

Hymn 125.

A Christmas Story.—Mrs. J. W. Bales.

Leader—Mrs. Jessie Prosser.

Rev. J. W. Hembree of Abernathy was here Tuesday.

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Heavy snows fell over Western Kansas the fore part of the week. Guy T. Smith of the skating rink has returned from a trip to Poncha.

SOCIETY

Miss Sloneker to Marry Delmar Perkins Sunday

Miss Ardelia Sloneker and Mr. Delmar Perkins will be married at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Sloneker, Sunday. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Perkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Phelps Entertain Commissioners

Mr. and Mrs. G. Marshall Phelps entertained the members of the commissioners' court with a luncheon at noon Friday.

Those present were Commissioners E. B. Shankle of Petersburg, J. H. Hooker of Hale Center, H. R. Tarwater of Runningwater, G. M. Phelps of Plainview, County Judge L. D. Griffin and County Clerk Jo. W. Wayland.

Y. W. A. Sends Box to Buckner Orphans' Home

The Young Woman's Auxiliary of the Baptist church has just prepared and sent a box of clothing, goodies, toys and other things to Buckner-orphans' home.

Friday afternoon the auxiliary met with Mrs. C. A. Pierce and packed the box. Offerings were also brought. There was a social hour, at which chicken salad and tea was served.

Indoor Picnic Crowd Entertained

Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Phelps entertained the indoor picnic crowd at their home on West 9th Street, honoring Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Young of Nebraska and Mrs. E. G. Sherman of Oklahoma.

The supper was served cafeteria style from the dining table. There was music also a series of games.

Miss Hope Beebe and Frank Blockson Will Marry Wednesday

Miss Hope Beebe will become the bride of Frank Blockson Wednesday. They were high school students in the same class.

She has been teaching in Lamar school this year and Monday evening the teachers of the school gave a shower for her at the home of Misses Evelyn and Lora Lane.

At the Methodist Sunday school Sunday morning, the teacher of the young women's class, Miss Lula Blair Neal, gave a social for Miss Beebe and two other members of the class who marry during the holidays, Miss Julia Clark and Miss Ardelia Sloneker.

Mr. Dan M. Cook Honored

Mrs. E. H. Humphreys and daughter, Mrs. C. D. Powell, entertained Wednesday afternoon honoring Mrs. Dan M. Cook, formerly Miss Katherine Joiner, of Mt. Pleasant, who is here visiting her parents.

The N. B. B. O. Club Meets With Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Cobb

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the N. B. B. O. club was held Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Cobb at their apartment in the Hotel Ware.

The decorations favored the Christmas season in color and arrangements. Five tables were placed for the games of five hundred in which Mrs. G. C. Keck and Mrs. S. C. Ross won high score for the ladies and J. H. Hollans for the gentlemen.

Ribbon sandwiches, olives and fruit cake were served by the hostess. The next meeting will be with Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Guest, Monday, January 3.

New Books at Library

"Five Little Peppers and Their Friends," Margaret Sidney; "Cape Cod, Old and New," Agnes Edwards; "I've Married Marjory," Margaret Wildermen; "Mary Wallaston, Webster; "Children of the Mist," George Maddes Martin; "Cloudy Jewel," Hill; "Poor Man's Rock," Sinclair; "The Mystery of the Sea Lark," Barbour; "Life," Bojer.

Everyone who has a suggestion to make regarding new books will confer a favor upon the library board by dropping same in a box kept for the purpose on the table in the library.

Browsing Club Announcement

The Browsing club will meet the second and fourth Saturdays in January.

Tariff Legislation Seems Doomed

Washington, Dec. 21.—Emergency tariff legislation at this session of Congress seemed doomed today unless Republican leaders of the House and Senate can discover a way out of the tangle into which the decision to pass an embargo tariff bill as a relief measure for farmers had led them. The bill will come to debate Wednesday, assailed by producers and manufacturers whom it does not protect, facing opposition from both Republicans and Democrats in the House and Senate, and also certain veto by President Wilson if it should pass.

Congressional opponents of the bill declare it would leave farmers and manufacturers free to charge as much as they could get because there would be no foreign competition in their commodities.

The bill has also created a great clamor among manufacturers whose goods are not included.

The disposition of Senate members is to reduce rather than increase the number of items in the bill, and there is not the slightest probability that, if it passes, it will include a third of

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News wishes you a Merry Christmas

Last Night's Dreams —What They Mean

DID YOU DREAM OF HAM OR BACON?

OF ALL the "high-brow" modern investigators of dream phenomena Frederick Greenwood is the most daringly inclined toward the school of the mystics. While by no means accepting the arbitrary interpretation of dreams as set forth by the empirics he says, writing in one of the ponderous and learned English Reviews: "So far as we know neither the free imagination of childhood nor the absolute unfettered faculty of madness is ever productive of a dream of the things called supernatural for want of a word more expressive. These are the most remarkable phenomena of sleep and it appears that prophetic dreams which seem to import something of the supernatural only arise and do not appear until the mental qualities are of full growth. Dreams which have all the character of revelation and prophecy do undoubtedly occur."

He propounds as a new theory the possibility "that these dreams occur when all the mental faculties are lifted to a higher range of freedom and at the same time maintain their accustomed harmony similar to the rapt condition of men of genius engaged in their best work." There is such a thing as a dream intuition, he believes.

Most of his fellow scientists scout this theory, though the eminent Dr. Corliat contents himself with being "very skeptical" and asking to "be shown." The real mystic, however, does not require any lifting of the mental faculties harmoniously to a higher plane. For him something prophetic lurks even in dreams of ham and bacon. All agree that to dream of ham is an excellent sign. It means financial success for you and much happiness ahead. The more you see in your dreams the greater will be your success. But bacon, however, while bacon is so nearly of the nature of ham, yet many, if not most, of the oracles look upon it as an unfavorable omen; though one or two see in it a prophecy of financial gain. This disputed point is respectfully referred to the packer combination.

