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Highway Commission Contract with Co. for Maintenance of Roads

D. M. Puckett, Division Engineer of North Texas, was here Saturday from Wichita Falls conferring with County Judge Owens relative to the matter of the State taking over the highways after January 1, 1924.

A contract was made with Foard County to the effect that the commissioners continue to supervise the highways of this county for a period of at least three months until the highway commission can make arrangements to take the matter in hand.

The fact of the business is that the commission has found the task just a little larger than it can handle without gradually becoming accustomed to it. It means that 18,000 miles of road must be looked after and it will take some time to put the machinery of the thing into operation. So those counties which have been building and maintaining their roads, and especially where they have implemented machinery, will be asked to continue for a few months just as they have been operating. The commissioners will continue to do this work for the period of time agreed to by contract and the state will reimburse the county for the amount expended. The state has already advanced the money for a three months contract.

It was thought this was best until the commission could make a thorough survey of the situation and determine its needs as to machinery and working forces.

Foard County has 56 miles of designated highway, and for maintenance purposes there will be allowed an amount of \$150 per mile annually, sufficient, we are told to keep men and machinery caring for the roads 23 days in each month.

The horsepower portion of the automobile license, amounting to approximately \$4,000, remains in the county and is available for use in the maintenance of the lateral roads in the county. Figuring the state maintenance fund of \$8,400 for the 56 miles and \$4,000 for the lateral roads, we have an amount of \$12,900 to spend in the county for maintenance, or a little more than \$1,000 each month. That is not blood money, either. What we mean by that is that it is not derived by direct taxation.

This is a big undertaking on the part of the commission and it realizes that fact and asks the co-operation of the citizens of the state. The following paragraph, expressing that body's feeling somewhat at the task it assumes, is taken from the Texas Highway Bulletin:

This responsibility was not thrust upon the Highway Commission—it was solicited by them, because they realized that it was utter folly to build expensive roads without a systematic method of preserving them and that this was the only way we could ever have a completed system of state highways. The members of the Highway Commission realize fully the responsibility which rests upon them and their organization, and they are alive to the fact that their standing in the public eye is dependent upon their ability to handle this situation. The State Highway Engineer and his assistants in charge of this work realize the gravity of the responsibility and they know that their reputation as engineers and as public servants depends upon their ability to discharge the duties which will be imposed upon them.

WATCHED THE OLD YEAR PASS OUT AT M. E. CHURCH

Some sixty or more members of the Methodist church assembled in the basement of the building Monday night and remained there until the midnight hour when the old year passed and the new year came. Appropriate services were rendered during the time.

Debate at Gambleville

A literary debating society is being started up at Gambie school house and the subject for discussion for tonight is "Resolved that the soldier bonus bill now before Congress could be passed by that body at the present session." Affirmative speakers are, David and R. B. Bell. Negative speakers are, Rev. Frank Nair and R. D. Oswalt.

Foard County Poultry Association Is Organized

The growing interest in the poultry business in this county culminated in the organization last Saturday with L. H. Cooper as president, Leo Spenser, secretary-treasurer, and W. A. Matthews, T. J. Cates, E. V. Halbert as directors.

Date for a county poultry show was set for January 24, 25, 26.

This is an organization that has been needed in Foard County for some time and it means greater interest and better profits in the poultry business in the years to come.

This is a business that has grown for the last few years and has become one of the most profitable ones already. Thousands of dollars come annually from poultry and our people are coming to realize that it pays to give it the best of attention.

A poultry association means a forward step in this direction.

Surveying Ranch in Hardeman County to Be Cut into Farms

D. L. Reavis left for Quanah Sunday afternoon to survey out the Norton ranch which lies in the Red River valley near Quanah. The ranch consists of some ten sections and is to be cut up and put on the market as small farm tracts.

The land has become too valuable for pasture. It is said that this is a very fine tract of land and much of it is tillable and of the finest character.

The job of surveying will cover about two weeks.

Mrs. Roy Alger Dies in Vernon Christmas

Mrs. Roy Alger, 26, died at 2:15 o'clock Christmas morning following an illness of 22 days. Her condition had been serious for several days but not until two days before Christmas was hope almost lost and even then attending physicians did everything within their power in a vain effort to restore the patient.

Mrs. Alger, before her marriage, was Miss Pearl Fike, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. N. C. Fike. She is survived by her husband, an infant daughter, her father and mother, one sister and one brother. The sister is Mrs. Walter Ferguson of Los Angeles and the brother is Charles Fike of Cripple Creek, Colo.

The funeral was held yesterday morning at 10 o'clock from the First Methodist Church with Dr. Robert E. Dickenson officiating. Interment was made in East View. The pall bearers were selected from members of the American Legion.—Vernon Record.

Birthday Dinner

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Gribble in this city last Thursday was spread a dinner by Mrs. Gribble in honor of Mrs. Julia Gribble, the event being her 73rd birthday. Also the 54th birthday of J. T. Gribble was celebrated at the same time.

Those present besides the family were, Mrs. M. L. Mapp, Mrs. Victor Johnson, Aunt Harriet Russell, Mrs. R. P. Womack, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gribble and son, Gordon, and Rev. J. E. Billington and wife.

Births

To Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Sparks on Dec. 21st, a girl.
To Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Klepper on Dec. 28th, a boy.
To Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Griffin on Dec. 29th, a girl.
To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hughston on Dec. 29th, a girl.
To Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Whitfield on Jan. 2, a girl.

For Commissioner

Tom Callaway will make the race for Commissioner of Precinct No. 3 and asks the voters of his precinct for a second term.

Mr. Callaway has been a faithful and impartial public servant in this capacity and is worthy the trust imposed in him. His attitude towards county affairs has been characterized by a commendable breadth of vision looking to the general interests of the public.

Greetings to News Readers

At the last moment before going to press we are trying to crowd in time enough to express New Year greetings to our friends and to wish for each one of you the fullest measure of happiness and prosperity throughout the year.

In this connection we wish to express our hearty appreciation for the very generous response to the announcement of our subscription rate on the News. This has been greater than we anticipated, and that which is most gratifying to the News is not the fact merely that our readers are renewing their subscription, but the appreciation they show of our efforts in giving them a real country newspaper. Our success, if we make a success, will be in that we serve a purpose in the issuing of a county paper, an institution necessary to the development of every community. Your encouragement will greatly assist us in this endeavor.

Let us all face the new year with faith and confidence in the future of this country and in the possibilities of our people, and may we all extend a hand of helpfulness whenever the opportunity offers itself, and by so doing we shall be happy and make others happy.

We will not close these remarks without saying that the \$1.50 rate on the News will be extended until Feb. 1. Also we will accept subs for the News and Wichita Times until that date at the \$4.75 rate.

THE NEWS.

The Mission of Church Named and How Its Purpose Is Accomplished

"The one business of the church is to carry the Gospel to the outer regions that have it not." The above sentence contained the sermon delivered by Rev. Willett Sunday morning. The individuals constituting the church as an organization have their part in this great work. They are active forces responding to the call of God and are making the progress of the church a reality or else they are indifferent and are hindering its work. Thoughts of the welfare of others engage the attention of church members and that organization is a live active body or else its doors are closed because of self-centered interests.

The work of a pastor is to break the bread of truth to his congregation that his members may be nourished for the tasks of carrying on the work of the church. There can be no great achievements where the membership must be doctored constantly. It is a waste of time. Out yonder lie fields white unto harvest and to the gathering of the fruit must the church apply its energies. It must rise above the little things that dwarf the spiritual life.

How the membership may help the pastor was pointed out, first by prayer for him; second by believing in him; third by being in one's place each Sunday at the church; fourth by co-operation with him.

At the evening service the subject of happiness was discussed and it was pointed out that happiness is not attained as an object, but that it comes as a by-product; that happiness is inward and not outward; that it does not come by reason of what you have but because of what you are.

The pastor named several things that are conducive to happiness. He placed first in the list that of looking to health of body. Another is contentment with one's lot, provided he is in his proper place, if not he ought to get into it. Forgetting things was named as an essential to happiness; and then the absence of worry. It was pointed out that being charitable and helpful are conducive to happiness, in that they have a rebounding effect and benefit the giver even more than the receiver of the gift, proving the truth of the scripture "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Celebrate Twelfth Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Adkins of the Thalia community celebrated their 12th wedding anniversary Sunday, Dec. 23rd, with a big turkey dinner. The following from Crowell were in attendance: Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Beverly, J. W. Beverly, T. L. Hochstetler and wife, Mrs. J. M. Alee, R. R. Magee and family, Mrs. Joe Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Henry.

Miss Violet Butler returned to her school at Bowie Tuesday after spending the holidays with Miss May King.

Miss Emily Purcell Asks for Re-Election for County Treasurer

Miss Emily Purcell submits her candidacy to the voters of the county for re-election to the office of County Treasurer. Miss Purcell has served the people of Foard County faithfully since she has held this office and upon the claim of faithful service she again asks your favorable consideration of her at the polls. She is not asking this, however, without having had the expressions of many favoring her candidacy and so she submits her case to you and asks you to give her claims due consideration.

