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Joy Looms for Kiddies In Community Xmas Tree

More than a hundred Gatesville kiddies with eyes sparkling will likely get one of the biggest treats they have had for several years as they attend the Community Christmas tree at the High School Auditorium tomorrow night.

The affair has been planned for the needy children of this city through the combined efforts of the churches and city officials. All local children whose parents are on the relief rolls will be included in the Christmas tree guests.

Several committees under the direction of Joe Hanna have been working this week making preparation for the generous affair. Local people have contributed to this worthy cause with gifts of money, toys and other items that will help to provide the happiness for the kiddies tomorrow night.

SPECIAL EDITION TODAY
NO PAPER TUESDAY

On account of Christmas coming on the regular publication day of this newspaper, December 25, the Tuesday edition of next week will not be published.

Every effort has been made to give the readers a worthwhile and interesting paper in this special Christmas-Anniversary Edition which it is hoped will be enjoyed and suffice for the omission of the early edition next week.

This special edition contains twenty pages, together with the eight pages last Tuesday makes a total of 28 this week—all of which were printed in the News print shop.

MARKET REPORT

(As of Dec. 20)

Mohair	15c to 25c
Wool	16c
Cotton, Str. Mid Base	12.90
Corn, Shell	95c
Corn, Ear	85c
Oats, Loose	55c
Oats, Sacked	57c
Cream No. 1	22c
Cream No. 2	20c
Cottonseed Ton	\$42
Pecans	10c
Poultry	
Hens	6c to 8c
Fryers	10c
Eggs	23c
Roosters	3c

Greetings and Appreciation

We are unusually happy at this particular time since it marks the second anniversary of this newspaper and the occasion affords us the opportunity of extending to our friends the season's best wishes for a MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS.

For the past two years we have enjoyed to the fullest extent the kindness and patronage of our many friends throughout Coryell County. They have allowed us to attain, within the two years of existence for this newspaper, the ideals and ambitions which we would not have expected to reach within a score of years. The past two years have passed swiftly, yet a great deal has happened during that short span, and the greatest pleasure of all during that time has been the friendship and good-will which we have enjoyed from readers and advertisers.

As we come on the threshold of another year we shall enter into that era with an even greater determination to reward our friends for the trust and confidence and patience which they have so graciously afforded this newspaper.

And now may we extend our sincere best wishes for your good health and good fortune and a MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL.

THE CORYELL COUNTY NEWS

EXPRESSION CLASS TO BE PRESENTED TODAY

Miss Elizabeth Williams, teacher of expression, will present her expression class and children's Little Theater in Recital at the Grammar School Auditorium at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon, to which the public is cordially invited.

Two plays will be given, "Tiny Tim" and "Everybody's Happy." Several pupils will also be presented in individual readings. Miss Williams' class is composed of 40 members, all of whom will take part on the program.

STAFF MEMBER TO HAVE MAJOR OPERATION

Mat Jones, News advertising manager, left this morning for Dallas where he will undergo a major operation at the Baylor Hospital. During his absence, Henry Yongue, well-known young man of this city, will assume Mr. Jones' duties.

Mr. Jones will have the wishes of his many friends here for a speedy recovery.

NO TAX ON BANK CHECKS AFTER JANUARY FIRST

The three Gatesville banks have received official notice from Frank Schofield, Collector of Internal Revenue at Austin, that the Government Tax of 2c on all bank checks has been repealed effective December 31.

This was welcome news to the banks. It was much trouble to the banks, a nuisance to the customers, and its discontinuance will be welcome to both the banks and the customers.

Under the terms of the law the banks were required to collect 2c on each check paid by them and to remit the amounts monthly to the Collector of Internal Revenue. For this service they received nothing, not even being recompensed for the necessary postage to send the money, to say nothing of the bookkeeping necessary to keep up with the money collected.

Hog's hair, rubber-coated, is a new type of lightweight padding for use under carpets.

600 Pillow Cases a Day Made By Relief Workers

A Relief Sewing Room, one of the many throughout the state, sponsored by the Relief Administration, was opened at Gatesville last week with its temporary workshop on the second floor of the Brown Building.

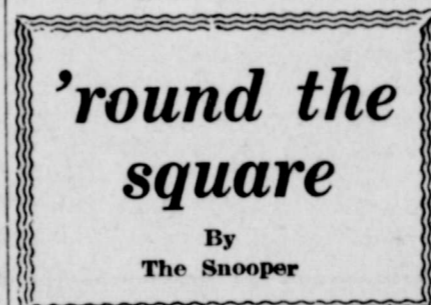
Mrs. Arthur Melton, who was assistant director of the canning plant, is supervisor of the sewing project here.

Fifteen women on the relief roll of Coryell County are employed five days each week, eight hours a day, to make clothing for relief purposes. All of these women are from families where there are men unable to work or in cases where the women have dependents.

At present the group is making bed linens. Since the plan began its operation they have averaged making 600 pillow cases a day. They will become the property of the Relief Commission.

The women are paid regular wages of 20c per hour for their work.

Practically all spring footwear for women in South Africa will be white.



Even the Snooper had to get down to work this week with this special edition coming out. He was so busy, in fact that he neglected his regular sojourns 'round the square. However, I did see Dr. J. S. Wheeler of Coryell in town yesterday. He might have come to town to see Santa Claus, but when I saw him he was chewing the rag with the honorable mayor, another M. D., Dr. M. W. Lowrey. The News correspondent from the Turnersville section honored the office with a visit as she brought in her community news and we hope you will come back—Mrs. Joyce Touchstone. Mrs. Ben Sellers deserves honorable mention this week, but I needn't say why. I'll probably enjoy my Xmas in Fort Worth and wherever you are, here's hoping you will enjoy yours to the fullest extent.

Noted Pianist Will Be Presented in Program

Mrs. Frieda Vess Saunders, pianist of renown, and former local resident, at present of Dallas, will be presented at the annual Christmas Open-House of the Morris Federation Friday afternoon, December 28, at 2:30 o'clock, at the home of Miss Orpa Mayo.

Mrs. Saunders is vice-president of the Dallas Music Teachers Association and has appeared as guest artist on programs of all the musical clubs of Dallas.

For a number of years the eminent pianist was leader of the Dallas Womans' Forum. She has served as judge in many city and state piano playing contests and will leave for Tulsa early in the Spring to officiate in a National Piano Playing Tournament.

Mrs. Saunders is pianist for the Cliff Temple Baptist Church and the Baptist Womens Federation.

A Dallas critic has said of Mrs. Saunders, "She is musician of unusual thoughtfulness. She possesses that significant spiritual understanding which enables her to grasp the thought the composer strives to express. She is intensely dynamic in her playing, demonstrating the power and dramatic force associated with masculine performers."

"In her boldness of interpretation and technic, however, the subtle charm of femininity is felt. She plays with a sense of delicate proportion, the underlying charm of sensitiveness which marks the pianist born—not made."

PUBLISHER'S STATEMENT OF PAID CIRCULATION

A sworn statement of circulation of the CORYELL COUNTY NEWS appears on another page of this edition. This statement was made after an authentic check had been made of actual paid subscribers and was sworn to in the presence of a Notary Public.

Although city dailies are required by law to make a regular sworn statement of circulation or have auditors do so this is not required of other newspapers. The NEWS has made the statement, however, for the benefit of advertisers and to inform readers as to the growth of the paper during the past two years.

—News Want-Ads Get Results.

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Three Generations Total 47 Years



Here are Mrs. J. R. Noah, thirty-three, of Fort Worth, Texas, her newly born granddaughter, and the infant's mother, Mrs. H. Mullins, fourteen, daughter of Mrs. Noah. The infant's father is also just fourteen years of age.

GATESVILLE DISTRICT, FIRST ROUND, 1934-35

Hamilton Circuit at Evant, December 16 at 3 p. m.
 Carlton at Carlton, December 30 at 11 a. m.
 Hamilton Station, December 30 at 7 p. m.
 Pearl Circuit at Topsey, January 6 at 11 a. m.
 Gatesville Station, January 6 at 7 p. m.
 Turnersville at Turnersville January 13 at 11 a. m.
 Ireland-Jonesboro at Ireland, January 13 at 3 p. m.
 Moody Station, January 20 at 11 a. m.
 Moody Circuit at Moody, January 20 at 2:30 p. m.
 Valley Mills, Wednesday night, January 23 at 7 p. m.
 Clifton January 27 at 11 a. m.
 Mosheim January 27 at 2:30 p. m.
 Crawford at Crawford (Friday night) January 25 at 7 p. m.

Gatesville Circuit at Ft. Gates February 2 at 11 a. m.
 McGregor February 3 at 7 p. m. Oglesby (Wednesday night)
 February 6 at 7 p. m.
 Meridian February 10 at 11 a. m.
 Cranfills Gap February 10 at 2:30 p. m.
 Hico February 17 at 11 a. m.
 Duffau, February 17 at 2:30 p. m.
 Iredell-Walnut Springs at Walnut Springs, February 24 at 11 a. m.
 Iredell Circuit at Fairview, February 24 at 3 p. m.
 District Missionary Institute at Gatesville, January 15 the 9:30 a. m.

J. H. Baldridge,
 Presiding Elder.

NOTICE TO SCHOOLS

We now have plenty of school Portable Phonographs. Mayes Studio and Radio Shop. 96-1tc

Aunt Martha's Christmas

By Alice B. Palmer

MEMORIES of the long ago kept ringing like sleigh-bells in the ears of dear old Aunt Martha as she sat alone in her favorite window seat by the side of some old-fashioned geraniums and pondered the fact of its being Christmas eve. She looked outside beyond the icicles which hung like grim sentinels toward the snow-coated trees and heavy drifts heaped high by the wayside and she was reminded of



the beautiful story of "Snowbound." "This will never do," suddenly spoke Martha Graham, rousing herself and trying to shake off the haunting memories. "I must prepare for a joyous, Merry Christmas just as if those people were really here."

With a spirit of youthfulness beyond ordinary endurance, Aunt Martha dashed kitchenward, every fibre of her being enriched by the Christmas spirit. The next moment she was busily engaged in preparation of all the holiday delicacies which she thought these people would like.

Soon delicious odors of sizzling doughnuts and soft sour milk cookies, such as only Aunt Martha could make, were in evidence.

When all was completed, together with a pitcher of steaming hot chocolate, Aunt Martha sat down and realized that there were no people to partake of her carefully prepared delicacies.

With a start, she realized that she heard voices, real voices, not visionary ones, but loud wild shouts coming from without. She could scarcely see through the blinding snowstorm.

Now she actually heard footsteps! "It must be true!" thought Aunt Martha, as she threw open the door. Sure enough there they were, her imaginary "Snowbound" people for whom she had been preparing the Yuletide feast.

'Twas the joyous carol singers. They had become lost in the snowstorm and were almost frozen. "Come in! Come in!" cried dear old Aunt Martha.

Then followed such a Christmas welcome and greeting as they had never received before. Aunt Martha, their hostess, sat at the head of the table smiling and beaming, passing her Christmas goodies and pouring out the steaming hot chocolate. She secretly rejoiced as she accepted the carol singers as an answer to her loving thought of service on Christmas eve.

MRS. MARGARET HENRY

Funeral services for Mrs. Margaret Henry were conducted last Thursday afternoon by Rev. C. A. Morton at the Ruth Cemetery.

The deceased, one of Coryell County's oldest citizens, passed away Wednesday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. G. Hord of Ewing.

Mrs. Henry and her husband, who preceded her in death, came to Coryell County sixty-one years ago, settling near Ewing, where they have resided for over half a century.

She is survived by one son, John Henry of New Mexico and two daughters, Mrs. W. G. Hord and Mrs. Jud Jones of Bethel.

—News Want-Ads Get Results.

HIGH PRICED PLAYER



Joe Di Maggio has been purchased by the New York Yankees from the San Francisco Seals in one of the biggest deals ever consummated for a minor league player. Di Maggio is to go to the Yankees next season, for fall delivery, in exchange for five players and \$75,000 in cash.

Please mention The News Advertisers.



EVENT CASTING
 IT'S SHADOW
 SANTA
 CLAUS:
 WE HOPE HE'LL
 BE
 SEEING
 YOU

LESTER BRITAIN



**TO GATESVILLE
 To Coryell County**

.. and the Outside World ..

We wish you a very

**Merry, Merry
 Christmas**

and may the New Year of 1935
 bring you all the Joys of Health, Happiness and Prosperity. May Health, contentment and Happiness be yours always.

**REGAL and RITZ
 THEATERS**

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Brown



A MERRIE SEASON

If you shine up the old rig or roll out a new one—or if you just have a "Homey" Christmas—our part, wishing you a Merry
MERRY CHRISTMAS

**V. A. HUDSON
 SINCLAIR REFINING CO.**

JONESBORO NEWS

A play entitled "The Winding Road," will be presented next Saturday night, December 22. There will be a thrill and a laugh for everyone present. Come and enjoy it with us. Mr. Ralph Holloway, who is



TO OUR FRIENDS

But what we really mean is that we're with you in your hope that this will be a very

MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Buckhorn Domino Parlor & Cafe



MAY THIS SEASON'S CHEER BE AS BRIGHT AS THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM, AND OUR HOPE IS THAT IT HAS BEEN JUST THIS BRIGHT DURING THIS

WHOLE YEAR City Drug Store
Brown and Gordon



Write it on the blue crisp Christmas sky, or in your private diary, please be certain that you can put us down as wishing you a Merry, Merry Christmas SEASON

WHARTON'S CAFE

Captures Laurels With Her Lambs



Katherine Sheldon of Oneonta, N. Y., is shown with her lambs that won top honors at the International Live Stock show in Chicago. This is the third time her lambs have won the first prize.