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Mother's Cook Book

"This world which clouds thy soul with doubt
Is but a carpet inside out,
It's when we view these shreds and ends,
We know not what the whole intends;
So when on earth things look but odd,
They're working out some scheme of God.
What now seem random strokes, will there
In order and design appear.
Then shall we praise what here we
Spurned;
For then the carpet shall be turned."

FOOD FOR THE FAMILY TABLE.

Those who enjoy doughnuts will like to try this recipe:

Cocoa Doughnuts.
Beat thoroughly two eggs and two-thirds of a cupful of sugar; add two tablespoonfuls of melted butter and one cupful of milk. Sift together twice three cupfuls of flour, three teaspoonfuls of baking powder, two tablespoonfuls of cocoa, one-fourth of teaspoonful of salt, one teaspoonful of cinnamon and add to the liquid mixture. Then add flour to roll out. Cut in strips and twist slightly; fry in hot fat. When cold roll in powdered sugar.

Spiced Cranberries.
Take two quarts of cranberries, two-thirds of a pint of vinegar, two-thirds of a cupful of water, six cupfuls of sugar, two tablespoonfuls of ground cinnamon, one tablespoonful of ground cloves, one tablespoonful of allspice. Combine the ingredients and cook 45 minutes. Put up as usual in glasses.

Baked Corn With Clams.
Take one can of minced clams, one cupful of canned corn, one cupful of milk, one egg well beaten, one cupful of dry bread crumbs, a bit of onion juice, salt and pepper to season; mix well and put into a baking dish. Place bits of butter, using two tablespoonfuls over the top, and bake one-half hour.

Molasses Candy.
Take two cupfuls of the best New Orleans molasses, one cupful of butter and one cupful of granulated sugar. Mix and boil until it hardens in cold water. Turn out on buttered plates, and when cool enough pull until light. Cut in pieces with shears.

Neenie Maxwell
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MILITANT MARY
I mentioned candy many times—and did he take my HINTS? O yes! Tee-hee! Ha! Ha! Ho! Ho! HE BROUGHT ME SODA MINTS!

OBJECT LESSON ON TRAFFIC
Accident Added Weight to New York Traffic Policemen's Order to Pedestrians.

On a road on Long Island there is a dangerous spot where five main roads come together. It is said that more than 100,000 automobiles pass there on Sunday. A stocky-built little policeman, known to nearly all New York motorists, stands there all day long regulating traffic. His arms are continually going like semaphores, but he always manages to say something pleasant—or caustic—to passers-by. This little policeman is very proud of his responsibility, and is imperious of gesture.

At a busy moment on a Sunday afternoon not long ago a pedestrian started to cross the road among the turning cars. Out of the corner of his eye the little policeman had just noted the approach of a woman driving a flivver.

"Stand back there!" he called to the pedestrian. "Don't you dare to step off that curb!" This with an imperious wave of his white-gloved hand. "Stop!" he again ordered as the man started again. "There's a woman driving a car—never can tell what they'll do!"

At that very moment, while the policeman's back was turned, the woman driver became confused, and with a dull plunk her car hit the officer squarely in the back, knocking him down and skinning his arms and face. Luckily, he was not run over. His dignity, though, was terribly upset. Painfully rising, he brushed himself off, but said not a word to the woman.

"Now," he called out, shaking his fist at the pedestrian on the sidewalk, "now, I reckon you'll stand back when I tell you!"—Saturday Evening Post.

PROFIT GOES TO UNCLE SAM
All Paper Money That Goes From the Treasury and Fails to Return Is "Velvet."

If you fall into the river and drown and your remains take their place permanently in Davy Jones' locker, who is to the good to the extent of the modest roll in your vest pocket?

The answer to one and all of these questions is, Uncle Sam. Every piece of paper money that goes out from the treasury and fails to return, profits the government to the extent of its face value. If it is a gold or silver certificate the metal which was placed in the treasury for its redemption is never called forth.

If it is a federal reserve note or a national bank note, the securities that have been deposited as a guarantee at the time of its issue, or their equivalent, remain in the treasury. So is there solace to the patriot who so loses his wallet that if it is not found by another its contents are applied to the expenses of the government.

Record Horseback Rides.
There is a reliable account given of an Englishman, Squire Osboldstone, having ridden, in 1831, 200 miles in ten hours. In doing this, however, he rode 16 horses and changed every four miles. A wonderful test of endurance and pluck was the case of Capt. Charles Townley, another English cavalryman, who, in 1849, rode with dispatches from Belgrade to Constantinople, 820 miles. He remained in the saddle five days and 11 hours without rest, except on one occasion in changing to fresh horses. Twice the horse he rode dropped under him from exhaustion. It was a historic ride, for upon the event of his arriving in Constantinople ahead of all other couriers brought the decision of the war, which by his accomplishing the feat was averted.

Land of Fire and Ice.
Geological map of Iceland by Dr. Thoroddsen, who has spent many years on the work, gives much information about one of the world's most wonderful islands which few visitors ever see.

An example of the strangeness of Iceland is furnished by the volcano Katla. This is buried under immense snow fields, but from time to time its fires burst through the glittering blanket, and then such floods are poured from the melting ice that a great stretch of country between the volcano and the sea is inundated and huge masses of ice are carried out into the ocean.

It is unsafe to cross the territory lying between Katla and the sea, as suddenly come the floods.

NAME FEW WOULD RECOGNIZE

But It Was Miguel Saavedra Who Gave the Immortal "Don Quixote" to the World.

That Miguel Saavedra wrote the immortal "Don Quixote" is not known by many. Ask the man on the street and he will tell you Cervantes was the author. This is for the reason that his full name, Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra, is not popularly known.