Mrs. Grace Norris Wants Clerkship of Foard County Again

The News is authorized to say that Mrs. Grace Norris is a candidate for re-election to the office of County and District Clerk.

Mrs. Norris is serving her first term and she has made a good record as an official. That record is before you and she is willing for you to be governed by it.

Mrs. Norris will appreciate your consideration of her candidacy.

Xmas Dinner at Wallen Farm

The farm home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wallen, 6 miles south of Crowell possessed the real Christmas spirit of peace and good will on Dec. 25, when the family and friends gathered to greet the old couple who have passed their seventy-second milestone. The living room was decorated with holly wreaths and poinsettias. The dining table was filled with good eats consisting of a 25-lb. turkey and all the accessories. The center of the table being adorned with a beautiful white blooming narcissus above which red and green streamers and Christmas bells swung to the four corners of the room.

The friends present were Rev. and Mrs. Willett and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wright and Dan Hines Clark of Crowell; a cousin of Mrs. Wallen, Dan P. Polston of Charley was a guest. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Wallen present were: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Owens and children of Crowell; Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wallen and children of Burk Burnett; Mrs. G. C. Rector of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Connell of Crowell; Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Huffaker of Denton were kept away on account of bad roads.

After a quiet hour of scripture reading and prayer by the pastor the guests departed, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Wallen a happy new year.—Contributed.

W. E. Emory and family arrived this week from the Plains and will reside on the old Emory home place this year. Mr. Emory was reared here and is well known. He had his name placed on our subscription list for a year.

Many Changes in Business Firms Took Effect January 1st

Frank Long and Frank Crews took charge the hardware and implement business of J. H. Self & Sons, having bought the business several weeks ago.

C. C. McLaughlin has bought the filling station and automobile accessories of L. A. Beverly & Co. and is now in charge of the business. Geo. Hinds, agent for the Pierce Oil Corporation will office with Mr. McLaughlin. T. F. Hill, agent for the Gulf Refining Company has moved his office to the Magee Toggery.

Pete Gobin and Ben Hinds have resigned as agents for the Magnolia Oil Company and Claude Barry has been employed as their agent here and will occupy the new filling station when it is completed.

Murry Martin has resigned his position with M. S. Henry & Co. as tinner and plumber. Mr. Lubecano of Amarillo has been employed in his place. Mr. Martin will move to Paducah where he has bought a tin shop.

Tom Lawson has resigned his position with Cicero Smith Lumber Co. and has moved his family to the Rayland community to a farm he recently bought. Roy Ricks, former city secretary has accepted the position filled by Mr. Lawson with the lumber company. Edgar Kensey has been appointed as the new city secretary.

L. D. Campbell Will Make Race for Sheriff and Tax Collector

L. D. Campbell offers himself as a candidate for re-election to the office of sheriff and tax collector, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

Mr. Campbell needs no introduction. The services of no county official touches more people than those of the sheriff and tax collector. Mr. Campbell, as always in the past, is willing to submit his record to the voters for their consideration. He will stand or fall by your estimate of its merits, and all he asks is fairness in your decision.

New Year's Dinner

One of the most enjoyable and elaborate social affairs of the holiday season was the New Year's turkey dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Callaway of Foard City. Splendid music and games of "42" afforded very pleasing entertainment during the day.

The guest list included Messrs. and Mrs. M. B. Pool, Claude Callaway, E. V. Halbert, Percy Stone, John Lilly, Billie Odum, R. E. Sparks, Geo. Canup, J. H. McDaniel, Mel Gover, Mrs. Amos Lilly, Misses Ailee McDaniel, Onita Jackson of Farmersville, Messrs. J. E. (Ned) Stone, R. B. Jackson of Farmersville, Dick Crossnoe, Doyle Callaway, Mike Brown and Leonard Ivester.—Contributed.

Auditorium of Baptist Church to Be Finished

Carpenters began work yesterday morning on the interior of the auditorium of the Baptist church. It is said the work of finishing the inside of the auditorium of the church will be rushed until it is completed.

Miss Florence Black and her brother, Henry, spent the holidays here from Denton. They returned Sunday to continue their work in the Normal.

Miss Lela Womack drove her sister, Mrs. C. M. McKown, and children home to Vernon Saturday afternoon after a week's visit here.

Miss Pearl Saunders returned Monday to Draughon's Business College at Fort Worth to continue her studies.

Miss Addie Coffman was here from Canyon Wednesday and has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Coffman, of near Thalia. Miss Addie is a teacher in the Normal at Canyon. She called at the News office and renewed her News for six months.

Dan Cupid Makes Good Haul During Christmas Holidays

J. L. Short, well known citizen of Margaret, was married on Christmas day to Miss Temperance Lynn, also of Margaret.

Herman Gentry and Miss Maggie Russell were married Wednesday, Dec. 26th. Young Gentry is a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Gentry of the Black community and the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. J. Russell of this city.

On Christmas day Mr. Decker R. Magee was married to Miss Mildred Thorp at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. and Mrs. Ed Thorp of Herculio, Texas, Rev. Thorp officiating.

Mr. Magee is a leading business young man of Crowell and Mrs. Magee is a teacher in the Crowell public schools.

Owens Announces for Re-Election As County Judge

We are authorized to announce Judge Jesse Owens as a candidate for re-election to the office of county judge.

Judge Owens has proven himself worthy the confidence imposed in him as a county official. He is a young man full of energy and he possesses a spirit of progressiveness that commands him to the people for any public position he might seek.

He will not only make us a good county judge again as he has made, but his first term's experience will enable him to make us even a better public official than he has made.

A Holiday Feast

One of the most enjoyable social events during the Christmas holidays was a dinner at the home of Mrs. Claude Stone Sunday, Dec. 30.

There were present about thirty-five guests. It reminded us of the good old days when went to picnics out on the creek and all spread dinner together, for Mrs. Stone had such a variety it would take the whole community to furnish.

Not only was the Christmas bird prominent, but Mrs. Stone had drawn on Claude's fancy herefor for a big fat roast and steak. Not being satisfied with that she had gone to the smoke house for a ham to boil that was sweet and juicy.

With the above and their accessories, the fourteen pies, seven cakes whipped cream and peaches for dessert, we all pronounced it the most elaborate occasion of the holiday season.—Contributed.

Announces for Public Weigher Precinct No. One

George Allison authorizes the News to state that he is a candidate for the office of public weigher for precinct No. 1.

Mr. Allison has never asked for a public office before. He has been practically reared in Foard County and is well known to the voters here. He is worthy of any position for which he might ask at the hands of the voters.

Mrs. R. J. Roberts returned from Dallas during Christmas week where she had been for several weeks, having undergone a double surgical operation in a sanitarium in that city. Mrs. Roberts returned home with her health much improved. She was met in Wichita Falls by her husband and L. I. Saunders.

Miss Ruth Grimm of Thalia was home during the holidays from C. I. A. where she had been in school. She returned the first of the week.

N. P. Ferguson returned Monday from a visit with relatives at Wenthford, Sherman and Van Alstyne.

W. E. Hallmark is home from the oil fields and will likely remain here and farm this next year.

Miss Mabelle Matthews spent the holidays with her mother at Hamlin, returning Friday.

Mrs. J. M. Teal is visiting relatives this week in Vernon.

APPRECIATION

Coming down to the new year 1924, after 17 years of continuous business in Crowell, we find much for which to be thankful. We have tried to identify ourselves with the best interests of Foard County and to render the best service possible in our capacity, and our measure of success, while not great, is a source of gratification to us.

With the coming of the New Year it shall be our aim to increase the efficiency of our service and to meet the demands made of us as best we can.

We wish to say to our customers that we shall continue to handle standard brand and widely advertised goods that are backed by a guarantee that means full protection to the buyer. We keep our eye on the market for the best in our line that you may be given such quality and price as will give full value for your dollars.

Again expressing our appreciation for your business and wishing you a prosperous New Year, we are,

Yours to serve,

W. R. WOMACK

ITEMS OF INTEREST OVER FOARD

AYERSVILLE NEWS

(By Special Correspondent)

Willie Johnson has sold his farm to S. M. Tole.

Leslie Davis is attending a business school in Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Chesser and baby who have been helping J. W. Davis gather his cotton crop left Friday for Silvertown, Texas.

H. L. Shultz, wife and little daughter accompanied Ernest Flowers and family of Crowell to Iowa Park Sunday to visit J. H. Watts and family.

Sim Gamble, wife and little son, D. M. and Walter Shultz attended the 9th Sunday meeting at Margaret Sunday.

Mrs. Sarah Johnson and son, Joe, visited their daughter and sister, Mrs. Ella Newbrough and family, in Memphis last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Johnson and baby spent Christmas with Mrs. Johnson's mother, Mrs. Jeffie Wood, in Wichita Falls.

E. W. Burrow and family and D. W. Pyle and wife of Crowell took dinner with R. L. Pyle and family in Vernon Christmas day.

