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"Quality, Not Quantity."

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\$20,000,000 IS VOTED BY HOUSE TO FEED RUSSIA

Bill Directs That Grain Must
Be Purchased in
America.

Washington, Dec. 17.—A bill authorizing the president to expend \$20,000,000 out of the funds of the United States grain corporation for relief of the distressed and starving people of Russia was passed Saturday by the house 114 to 51.

Opponents of the measure fought it to the last ditch and forced a roll call on the quarter that the vote as announced did not include a quorum of the house. The roll call resulted in 181 to 71, and the bill now goes to the senate.

In wrangling over the measure the house attempted to chop it to pieces with amendments. The first actual test was on an amendment by Representative Bankhead, democrat, Alabama, to reduce the amount from \$20,000,000 to \$10,000,000, which was defeated 78 to 60.

Flood of Eloquence.

There had been two solid hours of debate during which a flood of eloquence was let loose on the argument that the starving children of Russia regardless of the bolsheviki run that brought about their distress, should have their cry of bread silenced with American food, when a new fight was started over proposals to tear the bill to pieces.

Protesting against the use of funds for the people of any foreign nation, Chairman Madden of the appropriations committee said that it was easy to vote a tax on the backs of the American people and cry at the same time for economy.

"There are conditions of distress in this country which would appall congress if I dared to relate them," Mr. Madden shouted, adding that information to this effect had been laid before him confidentially.

"But I cannot see my way clear to vote money out of the treasury," said the chairman, "when it is not to be used to relieve the distress of the people we were sent here to serve."

When the time came to receive amendments more than a score of members, jumping to their feet, demanded recognition. In the midst of the flood of them, Representative Goodykootz, republican, West Virginia, stepped forward with a new paragraph which would direct the president to spend \$20,000,000 for relieving distress among the starving, hungry and unemployed citizens of the United States. It was howled down on a point of order, but the West Virginia representative stood his ground.

"My amendment may not come within the rules of the house," he declared above the din, "but it at least has the merit of coming within the constitution of the United States."

After that amendments were



MERRY CHRISTMAS, EVERYONE.

SOME NEWS OF THE CROCKETT OIL FIELD

News in the Crockett oil field this week is partly bad and partly good. The Aurora Company have a bad fishing job, as it is called in oil field parlance. This well, which is around 3400 feet in depth, has had bad luck in that it has about a thousand feet of drill stem jammed at the bottom of it, the drill stem having broken loose and dropped about 700 feet while being pulled out of the well. As a result, the well is inoperative while tools are being waited for to get the jammed piping out with. This well was making a most satisfactory showing, and right at the critical moment, when the operators had every indication of bringing in an oil well, the accident happened which is now delaying them.

The operators of the Porter well on the Austin farm are confident they have an oil well, having been in oil sand for a week. After closing down for straining and bailing, they were overcome with water, which they had to case off. This required considerable time and necessitated delay, but the casing is about ready to be set, when a thorough test will be made and the quantity of oil ascertained. The quality is already known and is pronounced by experts to be the very highest grade. The only question to be determined within the next few days is whether there is enough of it. The operators are confident they have a paying well. If they find they have not, the drill will again be set in motion for greater depth.

Some oil capitalists from Mexia and Dallas, Messrs. Price, McBride and associates, were in Crockett recently and announced they would drill a well near Augusta. Mr. T. S. Cook of Augusta called at the Courier office Tuesday and verified their statement. Mr. Cook is interested in the leases and says the well will be started before February 1.

The Latex Oil Company's Driskill project is marking time while waiting for its drilling rig. It is reported in Crockett that drilling in the Grapeland well is to be resumed immediately and that other tests for oil are to be made near Grapeland.

Trading in leases in the Crockett territory is active. Many leases have changed hands at largely advanced prices during the last week.

Startling developments are hourly expected.

Bankrupt Stock Sold.

Thursday afternoon of last week the bankrupt stock of the Crockett Drug Company was sold by the bankrupt court to John C. Miller, who was the highest bidder. Mr. Miller immediately opened up the stock of goods, announcing that he would have to sell out and vacate the store by the first of January.

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CASING WILL BE SET IN CEMENT

set up in rapid succession only to be knocked down. About all that was tacked on to the original bill was a direction that grain for the Russians be purchased in the United States and sent to Russia in American bottoms and a direction that a report of all expenditures be made to congress by the end of next year.

The house refused to include Armenia in the area to which relief would be sent. It also refused to designate the area as the Volga region or Russia as she stood geographically prior to the war.

The bill as passed by the house specifically authorizes the president "through such agency or agencies as he may designate to purchase in the United States and transport in American ships and distribute corn, seed grain and preserved milk for the relief of the distressed and starving people of Russia and for spring planting in area where seed grains have been exhausted."

It was estimated that 4,500,000 or 5,000,000 bushels of grain would be purchased under the appropriation.

Market House Destroyed.

A wooden building west of the railroad track in Crockett, the north side of which was used by Mr. A. E. Cox as a meat market and the west side as a clothes cleaning and pressing establishment for colored people, was destroyed by fire at a late hour Monday night. The origin of the fire is unknown, but is thought to have originated in the clothes cleaning side. The building belonged to T. D. Craddock and was partially insured. Although Mr. Cox carried insurance, he suffered some loss. It is unknown to the writer what loss the cleaning and pressing department sustained. Heroic work by the local fire company saved buildings to

JUST A WORD WITH OUR SUBSCRIBERS

Callers at the Courier office during the last week tell of a good season in the ground and some preparations being made for another crop. They say that so much poultry has not been sold in years as has been sold recently. It looks like the market will be overstocked. Among our subscribers calling to renew or sending in their renewals and subscriptions since last issue are the following, and the north, the roofs of which caught at different times, the winds being from the south. Mr. Craddock says he will not rebuild immediately.

it is a much larger list than last week, for which we thank you and wish you a merry Christmas:

- L. A. Kleckly, Houston.
- Geo. H. Grounds, Chicago.
- I. W. Tatom, Mahl, Texas.
- J. R. Richards, Grapeland.
- Miss Nanolene Parrish, Crockett.
- C. B. Stalcup, Sherman.
- B. E. Goodrum, Weldon.
- Ben Janes, Mineral Wells.
- C. O. Nelson, Crockett Rt. 2.
- W. R. Henry, Crockett Rt. 2.
- Mrs. W. A. Norris, Crockett.
- B. S. Kelley, Crockett Rt. A.
- Mrs. T. H. McAfee, Slidell, La.
- G. C. Areford, Uniontown, Pa.
- Tucker Baker, Neame, La.
- Mrs. W. H. Denny for S. T. Beasley, Sealy.
- G. E. Lansford, Crockett Rt. 2.
- H. G. Bradley, Groveton.
- E. K. Caprielian, Los Angeles.
- A. N. Leediker, Lovelady Rt. 2.
- Mrs. H. W. Moore, Crockett.
- F. J. Krenek Jr., Lovelady Rt. 2.
- M. E. Barrier, Crockett Rt. 4.
- J. S. Eaves, Grapeland Rt. 4.
- J. C. Satterwhite, Crockett.
- John T. Salisbury, Carnegie, Pa.
- W. F. Rayburn, Lovelady.
- J. F. Leathers Sr., Guy's Store.
- Ira J. Young, Lovelady.
- Oscar C. Goodwin, Caddo.
- C. H. Barbee, Lovelady.