He was born on October 9, 1547, and the age which gave Shakespeare to England gave Cervantes to Spain. In 1599 he made an ineffectual application to the king for an appointment in America, "a shelter for the poor and a refuge for the unfortunate." From Seville he moved to Valladolid, and there as a debtor or a defaulter, and that while in prison he commenced writing "Don Quixote," the second part of which did not appear until 1615. Three weeks before his death he formally entered the Franciscan order and was buried in the convent of the nuns of Trinity, Madrid.

There are two events in the history of Cervantes that are most remarkable: The first that, nominally though not actually, he died on the same day as Shakespeare—April 23, 1616—the difference in computing the calendar causing the apparent similarity.

The second point of importance coupled with wonder is that no monument was raised to his memory till 1835, when a statue of heroic proportions was cast in Rome and set up in Madrid.—Chicago Journal.

NUMEROUS PHASES OF LIFE

Existence May Be Likened, with Considerable Truth, to Any One of Many Things.

Life, says the Ladies' Home Journal, is very much like a savings account in the bank. You get out all you put into it, and considerable interest besides.

A winding country road. At every turn you are given to the journey by the fact that something new and interesting will be revealed at every turn of the road.

The new spring bonnet. A great deal of its charm depends on the kind of a face that peeps out beneath it.

An old-fashioned quilt. Requires both light and dark patches to carry out the design successfully.

Your wife. You find it very trying at times, but all things considered, you would not want to do without it.

An education. In order to make it really worth while one must share it with others.

A garment. It has its seamy side, but it is not policy to wear it inside out.

RABBIT PELTS IN DEMAND

Country Boys Have Opportunity to Make Some Money During the Coming Winter Months.

In recent years several kinds of fur, formerly of so little value as to offer no inducement to the trapper, have increased in price, and consequently collecting them has become more profitable.

Rabbit pelts, which are extensively used by hat makers, are among the most valuable. Formerly rabbit skins were of virtually no value; country boys who eagerly sought the lair of the skunk and the raccoon and who were even able to sell squirrel skins, thought so little of the rabbit and made so little effort to dispose of the skins that they were seldom used except to form a pad on which they "knuckled down" in the marble game.

Now, however, rabbit skins are worth something, and the country boy who will devote this winter to saving and marketing the skins of the rabbits he kills should make a comfortable sum of money.

One big eastern firm has announced that it will need 10,000,000 rabbit skins. The skins are usually sold by the pound, which will contain seven or eight skins.

COMFORT IN AIRPLANE CABIN

Great Contrast in Flights in Inclosed and Open Machines; as Described by Passenger.

I recently had the opportunity of making two airplane flights in the same day, the first in one of the completely inclosed transport machines, the second in a fighting machine which was developed in America during the last few months of the war and which has a speed of about 135 miles an hour. The two flights were made by the air against an exposed surface is about three times as great at this speed as it is at 80 miles an hour.

During the first of these two trips the only complaint that could have been raised against conditions in the pilot's compartment would have been that it was rather close and we finally had to open a window in the side of the body to secure a little ventilation. One of the occupants of the cabin was wearing a soft felt hat, and not the slightest rustle of air disturbed the brim.

In the second flight, on the other hand, it was only with difficulty that I could lift my head far enough out of the gunner's cockpit to look over the side at the ground. The instant my head was raised above the top line of the airplane body, so that the wind got a chance at it, my hair threatened to be torn out by the roots.—Edward P. Warner in Yale Review.

EMACIATED BRIDE A THING OF BEAUTY.

A period of religious instruction is required by Javanese marriage customs for both bride and groom before the marriage ceremony takes place. The young man starts instruction by paying daily visits to the priest of the village, and learning all the complicated phrases which he will have to utter on the day of his wedding. The pupil is placed in a tank of cold water and stays there submerged up to his chin while the priest stands over him and reads the Koran, the performance taking place in front of the church. The girl begins her preparations for the great day by several weeks of semi-starvation, during which time she takes only vegetable food and hot water to sustain life. Because of this hunger strike, enforced by custom, she loses considerable weight, an emaciated little being considered a thing of beauty on the island of Java.

Trees Growing in a Church.

In the right transept of the parish church of Riss, Herefordshire, England, are two sturdy young elms, which rise from the ground at the base of the wall. The story goes that they spring from the grave of the "Man of Riss," a local celebrity of the eighteenth century, who did much to beautify the town and neighborhood with trees and shrubs. The appearance of trees on his grave was regarded as so appropriate that they were allowed to grow. It is more likely, however, that they were shoots from an elm root outside, which found their way in by an interstice in the masonry.

The trees flourished for many years in their unusual situation, until some building alterations interfered with them. At present they are leafless, though one is said to be showing new signs of life.

CHORUS GIRL WORKED AS HOUSEMAID.

A Parisian housekeeper who had long been without a servant succeeded the other day in engaging one who seemed very promising indeed. She entered upon her duties in the morning, and worked to her mistress' complete satisfaction. An early dinner was cooked and served excellently, but at 8:30 the new maid appeared in the drawing room with her hat on, and explained that she had to go out, as she was in the chorus at a music hall and was sure to be fined if she arrived late. Apparently she was quite prepared to continue her two jobs without regarding them as incongruous. Owing to a lack of modernity in the mistress' ideas, this interesting experiment was not continued.—From the Continental Edition of the London Mail.

CURES WROUGHT BY "SLEEP-BATHS."

Among the many wonderful cures which the war has produced is the "sleep-bath."

It is to be had on the thousand-acre estate at Enham, Hampshire, where many of the disabled men are being treated. Practically every kind of bath is available there, but the big "sedative bath" has worked the most miracles.

The patients lie in hammocks, while water flows over them. The hammocks are immersed, and the water is kept about the temperature of the body. The gentle flowing motion has a most soothing effect upon the nerves.