Mrs. Nobie Phillips and baby have returned home from the sanitarium in Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Gamble enjoyed a birthday dinner Thursday at Mr. and Mrs. John Greening's in honor of their son, Herman.

W. B. and H. L. Shultz have recently erected a two room house on the Fergess Bros. farm in this community.

Sam Swim, wife and baby of Haskell, Earl Swim and wife of Vernon, W. A. Johnson and wife of Thalia and

Sim Gamble and wife took Christmas dinner with Frank Gamble and family.

Wesley Davis spent last week visiting Charlie Parker and family at Dill, Okla., and Will Davis and family in Wheeler County, Texas.

There was some good singing at the Gamble school house Sunday night. The people of that community have recently bought a piano. Come out every Sunday night and help with the singing. There will be a literary there also Friday night.

Phelan Davis of Crowell and the family of E. Broadus of near Thalia attended the singing at Gambleville Sunday night.

Ernest and Miss May King of Crowell and a girl friend from Bowie, Henry and Miss Florence Black and Mr. and Mrs. Moore of Crowell attended the Christmas tree at Gambleville Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Pyle served a turkey dinner Sunday Dec. 30th to the following: Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Meadors, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Pyle and Homer Zeibig, wife and baby of Crowell and E. W. Burrow and family.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Shultz celebrated Christmas with a turkey dinner Dec. 23rd. Those partaking of the feast were G. A. Shultz and family, Lee Shultz and family, Misses Mary Belle Collier, Corine and Frankie Haney of Thalia, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Haney of Talmage, W. B. Shultz and family, Mrs. J. R. Carpenter and Mrs. Alice Shultz and little daughter, Rebecca, Claude and Leotis Roberts of Vernon, Walter Shultz and family,

H. L. Shultz and family, Ray Pyle and family and Dave Shultz, Jr.

WEST RAYLAND NEWS

(By Special Correspondent)

Opal and Winnie Pearl Derrington left Sunday for Denton where they will attend school.

Misses Vivian and Addie Coffman left Sunday afternoon for Canyon where they are teaching.

Miss Willie Meadows came in Saturday afternoon after spending the holidays with relatives at Longview, Texas.

Will Coffman spent Monday in Ft. Worth where he had gone to attend the wedding of his brother, Joe, who was married at 6 o'clock Monday afternoon to Miss Cecelia East of Graham, Texas. They returned home with Will and spent a few days visiting in the Coffman home.

Will Morris and family will leave the first of the week for Lamesa, Texas where they will make their home.

Clint Edwards returned home Saturday after a ten days visit with his parents in South Texas.

Frank Butler and family and Mrs. Clint Edwards and children spent the holidays in the John Stone home near Crowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Jobe spent Sunday in the Owen McLarty home.

Mr. McKinley and family and son, Herbert and family, will leave Tuesday for near Lamesa where they will live the coming year.

Mrs. Sam Scales and Grandma Scales of Crowell spent Saturday in the J. R. Coffman home.

The sad news was received here Friday of the death of little Treva Scales, the small daughter of Wallace Scales and wife who with her parents was visiting relatives at Brady, Texas. We did not get the particulars of her death, only that she had died with the croup in a sanitarium at Brady. The community extends sympathy to the parents.

Raymond Davidson left Sunday for Gainesville.

G. W. Adkins and family, Hugh Heaton and family, Mrs. Hopkins and daughter, Melba, of Vernon, and Mrs. J. M. Adkins and family spent Sunday in the Cap Adkins home.

Arthur Davis returned to Olney Wednesday after a few days visit with his parents.

Myrtle Huntley returned to Olney

Saturday after spending the holidays with relatives.

C. H. Huntley of near Dallas and J. W. Huntley of Vernon spent last week visiting relatives and friends in this community and at Thalia.

Sam Jobe and family, Luther Jobe and family and D. T. Jobe attended a dinner given at the home of Mrs. Tom Russell near Crowell Sunday.

Tom Burrson and wife and Earl McKinley and family will leave this week for Lorenza, Texas, to make their home.

Mrs. Eric Wheeler is confined to her bed with rheumatism.

Claude Williams and family spent the holidays with Mrs. Williams' sister near Sweetwater, Texas.

Tom Lawson and family have moved from Crowell to the place which Henry Reeves formerly owned.

To the Farmers of Foard County

After the first of January I will not gin any more this season, as the other two gins can easily finish the crop. Thanking you for your liberal patronage and hoping for you another year a big crop at a good price, I remain,

Yours for service,
JAMES KIMBELL,
Mgr. and Owner of Kimbell Gin.

At the Christian Science Chapel

Services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Subject, "God." Testimonial service Wednesday evening at 7:15 p. m.

Don't be so indiscreet as to start a diary with the new year. Some one might see it.

There are a lot of mighty good people in this town, but just how near to the top are you?

A friend insists that every man knows his own mind. But knowing him as well as we do, we can not endorse his assertion.

Never engage in a controversy without considering the possibility of defeat. It is impossible for both sides to win.

The wise business man attends to his own business while his employees are attending to it for him.

Be sure that you are right, whether you are able to go ahead or not.

For Sale—Real bargains in Foard county and Plains lands, farms and ranches. Am agent for the Yellow House Canyon lands in Hockley and Lamb counties—\$25 per acre, small payments, 15 years time at 6 per cent.—J. W. McCaskill.

Adding machine paper at News.

MATTRESS MAKING

I will be here for a while yet making mattresses. Bring your work within the next few days, if possible.—Tarver's Factory.

Be sure pure water goes into your battery. We have it.—Swaim's Garage.

Think of Us

When you go to buy your

Groceries

this year.

That's enough.

FOX & SON

In Ringgold Bldg.
Will deliver in City Limits

Hot and Cold Baths First Class Shines
The City Shaving Parlor
An Up-to-Date Shop
In Every Particular
C. T. SCHLAGAL, Proprietor

Myrtle Huntley returned to Olney

Groceries and Fresh Meats

We are pleased to announce to our customers that we are arranging to handle meat in connection with our groceries, expect to have this completed so that we can serve you the last of this week.

Not only do we expect to give you the very best service possible in the grocery line but we shall not be satisfied without giving you the same in fresh meats.

We have employed an experienced meat cutter who will be pleased to serve you at all times.

We can make it to your advantage to buy your meat and groceries at this place.

Miller & Bain

At Elliott Street, North Side

FOARD CITY ITEMS (By Special Correspondent)

Mr. and Mrs. Glover went to Truscott last week to spend the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. Eubanks. G. Meyers and son of Truscott were visiting in Foard City one day last week.

Cully Eubanks of Truscott was in Foard City on business.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Eubanks of Lubbock spent the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. A. Weatherall.

Miss Dodd, a former school teacher of Foard City was visiting here recently.

Dr. Clark of Crowell was called to Foard City to examine a case of measles on the Minnick ranch.

G. G. Mills who has been on the sick list is up and able to be around again.

Rev. Russell was called to Greenville last week to see his daughter who was very sick.

Mr. Halbert went to Crowell last week on business.

Mrs. Stone went to Collin County to spend Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Lefevre and children of Roaring Springs spent the holidays with his father, F. R. Lefevre of Foard City.

Orval Weatherall came home to spend Christmas with homefolks.

Dr. Macumber went to Crowell today on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Barton moved to Crowell last week.

Rev. Russell returned from Greenville and reports his daughter better.

Mr. Sneider went to Crowell on business last week.

The Baptist pastor will be here Saturday from Abilene Saturday and will preach Saturday night at 7:30, Sunday morning at 11, and Sunday night at 7:30. Everybody come and hear a good sermon. Epworth league will meet promptly at 7:15.

MARGARET NEWS (By Special Correspondent)

L. C. Taylor of Amarillo visited friends and relatives here during the holidays.

Walter Ross and family visited his brother, Otis, and family at Wichita Falls during the holidays.

Miss Freddie Mae Reinhardt left Thursday for Amarillo for a short visit with relatives.

Mrs. Leo Hlavaty left last week for points in South Texas. She will be away a month.

Misses Faye and Mildred Owens of Foard City have come to make their home with their sister, Mrs. John L. Hunter, Jr., and to attend school here.

Miss Laura Gear of Dallas is here to spend the winter and attend school.

Ruth and Ross Malone spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in Quanah.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Chaney and son, Paul D., of Vernon are visiting friends and relatives here.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Wesley, Dec. 28th a girl.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Malone spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. M. O'Connell in Crowell.

Mrs. D. M. Ferebee and sons, Edward and Junior, of Vernon and daughter, Mrs. J. D. Key of Hedley, visited relatives here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mahoney and family of Quanah visited here during the holidays. Alma and Jno. Wesley returned home with them for a

Good Cheer

While the Holidays have passed we are yet too close to them to forget the pleasures brought by hearty greetings, and as we enter the New Year let us wish that that feeling of mutual friendship might continue throughout 365 days.

We know that it our sincere desire that the gates of prosperity might swing wide and bring to each of you good times.

