

# BRISCOE COUNTY NEWS

SUCCESSOR TO THE SILVERTON STAR

VOLUME 12, No. 38

PUBLISHED WEEKLY AT SILVERTON, BRISCOE COUNTY, TEXAS

THURSDAY, DEC. 24, 1925

## PRESBYTERIANS HAVE PASTOR; BUILDING MANSE

Actual work is expected to be started this week toward the building of a manse by the Presbyterians here.

Rev. P. B. Henderlite, of Anson has been secured as pastor and he is expected to arrive in Silvertown with his family about Jan. 1. The pastor's home is to be a modern structure containing four large rooms and it will be rushed to completion, the weather permitting.

Rev. Henderlite preached here a few weeks ago and those that heard him were loud in their praise and the Presbyterians are to be congratulated in the revival of their work here. It is understood that the congregation had practically enough money to build the new house from the sale of the old manse several months ago.

## PLAINS CITIZENS BEFORE TEXAS R. R. C. BOOSTING FOR THE DENVER R.

Austin, Dec. 21—A delegation from the south Plains, headed by State Senator, W. H. Bledsoe of Lubbock, conferred today with the railroad commission relative to the south Plains railway situation.

The delegation is backing proposals of the Fort Worth and Denver to build extensions from Estelline to Dimmitt and from Silvertown to Lubbock. The Fort Worth and Denver City, proposal as well as that of the Santa Fe is now before the interstate commerce commission. The Santa Fe which is fighting the Denver project, offers to extend its line from there to Silvertown.

## FAMILY OF FIVE OWN FIVE AUTOMOBILES

A five-car family, each member of which has an automobile, is located near Brockport, N. Y.

The family includes Mr. and Mrs. George Stoltz and their three sons, Elmer, Raymond and Wilber. Mr. Stoltz operates a farm not far from Brockport. The family has three coupes, a sedan and a one-ton truck, all Chevrolets.

In 1922 Mr. Stoltz purchased the sedan as a present to his wife. Raymond and Wilber bought coupes the following year and in 1924, when Elmer became of age, he followed the example of his brothers. Recently Mr. Stoltz increased the family's automobile fleet to five when he bought the truck which is used to haul farm produce.

The automotive equipment of the Stoltz family occupies two garages behind their farm house.

## Lawmakers Swamped With Bills



The very second congress convened representatives began introducing their favorite bills in the house and during the opening days 1,000 bills a day were introduced, burying the documents room under an avalanche of proposed laws. This photograph shows a section of the house document room with Elmer A. Lewis, superintendent, and some of his assistants filling some of the thousands of bills.

## QUITAQUE DEAL FOR F. & D. COMPLETED

From Ft. Worth Star Telegram: J. B. Russell, Quitaque, Briscoe County, banker and ranchman, was in Fort Worth Friday delivering the contract covering the right-of-way through Briscoe County and depot facilities at Quitaque to the Fort Worth and Denver railroad offices.

This is another step in securing right-of-way and depot facilities for the proposed 200-mile extension by the Fort Worth and Denver Railroad.

Russell was an interested witness Friday morning to signing of the contract by Frank E. Clarity, vice president and general manager of the F. W. & D. Railroad, the contract already bearing the signature of 54 Briscoe County citizens.

"I am more than pleased to sign this contract," Clarity told Russell, "because the citizens of your little town and Briscoe County have been 100 per cent in favor of the proposed extension."

You are no more pleased than we are," Russell, who is vice president of the First National Bank, said. "We want a railroad and believe this will give us the thing we have needed for several years. It will afford us the opportunity of diversifying our crops. At present cotton is the only thing we can raise and ship without a prohibitive charge of trucking it 50 miles to a railroad. We can raise wheat but the charge of 50 cents a bushel to truck it to the railroad makes it impossible to make it a profitable endeavor."

The contract signed by Clarity is virtually an agreement to begin construction work immediately after the Interstate Commerce Commission grants the certificate for public necessity and convenience, now pending.

Clarity stated that under the agreement trains would be in operation from Estelline to Quitaque within 18 months after the certificate is granted.

Heading the list of signers was Amos Persons, president of the First National Bank, Quitaque. Every officer and director of the bank signed.

If the I. C. C. grants the application of the F. W. & D. Railroad right of way across Briscoe County and 40 acres of land for depot facilities at Quitaque will be turned over to the railroad.

Situated at the foot of the cap rock Quitaque is ideally located for farming. The only towns yet to sign agreements for right of way and depot facilities are Silvertown, Estelline and Turkey. Contracts have been sent to these towns and the work of securing options of land now is virtually completed. As soon as this is done contracts will be signed by Clarity.

Believing it will be a railroad town within the near future

## "MEAN NIGGER" BREAKS JAIL; IS CAPTURED

The officers here have begun to think that Willie Robinson, colored, who is being held in jail here, is a "mean nigger."

Willie is the negro that was incarcerated several weeks ago, the one who spent his honeymoon in the jail here. He was released on bond and broke his bond, Sheriff Garrison catching him at Paducah.

Willie had been over in the jail all by himself and was getting pretty lonesome. He had been sick, staying in the bed most of the time. Sunday afternoon when deputy Jim Busby took him his supper, about 6:30 o'clock he effected a get-away in a very clever manner. When Jim opened the door of the enclosure he saw the light burning at the bed in the cell farthest from the door. He supposed that Willie was in his accustomed place on the bed and walked over that way with the food. What was his surprise to hear someone behind slipping out the door and down the steps in the gathering dusk. Had it not been for the fact that Jim removed his keys and took them with him he might have been locked in by the negro. He rushed out of the jail and saw the negro heading north but not having any firearms he hurried over to the courthouse for his 45 and reinforcements.

He found J. D. King and his brother and they found Sheriff Garrison. They all got into the sheriff's car and made chase. They found the negro making a cross John Arnold's field, north of town. Jim got out of the car and closed in on the escaped prisoner on foot. He fired a shot in the general direction of the negro who immediately stopped and returned peaceably, perhaps quite out of breath but with the satisfaction that he had done his best to make a get-away.

Heading the list of signers was Amos Persons, president of the First National Bank, Quitaque. Every officer and director of the bank signed.

If the I. C. C. grants the application of the F. W. & D. Railroad right of way across Briscoe County and 40 acres of land for depot facilities at Quitaque will be turned over to the railroad.

## HARDIN TO HAVE PUBLIC SALE, DEC. 29

Griffin Hardin who has been living on the W. H. Crow place announces that he will have a public sale at that place next Tuesday, December the 19th. Mr. Hardin likes to raise cotton and says that he is having the sale on account of having a half and half proposition under the cap rock for next year. He is making good terms to the buyers and will, with favorable weather, no doubt have a lively sale. On his sale bill he has 16,000 bundles of Hegaria which will probably attract the attention of all parties who need feed to make another crop with.