Provided the man has not been pronounced incurable, any disabled ex-soldier may apply for treatment through his local pension committee.

HUMAN FLY SAYS IT'S SAFE.

Polley, the human fly, who climbed the 37 stories of the Woolworth building in New York, says climbing tall buildings is just a trick of balance. It took him nine years to acquire it, but now that he has it he believes his way of making a living is as safe as any other. He recently told a reporter for Capper's Weekly he had never fallen, except on one occasion when a "fly" above him fell and knocked Polley to the ground. Polley doesn't smoke, drink or indulge in any habits that might injure his health. He declares he takes no foolish chances and that he never becomes dizzy.

JAPAN'S SHIPBUILDING FUTURE.

Japan will take the greatest place in ship construction of the future," says Lord Pirrie, world-famed shipbuilder; "her labor is cheap, she can obtain plenty of steel and her coal reserves are almost inexhaustible."

LONG LACE-MAKING CENTER

Since 1665 Ypres Has Been Celebrated for the Excellence of Its Manufactures.

It was in 1665 that the manufacture of lace, now known as Valenciennes, was begun at Ypres, and with other cities and towns and hamlets in Flanders the clack of the bobbins and the chatter of the lacemakers may once more be heard. Many a little village is re-establishing its industry and is finding as ready a market as it did before the war. Flemish laces have always been favorites in England from the time when Henry VIII in 1546 made a present of "kerchiefs fringed with Flemish work" to "his verrie deare wife," Catherine Parr. Lace making was part of the education of women in the Low Countries in the latter part of the fifteenth century, and Charles V ordered it to be taught in the schools, but in 1630 it was not only a flourishing industry in Belgium but, with the approval of Louis XIV, a Manufacture Royal. The Denteilles was founded, and lacemakers from Flanders were brought to France, as Flemish lace was even more sought after than Italian lace. It was at this time that some of the most famous "points" first appeared and were developed. The "point de Bruxelles," which is made with the needle, and "Blinche" lace, the queen of all pillow laces, as well as "point d'Angleterre," in which pillow and needlework are mingled, all enhanced the reputation of the Flemish designers.

BRET HARTE SLAPPED HIM.

The man who knew Bret Harte was discovered in the lobby the other morning.

"I was a devil in the shop where the Overland Monthly was printed," he began, after being identified as James H. Barry, editor of the Star, San Francisco's only Democratic paper. "Bret Harte was employed in the mint. He sent over the manuscript of 'The Luck of Roaring Camp,' and they finally decided to print it despite the objection of a sensitive lady proofreader. Somehow the proofs had to be pulled in a hurry, and the only ink available at the moment was blue. I carried the blue proofs over to Harte. He said: 'What the hell is this blue ink for? I can't read it. Haven't they got any black?'"

"I was too scared to make any explanation and I got the usual reprimand administered to printers' devils in those days. Harte reached over and slapped my face. I always hated him after that."—Sun and New York Herald.

RODE HORSEBACK 5,000 MILES.

The record for the longest individual ride of which an authentic account has been given is held by Lieut. Penckhof of the Russian cavalry. In 1882 he rode from his station in distant Siberia, a place with an unpronounceable name, to St. Petersburg, a distance of over 5,000 miles, in 193 days. This was more of an endurance than a speed test. Riding an ordinary pony of Siberian breed, carrying no baggage or provisions, he averaged thirty-seven miles a day and often made more than fifty-six miles a day. He rested at night. He used the same horse throughout the trip. Starting every morning at 7, he generally made but one stop for rest during the day, simply loosening the girth of his saddle while resting, but retired every night at 9. As he approached St. Petersburg after his long ride a life guard regiment with two bands met him and escorted him into the city, where he was received by the czar and knighted for his achievement.

RAIL-CREEP ON RAILROAD BRIDGES.

The chief engineer of the Madras railway has something to say regarding rail-creeper on railway bridges in India. In a recent issue of Indian Engineering. In the case of the Godaveri bridge, where the creep amounted to as much as three to four feet a year, a special cast-iron sleeper was designed to suit the 75-pound flat-footed rail, with a jaw large enough to receive a lock-fast steel key. This reduced the creep to insignificance, and generally the author is confirmed in the conclusion reached by him in 1887 that "creep" can only be remedied by effective anchorage.—Scientific American.

FIND A 12-POUND NUGGET.

A nugget of almost pure gold, weighing 12 pounds, was recently discovered near the Charters Tower mine in Queensland, Australia. For years the Towers of Queensland, which up to the seventies was a desolate tract, too poor and seedy for sheep, had boasted a premier position among Australian gold fields. Levels are worked at a depth of nearly half a mile. This particular find is worth \$4,000. A 12-pound nugget is no record; but in most nuggets all is not gold that glitters; a 12-pounder of "almost pure gold" is rare. The world's record nugget came from Ballarat in 1858—2,217 ounces, worth \$5,000.

TRIUMPH OWED TO SPIDERS.

In the early winter of 1794 General Pichegru became convinced of the futility of his campaign against Holland, which the Dutch burghers had flooded. He was about to retire when he received a message from his adjutant general, Jutremere d'Assonval, a famous naturalist, who was a prisoner of the Netherlands at Utrecht. Informing him that the spiders had predicted a severe frost within ten days, Pichegru waited; the frost came and turned the floods to ice; the French army marched across it and captured Amsterdam. The soldier who had made friends with the spiders in his cell at Utrecht and had interpreted their behavior was rescued and borne back to Paris in triumph.

SAFETY AND SANITY.

"We had a safe and sane Fourth of July, didn't we?" inquired the aggressive person.

"I dunno," answered the diffident man. "After listening to some of the unsafe and insane oratory I heard, I would have been willing to compromise an ordinary fireworks."

CALCULATION.

"Don't worry about the police finding out about this prize fight. I've pulled off nine without their getting a clue."