FERGESON BROS.

The *Rexall* Store

ANNOUNCEMENT

As we turn over the Hardware and Implement business to the new firm, Crews and Long, we wish to use this means of extending our hearty appreciation to the public for the liberal patronage given us during these years and commend to you our successors. We hope that you will see fit to extend them the same liberal patronage you have given us.

J. H. SELF & SONS.

In connection with the above remarks we the new firm greet you with heartiest wishes for prosperity during the new year and solicit the patronage you have given the outgoing firm. We shall spare no efforts to merit your patronage and good will. We want you to come to see us and make known to us your hardware and implement needs. It will be our pleasure to supply them if possible.

Crews-Long Hardware Co.

few days visit.

Cicero Beaty has been quiet sick at the home of his brother, Jim Beaty, of this place.

Mr. Jno. Short and Miss Lynn were quietly married at his home near Margaret Tuesday Dec. 25th.

The young people have enjoyed a very gay holiday season ending in the New Year's party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Middlebrook Monday night.

Miss Hollie Walden and Miss Ora Belle Hefner returned Sunday after a weeks visit with homefolks.

Miss Rose Hlavaty who teaches at West Vernon spent the holidays with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ross visited Mrs. Ross's parents near Matador during the holidays.

The annual Christmas dinner at the home of "Uncle" Billy Dunn was observed again this year. Besides their children and grandchildren they had as guests Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Middlebrook.

The community Christmas tree and program were a great success and enjoyed by a large crowd.

The social committee of the Parent-Teachers Association has charge of the program Friday night, Jan. 4. Everybody come. Somethings going to happen!

Big Cats Like Catnip, Too.
We have all heard that cats like catnip. It remained for government scientists to apply this knowledge practically to the big cats. They found the hunting of mountain lions and bobcats with dogs and guns to prevent destruction of Western cattle was an expensive proposition. Then they thought of catnip. Large quantities of this aromatic herb were raised. From this chemists extracted the oil which gives it its odor. Now it is no longer necessary to look up the lions. They walk right into traps scented with catnip oil.

Why He Was Sad.
"Why do you look so sorrowful, Dennis?"
"I just hear-r-d wan man call another man a liar, and the man that was called a liar said the other man would have to apologize, or there would be a fight."
"And why should that make you sad?"
"The other man apologized."

Truth is mighty and will prevail, until a falsehood knocks it out.

A good January motto: "Step up and pay up."

Any way, your Christmas money was well spent—if our own merchants got it.

Meet opportunity face to face. It never recognizes your back.

Begin now to save for the next Christmas. It is only a year away.

Wise men do not always speak the truth. Sometimes they say nothing.

1924, right on the dot!

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Phone local news items to 43.

Get a sack of Marechal Neil Flour at Fox & Sons. Every sack guaranteed. It's good stuff.

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When you start right you have the race half won.

Start the new year right by making this store your trading place for groceries during the new year.

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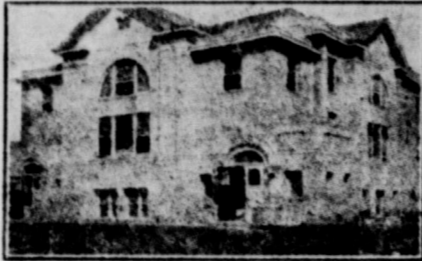
We wish you all a general prosperity throughout the land.

Matthews-Crawford Grocery Co.

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Methodist Church

The Church with a MESSAGE and a WELCOME

NEW YEAR GREETING

Greetings, My Friends: May this be the brightest, happiest and most prosperous of all the years for you. The sincerest wish of my life is for your truest happiness. May you have Christ as a companion for every day's journey.

God needs you. The Methodist church needs you. I am counting on you. Together with the workman of Galilee let us toil for the best year of life.

In the name of the Conquering Christ, I am,

Sincerely yours,

T. C. WILLETT, Pastor.

Adelphian Club

On Thursday, Dec. 27th, as each member of the Adelphian Club and guest entered the spacious reception hall of Mrs. J. A. Johnson their hearts were gladdened in greeting a receiving line of out-of-town friends, brides and last, but none the less a friend, a dear little kindhearted Santa Claus who gave them a walnut tied with ribbon in the club colors. When they were seated and cracked the nut they found that the kernel was a pleasant Christmas wish that they might know the spirit in which the hostesses, Mesdames J. A. Johnson, Baxter Johnson, Lawrence Kimsey and Miss Lottie Woods, had planned this guest day program of the club. The shades were drawn, but clusters of miniature lights revealed decorations throughout the house that were in keeping with the Christmas tree in the corner and the little Santa Claus that continued the giving of good cheer to one and all. Christmas carols were sung by all present. Mrs. George Self sang for us the beautiful poem "Robin" set to music by Sproff. Miss Geneva Wishon gave a reading that brought all to a thoughtful attitude toward the life and example of the Christ Child, after which score cards were passed for a contest on Christmas viands. Each card was adorned with a tiny bell and as thoughts were being formed into words the jingling of these bells led us, indeed, into the land of the reindeer and the sleigh. This concluded the program proper and just before delivering the presents from the tree, with Miss Lottie Woods directing, a farce was given in which some ladies of the club played the part of a little girl. One "little" girl favored us with "The Night Before Christmas," another with "The Story of the Fir Tree," and others with "The Lullaby Song" and "The Song of the Christmas Tree." Every one received a token from the little Santa Claus as the climax of the latter.

Delicious refreshments were served to sixty members and guests. All departed wishing that guest day came more often and with these same hostesses. Also did they feel that they had pleased the poet who said: "At Christmas play and make good cheer, For Christmas comes but once a year." — A Guest.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH SERVICES

There will be preaching at the Christian church next Sunday, both morning and evening. Begin the new year right by starting to attend church the first Sunday of the year, and see how good a record you can make for yourself. Let every member and friend strive to be present at all the services. 1923 was a good one for the Christian church of Crowell. Let us make 1924 better still. Come now and let us reason together, saith the Lord. P. R. HUCKLEBERRY, Evangelist.

Mr. and Mrs. Murry Martin and son, H. M., went to Paducah Wednesday to make preparations to move to that city.

The most miserable man, perhaps, in the world is the one who is always worrying. It does no good to worry. It serves no purpose whatever. He just as well cuss, and lots of them do. Some are always worrying and fretting about what they are afraid is going to happen tomorrow or next week or next year. And when they look back over half a century of their lives they find few if any of their days marked with the calamities seen in the future. The good Lord never intended that any one should make his life miserable, as well as the lives of others, by worrying over things that will never happen. He wants us to use the opportunities of today. Every day brings them and each can be profitably used. There may be some dark hours, but let's meet them as they come and not borrow others from the future.

Senator Burkett, who is a candidate for Governor of Texas, favors doing away with the state ad valorem taxes altogether for the payment of the State's expenses, leaving such taxes to the counties and cities for local purposes, and letting the State government be run on occupation, gross receipts, income, franchise, corporation and poll taxes. This plan, he says, will eliminate the inequality of tax payment on lands in the different counties of the State. He points out that this will necessitate a constitutional amendment, but that will be necessary in any event if a change of any kind is made. That something must be done at this point is very evident. The tax problem is one of the biggest issues before the people of Texas today.

Great is Texas. Last Saturday the temperature was almost like that of spring. Indeed the buds of the peach trees seemed to be swelling and we feared for the fruit crop. Wild oats could be seen everywhere and hundreds of acres of green mesquites greeted the eyes as one passed over the country. On Sunday morning a blue "norther" foretold a different tale and by sundown it was necessary to drain the jitneys. The temperature Monday morning was around 15, but it is a welcomed change. When Texas weather gets ready to change it takes little time for preliminaries.

Komrad Clark, formerly the Imperial Wizard of the Ku Klux Klan, has fallen out with the order and now wants somebody to help him destroy it. Perhaps there are enough of his type that will stay in to kill it without any outside assistance. It looks like the little thing has about run its course and "served its purpose" which was to enrich a few fellows like Clark and Simmons who no doubt would like to knock it in the head and leave the carcass to be disposed of by the thousands of suckers which have been rallying around.

As the new year starts in why not resolve to do the most we can to make the world better in every way possible. We may do this by having consideration for the rights of the other fellow. It would not be a bad idea to love him. It may be a hard job, but if we can eliminate unpleasant feelings for the fellow that does not suit us it will be a fine start and the rest will be easy. Let's learn to say, "He's a bully fellow," although he may be as sorry as can be. And then his opinion about us may become better.

When Cortez invaded Mexico nearly a thousand years ago he left a trail of blood behind him and the Mexicans have been fighting ever since. They did not get started right. Love of war is a part of those people and they will have to be made over before they are different.

Unless the bug houses are mighty tight this cold weather is going to make it hard on the bugs to get a quorum for business next summer. But time about is fair play. In their absence the farmers will conduct agricultural affairs of this country.

NOTICE To Customers

I have moved my office to Mack's Filling Station, southwest corner square. When in need of Pirce Products phone me, we'll be there.