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A year's subscription for the Crockett Courier is an appropriate gift at any time—at Christmas, New Year's, birthday or any other time. It is never out of season and is a reminder 52 weeks in the year of the giver's thoughtfulness. Send the Courier to some friend or relative for a Christmas, New Year's or birthday present.

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Very heartily do we thank you for the many kindnesses you have bestowed upon us during the year 1921. Very naturally our hearts swell with pride at the expression of your continued confidence and good will, and let us assure you that we shall continue our business on the same basis as heretofore—MERIT, ABILITY and EFFICIENCY.

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—In—
THE VILLAGE SLEUTH
A Paramount Picture

Tuesday, December 27—One Day
DOUGLAS McLEAN

—In—
THE JAILBIRD
And a Snub Pollard Comedy
Children's Matinee at 3:30

Wednesday, Dec. 28—One Day
Samuel Goldwyn Presents Reginald Barker's Production of
THE BRANDING IRON

Thursday and Friday, December 29 and 30—Two Days
Gloria Swanson, Elliott Dexter, Monte Blue and Theodore Roberts

—In—
SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

One of Paramount's Greatest
Star Pictures
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Saturday, December 31—1 Day
THE SKY RANGER
Episode No. 12
TOM SANTSCHI

—In—
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Also Harold Lloyd Comedy
Matinee at 2:15

The management extends the greetings of the season and wishes every one a very

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Hunters, Take Warning.

Hunting is positively prohibited on any of my land.
2t. Mrs. Geo. R. Brailsford.

Conditions force me to adopt a strictly cash policy, so please do not ask for credit after January 1.
J. L. Arledge 1t.

Misses Angie Quarles of Elkhart and Caroline Searles of Athens were guests of Mrs. T. B. Monk Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Beth Lundy will be among the students arriving this week from Texas University, Austin, to spend the holidays at home.

Sam Arledge, W. D. Hail, Edward and Mac McConnell and perhaps others will return this week from A. & M. College for the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Phillips Jr. and little daughter, Ima Lee, of Weatherford are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Phillips of this city.

Mrs. H. J. Castleberg and daughters, Misses Earle and Euda, will arrive this week from Dallas to spend the holiday season with relatives and friends in Crockett.

Married at Parsonage.

Rev. S. F. Tenney has supplied the Courier with the following news item: Married, December 16, at the residence of Rev. S. F. Tenney, Mr. W. W. Ford to Miss Halleane Slay, both of Crockett, Rev. S. F. Tenney officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Thomas, all of Dallas, are here to take Christmas with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. M. A. Thomas.

An oil pipe line is being established across the northern part of Houston county. The line will extend from Mexia to Lufkin, where it will connect with a north and south line.

Ginning Statistics.

There were 12,409 bales of cotton ginned in Houston county from the crop of 1921 prior to Dec. 1st, 1921, compared with 21,080 ginned to Dec. 1st, 1920.
E. B. Hale, Agent.

Mr. J. H. Lewis of Bryan has leased the Pickwick hotel for the year 1922. Some important improvements will be made in the building for the lessee, who is a practical and experienced hotel man. Mr. Lewis is married and will bring his family here.

Gin Notice.

We will only have one more gin day, which will be January 7, 1922. If you have any cotton to be ginned bring it to us on this day, as our gin will not run any more this season after above date.
Daniel & LeMay. 2t.

Place for Sale.

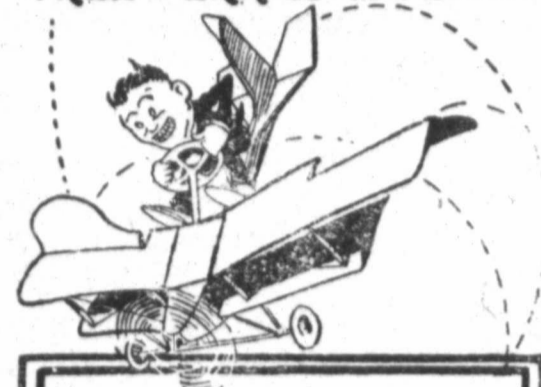
99 acres improved bottom land, under good wire fence, 35 acres in cultivation. Located 1 3/4 miles of Lone Pine high school. Price, \$2400 cash. Reason for selling, retired from farming. If interested see or write Frank J. Krenek Jr., box 20, route 2, Lovelady, Texas.
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The Courier hears of a proposed electric railway to cross Houston county. The plan, as it comes to the Courier, is that a company has offered to take over the abandoned Eastern Texas railroad, electrify it, extend it from Kennard to Crockett, thence to the Mexia oil field and on to Waco. It is to be hoped there is something more in the proposition than mere rumor.

Christmas

A THOUGHT

By the Courier.

One day in each year we celebrate the birth of Christ, the Prince of Peace.

Three hundred and sixty-four days in the year we are prone to forget his teachings, sidestep his warnings and ignore his pleadings.

It is the way of the world today.

Tomorrow it may be different, but tomorrow is always yet to come.

Christmas

A WISH

From the Courier

May the life of the Prince of Peace be an inspiration to you in the year that is about to be born.

May the joys of happiness and the blessings of peace rest upon you, abide with you, enrich and ennoble you in the years that are to come.

The Crockett Courier

AND EMPLOYEES

R. L. Shivers for all kinds of feed and groceries. tf.

Get your shells at Arnold Brothers'. We have them. tf.

R. L. Shivers will sell you shoes and dry goods cheaper. tf.

N. H. Buller and family have moved from near Crockett to Percilla.

Select your Christmas and New Year cards now at Bishop's Drug Store. 1t.

Lipscomb Sherman was a business visitor in Houston the first of this week.

Jewelery, the most appreciated of gifts. Make your selection at Bishop's Drug Store. 1t.

Miss Helen Phillips, teaching at Mexia, will be at home for the Christmas holidays.

For Sale.

Two registered Jersey milk cows. A. W. Ellis. 1t.*

We have the apples. Buy them by the box and save money. tf. Arnold Brothers.

Smith Wootters is among Texas University students returning home for the holiday vacation.

Miss Clair Barclay, a student of S. H. N. I., Huntsville, is spending the holidays at home in Ratcliff.

Miss Evelyn Moore of Dallas will spend the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends in this city.

Mrs. Gus Porter and baby of Angleton are spending Christmas with Mrs. Porter's parents at Grapeland.

C. G. Lansford of Eastland is spending the week with relatives and friends at Crockett and Porter Springs.

Miss Ann Latimer, attending college in Denton, will spend the holidays with her mother and sisters in Crockett.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. LeMay and little daughter of Coolidge are here to spend the holiday vacation with their parents.

The quail season is here and we have shells to get them with. Get our prices before you buy. tf. Arnold Brothers.