"Yes, but you must remember ten mills make one cent."

ENTITLED TO HIS PENSION

Intelligent Dog Well Earned the Gratitudo of His Master—Action Saved Child's Life.

Teddy, age twenty-two, is, his owner declares, the oldest dog in Ohio. He is now resting on his laurels, for he recently saved the life of one of the children of his master, Onias O. Swander, a farmer, near Toledo, Ohio.

It has been Teddy's duty and joy to accompany the Swander children to school, a mile distant, and bring them home again, daily. He has never been late on the job. On the way home from school recently, one of the little Swanders became ill suddenly and fell by the roadside. Teddy immediately started at his fastest pace for home and made such a fuss that members of the family accompanied him back along the road.

They found the child, unconscious, and extremely cold. He was hurried home and restored to health. The Swanders believe that Teddy's prompt action saved the child's life.

Mr. Swander immediately bought a dog license for his faithful dog. "I'll have no dog catcher chasing him. If anything should happen to that dog, my family would grieve as much as if he were one of them," declared Mr. Swander.

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SAFETY AND SANITY.

"We had a safe and sane Fourth of July, didn't we?" inquired the aggressive person.

"I dunno," answered the diffident man. "After listening to some of the unsafe and insane oratory I heard, I would have been willing to compromise an ordinary fireworks."

CALCULATION.

"Don't worry about the police finding out about this prize fight. I've pulled off nine without their getting a clue."

"Yes, but you must remember ten mills make one cent."

THE SCRAP BOOK

EXAMPLE OF SOFT ANSWER

But Not Exactly That Which We Have Always Been Told "Turns Away Wrath."

Frishey is one of the polliest men you ever met, according to his friends.

One day he was cycling along a broad road, when he espied ahead a lady, also cycling, who was wide of figure and uncertain as to steering.

Fearing an accident he rang his bell. The lady promptly wobbled frantically and eventually dismounted, with more speed than grace.

Frishey hurried to her assistance, to be met with a spiteful remark: "Do you want all the road?"

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USE OF CHRISTMAS STOCKING

Good St. Nicholas, Saint of Fourth Century of Christian Era, Founder of Custom.

CHRISTMAS stockings have come down to us from the good St. Nicholas, who was a saint of the fourth century of the Christian era and was born December 6, 342, in Lycia, Asia Minor. He was regarded as especially the patron saint of children, young girls and sailors. The Christmas stocking custom arose as follows:

It seems that St. Nicholas, who was the archbishop of Myra, lived in the same town with an impoverished nobleman who because he had no portions to give his daughters, and indeed no means with which to support them, was about to sell them into a life of sin. St. Nicholas, who was accustomed to dispense his large fortune in gifts of charity, resolved to rescue the young women. As he approached their house wondering how he should proceed, the moon shone out and displayed an open window. Instantly St. Nicholas threw a purse of gold to the window which, falling at the feet of the father of the girls, enabled him to portion his oldest daughter. The second time St. Nicholas visited the house he also was able to throw a purse of gold through an open window, thus providing for the portion of the second daughter. On the third visit the father, watching for his benefactor, cast himself at the feet of the saint and cried:

"Oh, St. Nicholas, servant of God, why seek to hide thyself?"

The saint made the father promise not to reveal his benefactions. From this habit of bestowing gifts in secret and under the cloak of night arose the practice of putting out shoes or stockings for the younger members of the family so that the good saint would be able to fill them without being spied on. At one time it was the custom for young women pupils in convents on the eve of Saint Nicholas to hang their new silk stockings on the door of the apartment in which they lived, and some notes calling the attention of the good St. Nicholas to their stockings. In the morning when the convent pupils who had not gone home for the holidays arose they invariably found their stockings filled with sweetmeats.

BE SURE GIFTS WILL PLEASE

In Making Same Articles for Friends It Is Well to Be Sure of Appreciation.

WOMAN tells in recently published magazines how she has a "pillow Christmas" for the benefit of her many friends. She counted the piece bag, and from it drew forth the materials for making any quantity of dainty sofa pillows, all destined for different friends. The cost of the materials was chiefly that spent for silk cords, for embroidery silk and for filling for the completed pillows. Nearly all the pillows were made by combining figures cut from contrasting materials on a chosen background, and the result was completed. The very same idea might also be carried into effect by the girl who loves to make dainty stocks. There never was a time when the prevailing styles of dress such a dainty array of collars, and a box of assorted colors and kinds would be welcomed by any girl friend. There might be found in the piece bag all sorts of bits of silk and ribbon which could be fashioned into the daintiest of dressy stocks, as well as bits of lawn and percale which would do nicely for stocks for every day wear with cotton shirt waists.

The gift of a box of stocks might be made valuable if the box itself was a thing of beauty, and this could be brought to pass by the girl who is expert with her needle. Giving the same sort of gift to a large number of people is perfectly proper if the gift is one which is calculated to please everybody. We've heard the story of a nice old lady who always made pin-cushions for all her nieces and mittens for all her nephews every year. It was said that her plan gave great pleasure to one person, the aunt. It's a good idea to be sure your gifts will be appreciated before you go into the wholesale manufacture of one style of article for many people.



OH BOY
"I shall hope to catch you under the mistletoe Christmas eve."
"If you do, I warn you now, I'll be too busy to see you."

Christmas Animals.
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They make good chewing.
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VAGUE ABOUT "RED" LEADERS

But Young Bolshevik Soldier Has Heard of Trotsky, and Inclination of Lenin.

I have just had a talk with a Bolshevik soldier, captured by the Poles when he was participating in a bold scouting enterprise. He is a young man twenty-one years old, coming from one of the interior departments of Russia. He is illiterate and a confirmed Bolshevik.