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New models with the latest improvements

Let us show you.

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HARDWARE FOR HARD WEAR

Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Lawrence of Lorenza were here during the holidays visiting the family of Mrs. Dykes and other relatives in the county. Miss Jewel Awbrey and her brother, Billie, were also with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence visiting relatives. They returned home Sunday. While they were here they came to the News office and had their name placed on our list as regular readers.

Loose but Harmless. An Englishman was paying his first visit to Scotland. He arrived at a small town and began to question the porter. "I suppose you have a probost here?" "Aye," said the porter. "And does he have insignia like our mayors?" "Have what?" "Insignia—well, for instance, does he have a chain?" "A chain?" said the astonished porter. "Na, na. He gaus loose; but dinna be feared, he's quite harmless."

Just Like All Men. The baby was bawling. Pa stood it as long as he could and then ventured a naive inquiry. "What does the baby want?" "He is like most men," snapped ma. "How is that, my dear?" "Doesn't know what he wants, but keeps yelling for it!" she returned. "He will make a great statesman," said pa, discreetly.

THE HOME NEWSPAPER

If there is anything in your town worth talking about 10 chances to one your own newspapers had a hand in putting it there. If anybody beyond the walls of your burg ever learns that there is such a place as Three Corners it will be through the home paper. Every town gets its money's worth through the home newspapers. It's the wagon that carries all your goods to market. It ought to be kept in good repair. It will pay to grease it, paint it and keep its running gears in good shape and shelter. They are the guardians and defenders of every interest, the forerunners and pioneers of every movement and the sturdy advocates of law and order.—Industrial News Bureau, The Manufacturer.

EVERY STREET IN CROWELL

It's Share of the Proof That Kidney Sufferers Seek. Backache? Kidneys weak? Distressed with urinary ills? Want a reliable kidney remedy? Don't have to look far. Use what Crowell people recommend. Even street in Crowell has its cases. Here's one man's experience. Let A. L. Johnson, prop. hotel, feed store and stock yard tell it. He says: "My back ached and pained most of the time through the small of it, and when I bent a sharp, stinging pain caught me. I could hardly sleep at night and mornings I was so lame and stiff I could hardly get around. My kidneys were weak and trouble me by their irregular action. I decided to try Doan's Pills and they helped me from the start. I used several boxes of Doan's and they cured me." Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Pills—the same that Mr. Johnson had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

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I also have some Negrohead and other lump coal cheap.

Better not let this opportunity pass to get your winter's supply at a saving never before given.

J. M. JONAS

Phone 207

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Those who have a checking account in this bank what its many advantages are. They'll tell you—"It does away with the carrying of ready cash. Serves as both a record and receipt of any financial transaction. And it's handy in many other ways."

Follow their example and start a Checking Account here today. At least, come in and talk things over.

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Local and Personal

A car of bulk oats at Allee's Cash Feed Store.

Trucking done—any place, any time.—C. J. Yoder.

Phone any news items you may know to News—43.

For sale cheap at once, fresh milk cow. See W. A. Cogdell.

Try the new Hand Laundry, rough dry a specialty. Rear Veniece Hotel, near depot.

For Sale—Young mule, 3 years old, broke.—D. M. Wisdom, one mile south of Thalia.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Couch and children spent several days visiting relatives in Knox City last week.

I have moved my office from the L. A. Beverly & Co. stand to the Magee Toggery. Phone orders to 129.—T. F. Hill.

Garland Shults and Roy Awbrey who are attending the Baptist College at Decatur were at home for the holidays.

Mrs. W. P. Ely and children of Sayre, Okla., spent Christmas here with relatives. Before returning Mrs. Ely subscribed for the News for a year. The Ely family lived in the Foard City community for 14 years and are well known in the county.

Some good work mules for sale.—Fox & Sons.

Imported popcorn 15c a pound at Sanitary Market.

Call for free show tickets at Allee's Cash Feed Store.

Half and Half and pure Mebane and Kash seed at Crowell Gin.

Coal—Deep mine Colorado labeled coal at Allee's Cash Feed Store.

S. L. Neely and children of Chillicothe spent the holidays with T. S. and G. H. Patton.

Mrs. A. E. Propps and children of Benjamin spent several days with relatives here last week.

Mrs. Willis Wilson of Amarillo is here visiting her mother, Mrs. G. W. Thompson, and other relatives.

Mrs. John S. Ray returned from an extended visit with her parents in La Grange, Mo., week before Christmas.

Make the hens lay. You can do it by feeding them properly. Call at Allee's Cash Feed Store and get what you need.

The party who took by mistake a pair of tan silk hose from J. H. Self & Sons store on Christmas eve will please return to store.

All kinds of chicken feed, maize, wheat, corn, oats, oyster shell, tankage, 5 kinds of ready-mixed feed at Allee's Cash Feed Store.

Imported popcorn 15c a pound at Sanitary Market.

C. P. Sandifer left yesterday on a business trip to Fort Worth.

Mrs. G. C. Rector is here from San Angelo visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wallen.

Miss Zella Ashbey of Vernon spent the week-end with Miss Fredia Miller and other friends.

Miss Mary Cook visited with home-folks in Carnegie, Okla., from Sunday before Christmas till the following Friday.

W. M. Wallen and family of Burkburnett were here Christmas day visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wallen.

Mrs. C. A. Millam and small daughter, Bettie Virginia, of Morris, Okla., spent the Christmas holidays with her sister, Mrs. Dow Miller.

Hilda and Estelle Gribble and Arlie Galleher returned Sunday from Chillicothe where they spent a few days with Mrs. W. C. Galleher.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Swaim and children returned the latter part of last week from Salem, Indiana, where they spent the holidays with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Galleher from Chillicothe visited in the home of Mrs. Henry Gribble Christmas and also took dinner with Mrs. P. E. Randolph.

We have called a meeting of the Farm Bureau Association for Saturday, Jan. 5, 2 p. m. You are earnestly requested to be there.—R. E. Bell, president.

Miss Beulah Patton left Tuesday for Trinity University to resume her work in that institution after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Patton.

For Sale—I have 40 choice Barred Rock cockerels priced for quick sale at \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00. Six pullets and cockerel \$10.00.—Claude Callaway, Foard City, Texas.

Dock Harrison came over from Paducah or Christmas day to visit relatives. Mrs. Harrison and children had already spent a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Andrews.

J. N. Bryson and wife were here the first of the week from Snyder, Okla. Mr. Bryson has sold his business at Snyder and is figuring on locating somewhere in Texas, possibly at Lubbock.

Early Norwood and wife and Mrs. H. W. Norwood were here from Vernon Sunday of last week visiting in the Dr. Clark home. They were accompanied by "Aunt" Bettie Thompson who had been visiting in Vernon.

Lost—A small round gold pin with safety catch. Pin has an S with a gavel in it. Around the edge is a row of pearls. Finder please return to W. A. Stephenson, Crowell, Texas. Lost on last night of teachers institute.

W. N. McKinley, E. J. McKinley and T. A. Burison loaded out their household goods Tuesday for Lorenza where they are making their home. W. N. McKinley came in and had his name placed on our list before leaving. They have been residing in the Thalia community for four years.

Service

Value

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The NEW YEAR

Our hats are off to the year 1923.

Our coats are off to the year 1924.

By that we mean that we are determined to make our store a better place for you to trade during the new year.

We expect to make every effort within our power to make it to your advantage to trade with us.

Our December business was the largest in the history of our business and we are going to try and make this year the best year we have ever had. To do this we must begin on this, the first week of the year with a determined resolution to make every effort to give Service, Value and Quality.

We ourselves the better serve, by serving others best.

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One Price Cash Only

Cream, chickens and eggs wanted, will pay the highest market price.—Matthews-Crawford Gro. Co.

Mrs. W. S. Shannon and daughter, Mary, of Chillicothe, were here the first of the week visiting Mrs. J. M. Allee.

Write Draughon's College, Abilene or Wichita Falls, for Special Holiday offer and Guarantee-Position Contract.

Mrs. G. W. Thompson returned last Sunday from an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. John Carter, in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Edwards and H. K. Jr., returned Wednesday from Clarendon where they visited Mrs. Edwards parents for several days.

Mrs. A. H. Clark and daughter, Elizabeth, left Monday morning for their home in Oklahoma City after spending a few days with relatives here.

J. H. Keith, father of Mrs. C. J. Yoder of this city, and his son, Jack, left Sunday for their home at Walnut Springs after several days visit with the Yoders.

W. H. Holmes is operating a hand laundry in the Venice Hotel formerly the Thurman hotel. Mr. Holmes and wife are new arrivals here and hope to work up a good business.

H. M. Black, wife and small son, Howard Lee, of Mart, were here during holidays visiting Mr. Black's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Black, They returned home Friday of last week.

J. H. Beaty left the first of the week for Littlefield where he has purchased a farm. He is preparing to improve his land there. He does not contemplate moving to it but has bought it as an investment.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hill visited Mr. Hill's parents at Longview during the holidays at whose home a family reunion was held, eight children being present, seven girls and one boy, Mr. Hill being the only son in the family.