Whole Family in a Teaspoon



This remarkable picture of a ruby-throated humming bird perched on the edge of a teaspoon that contains her newly hatched babies—with plenty of room to spare for everybody—was taken by Dr. C. W. Leister of the Bronx zoo and Dr. A. A. Allen of Cornell university.

enlisted in the Navy and is stationed near San Diego, California, returned home Sunday morning to spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Holloway and family. Ernesteen Schwalbe spent Sunday with Bobby Jean Young. Ila Mae Holloway spent Friday night with Margaret Rutherford. Laura Lawrence spent Sunday with Alcenia Walsh. Florene Schwalbe was a guest Sunday of Hazel Loveless. Guests Sunday in the home

of Mr. and Mrs. Holloway were Misses Margaret Rutherford, Edith Richards, and Messrs Geo. Hess Johnson of Gatesville, Floyd Weaver, Will Wallace, Wilbur Wallace and Clarence Watson. Grandmother Roach has been ill the past few days. Mr. Floyd Weaver spent Monday night with James Rutherford. Fledra Bell Wallace spent Tuesday night with Mollie Bell Brasher.

CARD OF THANKS

To those who helped through the illness and death of our father and grandfather, Mr. A. G. Buster, we offer our thanks and appreciation for your faithful services; also to the Pidcoke Baptist Church for the beautiful floral offering.

- Mr. John Buster and family.
- Mrs. Gladys Fagan.
- Mr. L. B. Fry.
- Mr. L. H. Fry.
- Mr. O. C. Fry.
- Mr. Crawford Delano.

SHOP AT HOME

SCHLEY NEWS

Several people of this community have severe colds this week.

Misses Sarah Scott and Tressie Turner spent Tuesday night with the Graves' girls.

Mrs. W. T. Woodlock spent Monday with Mrs. Jim Alford. Bob Bone was a visitor in the Jim Alford home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wittie spent Monday night in the Jeff Alford home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Alford entertained with a "42" party last Saturday night. Several friends were present for the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jones and baby were dinner guests Sunday of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lott Blackman.

PURMELA NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Bub Berry and family of Ater visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Hagan visited in the B. L. Montgomery and A. G. Robinson homes Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Meyers of Arnett, Mr. Dan Chambers of Ater and Mr. Bob Meyers visited in the Lee Thetford home during the week end.

Mrs. Q. F. Adams spent part of last week in Gatesville with her daughter, Mrs. Dennis Kellog, and baby.

A large crowd attended the Whitehead show which was in Purmela last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Blackstock and family have recently moved to Purmela. They have moved into the house vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Fisher, who moved to Gatesville.

Mr. and Mrs. James Basham and family have moved into Mrs. Grantham's house.

Mrs. Ollie Braziel of Gatesville visited her sister, Mrs. Francis Millsap, one day last week.

B. L. Montgomery attended the funeral of an old friend at Levita last Friday.

Ella and Pat Thetford are now

staying with their uncle, Mr. C. L. Thetford.



JUST OUT!

OUR WISHING YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

Jack Morse Service Station

Merry Christmas to all!



Here's hoping the Old Gentleman with the long white Whiskers is kind to you this Xmas.

Elliott's Beauty Service
Where Beauty is an Art



TO ONE AND ALL At Christmas

Sidetracking the best of the season's good wishes right up to your front door. We bring you our sincere hope that good health will add most to your joy of living.

PAINTER & LEE

The Christmas Fire

by HEL
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RALPH McQUISTON
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He was very proud of
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The one thing was Geor
 hadn't spoken to him sin
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 been lonely enough before
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"Better get ready for
 son."

"I don't think I'll go."

"Not go! Why, it will be



"Let it go," she called. "Yo
 Be Hurt."

tiful service. Every one
 there. And Georgia is going
 some songs."

"Yes," he answered slow
 know."

"If you can't forget her, s
 had better make up. Yo
 l p on like this."

"There's nothing I can do,
 piled. "She is too proud,
 something would happen."

The church bells rang out
 fifteen minutes," said his
 "You had better come along

The little church was c
 Evergreens decorated the ais
 over the altar there hung
 The old, old story was told
 of an angel chorus, and she
 and the wise men.

Ralph, looking at Georgia,



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For All

To each and ever
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Wm. Cameron & Co., Inc.

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SOCIETY AND CLUBS

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Coryell City Club Meets With Mrs. J. Q. Gilmore.

Mrs. J. D. Gilmore was hostess to the Coryell Home Demonstration Club at her home last Thursday afternoon.

After the business session a wagon wheel quilt was placed for Mrs. Gilmore. Thirteen members were present.

The Club will have its all day meeting with Mrs. S. A. Goff next Thursday. Everyone is invited to come and take a well filled dish.

Baptist Young People To Be Honored Sunday Night.

Sunday evening at seven o'clock in the course of the services, the young people of the First Baptist Church and their friends, who are home from college, will be honored in the fifth Annual College Home Night Service.

There will be special Christmas music and the pastor will bring a special message. The services will be held in the High School Auditorium. The entire public is invited.

Birthday Party Honors Helon Margarite Sydow.

Little Miss Helon Margarite Sydow celebrated her fifth birthday Thursday afternoon with a party at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Sydow.

The rooms and cake were decorated in keeping with the Yuletide season, and Santa Clauses were given as favors.

At the refreshment hour ice cream and cake were served.

The little guests who came to help Helon Margarite enjoy this happy occasion were Carolyn Stewart, Nelleen and Geraldine Martin, Velma and Jack Miller, Adelia Jean Satterfield, Harvey Jean Hamilton, Maxine Lovejoy, Wanda Ruth Stephens, Louise Colgin, Helon Thomson, Rose Ella McCoy, Tommie Lee Carlton, Carl Sterling McLendon, Jerry Bob Gartman, Bobbie Fotts, Ross Edward Vandiver, Charles Porter Milner, Donald and Sandra June Flentge and Billy Frank Carroll.

Purmela Club News.

The Purmela Home Economics Club met at the home of Mrs. J. O. Winslar on November 21, to quilt for Mrs. Herbert McCarver who has moved to Hurst Springs.

Those who attended were Mrs. C. A. Parson, Mrs. J. N. Weeks, Mrs. O. A. Hagan, Mrs. Emory Fletcher, Mrs. T. J. Smith, Mrs. McCarver and Mrs. Winslar.

We are sorry to lose Mr. and Mrs. McCarver from our community, but wish them happiness and prosperity in their new location.

On December 5 club members met in the home of the President, Mrs. C. A. Parson. Eight members were present and one visitor.

Each person present answered the roll with a helpful recipe for Christmas cooking.

After the business meeting refreshments were served, and members departed to again meet with Mrs. Clifton Robinson on Thursday, Dec. 20.

—Contributed.

Friday Night Club Honored With Supper and Bridge.

The Friday Night Club was entertained with a buffet supper last Saturday night, December 15, by Misses Vera Cayce and Mamie Sue Halbrook at the home of Mrs. M. W. Lowrey.

A buffet supper was served to the guests early in the evening, and the delectable eats included pressed chicken, potatoes, peas, cranberry salad, buttered rolls, olives, date-nut cake and coffee.

Following the supper the guests remained for several games of contract. First and second prizes were won by Miss Truie Pearl McGilvray and Miss Evelyn Knight. Mrs. Morris Roberts of Pettus was awarded guest prize.

The Christmas spirit was created with its decorations of candles, poinsettias and Christmas trees.

Club members and guests at the affair were Misses Ila Fay Selby, Villa Holmes, Laura Pearson, Evelyn Knight, Maude Alyce Painter, Mary Routh, Thelma McGilvray, Truie Pearl McGilvray, Francis Austin, Linnie Fore, Bess Holmes, Edna Murray, Katherine Gordon, Mesdames C. C. Pinkney, R. L. Saunders, Bailey Curry, C. L. Thompson, Howard Franks, R. W. Cayce, Morris Roberts and M. W. Lowrey.

Betty Jane Jones Has Birthday Party.

Betty Jane Jones celebrated her ninth birthday last Saturday when her mother entertained a group of girls at their home.

The party was from the hours of three to five p. m., and indoor games and contests were enjoyed throughout the time, after which strawberry brick ice cream and green and red covered cookies were served.

The Christmas motif was carried out in house decorations and in the refreshments.

Each guest left declaring a most wonderful time and wishing Betty Jane many more happy birthdays.

The invited group included Peggy Ruth Strickland, Gene and Judy Gentry, Ray Virginia McCreary, Suzanne and Janette Sadler, Jerry Davis, Sarah Frances Graham, Yvonne Davis, Catherine Ward, Charlie Bob Morris, Harriet Robinson, Grace Weigand, Nettie Jane Franks, Helon Johnson, Wanda Laxson, Aneeta Jo Hancock and Janelle Richardson.

Party Enjoyed at Benson Home.

The intermediate B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist Church was entertained last Wednesday evening with a Christmas party at the home of their sponsors, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Benson.

The house was beautifully decorated and each person received a gift.

Those present were Mildred Morse, Mary K. Turner, Edith Cole, Laura Mae Henson, Leona Mann, Nannie Sue Everett, Louise Mayes, Sally F. Weigand, Odette Hardin, Gladys Marie Phillips, Milda Schley, Anita Lowrey, Rosylene Anderson, Nell Routh, Beth Powell, Mildred Gandy, Japne Thomson, Mary Ann Post, Helon Post Chamlee, Claydene Strickland, Neal Chapman, J. Leigh Brooks, Frank B. Brooks, C. H. Wallace, Burl Davis, Jack Hearn, Dave Culbertson, Jr., James Hair, Jack Hestlow, Joe Hal English, Jack Straw, John Rufus Colgin and Kenneth Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Adams Entertain.

Five tables of bridge were delightfully entertained with a pretty party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Adams Monday evening of last week.

Christmas decorations made the party rooms beautiful for the occasion.

At the end of the games the hostess passed attractive refreshment plates consisting of hot

chocolate, and red tarleton Christmas stockings filled with sandwiches, cakes and candy.

High score trophies were won by Mrs. A. W. Gartman and Judge Robt. W. Brown.

Those who enjoyed the courtesy were Messrs and Mesdames Newel Hix, R. W. Ward, R. R. Anderson, Francis Caruth, E. G. Beerwinkle, Jeff Bates, A. W. Gartman, Robt. W. Brown, Mrs. D. R. Boone and Kirby Perryman.

Mrs. Pat Jackson Club Hostess.

The Coryell Valley Home Club met last Tuesday for an all-day meeting at the home of Mrs. Pat Jackson. One quilt was quilted and names were drawn for the Christmas tree.

In the afternoon a business meeting was held at which the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. Hollis Yulding, Reporter and assistant Sec-Treasurer, Mrs. R. J. Kitley; Second-year Pan-

try Demonstrator, Mrs. A. Shepard; Bedroom Demonstrator, Mrs. Pat Jackson and Council Delegate, Mrs. R. J. Kitley.

Eight members, and two visitors, Mrs. S. A. Golf and Mrs. Joe Wolf, were served refreshments of cake and peaches.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Clint Yulding, January 1.

—Contributed.

Blanchard-Boyer

Last Saturday evening at seven o'clock at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. C. A. Morton, pastor of the First Baptist Church of this city, Mr. Floyd Boyer and Miss Civil Blanchard were united in marriage with a pretty ring ceremony.

Both of these young people reside near Gatesville and will continue to make their future home here.

ADDITIONAL SOCIETY WILL BE FOUND ON LAST PAGE OF THIS SECTION.

Delicious
TURLEY
DINNER
XMAS
DAY



Bring your family and dine with us.

BAKED TURKEY WITH DRESSING - GIBLET GRAVY
CRANBERRY SAUCE - CREAM PEAS IN A NEST OF
POTATOES - STALK OF CELERY-ASPARAGUS
TIP ON TOAST - LETTUCE AND TOMA
TOES - COMBINATION SALAD-SPICE
CAKE WITH WHIPPED CREAM
COFFEE, TEA OR MILK

50c

MEEKS CAFE



To wish each of you---since we hope we have so many friends---a Very Joyous Christmas Season's Greeting is our very great joy. During the past year we have counted you as our friend and we hope every day during the year has been as joyous as the Christmas Season is to you now.

SCOTT MOTOR COMPANY

PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Weigand and daughter, Grace, spent last Sunday with friends in Waco.

Mr. C. H. Wallace, who has had a severe attack of influenza, is improving.

—Get our Special Christmas Prices on Guitars and Radios. Mayes Studio and Radio Shop.

Mrs. Dave McAlister spent several days this week with Mrs. Buster Gough of Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Blackburn and Miss Lona Jones visited in Hillsboro last Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Scott and Mrs. I. O. Scott were Waco visitors yesterday.

Mrs. L. K. Thomson and Miss Penelope Hardin spent Wednesday in Waco.

Miss Mimi Wilson of Taylor came today for a week's visit with her parents here.

Charles Baker and J. R. Saunders of Howard Payne College will spend Christmas here with their parents and friends.

—Get our Special Prices on Battery and Electric Radios before you buy. Mayes Studio and Radio Shop. 96-1tc

Rufus McKinney who has been ill the past two weeks with malaria fever is slightly improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Leake Ayres and Mrs. R. R. Anderson and son, Dick, visited relatives in Hillsboro Sunday.

Mrs. Pearl White is leaving Saturday for Burkburnett, Texas, for a visit with her grandson, Charles Parker White.

Mrs. W. I. Shultz of Houston visited relatives in Gatesville last week end.

—Get our Special Christmas Prices on Guitars and Radios. Mayes Studio and Radio Shop.

Miss Jewel Witcher of Ames was a Gatesville visitor last Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bradley visited relatives in Waco yesterday.

Mrs. J. Y. Hamilton of Evant was a Gatesville visitor last Wednesday.

Betty Jo Stewart has recovered from a two weeks' attack of Malaria fever.

Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Lee and daughter visited relatives in Waco Thursday evening.

Mrs. B. K. Cooper and Mrs. W. E. Hayes were visitors to Waco Thursday of this week.