Discipline, he said, was very good in the Bolshevik army; still they did not obey orders because they were orders, but "as a matter of conscience." The military forms of address had been abolished and even the officers were spoken to as comrades. Naturally the soldiers stand at attention before their officers; but that was because every soldier in the army follows the bidding of his conscience and "it would be foolish" not to stand at attention before one's commander.

He had never seen a general or any of the higher officers, but he knew the commander in chief was called Trotsky, and that there was another head man. He pondered a moment trying to recall who the second one was, and then suddenly remembered, "Lenine." He knew nothing more about him, and did not know the names of any other commander.

He kept saying "Everyone on our side is a Bolshevik," and seemed to be impressed with the great power and authority of the Bolsheviks. When asked who Trotsky was he replied, "A very popular Jew." "The Jews are much liked in the army. They never allow themselves to be captured. They hate the Poles so, and the Poles hate them so—and invariably murder them—that they prefer suicide to being made prisoners."—From the Vossische Zeitung (Berlin).

HAS AN IDEA SON WAS RIGHT

Circumstances Brought Wife of United States Senator to Acquiescence in Youth's Philosophy.

Senator Miles Polindexter, from the state of Washington, used to live on a ranch.

One hot day he was in the garden, weeding onions, when Mrs. Polindexter came across her eleven-year-old son Gale comfortably ensconced on the front porch enjoying the cool shade and a good book.

"Why, Gale?" she cried, "aren't you ashamed of yourself to sit here and read while your poor father is out there working in all that heat? Go and help him this minute!"

"Aw, mother," protested Gale, "I can't be bothered with weeding onions. Besides, I've got an engagement to go swimming at 11 o'clock."

About an hour later Mrs. Polindexter heard a low whistle from the onion patch, and before she could take in its significance father and son had disappeared down the hill in the direction of the swimming hole.

In telling the story Mrs. Polindexter said: "I don't know but what Gale's philosophy was the best. Today as a young naval officer he is sailing the high seas; while his father—well, his father is still weeding onions!"

Valuable Counterfeit.

A strange counterfeit turned up at a Washington bank recently—queer because it was a bogus \$5 gold coin and worth about eight times as much as the genuine because it is made of platinum.

The spurious coin was made about fifty years ago and bears the date of 1860. Musty archives of the secret service contain a record of the species and the case is marked "closed." The coins were made in Maine and came to the notice of the Treasury department when the seton of a wealthy family took a quantity of them from a safety deposit box containing heirlooms and put them in circulation. All known specimens were confiscated by the secret service and it was not known until now that others were still in circulation.

Great Baby Shrinkage.

Doctor Johnson's datum that "births at all times bear the same proportion to the same number of people" looks rather like a wide shot in the presence of a row of figures just published by the Cambridge University Press. These figures occur in the report of a paper read by Mr. G. Udny Yule, M. A., at the university, and they show that in England and Wales the annual birth rate per thousand has been falling in the last 40 years. In the light of this comparison the present baby boom in London leaves us still far behind our grandfathers in the art of stretching the population. In the world competition for posterity Serbia stands first and Australia last, with England last but one.—Montreal Herald.

The Average Hair Crop.

The Bible tells us that the hairs of our head are numbered, but it does not tell us even the approximate number to a square inch.

But some one has figured this out for us. He counted the hairs in a square inch on many heads.

On the average head there are a thousand hairs to each square inch. Find out the number of square inches in your scalp and you will soon know the approximate number of hairs on it.

We are also told that four hairs will suspend a one-pound weight. Therefore an average head of hair should be able to support the combined weight of two hundred people. Don't try it.—Popular Science Monthly.

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WHEN CHRISTMAS WAS YOUNG

To Understand Mysteries of the Yuletide, It Is Necessary to Search Ancient History.

IN the midst of the rush and excitement of Christmas preparations certain questions will flash across the mind, and we find ourselves wondering why it is that we do the very same things Christmas after Christmas. Why do we hang stockings, light Christmas trees, trim our homes and have plum pudding?

To understand the origin of these customs we must wander far back into the forgotten past—ages before Julius Caesar set foot on British soil, or St. Augustine told the story of the Cross to the men of Kent. Hundreds of years ago—long before the year 1—the ancients, as we call the people of these times, all worshiped the sun, the great giver of light and life. In the month of March they built big fires to thank him to shine upon the world. They had painted and warm themselves by the fire. In the autumn they held another festival, thanking the sun for the harvest, and again, in the winter time, they held the greatest festival of all to celebrate the coming of the springtime.

In ancient Egypt, in Assyria, in Greece, on Roman soil and in the northlands these festivals were celebrated year after year and always about the same time, the winter one being held about New Year's time.

Wherever the Roman eagle was found, this feast was called the Saturnalia and it was marked by universal license and good feeling.

All at once Christianity appeared upon the scene. As the policy of the early church was to reconcile heathen converts to the new faith by adopting some of the heathen customs and festivals, the new religion accepted and retained many, and the result, as is easily seen, has been the strange medley of pagan and Christian rites which we use at Christmas time today.

After Britain was Christianized by the Romans, the Saxons and northern tribes came, bringing their old northern rites, and as Christianity at last replaced paganism the Christians kept the old pagan rites, merely changing their meaning.

For many years no two lands celebrated the same day as the birthday of Christ. They did not know the exact day, and we do not know it; but this date has now become the most important one in the world's history.

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Rev. J. W. Hembree of Abernathy Heavy snows fell here Tuesday. Causes the fore part of the week.

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LOST—Very small gold watch, Elgin movement, on streets of Plainview, Monday, August 2. Finder bring to News office and get reward.

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You can save money on your Christmas purchases by buying at Frank's Necessity Store. Ten per cent discount on all purchases of \$1 or more during December. Christmas gifts for every member of the family.

FOR SALE—Four good Jersey cows. Closing out; other business.—Z. T. Northcutt.