W. A. Patton of Route 2 visited relatives and old time friends in Stephenville during the holidays. Mr. Patton formerly lived in Stephenville and reports a very pleasant visit in his old home town. Starting with this issue Mr. Patton is sending the paper to his brother, J. B. Patton at Huckaby, Texas, for a year.

Tom Beverly, Lewis Sloan and Glenn Jones from the Austin College at Sherman spent the holidays with homefolks.

Mrs. F. G. Ferguson left Sunday for Claremore, Okla., to visit her daughter, Mrs. F. E. Shornick. Her son, W. R. Ferguson, took her to Quannah where she was met by her son, G. H. Ferguson, who accompanied her to her destination.

A message was received Wednesday from Eugene Womack at Dallas stating that Mrs. Womack was seriously ill with pneumonia and that the chances of recovery were doubtful. Miss Lela Womack and Mrs. H. L. Kinsey left yesterday for Dallas.

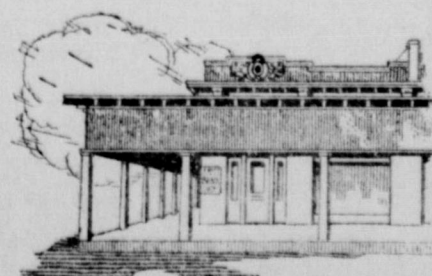
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Sonny--What Are You Going to Be When You Get Grown

Are you going to be like Daddy? What about it, Daddy? Do you want him to do "like you"—or better? If you want him to do better, the time to help him most is before he is fifteen. Give him the chance he deserves—Morally and mentally—at home Morally, mentally and physically—at school Morale-ly and financially—at the bank. You've got a big job. Won't you let us help?



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WISE MR. FOX

MR. FOX had not the least idea why he carried off the old cart wheel from Mr. Man's barnyard, but he was so cross because he could not get in to pay a visit to the poultry that he wanted to do something, and so he trundled the old wheel off to his home.

"I'll just place it in front of my doorway," said Mr. Fox when he reached home. "I need not be so careful about closing the door, with this old wheel in front of it. The spokes will keep folks out and I can get some air."

This was all Mr. Fox had in his mind when he left the old wheel by his door, and he was not in the least to blame for what followed. But it proved to be such a good scheme that he afterward bragged to all the wood folks about how he "fixed" Mr. Dog.

Mr. Dog had not started out to find Mr. Fox. He knew nothing about his call at the farm, but as he was run-



"He Trundled the Old Wheel Off."

ning through the woods he happened to get on the track of Mr. Fox and followed the scent straight up to the cart wheel.

Here he stopped for a second, but was so sure that Mr. Fox was in his home that he began to whine and bark and dance about, trying to get through the spokes.

Mr. Dog was pretty large, so he could not crawl between the spokes. First he poked his head between two of them, then a front leg between two

others, and then somehow he seemed to get all tangled up between those wheel spokes.

Mr. Dog pulled out a leg, only to put it between two other spokes, and the first thing he knew he was rolling down the hill in front of Mr. Fox's doorway with the cart wheel around his neck.

Mr. Fox had heard the noise, of course, and was peeking out to see what was going on, and now that Mr. Dog was on his way down the hill he came out to see how it ended.

When he reached the foot of the hill Mr. Dog jumped up and, without stopping even to give himself a shake, he started off home on the run with his tail between his legs, and he did not stop until he was inside his house.

"Well, you should have seen how my trick worked," said Mr. Fox when later he was telling his neighbor, Mr. Possum, about it. "You should get yourself a cart wheel, friend Possum, and I will wager Mr. Dog will run a mile without a stop when he spies it by your doorway."

"I really should be paid for thinking up such good schemes to protect us wood folks," said Mr. Fox, looking very wise; "but I am so fond of my friends that I have to share all the good things I discover with them."

Mr. Possum was not a very wise creature, but he knew Mr. Fox pretty well, and he did not feel at all certain there was not some trick about the new scheme that would get him into trouble and benefit Mr. Fox. Anyway, he did not see any use in trying a cart wheel to keep away his enemy when he lived in a tree, where Mr. Dog could not climb.

"Going to try it?" inquired Mr. Fox, who saw cart wheels hanging from trees all through the woods.

"No," replied Mr. Possum. "It may be all right for you, who have a tall only for show, but with a tail like mine and a tall tree to climb I think I had better stick to my own way of escaping from Mr. Dog."

"Poor little narrow-minded Possum," sighed Mr. Fox, as he watched his neighbor walking away; "he is so old-fashioned he won't try anything new. For my part, I am glad I am broad-minded enough to try new schemes."

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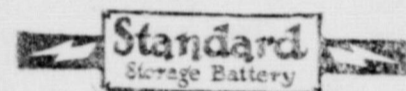
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A brother editor says that "our sins may not find us out, but our neighbors will." Speaking from experience, we presume.

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Queer Feelings

"Some time ago, I was very irregular," writes Mrs. Cora Robie, of Pikeville, Ky. "I suffered a great deal, and knew I must do something for this condition. I suffered mostly with my back and a weakness in my limbs. I would have dreadful headaches. I had hot flashes and very queer feelings, and oh, how my head hurt! I read of

CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

and of others, who seemed to have the same troubles I had, being benefited, so I began to use it. I found it most beneficial. I took several bottles . . . and was made so much better I didn't have any more trouble of this kind. It regulated me."

Cardui has been found very helpful in the correction of many cases of painful female disorders, such as Mrs. Robie mentions above. If you suffer as she did, take Cardui—a purely vegetable, medicinal tonic, in use for more than 40 years. It should help you. Sold Everywhere.

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Think, Congress, Think

The secretary of war is asking congress to enact a law whereby General Pershing may be retained on the active list of the army after he reaches the retirement age in September, 1924. To do this a special bill would have to be passed in the isolated case of General Pershing, or that clause of the existing law requiring retirement at the age of 64 would have to be amended or nullified, thus retaining officers indefinitely who have political influence sufficient to prevent retirement.

The secretary asks this preference for General Pershing on the basis of his services in the world war, and it is far from our desire to cast any reflections upon those services.

But it occurs to us that there are other generals who served in the war with distinction, whose services were of inestimable value to our country, who are physically fit and mentally alert, and yet who have since the war been retired from the service because they have reached the age of 64.

If it is right to retain General Pershing in the service after he reaches the age of retirement, for the good of our country, as the secretary says, then it is equally vital that these other valorous and distinguished officers who have been retired be restored to the active list of the army and retained in the service—for the good of our country.

Many major generals who commanded fighting divisions in the war have since reached the age limit and been promptly retired, as the law requires. No estimate can be placed upon the tremendous value of the experience and lessons learned by them at the cannon's mouth. They are too immeasurably great to be sacrificed, too precious to be cast aside, too vitally necessary to our future security to be swept into the discard.

If we need the continued services of General Pershing we are equally in need of the services of these other distinguished and efficient leaders, who performed so nobly in wresting victory from certain defeat.

It is a cardinal principle of the army to be fair and just in all things, and General Pershing, as its head, would, we think, be the last to ask discriminatory legislation in his own behalf.

Congress should be just to these other gallant officers, or leave the law as it stands.

Don't begin the new year with a frown. Smiles will make the time seem shorter, sweeter, and more profitable.

Never mind those good resolutions. It is better to live up to them without making them.

The price of a subscription looks just as good to us in 1924 as it did in 1923. Or did we get yours in 1923?

Old Santa didn't stay long, but he did a lot of good while here.

'What's in a Name?' By MILDRED MARSHALL. Facts about your name, its history, meaning, whence it was derived, significance, your lucky day, lucky jewel.

SUSAN SUSAN first comes to light as a feminine name in the guise of Schuschnach, meaning a lily. It belonged to one of the holy women of the sepulchre and was likewise in the calendar for two virgin martyrs by the name of Susanna, who suffered in the times of persecution, though they were never commemorated in the Western church.

Queen Susanna, "the Lily of Tiflis," also died a martyr in the hands of the Mahometans, so Susan and its derivatives may well be said to be a holy name.

Susanna was the beautiful and virtuous wife of Joachim in the Apocryphal "History of Susanna." Her chastity questioned by certain Jewish elders, she was condemned by law.

The name and its derivatives are popular throughout England, France and Switzerland. It becomes Susie in Scotland where Jameson's popular songs give a Scottish version of the story of Becket's parents where the Eastern maiden is introduced:

This Moor he had but a daughter, Her name was called Susie Pye; And every day as she took the air, Near Beicham's prison gaed she by.

The English diminutive for Susan is Sue and Suky; France has called her Suzette and Suzanne; in Switzerland the name appears as Zosa and Zosel. Germany claims Susanne, Suchen and Susi. Perhaps the quaintest derivative is the Bavarian popular name, Sanrl.