**EDITORIALS BY
COL. R. T. MILNER**

What the Former A. & M. President Writes in the Rusk County News.

THIS MAN NEWBERRY.

This man Newberry from Michigan whose seat in the Senate was bought with money is not going to be ousted. He is going to stay in by the grace of Republican Senators. He is the man who beat Henry Ford. Henry has no business in the United States Senate, because Henry is simply a business man—that and nothing else. He is the most ignorant rich man in the world, and the Lord knows that many rich men are as ignorant as sin itself. Henry swore to the best of his knowledge and belief that Benedict Arnold was the gentleman who wrote Matthew Arnold's literary works; that he knew no history; was opposed to history; and a lot of gibberish like that. It would have been a terrible reflection to elevate a man like that to a seat in the Senate. Why Mr. Wilson should have him make the race is a mystery. But because Ford is unfit for the Senate does not justify the fraud practiced to elect Newberry. It cost Newberry almost \$200,000—the election did. Fraud? It was just about the worst thing that ever took place in an election. During Rome's corruptest days, when the proudest empire of all history was in its worst stages, there was no single event marked with more corruption than the manner in which money was spent in Newberry's race.

John Sharp Williams, in a speech the other day on the case, said:

"The so-called Newberry case." That was the language of the Senator from Michigan. A Senator from his own state; a case affecting not only the honor of the States of the Union and of the American people, but peculiarly affecting his own State; and he calls it 'the so-called Newberry case.'

"Mr. President, it may be 'so-called' as far as everybody in the world is concerned except the contestee, Mr. Newberry, but it will not be 'so-called' as far as

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Many other men and women throughout the country have found Black-Draught just as Mr. Parsons describes—valuable in regulating the liver to its normal functions, and in cleansing the bowels of impurities.

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he is concerned. Whether you vote by a party majority to keep him here or not, he has been disgraced and his political career has been closed. He will never dare run for another office, even in the State of Michigan; but if he does, the conscience of the State of Michigan will not imitate the quasi conscience of the United States Senate and send him back.

"Mr. President, it does not require any technicalities; it does not require any lawyer-like ability. A plain, ordinary Mississippi red-neck; a plain, ordinary Georgia cracker; plain, ordinary mechanic in Michigan, in Detroit, or anywhere else knows when a man spends nearly \$200,000 in a primary election case that it was not spent honestly, that it was not spent legitimately, that it could not have been spent legally.

"Somebody the other day in a slurring way—the Senator from Missouri (Mr. Spencer), I believe—said: 'But in Mississippi a primary nomination amounts to an election.' That is the very reason why I am insisting upon honesty in a primary. In some States and in some districts and in some of the mountain Republican districts of the South a primary nomination does not amount to an election, and therefore a primary ought to be honest. You can meet the ordinary clodhopper, without any great degree of legal learning, and tell him that a man spent \$200,000, or very nearly that amount, in a primary, and he knows—he needs no proof—that that amount of money was not needed for any honest and legitimate purpose.

"Oh, Mr. President, but it is said the contestee did not know anything about it. Poor, little innocent female child, about 10 or 11 or 12 years old, I reckon. He did not even know he was running. According to the testimony he hardly knew he was running. His brother knew he was running, but his brother did not know how much money it was taking to run him, even out of his own private bank account and the bank accounts of the balance of the family."

DO PRINCIPLES CHANGE?

Shallow writers seem to think that time changes principles. There never was and never will be a change in any principle. Policies change, physical conditions do not remain the same, and the habits and customs of people change. But principles are unchangeable. When Washington, in his Farewell Address, advised his countrymen to adopt as a rule in the conduct of foreign affairs, he expressed a principle which is the same today that it was then: "That permanent, inveterate antipathies against particular nations and passionate attachments for others should be excluded, and that in place of them amiable feelings toward all should be cultivated. The nation which indulges toward another a habitual hatred or a habitual fondness would be in some degree a slave; it would be a slave to its animosity or to its affection, either of which would be sufficient to lead it astray from its duty and its interest." Here is a principle expressed that no condition can change. Population, wealth, education, progress, nor any other thing will change this principle. Hence, said Washington: "Observe good faith and justice towards all nations; cultivate peace and harmony with all. Religion and morality enjoin this conduct." But nothing influenced Washington like a principle. He repeated further on in that memorable address that burning principle which seemed to concern him more than any other, that "excessive partiality for one foreign nation, and excessive dislike for another" would bring about trouble, and "entangle our peace and prosperity in the toils of European ambition, rivalry, interest, and caprice." In all the discussions of Washington's foreign policy most writers overlook the fundamental principles

which the great statesman gave as a reason why we should beware of entangling alliances. If the reason was sound then, it is sound now, and will be as long as principles shall live.



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NEWSPAPER LOTTERIES.

Freedom of the press! Liberty of the press! These are things that newspaper people generally have demanded, and properly so. In the freedom of the press lies the best guarantee of the stability of the nation, the best guarantee of the public against encroachment on its rights and interests.

But the liberty of the press is today, to some small degree, being turned into license, and whenever liberty is construed as license by any class it becomes dangerous.

The spectacle of two big, powerful newspapers giving away hundreds of thousands of dollars in a lottery scheme is demoralizing not only to the newspaper profession but to the morale of the American people. The propagation of such schemes places these, or any other newspapers that follow them, in a class of doers of evil rather than of doers of good. They are creating in the minds of the people a demand for something for nothing; a desire to live by luck rather than by work.

It is a disgusting sight to see thousands of people of Chicago scrambling in the mud of the streets that they might secure the tickets in these lottery schemes as they are thrown from automobiles and trucks; to see men, women and children forgetting the serious and the worthwhile things of life in their mad efforts to obtain the coveted

become general the press as a whole would lose its influence on American life and the American people.—Publishers' Auxiliary.

For protection of cash drawers a small gun has been invented that fires a charge of shot should an unauthorized person open a drawer.

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Crockett, Texas

CONVICT ESCAPES FROM TRAIN ON WAY TO PRISON

Another Convict Makes Similar Bold Dash but Is Twarted.

Huntsville, Texas, Dec. 15.—While being returned to the penitentiary here from the penitentiary at Little Rock, Ark., George E. Davis, a convict with prison sentences totaling 130 years, made his escape by jumping from a southbound International and Great Northern train about 7 o'clock Wednesday night just before it reached Riverside. Transfer Agent I. S. Plummer, who was in charge of Davis and three other prisoners being returned to the prison, sent to Huntsville for bloodhounds. A hunt for the escaped convict was started, but up to a late hour Thursday he had not been apprehended.

Davis was sent to the penitentiary from Ellis and Henderson counties on a number of convictions, including murder, arson, burglary, theft and receiving stolen goods. About eight months ago he escaped from one of the State prison farms and made his way into Arkinas, where he committed another crime and was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary of that State. Upon learning that he was wanted in Texas the Arkansas authorities turned him over to Texas.

A break similar to that of Davis was made earlier in the day by R. E. Miller, a convict who also was being returned to Huntsville. When at Crockett, Miller jumped through a window of the train, but was recaptured.