FOR SALE—Farm machinery and wagons. A few horses to let out for feed.—D. F. Sansom & Son. 60-1f

FOR SALE—160 acres un-improved land, 8 miles from Olton, \$22.50 per acre, terms.—R. A. Underwood. 41-1f

Go to Plainview Feed Co. for meal and cake. Car just unloaded, Phone 425.

FOR LEASE—Two sections with good improvements, about 400 acres in cultivation. Want reliable farmer who is able to handle proposition and prepare most of the land for spring wheat. Possession can be had any day. For further particulars, see or address Otus Reeve Realty Co., Plainview, Texas, Phone 177 or 273. 55-1f.

42 head of nice Jersey heifers for sale. Will freshen between now and March.—Cline & Ferguson, Hale Center. 50

Scoggin & McCoy, real estate agents, upstairs over Third National Bank. Have a good list of lands for sale or exchange. List your lands with them.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Section of land in Lamb county, consider cattle, small tract land, residence in Plainview, stock dry goods or anything of value.—Box 337, Seymour, Texas. 55-1f.

Santa Claus has designated Frank's Necessity Store as his headquarters. You will find presents there for every member of the family. Ten per cent discount on all purchases of more than \$1 during December.

If there is anything you want done see us, we are on the **JOB WAGON**. Listen for our bell. 64-4-p

HOMES OUTSIDE OF CITY LIMITS—where you can have chickens, hogs, milk cows, etc., and yet be within one mile of court house. Just across street from city limits on south. We now offer for sale twelve 5 acre blocks. See Reuben M. Eller, owner, in new Eller Bldg., or write care of Box 6, Plainview, Texas. 64-4f-c.

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FOR SALE—Acetylene light generator and fixtures, one 5-inch well cylinder, lot of irons, bolts, elbows and mixed nails, milk bottles, fruit pans, oil top desk and chairs, leather chairs, China cabinet and dishes, Madalio clock, good piano, victrola and 100 records, 500 - 600 books.—Phone 535.

ROOM FOR RENT, with board, man and Mrs. Now Wheeler.

HOME FOR RENT—5-room bungalow, good barn, garage and other out buildings, 5 acres of land about 3 acres in alfalfa, good orchard and vineyard, well located. See Reuben M. Eller, Plainview, Texas.

LOST—Hand bag, black plush, contained pocket book with little silver watch in it, between Nazarene church and J. W. Alexander place.—W. L. Hogue.

Santa Claus wants you to go to Frank's Necessity Store and see the many Christmas gifts on display. He says he will make his headquarters at the store, as a discount of ten per cent is being given on all purchases of \$1 or more during December.

FOR SALE—4 lots, fenced and cross fenced, good house, barn, granary, chicken house, windmill and orchard. \$1500. Also 10 head Jersey cows and calves worth the money. P. M. Bowen, 601 El Paso St. 4t

FOR SALE OR TRADE—A good young work horse—H. P. Speed. 59-1f-c

FOR SALE—No. 1 good milk cow.—C. G. Howard. 2t

WANTED—Green and dry hides at L. D. Rucker Produce Co.

REAL ESTATE—Scoggin & McCoy, upstairs in Third National Bank building. See them if you want to buy or sell.

FOR SALE OF TRADE—1920 Reo truck, good tires, in good shape mechanically, will give terms to responsible party. See Jack Leslie, South Plains Monument Co.

FOR SALE—Used furniture, Fumed Oak dining room suite, good as new, 1 odd Oak buffet and leather couch.—Mrs. Elmer Sansom. 60-1f

Home-made Christmas gifts now on display at City Bakery.—Mrs. T. J. Stillwell. 61-4t

FOR SALE or trade—Secondhand Threshing machinery. Tine Allen & Son, Keller, Texas. 62-6t.

FOR SALE—Some fine Rhode Island Red roosters. Phone 9004-5r, or see Mrs. B. B. Huguley. 63-9t.

ELECTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the city of Plainview, Texas, on the 20th day of January, 1921, for the purpose of determining whether or not the qualified voters of said city and all property tax payers of said city are in favor of issuing the bonds of said city in the amount of fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) dollars of the denomination of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars each, numbered consecutively from one to fifty, payable forty years after their date, and bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum payable annually on the 10th day of April, to provide funds for the purpose of purchasing lands within the limits of the city of Plainview, Texas, for parks and the improvement and ornamentation of parks; and to determine whether the City Council or said city shall be authorized to levy, assess and collect annually, while said bonds or any of them are outstanding, a tax up on all taxable property within said city sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal at maturity.

Said election shall be held at the City Hall in the City of Plainview, Texas, and G. C. Keck is appointed presiding judge of said election; all persons who are qualified voters in said city and property tax payers of said city shall be entitled to vote at said election; and the manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas regulating general elections.

All voters who are in favor of the issuance of said bonds shall have written or printed upon their ballots the words: "For the issuance of Bonds" and those opposed shall have written or printed upon their ballots the words: "Against the issuance of bonds."

CHAS. VINCENT, Mayor.

SHERIFF'S SALE

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Hale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Honorable county court of Randall county, on the 9th day of Oct. 1920, by the clerk thereof, in case of Wesley T. Gipson versus The Coleman Tractor Corporation, No. 1548 and to w.s. as sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in January A. D. 1921, it being the 3rd day of said month, before the court house door of said Hale county, in the town of Plainview, the following described property, to-wit: One Coleman tractor, Engine No. 1218, tractor No. 261 and one three-disc Oliver plow. Levied on as the property of The Coleman Tractor Corporation, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$221.33 in favor of Wesley T. Gipson and cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this 21st day of Dec. 1920.

J. C. TERRY, Sheriff, Hale county Texas.

Ex-Sheriff Hughes, pioneer officer of Amarillo, died this week from pneumonia.

AVOID CHRISTMAS TREE FIRE

Utmost Care Should Be Used in Trimming, Thus Preventing Fatalities in the Homes.