Mrs. E. H. Nesbitt and son, Billy and Mrs. Levi Anderson and daughter, Alice Earl, were Waco visitors Wednesday.

Mrs. Lindsay Oldham and two children of Waco visited relatives in Gatesville during last week end.

—We have a large stock of Swing Frames, Flash Lights, Kodaks and Portable Phonographs. Mayes Studio and Radio Shop. 96-1tc

Mr. W. B. Webb, who has been a patient in the Cotton Belt Railroad Hospital at Texarkana, returned home the first of the week and is improved.

Miss Elizabeth McGilvray, office employee of Sears Roebuck Company of Dallas, will arrive in Gatesville this week end to spend Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. McGilvray, and family.

Miss Josephine Pennington of Four-C College in Waco is a week end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Pennington.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Aderhold and daughter, Angeline, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kermit R. Jones last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Combest and attractive daughter, Clovis Ann, were here Sunday as guests of Mrs. Combest's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Meharg.

—We have a large stock of Swing Frames, Flash Lights, Kodaks and Portable Phonographs. Mayes Studio and Radio Shop. 96-1tc

Miss Ruth Raby Franks of Baylor, Belton will be in Gatesville today for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hoak of Hamilton were business visitors in this city Wednesday.

Mrs. Troy Jones and baby have gone to Gilmer where they will visit friends and relatives through Christmas.

Mrs. John Scarborough of Amarillo arrived this week to spend Christmas holidays with her aunt, Mrs. G. R. Whitehead, of Arnett.

Miss Verona Franks returned home last Saturday from a week's vacation and visit with her grandmother and friends of Comanche.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Hammack of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Battle of Fort Worth are the week end guests of Mrs. W. W. Hammack and Mrs. Minnie Battle.

Miss Mary Routh and father, E. Routh, motored to Denton Thursday to accompany their sister and daughter, Ethel, and other Gatesville C. I. A. students home for the holidays.

Lloyd Neil Kirkpatrick came in Thursday to spend Christmas with his parents here. Lloyd Neil is a student of Trinity, Waxahachie.

Miss Carona Wiley and Paul Wiley are leaving tomorrow for El Campo, Texas where they will enjoy the holidays with their sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Andrews.

Mrs. Porter Adams and daughter, Sandra Sue of Oglesby are here this week end as guests of their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Miller.

Misses Francis and Louise Voss are leaving this week end for Skidmore where they will visit a week with their grandmother, Mrs. F. D. McCrocklin, and other relatives.

Mrs. O. H. Gardner and son, Charles Austin, have returned to their home at McCargal after a pleasant two weeks' visit here with her mother, Mrs. C. L. Bellamy.

Judge Robt. W. Brown and J. D. Brown, Jr. were in Waco Thursday to see their mother, who has been quite ill the past two weeks. Gatesville people will be glad to learn that Mrs. Brown is some better.

LARGE CROWD ATTENDS OPENING OF GYM

Last evening approximately six hundred citizens of Coryell county attended the formal opening of the High School gym-auditorium.

A very interesting program was planned for the occasion which included a group of selected numbers by the high school band, a play by the Little Theater, selections from the high school choral club, and a number by the Morris Federation.

Sup't. Frank L. Williams after saying a few words in the interest of the school, invited the men that were instrumental in building the gym to come on the stage and say a few words, after which he outlined the need of such a building for Gatesville.

In concluding Mr. Williams invited the entire audience to inspect the building.

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SporTalk

By TEDDY

The local all-stars marched as the chilly wind blew over the gridiron Wednesday afternoon to win over a strong pick team from Valley Mills. The locals were unable to make long runs at will against this team as they did against the Moody aggregation.

With the opposition much stronger the Ex-Hornets played in their territory most of the game, but allowed only four first

downs. Blanton put the locals in scoring position for the first counter by intercepting a pass, while Ricketts intercepted a pass to run some twenty-five yards to score the second touchdown standing up.

In the semi-final race for state honors this week we find Amarillo matched against the Masonic Home. The game will be played in Amarillo, with this advantage, and out-weighting the Masons to a great extent, we will pick the Sandies to defeat the Home by two touchdowns. The other game tomorrow is between Corpus Christi and Greenville. The game will be in Houston. Most scribes are doping Greenville to win the game by some four or five touchdowns. Greenville hasn't a breather, but will win the game without much trouble.

The Pearl basketball team won from the Hillsboro Junior College lads Wednesday night by an overwhelming score. Pearl has a good team, and will defeat several more Junior College teams before the season is over.

Commercial League Basketball games that were scheduled for Thursday night, Dec. 13, will not be played. The have no bearing on the Team Standing. The games that were scheduled for last night, but were not played, will be played. The date will appear in a later issue of the News.

The second division of the Commercial Basketball League swung into action Monday night. Jonesboro, defeating Leon Junction, looked as if they had started to cop the second division as they did the first. The Merchants managed to hand the Oilers a defeat while Levita won over the Bachelors.

SCHEDULE

Monday, Dec. 24

Christmas Eve—No games

Thursday, Dec. 27

- (1) Merchants vs. Jonesboro
- (2) Conoco vs. Levita
- (3) Leon Junction vs. Round Table

—My Dope—

Thursday, Jonesboro will

stomp the Merchants.

Levita will have trouble defeating the Oilers, but will win. Leon Junction will have little trouble defeating the Bachelors.

TEAM STANDING

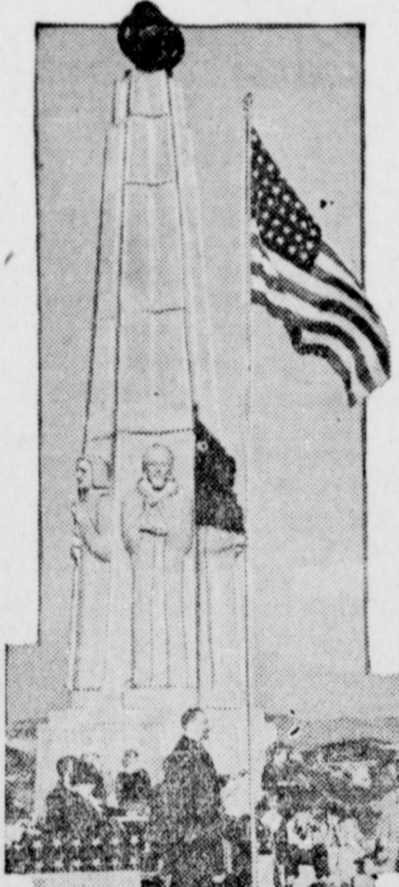
Team	won	lost	pct.
Jonesboro	1	0	1.000
Merchants	1	0	1.000
Levita	1	0	1.000
Conoco	0	1	.500
Leon Junction	0	1	.500
Round Table	0	1	.500

GAVE AWAY A MILLION



A. E. O. Munsell, former millionaire, shown at the government shelter for transients at No. 109 West Fifty-fourth street, New York, where he is living after giving his million dollars to the poor. Munsell, a Harvard graduate, who has studied abroad, says he is happier now living in a "flop house" than he was when he had plenty of money.

ASTRONOMERS' STATUE



Before a crowd of more than 2,000 people, this impressive 40-foot astronomer's statue was unveiled and dedicated on the grounds of the Griffith park planetarium at Los Angeles. Of molded concrete in material, the statue resembles an angular shaft, is six pointed and bears the figures of six of the world's most famous astronomers—Hipparchus, Galileo, Kepler, Newton, Copernicus and Herschel.

The French government has inaugurated an extensive program of public works which provides for electrification of railroad lines, extension of the Paris subway, highway improvements and the building of new schools.

ALMANAC

I work too hard for the pay I'm gettin'! I think I'll fire that guy!

"He who is afraid of doing too much always does too little."

- DECEMBER
- 24—1812 war, U. S. vs. England, ended by treaty, 1814
- 25—The Merriest of Christ-mases to you!
- 26—Survey of Mason and Dixon line completed, 1767.
- 27—Movie theaters are called nickelodeons, 1908
- 28—Woodrow Wilson, 28th President, is born, 1856.
- 29—First postage stamps used in the U. S., 1847.
- 30—Iroquois theater fire in Chicago kills 602, 1903.

While threshing grain a farmer of Reichartshausen, in Baden, found a wedding ring which he lost sixteen years ago while preparing fodder for his cattle.



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A Christmas Introduction

By Florence Harris Wells

PETER MANLEY, the mail carrier, looked at the gay red letter he was delivering at the door of Miss Waters' apartment two days before Christmas. Miss Waters had requested that Peter leave her mail on the table by her door. Peter did so. He silently adored the trim, competent little seamstress.

Peter couldn't help but read what was on letters and this time it was so surprising Peter fairly gasped; for there in a plain, capable hand were the words, "From P. Manley." He drew an arrow on the envelope pointing to the name and wrote, "This is my name," and signed it, "Your mail carrier." Peter was hopeful it might lead to closer acquaintance.

The next morning Peter ascended the steps to Miss Waters' apartment, his hands full of Christmas letters and his mind and heart eagerly anticipating something, though he didn't know what. But even Peter was unprepared for the door of the apartment being flung open and the little seamstress eagerly confronting him: "Are you Peter Manley?"

"I'm sure not anybody else," Peter answered breathlessly.

"Were you in the war and did you have a twin brother, Porter?" the little seamstress questioned.

"I sure did," Peter was startled, but he managed to stammer that:

Porter had been killed in that war.

"But he wasn't killed," Miss Waters insisted. "He was just reported killed. He's married to my sister and he's been trying to find you for years. And here you were bringing my mail all the time. I'm going there for Christmas tomorrow. You must go, too, Peter—Mr. Manley. I'll wire them you are coming"; then she blushed crimson. The little seamstress had allowed her enthusiasm to run away with her for once. But Peter was equal to the occasion:

"I'd be glad to take you in my car, if you'll go, Miss Waters?"

And Miss Waters, who really was very careful of her pennies, murmured: "That would be fine."

All the rest of his route Peter kept saying to himself:

"Two brothers married two sisters and they all were together first on Christmas day," and every one that met Peter that day was hailed with such a "Merry Christmas" as Peter had never shouted at them before.

TURNERSVILLE

Mr. Virgil Jones and sister, Miss Pearl, were called to Ewing last Thursday on account of the death of their grandmother, who had fallen some few days before and broken her hip.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. McCoy and family of Gatesville visited relatives in Turnersville Sunday.

Misses Edith and Vivian Pardue were business visitors to Waco Saturday.

Miss Maye Burkett visited in Fort Worth recently.

Mrs. C. A. Crawford, who moved to Clifton some few months ago, is visiting in the home of her son, Herman, who is recuperating from ill health.

Japanese Gave the Babe Slant Eyes



Japanese poster-makers made a Nipponese of Babe Ruth, slant eyes and all, as the above, seen by a member of the American legation at Tokyo, shows. The poster advertises one of the baseball exhibitions played in Japan by Babe and the troupe of major league players, under the leadership of Connie Mack, touring the Orient.

Mr. W. A. Cooksey and family and Sam Carr and family have recently moved to Clifton. We are sorry to lose these good people, but hope them prosperity in their new location. Mr. Cooksey had lived on the Foote

Ranch some thirty eight years, and when we give them up we feel that we are losing some of the old settlers who have helped to build up our community and make it what it is today.

Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Johnson,

Mr. and Mrs. Carl McLendon and Mrs. Pearl White of Gatesville were visitors here Thursday night.

The ladies of the Cemetery Association will meet the second Tuesday in January at the Presbyterian Church. Every lady interested is urged to attend this important meeting.

Mrs. R. O. Poston has as her guest this week her sister, Miss Gardner, and Miss Johnson of Meridian.

Mr. E. J. Standfer and wife of Lubbock are visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Standfer.

Mr. and Mrs. John Milner of Gatesville have been recent visitors of his mother, Aunt Nancy Milner.

NOTICE TO SCHOOLS

We now have plenty of school Portable Phonographs. Mayes Studio and Radio Shop. 96-1tc

UNION ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Deaton of Harmon visited Mr. and Mrs. Martin Sunday.

Visitors in the Z. B. Kays home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Vernon Carroll, Aileen Estes and Pauline Herring of Ater.

Mrs. W. D. Carroll and Laura White were guests in the J. F. Nolte home Thursday.

Miss Edith Kays spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Herring, near Ater.

Mr. Otha Estes spent Saturday night and Sunday in the home of M. T. Carroll.

Mrs. J. J. Estes spent Saturday evening in the home of Mrs. Ike Franks.

Miss Evelyn Ellison visited Johnnie Bell Hagan Monday evening.

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Model Home in New Deal Experiment



One of the model homes built in Mississippi county, Arkansas, in a project for which \$1,500,000 of government funds was allotted and a tract of 10,000 acres of cut-over land bought at \$2.50 an acre. The houses have been built at an average cost of \$1,100 each.

C'ville Grammar School

Seventh Grade Officers

At a class meeting of the seventh grade Thursday, Alma Louise Murray was elected president; Steve Lindley, vice-president; Ernestine Chitwood, secretary; and John Frank Post, reporter. Parts were assigned for the seventh grade play which will be presented in February. Miss Painter is the sponsor of the class.

—Billie McBride.

Nature Club

The Nature Club is very interested in a pet squirrel brought to school by Clyde Sexton. They are watching him daily to see how he thrives on certain kinds of food.

At the regular meeting of the club last Wednesday talks were given about the bat, the opossum, and the bear by Marjorie Hall, Juanita Graves, and Marian Dyess respectively.

—James Bradley.

First Grade

Last Thursday morning the one X class under the leadership of Miss Lochard, presented a Christmas play for the first three grades. The play was

entitled "The True Christmas Spirit," and those who had part in it were Carl Gandy, Annie Ruth Franks, Countice Jean Fruner, James Elmer Wyner, Elden Fletcher, Lewis Shelton, Marha Clare Brown, Joan Bailey, Cherry Charelene Clary, Wanda Ruth Stephens, and Patty Louise Ashby.

