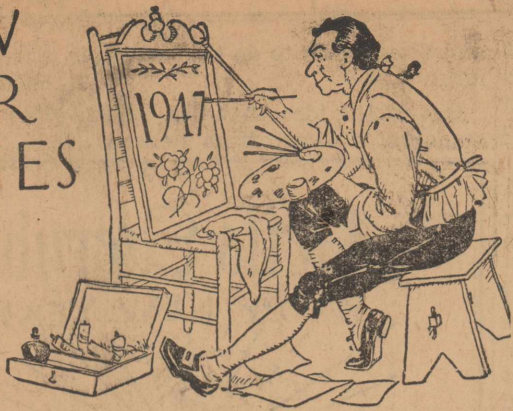


NEW YEAR WISHES



1947 Greetings From Catty Old Splutterfuss

(The Editor Speaking)

We view 1947 with prospects of one of the most prosperous years yet to have been witnessed in Sherman County. Although a wheat crop is never made before the grain is placed in the elevator bins, moisture conditions were never before more favorable at this time of the year for a bumper crop to be harvested during the summer.

Stratford and Sherman County, long ruled by men over 55, is likely to see many changes made during the current year as men of younger years take over the responsibilities of handling the farms, ranches, and the local business district in Stratford. It was the belief of the older generation that the churches and the schools built a town. To the younger generation, these are mere essential foundations to which the modern era of improvement must be added.

Although mistakes may be made, the current year will witness the advancement of many modern ideas in Stratford and Sherman County and if the 1947 wheat crop is the bumper it promises to be, a movement of modernization and community betterment will take place on a scale never before witnessed in Sherman County.

1947 will see the completion of a modern health center clinic in Stratford, the erection of a 40x120 foot two story home for the American Legion and the Masonic Lodge, work towards completion of a local airport, and in all probability a paving program in Stratford that will exceed the number of blocks paved in any small city in the Panhandle.

The latter prediction is made in view of the fact that the recent drive for paving the streets of Stratford did not fall through lack of funds for there were but few instances where some neighbor on the block favored with financial wealth who did not offer to stand good for the lots in the paving segment of those who were not in a position to pave. The paving program broke down in the face of the fact that it was based on a donation basis, placing those who had bought tax sale property at a disadvantage; because there were those who had cleaned weeds and trash from vacant lots owned by non-residents who would not pave, and for whom they would not pave the lots; and through plain stubborn dissent among some of the citizens of the city over what streets would or would not be paved.

This failure was not a total loss, as Legionnaires composed mostly of men who are just breaking away from the habit of standing in line, went out after the donation money which was available, and have sufficient funds to start construction of a modern 40x120 steel and brick building in Stratford.

In viewing the new year, let us glance back at 1946, to see what feats were accomplished by our citizens through cooperation of his fellowman.

In March the Stratford Star resumed publication after a 4-year lapse.

Orr Lasley celebrated his 90th birthday.

Stratford Elks won the State B basketball championship.

Pronger Bros. sponsored the "Junior Herdsman Award," offered at the Tri-State Fair.

A new building addition at the Baptist Church was completed and dedicated.

97.87 percent of 1945 taxes were collected without penalties.

The Stratford Lions Club was organized.

An American Legion Auxiliary was organized.

\$380.85 was raised in a cooperative drive against infantile paralysis.

\$20,546.67 was collected in Sherman County from license tag sales.

Land was purchased for the location of an airport near the city limits of Stratford.

A 305,000 bushel elevator was started by the Stratford Grain Company which is nearing completion.

Miss Minnie Laura Jackson secured the Stratford Abstract Co., business from J. W. Elliott.

A temporary \$2.00 bounty was placed on coyote scalps by the County Commissioners Court to discourage the packs threatening

cattle breeding.

H. L. McIntosh moved to Stratford, built a new building, and opened a dry goods store.

H. L. McMahan moved to Stratford and opened a furniture store.

Mrs. H. L. McMahan started operating a beauty shop.

Stratford's Cemetery Association successfully enlarged, fenced, and started a beautification program of the local cemetery.

The attempted organization of Stratford's Volunteer fire department failed through lack of interest among local citizens.

Miss Pauline Keener won TSCW marksmanship contest.

G. R. Garrison completed a new building and opened the Garrison Motor Company.

Chester Plunk built a new building after his return from service and reopened the T. O. C. Motor Company.

The Sherman County Farm Bureau bought stock, and started operation of an insurance agency for farmers.

The City sewer system was completed and placed in operation.

Davis Brothers built a new building and moved their business to this location.

The Methodist Church constructed a fellowship hall.

Stratford softball clubs were organized and enjoyed a winning season.

Joe and Mary Crabtree won Dalham County 4-H honors.

Marian Sears, Donald Ellison, Bill Malone, Francis Bugner, Duane Schafer, Jack Hamilton, James Stavlo, wone White Chester pigs for outstanding 4-H club work in Sherman County.

Grady Mullican built a new building where he now operates his cafe.

Harvey Spurlock won an Eagle Nest-Lake fishing prize.

Earl Riffe was selected a director of the Panhandle Grain Dealers Association.

Over \$67.00 was raised for disabled veterans through poppy sales sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary.

The Southwestern Public Service Company bought properties of the West Texas Utilities Company.

Cattle spraying was demonstrated for control of flies and lice on cattle.

A government order for the sale of half of the wheat raised in 1946 raised an uproar among local farmers.

Robert Naugle delivered the first truck load of wheat in Stratford.

Stratford Lions accepted the funds of the seniors of '45 and '46, and constructed double tennis courts on the school grounds.

Miss Dorothy Dixon was secured as a Sherman County Home Demonstration Agent.

Phase B application for the Rural Electrification program were accepted.

Wheat harvest, under the organized supervision of the Farm Bureau and Extension Service of outside labor and equipment was completed the early part of July, one month early.

99.05 percent of the taxes payable in 1946 were collected.

During August construction of concrete walks started in the residential district which spread over most of the thickly settled sections of the city.

George Allen built a modern slaughter house.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hawkins moved here from Dalhart and bought the Stratford Laundry.

Mary Lou Garoute, Colleen Walthall, Sherman County 4-H girls, and Robert Keenan and Jimmie Meyer, Sherman County 4-H boys, were sent as delegates to the Texas 4-H round-up at College Station.

County Agent E. Goule introduced spraying demonstrations for the control of bind weeds.

G. L. Taylor and Arthur Ullom started construction of three brick and tile buildings on Main street which are nearing completion.

U. S. highway 54 from Stevens to Texhoma was paved.

Utility electric rates were reduced in October.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Raymond moved to Stratford, built a new building and opened a radio shop.

D. W. Boner and V. H. Garoutte bought the Kelp Cleaning establishment from Mr. and Mrs. N. D.

24.09 INCH RAINFALL HERE DURING 1946

Sherman County and the adjoining territory received 24.09 inches of moisture during 1946, according to the official report of the moisture gauge kept by John Kidwell in Stratford.

The moisture received by months was:

January: only two slight traces of snow.	
February:	0.45
March:	0.74
April:	2.48
May:	2.91
June:	1.28
July:	1.38
August:	5.30
September:	1.97
October:	5.59
November:	1.99
December: only 1 slight trace.	

Town Team Will Play Dalhart Here Tonight

The Stratford Town team will play the Dalhart Town team in a basketball game to be called in the high school gymnasium this evening at 8:30 o'clock.

Monday night Stratford defeated Spearman by a score of 56 to 28.

Bill Allen lead he scoring with 21 points, Bill French 9, Bill Garrison 8, Dwight Hester 6, George Allen 2, and Pete Taylor 2.

Keys, Oklahoma bowed to the Stratford cagers in a game Friday night by a score of 53 to 34.

Bill Allen lead the scoring with 15 points, Bill French 14, Bill Frizzell 7, George Allen 6, Dwight Hester 4, Bill Garrison 4, and Bob Walters 3 points.

Knives should never be allowed to soak in water. Water will rust the blade, rot the wood and loosen the handle. Leaving the knife on a hot stove results in the temper of the blade being destroyed.

A snow blanket almost blanked out the general election November 5.

71.12 percent of the taxes due for 1946 were paid in October.

Stratford business men again tasted of freedom in merchandising in November with the passing of the O. P. A.

8 miles of paving on farm-to-market road 119 was completed in November.

City health building funds was started the first of December by the Stratford Lions club at the request of the City Council.

35 Sherman County Farm Bureau members attended the National convention in San Francisco.

Building plans for a 40x120 two story American Legion and Masonic building were revamped and work started for immediate construction.

Stratford Consumers Company Inc., started construction of a 48x60 brick addition to their station in Stratford.

American Legion and Auxiliary completed successful collection of gifts for the Yanks who gave.

Sherman County Farm Bureau, Stratford Lions, Stratford business and professional men and women staged successful Christmas program.

Construction of new homes were numerous.

A record of accomplishments worthy of a Happy New Year in 1947.

FARM BUREAU MEETING MONDAY

The regular meeting of the Sherman County Farm Bureau will be held in the Sherman County Courthouse Monday, January 6, 1947, at 2:00 P. M.

This will be a very important meeting for wheat and row crop producers Mr. Buckles said, as a committee will be selected to represent Sherman County wheat and grain sorghum producers at the District and Regional meeting at a later date.

The regular meeting of the directors will be opened to Sherman County farmers for discussion of future wheat programs and the general public is urged to attend the meeting.

Annual Meeting Of Consumers Company Monday, January 13

The annual meeting of the Stratford Consumers Company, Inc., will be held at the courthouse in Stratford, Monday, January 13, at 2:00 P. M. An amendment, authorizing the issuance of more shares of stock to stockholders is the major issue to be brought before the meeting.

Attendance prizes which include tires, pressure cookers, and other items will be given.

High School Basket Ball Boys Ruled Ineligible

Coach Lloyd Johnson, John Knight, Glenn Reed, Jim Taylor, school trustees; Kenneth Kendrick, Coach Brotherton, Gruver; Coach Grady Pearson, Spearman; and Coach Graves of Stinnett, returned from Austin Monday, reporting that their efforts to get the Stratford Boys high school basket ball team re-instated with interscholastic league authorities for the current season had been futile.

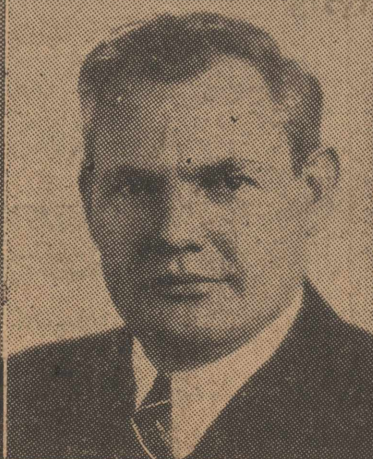
There are always two sides to every argument. Interscholastic league authorities however disclosed evidence that the Stratford High School had failed to file one card with them, placing the team ineligible to play interscholastic games during the current season.