## UNCLE SAM BEAVERS HAMBURGER STAND IS ROBBED SUNDAY

A mighty mean thief or thieves broke into Uncle Sam Beavers hamburger stand some time Sunday or Sunday night and stole about six dollars worth of candy and chewing gum. They also broke a show case and tore things up generally.

Uncle Sam says that they got a whole jar full of chewing gum and that he does not see what they will do with it all. He is keeping his eyes open for someone who seems to have too much chewing gum and he can not help but wonder where they got it, when he sees any one chewing.

Quitaque is enjoying a building boom. Already there are several brick and concrete buildings erected. The school building burned in June and has been replaced with a \$50,000 brick structure.

Russell said Quitaque is in the heart of the cattle country of West Texas and that with the advent of a railroad this industry will take on added proportions.

## WEST TEXAS NEWS

**Tahoka**—The famous Windham Ranch in the southeast part of Terry County has been sold. Jarrett Brothers of Lubbock purchased the vast body of land and announced they will subdivide it and sell it as farm land.

**Stamford**—Plans for the West Texas C of C. campaign to restore the hog industry in west Texas have been formulated and will be announced soon. Statistics reveal that the hog industry has almost vanished from west Texas and packers report that several hundred million dollars of Texas money goes out of the state for hogs and pork annually. It is planned to have every farmer in west Texas get into the hog business at least for his own use and the program will be a part of the organization's campaign for diversified and intensive farming in west Texas.

**Midland**—Means of controlling shifting sandy farm land during wind storms has been evolved. Midland farmers have learned that by circling "white spots" with a plow during a storm that the sand can be prevented from traveling and many who have tried this plan during the past spring produced their cotton without handicap despite unusual periods of wind. The policy will be followed on a wholesale scale in the future.

**Lubbock**—The first consignment of live stock for Texas Tech has been received and quartered on the college farm here. Hampshire lambs and draft horses constituted the consignment. The college is proceeding carefully in selecting its stock of animals and plans to have one of the best stock farms in Texas when all deliveries are made.

**Eastland**—A thrilling automobile race will be staged on the Bankhead Highway on New Year Day. The race will be over a distance of 260 miles of asphalt paved highway from Ft. Worth to Cisco and return to Ft. Worth. Handsome purses will be provided and drivers of national fame will compete. This is said to be the first cross-country race ever staged on a large scale in Texas. It is attracting great interest in this section.

**Cross Plains**—This city will have a new sanitarium soon. A stock company has been formed and the establishment will be in operation soon.

**Brownwood**—A bond issue for \$300,000 for highway construction in Brown County was defeated by a small majority. Proponents were encouraged by the showing they made and declare they will continue the fight until Brown County takes its place among Texas paved counties.

**Mineral Wells**—The Texas Water Conservation Association is a business and must be conducted by business methods, delegates were told. Noted irrigation men were present and much constructive work was accomplished. The proposed Brazos River project near here was discussed and proposed dam sites inspected.

**Cisco**—R. Q. Lee addressed the Grayson County Stock Raisers' Association at Sherman. A large number of business men and farmers gathered with the stockmen to hear Mr. Lee discuss his program of diversified and intensive farming which he is advocating for west Texas. Mr. Lee takes the stand that the organization is interested in all Texas and this is his second address made outside of West Texas.

## UNUSUAL LUNAR SHOW PUT ON THURSDAY NIGHT

A number of citizens watched an unusual lunar exhibit Thursday night when a beautiful star was right at the edge of the moon. Not far to one side was another bright star, which illuminated the dark section of the moon, making the entire moon visible. As the night was clear and cool the atmosphere was best for the view.

## GRANDMA STEVENSON REPORTED IMPROVING

Grandma Stevenson who has been very ill, was reported to be slightly improving Wednesday afternoon. Her illness had become so serious that the children had been called to her bedside.

Mrs. H. L. Braly, of Shamrock, Mrs. Kenneth Bain, of Floydada and John Stevenson of Floyd county are here besides Mrs. Will Smithee, A. G. and Bob, who live here. T. H. Stevenson, who lives at Plainview is unable to come on account of a recent operation.

## SCHOOL PUPILS HAVE CHANCE TO ENTER HISTORICAL ESSAY CONTEST

Austin, Texas, Nov. 22 An incentive to recording local history will be furnished the school pupils of the state by the historical essay contest which is to be conducted again this year under the direction of Walter Webb, associate professor of history in the University of Texas. Prizes amounting to \$250, have been offered by C. M. Caldwell of Abilene and to this has been added \$50 by the Dallas News. Any subject may be chosen as long as it contains the desired amount of local history. Webb stated, as would essay on the following subjects: County history, development of natural resources, cattle stampedes, droughts, floods, lynchings, feuds, biographies of famous or prominent cattlemen, Texas rangers, cowboys, politicians, trail drivers, "bad men" old settlers and the like. The essays are to be judged by their originality, evidences of careful investigations, interest, historical technique and bibliography. The Dallas News is also to publish the winning essays.

## DAY-OLD TEXAS CALF BRINGS \$1,000

Hereford, Dec. 21—Beau Superior, whose family tree reads like the pedigree of an English Duke, was born just three weeks ago, Wednesday of last week, and was purchased outright on that same date by Charles B. Fristo of Midland for a cool thousand dollars. In addition, Little Beau will be allowed to stay with his mother 12 months and his board bill will be paid by the new owner.

Rat Jowell, the man who introduced Herefords into this section back in 1898 and who is considered a National authority on Hereford cattle, made the sale. In discussing the youngster Jowell said "You can take the Herd Book and write your own pedigree, and then you can't beat this fellow's breeding to save your life."

Fristo is a young cattleman of Midland who is starting out to build up a real herd of Herefords and is only buying the cream. This is the fourth or fifth calf sold during the past two months for \$1,000, but it is by far the youngest one to be sold at that price.

Hereford breeders from all parts of Texas are flocking to Deaf Smith county to secure their herd bulls.

## TWO MEN ARE BEING HELD ON LIQUOR CHARGE

Deputy Jim Wise and Justice of the Peace, J. F. Tunnell, arrested F. K. Brown and John F. Brasse, Monday afternoon about one o'clock near the filling station half way between Silvertown and Quitaque, and found in their possession approximately one gallon and three quarts of what is supposed to be corn whiskey.

Brown and Brasse were lodged in the jail and their Ford coupe stored at the Burson Motor Company. Their examining trial was to have been heard yesterday morning.

Brown and Brasse, better better known as Frank and John were operating a hamburger joint at Quitaque.