—Josephine Clary.

Girl Scouts

The girl scouts of Miss Holmes and Miss Murray's troops have been selling Christmas seals throughout the town. Although they have nearly finished this work, they will soon start packing boxes for the shut-ins.

—Harold Diserens.

Personals

Mary Jo Russell, who was in the sixth grade, has withdrawn and moved to Big Springs.

Julian Smith has been absent several days due to an attack of pneumonia. He is reported as improving rapidly.

Maxine Wolfe, a fourth grade pupil, has withdrawn and moved away.

Leonard Manning has withdrawn from school.

Mary Holland is planning to visit in Fort Worth this week.

The fourth grade has a new pupil, Wheeler Wilson.

Don Rainer has been absent for several days because of an infected foot.

Judy Gentry, Betty Jane Jones, James Reid Powell and Maxine Lovejoy have been absent this week due to illness.

Collette Rainer is very ill with pneumonia. We hope she will improve rapidly.

Lo Alvis Patterson was operated on last Saturday for appendicitis. Word came from Waco that he is improving.

—Josephine Clary.

Allred and Wife Visit Roosevelt

Washington, Dec. 19.—Governor and Mrs. James V. Allred of Texas paid a ten-minute courtesy call to President Roosevelt Wednesday, during which the Nation's chief executive tendered his good wishes to the Texan for a successful administration. Allred said no particular State or Federal matters were discussed.

Allred later conferred with Relief Administrator Harry Hopkins and Housing Administrator James A. Moffett. He plans to return to Austin Saturday.—Dallas Morning News.

FROM THE NOTE BOOK OF MISS MARTIN

A cellar 12 feet by 6 feet, made of native stone, and plastered with concrete on the inside holds the canned products of Mrs. G. H. Sawyer, pantry demonstrator, of the Evant Home Demonstration club. Eighty five feet of shelving holds her canned products, and baskets made from slats and hardware cloth will serve to preserve her fresh fruits and vegetables.

"I can do my sewing in half the time it used to take me," said Mrs. Sam Shults of the Tama Home Demonstration club, since I have my foundation pattern." One hundred twenty-four foundation patterns have been made in Coryell county.

Fifty-six varieties of canned foods in three hundred ninety six containers are on the pantry shelves of Mrs. Victor Frase, pantry demonstrator of the Topsey Home Demonstration Club. Forty nine feet of shelving at a cost of \$6 have been added in Mrs. Frase's kitchen.

That foundation patterns are really being used was proven

BAY STATE GOVERNOR



James H. Curley, three times mayor of Boston and a Roosevelt booster long before the Chicago convention, was elected governor of Massachusetts.

by the report of Mrs. Mollie Blakley, clothing demonstrator of the Prairie View Home Demonstration club. Mrs. Blakley has made 12 dresses, one slip, and one coat using her pattern.

—Hammermill Bond typewriter paper can be had at News office.

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| TANGERINES, 2 dozen | - - - - - 25c |
| Apples Winesap, dozen.....12c | LEMONS, Dozen.....15c |
| Apples Delicious, dozen.....30c | Fresh Tomatoes, lb.....5c |
| Oranges, Calif. 288 Size, doz...20c | CELERY, Large Stalk.....13c |
| BANANAS, LARGE, YELLOW, Extra Nice, Dozen.....20c | CARROTS, Bunch.....3c |
| | SQUASH, Pound.....5c |
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 Sponsor—Emma Scott.

The High School will present the play, "The Man in the Green Shirt," Saturday night, December 22. The characters are as follows:

Mr. George T. Fuller, Pierce Richards; Mrs. George T. Fuller, Mae Florence Culp; Milly Fuller, Joe Marie Tubbs; Lena Mae Crow, Bobbie Niemeier; Willie Roach, Odis McBroom; Ivan Ross, Werner Lndenberg; Egbert Cain, Earl Shultz; Delphine Larule, Lorraine Goff; Emory Rockhart, Wenonah Sadler; Mrs. T. Jefferson Jayes, Hilma Gohlke.

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Our holiday greetings to you carry the best of cheer and good wishes for this happy season.

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15c will be charged.

School will be dismissed for the Christmas holidays December 21, and will reopen January 2, 1935.

Sports

Prairie Chapel returned a soft ball game December 6. We played a nine inning game and the score was 12-4 in our favor.

The boy's volley ball team went to Osage Wednesday and played an interesting game. We were victorious there. The Osage girl's volley ball team came to Coryell last Friday. We won with a large score.

We are very proud of the new soft ball equipment we have just received.

Home Economics

The laboratory work of the past six weeks has been more satisfactory than that of the first six weeks.

We have been working on our luncheon unit, but next we plan to make Christmas candies. After the holidays we will resume our work on "Luncheon or Supper."

The Home Economics girls will sell candy Saturday night, December 22, before the presentation of the play, "The Man in the Green Shirt."

Grade News

The first and second grades can hardly wait until Christmas. They have the room attractively decorated and will have the tree ready for Santa Claus when he comes next Friday.

First Grade Honor Roll: Wilfred Meyers, Mildred Ruster, Yvon Stremphler, and Jack Boyd. Second Grade: Delores Sadler, Olen Spross and Juanita Lee.

The third and fourth grades are thrilled and happy over the fact that Santa Claus will come soon. We are working hard as this week ends our third month. Those on the honor roll this month are: Ida Mae Bates, Olen McBroom, Etha Lee Meyers, Beulah Faye Galloway, Irene Hodel and Florene Henning.

The fifth grade have decorated their room with attractive Christmas decoration. We are making some very interesting note books in Geography. Those on the honor roll this month are Rosalean Luning, Ruby Jacobs and Edna Jacobs.

What Is Sportsmanship?

Sportsmanship is consideration for the feeling of other people. Sportsmanship is kindness. Sportsmanship is friendliness. Sportsmanship is generosity. Sportsmanship is broad mindedness.

Good sportsmanship is not that factor that makes life so complex for those people who are afflicted with superiority complex-self importance and, yes, conceit.

HURLED INTO PRICKLY PEAR LIVING PINCUSHION

At San Antonio recently officers responding to a hurry-up call found a living pincushion in the person of Jesus Flores who had been attacked by two men, thrown into some prickly pear, and kicked back into the thorns each time he tried to escape.

The man was reported thoroughly covered with prickly pear thorns and was left unconscious to die in the prickly pear. Later he managed to attract the attention of some motorists. He recovered.

—News Want-Ads Get Results.

HAY VALLEY

Miss Lunett and Wanda Wicker were guests in the C. H. King home Saturday night.

Mrs. V. J. Yows visited relatives in Jonesboro Wednesday.

Visitors in the W. R. Kelso home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Kelso of Gordon, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Curry of Plainview; Frank Kelso and family and Miss Ozell Blaze, Miss Effie Yows, Mrs. T. J. Yows, J. R. Glaze and Cecil Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. King spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harper Wicker of Mound.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilliam Robertson and Mr. and Mrs. Alford Davis were guests in the O. C. Curry home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Quicksall and sons spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Era Byrom. Mrs. Ethel Russell of Jonesboro visited her sister, Mrs. Ava Yows, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Jackson and son spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Glaze.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Davis and family visited Sunday in the Lawrence Coward home.

MOUNTAIN NEWS

Rev George Jackson preached Saturday night and Sunday. Rev. Walter Hopson will preach the fourth Sunday at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Jess McCarver spent Monday with her daughter, Mrs. Broce Moore.

Charlie Barton visited Rev.

Keener last Sunday afternoon. Bro. Keener has been quite ill. Mrs. Hubbles and Grandma Hackney, who have been sick patients of this community, are improved.

Mrs. J. M. Moody has gone to Brownwood to spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Sam Swane.

Miss Inez Blocklock will return home this week end. Miss Blocklock has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. Sid Harmon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee McCarver

and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Pollard visited in the Larance McCarver home Sunday.

Ozell Barton and Ernesteen Blocklock spent Sunday evening with Mrs. Clarence Barton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Balze and small daughter, Bobbie Jane, were guests in the Blocklock home last Wednesday.

The graves of two horses buried together was recently found in England, showing the type of the Iron Age.

Christmas Greetings

We are taking this opportunity to extend to our Coryell County friends sincere best wishes for the Yuletide and trust that this small message carries with it our full appreciation for the patronage which you have shown us.

We consider the citizenship of Coryell among our closest friends and earnestly hope that you each individually may enjoy the true meaning of the approaching Christmas Season.

The Cooper Co., Inc.
 WHOLESALE

I T IS a tribute to the spirit of Coryell County manhood that it should come scathed-hungrier and colder perhaps, but scathed-hungrier and colder perhaps, but with unwavering devotion to the things that go to make up a beautiful Christmas—a spirit that is fed more from giving than from receiving—a happiness that softens the most weather-beaten face.

WE WISH YOU MUCH HAPPINESS THIS CHRISTMAS

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SOCIETY

High School Club Entertains Guests.

The Home Economics Club of the Gatesville High School entertained with a Christmas party in the grammar school auditorium, Monday night at 7:00 o'clock.

The members of the club and Misses Villa Holmes and Laura Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Thompson, Mr. Frank L. Williams, Mr. Eustace McDowell, Coach Ewing and Doyle Baldrige were the guests.

Games were played and Santa Claus gave gifts to all from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree.

Miss Joyce Baker, a senior, is president of the club, and Mrs. C. C. Pinckney is faculty sponsor.

Senior Class Has Party.

On Tuesday evening the Senior Class enjoyed its first party of the year. The guests arrived at seven-thirty and several games were played before attending the show at the Palace Theatre.

After the show, the group returned to the Grammar School Auditorium where other games were played and a Christmas Shopping story was read by Miss Dorothy Culberson.

At the conclusion of the story, the guests were served coffee and cake. Santa Claus came, and each guest was awarded a gift.

All present reported a very enjoyable evening.

Maple Primrose Club Meeting.

On Thursday afternoon, Dec. 13, Mrs. J. L. Brookshire was hostess to the Maple primrose club. The time was spent working on a Japanese fan quilt. There were fourteen members present and two visitors. Mrs. Draper Morgan and Mrs. Joe Bass joined as new members.

The following officers were elected during the business meeting: President, Mrs. W. W. Carroll; Vice-president, Mrs. R. M. Phillips; Secretary, Mrs. Bethel Edwards; Council Delegate, Mrs. Sam Shults; Pantry Demonstrator, Mrs. Draper Morgan; Bedroom Demonstrator, Mrs. Finis Carroll, and Reporter, Erma Dean Phillips.

Cake and hot chocolate were served at the conclusion of the social. Visitors at the meeting

were Mrs. O. Parker and Miss Ruby Lee Shafer.

Our next meeting will be with Mrs. Leslie Seward, January 4.

—Contributed.

Meeting of Jolly Helpers Club.

The Jolly Helpers club met December 12 at the home of Mrs. Edwin Brazzil and spent an enjoyable afternoon working on a yo-yo spread.

The hostess served a delicious course of hot chocolate and doughnuts to nine members and one visitor.

The house was called to order by the vice-president, Mrs. Ethel Haman. Plans were discussed for a Christmas box for children of the community. Mrs. Campbell was appointed chairman of the committee in charge.

The club voted to meet January 9 at the home of Mrs. Browning.

—Contributed.

LOCAL ALL-STARS DEFEAT VALLEY MILLS 13-0

The local all-stars won their second consecutive game over a pick team from Valley Mills Wednesday afternoon on the local gridiron 13-0. The visitors were much stronger than the Moody club that the Ex-Hornets defeated here last Friday 25-0.

Playing most of the time in Valley Mills territory, the locals were only allowed four first downs, while the visitors managed to make two.

Blanton, quarter for the locals, put the ball in scoring position when he intercepted a pass on Valley Mills' twenty-five yard line. He was run out of bounds on the four yard mark and Wiggins, strong driving back, took the pigskin over for the first counter. Ricketts intercepted a pass late in the fourth quarter and ran some twenty-five yards to make the second touchdown. Busby converted the extra point.

The locals could not make long runs or get their passes to clicking as they did against Moody, but played consistent ball throughout the game.

THESE DUCKS NOT SO DUMB

Minnesota hunters, reporting a great scarcity of ducks, dolefully heard reports after the season was over of lakes being literally alive with the fowl with great flocks of northern blue-bills on their annual southern pilgrimage.—Dallas News.

—Carbon paper in any size sheet, at News Office.

Some golf balls have honey in their make-up.

WANT ADS

—FOR SALE: Good Johnson grass hay. See Mrs. George Flowers. 96-2tc

—FOR SALE—Or Trade, My Buick Sedan. In fine condition, new tires and no scratches. Howard Compton.

—HOUSE WANTED: See Jim McCorkle, the milk man. 95-2tp

—WANTED: 5 coops of hens by Saturday noon. A. L. Mayes Store. 95-1tc

—FOR TRADE OR SALE: Good Jersey Milch Cows, Fresh. D. I. Campbell. 96-1tp

—We pay cash for turkeys, chickens, eggs cream, bee's wax and hides. George Miller. 92-2tc

BRING YOUR FURS HERE! Give highest prices for well stretched furs. Best prices for Pecans. H. E. Moore, E. Main St. Gatesville. 93-1f

—LOST—Brown mare mule and black horse mule, about 7 years old, and have white collar marks. Finder notify O. F. Palmer or D. I. Glass, Flat, Texas.

—FOR RENT: Three room furnished apartment with bath. Ideal location on Main Street. Phone 403. 95-1tc

—FOR SALE: Nursery Stock—state inspected and acclimated. Peaches, plums, pears, grapes, roses, evergreens and shrubs. A general line. Prices reasonable. Wilson's Nursery. Phone 3404; 4 mi. north of Gatesville. 92-1f

—Get our Special Prices on Battery and Electric Radios before you buy. Mayes Studio and Radio Shop. 96-1tc

—FOR SALE: A bed-room suite and living-room suite. Both are in excellent condition, now in use. Mrs. C. W. McConaughy, 1808 East Main Street. 95-1f

—BICYCLE FOR SALE—Good used bicycle for sale cheap. 26-inch wheelbase. Just installed new seat. See Brack Curry.