Stratford has produced winning boys basket ball teams of state and tri-state recognition for the last 20 years. It is a blow to fans as well as members of the team to discover they are disqualified to play in the district and state contests this year.

John Aldridge Closes Official District Business

District Judge John Aldridge, Farwell, was here Monday to sign court minutes, closing his term of office as district judge.

Lt. Colonel Harry Schultz, elected in the primary and unopposed in the general election, is to receive his discharge from the army to take office.



Bishop W. W. Peete, Richmond, Va., will inaugurate the 1947 series of the Methodist Radio Hour Sunday morning, January 5, 1947, when he speaks over the 45 station independent network of the Southern Religious Radio Conference. This program is heard at 8:30 E.S.T. 7:30 C.S.T. Other speakers to be heard on Sunday mornings in January are Senator John W. Sparkman, Washington, D. C.; President Umphrey Lee, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Tex., and Bishop W. C. Martin, Topeka, Kansas.

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Special Meeting Commissioners' Court Tuesday

A special meeting of the County Commissioners' Court was held Tuesday to close the county's business for the year, and install a new member. Eugene Hudson, retiring commissioner of precinct 1, was replaced by Roscoe Dyess, unopposed democratic candidate who was not elected in the general election through failure of this precinct to hold an election during the snow blizzard.

County Judge Hunter appointed Dyess to fill the vacancy.

Mrs. Roy Browder Entertains Priscilla

Mrs. Roy Browder entertained the Priscilla Club with the annual Christmas party, Thursday, December 19. The house was gaily decorated with Christmas scenes and the Christmas tree was very prettily decorated and loaded with packages. When each member arrived, she was given a name to be pinned on her dress, such as "Cookie," "Lil Abner," etc. Then if anyone called them by any other name than what she had pinned on her dress, she had to recite a nursery rhyme. Mrs. Frank Blanks and Mrs. Oscar Watkins recited Nursery rhymes most of the afternoon. Other games were played and two poems read by Mrs. Luther Browder and Mrs. Oscar Watkins. Musical numbers were given by Mrs. Sid Park, Mrs. Wayne Williams and Catha Beth Browder.

New officers were elected for the coming year, which resulted in, Mrs. Frank Blanks, president, Mrs. Luther Browder, secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. Oscar Watkins, reporter. Since Mrs. Blanks was the only one who could guess who all three of her club "Friends" were, she acted as Santa's deputy and handed out the gifts. Everyone received several beautiful and useful gifts. We also drew names for club "Friends" for 1947.

After everyone had admired their gifts, delicious hot chocolate banana splits and cookies were served to: Mrs. Sid Park, Mrs. C. F. Moon, Mrs. Luther Browder, Mrs. Frank Blanks, Mrs. Loye McRae and Larry, Mrs. Wayne Williams, Rex and Christine, Mrs. J. R. Morris and Frances, Mrs. Crawford Walton, Mrs. Oscar Watkins, Melvin and Marie, and the hostesses, Mrs. Roy Browder, Catha Beth and Ione.

All of our members were present this time and we hope each one can be there when we meet with Mrs. Moon, Thursday afternoon, January 2.—Mrs. Oscar Watkins, reporter.

A. C. Huff To Preach At Raton

A. C. Huff, who founded the Church of Christ at Raton, New Mexico, has been called to preach at the church Sunday. It is the third call Mr. Huff has received to return to this church.

Mrs. Huff will accompany her husband to Raton.

Stratford Lions Express Appreciation

Stratford's Lions Club expresses its appreciation of the people of Stratford, Sherman County, and the adjoining trade territory who cooperated with the club in putting over the annual Christmas program which netted \$1,956.00 for the club. This money will be used for a good community cause, the club assures the public.

Mrs. Foster Entertains Friends

Mesdames Esma Gilbert, Mynola Ross, Kate Buckles, Hattie Flores, Osa Gamble, Ann Harrison, Jennie Brown, and Blanche Walters were invited to the home of Mrs. Agnes Foster Monday morning for the last party of 1946. At noon a well prepared dinner was served from an attractively appointed serving table laid with white damask and centered with a large crystal swan in which floated varicolored candles. Yuletide decorations were featured throughout the entertaining rooms. It was a very cold day, but the hostess made every one comfortable and all enjoyed the fire-side chats.

The electric toaster should never be turned upside down and shaken to remove crumbs that have collected inside. A soft brush can be used to remove the crumbs.

COUNTY'S FARM INCOME SHOWS LARGE INCREASE

More than doubling their annual gross income in comparison with 1940, as reported by the U. S. Bureau of Census, Sherman County farm families last year produced crops and livestock with the record value of more than \$7,098,000.

This huge increase in farm revenue will undoubtedly result in heavy demand for general farm improvements and for home remodeling when materials become more plentiful, according to a study released by the Tile Council of America. With every industry anticipating greater business in the state than before the war, floor and wall tile manufacturers alone expect their sales here to triple in the next few years.

"Increased sales of industrial products mean in turn a new level of prosperity for every local businessman and worker," said D. P. Forst, chairman of the Council's Residential Construction Committee.

Volume of home modernization throughout the country will be greatly stepped up as a result of the present rapid extension of electric service to rural areas, according to study. Heaviest remodeling demand is anticipated for the installation of running water, tiling of bathrooms, and improving kitchen layouts, Forst said.

Forst also pointed out the need for replacing much of the war-weary machinery on the 232 farms listed for this county in the 1945 census figures. "The demand for new tractors, tractors and other equipment, as well as for home remodeling, demonstrates the importance of the farm market and makes it one which no business man or manufacturer can afford to overlook," he said.

Harold Bennett And Wright Davis Fly And Fish

Harold Bennett and Wright Davis flew to Mineral Wells Thursday of last week for a fishing trip. They were forced down at Claude Saturday by heavy fog, returning home Sunday.

\$11,800 Raised For Health Center Building

\$11,800.00 has been raised by the Stratford Lions Club for the erection of a health center building in Stratford and the fund is still growing as contributions continue to this cause.

The move was started the first of December when the City Council ask the Lions Club to take over the responsibility of raising money for this cause.

The erection of the building is assured although the location of the 30x60 building has not been definitely established.

Miss Louise Carter Has Watch Party

Miss Louise Carter entertained a number of friends at the home of her parents with a New Year's watch party Tuesday night. Games of cards, carems, and monopoly furnished the evenings diversion.

A fireworks display heralded the arrival of the new year.

Refreshments of sandwiches, fruit cake and coffee were served to Miss Beverly Smith, Kenneth Pemberton, Miss Charlotte Watson, Boyd McWilliams, Miss Sheila Duby, Bill Reed, Miss Bobby Dorch, Billy Cummings, and William Glenn Hart.

Ladies Night At Lions Club Meeting Monday Night

Stratford Lionesses will be honored at the banquet of the club at the Palace Cafe Monday night at 7:30, when a special program will be given for their entertainment.

At this meeting the winners of the fund collection contest for the community health center building will be announced.

The widespread belief that putting salt in wash water prevents bright colored cloth from fading is untrue, since the use of salt actually tends to harden the water. The best precaution against running colors is to reduce the water temperature and dry the article quickly.

The New Birth

(By A. C. Huff)

Nicodemus a ruler of the Jews, a Pharisee, a grown man was told that he must be born again to see

the kingdom of God. "There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews; the same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rab-

bi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God; for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him."- John 3:2. As to why he came by night, no man knows, so we must not try to find out for it is not revealed. But a study of this man may help us in the study of our subject.

The Pharisees thought they were the people not like other people. They did not think they needed to repent. They went to John's baptism, thinking that they, being Abraham's seed, did not need to repent; but John knowing their hearts said, "Think not to say within yourselves we have Abraham to our father; for I say unto you that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham. Very likely Nicodemus had the same idea in his mind when he went to see the Saviour. Jesus did not need to wait for him to ask him any questions; for he knew what was in man, hence he said to him, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." No doubt Nicodemus thought he would stall Christ when he said, "how can a man enter the second time into his mother's womb and be born?" But Jesus promptly answered, "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." Evidently Jesus said this to explain what he said, "except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God," in the third verse.

Nicodemus' question shows that he thought Jesus was speaking of the natural or the fleshly birth. He knew he had been born of the flesh, but what confused him was, how could a man enter the second time into his mother's womb and be born. So Jesus informed him that which is born of the flesh is flesh and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. In other words the flesh is born of the flesh, and the spirit is born of the Spirit. Born of the spirit is "born again." To be born again is to hear the Gospel that was preached with the Holy Spirit sent down from heaven," and be "buried with Christ in baptism, and rise to walk in newness of life, born anew, made a new creature.

But to eliminate baptism from the new birth, it has been said that one is born of water when he is born of his mother, the natural birth of the flesh. But Jesus does not associate born of water with the natural birth. He associates born of water with the new birth, born again, born of water and of the Spirit. Not born of water, the first birth and born of the spirit, second birth.

When one is born into this world he has father and mother not just mother. When one is born again he must have father and mother or the analogy is marred. Yes, when one is born again he is begotten by the Spirit through the word, and buried with Christ in baptism and emerges from the water to walk in newness of life.

But as a further answer to the theory that man is born of water in the natural birth, there is not a statement in the word of God that refers to the natural birth that ever called it a birth of water. Job says, "Man that is born of a woman is of few days and full of trouble."-Job 14:1. Jesus said of John the Baptist "Verily, verily I say unto you that among them that are born of women, there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist." There is no place re-

ferred to the natural birth that ever said "born of water." This ought to satisfy all lovers of truth that "born of water does not refer to the natural birth.

"But to be sure that it is settled, I call attention to the fact that Jesus said to Nicodemus, a grown man, "Ye must be born again."

But there is another theory of late that one is born of water in the natural birth and born of the Spirit when he receives Holy Spirit baptism. That has been answered in the above, too. But I will observe that if that be true then no one has ever been born again except the apostles and the household of Cornelius.

Others teach that, in being born again, the Holy Spirit comes into the sinners heart direct from heaven and regenerates and thus makes him a new creature, a child of God. We must not lose sight of the fact that in a birth there must be a father and mother. If one is born again by a direct operation of the Spirit without baptism, there would be no mother. But the birth calls for a mother. To prove that theory they quote "the wind bloweth where it listeth (pleases) and thou hearest the sound thereof but canst not tell from whence it cometh and whither it goeth; so is every one that is born of the Spirit. It is often quoted," so is every one born of the Spirit.