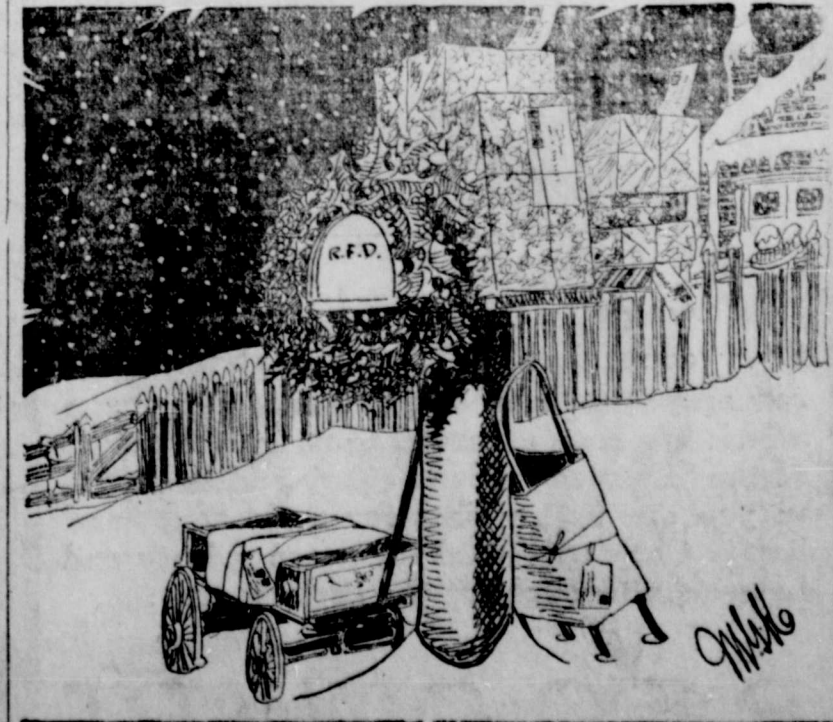
## MUSIC DEP'T STAGES COMEDY AND RECITALS

The music department of the Silvertown High School, under the direction of Mrs. W. M. Gourley staged three entertainments of extraordinary interest during the closing days of the fall term of school.

The musical comedy "Cherry-blossom" was presented last Friday night at the school auditorium to a large and appreciative audience. The funds derived from the entertainment will go into a fund for a musical library sponsored by the music club. This will become the permanent property of the school. The Junior pupils gave their recital Monday evening. Those taking part were Ruby Draper, Beth Ann Grady Poe, Ruth Jenkins, Klize Dickerson, Josephine Daniels, Juanita Skeen, Orin Ginter, Geraldine Biffle, Richard Poe, Geraldine Patton, Altha Brown and Katherine Naird. A varied program of instrumental and vocal music made up the Tuesday evenings entertainment presented by the senior music pupils, a vocal quartet and orchestra. Those taking part in this program were: Lillian Dickerson, Elva Wright, Martha Thomas, Hazel Poe, Intha Montague, Eva Lena Skeen, Myrtle and Bessie Jenkins, Marguerite Morgan, Mrs. P. I. Pedro, Eloise Morgan, Iris Crawford, Mrs. Paul I. Odor, Miss Anna Lee Anderson, Mrs. J. S. Fisher, Mrs. W. I. Poe, Margaret Campbell, Clay Fowler, Bert Northcutt, Paul I. Odor, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Gourley.

Much speculation "in talk" regarding—who will, and who won't, run for various county offices the next term is to be heard now, more or less, when a few parties happen to group together. Even those who are figuring on entering the campaign for an office are contemplating letting out their announcements at an early date.

## Christmas



L. 1, 1926  
E. T. 3rd.  
who at last Friday weather present disposal for six tickets the most to are on the Sil-t.  
s as they lot, also having the name under the  
rutees  
No. 2.  
School  
School  
rict  
istrict  
in the Saturday.  
FIAN MAY 30th  
ristian E-accompan-reach two Church of May 30th, and every-  
e will be a es due the Potter,



**BETTER FARMING DEPARTMENT**

Conducted by the Vocational Agricultural Department of the Silverton High School under the direction of Prof. W. M. Gourley

The average owner of a good milk cow never gets the maximum production of milk and butter from his cow. Not only that but he rarely ever feeds in the most efficient and economical manner. You ask the average owner just how he is feeding his milk cows and he will tell you that he is feeding bran and cottonseed meal and some kind of roughage, oftentimes a very inferior class of roughage too. Now the question of a balanced dairy ration is something he knows little about and half of the people would not know just how to mix properly and feed if they knew the contents of a good ration. A dairyman recently made a discovery thru the assistance of an agricultural teacher that he was losing \$285.00 per month on a herd of 47 dairy cows by improper system of feeding. He found that by changing his feeds and methods of feeding he increased the value of his milk sales \$285.00 per month. His change in feed did not increase his feed bill one dollar and the only extra expense he had was the extra transportation expense on milk due to the increased production of his cows. In other words he made his cows produce more milk on the same feed and labor bill, but a different kind of feed from that he had been using and a little different method of feeding. I wonder how many people selling bottled sweet milk know just how much profit they are making on each quart and which cows are paying and which are boarders. It is a regrettable fact that the income on dairy products in this county is very small as compared with adjoining counties, yet we have one of the greatest feed producing counties in this part of Texas.

The trouble is due to two things, largely poor class of dairy cows, and a poor system of feeding. Of course, marketing has some influence, but not as much as the other two factors. There are people who make their milk cows pay their grocery bill and even other expenses. Many of them in many sections of Texas, but very few in the Silverton trade territory.

Now as to the proper feed ratios: Cottonseed meal and bran are both high priced feeds, when compared to the present prices of maize and kafir. They should be included in your feed but not solely. A good ration is tomix 150 pounds of ground maize, 100 pounds of bran and 50 lbs of cotton seed meal. This is a home mixture and will give splendid results. The ground grain is the fat producing part of the grain and is highly necessary. For instance the "Checker Board feed," put up by the Purina people, which is perhaps the best "Cow Chow" on the market, contains a high per centage of grain. This feed is thoroughly tested and gets the best production from the amount fed.

The amount of feed necessary

for a dairy cow varies with two things: her daily milk production and her size. For instance a 700 lb cow giving a maximum of 3 gallons per day should be fed much less than a 1000 lb cow giving 5 gallons. So many cows are either overfed or underfed. Both methods are expensive. The average milk cow's feed can be figured as follows: for every 100 pounds of her live weight she should receive about 2 pounds of good roughage, and for every gallon of milk produced she should have from 2 to 3 lbs of a grain mixture such as suggested above. These figures are based on actual figures by dairymen throughout the country.

Now as to the methods of feeding grain. You can not expect economical milk production in feeding whole grain on bundles or threshed grain. A cow digests very little whole grain, especially kafir and maize. So the only way to feed grain to milk cows properly is to have the grain crushed or ground and mixed with your bran and cottonseed meal. It is very necessary that you feed bran as it will aid the cow in digesting the meal and ground grain. It serves as a laxative for the cow. Do not substitute rich shorts for bran. It is more expensive and too concentrated for milk cows. It is a splendid feed for hogs but not for dairy cows.

**The Homesteader**

By Robert J. C. Stead

Author of "The Cow Puncher," Etc.