The sapphire with its mysterious azure depths is the jewel which superstition links with the destiny of Susan. It has the power to preserve the wearer from harm, protect her from storms and poison, and attract divine favor for its owner. To dream of sapphires is a sign of a journey. Thursday should be a fortunate day for the wearer of a sapphire and 2 her lucky number.



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The Why of Superstitions By H IRDING KING

IN NORTHERN New England and in the maritime provinces of Canada a popular cure for a child suffering from congenital hernia is to pass it nine times through a split mountain ash (rowan) tree. This must be done at sunrise and some say that the operation must be performed in the presence of the parents and upon the morning of May 1. In some sections it is believed that if a person cured in this manner afterwards sits by a fire in which mountain ash is burning he will feel great pain.

This superstition exists in this country in almost the exact form in which it exists in rural England, where it has been known from the earliest days reached by tradition. The number of times which the child should be passed through the split tree varies in different localities and in England the true ash is the designated tree. Sunrise is always designated for the time of the cure, but in some localities only is the date of May 1 mentioned.

The "strict constructionists" assert that the opening in the tree must be split so that it runs east and west and the child passed through it toward the rising sun.

This superstition is a mixture of survivals of tree-worship, sun-worship and sympathetic magic. First there is the mystic rowan so closely identified with the true ash, the Norseman's tree of life. The child is passed through toward the rising sun, thus being dedicated to the sun-god. Then there is the passing of the child through a narrow opening in the sides of which, it is hoped, his affliction will become entangled and detached from his body.

In his book, "The Evil Eye," Elworthy cites this superstition as one of the many which refute those who doubt that idolatry still persists among us, notwithstanding all our enlightenment and culture. "For," says he, "it surely partakes of both sun-worship and sympathetic magic."

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A GOOD ANSWER. Why do you want five cents son? Well, you see, me father disinherited me dis morning so I'm goin' in business for mesself.

Wishing You A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

There is nothing so valuable as friends and nothing so necessary as to keep them.

Not because it is an honored custom, but because of the sincerity of our appreciation of our friendly business relations with you, we extend best wishes for a most prosperous year for each of our customers.

We had a fair year and you have helped to make it such. May our business relations not only be pleasant throughout the new year, but may they be mutually profitable.

The Crowell Dry Goods Co., Inc.

Have that old broken piece welded like new.—Swaim's Garage.

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Say "Bayer" and Insist!



Accept "Bayer Tablets of Aspirin" only. Each unbroken package contains proper directions. Handy boxes of twelve tablets cost few cents. Drug-gists also sell bottles of 24 and 100. Aspirin is the trade mark of Bayer Manufacture of Monoaceticacidester of Salicylicacid. 186-F

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A nice quiet homelike place, where you can have the comforts of a home with the advantages of a light, sanitary, up-to-date operating room ready for any emergency. Under the care of the best of nurses with my careful personal attention.

T. S. EDWARDS, Surgeon

Pebbles Picked Up in Passing

The presidential campaign is in full swing, with politicians scurrying in every direction in the interest of their respective favorites.

In the Republican camp the open arena fight seems to be between President Coolidge and Senator Hiram Johnson of California.

In the mists of the background stands a towering sphinx in the person of former Governor Lowden of Illinois, silent as the grave, but with millions watching intently his every move.

In Pennsylvania Governor Pinchot is openly waging war on the president. He, too, is a potent possibility.

Others have ambitions, some are possible, but few have achieved any degree of prominence in the present race.

It is a merry fight in the Republican camp, with the victor yet to be named.

Democratically speaking, the two outstanding personages are former Secretary of the Treasury William Gibbs McAdoo and Senator Oscar W. Underwood.

Both are so strong in their party it is difficult to predict who will be the Democratic standard bearer. One thing, however, seems morally certain in this presidential campaign. The mantle of leadership in both parties will fall upon political giants who are known by their deeds, and not merely through the praise of campaign orators and spellbinders.

As you begin the new year speak a good word for our schools, and our churches, and our business and professional men, and our neighbors and friends, and for humanity in general. Speak a good word for the community, and keep on speaking, until others get the habit and begin speaking with you.

It is a good thing for the town, and in time others will begin to speak well of you.

Good times are prophesied for 1924, and if every person in this community begins now to lay up a store in anticipation of the next period of business stagnation we will live in plenty while others do the yelping.

If you like your home town, tell everybody about it. It must be worth liking or you wouldn't like it. And if it is worth liking it is worth talking about.

But if you don't like it don't let it stop at that. Go to work and do something to convert it into a town that you like.

Perhaps the one thing the town most needs may take root in your own brain.

Why kick about the amount of booze that is floating around the country in these days of prohibition?

What have you done to eliminate it?

What have you done to aid the officers in enforcing the law?

Kick when you have a right to kick, but don't kick until you have.

If you see a hat in the street, kick it. If it has a brick under it, kick it again. They you will know that the kicker injures himself most of all.

In Europe the dove of peace has degenerated into a buzzard.

Sends Check from Alabama

H. M. Ferrin sends the News a check for a year's subscription. He and Mrs. Ferrin are still at Fairhope, Ala., and say they will likely remain there until March. He says the climate is very healthful there and is a very fine place for old people. He states that about half the population of the city are aged persons.

Begin right, stay right, and you will end right. Of course the other fellow doesn't do it, but why shouldn't you?

A man may meet with reverses, but he is never a failure until he admits it himself.

I have 110 acres land 4 miles south-west of town will sell. Take some stock.—W. J. Carter.

It will be a year of plenty to those who help themselves and keep what they get.

And it will be just another year of what you make it.

HUMOR

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Bribery in the Pantry
Grace—"Oh! Stealing jam! I'm going to tell mama!"
Freddy—"Wouldn't you rather have some jam?"

Dad Again
"What's the trouble?"
"The car won't run."
"What's the matter?"
"Pa's been fixing it again."

Almost
A certain school teacher had a great deal of trouble in making a boy understand his lesson and when he finally succeeded he drew a long breath and said, "Well, if it wasn't for me you'd be the biggest donkey in the state."

A Case in Short Circuit Court
A chap was arrested for assault and battery and brought before the judge.

Judge (to prisoner)—"What is your name, your occupation and what are you charged with?"

Prisoner—"My name is Sparks, I am an electrician, and I am charged with battery."

Judge—"Officer, put this guy in a dry cell."

So We Think

"Is this airplane absolutely safe?" asked the prospective buyer.

"Safest on earth," grunted the maker, critically.

Small Sport

"Come on," said the first flea, as he hopped from the brown bear's left foreleg, "come over and join me at a short game of golf."

"Golf!" exclaimed the second flea, hastily laking a bite of hyena, "where in the realm of Barnum are we going to play golf?"

"Why," said the first flea, "over on the lynx, of course."

Healthy

Visitor—"So you really think Yarmouth is a healthy place?"

Native—"Healthy! Why, we cure herrings here after they're dead!"

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Foard.

In County Court,
THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Foard County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published in the Foard County News, a newspaper of general circulation published in said county, at least once a week for ten consecutive days before the return day hereof, the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all persons interested in the estate of J. F. Sparks, deceased.

You are hereby notified that R. E. Sparks has filed in the County Court of Foard County, Texas, an application for letters of administration upon the estate of said J. F. Sparks, deceased, which said proceeding will be heard by said court on the 3rd day of March, 1924, at the court house of said county, in Crowell, at which time all persons interested in said estate are required to appear and answer said proceeding, should they desire to do so.

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

Witness my hand and official seal, at Crowell, Texas, this 28th day of December, 1923.

GRACE NORRIS, Clerk,
29 County Court, Foard Co., Texas.

Going and Coming

The old year fades away, and the god of time ushers in the infant of 1924.

The years come, and they go, and are seen no more, but they leave a heritage that even time itself can not efface.

In 1923 we have had our ups and our downs, but they have been principally ups. Business has been reasonably good, employment has been plentiful, and contentment has been close to general in its scope.

In past years the approach of a presidential election has meant uncertainty, unrest, and a considerable degree of commercial and financial apprehension, if not stagnation.

The coming election has produced no jolt or jar. It seems to have had no appreciable effect, except to convince the public that our system of government is so sound it approaches the unshakable—a Rock of Gibraltar among the nations of the earth.

Legislation is required to relieve certain classes of our citizens from apparent injustice, but that is a matter that will undoubtedly be regulated by the new congress.

Everything considered, the outlook is bright—very bright.

Be an optimist, and its brightness will not be dimmed.

Senior B. Y. P. U. Program
Song. Prayer. Song.
Lesson topic—"The gospel in a nutshell."—John 3:16.
Leader—Edgar Kimsey.
Introduction—Lettie Meadors.
The fact of God's love—Nettie Eldridge.
The character of God's love.—Gertrude Ford.
The measure of God's love—Aileen Thompson.
The purpose of God's love—Mayo Andrews. Benediction.