But it does not read that way. It reads, "so is every one that is born of the Spirit. But Jesus is not, in this, teaching how one is born of the Spirit, but he is teaching the condition of one who is one born of the Spirit. He had already told how one is born again when he said, "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." That shows how a man is born again. Jesus knew what was in Nicodemus' heart, that he wanted to know whether, after a man is born again, could he understand anything more about the wind than before he was born again. The man who is born again does not know any more about the laws of nature that the unconverted man. Being born again does not change the nature nor the propensities of the flesh. But it changes the unbelief to belief in Christ, and changes the heart so he loves that which he once hated, and as the heart controls the actions of the flesh, the spirit restrains the flesh from doing that which is wrong

and directs him to do that which is right.

Out of the idea that the Spirit regenerates direct from heaven in

answer to prayer, the mourner's bench system of getting religion was developed. So when I was a

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Joyous New Year Season 1947

Harrison Poultry & Feed

Better friends we could not want

... better friends we could not possibly have. Sincere good wishes for a happy and prosperous 1947.

NEW HOPE



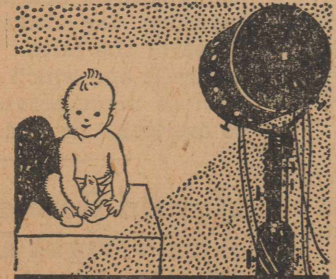
Sincere Good Wishes 1947

On this happy occasion, when friendship means more than at any other time, we look back gratefully upon 1946 and look forward hopefully to 1947. Thanking you one and all—

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Raymond's Radio Service

"Where Radio Is a Business and Not Just A Sideline"



Our Wish for 1947

The Spotlight is on our new arrival and we, as one of the welcoming committee, hope 1947 will be a joyful and beneficial addition to your life.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Duby Plumbing & Electric

"Your Frigidaire Dealer"



Satisfactory business relations rest upon past performance. It has been our aim during all the years to justify your confidence in us and to merit your continued friendship.

Accept our hearty thanks for the pleasant associations of the past year, and our best wishes for a happy and prosperous 1947.

Van B. Boston



Glorious NEW YEAR

AN ARGOSY OF HOPE

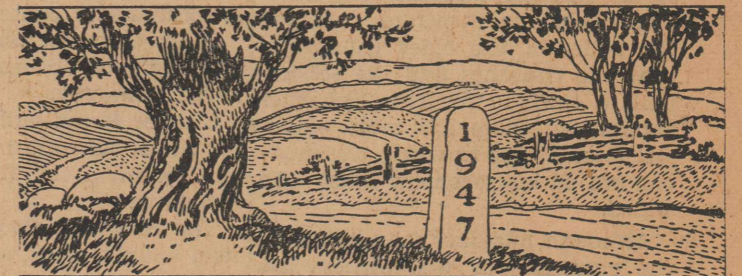
This is the year that "your ship comes in"—1947—a glorious year of fruition! That is our New Year's wish for you!

First State Bank OF STRATFORD



As 1947 moves in we want to say "hello" to everybody in this section and to wish them a very Happy New Year. At the same time we want to express our deep appreciation of your friendship.

Robbie's Gift Shop



ANOTHER MILESTONE

We have reached another milestone on the long road of service.

Our organization, sturdier than ever before, is well equipped to give you service that is superior down to the last detail.

We thank you for the part you have played in our success and wish you a

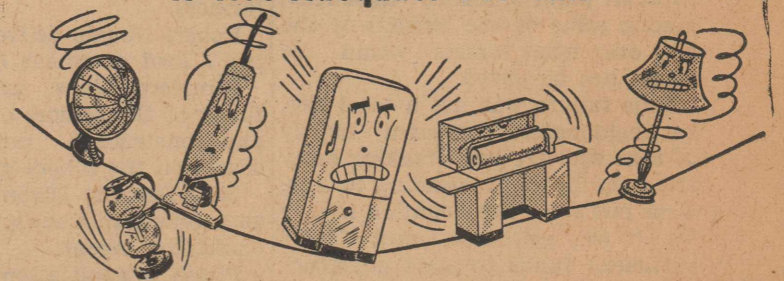
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Palace Cafe

Wiring Designed For This—



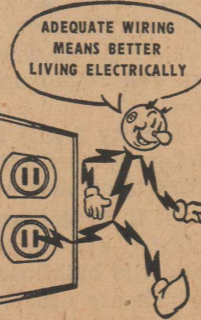
Is Not Adequate For This—



When your present home was built, whoever installed the electric wiring probably did not realize that today we would have so many more fine electrical appliances than we had then, therefore

your wiring is probably not adequate to handle all of the new devices you want and need.

Have your wiring checked now. Make sure it's adequate.



ADEQUATE WIRING MEANS BETTER LIVING ELECTRICALLY

SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY

22 YEARS OF GOOD CITIZENSHIP AND PUBLIC SERVICE

Spurlock News

Sue Hudson and Jeanne Spurlock have been on the sick list the past week.

The annual Christmas program was enjoyed Tuesday night. An interesting Christmas program was given by the Juniors and young

people of the community. Santa presented gifts and treats to all. Enjoying Christmas at Mr. and Mrs. Owen Hudsons were Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hudson and Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Foreman and Nell, Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Foreman and Janet.

After the Christmas tree Tuesday night, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Hudson entertained with coffee,

cookies and forty-two. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hudson and Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Hudson and Gary, Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Foreman and Janet. Miss Ruby Lea Sweny spent Christmas day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Sweny. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Spurlock had Christmas dinner for their children and families.

Jesus on the subject of the New Birth. I want you, dear reader, to please turn to the book called The Acts of the apostles and read carefully and prayerfully every case of conversion and see for yourself that nothing of the kind was ever taught or practiced by the apostles and the early Christians. Religion is something taught and practiced, not something we get. James says, "Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this to visit the fatherless and widows in their afflictions, and keep one's self unspotted from the world.—James 1:27.

death. Job says, "Man that is born of a woman is of few days and full of trouble." That born as used here certainly means that he is already born, not how he is born. Job says, "Whosoever is born", and he certainly is speaking of one who is already born. So when Jesus said to Nicodemus, "The wind bloweth

where it listeth (please) etc. he is no doubt describing ones condition after he is born again.

HOTEL STRATFORD

"Once a Guest—Always a Booster"
Mrs. Areace LeBleu, Prop.
Phone No. 7



When you awaken on New Year's morning may you awaken not only to a day of happiness, but to a whole year of happy days. We welcome the New Year and take this opportunity to greet all our friends.

Davis Brothers

HERE'S TO YOUR HAPPINESS



Your friendship and our success are closely interwoven. We hope, in 1947, to strengthen still further these bonds of friendship.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

Bond Studio



How many of us await the opportunities of the coming year! With how many of us it is the unuttered hope that tomorrow, next week, next month, things will be better. We hope it may be so. We hope that there is in store for you blessings such as you have not enjoyed before, and that this New Year's holiday will be one of complete joy for all.

Consumers Co.

"We Are Open 24 Hours A Day"



STRIKE UP THE BAND!

Hail 1947!

Good health, good luck, to you, our friends, every day in the coming year. And—thanks a million!



Foxworth-Galbraith Lumber Co.

LOCAL NEWS

Dr. and Mrs. George Heather of Denver, Colorado visited Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Nichols Sunday afternoon. They had been to Tahoka for the holidays with Mrs. Hathers parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Stewart, and were returning to Denver. Dr. Heather is a professor at the Denver University. Rev. Nichols officiated at the couples wedding last April.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry White and family of Mangum, Oklahoma, spent the Christmas holidays visiting in the homes of Mrs. A. L. Harrison and Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Pronger, Jr.

Alice Mitchell And J. B. Knight Were Married Christmas

At a lovely afternoon ceremony on Christmas day, Alice Mitchell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Davis, became the bride of J. B. Knight, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Knight of Conlen. The ceremony was performed at 3 o'clock in the parlor of the Central Methodist Church, Dalhart, in the presence of only immediate members of the two families. Rev. Cliff Epps, pastor, impressively read the single ring service.

The couple stood before the fireplace for the exchange of vows. Christmas greenery, red flowers and red tapers were used in the decorative scheme.

Traditional wedding music was played by Mrs. O. B. Phillips, pianist.

Miss Jerry Kelp of Stratford, a cousin of the bride, and Marion Barnard of Denver, a brother-in-law of the groom, were the attendants. Miss Kelp wore a black gabardine costume suit, white lace blouse and black accessories. Her flowers were Talisman roses.

A reception at the Davis home followed the wedding. The couple have gone on an extensive honeymoon trip to southern points. After the first of April they will live in Dalhart.

The bride attended Chillicothe Business College, Chillicothe, Mo., following her graduation from the Dalhart high school.

Mr. Knight, a graduate of Conlen high school, served in the Air Corps as a fighter pilot for four years. He is engaged in wheat farming at Conlen.

THE NEW BIRTH—

(Continued from Page 2)
boy it was a common practice to call sinners to the mourner's bench and sing and pray, and talk to them about their dead mothers and fathers and brothers and sisters and get them excited and their emotions aroused till they would often shout for joy. The shout was considered certain evidence of salvation. From my childhood, as I have sought for this practice in the Bible, and to this good day I have never found anything looks at all like that in the Bible. Neither is there anything said about getting religion. All of this grew out of a misunderstanding of the plain teaching of



New Year Wishes

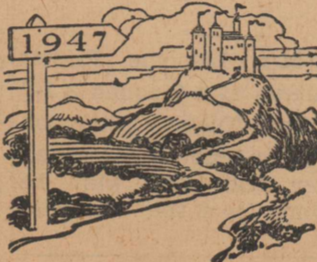
We extend to you and yours a cordial greeting for the New Year. May it be filled to overflowing with the blessings you so much desire and which you so richly deserve.

PIONEER BARBER & BEAUTY SHOP

With Best Wishes For A Happy New Year

C. E. Leonard
Harold Leonard
MID-WAY CAFE

Serving Meals and Short Orders



Wishing you a HAPPY NEW YEAR

HANDY DRIVE-IN CAFE

Intersection U, S. 54 and 287
Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Koontz

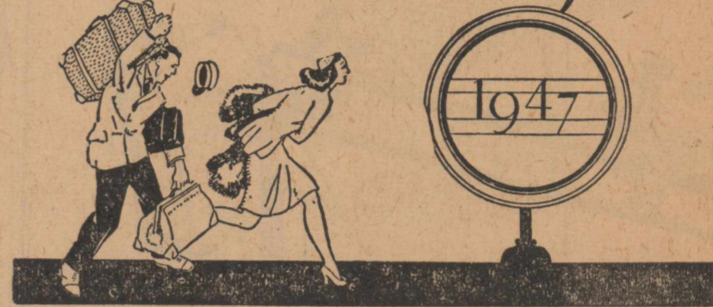
BEST NEW YEAR WISHES

1947

Our earnest hope as we face the coming year is that we may continue our pleasant relationship with our many patrons and that they, as well as all the folks in our community, enjoy the holiday and the days to follow in peace, contentment and good health.