Illustrations by IRWIN MYERS  
Copyright, All Rights Reserved

"And then at last it came. I didn't see anything, and I didn't hear anything, but I knew it was there. I still remember how frightened and yet how cool I was in that last moment. I held the gun to my shoulder and waited for it to thrust itself against the blanket. In another moment I am sure I should have fired. But before that moment I heard my name called, and I knew my husband's voice, and I came out of the nightmare."

"Most extraordinary," the coroner repeated, after a silence. "It seems to account for the shooting of Riles, but it leaves us as much as ever—more than ever, I should say—in the dark concerning the disappearance of the money, and the part which has implicated the young man Travers in the affair."

The banker gave his evidence. It was not unusual, he said, for considerable sums in bank notes to be handled among speculators and land buyers, but the amount withdrawn by Harris was so great that it had left him somewhat ill at ease, and as Sergeant Grey had happened his way he had mentioned the matter to him.

During the hearing of the various



"Perhaps I Am a Murderer," He Continued Simply.

witnesses Gardiner had attempted an air of impersonal interest, but with no great success. His demeanor, studied though it was, betrayed a certain anxiety and impatience. He was dressed just as he had dismounted from his horse, having removed only his hat. But he smiled confidently when asked for his evidence, and told his story calmly and collectedly.

It is quite true that he was associated with Riles and Mr. Harris in the coal mine investment. He was acting for the owner of the property, but had seen that a large profit was to be made from the turn-over, and had been glad to place the opportunity in the way of two old friends.

"I feel a grave responsibility in this whole matter," Gardiner protested, with some emotion. "I feel that I am, at least indirectly, responsible for the serious loss that has befallen Mr. Harris, and for the injury to his son. But when you have heard the whole circumstances you will agree that the situation was one I could not possibly have foreseen. Let me give them to you in some detail."

"The day before yesterday, in company with Riles, I met Mr. Harris and his son, and found that their money had arrived. The remittance was not as large as they expected, but I believed that I could raise some money privately, and that we would still be able to put the deal through. I advised against losing any time, as I knew that if the owner should meet anyone else interested in a proposition of a similar nature we would find it much harder to make a bargain with him. It was arranged that the two Mr. Harrises were to drive ahead, taking the money with them, and that Riles and I would follow. We were to overtake them at the old building where this unfortunate tragedy occurred. As it happened, I had a sick horse at the ranch, and, as I was delayed in getting some medicine for him, Riles suggested that he would ride out to the ranch—that is, where I live—and wait for me there. Up to that time I had no suspicions, and I agreed to that."

"Well, when I reached the ranch, I could find nothing of Riles, and, on further search, I could find nothing of Travers, who was working for me. Their riding horses were gone, and so were their saddles and bridles. I found that Travers had taken his revolver out of the house. I confess my suspicions were then somewhat aroused, but I found myself with the sick horse on my hands, and I could not very well leave the place. Of course, I never thought of anything so bad as has happened, or I would not have considered the horse, but I admit I was at a loss to understand their conduct. But when I heard, early this morning, what had happened, it was all clear to me."

During the latter part of this evidence Travers had fixed his eyes on Gardiner, but the witness had steadily avoided him. Jim was now convinced that he was the victim, not of a coincidence, but a plot. Of course, he could give his evidence, which would be directly contradictory to that of Gardiner, but he was already under suspicion, and anything he might say would be unconsciously discounted by the jurors. But he began calmly, a quiet smile still playing about his thin lips and clean teeth.

"I am sorry I cannot corroborate all the last witness has said," he commenced. "I did not leave the ranch with Riles; on the contrary, I was fishing down by the river when I saw Riles and Gardiner ride by. Gardiner was talking and I heard him mention Mr. Harris' name. I worked for Mr. Harris not long ago, but I did not know he was in this part of the country. I heard Gardiner say—" Jim colored a little, and stopped.

"Well, what did you hear him say?" said the coroner. "That is what we are anxious to know."

"I heard him say something about Mr. Harris losing all his money that night, in the old shanty up the river road. 'Strange things have happened up there, Riles,' he said. That made me suspicious, and I hurried back to the ranch, determined to follow them. I found that my revolver had been taken. I armed myself as best I could, and set out. When I came near the building which Gardiner had mentioned I dismounted and approached it carefully. It was very dark. Suddenly I was attacked from behind. A

**A Merry 1925 Christmas**  
**A Happy 1926 New Year**

The wish we give for those who have been our friends and patrons and those whom we hope to patrons in the future.

Mr and Mrs. NOAH AMASON

**GARNER BROS. UNDERTAKERS**  
Silverton, Texas

**J. E. DANIEL**  
Attorney at Law  
Practice in all Courts  
Office over City Pharmacy

**J. D. KING**  
Abstracts, Deeds, Contracts  
Bonds, Loans, Fire Insurance

**C. D. WRIGHT**  
Attorney  
Practice in District and Higher Courts  
Examining Abstracts a Specialty  
Office at Courthouse, Silverton, Tex.

**Ernest Tibbets**  
Attorney at Law  
Office second floor Court House

**SEND IT TO THE LAUNDRY**  
Modern Laundries, such as we represent, not only do all kinds of family washing but do the most expert cleaning and pressing of Suits and Dresses to be had anywhere.  
Prices Reasonable  
**BOYER'S BARBER SHOP**  
Silverton, Texas

sack was thrown over my head, and I was overpowered, and bound. I don't know how long I was kept in that condition, but when at last the sack was removed I was in the presence of Sergeant Grey."

With the progress of Travers' narrative all eyes had turned to Gardiner, but, whatever his inward emotions, he outwardly showed no signs of discomfiture. "This seems to be a day of strange tales," he said to the coroner, "and the last we have heard is stranger than the first. Of course, it is quite absurd on the face of it. The suggestion that I would be a party to robbing Mr. Harris of \$20,000, and so help a transaction in which I stood to make a profit of more than twice that amount, is too ridiculous for discussion. I didn't say so before, because it didn't seem to bear on the case, but I have at home a telegram which I received a few days ago from the New York investors, offering me a personal commission of 20 per cent on the transaction if I was able to get this property for them at the price they had offered. So, from a purely selfish point of view, you see where my interests lay. But there are other reasons for this fine tale which you have just heard. To spare the feelings of some present, I intended to say nothing of them, but if I must tell what I know, why, I must tell what I know. This man Travers was



At Christmastime, as the broad pathway of the New Year opens wide before us all, our thoughts go out to each of our friends to wish them well in all their endeavors.

That your joys may be constant and your cares but fleeting, is our Holiday Greeting to you.

**Willson & Son Lumber Co.**  
Silverton, Texas.



**And a Happy New Year**

**CITY DRUG STORE**

SOUTH SIDE OF SQUARE

Jeff W. Gunter, Proprietor

**PENNANT Oils - Gasoline - Greases**

—WHOLESALE—

I deliver any where, any time

**A. A. POTTER**

Phone 113.