Miller was sent to Huntsville from Bexar county on a two-year sentence for theft. He escaped about five months ago and was retaken by the chief of police at Oklahoma City.

Miller was being returned to Huntsville together with two other escaped convicts who had been retaken. The two other were Fred Porter, who was convicted at Dallas of forgery and given a two-year sentence, and

who after about a year's absence had been apprehended in Danville, Ill., and A. L. Linam, who was sentenced to six years in the penitentiary for robbery, but who escaped and was found serving a term in the Missouri penitentiary for a crime he had committed.

THE NEW YEAR.

The year that has just closed means something different to most everybody. To some it has brought a great joy; to others a great sorrow; to many, both grief and gladness in full measure. Many of us have gone along the regular, uneventful path, filled with the happiness of love and work and the joy of everyday things, which, after all, is the best happiness.

To youth the New Year means a long, pleasure-filled evening and the writing of a new date on their letters. They look neither forward nor back. They make resolutions because it seems the correct thing to them to do. They keep them sometimes and it helps make them better men and women, but it is not a serious matter with them—just as is natural for youth.

Older folks involuntarily look back a bit on the even of a new year—not systematically, but with a general sweeping glance that usually makes them a bit uncomfortable at things left undone or failures to make good as they had intended. Maybe there has been just one thing accomplished that gives them a little warm feeling round their hearts—maybe not. The great sorrow or great joy stands out with more meaning to them than to youth. 'Tis another milestone passed.

The New Year may not present very bright prospects to some, but these same older folks know that there is something better in store than what the immediate future seems to offer—know that unhappy things can't last—that they are pretty sure to lead to something greater and better—know that even if they can't understand the reason for sorrow and trouble that there is a reason—know it deep down within themselves, though outwardly they resent and rebel against fate. It is not blind faith or optimism that teaches this, but reason and knowledge

Ten Days of Special Bargains

Pre-Christmas Sale at Satterwhite's Store

In order to reduce my stock by January 1st I am making special low prices on Shoes, Groceries and Feed.

I have many bargains for you in stock which would make useful and appreciative Christmas presents. If you give Christmas presents, give something of real value which is always appreciated. Do your Christmas shopping here and save money on your entire bill.

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of life. Older folks know that the year is bound to bring happiness and relief to those who are now bearing sorrow and trouble.—Mrs. J. E. Leslie, in the Detroit News.

Cochran-Tharpe Wedding.

Married, Sunday, December 11, at the home of the bride's brother, Dr. R. H. Tharpe at Shiro, Miss Ruth Tharpe, of Huntsville, and W. B. Cochran of Lovelady. The bride is a native of Walker county and a young woman of unusual intelligence and prominence. She is an alumna of the Huntsville High School, the S. H. N. I. and for the past two years has been the successful demonstrator of home economics of Polk county with headquarters at Livingston. Mr. Cochran is a prominent farmer of Lovelady and interested in many business enterprises of the county. Mr. and Mrs. Cochran left immediately after the ceremony for their home in Lovelady going overland in their automobile. They stopped for an hour to greet Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Frazier en route.—Huntsville Item.

The Courier extends congratulations and best wishes.

Opinion Holds Transportation of Whisky Unlawful.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 9.—The attorney general's department in an opinion given today held that it still is unlawful under the Dean prohibition act to transport intoxicating liquor, whether for sale or not. The court of criminal appeals has held that it is not an offense under the Dean law to possess liquor, except for the purpose of sale. The court,

however, has not held that the transportation of liquor is lawful, even where it is not for the purpose of sale.

The opinion was given in response to an inquiry from a county attorney, who represented the following facts:

"We have a party arrested, charged with violating the prohibition law, and the facts will show that this party had gone out of his home town in an automobile and upon his return he was arrested for being intoxi-

cated in a public place, and upon the examination of his car two bottles of whisky were found, with some taken out of one bottle. It seems from the opinion handed down by the court of criminal appeals the state will not be able to make out a case against this party. Please advise if the above state of facts will constitute a criminal case."

Posted.

No hunting on my land.
T. W. Grebb.

Merry Christmas

May the spirit of "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" enter our hearts this Christmastide. Forgetting the animosities that have beset us in the past and think in terms of forgiveness and charity to our fellow-men.

It is with a sense of deepest appreciation that we extend thanks to our customers for their patronage during the past year, and to all, we wish a very

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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It slips into the palace of the kings, it softly glides into the peasant's hut, it inhabits a thousand lands, it lingers in a billion hearts.

We sincerely wish that this will be your happiest Christmas and most prosperous New Year.

J. L. Arledge
TAILOR

AN OLD LETTER FROM A "JOHNNY REB"

San Antonio, Texas,
Dec. 3, 1921.

Hon. W. W. Aiken,
Editor Courier,
Crockett, Texas.

Dear Mr. Aiken:

I have copied an old letter written to my best girl in the summer of 1864 which she took care of among others which came into my possession after her death in 1877. I send it to you for publication if you think the old "Johnny Rebs" among your subscribers would like to read it. It may be too long and take up too much space in the "Courier" but you are to be the judge as to that. The Crockett Courier is the most welcome visitor among my newspapers.

With very best wishes,
D. J. Cater.

The Soldier's Letter.

Near Atlanta, Ga., June 2, 1864.
Miss M. Em Reagan,
Henderson, Texas.

Dear Friend:

Hushed the sounds of mirth; silent the notes of joy, as in eager, anxious, troubled anxiety all await the result of the awful struggle now pending in this State and in Virginia. How many spirits are bowed, how many hearts whose every pulsation is but a throb of pain as they of home sit in brooding silence, thinking of the loved ones in the army, exposed to danger and suffering, perhaps already wounded and dying far away without the ministering hand of kindness or affection, and mingled with all the fear of these dreadful conflicts being but prelude to others more deadly still without being in any way as we had hoped decisive. But I must not dwell longer in this strain. The enemy has been seriously punished for his attempts recently to take the Capitol of our Confederacy. Repeated battles have been fought in front of Richmond since the first of May and the enemy admits a loss of nearly sixty thousand men without being any nearer the accomplishment of his designs. But he is preparing to renew the contest. The gallant heroes of Gen. Lee's army are ready and waiting for Grant to attempt another advance. Oh, that Richmond may be to him what Waterloo was to Napoleon.