—We pay cash for turkeys, chickens, eggs, cream, bee's wax and hides. George Miller. 92-2tc

—Turkeys! Turkeys! Turkeys! We need 200 Turkeys from 5 lbs. up Bring them until Saturday noon. A. L. Mayes Store. sure to get them in before Saturday at 12:00 o'clock. Anything

—WANTED: TURKEYS! Be sure to get them in before Friday at 12:00 o'clock. Anything from 5 lbs. up. A. L. Mayes Store. 95-1tc

Please mention The News when you buy from NEWS Advertisers.

—When you see a fire think of insurance. When you think of insurance see H. S. Compton.

666 CHECKS COLDS AND FEVER FIRST DAY HEADACHES LIQUID - TABLETS SALVE - NOSE DROPS IN 30 MINUTES

Regal Theater

SATURDAY NIGHT 10:30 ALSO SUN. AND MON. Here is the same program, both Feature and Shorts, that run a week at the Majestic Theatre in Dallas, also the RKO Music Hall in New York City.

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Men at her feet . . . Women at her throat . . .

the world at her command, and nothing to live for!



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Special added attraction on this program for Saturday night at 10:30, also Sunday and Monday. The finest Short Subject ever made.

EXTRA! The LITTLE Feature that is The Year's BIG Sensation!
Romantic Melody Drama of Dazzling Splendor Produced in Glorious **NEW TECHNICOLOR!**
Call it "La Kooka-racha"
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"The Gay Divorcee"

With Ginger Rogers and Fred Astaire. Prices for these two attractions at the Regal Theater will be 10 and 25c.

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That you have the insurance you really need? We'll be glad to assist you in making sure. No obligation. Just a demonstration of service this agency renders.

HOWARD COMPTON
Gatesville, Texas



Special Edition Marks News' 2nd Anniversary

The CORYELL COUNTY NEWS will pass the second milestone of its publication on Sunday, December 23, and marks the occasion with a special "Anniversary Edition" today. The outstanding edition of the 148 published since the NEWS was established has been made both a Birthday and Christmas issue by the management.

The CORYELL COUNTY NEWS was founded the latter part of December, 1932 and the first edition appeared on Friday, December 23. The owner of the county newspaper was at that time C. W. Roberts, who moved to Gatesville from Frisco. He formerly published the Frisco Journal in that city.

In March 1933, Mr. Roberts relinquished his claim to the NEWS and on May 27 of that year was succeeded by Ayres Compton, who has owned and edited the publication since that time.

On June 24, 1933 the NEWS was entered as second-class matter at the post office in Gatesville.

From the date the paper was first published until February 15, 1934, it was published regularly each Friday, and on February 15 appeared the first edition of the NEWS as a semi-weekly, being published each Tuesday and Friday. The size of the paper was reduced from its initial size to the modern tabloid.

Excepting one holiday, the NEWS has appeared regularly each publication day.

Since the newspaper was first established approximately 1,900 paid subscribers have been added to the subscription list, which includes over 1,600 in Coryell County—said to be the largest paid circulation of any newspaper in the county.

With three employees on its pay-roll in May, 1933, the NEWS now has seven regularly paid employees on the pay-roll. Wages have been increased 91.66 per cent for the three original positions with four part time employees added.

During the past two years additional equipment has been purchased for the newspaper from time to time in order to answer the demand of increasing business.

CROSS FOR HOSPITAL AID

Washington, Dec. 17.—Representative Cross, Democrat, Texas, discussed the possibility of a \$600,000 or \$700,000 congressional appropriation for the Veterans Hospital at Waco, Texas, today with Gen. William T. Hines, veterans' administrator.

Cross told Hines of crowded conditions at the hospital and said the appropriation probably would be used for two new units, one of about 150 beds for white men and another of 130 beds for negroes.

SWORN STATEMENT OF CIRCULATION

Of the Coryell County News of Gatesville, Texas.

PAID Subscribers in Coryell County	1,614
PAID Subscribers out of Coryell County	270
TOTAL Number of PAID Subscribers	1,884
City Circulation	
PAID Subscribers in Gatesville, TOTAL	447
PAID Subscriptions delivered by carrier boys	338
PAID Subscriptions, State Training School	24
PAID Subscriptions, General Delivery and Post Office Boxes	85
PAID Subscribers in Coryell County (not including Gatesville)	1,167

(Signed) Ayres Compton

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 30th day of October, 1934.

(Signed) F. W. Straw

Notary Public

in and for Coryell County, Texas. (My Commission expires June 1, 1935.)

THIS GROUP IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE NEWS



Reading left to right: Mat Jones, advertising manager; Laverne Wilson, society editor; S.F. Bethel, foreman; Ted Harris, linotype operator and sports writer; Ayres Compton, editor. Standing: Edwin McDonald, carrier; Emil Lee, carrier and pressman; Erle Powell, carrier; Brack Curry, columnist. (Photo by Mayes)

Xmas Weather Today Compared With 1932

Weather conditions this time two years ago might have been vastly different than they are today—or the two dates might compare very favorably as far as the weather prophet is concerned, but the only way to know it to compare today's barometer with that of 1932 by reading the following account from the NEWS files of Dec. 23.

For more than ten days Coryell County has been blessed with slow, drizzly damp weather, sometimes rain and at other times sleet or snow, which has been thoroughly absorbed by the soil, relieving the long dry spell which threatened to interfere with the small grain crop for the coming year.

It is said that the total rain fall during the month of December so far has amounted to about three inches and came at a time when all fall wheat and oats were badly in need of rain. In fact in many localities much of the small grain was thought to have been dead.

The recent cold and rain are also very beneficial to the soil where the land has been prepared for the planting of row crops.

"The Black Terror" One Of First Theater Plays

Members of the local Little Theater and patrons of the amateur dramatic guild should have some satisfaction in taking part in an organization which has gained prominence since its initial presentation.

Mrs. B. K. Cooper was the first director of the Little Theater, and the following account

Two-Year-Old News Items Recall Activities

There are many readers, no doubt, who find a great pleasure in friendship and are at all times interested in the welfare of their friends. Hence, it might be interesting to recall just what certain ones were doing "two years ago" from reading the following accounts of local people and visitors to Coryell County, taken from the first issue of the CORYELL COUNTY NEWS, dated, Dec. 23, 1932:

Miss Katherine Gordon, teaching in Pettus, Texas, is at home with her father, Boone Gordon, for the Christmas holidays.

E. W. Jones, the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Jones, who is attending school in Lubbock, will spend the holidays with his parents.

Dr. W. B. Newland is reported to be resting better at the Baptist Sanitarium, Waco, where he underwent an operation several days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. James Moss of Port Arthur will be holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Mears.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay McClellan of Waco will visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Mears and Mrs. J. E. McClellan during the holidays.

Mrs. Nettie (Post) Taylor, of Tyler, Texas, is a holiday guest in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Post.

Mr. and Mrs. Norris Hammock of Dallas are expected guests during the holidays in the home of Mrs. W. W. Hammock.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Chapman will spend the Christmas holidays at Hamilton.

Eugene and Elizabeth Ward, son and daughter of Rev. W. W. Ward, have been ill the past few days, but some better today.

(Continued on next page.)

Insight on 'News' Made Public When Snoopers Exposes Personnel of Staff

The "Snooper" of this newspaper wishes to take this opportunity, while celebrating the second birthday of the county paper, to make mention of a few people who have more to do with the "News" than any other group of people in this neck of the woods, but whose names you very rarely, if ever, see on its printed pages.

Beginning with the editor, which is customary no doubt, we shall dispense with all unnecessary biographical summaries concerning him, the one person whose woes and sorrows have been so often heard before. The least said of him the more interesting to the readers.

Dirty Work

From the editor's desk we skip back to the press room. Here we find the master of all

jobs that nobody else will claim, the printshop foreman. If anything is needed in the way of equipment that is not included in the inventory it's his job to make it. If anything goes wrong with the mechanical end of the paper it's his job to fix it. And if a dissatisfied customer storms through the front office howling at the top of his voice about a certain order that hasn't been delivered, it's his job to BEAT it! This genius at printing is S. F. Bethel.

Next in line for dirty work is the Linotype operator. His job is easy. All he has to do is to be able to read copy upside down and backwards, correct the editor's misspelling, stick in omitted initials, fill in blank dates and read everybody's mind generally. He has a nice cane

bottom chair to sit on during the day, touching funny little keys and stopping occasionally to refill his pot with metal. This combination printer and sports columnist is Ted Harris.

The printer's devil, which most folk seem to think of as a legendary term, is a very important position with this newspaper. This young man must be a glutton for punishment, for he intends to make a newspaper man of himself some day. He does odd jobs around the shop and runs the press when he's not in school and delivers papers on Friday and Tuesday mornings. It is Emil Lee. He's a long tall youngster but he's a willing sort of person.

There are two other carrier

(Continued on last page)

reviews one of the groups' first shows.

(From the Dec. 23, 1932 edition of the NEWS.)

Last Tuesday night the Little Theater presented a play "The Black Terror" which was enjoyed by a fairly large attendance. During the course of the play all lights were turned off which added attraction to the scenery.

The presentation was coached by Mr. Dawson Cooper, business manager of the Little Theater.

This play was the third one to be presented thus far this season.

A large crowd was present at the high school gymnasium last evening to see "Sparkin," a one-act rural comedy, which was directed by C. E. Alvis, Jr. The play was given in connection with the formal opening of the new gym-auditorium.

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S. F. Bethel, Commercial Printing

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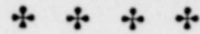
One Year (in Coryell County)....\$1.00; Elsewhere.....\$1.50

Entered as second-class matter June 24, 1933, at the post office at Gatesville, Texas, under the Act of March 3, 1879.

NOTICE: Any erroneous reflection upon the character or standing of any person or firm appearing in its columns will be gladly and promptly corrected upon calling the attention of the management to the article in question.

1934—NEARLY GONE NOW

After the historical Wall Street market crash it took us more than a year to realize what it was all about. We had been living high, enjoying luxury and overdoing a big spending spree. When the crash came a year followed before most of us realized that we were actually in the midst of a nation-wide depression. In about 1931 we began to get our bearings and like stock in a blazing barn we turned the depression into a panic and stampeded over each other to save our own lives. In 1932 it went from bad to worse and by the beginning of 1933 we had reached a climax that endangered not only our own welfare but the welfare of the nation and world. Then came the guiding spirit of a new national administration which helped us to struggle through the year that followed—to experience a sort of relief that settled our nerves and made us think that perhaps there was a chance after all. Another year, 1934, and it's nearly gone, and out of it we have seen much more pleasantness. We know there is hope now and with the approaching of 1935 we anxiously await the return to stability, sobriety and a life that's worth living.



Although the CORYELL COUNTY NEWS has changed management since it was first established, the present management has tried to adhere to the original policy of the county newspaper, which was set out in an editorial appearing in the first edition of the paper.

The following statement, printed then, carries with it today the same ideals of the paper which is now being read by subscribers throughout this county and elsewhere.

Following is a reprint of that statement:

OUR POLICY

In our opinion a newspaper without a policy is about as worthless as a political party without a platform, or an organization without rules, therefore we have a purpose and will not hesitate to so state our views that the News readers may know our position right from the beginning.

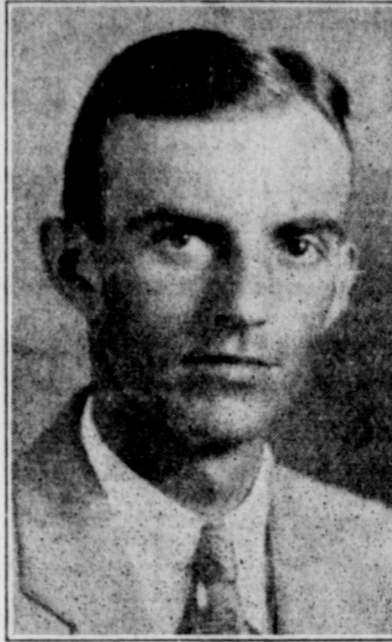
Politically, we will at all times defend the rights and principles of the Democratic party—but not the combats nor aspirations of any particular clique, gang or individual, leaving that to the different organizations and individuals to solve. We shall at all times defend that which we may think and believe to be right—right for the benefit of humanity, fair to all concerned and a square deal for the individual as well as for the masses.

It is our desire that we furnish a newspaper that meets the requirements of the people of the rural sections as well as the people of the city of Gatesville. We are going to make this a county paper and right here we want to say that it is YOUR newspaper. Our columns are open at any time for the indulgence of the writers and contributors for the discussion of any subject that you may so care to indulge in, (excepting religious discussions). We welcome contributions from different parts of the county on any matter that pertains to the public mind of today. Believing that these letters are always a source of help to many.

The readers of the News will find that at all times we are heartily in accord with anything that is for the betterment of those living in rural sections. Remember, any time we can be of service, call on us; we will be glad to render such assistance that is possible.

—THE PUBLISHER

EDITOR



AYRES COMPTON

Ayres Compton, 26 years-old, who assumed the ownership of the CORYELL COUNTY NEWS on June 1, 1933, and who has edited the newspaper since that time.

He was born in Gatesville July 31, 1934 and received his early training in the public schools of this city. In 1926 he enrolled in Southwestern University at Georgetown and received his A. B. degree there in the summer of 1928. The next year he was a student on the "Floating University," educational tour. In 1929-'30 he took graduate work in Journalism at the University of Texas.