Silverton



**ORANGE CAFE**

Silverton, Texas

a farm hand working for Harris on his farm back in Manitoba. Harris is—or was—well-to-do, and Travers accordingly mustered up an attachment for his daughter. This the young lady, it seems, was foolish enough to return. They—"

"That'll do, Gardiner," interrupted Travers, in a quiet, vibrant voice. "You are getting away from the subject."

"On the contrary, I'm getting close to the subject—a little too close for your comfort, it seems."

"I am not investigating any family closets," said the coroner. "You will have to show the connection between these matters and the inquiry we are making."

"I will do that in a moment, sir," Gardiner returned. "But I cannot show the connection until I have shown the events that are connected. Travers had trouble with Harris and had a fight with Allar. Then he and the young lady ran away. They have both been in this part of the country for some time. But Travers' plan to inherit the Harris property was upset on account of the girl quarreling with her parents, and his ardor seems to have cooled off noticeably. But he was as keen for the property as ever. Riles was a wenking in the hands of

a man like Travers, and no doubt he betrayed the fact that Harris was taking his money with him into the hills. Then the two of them framed up the plan which has resulted in the death of one and the arrest of the other."

During these exchanges the sympathies of the jurors seemed to veer from side to side. The theories propounded were so contradictory that opinions wavered with each sentence of evidence. But a new bolt was ready for the shooting.

"Mr. Coroner," said Beniah, rising and pointing at Gardiner, "will you make that man take his gaitlets off?"

There seemed an instant recession of the blood from Gardiner's face. But it was for the instant only. "My hat is off," he said, with a smile. "Is that sufficient?"

Continued in next issue

**FOR OVER 40 YEARS**

**HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE** has been used successfully in the treatment of Catarrh. **HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE** consists of an Ointment which Quickly Relieves by local application, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which acts through the Blood on the mucous surfaces, thus reducing the inflammation. Sold by all druggists. **F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.**



**AT CHRISTMAS TIME** and on the eve of the New Year, we wish to express our appreciation of the generous patronage which has been accorded to us by the people of the Silverton trade territory and to extend to you our best wishes for a pleasant and happy Christmas and for peace plenty and happiness throughout the coming year.

**P. E. C. COWART**

General Merchandise

Silverton



Items for  
This page must be in  
By Monday Noon  
Call 117.

# A Page Of Interest To Women

PHONE  
Year News and  
Society Items in.  
Call 117.

Edited by Mrs. Paul I. Oder.

## STUDY CLUB LUNCHEON MOST ELABORATE AFFAIR OF HOLIDAY SEASON

The 1925 Study Club entertained with a luncheon Tuesday noon which was perhaps the most brilliant social affair of the pre-holiday entertainments in town.

by the girls of the Silverton High School under the direction of Miss Berry. Plates were laid for 32 members and guests. The members present were: Mesdames, Minyard, Nichols, Cloyd, Bob Dickerson, Douglas, Frank Bain, Tibbetts, Odor, Dick Cowart, A. P. Dickerson, Wright, Whiteside, Bland Burson, Walter Fogerson, Meeker and Miss Sadie

Summers. The guests present were: Mesdames J.A. Bain, Roscoe Fort, J. S. Fisher, Miner Crawford, W. M. Gourley, Walter Lee Bain, D. M. Morgan, A. A. Potter, C. L. Dickerson, Dick Higgins, Jno Burson, Homer Simpson Biffle Fort and Misses Mary Cowart, Grigg, and Margaret Dickinson.

Mrs. Dick Cowart welcomed the guests for the club and was responded to by Miss Grigg. Mrs. Mrs. R. E. Douglas proposed a toast to the officers of the club to which Mrs. Minyard made a fitting response. Mrs. Nichols toasted the Home Economics Girls and Miss Berry to which Maxine Prieza responded. The spirit of Christmas was manifest and the decorations carried out the idea. The table was beautifully decorated with narcissus and lighted candles.

The following menu was served:  
Grape Fruit Cocktail  
Roast Turkey and Cranberry Conserve.

Potatoes Green Olives  
Parker House Rolls  
Candle Salad Cheese straws  
Bavarian Cream, Angel food cake  
Black Coffee

### "CHRISTMAS"

Christmas comes but once a year,  
And then we are always busy,  
Rushing round and buying things,  
Until we are almost dizzy.

We have to buy for all the boys,  
For they must not be slighted,  
And all the babies must have toys,  
Or their joy would be blighted.

Our sister must not be neglected,  
There are many things to buy for them,  
And its only to be expected,  
That their whitts would fill a realm.

The uncles, aunts, and cousins,  
Must have presents at this time,  
And many friends and acquaintances,  
Would fill a long, long line.

We have the poor in every clime,  
Throughout the whole long year,  
But it makes their weary faces shine,  
When they get our bags of cheer.

Then comes our dear old loving dad,  
He must have presents too,  
He's just a great big grown up lad,  
And he's been a friend true blue.

But we have our best gift for mother,  
Who told us of this day,  
How God prepared and sent another,  
For which they long had prayed.

In Bethlehem so far away,  
The wise men watched afar,  
And while they watched, and while they prayed  
They saw His guiding star.

They followed it until it stood,  
O'er the place where Jesus lay,  
And Mary beamed in motherhood,  
At our King on his bed of hay.

They bent their knees, and worshiped  
Him,  
The angels sang his praise,  
With happy tears their eyes were dim,  
On this first Christmas Day.

So mother dear, so kind and true,  
We know your story's true,  
We'll lay our hearts at Jesus' feet,  
And worship God with you.

—By Mrs. T. B. Jones, Amarillo

To look nice your clothes must  
be nicely pressed and cleaned—  
Try City Tailor Shop.

## How Doctors Treat Colds and the Flu

To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of grippe, influenza, sore throat or tonsillitis, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotabs, the purified and refined calomel compound tablet that gives you the effects of calomel and acts combined, without the unpleasant effects of either.

One or two Calotabs at bed-time with a swallow of water,—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating, work or pleasure. Next morning your cold has vanished, your system is thoroughly purified and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please,—no danger.

Get a family package, containing full directions, only 35 cents. At any drug store. (adv)

### FARM LOANS

Long time, low rate, good options, quick service. Do not require school land patented. Also buy Vendor Lien Notes. Z. G. Fogerson, Box, 545, Amarillo, Tex

## Dr. T.B. Jones DENTIST

Guaranteed work at reasonable prices. Difficult extractions, Crowns, bridge and plate work a specialty.  
Room 3, Ray-Bynum Bldg

6th & Polk Sts  
Amarillo, Texas

Mrs. N. W. Haynes left Tuesday afternoon for a three week visit with her daughter, Mrs. Lou Holderness in Ft. Worth. She will also visit in Mineral Wells while away.

Caps cleaned and pressed—City Tailor Shop.