PEOPLE cannot be too careful in guarding against fire when trimming a Christmas tree, says a correspondent in Good Housekeeping. There have been scores of Christmas tree fatalities in homes and in Sunday schools which a little care might have prevented. The writer once set a tree in a blaze, consuming nearly half of it, tinsel ornaments going with the green branches. A tiny candle had been wired too high, and it took only a few minutes of its brisk heat to char a branch above it and start a flame. A thick portiere was torn from its pole and thrown over the blaze. If it had not been at hand the light window curtains would have caught fire in another minute. Since that Christmas our tree has always been placed in the center of the room, and we have eschewed cotton wool, tissue-paper angels, and celluloid ornaments. First of all, we wire each candle securely in place at the furthest end of a branch which has nothing above it, either fir tree or trimming. Then as the tree is denuded we watch carefully the fast-disappearing candles. Sometimes one of them, nearly burned down, will topple over or be merely a spark of flame, but near to something inflammable and be a menace.

GOOD TURNS ON CHRISTMAS

Chance for All to Aid the Friendless in Having Happy Yuletide Season.

REAL purveyors of Christmas cheer may often find a market for their precious wares outside the pale of charity, for all homeless people are not necessarily poor, and neither are all childless homes necessarily unhappy. Housekeepers who are short on time may combine these two interests and make Christmas day a merry delight for the grown-ups in spite of these unfortunate conditions.

There is always something peculiarly pitiable in the idea of any one "flocking alone" which should appeal to the home-maker without a family, so that this should be the occasion for her to gather in all the bachelor maids and homeless men of her acquaintance and give them a joyful opportunity to "flock together." Even the Scrooges, if she knows any, should be rescued from their lonely bowls of gruel and persuaded to open their shut-up hearts and wear them outside for general inspection, as Dickens says, "For Christmas dawns to peck at." Therefore, collect six or eight of these birds of a feather who are destitute of near-by kith and kin and make your Christmas feast a center of good cheer for all the charming solitaires you are able to draw within its radius.—Woman's Home Companion.

Good Year for Violets.

Sweet peas have been forced for the Christmas market only for many years past. They must be started blooming before the cold weather begins. Then they will bloom all winter. Daffodils do not get in until February, but almost all the rest of the spring flowers, hyacinths, narcissuses, lavender, and so on, are on the Christmas counters. Easter lilies, too, though rather cold and white for Christmas, are sold. Violets are fine this winter, deeply, darkly, beautifully blue. Some mignonette now comes in enormous sprays. There are carnations but the bright red Christmas carnation is the favorite. Holly comes from the hills of Maryland and the south. The wild holly supplies the market and there has never seemed to be any perceptible diminution of the supply. Great quantities of it are purchased by all sorts of dealers, who decorate their stores with it and send out a sprig attached to every Christmas parcel.

ANCHOR

Dec. 15.—Mrs. S. E. Leckliter returned home Tuesday from Crosbyton where she was called to be with her sister, Mrs. M. A. Vaughn, who has been seriously ill with the pneumonia, but was better when Mrs. Leckliter left.

Miss Pearl Smith of Crosbyton returned with her aunt, Mrs. S. E. Leckliter, for a week's visit with relatives. The threshers are very busy again threshing our row crops. We are hoping for prices to get better so we can dispose of our crop of grain, as we will need better spirits for the planting of the coming crops.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Parris of Norfolk spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. S. E. Leckliter.

No use complaining these days of not having anything to eat as these are butchering days and most every family has killed hogs or a beef, some both, and most of us have plenty of corn for our hominy, so there you may guess at the rest.

We hear no complaint of sickness in this community since the Scarlet fever cases. The patients are all up again.

Mrs. W. R. Fesal returned home Monday after a two month visit with her parents in Chicago and other relatives in Kalamazoo, Mich. She reports that a very cold country.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simonton were in Hale Center Saturday.

Miss Pearl Smith was in Plainview Saturday.

Say, Santa Claus,

Tell Us

Where can a man buy a cap for his knee?
Or a key to the lock of his hair?
Can his eyes be called an academy
Because there are pupils there?
In the crown of his head,
What gems are found?
Who travels the bridge of his nose?
Can he use, when shingling the roof of his mouth
The nails on the end of his toes?
Can the crook of his elbow be sent to jail?
If so, what did he do?
How does he sharpen his shoulder blades?
I'll be hanged if I know, do you?
Can he sit in the shade of the palm of his hand?
Or beat on the drum of his ear?
Does the calf of his leg eat the corn on his toes?
If so, why not grow corn on the ear?
Or why will a man raise cotton for the boll worms to eat,
And have nothing left to buy his bread and his meat?
With the whole family working thirteen months of each year
While the children become pitiful, each heart filled with fear?
O why will a man pay rent every year
Instead of owning land of his own,
When the rent he pays for the use of the land
Would, if applied on the purchase, soon pay for the home?
While the lands we are selling in most any style
Will solve every problem, bring joy and a smile,
Make the family cheerful, make the boys want to stay,
While the land values double, and the wheat crops pay
Big parts of the principal each year before due,
And the kaffir, the maize and the alfalfa, too,
Leave the cattle and hogs clear profit to bank?
Thank you Santa Claus... Bring all our friends good cheer, Prosperity and Happiness.

Perry & Cram

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Phone 437 627 Broadway

E. Benson, Jr. This writer wishes all the readers of the News a very Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year and may they be brought closer as know the depths of this sorrow but in touch with God the coming year. God alone can heal the wound. We were very sorry to hear of the end our heart felt sympathies to him and shock to our editor. Most of his daughter.

DODGE BROTHERS ROADSTER

Its preference is so pronounced that cars of two, three or four years' use are eagerly sought.

There are few of them in the market and they always command a high price.

The gasoline consumption is unusually low. The tire mileage is unusually high.

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