Prior to his removing to Gatesville he was associated with the Crazy Water Company, at Mineral Wells.

TWO-YEAR-OLD NEWS—

(Continued from page one.)

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sadler of Houston, Texas, will be holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Sadler on Main Street over the holidays.

Franklin Gregory and wife of Lubbock will spend the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Maggie Gregory.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McElhannon and son, Joe Carl, of Huntsville will spend the holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Sadler.

Miss Bounce Walker of Leesville, La., is coming in today to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Walker.

Miss Dorothy Ayres will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leake Ayres.

The Morris Federation meets with Miss Orpha Mayo for the annual open house December meeting. The members and guests are looking forward to the coming of Lexie Dean Robertson, the poet.

Mr. L. B. Chambers of Waco will visit in the home of Dr. and Mrs. O. G. Gilder during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Akard Newton are the proud parents of a new eight-pound girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Balze and family have just returned from West Texas.

Miss Claudie Goodall, teaching at Grandview, is at home for the holidays.

Mr. Van Doran Goodall, medical student at Galveston, is spending the holidays at home.

Miss Raye Virginia Rayford, a student at John Tarleton, will be home for the holidays.

Miss Elaine Cross, who is

attending John Tarleton College is at home.

Mr. Ike Smith is suffering from blood poison caused from a scratch on his hand. It is reported that he is doing better today.

Miss Virginia Bell Curry, a student at Simmons University, Abilene, is spending the holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Lemons of Jonesboro were in the city shopping Saturday.

Mrs. Travis Laxson, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Forrest, Mrs. E. W. Hollonquist and Bunk Forrest spent the day at Carlton with friends.

Mrs. J. E. Woodley and son, Lloyd, spent the day Tuesday with Mrs. Woodley's daughter, Mrs. John G. Morse, 305 Park Street.

Mrs. J. P. Ashby and son, Joe Charles, will spend Christmas holidays at home. Mrs. Ashby is teaching at Breckenridge.

Mr. Lytle Powell will be in Thursday from Baylor University to spend the Christmas holidays with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Will Powell.

Miss Laura Powell of Donna and Miss Olive Powell of San Antonio will be at home with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Powell, for the holidays.

Miss Lois Scott will return home from the State University for the holidays.

Miss Louise Hall has been ill with the influenza the past few days.

THE COFFEE SHOP

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Lunches

Cigarettes, Cigars

and Tobacco

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AND
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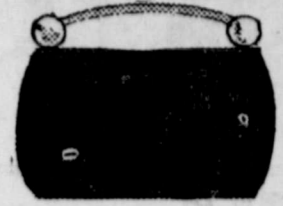
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COMPLETE LINE OF XMAS

TREE LIGHTS

R. M. ARNOLD JR.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE LAST MINUTE SHOPPERS



Several dozen new purses arrived this week. Smart styles in Navy, Brown and Black. **\$1.00 TO \$1.95**

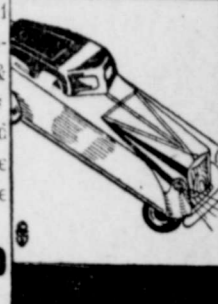


Beautiful Ringless Full Fashioned Silk Hose in \$1.00 irregulars. Every shade for the season. **59c PAIR**



Ginger Rogers (Gingeretts) make ideal gifts for girls age 12 to 18. They are priced at **\$1.29 SET**

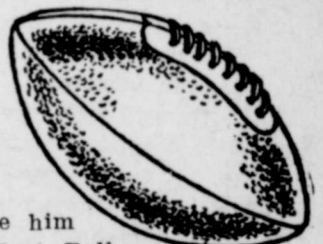
Hundreds of toy automobiles without lights. Every kid should have at least one car.



10c TO \$1.95

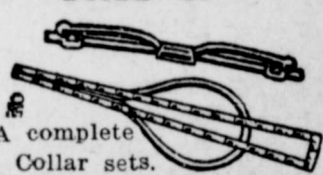


Give Her "Kerchiefs." A full line of Boxed and open Stocked. **2c TO 25c**



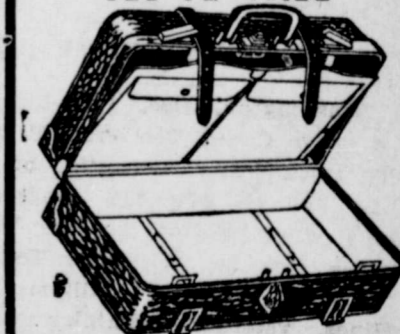
Give him a Foot Ball.

\$1.00 UP



A complete line Collar sets.

10c TO \$1.00



A complete line of Fitted Cases, Hat boxes, Gladstone bags and unfitted Cases.

\$3.95 TO \$12.95

Leaird's Dept. Store

MAY SUCCEED FARLEY



W. W. Howes, at present first assistant postmaster general of the United States, who is slated to succeed Postmaster General James A. Farley, when the latter steps out of the cabinet within the next few months, according to reliable information.

—News Want-Ads Get Results.



May your Christmas be as happy as you have made it possible for ours to be—

THE PALACE

Harold A. Cunyus,
Buchie Wollard
Herschel Bradford
Horace Blanton.

CHRISTMAS IS HERE

By Bellmay Bellcor

The Star in the East was freedom begun
The light of the world by the Bethlehem Son
His birth in the manger so lowly but great
Was the gift of Salvation to all who will take.

Swaddled and lain on a bed of hay
A wee bit of infancy to grow and make the way
For the redemption of man, the glad tidings to say
The Christ child our Saviour, O' blessed Christmas Day.

And throughout these centuries, the story's not old
It brings to us packages of joys untold
It brings to us messages that resurrects dead hopes
For the spirit of the Christ child has been born within.

And would that each in the whole world
Could receive in their hearts the message, "Peace
And Good-Will."
And each be untying a package of "Comfort,
Gladness and Cheer."
When the clocks strike the hour "Christmas is Here."

CHRISTMAS

By Mrs. L. Young

Festoon the cedar and holly
And send up the rockets so bright,
In love to the one whose birth-date
We honor this holy night.

Let's read again that sweet story
Of wise men who came from afar
Over the hills of Judea
Led on by the Bethlehem Star.

The story that tells of shepherds
Watching over their flocks by night,
Who heard the first Christmas anthem
Sung by angels in garments bright.

Leaving their flocks in God's keeping
The shepherds hurried away
And found in a lowly stable
The babe in a manger of hay.

Let us sing the angel's carol;
Peace on earth, Good-Will toward men,
Its tones have rung through the ages
Let us sing it over again.

Let us thank God for the present
He gave to world on that day
That the little infant Jesus
Was found in a manger of hay.

ed of course it is not "false pride." The conclusive facts are that "what Coryell County makes, makes Gatesville."

Gatesville has become the trade center, the educational center and the banking center of Coryell County. Farm products from all over the county are marketed in Gatesville daily. This is made possible by roads provided by the county and maintained by county tax payers. The result of county-wide trade, terminating at the county seat, makes possible that livelihood which residents of Gatesville enjoy. There is hardly a business man or business woman, firm or institution, that does not rely upon county resources. Then it is only upon fitting and proper that each business institution of Gatesville should be recognized as a county-wide enterprise—Serving Coryell county patrons.

We are pleased to recognize the fact that "what Coryell County makes, makes Gatesville," and to Coryell County Gatesville owes an indebtedness which cannot be appraised in terms of dollars and cents.—(Coryell Co. News, Dec. 23, 1932.)

ACE GREEN BUSTER

Ace Green Buster, 81 years-old, passed away at his home near Pidecke at 10:00 o'clock Sunday morning, December 16. Funeral services were conducted Monday. The deceased was a member of the Baptist Church. Survivors are one son, J. W. Buster, and several grandchildren.

MATTIE WILLIAMS

Funeral services for Mrs. Mattie Williams were held Friday afternoon, December 14, at 3:00 o'clock in the Slater Cemetery, with Reverend Lee officiating.

The deceased was born in Coryell County near the Hemaline community and had resided near Slater for the past six years. She was a devout member of the Baptist Church. She is survived by her husband and two children.



YULETIDE CHEER

It's a Give and Take Proposition. We hope you will "Take" our Merry Xmas wish as we Cheerfully as we "Give" it—And Thanx.

Young & Routh Ice Co.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Pictured in the Ordinary Black and White, but just the same, it's a sincere wish to you for a MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Franks & Jones Market

What Coryell County Makes—Makes G'ville

Being citizens of Gatesville, we oftentimes lose sight of the fact that we are also citizens of Coryell county. It is easy for us to become so completely absorbed with our own success and happiness, that we forget for the time being, the possible contributing factors to our welfare. This is not intentional selfishness by any means; it is merely a temporary oversight. Rather than bother ourselves with seeking the truth that is not directly before our eyes, we are inclined to take things for granted and be content to continue as we are without giving credit where credit is due. Too, we have inherited a certain sense of pride that many times causes us to be biased in our judgment, and in this particular case, being residents of Gatesville, it is only natural that our pride leads us to believe that Gatesville is an independent, self-supporting town, disregarding the fact entirely that the county in which we live might make some contribution to our success. Evidence of pride on the part of anyone is commendable, provid-

Christmas Greetings

A sincere thought or greeting as above should never be said in jest. During the past year, as well as past years, we have counted you as our Friends and to you, we give you this

CHRISTMAS GREETING

Coryell Motor Company

To My Friends and Acquaintances in Coryell County

As I live each year I find that that there is good in all men and women. That there is also good will and good cheer in their fellowship. I find also that the great majority of mankind desires to be just with his fellowman in his dealings. The fact that good will, good cheer, and justice in our dealings with each other establishes a confidence that brings the greatest amount of happiness possible is well known to all who have reached that plane in development. The Christian home, with parents and children is the greatest place to develop and enjoy the above named virtues. The School directed by Christian teachers and officials is the best place to make this happiness and confidence community wide. While religious organizations are most helpful in giving a hope and faith that makes these great values in man at his best extend out into the eternal with an understanding of the divine.

Accept my wish that each of you may have the happiest Christmas possible. And also that this happiness may be radiated by you to all of your friends and acquaintances.

Very sincerely your friend,

J. M. WITCHER

**Marked Progress Shown
By Census of Schools**

By Brack Garrett Curry
With a total enrollment of 369, marking the greatest number of pupils ever in attendance, the Gatesville High School shows an increase of \$9 over last year at this time. The Elementary School has a total enrollment to date of 478 compared with 454 last year, making a total white attendance in the two schools of \$43. Total white attendance at this period last year was 734, an increase of 109.

The High School has an average attendance of 366 or 97 per cent, as to 234 or 98 per cent for the second period last year. The Elementary School has an average daily attendance of 443 or 95.2 per cent. Last year daily attendance was 404 or 96 per cent. Since the beginning of the current school year only 19 have withdrawn from the Elementary School and 11 from the High School, at total of 30 withdrawals. Last year losses for this year totaled 233.

The colored school has a total enrollment to date of 71, which is 7 more than enrolled last year. Enrollment is the same as at the last report and only 2 pupils have withdrawn this year. There were 5 losses last year. The colored school has an average daily attendance of 62 or 91.8 per cent.

The total enrollment for the Gatesville Public Schools is 918, 120 more than last year. The total enrollment at the last report was 888, a gain of 26. The schools show an average daily attendance of \$12 or 94 per cent. Only thirty-two have withdrawn this year, which is four more than last year.

The classes in high school include nine English, five Math, four Science, seven History, one Economics one Civics, two Typing, one Shorthand, one Band, and four Language. The public Schools employ a total of 26 instructors 10 in the High School, 14 in the Elementary School, and 2 in the Colored School.

Bookkeeping and Public Speaking are two new courses in the High School curriculum this year. Efforts are being made to get these courses affiliated. The number of affiliated credits for the High School now is 26.

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HIGH SCHOOL BAND PLAYS IMPORTANT ROLE

By Pat Mayo Holt
The High School Band, under the direction of Mr. D. W. Diserens, is one of the most important departments of the school. Hardly a week passes that it does not play at some school or civic function. A large majority of the band members graduated last spring and the remaining few have been used as a nucleus around which to build up a splendid organization of 35-pieces. A number of the new members have been able to engage in this work only through the buses which run to practically all parts of the county. At present the band is practicing for a program to be presented to the student body December 21. Also a concert similar to the one last Wednesday afternoon will be given December 19 at 3:30 on the Court House lawn. The band will also attend school picnics throughout the county next spring as they have done for the past few years.

The band has already made two out-of-town trips this year to attend football games, one to Lampasas and one to Hamilton. They have been a marvelous booster of the football team and played at all the home games.

Active work was begun on the 12-piece orchestra last week. The orchestra has already made one public appearance—at the party in the gym December 6, and plan many more.

G'ville Hi School News

"Cracks From the Campus"
By Jack Hestilow
Zack F: "That funny."
Grady D: "What's funny?"
Zack F: "Oh, I was just thinking."

Grady D: "That's funny."
Traveller: "How far is it to the station?"

Dave C: "About five minutes walk, sir, if you run."
Late to bed and early to rise
Keeps your kid brother
From wearing your ties.

Mr. Thompson: "Name a liquid that won't freeze"
Herbert T.: "Hot water."

Miss Worthey: "Give a definition of group."

Bill W.: "A group is a bunch of people containing a few more than several."

Scrimmage Between Gatesville And Plainview Girls
By Faye Jones

A scrimmage between the Gatesville and Plainview Senior girls was played last Tuesday afternoon in the gymnasium. At the end of the game the score was 22-19 in favor of Gatesville.

Choral Club Program
By Ethel Diserens

The Gatesville High School choral club made its first appearance when it entertained the student body with a thirty minute program Friday morning. The program consisted of three songs by the choir, "Sweet and Low," "The City of Mexico," which was taken from the opera, "The Golden Trail," and "Glow Worm." The accompaniment of these numbers was played by Bertha Lillian Stewart on the piano. Two bass solos, "Danny Boy," and the "Big Bass Violin" were given by James Evans and accompanied by Miss Halbrook.