Guy T. Hawkins and Miss Addie Allen, of Quitaque were recently issued a marriage license and were married Dec. 13. Rev. J. E. Stephens performing the ceremony.

Miss Jagers left Wednesday to spend Christmas with relatives in Blackwell.



## Strong Nerves

You can't be healthy, happy or even good when you're nervous and irritable. Every organ of the body is controlled by the nerves. When they're out of order you're liable to have a nervous or physical break down.

**Dr. Miles' Nerve Tonic** soothes irritated nerves and gives nature a chance to restore them to their normal functions. Sold at post-war prices—\$1.00 per bottle.

## THIS LITTLE AD HAS A BIG MEANING

Because in it we send you our heartiest Christmas wishes and the expression of our appreciation for business of the past. We are hoping you'll let us continue to serve you in 1926.

## CITY CAFE

Mrs. KATE QUILLIN, Prop.

MAY THIS

# Christmas

BE TO YOU  
ONE FILLED  
WITH EVERY  
HAPPINESS  
AND JOY

During 1925 it has been a pleasure to us to serve you and if it within our power we want to help make

1926 A PROSPEROUS,  
HAPPY YEAR FOR YOU

Accept, if you please, our thanks for each favor of the past.

## FORT & CO.

WITH HEARTY

# APPRECIATION For Your 1925 Patronage

AND OUR ERNEST WISH THAT HEALTH, HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY WILL ATTEND YOU THROUGH 1926 AND THE OTHER YEARS TO COME

## Silverton Lumber Co.

Silverton, Texas

## Merry Christmas-

To our many customers we would like to extend our season's greetings, a word of appreciation for the years of pleasant business relations we have had. We would add a wish that the years to come will show many opportunities for us to mutually benefit.

## R. M. King Grocery

Plenty of Xmas Candy and Fruits



This, the season of good cheer is an opportunity to thank you for your kind favors and to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

## The STYLE Shop

MRS. J. S. FISHER

## Boyer's Barber Shop

JAS M. BOYER, Proprietor.

PHONE US for High Grade groceries, fruits and vegetables—Quality groceries at lower prices.

## SOUTH SIDE GROCERY "Where Your Dollars Go Farther"

Free Delivery

PHONE 63 Silverton, Texas

## MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

Delivered FREE Anywhere

Pianos - Players, Phonographs, Combination Radio-Phonographs, Records, Rolls, Sheet Music, Piano Studies, Stringed and Band Instruments.

## AMARILLO MUSIC CO.

O. V. WRAY, the Music man  
792 Polk St., Amarillo.

# TODAY, IF WE COULD

We'd take you by the hand, one by one, and with the clasp of sincerity make you understand our appreciation of your patronage in the past. But since we are denied this privilege we utilize this method to reach as many as we can with our message of thanks and the season's choicest greetings.

## DOUGLAS & WHITESIDE

"The Store That Strives to Please"



**BRISCOE COUNTY NEWS**

Successor to the Silverton Star. Official Organ of Briscoe County

J. L. Nunn, Publisher. Paul I. Odeh, Editor

Entered as Second Class Mail Matter at the Post Office at Silverton, Texas, in accordance with an act of Congress March 3, 1879.

\$2.00 Per Year Advertising Rates on Application

**OUR PLATFORM**

- Get a Railroad—any railroad.
- More Brick Business Buildings.
- A Modern Hotel for Silverton.
- A Passable Road across the Tule Canyon.

Why wait until New Year's Day to make new resolutions? Why not make Christmas resolutions?

It is true that the gift of Christ by the Heavenly Father instills within the hearts of the people a spirit for giving which has been recognized by the people, of most all nations, for many centuries, but it is also true that from the very day of Christ's birth there has been a new program to be worked out so far as the spiritual world is concerned, and this has had a great bearing on the people of the world, whether they accepted the spiritual side or not.

It is true that time is marked by the months and that New Year's Day is the first Day of a period of twelve months. Also, that the time aligns itself with the Solar System, but is this beginning as significant for a time of new resolutions as the day—Christmas which was the day the Heavenly Father's Angels passed to this world a resolution made by God, saying: "For unto you this day a Saviour is born."

So along with our spirit of giving let's resolve now, not wait for New Year's Day, to forget self a little more and put our selves to thinking and passing good resolutions which will mean something and that are founded with a proper spirit to make them a realization, not merely a New Year's resolution and then soon forgotten.

More light comes to the front every few days now, in regard to the fight the Denver is making for a permit to build a railroad to this section. "Big Men" from all parts of the State are offering assistance to influence, and bring to bear the need, before the I. C. C. at Washington, hoping that the permit will be granted, and this would not be done if these parties did not know that the Denver "meant business."

It is reported that our state R. R. Commissioner, Terrell, is in Washington and that the Interstate Commerce Commission now has the Plain railroad question under active consideration.

**Merry Christmas**

GOOD LUCK —

GOOD CHEER —

GOOD HEALTH

and a hearty thank you for past favors

LOCKNEY MUTUAL AID ASS'N

Jim C. Whiteley, Secretary

**A Wee Bit  
Ole' Fashion**

JUST TO SAY:

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

—AND—

A HAPPY NEW YEAR DAY

Yet it's what we mean—so we say it to all our friends and customers at this happy season.

We are indeed grateful for the share of your business you have accorded us since we opened our store here and look forward to serving you through many years to come.

**WILEY-MERRELL HDW. CO.**

Hardware, Harness, Queensware & Implemen  
Silverton, Texas

Will Coach Navy Crew



"Bob" Butler, for two years assistant to Coach "Rusty" Callow of the University of Washington, who has accepted the position of coach for the Navy crew.

An evening high school, with a trained faculty and fully accredited, has been opened in San Juan, Porto Rico.

Construction of new schools and libraries absorbed 5 per cent of all the money spent for new buildings in the United States during 1923.



**Merry Christmas**  
From The  
**Officials of Briscoe County**

WE, THE OFFICIALS OF BRISCOE COUNTY TAKE THIS METHOD OF EXTENDING THE GREETINGS OF THE SEASON.

IT HAS BEEN OUR PLEASURE TO SERVE YOU THROUGH THE YEAR OF THE COUNTY'S GREATEST DEVELOPMENT. WE HOPE THAT THE NEW YEAR WILL SEE EVEN A GREATER DEVELOPMENT.

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND CO-OPERATION AND WISH FOR YOU A MOST HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS 1926.

C. D. WRIGHT, Co. Judge

C. C. GARRISON, Sheriff

T. L. ANDERSON, Co. Clerk

C. B. SHREWSBURY, Co. Attorney

R. E. BROOKSHIER, Co. Assessor

Mrs. ALMA CLOYD, Co. Treasurer

**Merry Christmas**

Yuletide Appreciation

At this Christmas time, after a season of generous business which you have given us, with thanks in our hearts for your friendship, your patronage, your good will and confidence which you have extended to us—it is a pleasure for us to express our thanks. It is our hope that we may continue to merit from you all that we have enjoyed.