I come now to our own army. After this same Grant with superior numbers forced the army of Gen. Bragg from Missionary Ridge in front of Chattanooga last November we continued our retreat about forty miles, stopping in the mountains near Dalton, Ga. Gen. Bragg was then relieved of his command and Gen. Joseph E. Johnston placed over us. Winter quarters were erected and we spent the winter in little huts near Dalton. In February the enemy commenced his advance to Atlanta, but was easily driven back and we were permitted to remain in quietude, except drilling during the week and inspection and reviews on Sabbaths until the first of May when the enemy commanded by Gen. Sherman appeared in our front. Active operations commenced. The enemy at different times and at different points

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assaulted our works and were successfully repulsed with great loss. Finding it useless to attempt farther to drive us from our position they resolved on another plan which was to go round us and cut our communication with Atlanta. But the great Johnston was not easily foiled. A retrograde movement was necessary. Without haste or confusion everything was removed from Dalton. The place was evacuated. We came to Resacca, a station eight miles this side on the Oustenaula river. Soon the enemy appeared. On the 2nd or 3rd day after their arrival an attack was made on the right wing and center of our army. The enemy advanced in four lines of battle, but were speedily repulsed and retired under cover of their heavy guns which raked the fields far and wide, and reformed for a second charge. This charge was delayed for an hour, but was as successfully driven back as the first. Our division and our brigade were engaged. The battle continued till night-fall when the enemy withdrew. No results were gained on either side, but the loss of the enemy must have been three to one. Another flank movement commenced and it was necessary for us to resume our retreat. Gen. Johnston offered the enemy battle near Cassville, but this the enemy declined and continued a flank movement. Our army is now fifteen or twenty miles north of the beautiful little city, Marietta, facing the enemy. The armies are near each other, both behind entrenchments. Regiments, brigades, divisions and as much as a whole corps of our army have, at different times, been engaged since the present line of battle has been formed. If I were to attempt to give a full account of the different battles which have been fought since the enemy appeared in our front at Dalton to the present time it would fill a little volume, each page of which would be interesting when it described the gallant conduct of our brave soldiers, but at the same time it would be painful when it told of the losses and sufferings which would necessarily be an accompaniment. I shall not attempt it. We have suffered not only losses, but hardships have attended us. Northern Georgia has proved to be the last resting place on earth for many a brave Southerner. No general engagement has as yet taken place. Daily we are expecting the great struggle will begin. Our soldiers have not been demoralized by hardships and retreat. No, they are in good spirits with perfect confidence in the ability and wisdom of General Johnston. Victory will be ours when such harmony exists. No blunders nor mistakes have attended our retreat. Everything has moved smoothly and exactly right, which proves the great generalship of Joseph E. Johnston. May he be spared to lead us and direct us until the last battle shall have been fought and peace and independence shall be ours. Many prisoners have been captured and at times Atlanta has been blue with these prisoners.

The ladies of Georgia and other States, many of whom are refugees, having been driven from their homes by invaders, are doing all in their power to relieve the sufferings of our wounded soldiers. Daily are the trains crowded with these fair ones, having with them nearly everything that a wounded soldier could wish for, on their way to the hospitals. That poor boy from Arkansas, Louisiana or Texas, separated from mother and sisters by the great Mississippi (patrolled by the enemies' gunboats) with lacerated wounds almost depriving him of life, for a time forgets his sufferings by the presence of one of these ministering angels who with their own fair hands bathes his fevered temples, brushes back the unshaven locks from his forehead and bids him be of good cheer. Heaven bless the ladies of this Confederacy. Surely such acts of kindness will not go unrewarded. Peace and inde-

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pendence, and I trust at no distant day, should be given to the Confederate States of America for the many and great sacrifices made by our people in this contest. But years of peace and prosperity can not efface the blasting, blighting effect of this cruel war.

I met our old friend, Marion Dodson, a few days ago. He told me that in your letters to him you had made enquiries of me and wondered at my long silence. I can assure you that I have written to you, but there being no regular mail communication with the "West," I suppose my letters sent by hand have been destroyed or thrown away. I received a long, good letter from you in December last, and replied in the same month, giving my history for many months past. I sent the letter by a furloughed captain who promised faithfully to mail it on the other side of the Mississippi, but I never heard of him again. Marion also informed me that you had heard that I had bid adieu to terra firma on a journey to another world. I am glad to correct the mistaken rumor. I have not changed in any way except that I look more like a soldier than when I bid you goodbye at Henderson. I have endeavored to escape that sometimes accompanying disease of camp life, moral corruption, but with what success could be better told by my companions in arms. I am conscious, however, of having endeavored to do my duty not only as a soldier, but as a Christian.

I seldom hear from home; in fact, hardly know where to direct my letters there as the Yankees have recently been near my home near Mansfield, La. My last letter from home was

dated in August, ten months ago. I have written enough for this time. For the present goodbye. May happiness be yours and may all that is lovely and good ever attend you. May your heart be kept pure and free from sorrow's blight and in your memory be enshrined the name of your friend,
Doug J. Cater.

August 15, 1864. In the trenches near Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Friend:

I failed to get an opportunity to send the above letter and now add a postscript: Since it was written June 2 there has been a very great change in affairs over here. I have had some pretty hard soldiering to do. The weather is warm and sultry. It tests our metal to have to stay in ditches this kind of weather. Our clothes are very near the color of the clay in which we have dug to hide from the shells and minnie balls of the enemy. We can not leave these ditches without danger of being killed at any moment. Our lines and those of the enemy are very close to each other. The different regiments are relieved sometimes at night and marched in rear of the breast works beyond range of the enemy's missiles where they rest twenty-four hours, after which they take their places again at the breastworks.

Gen. Johnston was ordered by the president on July 17 to turn over the army and department of Tennessee to Gen. John B. Hood. He obeyed the order as soon as he received it, and this is the cause of our condition. This failure on the part of our president and the War Department to cooperate with Gen. Johnston in the management of the army of Tennessee sounds the death knell of our Confeder-

acy, and blasts all our hopes of independence and an honorable peace. It was heartrending to listen to the shouts of joy from the enemy's lines when they got the news of Gen. Johnston's removal. Our army has attacked the enemy in his breastworks on the orders of Gen. Hood and been repulsed. On July 28 our brigade made an unsuccessful charge. Our regiment went into the charge with 196 men and we had 114 killed and wounded—more than half of the regiment. The outlook is not good, nor has it been since Gen. Johnson's removal, but I shall stay with the ship as long as there is a rudder in sight. Good bye. As ever,
Your friend,
Doug J. Cater.

Children Placed With Families.

Roy Stockwell, superintendent of the Texas Children's Home and Aid Society, was in Crockett Wednesday. Many people in this part of the state will recall this organization as the work for orphan children which was founded twenty-five years ago by Rev. I. Z. T. Morris. Mr. Stockwell stated that the society is constantly in need of good homes for its children who range in age from a few weeks to 15 years, both boys and girls. The society does not maintain an orphanage, but places all its children in private families. It now has offices in Fort Worth, Houston, San Antonio, Wichita Falls and Amarillo. The central office is located at 515 Cotton Exchange Building, Fort Worth.

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THE EMPTY, RAGGEDY STOCKING.

What of the empty, raggedy stockings

That will hang by the chimney on Christmas eve,
With their mute appeals from the poor little owners
To the dear old Santa in whom they believe?

For their share of his presents they ask such a little,

"Just a dolly to hold in my arms while I sleep,
A little tin auto that runs when you wind it,
A sounding red drum or a woolly white sheep."

The only light in their dim, dark existence

Is that wonderful day when old Santa will come
With his treasure filled pack that he brings on his back
From his fairyland, snowy-land, toyland home.

What beautiful dreams will come to them sleeping

Under the coverlet shabby and worn;
But what of the empty, raggedy stockings
That will hang by the chimney on Christmas morn?
—Mrs. H. C. Searcy, in the Chicago Tribune.