The members of the choral club are: Frances Goodall, Belva McCoy, Wilma Franks, Lucille Rose, Pearl Powell, Ina Beth Fore, Waldine Wharton, Irene

MAPLE ITEMS

Messrs Frank and A. J. Beasley made a business trip to Killeen Friday. Miss Ruth Beasley, who is attending school there, returned home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall were Killeen visitors Thursday.

Misses Elna Brookshire and Erma Dean Phillips are working at Gatesville during the rush of Christmas shopping.

Dreyer, Jacqueline West, Elaine Smith, Leila Young, Anita Lowrey, Merle Hopson, Margaret Gilder, Dorothy Franks, Helon Chamlee, Nelle Goodall, Iris Morse, Louise Wollard, Dorothy Dillashaw, Rosalie Boyd, Alice Earl Anderson, Emmett Griggs, Harold Chamlee, Chess Baize, Finley Perry, Donald Weaver, Joe Ricketts, James Weaver, James Evans, Tom L. Robinson, Jr., Wendell Lowrey, Jack Thorton, Albert Dickie, Bill Witt, and Jack Reesing. Miss Halbrook is the faculty sponsor.

Miss Mabel Brookshire spent several days last week with her brother, R. F. Brookshire of Browns Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fuller and family of Hubbard spent Sunday with their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Fuller.

Mr. R. M. Phillips was a business visitor in Gatesville Thursday.

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LEAIRD'S DEPT. STORE
Byron Leaird, Proprietor.

Christmas Trails and Gales

by
Florence Harris Wells

NOW that she was really at home for Christmas Katharine Mann found herself wishing that she had invited some of her young city friends to accompany her. Katharine was working on the last few rows of the scarf she was knitting for her mother's Christmas gift and her thoughts were as busy as her fingers.

She had thought it was going to be too stupid in the little bay shore village for her friends. But father and mother and Brother Jack had all been so sincerely delighted to see her that she had decided a home was after all the only place in which to spend Christmas and boarding and rooming houses could not compare, no matter how congenial the young folks there might be. Still, she did wish Fred Aldrich might be here, too.

Fred had grown to be quite a part of her life she was learning, now that she had been away for two days. They had been boarding at the same place for six months. It was a jolly group at that boarding house. Katharine hoped they were missing her, especially Fred, she admitted to herself. An idea she would not have had any one surmise — no, not for anything.

Thirteen-year-old Brother Jack came merrily dashing into the room.

"Shall we go get the Christmas tree, sister?"

"All right," Katharine answered quickly. It was always an adventure to cut across the ice-covered bay to the pine woods on the other side and select exactly the right tree from the abundance to be found there. Jack would chop it down and together they would tie it securely to the big sled. It was easy enough to bring it back on the ice.

The day was already drawing to a close when the two found themselves once more on the ice leading for home.

"We'll have to hurry if we get home before dark, Jack."

"Don't I know it," Jack answered. "Look! It's snowing."

Sure enough the air was filled with fine, glistening particles.

"We've got to hustle now, Kath. You know you're plain stuck if you get caught on the ice in a snow storm."

On they gilded holding firmly to the sled rope. The sharp snow granules became more numerous. The air was filled with them, pelting and biting their faces and making the skating less and less easy. The cracks and holes in the ice were soon covered. More than once Jack and Katharine found themselves clutching the air in wild contortions to keep their balance.

Suddenly Katharine's skate caught in a hole. In falling she hit Jack's skat and they both went sliding and sprawling on the snow-covered surface. The sleigh, with the tree on it, sped past them, carried on by the impetus of its weight and the flying start it had.

The two skaters gathered themselves together, regaining their feet in time to see the runaway hit a fisherman's hut. The hut collapsed. They watched two much befurred, and irate men disentangle themselves from the wreck and glare around to see what it was all about. Katharine and Jack sped toward

them as fast as the skating would permit.

"We're so sorry," Katharine began. "But the snow covered the cracks in the ice and my skate caught . . ." she got no further. A pair of black eyes under the huge fur cap were mischievously twinkling:

"So you're our undoing, Katharine Mann. I came up here on your trail but I didn't expect you to upset my plans in this fashion."

Katharine had somewhat recovered her poise:

"How did you get here, Fred Aldrich? I thought I left you in town?"

"You did. But what's a city without your gay self in it? I decided to accept uncle's proffered invitation to fish; so I followed you home. You know my aunt and uncle?"

"Of course. We're old friends." Katharine beamed her brightest smile upon the uncle. "But I didn't know you were relatives. This is my brother, Jack."

"Let's go home and get the tree up. It's almost quit snowing," Jack offered unceremoniously.

"Let's," the uncle added, but he smiled as though well pleased. "Your mother has already asked us for Christmas dinner, Katharine. It was to have been a surprise."

"A pretty fine one, I'd say," Fred's voice sounded very gay and happy. "That tree deserves special attention in my opinion. So off we go, over the ice and through the snow."

And somehow it proved much easier going now than it did before—especially to Katharine.

SEATTLE ITEMS

Mr. John Palmer who has been taking treatments at Marlin, was able to return home Friday.

Mr. G. G. Riddle is ill at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. David Bell visit-



Besides being a time when we meet and renew old friendships, Xmas is a time when we sincerely wish to make friends. If you are not already our friends, We're pleased to meet you.

CITY BEAUTY SHOP
Loree & Harry Benson

ed Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sims this week.

Miss Verna Finney visited Mrs. Willis Byrd last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Lee were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lee, last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Watts visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Copeland last Thursday evening.

Miss Mona Owens, Mrs. L. A. Dixon and Mrs. D. D. Dixon visited with Mrs. Willis Byrd Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. McElroy have gone to McAllen for an

indefinite stay with their children.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Copeland were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor at Hubbard Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Tippit of Hubbard and Mr. and Mrs. D. Dixon were guests in the A. A. Dixon home Sunday.

Mrs. Anna Copeland visited her daughter, Mrs. Pete Tippit at Hubbard last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Dixon spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Dixon.

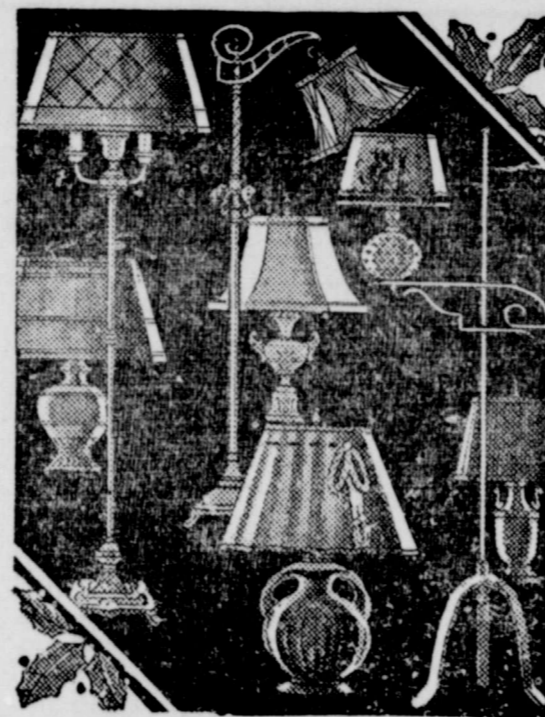
Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dixon were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Arnold, Jr. at Gatesville Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Lee spent Sunday night in the R. L. Finney home.

Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Watts were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Copeland Sunday evening.

Mr. P. M. Post and daughter, Miss Helen, Mrs. Hunt and Misses Alta Finney and Mary visited in the R. L. Finney and A. P. Dixon homes Wednesday night.

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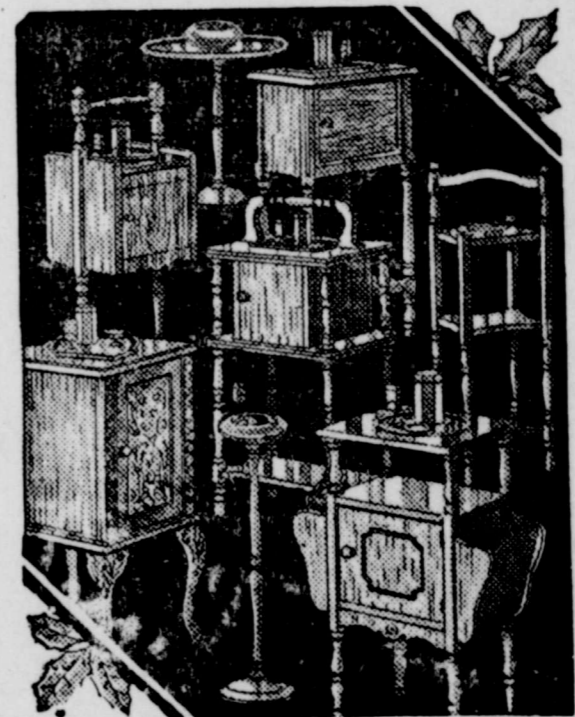
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Cousin Sarah's Visit

By Katherine Edelman



OF ALL the times that Cousin Sarah could choose to come! Florence Gordon cried, as she crushed the telegram and threw it to the floor. "Could anything be more upsetting—more annoying?"

A few minutes before her heart had been singing with the joy of Christmas. She had been filled with satisfaction and pride as she looked around the little bungalow. But now everything was spoiled! Cousin Sarah, the most eccentric and utterly impossible of all her relatives was coming to spend the holidays with her and Ted.

At any other time Florence wouldn't have minded so much, for in spite of Cousin Sarah's peculiarities, she really had a feeling of affection for the little old lady.

But now she was overwhelmed by the thought of what the Andersons would think of her, Robert Anderson had charge of Ted's department, and was a big power in the company. During the past year, their only daughter had married and gone to live abroad—her husband had been given a three year appointment in Shanghai. Ted had made the suggestion that perhaps the couple were lonely and might enjoy spending Christmas with them. At first Florence would not agree; the thought of the rather pompous Mr. Anderson and his equally stiff-looking wife filled her with dismay.

Reluctantly she gave in to Ted's wishes. The invitation was extended, and to her surprise, readily accepted. Since she had done everything possible to make the occasion a happy one. But now Cousin Sarah was coming to spoil all her plans!

As soon as Ted opened the door that evening, she rushed to him with the news.

"I wouldn't let it worry me, honey. If the Andersons are the sensible people they ought to be,



She Might Break Loose With Some Freakish Stunt.

they surely won't mind an old lady acting up a little."

But Florence continued worrying. Ted, being a man, couldn't understand, of course. He didn't stop to think that it might even hurt him in the office if something should happen.

Cousin Sarah arrived on Christmas eve, a queer looking figure, dressed in a rustling black silk gown of a cut and style long out of fashion. Florence's heart sank as she looked at her, but she tried to make her welcome sincere.

The Christmas dinner threatened to be the stiff, unenjoyable affair that Florence had feared from the first. Ted had no right to invite such people as the Andersons. It seemed impossible to get them to unbend, to act in the natural, happy way that all people should act, especially at Christmas. . . Florence felt miserable, for there was also Cousin Sarah to worry about; at any moment she might break loose with some freakish stunt.

Cousin Sarah did. It seemed as

if the stiffness and formality around the table was too much for her. Never had Florence seen her act so ridiculous. What would the Andersons think?

Florence was soon to know. She watched them become as delightfully human as any folks could be. They were joining in Cousin Sarah's fun in a way that amazed her. And soon Grant Anderson was passing his plate for another helping of turkey, and Mrs. Anderson was praising everything in the most enthusiastic tones. . . Cousin Sarah, whose visit Florence had dreaded so much, was turning a dull and uninteresting dinner into the very gayest kind of a party!

—When you see a fire think of insurance. When you think of insurance see H. S. Compton.

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TEACHERS PLAN VISITS DURING XMAS

With the coming of Christmas and the attendant school holidays, many of the teachers will go to their respective homes in various sections of the state. Miss Villa Holmes, the only one leaving the state, will leave tomorrow for Perry, Oklahoma, where she will spend Christmas with relatives. Miss Laura Pearson will enjoy the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Pearson of Colorado, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Thompson and son, Charles Edgar, are going to Denton to visit their parents. Coach Maurice Ewing will spend the holidays with his parents in Gonzales. Mrs. C. C. Pinkney will spend Christmas with her parents in Brenham. Miss Ila Fae Selby will spend the holidays in Denton with her par-

ents and other relatives. Miss Evelyn Knight will go to Sterling City and Miss Virginia Worthey to Roscoe. Miss Linnie Fore is planning a delightful stay during the holidays with her sister, Lala, in Corsicana. Katherine Gordon will go to Pettus, Texas, to spend Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Morris Roberts and family.

Misses Mamie Sue Halbrook, Aurora Yongue, Maude Alyce Painter, Bess Holmes, Lizzie Lockard, Lois Grantham, Edna Murray and Bill Cayce and Messrs Doyle Baldrige, F. L. Williams and Eustace McDowell, and Mrs. John P. Reesing will spend most of the holidays with their parents and families in Gatesville.

—Brack Curry.

—Carbon paper in any size sheet, at News Office.

THANKSGIVING TURKEYS BROUGHT \$1,500,000

Estimates of the value of the turkeys sold by Texas farmers for Thanksgiving place the total at \$1,500,000 from out-of-State shipments. Possibly \$500,000 more was received from sale of turkeys for local use, but no accurate estimate of these sales is possible.

Principal buyers agree that Christmas marketing will run sales totaling the \$2,000,000 level to out-of-State buyers with local sales totaling around \$700,000.

LARGEST FAMILY

At the last Lamesa trades day, a \$5 prize offered for the largest family in attendance was won by Mrs. L. H. Carlton who registered 19. Two families of 17 each were also present.