And as the New Year approaches we want you to know that we value you as a business and personal friend and we hope that Christmas 1925 may be full of joy for you and that the new 1926 may supply every wish which you might express.

**Burson Motor Co.**



**Chevrolet's  
Greatest Year -**



**NO MANUFACTURER** of gear-shift automobiles has ever approached Chevrolet's record of building over a half million cars in one year. Chevrolet is the world's largest builder of cars with modern three-speed transmissions because Chevrolet leads the world in providing quality at low cost.

Quality appearance—quality construction—the quality features of the finest cars! That's the reason you should come in and see a Chevrolet if you want lasting satisfaction at the lowest possible price.

- Touring - \$525
  - Roadster - 525
  - Coupe - 675
  - Coach - 695
  - Sedan - 775
  - Commercial Chassis - 425
  - Express Truck Chassis - 550
- ALL PRICES F.O.B. FLINT, MICHIGAN

**COWART CHEVROLET COMPANY**  
Silverton, Texas

**HAWKINS MOTOR COMPANY**  
QUITAQUE, TEXAS

**QUALITY AT LOW COST**

# PUBLIC SALE

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29 1925**

HAVING DECIDED TO MOVE I WILL SELL TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER AT THE W. H. CROW FARM 3 MILES EAST AND 2 MILES NORTH of SILVERTON THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO-WIT:

**LIVESTOCK**

- 1 Span 9 and 10 year old Mules
- 1 Span 8 year old Horses, weight 1300 lbs.
- 1 Span 8 year old Horses, weight 1400 lbs each
- 1 Black Horse, smooth mouth, weight 1000
- 1 Gray Mare 8 years old, weight 1000
- 1 Holstein Cow, fresh soon.

**HOGS**

- 10 Head of Hogs, ranging from 30 to 125 pounds each

**HARNESSES**

- One Set Good leather Harness.
- One lot of good Chain Harness,
- Several good Collars, etc

**FEED**

About 16,000 Bundles HEGARIA

**IMPLEMENTS**

- 1, 1-row J. I. Case Lister.
- 1, 1-row P. & O. Cultivator.
- 1, 1-row Avery Cultivator.
- 1, Emerson Disc.
- 1, 2-section Harrow.
- 1 New, Goodenough Sulkey, No. 3
- 1, 3-in. Newton wagon, A good one.
- 1, 3½ in. Wagon, Rock Island Special.
- 1 Scalding Vat                      2 Feed Troughs
- 1 Lot of Good Lumber and many other things too numerous to mention.

Free Lunch at Noon

Terms: All sums of \$10. and under cash; All sums over \$10.00 will be given a credit until Nov. 1st., 1926 at 10% interest. No property to be removed until settled for

GRIFFIN HARDIN, Owner

LESLIE PAGE (Quitaque) Auc.

Thomas H. Anderson, who attended the State A. & M. College at College Station, is at home for the Holidays. "Tom" is in his sophomore year.

A. O. Smith of the Orange Cafe, made a business trip to Amarillo Thursday.

**For Sale**— Good Bundle Maize.—W. J. Poe. Six miles southeast of Silverton. 35-3

**800 pages of the most astounding bargains!**



**SEND TODAY** for this wonderful book of savings. Its 800 pages are literally bursting with bargain prices on the world's best merchandise. Almost everything you need is listed among the 35,000 items pictured, described and plainly priced—priced at a very definite and substantial saving for you.

**MAIL THIS COUPON**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_  
State: \_\_\_\_\_  
Postoffice: \_\_\_\_\_  
Send me \_\_\_\_\_  
I enclose \_\_\_\_\_

**SHERIFF'S SALE**  
State of Texas.  
County of Briscoe. By Virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Briscoe County, Texas, on the fifth day of December, A. D. 1925, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of R. H. McCaghen versus J. T. Fawcett, Thresa A. Fawcett, M. C. Nobles and Nobles Brothers Grocer Company, a private corporation, No. 250, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the first Tuesday in January, A. D. 1926, it being the fifth day of said month, before the Court House door of said Briscoe County, in the City of Silverton, Texas, the following described property, to-wit:

Lying and situated in Briscoe County, Texas, and being Lots Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, of Block No. 1 of the Original Town of Quitaque Texas, and 120 acres of land out of section No. 18, Certificate No. 2-871, in Block 3, T. & P. Railway Company, said 120 acres of land being described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the south-east corner of said section No. 18, thence west 712.5 varas, thence north 950 varas, thence east 712.5 varas, thence south 950 varas to place of beginning, Levied on this the fifth day of December, 1925, as to the property of J. T. Fawcett and Thresa A. Fawcett to satisfy a judgement amounting to \$2728.75 interest and costs of suit in favor of Nobles Brothers Grocer Company against J. T. Fawcett, judgement of foreclosure of deed of trust being against both of said defendants J. T. Fawcett and Thresa A. Fawcett.

Given under my hand, this fifth day of December, A. D. 1925. C. C. Garrison, Sheriff, Briscoe County, Texas.

## SEASON'S GREETINGS---

Here's hoping your Christmas will be cheery and bright and that good fortune will smile on you through the days of 1926

And to This We Add Our Thanks for Your Business of the Past.

**Cottage Service Sta.**  
CHAMP BLACKWELL, Prop.

## MONEY! MONEY! MONEY!

We are in position to give you quick service on farm Loans at a Low rate of Interest. Interest payments once a year and you can set the date. Your business will be handled confidential. Write us and we will come to see you.

ANGEL & CHILDERS

Lockney, Texas

Office over First National Bank Building

## To Our Patrons

WE WISH YOU THE  
**HAPPINESS**  
of Pleasant Associations and Rich  
Experience During Christmas  
AND

**PROSPERITY**

Year in 1926

## Silverton Dry Goods

WALTER FOGERSON, Proprietor



From the Grocery Store that serves you with a Christmas smile of good cheer each and every day throughout the year--and where you will always find the spirit of fairness and good will predominant.

**Puckett Grocery**



# LOCALS

Rev. W. L. Jenkins went to Clarendon Tuesday bringing back his children, Johnnie, Bonnie and Ruby, who will spend Christmas here. Miss Ruby is attending Clarendon College this year.

Orbin Turner, who is attending Clarendon College returned home Tuesday for the holidays.

Eugene Simpson, is home for the holidays from Wayland College at Plainview.

We call and deliver. Phone us. City Tailor Shop.

Mary and Walter Cowart went to Matador Saturday.

J. E. Daniel went to Quitaque the first of the week on legal business.

Clay Fowler, who is bookkeeping for the Gasoline gin, was up Tuesday night for the recital. He says that they have ginned over 2600 bales of cotton there and still going strong.

Jim C. Whiteley, who now spends most of his time in Lockney as secretary of the Lockney

Mutual Aid association, was in town Tuesday.