Stratford Grain Co.

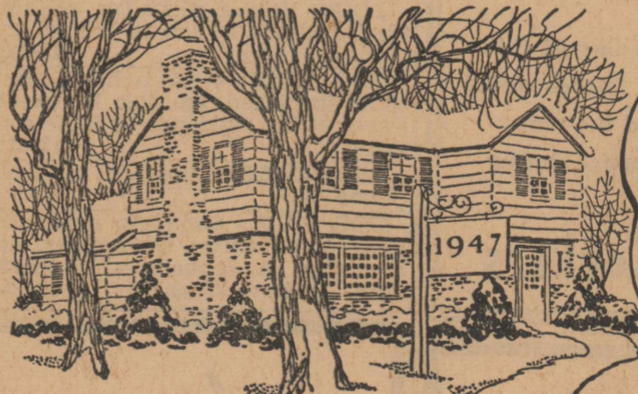
All Aboard for



As 1947 moves in we want to say "hello" to everybody in this section and to wish them a very Happy New Year. At the same time we want to express our deep appreciation of your friendship.

McMahen Furniture

(Your Complete Home Furnishing Establishment)



Happy Healthy Prosperous NEW YEAR

TO EACH AND ALL

When We Count Our Blessings we find many we had not thought about. Among the outstanding blessings in our list is the good will of the people of this community.

WE THANK YOU most cordially for this good will and assure you of our deep appreciation. We wish for you a pleasant holiday, and a New Year that is the harbinger of many blessings to come.

Ralph Harding

Phillips Wholesale and Retail Products

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mulkey and children left for Denton Monday after spending the holidays with relatives in Stratford and Texhoma.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Thompson left Wednesday for a visit with their sons in San Diego, California. They plan a two-month visit.

Mrs. Jimmie Jackson is reported to be getting along nicely in Neb-

let Hospital at Canyon following a recent operation.

Mrs. L. E. Bonar, Mrs. W. Sandefur, and Mrs. Martha Harrison were visitors in Amarillo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bennett will leave Friday for a thirty day visit at Hot Springs, New Mexico and in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Lef Lewis, Red River, New Mexico, are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bennett.

**CHOICE — LUSCIOUS TEXAS
Grapefruit - Oranges**

FROM THE
"Magic" Lower Rio Grande Valley

Tree Ripened — Shipped the day picked.

RING PICKED — NOT ORHARD RUN.

Prices per bushel basket, f. o. b. Mercedes, Texas

GRAPEFRUIT:

- RUBY RED GRAPEFRUIT (dark red inside with outside blush) \$4.00
- MARSH PINK (pink inside, no blush) \$4.00
- FOSTER PINK (pink, with blush outside) \$4.00
- MARSH WHITE \$3.00

ORANGES:

- NAVEL (large and sweet) \$4.00
- HAMLIN (smaller, full of juice) \$4.00
- TEMPLE (Green, ripe, and tart) \$4.00

SPECIAL MIXTURE, (containing some of all the above and in addition Meyer lemon, Ponderosa lemon, Eureka lemon, tangerines, limes, and other native fruits) \$5.00

Marion R. Lawler
Mercedes, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Harrison and Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Ballengee were visitors in Amarillo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Yates visited relatives in Texhoma Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Lamoine Palmer are the parents of a 7 pound 8 1-2 ounce son born Tuesday afternoon of last week in Loretto Hospital. Mrs. Palmer and son will be brought home from the hospital Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Marshall, Jr., Conlen, are the parents of a daughter born in Loretto Hospital last week. Dianna Lou and mother are getting along nicely.

Miss Bobbie Dick Faris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Faris, underwent a successful appendectomy in Loretto Hospital Friday of last week.

Mrs. Ralph Salesman, Mrs. I. J. Willey, and Miss Darlene Palmer were visitors in Dalhart Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Ashlock, Amarillo, are the proud parents of a son, born at Northwest Texas hospital Sunday morning. The baby weighed 6 1-2 pounds and has been named Denver Eugene. Mrs. Ashlock is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hawkins.

Mrs. Ed Lavake enjoyed a visit from Mr. and Mrs. Eddie K. Lavake, Goodwell, and Charlie Lavake, Texhoma, Christmas day.

Virgil Chisum, Claude, spent the

WANT ADS

FOR SALE: Boy's Bicycle in fair condition.— Dan Foreman. 12-3tp

FOR SALE: Kerosene heater in excellent condition.— N. W. Hudson. 12-3tp

We are receiving a few Dodge and Plymouth engines. Place your order now.—Lovelace Motor & Equipment. 4-1tc

FOR SALE: 6,500 bundles hegarl and cane mixed, 2 miles east of 54 highway.— Ed Harland, phone 901-F2, Texhoma. 12-2tc

FOR SALE: Interstate cadet plane; 20 hours since complete major overhaul on continental 65 engine. See Russell Boney. 13-2tp

FURNISHED APARTMENT for rent.— Mrs. Zada Arnold. 13-1tp

LOST: Pair of white fur mittens. Finder please return to Wilma Arnold. 13-1tp

FOR RENT: 4-Room house partially furnished, see Eric Kirkwood either at his residence or Riffe elevator. 13-3tp

APARTMENT and Room for rent. Phone 79. 13-2tc

FOR SALE: Complete ready-to-wear store fixtures. Glass cases, etc. Available in January.— Culbertson's, Dalhart, Texas. 13-3tc

BUTANE - PROPANE

TANKS - BOTTLES

Thermostats - Regulators

BOTTLE EXCHANGE

Slay's Furniture

Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Chisum. Windsor, Missouri, are here for a visit with their son, G. R. Garrison, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Leonard, and other relatives.



Happiest
NEW YEAR
19 of all 47

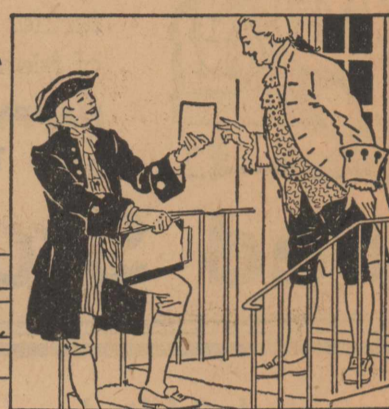
HAPPY HEARTS
HAPPY FACES
AND A HAPPY DAY!

We hope 1947 will bring you many blessings, and take this means of telling you how happy we are in having had the opportunity to serve you so often during the past year.

YATES DRUG

To All Our Friends

HAPPY NEW YEAR 1947



GOOD LUCK TO YOU!

- ★ Old days
- ★ Old times
- ★ Old friends

For auld lang syne we bring you this cheery New Year message.

Lovelace Dept. Store



You'd need a pair of strong arms to carry our load of New Year wishes for you. Every conceivable wish for your well-being and happiness is included in the assortment, with grateful acknowledgements for your kindness to us during 1946.

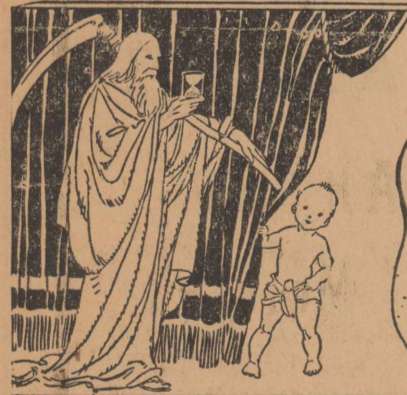
Stratford Cleaners

Phone 90



At the opening of another year every member of this organization joins with us in wishing all our friends and patrons a Happy and Prosperous New Year, and the renewal of our pledge to give you the utmost in service during 1947.

Stratford Frozen Food Lockers



hope for the NEW YEAR 1947

"Step aside," says the Cherub 1947 to Father Time, and—it's New Year's, with its gayety, its friendliness, and its new hope. . . . Which reminds us! You have been very liberal with your patronage in 1946, and we are very grateful indeed. May the New Year be for you an exceptionally happy one.

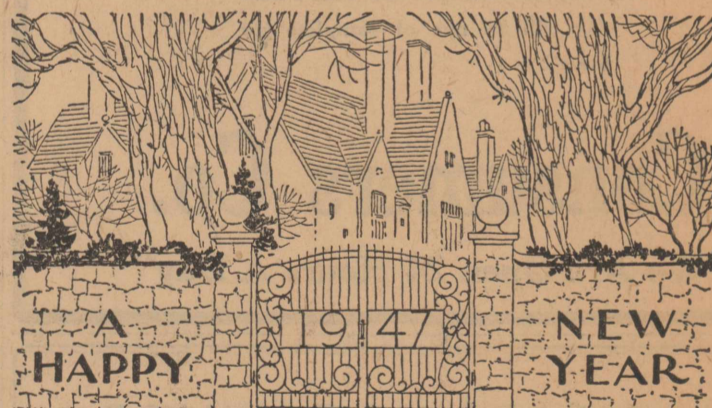
Cowdrey Hwd. & Impl.
J. I. CASE SALES AND SERVICE



May many friends help make the days brighter for you in

1947

Stratford Motor Co.
YOUR FORD DEALER



AS THE PORTALS OF THE NEW YEAR SWING OPEN, WE PAUSE TO CONSIDER WHAT THE OLD YEAR HAS BROUGHT AND WHAT THE NEW YEAR MAY BRING. OUR FRIENDS HAVE, INDEED, BEEN GOOD TO US IN 1946. ACCEPT OUR SINCERE THANKS.

IN APPRECIATION WE PLEDGE TO MAINTAIN OUR HIGH STANDARDS OF SERVICE, EVER STRIVING TOWARDS STILL HIGHER GOALS. MAY THE NEW YEAR BE ONE OF HEALTH, HAPPINESS, AND SUCCESS TO ALL.

McIntosh Dry Goods

LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Arnold, Bushland, spent the week end here with Mr. and Mrs. Fate Morris.

Harry Davis, Boise City, was a guest here over the week end visiting Miss Nan Koontz.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Gill spent the

holidays in Tulsa, Oklahoma with his mother, Mrs. Bill Toppins.

Arthur Folsom, Jr., Claude, spent the holidays visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Folsom.

Bill Woodard, Claude, was here Christmas for a visit with his mother, Mrs. Gertrude Woodard.