Winters Are EASIER Than They Used To Be? CERTAINLY . . . Underground pipelines made the change

Santa Claus has slick chimney-work in 290 towns in Texas and Oklahoma on the Lone Star network of natural gas, because we've been working 25 years to make your smokeless skylines. Since Christmas morning starts very early in most houses our men are busy at the gas wells, the compressors, and along the field lines, building up a peak load long before day



We know why the winters are easier now than they used to be—it's because of your natural gas. Why should a winter get out of control when a man can turn on a rich and inexpensive heat all over the place? Why should a north wind upset a household when water heaters are turning out two hot baths on a penny's worth of gas? What's a little sleet, so long as you don't have to bring in wood and kindling, and build fires? Thousands of miles of underground gas lines have changed the winters in this part of the country.

New Gas Inventions

Would you like to help yourself to still more comfort at your house for the New Year? Shop at your appliance dealer's for the new gas inventions, from heaters to refrigerators. We show some of this equipment in the panel below. It does its work, whatever it is, for much less cost than any other method, because of your natural gas.

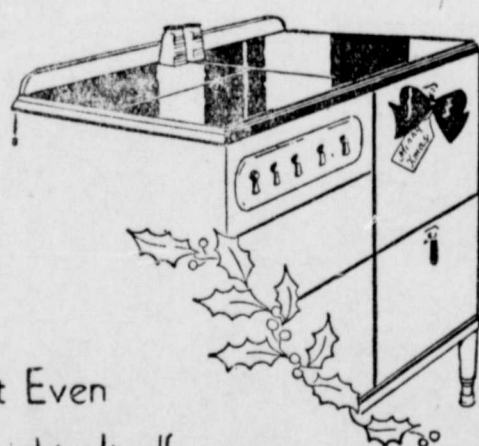
New Heaters Work Like Furnaces

Have you seen the new enclosed heaters that work like furnaces? Here's one in this picture, the handsome lacquered cabinet. The flame never touches the air you breathe, because the firebox vents out the flue. The Floor Furnace is another popular invention, a highly efficient heater that fits under the floor.



So Modern It Needs No Complicated Machinery

And the Gas Refrigerator runs for much less cost than any other method. Not a speck of noise or vibration. Beautifully finished and equipped with the latest improvements.



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Cool Oven Walls. Temperature dial for CORRECT oven temperatures. Gliding smokeless broiler. New type burners. And gas is much faster and lower-priced than any other cooking heat.



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EMILY ROBERTS

Funeral services were conducted for Emily Roberts, 86 years-old, who died Thursday night, December 13, at 9:30 p. m., in the Levita Cemetery at three o'clock Friday afternoon, December 14.

Mrs. Roberts was born in Alabama on January 10, 1848, and was a resident of Coryell County for seventeen years preceding her death.

The deceased was a member of the Church of Christ. She is survived by one son, W. E. Roberts; one brother, W. W. Johnson, and grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by Morto Scott.

Bubonic plague is transmitted by a germ carried by a flea from rats to man.



"Love Birds" . . .

a little out of place in a Xmas setting, but not our Wishing you a Very Merry CHRISTMAS

COZY CAFE

KAY & BILL AMENT

Appreciation Is Shown "Charter" Advertisers

The business interests of Coryell County were very complimentary to the CORYELL COUNTY NEWS when it published its first edition Dec. 23, two years ago and acknowledged their welcome to the county newspaper by subscribing to its success with advertisements.

It is without doubt that the NEWS is proud of its first customers in the advertising department.

There were eighteen local advertisers in the NEWS' first edition, which included:

- Guaranty Bank & Trust Co.
- Sheppard Motor Co.
- Aubrey Walker
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- John Graham
- W. R. Pennington
- Chamlee's Garage
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- Arnold's Drug
- Texas Company
- Fletcher & Beerwinkle
- Davidson Bros. & Co.
- Cozy Cafe
- Leaird's Dep't. Store
- Morton Scott
- I. O. Scott

Since the establishment of the NEWS many more patrons have been added to the list of "charter" customers. These advertisers were added to the list in the first edition put out under the new ownership:

- Byrom & Walker
- Neuman & Chapman
- Cocoa-Cola Co.
- Painter & Lee
- GV. Farm Products Co.
- Daniels Produce
- Gatesville Nat'l Bank
- 1st Nat'l Bank
- Scott Motor Co.
- Cameron & Co.
- Meeks Cafe.

Copper production in Austria is only about 6 per cent of that of 1932.

Former G'ville Man Is In Printers' 'Who's Who'

The Publishers Auxillary, as of Dec. 15, a weekly printers and journalists newspaper, which is read by approximately 25,000 newspaper folk throughout the United States, carried a story concerning a former Gatesville son.

In the Auxillary regular feature column, "Who's Who Among Newspaper People" there appears each week a short biography of one outstanding journalist in the U. S., "whose achievement or talent has singled him out for special notice."

The person to whom honorable recognition is given this time is Sam P. Harben, and about whom the following story appeared following his picture:

Sam P. Harben, publisher of the Richardson (Texas) Echo and perennial secretary of the Texas Press association, is one of the best known men in the Lone Star state and a big business man with many diversified interests. Back in 1908 Mr. Harben was elected secretary of the state press association, and he has been re-elected by his fellow publishers every year since that time.

Born at Gatesville, Texas, in 1878, he got his newspaper training under the fiery Bill Ferguson, a Populist editor of the gay nineties, and began his career as a printer and newspaper man in 1896 on the Rockdale Messenger. Since that time he has gone far in the business until today he is president of the Harben-Spotts company which, besides publishing the Richardson Echo, also prints more than 20 state-wide journals.

Besides being a newspaper man and head of a big printing business, Mr. Harben is a member of more fraternities and clubs than is usually allotted to one man. He is a Shriner, Elk, a member of the "Sam Club" and several others. In fact, he puts his lodge and club affiliations at an even dozen.

Being a true sportsman, Mr. Harben's chief delight is hunting and fishing, which hobbies he pursues all the way from Alaska down to the tropics of Mexico.

SILVER FOX FARM STARTED

Recent purchase of a dozen silver foxes by H. H. Allard of Sterling City started a new industry for that section of West Texas. Allard placed these foxes on his ranch seven miles from Sterling City, and will raise the animals for their pelts. Silver fox is known as the royal fur.

FIGHT BETWEEN HAWK AND RATTLESNAKE

Stories of battles between snakes and hawks are not uncommon but Espy Miller of Fort Davis recently witnessed such a battle that he likes to tell about. Driving in his car Miller sighted the hawk flying along a few feet above the ground with the snake in his talons.

The snake was too badly pecked to put up any more fight, although it was still alive. Miller gave chase and the hawk flew to the cross-bar of a telegraph pole where it held the reptile for a time before dropping it. The snake measured 2½ feet in length and had seven rattles.

POST FOR SEA HERO



President Roosevelt drafted Capt. George Fried, hero of numerous thrilling sea rescues, for a top post in the federal steamboat inspection service. He was named the supervising inspector of the bureau of navigation and steamboat inspection service of the Commerce department, with headquarters in New York.

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MONUMENTS

Mrs. C. Bauman
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A potato recently dug at Notts, England, had 152 tubers. Medical massage is a field open to blind people in Russia.



YULETIDE GOOD WISHES

As '34 is about to turn to '35, we pause this Glorious Christmas Season to think of our Friends and to wish them one Grand Happy Christmas GREETING.

Perry Bros., Inc.



Of Course SNOW makes your Christmas Merrier and more Colorful, but whether or not we have SNOW, there is one thing certain, and that is, Our Wishing you a Merry, Merry Christmas during this Joyous Festival season of Good Wishes and Happiness.

First National Bank

GATESVILLE, TEXAS

SANTA'S ADVICE IS

"Santa Socks" by PHOENIX



29¢ 39¢

• Every length—anklets, half-socks, three-quarters, seven-eighths and full lengths—in these Santa Socks for the kiddies' Christmas! Jolly patterns, gay colors and famous Phoenix construction features. They'll wear 'til next Christmas! Put some on the Christmas tree!

Painter & Lee

World Comment

By **JOE BURNS**



According to an estimate by the Secretary of Agriculture, AMERICAN FARMERS in 1934 had a total cash income of approximately \$6,000,000,000, including benefit payments from the agricultural adjustment administration. This represents a 20 per cent gain in spite of the worse drought or record, over the 1933 total of \$5,000,000,000. Although there has been a depressing drop from the peak of \$10,479,000,000 in 1928 it is encouraging to note the increase from the 1932 low of \$4,328,000,000.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Joyous, Happy Xmas to you and yours.

As this is the season, we wish you this, but all during the past year we hope it has been one Joyous, Happy Year.

Perry's Lunch Room

Geo. F. Perry, Prop.

— Typewriter paper. News Office.

MERRY MERRY CHRISTMAS



From the Youngsters to the Oldsters let us help you enjoy (if it is possible) your Glorious Xmas by wishing you

A Merry, Merry CHRISTMAS

JIM MARTIN
Dry Cleaners

THE DEMOCRATS' 1934 vote percentage is reported to be 16 per cent lower than 1932. The comparative House totals released are: Democrats 1934, 17,440,000; 1932, 20,386,000; Republicans 1934, 13,512,000; 1932, 15,715,000. This only gives the Democrats a numerical margin of 3,900,000 over the Republicans, as compared with a majority of over 7,000,000 in the presidential election two years ago. However, it must be remembered that in many of the Southern States thousands of voters do not take the trouble to go to the polls for the general election—as nomination by the Democratic party south of the Mason Dixon line is tantamount to election. This was shown in our own state when over 1,000,000 votes were cast in the first Democratic primary while only 60,000 people took the trouble to vote in the November election.

When MUSSOLINI and HITLER first met Hitler is said to have held up his hand and saluted, "Ave, imperator," to which Mussolini replied, "Ave, imitator."

Speaking of MUSSOLINI, the ancient empire of Abyssinia in Africa has recently become alarmed at the encroachments of the Italians into its territory from the adjacent colony of Italian Somaliland, charging that Italian troops and airplanes have attacked Abyssinian towns. Italy makes the contrary charge, asserting that the Abyssinians were the aggressors. The Italians have long been casting covetous glances toward the fertile acres and rich mines of this kingdom over which the queen of Sheba was supposed to have reigned. Mussolini desires to expand into Africa. Italy is strong—Abyssinia is weak. The ancient law of nations—"might makes right"—will probably prevail.

NOTES

A Soviet communique announced the execution of 28 terrorists Monday. Angry mobs battled police in Yugoslavia in futile efforts to recent Hungarian and Italian embassies. Chairman Vinson of the House of Naval Affairs Committee announced a move to get Congress to authorize construction of a \$722,000,000 canal across Nicaragua. State highway programs for the coming winter will total \$50,000,000, it has been announced.

FLAT NEWS

Rev. Garrett of Baylor University filled the Baptist pulpit Saturday evening and Sunday in the absence of the pastor, Rev. Clyde Childers, who is in the hospital.

The league is sponsoring a singing each Sunday evening. Everyone has an invitation.

Marion Dunn was honored with a surprise shower recently. Quartet singing and other entertainment made the occasion a pleasant one.

The school has planned a Christmas tree for Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Robinson were Temple visitors Saturday.

Miss Marguerite Cross has a position in Temple during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Huckabee,

Mrs. Doc Brazzil and Gladys Harper visited Mrs. Vester Boykin Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Boykin has been ill for the past several weeks.

Victims of mushroom poisoning may feel sure that death is approaching, yet be without fear.

Insight on 'News'

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boys, Earl Powell and Edwin McDonald. Their job is no sissy's either. If it's raining or if it's sleeting, or maybe snowing, they cover the same paper route two mornings each week. Their semi-weekly journeys are not short and some days they are pretty long. If anyone misses a paper one of these boys get the fireworks, and LIKES IT.

Up Front

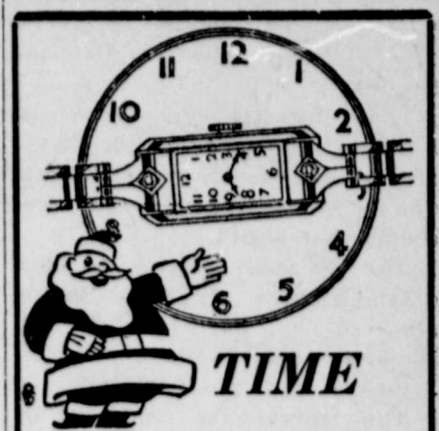
A man couldn't stand the gaff; he simply can't take it. So an affable, good-natured female is hired to do the job. She has to call up Mrs. Spitzwhistle and Miss Goognitz and not only inquire after their health and pass the time of day with them but listen to all the particulars about their kinery visiting here and by all means, "spell the name correctly." Then when the paper comes out it is likely she has to listen to the ravings of both and think up some good reason why the former's tea was omitted and the latter's write-up of a certain function was not published on the front page. It's the real raking she gets—the society reporter, La Verne Wilson.

And then comes the advertising manager. His life is one endless round of pleasure (not.) He has to please every advertiser without losing his temper. He hears, "Come back tomorrow," or "See you next week," until his ears ring with the very words. He has to accept NO for an answer and back away courteously. He has to take a

jig-saw puzzle and make an ad layout for the printer. He works hard all day on an attractive scheme and when he finishes his work, which he thinks is a masterpiece, he goes out to sell it, and finds that the advertiser wants to feature cod-liver oil or spinach instead of Midnight Moon perfume or choice rib-roasts. Mat Jones has inherited that very puzzling undertaking—the advertisig man.

One who has been a faithful contributor to the NEWS is Brack Curry, a local high school boy. Of all the jobs his is the least congratulatory from a financial standpoint. Brack writes regularly for this newspaper but gets nothing to show for it. His contributions are gratis. He's gaining experience he says. And the NEWS is gaining by

his good stories, which appear twice each week in a certain column in this newspaper.



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