H. D. Norris and W. C. Todd will leave Thursday to spend Christmas in East Texas.

Miss Jessie Burson, who is attending school at Canyon, is at home for the holidays.

Miss Marie Dodson is spending Christmas with her relatives in Amarillo.

Miss Grigg has returned to her home in Tulia for Christmas.

Miss Berry will also spend Christmas in Tulia as a guest of her sister, Mrs. Brown.

C. E. Buck is in Canyon with home folks for Christmas.

Mrs. R. M. Carter and son, Louie are spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. Carter's parents in Channing.

Judge C. D. Wright and family are spending Christmas in Hereford. They will remain over until after Sunday when Mrs. Wright's youngest sister will be married.

Mrs. Mary Daniels, of Plainview and Miss Billie Haynes, of Amarillo, daughters of Mrs. N. W. Haynes, will have charge of the hotel during the later's absence.

J. F. Maxey left Tuesday for Paducah where it is understood that he will operate a grocery store.

J. E. Clinman will spend Christmas with relative at Dallas.

Rev. Draper left Wednesday for Brownville where he and his family will take Christmas with home folks. They will be gone over Sunday.

Barton Clunch and Glenn Wallace, students at the Texas-Tech at Lubbock are at home for the holidays.

Troy Burson, who is attending the State University has returned to Silvertown for Christmas.

Maud Dee Skeen returned from Lubbock on the line car Wednesday. She is attending the Tech and will spend the holidays with home folks here.

Pete Blakney accompanied by D. M. Morgan drove to Munday last week end where Mr. Morgan remained and returned with Mr. Stodghill and Mr. Blakney drove on to Wichita Falls before returning.

For Sale: S. C. Rhode Island Red Pullets and cockrels. J. O. James, Quitaque, Texas. 36-3

V. L. Dunham of Quitaque was in town Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cowart, of Matador, are spending the Christmas Holidays with home folks.

J. M. Williamson, of the Willson and Son Lumber Company, of Floydada, was a business visitor here Saturday.

Rev. Ray, Methodist pastor of Lockney, was in Silvertown Tuesday morning. He was formerly pastor at Munday and while here called on Tom Hodges who came into town to see him.

Pete Blakney left Tuesday. He will probably spend Christmas with his mother at Seymour.

Ernest Tibbetts and C. B. Shrewsbury were in Quitaque Tuesday on legal business.

For Sale—A good Duofold, a Handy Machine, 1 Dresser Dress, 2 cotton Mattresses, 1 little stand Table, 1 iron Bed Stead, other articles, a bargain—Mrs. Ora Smith at Mrs. John Baker's.

Expert service is assured when you go to City Tailor Shop.

See Manly Woods for J. R. Watkins Products.

Plainview Sanitarium News

Mrs. J. C. Welch accompanied by Dr. More of Silvertown enter the sanitarium for X-Ray and medical treatment.

Mrs. Pat Hearne of Flomot is recovering rapidly from an operation which she underwent on last Sunday. Dr. Gilmore of Turkey came over with Mrs. Hearne and assisted with the operation.

Mrs. A. F. Van Meter of Quitaque brought her son to the sanitarium on last Wednesday where he had his tonsils removed.

W. L. Malone of Vigo Park is resting well since undergoing an operation for double Hernia, Dr. Crawford of Tulia assisted with the operation.

\$3,600

"While clerking at \$25 a month, I took Draughn's Home-Study Bookkeeping Course. On completing it I accepted a position as bookkeeper at \$110 a month. I have just accepted a position with a large manufacturing concern at a salary of \$300. a month and expenses. I never fail to boost Draughn's" writes E. H. Wilkinson. The Draughn Training will bring similar opportunities to you. Phone, call or mail the coupon to Draughn' College, Abilene, Texas, today.

Name .....

Address .....

**Sincerest  
Wishes**

for a

**Merry Christmas**

and

**A Happy New Year**

**Super Service Station**

Summers & Summers, Props.

COLD TYPE CANNOT CARRY THE  
WARMTH OF OUR

**Christmas Wishes**

TO OUR HUNDREDS OF  
LOYAL PATRONS

But nevertheless we appreciate the medium of the press and take pleasure in sending our best wishes. To make you KNOW our sincerity we have RESOLVED to so serve you in the future as to add to your joys and take from your cares.

**Peoples Pharmacy**

Silvertown, Texas

**A Big Thank You!**

For your response, during the few months we have been in business here.

It is our wish that you may have a—

**Most Merry Xmas**

and a

**Happy New Year**

**Money Talks at**

**Crouthers Cash Store**

Silvertown, Texas

The Geese hunters are still in evidence, tearing down fences, leaving gates open for cattle to get in, and destroy crops. They are getting quite a number of geese.

Joe Brice visited at the Jackson's Tuesday eve. Joe reports that it will take him until March to get his crop up. The coons left him eighty bushels of corn from six acres, though he says he is getting some of it back from coon skins.

George Webb of Tulia, our old time friend, neighbor and expostmaster of this place is having a public sale at his place near Vigo Park.—J.J.J.

Texas grows sixty to seventy per cent of all the onions produced in the United States.

The watermelon crop of Texas sells for two million dollars a yr.

One-fourth of all the peanuts grown in the United States are produced from Texas soil.

Texas is the chief source of the world's sulphur supply. Texas and Louisiana produce ninety per cent of the total.

Cleaning, pressing and alterations our specialty—City Tailor

**BEVERLEY BRIEFS**

"Everyone in our community is enthusiastic over the prospect of a railroad," he said. "We have done our part in securing the (the right of way and depot facilities and now are anxiously awaiting the verdict of the Interstate Commerce Commission order which will permit the starting of operations."

Weather is fine with plenty of ice and the North winds whistling down. Everybody will be

**Even tho' the Cotton  
Crop Was Cut Short**

There is much for which we are thankful at this holiday season. We are thankful for the many loyal friends which this gin has—we are thankful that we feel that in years of plenty as well as years that are "slim" that our treatment of our customers will merit their patronage.

We believe that you have come to believe in us and we are deeply grateful for your patronage, good will and confidence. And here's wishing for you and yours—

A Very Merry Christmas  
and  
A Very Happy New Year

**Silvertown Gin Co.**

Pete Blakney, Proprietor

**An Appreciation  
AND  
Good Wishes**

From the  
**ORANGE CAFE**

**FAMOUS  
FOR  
FRIED  
CHICKEN**

To Our New Found Friends:

During the comparatively short time that we have been in Silvertown, we feel that we have made some true friendships, for which we are thankful. We appreciate, more than words can tell, the many kindnesses and favors shown us and for the nice business that we have enjoyed. We take this occasion to thank you one and all and to wish you

**A MERRY CHRISTMAS**

It shall be our purpose during the New Year which is so near, to offer a service in our line, that shall more than ever deserve your continued patronage.

**ORANGE CAFE**

Silvertown, Texas A. O. Smith, Prop.