Mr. and Mrs. Fate Morris spent

the Christmas holidays in Terrell, Texas with his mother, Mrs. W. M. Hendrix.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gillis left Saturday for Houston to spend the holidays with his grandparents.

Carl Crossland, Lubbock, spent the Christmas holidays here visiting Miss Peggy Koontz.

Mrs. E. E. McNeal, Clarendon, is a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. McNeal.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brannan moved to their home in Etter Monday.

Mrs. Agnes Foster had as dinner guests Sunday, C. N. Headrick, Miss Ineva Headrick, and Mrs. Katherine Bishop of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Foster and children,

tor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bidy and sons have returned from a visit in Oklahoma City and Southern Oklahoma.

Mrs. M. L. Keener returned home with her daughter, Mrs. Jess Mul-

herin, Amarillo, for an extended visit.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Taylor and daughter, were snow bound at Abilene, Texas Tuesday. They planned to return home Wednesday.



Here we are again with the sun about to rise upon a brand-new year. May 1947 be filled with many happy days for you and your loved ones.

Good Luck Happy NEW YEAR

Davis Motor Co.
"YOUR CHEVROLET DEALER"

The Priceless Ingredient

In the City of Bagdad lived Hakeem the Wise One, and many people went to him for counsel which he gave freely to all, asking nothing in return.

There came to him a young man who had spent much but got little, and said: "Tell me, Wise One, what shall I do to receive the most for that which I spend?"

Hakeem answered, "A thing that is bought or sold has no value unless it contains that which cannot be bought or sold. Look for the Priceless Ingredient." But, what is this Priceless Ingredient?" asked the young man.

Spoke then the Wise One. "My son, the Priceless Ingredient of every product in the market-place is the Honor and Integrity of him who makes it. Consider his name before you buy."

Bonar Pharmacy

Stratford Lodge 874
A. F. & A. M.

Stated Communication

SECOND FRIDAY NIGHT OF EACH MONTH

MELVIN PHILLIPS, W. M.
W. O. BRYANT, Secretary.

★ In saying Happy New Year we have the satisfaction of knowing that during the past year we have, in some small degree at least, contributed to the well being of most of the citizens of this community. We hope to enjoy your continued friendship in 1947.

Stratford Abstract Company

NEW

HEAVY DUTY Batteries

For Chevrolets

Bammes Garage
Located on U. S. Highway 54

Susis, Jimmie and Marilyn, of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Foster and children, Howard and Terry Lynn of Dalhart.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ellis had all five of their children to spend Christmas with them, which was the first time in eleven years. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mulkey and son, Waymon, Laddie, Adron, and daughter, Iva Nell, of Denton, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hamilton and son, Dale, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Stump and children, Dewane, Bobbie and Luline of Texhoma, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ellis, Jr., and son, Billie, of Bueyeros, New Mexico, and Arthur Ray of Stratford.

Mrs. Mary Nan Gamble and daughter, Keith Anne, Fort Worth, visited Mrs. W. R. Gamble last week.

Mrs. Lucille Phillips is expected to undergo an operation this morning at Neblett Hospital in Canyon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Martin and W. T. Martin left for Phoenix, Arizona Monday for a weeks visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wisdom and children were visitors in Amarillo Tuesday afternoon.

H. T. Jackson took his son, Neil, to Canyon Thursday to continue in his basket ball work.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Pendleton and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Pendleton have returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wilson in Beeville, Texas.

Dick Diehl, J. E. Kuykendall and John Kimbrel were Amarillo visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Hawkins, Lubbock, spent Christmas Eve with Mr. Hawkins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hawkins. The two couples spent Christmas day in Amarillo with a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hawkins, Mrs. D. D. Ashlock, and Mr. Ashlock.

G. L. Taylor made a business trip to Hugo, Colorado Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Folsom and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ross and Gene were visitors in Sunray Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Milton and daughter, Miss Jeannie Huggins, spent last week end in Tucumcari, New Mexico visiting with Mrs. Milton's brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Oris K. Gamble and daughter, Clapham, New Mexico, spent Christmas in Hutchison, Kansas, then came to Stratford for a visit with his mother, Mrs. W. R. Gamble. Mr. Gamble has bought a home in Dalhart, and will move to it from his ranch home, in the near future.

Arthur Ross was a Texhoma visitor Tuesday.

Heartfelt good wishes for a glorious holiday and the happiest New Year you have ever known.

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HERE'S HOPING

Sherman County Abstract Co.
Royal Pendleton, Manager
Stratford, Texas


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Howdy, Folks!

WE'RE INTERRUPTING THE FESTIVITIES AT YOUR HOME JUST LONG ENOUGH TO CALL AND WISH YOU THE FINEST KIND OF A NEW YEAR AND TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR PAST FAVORS.

Compliments OF THE SEASON

Grady's Cafe



Welcome the NEW YEAR

Flying in safety after a stormy 12-month journey, 1947 promises to be a big year for all Americans and we extend our heartiest wishes to every one of you for a year filled to the brim with good cheer, prosperity and health.

Garrison Motor Co.

Ring out the OLD



Ring in the NEW


HAPPY NEW YEAR And Many More Of Them

to our many new friends, to all our old friends, and to friends still to be.

● We wish to thank you most cordially for past favors, and look forward to still greater and better service to all of you in 1947.

Bennett Implement Co.
JOHN DEERE QUALITY FARM EQUIPMENT

CORDIAL NEW YEAR GREETINGS



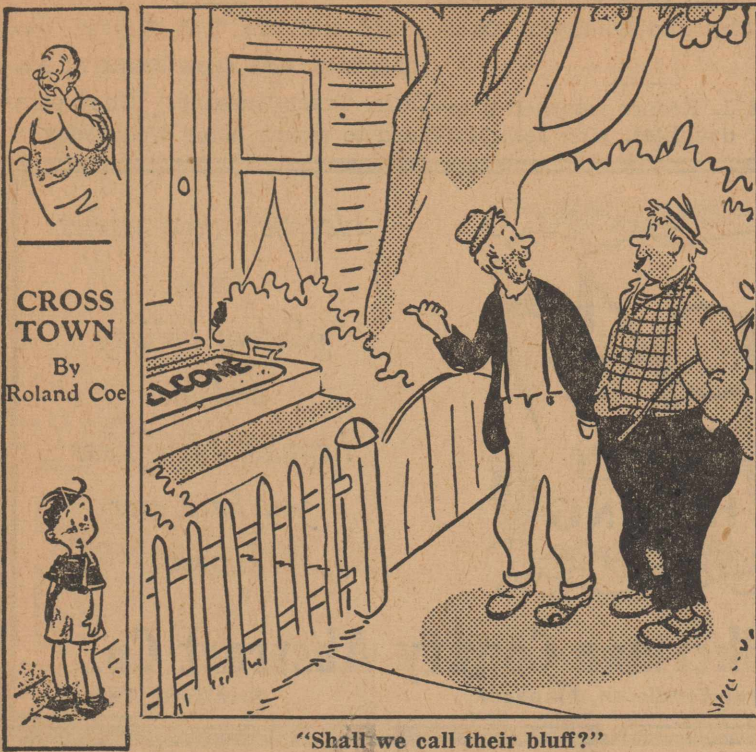
1947

As 1946 limps meekly out the back door and the advent of a bright new year is upon us, we wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your many courtesies during this past year. May you encounter only joy and happiness in the coming months, and may each day bring you closer to the fulfillment of your every dream for the future.

ALBERT'S Grocery & Market

HEALTH HAPPINESS PROSPERITY

Henry Luther



CROSS TOWN
By Roland Coe

"Shall we call their bluff?"



BOBBY SOX
By Marty Links

"She says he's not much fun, but he represents security!"

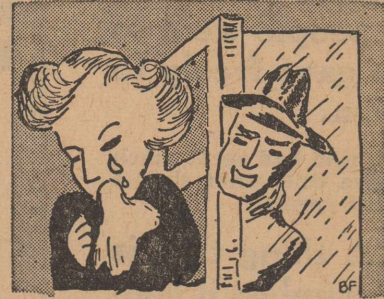


Smile Please

TOO MUCH FRONT

Out of his travels in India, Mark Twain related his eye-witness account of the pomposity of the Judge of the Bombay High Court. The Judge, whose bearing denoted that never for an instant could he forget his judicial distinction, was walking up and down the platform of a small railway station just before taking his seat in the train. A few minutes after the train had drawn into the station, a perspiring Englishman rushed on to the platform and said to the Judge: "Is this the Bombay train?" The Judge, looking over the head of the questioner, remarked coldly: "I am not the Station Master." Whereupon, the Englishman retorted with considerable heat: "Then, confound you, sir, why do you swagger about as if you were?"

WALKOUT POSTPONED



After a few words, mostly spoken by the young wife, her hubby sprang to his feet. "You've gone too far!" he exclaimed angrily. "This is our last quarrel; I'm going right out of your life."

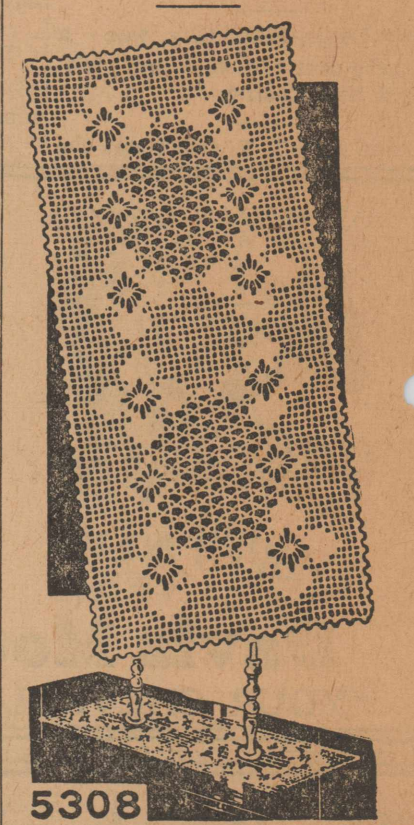
"Oh, John, darling, where are you going?" she cried. "Where I'll never trouble you again," he replied, as he started to open the door. "I'll find a place where wild adventure will wipe out the memories of this moment—perhaps in the jungle—or on the stormy seas. . . ." As he spoke he opened the door, then closed it again and turned sternly to his wife. "It's lucky for you it's raining," he said.

Pretty Close
The young couple, as thousands of other New Yorkers, had at last acquired a country place in Connecticut. A kind-hearted native helped them get organized. "One thing," said the native as he surveyed the tall grass around the buildings, "you'll have to get a scythe." "Size?" asked the perplexed lady of the house. "No, not size, scythe!" "Well, what size?" continued the lady. "Please, lady," pleaded the harassed native, "not size—SCYTHE! It's a grass cutter." The lady nodded understandingly. The next day she proudly displayed a glass cutter to the amazed helper.