YULETIDE IN THE COUNTRY.

Christmas in the country. Christmas day in the old farm home. What pleasant memories it recalls to some of us, and what good times it will mean for many of us this year! There is really no place like the farm home for Christmas good times and jollity and good cheer. Here, if anywhere, prosperity and plenty abound, and in family gatherings and in neighborhood reunions, with an abundance of the fruits of our labor with which to spread our bountiful boards, old friendships may be renewed, new ones made, and even the stranger within our gates may be added to the list.

At Christmas time we may put into practice the real principles of neighboring. Living close together does not always make neighbors. Speaking acquaintances are not always neighbors. To be real neighbors we must have the spirit of neighborliness in our hearts which prompts us to get together once in awhile, to gather around a well-laden table and feast, and visit, and laugh and joke and have a rousing good time. To love our neighbor as we do ourself, we have to know him pretty well, and there is nothing like these neighborly reunions as a means of getting acquainted.

It may be that some of us will have to do a little mental and

spiritual housecleaning before Christmas day dawns. We shall have to rid ourselves of all the old rubbish of grudges, dislikes, jealousies and ill feelings which we will find pigeon-holed away when we begin to overhaul the accumulation of the years. You will have to throw all this into the discard before you can get into the real Christmas spirit, because the two will not mix. If you have wronged your neighbor in any way, Christmas is a good time to make reparation. And if you feel that you have been wronged, why, just forget it, and the Christmas spirit and the Christmas "get-together" will do the rest. Christmas should be a time of peace and good will to all mankind, and not to a few favored friends. It should be a time of reviving old associations, of renewing old friendships, and making new friends, and the peace and good will, the neighborliness and good fellowship thus revived should not be allowed to die out as the yule fires cease to burn, but should flow out in a plenteous stream to enrich our lives through all the days of the coming year.

THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT.

After a year of strife and confusion the world is about to declare an armistice for the observance of Christmas. It is curious how the essence of Christianity gets itself recognized and practiced in spite of the world, the flesh and the devil.

In this time of good will everybody becomes Christian, for Christmas is simply the substitution of the spirit of giving for the spirit of getting.

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem there came to the world a new conception of God and of his relations with man. The Child lying in the Bethlehem manger will forever symbolize and express the world-moving truth that God is love and, therefore, He gives Himself to and for men made in His image.

Tradition records that when the Wise Men from the East journeyed to Bethlehem to worship the new-born Child, they brought gifts.

The gift of God is life eternal, here and hereafter. When this divine spark animates the bosoms of men, they, too, begin to give.

Giving is the chief business of life for God and men alike. What a man gives he has. He loses all else. Earthly immortality lies in whatever one gives to one's fellows in service and friendship and healing.

I wonder if we shall ever be able to practice the Christmas spirit the year round!

If that time ever comes we shall find that most of our personal and social problems, perplexities, animosities and failures are unnecessary. If we want spring and summer and golden harvest, we must have the sun.—Dr. Charles Aubrey Eaton in Leslie's.

CHRISTMAS DOES NOT STAND ALONE.

If Christmas stood alone it would be an idle mockery. It is part of a year. Yet it is a peculiar part. It is that brief period in which the child rules the world.

It marks nowadays the culmination of a civilization which has had a leading principle. The selfish, the hard, the grasping and the unsparring are out and apart that one week from the great flowing tide of the develop-

ment of the world's progress. The man or woman who does not know this or see it or feel it is alien to the Christian spirit and to all the products wrought by the Christ spirit in the twenty centuries last past.

Christmas day, then, brings a message. But it also sings a song of hope and calls aloud a prophecy. The message is that gentleness is stronger far than force and that the greatest power on earth is the compelling power of tenderness.

Every Christmas tree is lit with that light. The great flood of presents bears this as its message. The cheer and charity of the whole season are fed by this love.

If the result of this process is only a century flower, however, or one that blooms even only once a year, then of what use is this more than that, this grotesque fact than that stranger plant? It is a curious phenomenon only, a hothouse spectacle and not an abiding food product.—Rev. Dr. David M. Steele, Philadelphia.

THE CHURCH MOVES FORWARD.

Bishop Ainsworth's announcement a few days ago that the Southern Methodist church in Texas had established a new record in receiving into the church during the year on profession of faith approximately 33,000 members calls to mind the report made a few weeks ago by the commission on evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches, which revealed record-breaking gains in many of the denominations. The reports received by the committee up to that time showed a gain of over 2,000,000 members for the year by the Protestant denominations.

Some of the gains reported for the fiscal year were as follows: Southern Methodist, 279,000; Northern Methodist, 182,338; Northern Presbyterian, 124,000; Northern Baptists, 150,000; Southern Baptists, 200,000; Lutherans, 110,000; Congregationalists, 100,000, with their churches in California and New York showing 50 per cent gains. The Disciples of Christ reported the best year in the 112 years of their history, gaining 100,000 new members between January 1 and Easter in 1921. Other smaller denominations reported corresponding increases, and it is not improbable that the total Protestant membership gain for the year at the end of December will be shown to have exceeded 2,500,000.

It may appear paradoxical that the churches should be able to make a report such as this in a year when the crime wave reached its height, when complaints against loose morals and the jazz times should become loudest, and when the country underwent a most severe financial depression with the attendant evils of unemployment, curtailed industrial activity, shifting of population and general restlessness.

The record in its deeper aspects is one to interest the sociologist. In a degree it bears out the oft repeated belief of many religious leaders that religion thrives better in times of adversity than in periods of great prosperity. As the blood of the martyrs was the seed of the early church, so the principal has seemed to operate in more modern intense activity, and it finds a more ready response among those burdened with care and sobered by adversity than among the self-sufficient masses of prosperous eras.

The most visible cause of the remarkable growth in church membership is the enlarged evangelistic activity of the churches. In latter years the emphasis has been placed more and more upon evangelism by Protestant leaders. The ideal of every pastor as an evangelist has come nearer to realization than ever before, and it is a notable

Merry Christmas

As we draw toward the close of a year of peace and prosperity, there's a special pleasure in sending Christmas and New Year greetings.

We wish to thank you for the many courtesies extended us in the past and to wish for you and yours a Happy Christmas and Bright New Year.

N. L. Asher

fact that some of the churches reporting the largest gains are those in which the pastor stressed the evangelistic phase, and was unassisted by professional outsiders.

Church membership continues to grow proportionately faster in the United States than the population. The church in America is evidently a growing institution, and far from the state of decadence that some pessimistic observers see it to be in. The remarkable record of gain this year would be encouraging at any time. It is particularly to be welcomed at this time as giving relief from the dismal picture of general conditions which has been thrust before the public so persistently within the last few months.—Houston Post.

HUNTERS AND THE FARMERS.

More men are hunting than ever before, and more private properties of large and small extent are posted against hunters.