Looked Bad
Up on the New England coast there is a dangerous reach of land marked on the charts as Dolliver's neck. A violent storm was raging along the coast once just at the time that Senator Dolliver of Iowa was industriously campaigning for reelection. Among the electorate he was striving to impress was a large body of temperance advocates. Thus it came to pass that on election day the good senator picked up his newspaper and was shaken to the bottom of his soul by what he found there. For across the top of the front page in big, black, bold type there appeared: "Five Schooners Gone Down Dolliver's Neck."

PATIENCE!
"Who's waiting at this table anyway?" demanded the angry customer. "Madam," replied the busy waitress, "you are, until your turn comes."

The Prize-Winning Crocheted Runner

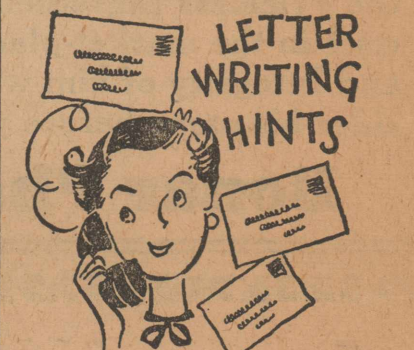


5308
THIS exquisite crocheted runner was made in Louisville, Kentucky, and won the prize in a nation-wide crochet contest. It's 20 by 9 inches and can be used as a dining table runner, buffet runner or on a bedroom dresser.

To obtain complete crocheting instructions for the Prize-Winning Runner (Pattern No. 5308) send 20 cents in coin, your name, address and the pattern number. Due to an unusually large demand and current conditions, slightly more time is required in filling orders for a few of the most popular patterns.

SEWING CIRCLE NEEDLEWORK
530 South Wells St. Chicago 7, Ill.
Enclose 20 cents for Pattern.
No. _____
Name _____
Address _____

Some Good Pointers On Writing Letters



Write as You Talk
ARE you a pen-chewer? The words will come more easily if you'll bear in mind that a letter is merely conversation between friends. Just write as you would speak!

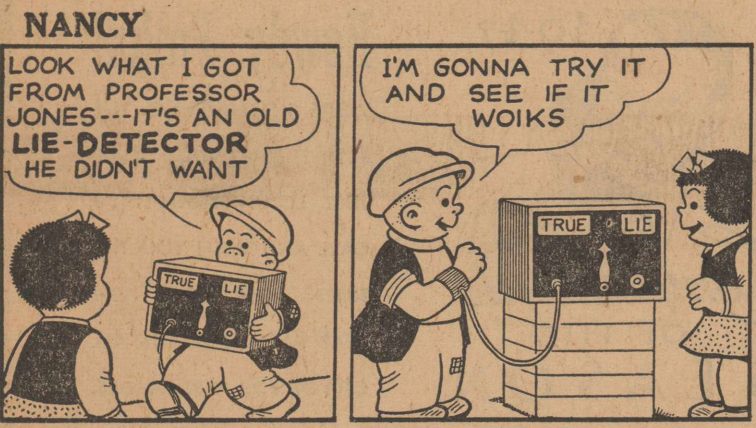
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COLD SUFFERERS!

666 STARTS RELIEF IN JUST 6 SECONDS
Get famous, prescription-type 666 for super-speedy relief from cold miseries. Try 666 now! Cold Tablets, or 666 Liquid Cold Preparation, today! Caution: Use only as directed.

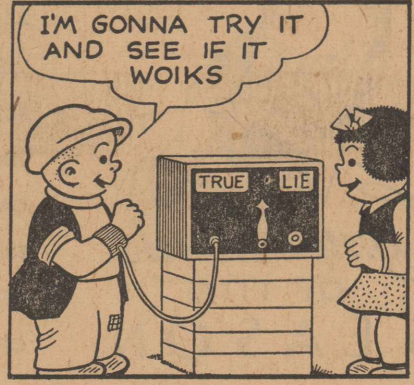
Grateful Housing Victim
A Los Angeles appliance dealer reports that a victim of the housing situation left a thank you note and a dollar bill after sleeping several nights in an empty refrigerator case at the rear of his store.

If Stuffy Nose Spoils Sleep Tonight
A little Va-tro-nol in each nostril quickly opens up nasal passages to relieve stuffy transient congestion. Makes breathing easier. Invites restful sleep. Works fine! . . . Grand for relieving sniffling distress of head colds. Try it! Follow directions in the package.
VICKS VA-TRO-NOL



NANCY

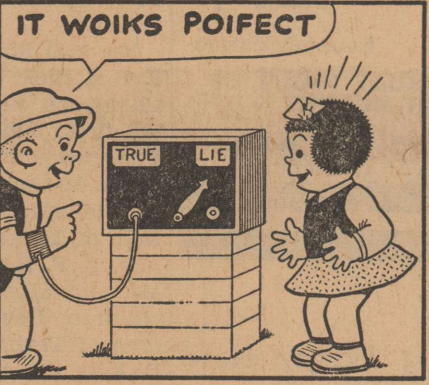
LOOK WHAT I GOT FROM PROFESSOR JONES---IT'S AN OLD LIE-DETECTOR HE DIDN'T WANT



I'M GONNA TRY IT AND SEE IF IT WOIKS



I LOVE SCHOOL



IT WOIKS POIFECT

By Ernie Bushmiller



MUTT AND JEFF

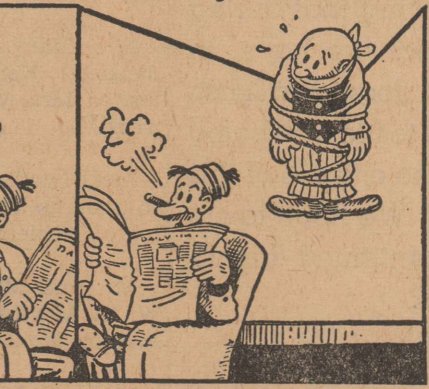
MUTT, ASK ME ANY QUESTION AT ALL AND IF I CAN'T ANSWER IT I'LL GIVE YOU TEN DOLLARS!



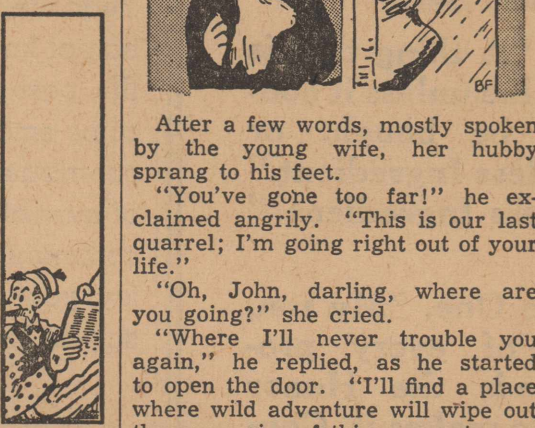
ARE YOU NUTS?



YES! - NOW I'LL ASK YOU A QUESTION AND IF YOU CAN'T ANSWER IT YOU GIVE ME TEN DOLLARS!

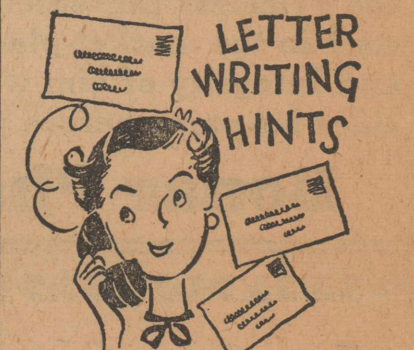


YOU'RE CRAZY!



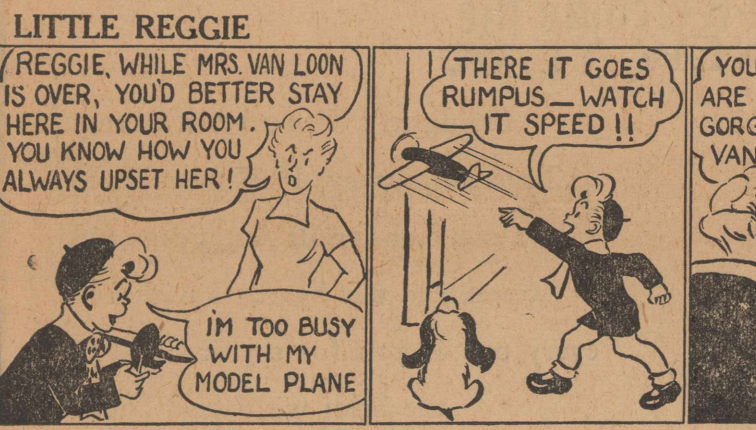
THAT'S RIGHT! NOW YOU ASK ME ONE!

LETTER WRITING HINTS



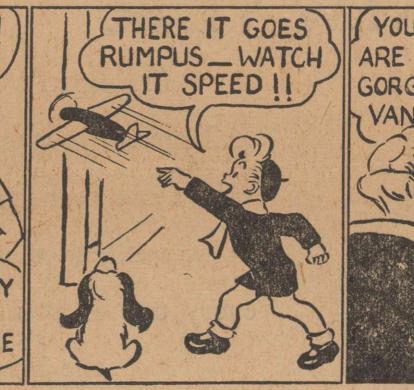
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LITTLE REGGIE

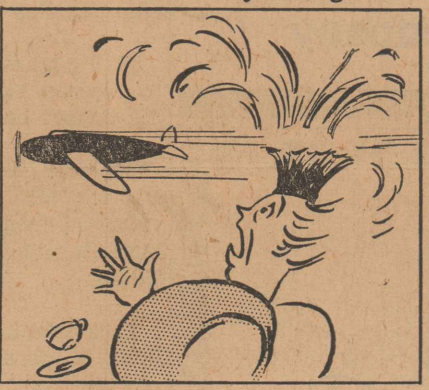
REGGIE, WHILE MRS. VAN LOON IS OVER, YOU'D BETTER STAY HERE IN YOUR ROOM. YOU KNOW HOW YOU ALWAYS UPSET HER!



I'M TOO BUSY WITH MY MODEL PLANE

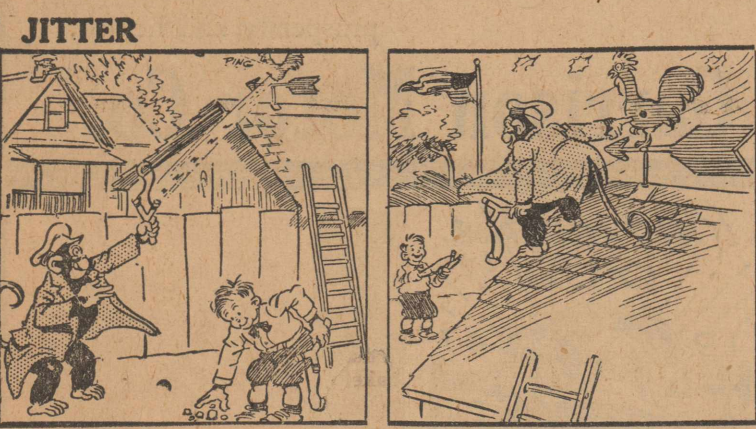


THERE IT GOES RUMPUS - WATCH IT SPEED!!



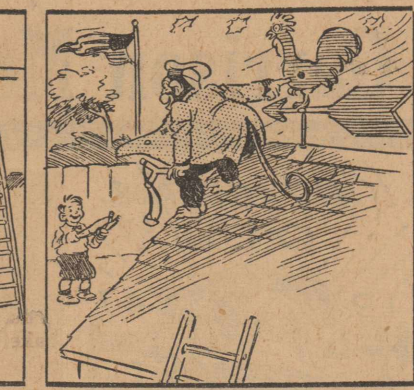
YOUR PLUMES ARE PERFECTLY GORGEOUS, MRS. VAN LOON!

By Margarita

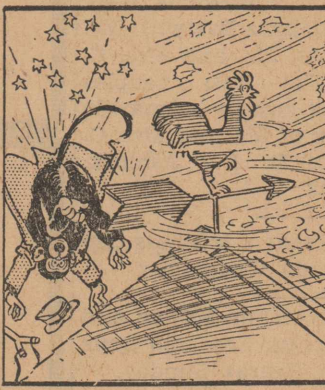


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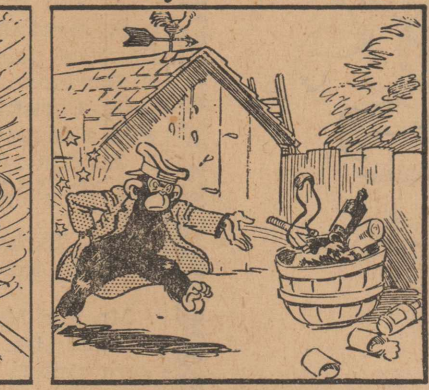
WE JEST HAD A ARGYMENT-- WHO'S TH TALLEST, ME OR BAGGY?



GOSH-- I CANT TELL, PINHEAD--



I COULD TELL IF I HAD SOMEPIN TO MEASURE YA WITH!



OKAY-- WELL GET SOMEPIN-- COME WITH ME!



TH' BOSS WONT NEED T'KNOW A THING ABOUT IT, AN YOU KIN PUT EM RIGHT BACK!

COLD SUFFERERS!

666 STARTS RELIEF IN JUST 6 SECONDS
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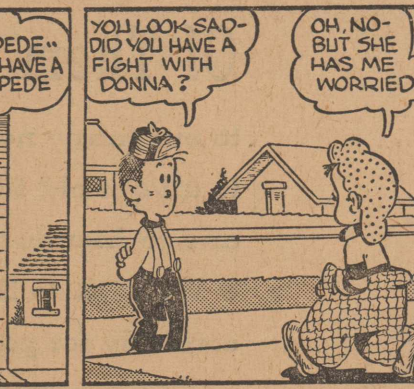
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By Gene Byrnes

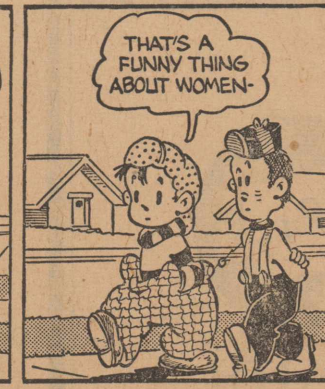


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A VELOCPEDE-- I MUST HAVE A VELOCPEDE



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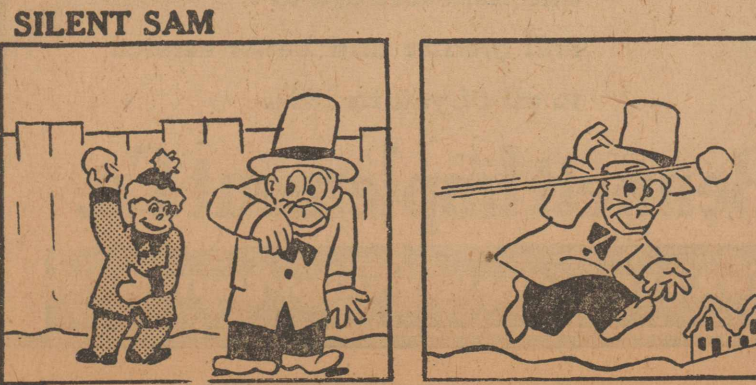
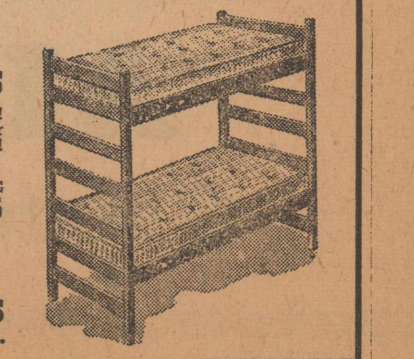


OH, NO-- BUT SHE HAS ME WORRIED



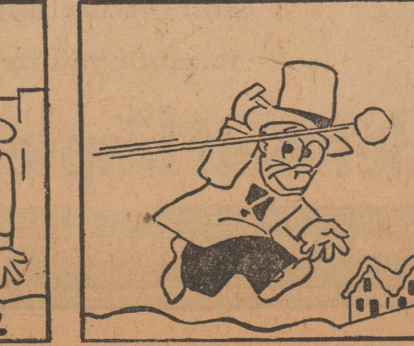
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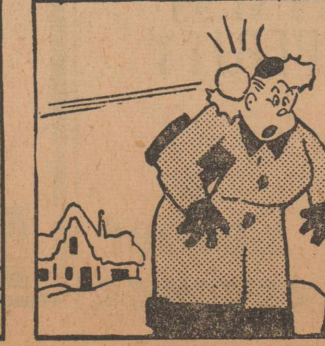


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Lesson for January 5

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THE WORD MADE FLESH

LESSON TEXT—John 1:1-18.
MEMORY SELECTION—No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.—John 1:18.

A new year always carries with it a deep sense of responsibility and at the same time a thrill of expectancy.

That is why we need to begin this new year—and continue it—in the study of God's Word, so that we may know his will. You will find it to be a joy and blessing to you, not only as you study it by yourself, but also in the fellowship of those in the Sunday school and church.

Our lessons for the next three months are of unusual interest, for they take up the Gospel of John which was "written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name" (John 20:31).

Jesus Christ is here presented as the Word (Logos), and he is indeed the living Word come to reveal God to us.

I. The Living Word Is the Light of Men (vv. 1-5).

Men ask questions about Christ. They want to know whether he is to be regarded as a good man and a great leader, or must we recognize him as being God?

The answer is here. He "was" in the beginning (Gen. 1:1), which means that he pre-existed from all eternity, and he "was God" even as he was "with God." This eternal, living, divine Word was the "express image" of God (Heb. 1:3), and so perfectly revealed the Father (v. 18).

He is the Creator (v. 3) and giver of life both natural and spiritual.

This eternal Word became (as he was) the light of men. He came to shine into the darkness of a sinful world with the only light of redemption. We say again, "This is the Lord!"

II. The Living Word Is a Divider of Men (vv. 6-13).

The darkness of sin was so deep, and still is so deep that the glorious light of God is not received with gladness, nor accepted at all. We see that in the close of verse 5.

Now the question comes, Does it make any difference how a man regards Jesus Christ?

The answer is clear. You must decide what you will do with him. You cannot avoid that decision or evade that light which shines. You must either accept or reject, and a failure to accept is a rejection.

God has witnesses to the Light. John was such a witness and he, like all true witnesses for Christ, directed attention to him. John's great testimony was just a lesser light to point men to the true Light. That true Light is shed abroad for all men (v. 9).

As they face Christ, men divide into two groups. His own people, and his own creation rejected him when he came (v. 11). How utterly tragic! And yet the same thing goes on today. Men hear the gospel, are made acquainted with Christ and his claims, yet fail to accept his proffered salvation, and are eternally lost (John 3:19; Eph. 2:1).

But, thank God, there are those who receive him (v. 12), and to them he gives the power, the right or authority, to be the sons of God.

This change is expressly declared to be (1) not by reason of family or heredity—"not of blood"; (2) not by natural instinct or development—not "of the will of the flesh"; and (3) not by human volition or by man's will power—"of the will of man."

III. The Living Word Is a Revealer of God (vv. 14-18).

The eternal Word, the Lord Jesus Christ, laid aside his place of honor in heaven, came to earth and took upon himself our flesh that he might redeem us from sin. What infinite condescension, what unfathomable love!

He dwelt among men and showed forth the grace and truth of God, for he was full of these heavenly attributes. But it was in his giving of himself as Redeemer and Saviour of mankind that he fully revealed God in all his gracious love for us.

Notice the antithesis here. "Law" is set over against "grace"; "given" stands in contrast with "came," and "Moses" with "Jesus Christ."

The law was a schoolmaster to bring us to Christ (Gal. 3:24), but it could not save anyone; but grace—oh, it is by grace that we are saved (Eph. 2:8).

Moses was God's honored servant, but Jesus was the Son in the household (Heb. 3:5, 6). It was this Son of God who came to reveal the Father and to declare his grace in salvation.

The law was sent through a messenger, but no messenger, no matter how great or worthy, would do to bring the gospel of the grace of God. That message of "grace and truth came by Jesus Christ" (v. 17).

Gems of Thought

ASSOCIATE yourself with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation; for 'tis better to be alone than in bad company. — George Washington.

A merry twinkle and a sense of humor save many a situation. We must love our work, and not always be looking over the edge of it, wanting our play to begin.—George Eliot.

Sublime to Ridiculous

A slightly tipsy gentleman walked into the telegraph office, took a pencil, spent three or four minutes in deep thought, and wrote this message to a friend in St. Louis:

"Tra la, tra la, tra la, tra la."
 He signed it and presented it to the lady behind the counter.

After checking it, she said: "That will be 64 cents."
 The gentleman paid her and she said: "You used only eight words."
 "What would you suggest adding?" he finally asked.

"Well, how about just adding 'tra la,'" she said.

"No," he said firmly, "that would just make it sound silly."