Nobody can blame the farmer or the rancher who thus closes his domain to the man with a gun. Some hunters are skillful with a weapon, careful where they shoot, good sportsmen in obeying game laws and careful about undue trespassing. If only such men were hunting, the farmer would not post his property with "No hunting" placards. The trouble is that so many men who are all the contrary things go out to hunt. They never ask permission. They handle their guns badly and casualties occur sometimes in the farmer's family or to his stock. They are game hogs, ruthless in their destruction of property, and generally undesirable as visitors. There are the boys who have discredited the hunting game. The property owner who posts his woods and fields is generally referred to as "mean." As a matter of fact, he is usually a good-natured, generous soul, who has been forced to protect himself against meanness in others.—Gainesville Register.

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Stationery in Christmas boxes at Bishop's Drug Store. 1t.

Stalk cutters and both chilled and turning plows at R. L. Shivers'. tf.

Hubert Craig of Dallas was a visitor in Crockett Friday and Saturday.

Baby dolls for the girls, foot balls for the boys at Bishop's Drug Store. 1t.

Frank Wootters, a student of Texas University, is at home for the holiday season.

M. P. Jensen of Galveston was shaking hands with friends here at the end of last week.

Roy Box of Austin, a student of the university, will be here for the holiday season.

Mrs. N. W. Brown of St. Louis is here to spend Christmas with her sister, Mrs. J. B. Deal.

Mrs. Dick Keating of San Antonio is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hill, near Crockett.

Mr. and Mrs. Reese Barnwell will leave this week for Gilmer to spend the holidays at the old home.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Nunn of Mexia will visit in the Nunn home in this city during the holidays.

Miss Ruth Jensen, who has been teaching expression at Mexia, is at home for the holiday vacation.

Miss Hattie Stokes is at home from Southern Methodist University, Dallas, for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. George Straughan of Bryan are here to spend the Christmas vacation with relatives and friends.

Miss Nodelle Jordan, teaching expression at Lufkin, will spend the holiday vacation with her parents in Crockett.

Apartments for Rent.

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Arnold Brothers.

All work will be strictly cash at my tailor shop after January 1. Please do not ask for credit. 1t.

J. L. Arledge.

Bjorn Hester will be among the students returning from A. & M. College Friday to spend the Christmas holidays at home.

C. W. Butler Jr. of Crockett and Robert Atmar of Groveton arrived by automobile Wednesday from Texas University, Austin.

Miss Alice Louise Evans of Shuqualak, Miss., will arrive next week to visit Mrs. Corinne N. Corry and Miss Annie Williams.

No sooner had Mr. W. V. Berry moved into a private residence than he started to building a cement walk in front of his house. You can't keep Mr. Berry from being busy with some kind of improvement.

Miss Lucinda Darsey, attending college in Georgia, and Mrs. Leon Anderson of Paris are in Grapeland to spend the holidays with their parents.

I want your cleaning and pressing business, but please bear in mind that nothing will be charged to any one after January 1. J. L. Arledge 1t.

William Beazley, John Waller, Victor Kennedy and Brightman Sharp are among the Crockett boys returning home from A. & M. College for the holiday vacation.

Mr. U. S. Minor and family left Tuesday night for San Diego, Calif., where they will make their home. Crockett regrets very much to lose this most estimable family.

Some temporary improvements are being made in the lobby and dining room of the Pickwick hotel. Improvements of a more substantial character are to come later, the Courier is informed.

Misses Elise and Mary Hall and Mr. A. C. Neal, sisters and cousin of Mrs. J. B. Deal, will arrive this week from Texas University, where they are students, and remain with Mrs. Deal until after the holidays.

Barn and Car Burn.

C. W. LeGory's barn and automobile house on North or College street burned Friday night, following the norther. The barn and contents, including a five-passenger Buick automobile, were completely destroyed. The loss was only partially covered by insurance.

Kennedy's Pre-Inventory, Cash-Raising and Unloading SALE

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\$25,000 worth of Shoes, Dry Goods, Clothing for men, women and children, Notions, etc., a complete stock, bought right and now thrown out to the buying public for ten days, right in the heart of the season before the holidays, meaning a rare money-saving opportunity without parallel.

It's the greatest selling sacrifice and most mighty merchandise movement of modern times. A colossal sale, indeed—one with a purpose and a reason. The store is decorated, the stock well displayed, and every nook and corner is crowded with money-saving opportunities.

Christmas Specials in Many Departments.

DAN J. KENNEDY

Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank those citizens who so valiantly assisted in protecting my property from fire on last Monday night. Through their valuable assistance I did not lose anything, for which I am truly grateful.

1t. Mrs. N. O. McCarty.

Christian Church.

Bible school at 10 A. M.; communion and preaching, 11 A. M.; Junior Endeavor at 2:30 P. M.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:15 P. M.

Preaching at 7:15 P. M. Morning sermon subject, "The Birth of Christ." Evening subject, "Serving Christ."

All are cordially invited to these services. E. S. Allhands, Minister.

The Season's Greetings.

This being the last week before Christmas, the Courier extends the season's greetings to its subscribers and other patrons. We wish you a right merry Christmas, a very happy New Year and a most prosperous 1922. May the rest of your days be filled with good luck and contentment.

Methodist Church.

Preaching Sunday at eleven o'clock by the pastor, Rev. E. A. Maness. Subject, "Jesus Our Savior." Come to church and worship and honor your Savior on the day set aside to commemorate his birth. Sunday school at nine-thirty. Senior League at six o'clock. Special music program at 7 P. M. Entire public cordially invited to all our services. Pastor.

Trains Change Time.

A slight change in train schedule was inaugurated at Crockett Sunday. There is no change in the north and south Sunshine Specials, which meet here at 2:45 p. m. The change is in No. 4, the northbound evening train, and No. 5, the southbound night train. No. 4 now comes at 6:58 instead of 6:45 as formerly, thirteen minutes later, which gives it more time between Houston and Crockett. No. 5 comes at 1:48 instead of 1:45 as formerly, allowing three minutes more time between Palestine and Crockett.

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At CHRISTMAS TIME

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TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS

As co-workers with you in a world that is today full of new inspirations and good things, we greet you.

Sincerely wishing you and yours a merry Christmas—not in a prefatory manner because custom has made it a proper thing to do. But in the hearty hope that your Christmas may be filled with all the happiness your being longs for. And may you find on hope's Christmas tree your heart's desire.

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Save A Life

For five dollars. This can be done by giving that amount to the Near East Relief. Remember the starving, freezing, dying orphans of Armenia and Syria at this glad Christmas season. Send your offerings to.

A. A. Aldrich,
Chairman Near East Relief.

High Noon Wedding.

Miss Katie Berry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Berry of Crockett, was married to Mr. John C. Ragsdale at the home of her parents in this city Sunday at high noon. Mr Ragsdale is a prominent, young business man of Waco. Immediately after the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. E. E. Allhands, pastor of the Christian church in Crockett, and which was witnessed by immediate relatives only, Mr. and Mrs. Ragsdale, accompanied by members of the bride's family, left by automobile for Trinity, where the southbound Sunshine Special was taken for Houston, Beaumont and San Antonio. After a brief honeymoon, Mr. and Mrs. Ragsdale will return to Crockett for a short visit, but will make their home at Waco or Dallas, Mr. Ragsdale being a travelling salesman. The bride is one of Crockett's prettiest and most popular girls and begins married life with the best wishes of all our people. The bridegroom, during his frequent visits to this city, has accumulated innumerable friends who are extending congratulations.