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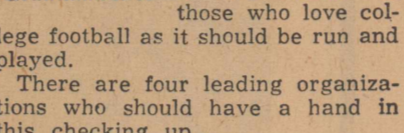
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SECURITY

PROTECT YOUR FUTURE

Sportlight by GRANTLAND RICE

The college football season is over — on football fields. But it really should be only beginning on the part of those who believe that true college football is a great game and should be saved. We mean saved from too much outright professionalism and a degree of semi-professionalism that is just as bad. It may be that we have harped on this subject too often. But it is still a vital matter to those who love college football as it should be run and played.



Grantland Rice

There are four leading organizations who should have a hand in this checking up.

1. The college presidents—who are supposed to be the heads of their institutions. These men control student obligations, classroom ability.
2. The graduate managers.
3. The football coaches, who have much at stake and who have taken a big part of the beating.
4. The alumni who are interested in something more than winning teams at any cost. Those could be major factors.

Southern Situation

Here is a letter that might interest you:

"Dear Sir:

"I happen to be from the South where I know that the football situation, from a student or an amateur angle, is pretty bad. But it is just about as bad, although better covered up, in many other sections. Down here we pay and take care of a lot of football players who in too many cases are poor students. But I have found the same thing is true pretty well around the map. I don't believe any reformers are going to stop this. I believe it will fall of its own weight from the feeling I have found developing among the students themselves and the alumni. They are getting sick of seeing their colleges represented too often by physical education and other soft-course players who are interested in football only for pay, and a professional job later on.

"Many of these students can just about read and write, and they improve little even in this respect. Don't think the real students don't know this. Most of them know the ones that have been brought in, are being paid and what soft courses they are taking. They know how professional the game has grown in many places. And I've also run across a number of coaches who are getting fed-up with their jobs of recruiting or taking care of the paid men brought in.

"Southerner."

We put this problem up to a veteran football coach in the East who knows most of the inside answers.

"I doubt," he told me, "that you can prevent certain forms of payment that can be so easily covered up. There will be no real improvement until entrance tests are made much stiffer, until college classroom requirements are lifted many degrees. I am referring to physical education players, for whom football is a good part of their college work. There are several other soft courses I might mention where big, fast and valuable football players are taken care of. These boys are getting nothing out of college except football. After all, you are supposed to go to college largely for an education. Why not have each college print on its football programs the courses its football players are taking?"

Harm to Character

"Of course poor boys deserve their chance for an education. Thousands, possibly hundreds of thousands, who never kicked or threw a football do get that chance. Football is too great a game to be wrecked by the modern desire to win, no matter what the ethics, no matter what the cost. These forget the great harm they also are doing to young players from the side of building character. They know who is cheating."

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Oddly enough, Frank Butterworth, one of Yale's most famous stars, and John Kieran, the philosopher and thinking machine, had the same answer—"Abolish all gate receipts, as Army and Notre Dame did for years."

"You can't have amateur sport with big gate receipts," Kieran says.

Illiterate Athletes

I already can hear one indignant war cry. "Our college standards are high. We meet every particular in this respect." Certainly the Big Nine and the Ivy league are among the leaders. But how did one of the college stars from one big conference, who had starred on a team for two years, misspell 41 out of 56 words in a certain brief examination (some of these a 14-year-old high school boy wouldn't have missed) and still be eligible for football?

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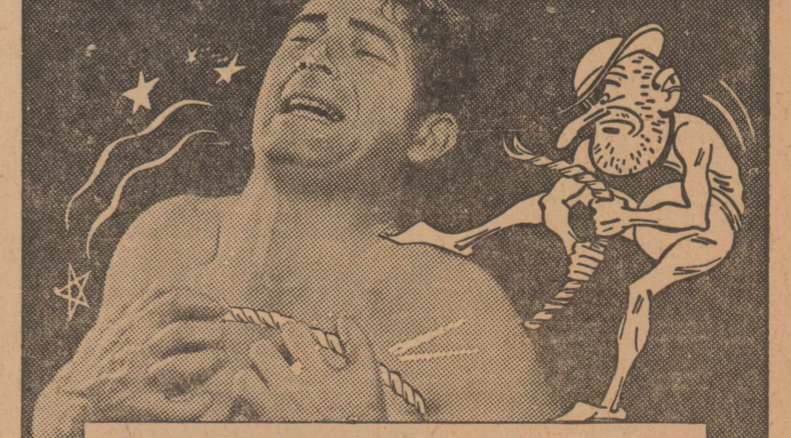


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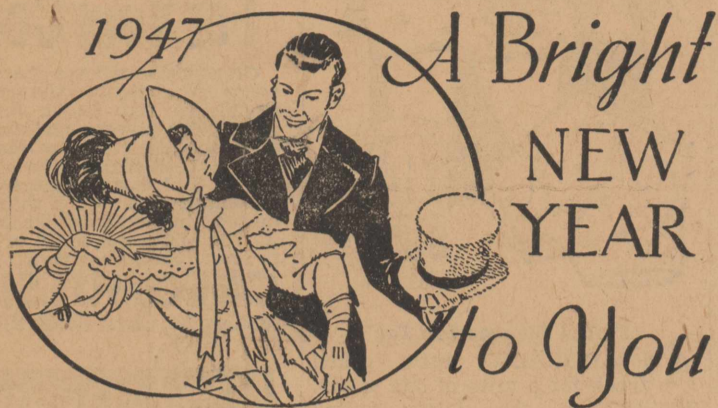
LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Diehl are the proud owners of a new Chevrolet sedan. Mr. and Mrs. W. G. O'Brien spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. R.

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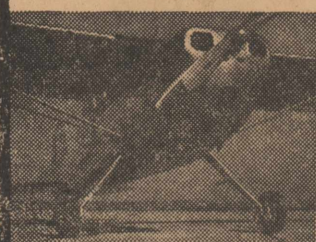
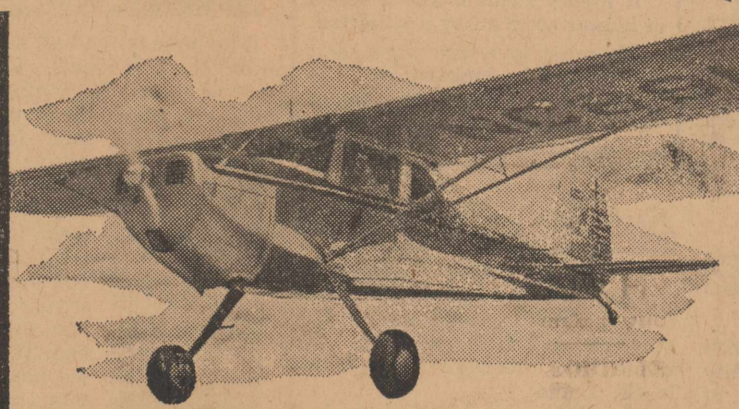


NEW YEAR'S AGAIN!

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Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Steel and Mr. and Mrs. Lon McCrory were Christmas dinner guests of the Arthur Ross family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Buckles entertained with a lovely dinner on Christmas day. Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Eastman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Milton and Miss Jeanie Huggins and Mrs. D. L. Buckles and William Buckles were guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Diehl entertained Christmas day with turkey dinner at their home. The house was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Kelp, Mrs. J. T. Gibbons, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gib-

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sons and children, Allen and Amarillis, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Kelp and Serena, J. E. Kuykendall, Howard Gibbons, Ralph Keener and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Diehl. All departed wishing each other, many more happy Christmases.

A letter received by Mrs. G. L. Taylor states that Mrs. Scribner Scott has been in a Lawton, Oklahoma hospital as the result of a knee injury.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Williams, Los Angeles, California, visited in the Dick Diehl home Monday.

Mrs. Albert Lee was a business visitor in Amarillo Tuesday.

Bob Carter, Amarillo, is visiting in the home of his brother, B. B. Carter.

Mrs. S. L. Cunningham and son, Elmo, and daughter, Fern, and Mrs. Arthur Ross and Gene were Dalhart visitors Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Kelp visited in the Tom Gibbons home near Texhoma Sunday.

Mrs. Ralph Keener was an Amarillo visitor Tuesday.

Art Ross was a visitor in Amarillo Friday.

G. W. Clark, Amarillo, visited in the Diehl home New Years day.

Guests at Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Pronger, Jr., were Mr. and Mrs. Henry White and four children, Mangum, Oklahoma, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harrison and Beverly Ann, Guymon, Oklahoma, Mrs. Martha Harrison and family, and Mrs. A. L. Harrison and Pleas.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Lee, Mrs. Min-

Roxy Theatre STRATFORD, TEXAS

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nie Reece, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lee, were Christmas day guests at the homes of Mrs. Earl Carter and Mrs. Wendell Moreman, Dalhart. Pleas Harrison returned from a few weeks stay in Fort Worth to spend Christmas with relatives here.

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FOR 1947 WE PLEDGE THE SAME FINE SERVICE AND VALUES WE HAVE ALWAYS GIVEN YOU IN THE PAST —THE VERY BEST THAT CAN BE HAD.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL! TOC Motor Co.

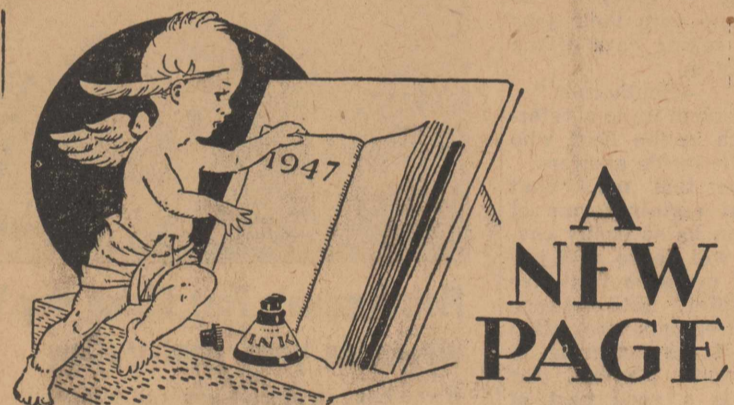


Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

We hereby proclaim to every townsman and rural resident of this section—men, women and children alike—that it is our devout and earnest wish that the year A. D. 1947 bring unbounded health, happiness and prosperity to all.

MCCORMICK-DEERING MACHINES PARTS AND SERVICE

W. T. MARTIN HARDWARE—IMPLEMENTS AND FURNITURE



Write it in your heart that every day is the best day in the year —EMERSON

The Sage of Concord had the right idea, good people. Let's set out to make this New Year of 1947 the best one yet, and every day thereafter the best we can make it.

Our best wishes for the HAPPIEST NEW YEAR EVER!

Brown's Food Store