Christmas Cantata.

The following Christmas music program will be given at the First Methodist Church Sunday night, Dec. 25, 7 P. M.

Introduction, organ—Mrs. Ruby Decuir.

Opening chorus—"Awake, put on thy strength."

Part one, a King is promised. (Prayer).

Tenor solo, "And there shall come forth a rod"—T. E. Walden.

Baritone solo, "In his days Judah shall be saved"—Elwyn Meriwether.

Chorus—"And this is the name whereby he shall be called."

Soprano solo, "Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign"—Miss Jennie McLean.

Trio—alto, soprano and tenor, "For unto us a child is born"—Mrs. J. P. Hail, L. L. Moore, Miss Leita Cunyus.

Chorus—"Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom."

Part two, The incarnation.

Tenor and baritone solos and duet—"And the angel said unto Mary"—Mrs. J. P. Hail, L. L. Moore.

Chorus—"He shall be great."

Soprano and alto duet and chorus—"And the word was made flesh"—Miss Clarite Elliot, Mrs. Elwyn Meriwether.

Quartette—Miss Clarite Elliot, Mrs. Elwyn Meriwether, Mr. T. E. Walden and Mr. Elwyn Meriwether.

Part three, the King is born.

Chorus—"There Were Shepherds Abiding in the Field."

Men's quartette, "And Lo, the Angel of the Lord"—Messrs. T. E. Walden, L. L. Moore, Elwyn Meriwether and Albert Seamon.

Chorus—"Fear Not, for Behold I Bring You Good Tidings."

Soprano solo, "For This Shall

XTMAS GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Christmas season of 1921 comes to a world which I think we all realize has now set its feet fairly and firmly in the way of rehabilitation and of return to the safe ways of progress and construction.

Our own country may well regard itself as peculiarly fortunate both in its own bounteous resources and by reason of the opportunity which it has enjoyed of making its own good fortune and means to help others.

At this Christmas season, I hope and am very sure that our people will return devout thanks for the blessings that have been bestowed upon them, and renew their pledges of service and usefulness of earnest effort and safe advancement in behalf of the best things in life.

Warren G. Harding.

Be a Sign Unto You"—Miss Leita Cunyus.

Closing chorus—"Glory to God in the Highest," "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing."

Benediction.

Entire public invited to be present.

Greetings from Ione, Arkansas.

Editor Courier:

I have been requested to write a letter to the paper, so all our Houston county kin and friends could hear from us. But first I want to tell you we certainly enjoy the weekly visits of the Courier. One never knows how to appreciate a home paper till they are miles from home, and then they look with eagerness for each copy.

Well, we certainly have had a light winter so far, just the prettiest sunshiny weather—have had but very little ice—more yesterday morning and this than we have had before.

Wish our Texas friends could see these Arkansas hills. They are beautiful now, all red and green and gold; and they are grand when covered with snow. Wish I could take you blindfolded to the top of Mt. Magazine and remove the blindfold and let you see the panorama spread out before you. It makes one feel very small, but proud they are one of God's children.

We wish we could spend Christmas in Houston county, but can't. Hope to visit you again some time. We think with pleasure of our last visit among you. Wish you could see Jessie's boys. You wouldn't know them. We think they are fine fellows. We are hoping you will find oil, and if this don't reach you for a Christmas greeting, here's wishing one and all a happy and prosperous New Year.

Mrs. Joanna Cox.

December 18, 1921.

Pearson Chapel.

Editor Courier:

Mrs. S. C. Milliken and children have returned from Houston, where they have been visiting Mrs. Milliken's sister.

Mr. and Mrs. John Davis have moved from Antioch to our community, where they will make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Knox and children spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Arnold.

Mr. Joe Barte's son, Jim H., has been very sick, but am glad to say is recovering.

Miss Blanch Cadenhead of this community and Mr. Homer Brewton of Porter Springs were

married last Wednesday. After the wedding they returned to Mr. Brewton's grandfather's, where they will make their home.

Mr. Julian Coon and sister, Adina, are visiting their aunt in Palestine.

Mr. Lehman and family have moved here from Friday, Texas.

Mr. Richard Alford of Kennard visited his sister, Mrs. Jack High, last week. Cutie.

COURTS ARE FOR JUSTICE.

The Houston Chronicle, discussing the Arbuckle trial and some of the things that developed during that trial, speaks as follows on a most important matter:

"It is evident from the reports of the trial that the assistant district attorney holds the same radically erroneous and vicious conception of his functions and duties, which, most unfortunately, many other prosecuting officers hold.

"The reports say that the assistant district attorney branded Arbuckle as 'a liar,' and that his denunciation of him was 'vitrolic.'

Regardless of what we may think of Arbuckle, it is proper to state that if the state's attorney resorted to abuse and to vitrolic denunciation he should have been rebuked by the court and have been warned that a repetition of such language would bring upon him punishment for contempt, and if he disregarded the warning he should have been fined and sent to jail.

"This is true, because, as the law in express terms states, every defendant is presumed to be innocent until his guilt is established by legal evidence beyond a reasonable doubt.

"Furthermore, the jurors are the sole and exclusive judges of the weight of the evidence and the credibility of the witnesses, and it is their exclusive province to determine all questions of fact.

"Whether any defendant is or is not a 'liar' or a 'murderer' is essentially a question of fact, and when any prosecuting officer asserts that he is, he departs from the path of duty which he is under sworn obligation to walk steadfastly in, and intrenches on the province and prerogative of the jurors, who alone have the right to determine what the facts are.

"It may convey information to many people to say that it is a gross violation of professional ethics and official propriety for counsel to assert before the jury their personal belief as to the guilt or innocence of any defendant.

"English courts have long since set the precedent for

prompt, fair, vigorous enforcement of the law, as it is written, and in these courts if any representative of the pleas of the crown indulges in any appeal to the emotions or prejudices of the jury, much less abuses the defendant, he is visited with summary punishment as for contempt of court.

"The king's counsel in England does nothing more than put in all the legitimate evidence bearing on the question of guilt or innocence, whether it be unfavorable or favorable to the government, and not infrequently, if the counsel for the defendant chances to overlook some point favorable to his client, the king's counsel will call the fact quietly to his attention.

"The conception in England of the functions and duties of a prosecuting officer is thoroughly correct, and any different conception is inexcusably and viciously erroneous and unjust.

"It has frequently been the case in Texas that the conduct and even the language of prosecuting officers has caused the reversal of convictions, so apart from the question of propriety, the interests of the people are prejudiced by abusive language used by prosecuting officers."

Tell him that you saw his ad in the Courier.



Greetings to You All

The Christmas season is one of joy in all christian lands.

It is the appropriate season for us to express to our friends and customers the joy and thankfulness we feel for the favors they have extended to us during the past year.

To such, and to all citizens, we express the hope that the coming year may deal gently and beneficently with you, and with all others whom you love and cherish.

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