Margaret Methodist Church
Rev. O. P. Clark, the presiding elder of the Vernon District will preach Saturday 11:00 a. m., dinner on the ground. Quarterly conference at 2:00.
Sunday school 9:45; preaching at 11:00 a. m., by the presiding elder.
Epworth league 3:30 p. m., preaching at 7:00.
T. M. JOHNSTON, Pastor.

While setting a standard for others, why not live up to it yourself?

Our tears for the departed year; Our smiles for the one that has come. But remember the poor and needy at this holiday time, as God in His mercy has remembered you.

Being unable to make money, some people are content to make trouble.

Speak gently, smile sweetly, give liberally. That is what Christ would do were he on earth today.

Dr. Hines Clark

Physician and Surgeon

Office Russell Building over Owl Drug Store

Office Tel. 27 Res. Tel. 62

Announcement

Having purchased the stock of L. A. Beverly & Company, I wish to say that I am now in charge of the business at that stand and solicit a share of the trade in my line.

I will continue to handle gas, tires and all kinds of automobile accessories.

I want a share of your business and shall do my best to give you a service second to none in Crowell and full value for every dollar you spend with me.

Mack's Filling Station

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Home Grown Native Trees Especially Adapted to West Texas and New Mexico
"Grown at Plainview on the Plains"
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Ask about our Compass Cherry

Groceries Cheap

Our prices are right and they must continue to be right throughout the new year soon to be ushered in.

Our grocery stock is the newest in town and is first class. So we are not only offering you goods from a new stock but we are offering them at money-saving prices for cash. So we would say "Pay cash and pay less." You will find it a good policy. It will mean a protection to you bank account.

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New Year Greetings

To All Our Friends

With full appreciation of the generous patronage accorded us during the past year, we extend to each every friend and customer our best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous Nineteen-twenty-four.

Starting the New Year means to us renewed efforts and energy toward giving the best possible values, serving those who shop here as efficiently and courteously as possible, with one aim always in mind, that of giving entire satisfaction.

1892 **R.B. Edwards Co.** 1924

J. L. Johnson, assistant cashier of the Bank of Meadow, Meadow, Texas, was here for the holidays and ordered the paper sent to him. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Luke Johnson of the Thalia community.

Fred Hrabal left Friday for Ross, Texas, where he will take charge of his father's farm. Mr. Hrabal has been a resident of this county for several years. He has the News to follow him to his new home.

INSURANCE

Fire and Tornado

LEO SPENCER,

VALLEY FARMS ASS'N.

Cotton farming alone produced approximately \$10,000,000.00 in the Rio Grande Valley this year. The clay sub-soil land, without irrigation, produced about as much per acre as did the irrigated land. This clay sub-soil land has proven a success under dry-farming methods, for staple crops, and it is much cheaper. It is especially adapted to cotton in the summer and onions in the winter. We can sell you some of this land at a very reasonable price. We can also rent you good cotton land just across the river in Mexico at a cheap rate.

Our specialty is re-selling and trading irrigated farms. With the proper setting to citrus trees, followed up with care, the value of irrigated land can be increased tenfold within a very few years. We sell at the owner's price.

Call on or address the Foard County News, Crowell, Texas, or Walter G. Stewart, secretary, McAllen, Texas.

(We always have some trades both in the Valley and out of the Valley. We are a sort of a "Clearing House.")

Regrets Passing of Parsing.

It is said that English grammar as we studied it has been discarded, writes Mitchell Bronk in Scribner's. I certainly have found nothing resembling it in the school work of my own children. The more's the pity!

A language has its anatomy, which must be mastered in order properly to manipulate that language. How we used to take apart and put together again and pound the meaning out of "Paradise Lost," and the selections from Shakespeare given in those days! "Parsing," it was called. But so the English speech became a wonderful and living, albeit useful, thing to us.

John Long has accepted a position with the Crews-Long Hardware Co. and he and his family will now reside in Corwell.

BANKS ARE RICHLY HOUSED

They Spend for Buildings About One Dollar in Seven of All Their Resources.

A million dollars still seems to many people a large sum. Multiply that million 1,100 times and you have the value of the homes in which American banks do business.

Next to United States government departments American banks are better housed than any other institutions of any kind in the world, says "Gardner" in the Philadelphia Inquirer.

The banks have put about one dollar in seven of all their capital, surplus and undivided profits in buildings. A decidedly solid, even if not a liquid asset!

In the procession to keep the banks in front Philadelphia is in the van. New bank buildings in process of completion here exceed in value \$10,000,000. When erected, the old United States bank building in Chestnut near Fourth street, now the custom house, was generally described as the most beautiful building in America. Huge as it then appeared to be, it would be too small for some of our banks today.

It is hard to overestimate the moral effect of beautiful bank buildings.

Japanese "Movie Fans."

Recently compiled statistics by Japan's minister of education show that the motion picture is the most popular form of amusement in that country; next comes the public story teller, and, third, the theater. It is less than ten years since motion pictures were introduced into Japan and now there are 800 theaters devoted to "movies." The most popular foreign films are the ones with much swift action, Wild West scenes, hair-breadth escapes, cowpunchers and bad men of the wild and woolly West. Strange, indeed, must be the idea gleaned by the Japanese stay-at-home of the American civilization they portray.

Cremona Varnish Re-Discovered.

A maker of stringed instruments in Italy has discovered the secret of the renowned varnish of Cremona violins which used to give to the old instruments their marvelous sonority. He found the secret in an Italian manuscript dated 1716 and states that it is made with certain resinous substances and is not soluble in alcohol. The varnish was invented by the brothers Van Eyck and used by their Flemish successors. From Holland the secret of its making was brought to Italy by Antonello da Messina, and it became known to the Cremonese through some painter in the Sixteenth century.

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THALIA ITEMS

(By Special Correspondent)

We wish all the readers of this paper a happy and prosperous New Year.

Willie Johnson, son of Mrs. W. L. Johnson of Ayersville, sold his farm recently to Sam Tole.

Leslie Abston and family of Granite, Okla., returned home Friday after spending Christmas with his parents here.

Burtus Abston and family of Rayland spent Christmas day with his parents here.

C. J. Sherar and son, John, left last week for their home at Rush Springs. They will stop over for a few days to visit relatives at Wichita Falls.

Lee Shultz has moved his family here for the benefit of our school.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Roberts of Vernon spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. T. A. Johnson.

Charley Huntley of Collin County visited relatives and old time friends here the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollins spent the holidays in Henrietta with relatives.

Misses Pauline Pigg and Opal Cato came home from their schools in Garza and Hardeman Counties to attend the teachers institute and spend the holidays with their parents.

Clio Phillips left Sunday for Canyon where she will enter school.

Ruth Haney, Ruth Grimm, Pearl and Lena Ward and Bess Tole left Sunday for Denton Normal after spending the holidays with their parents here.

Miss Emma Maine who has been attending school at Denton and her brother, Frank, who is attending school at Arlington were holiday guests of their parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Maine.

Jim Banister and family stopped and ate dinner with his brother, Walter and family, Christmas day while en route to Tahoka where they are to make their home.

Mrs. Hugh Thompson and son, Bonnie, and daughters, Ellen and Mary Josephine, visited her sister in Throckmorton County from Tuesday until Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Farro, Mr. and Mrs. Manard and Mr. and Mrs. Walker of Rayland attended church services here last Sunday.

Loralee French entertained her friends Thursday night with a party. All report a good time.

Miss Ima Moore gave a party last Tuesday night to her friends and a delightful time is reported.

Mrs. Henry Randolph and family and Mrs. Lee Sims spent several days last week with relatives at Knox City.

Mrs. Maggie Killon has been visiting and looking after her farm business near Lubbock. Mr. McKinley of this place is going to live on her place this year.

John Worth Bennett and family of Erick, Okla., came in Saturday to spend a few days with her sister, Mrs. Hugh Thompson, and family.

T. L. Johnson of Meadow, assistant cashier of the Meadow Bank, enjoyed a few days visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Johnson, during the holidays.

R. D. Hopkins left last week for his home in Johnson County, Okla., and getting along nicely. It was a mistake about him being in the hospital and we gladly correct the mistake.

Ab Lawrence and family and two of Will Aubrey's children of Lorenza spent the holidays here with their parents and grandmother.

There was a nice community Christmas tree at the Baptist church and one in the J. A. Abston home for their children and grandchildren. Also in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Banister for their children and relatives which all enjoyed.

Mrs. W. T. Brown entertained her children and grandchildren and some relatives from Crowell and some from Margaret with a Christmas dinner on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Phillips gave a dinner Christmas day to quite a number of their relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Phillips spent Christmas with her parents at O'Brien.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Doty entertained with a dinner on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Barnett and baby and Miss Doris Quincey of Tahoka spent the night recently with her aunt, Mrs. T. A. Johnson while en route to points in Oklahoma to spend the holidays.

Tobe Bishop and family of Tahoka and nephew of Oklahoma visited relatives here Saturday night and Sunday while on their return home from Oklahoma where they visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Abston's children and grandchildren and a few friends took dinner with them Christmas day. There were 43 present and all enjoyed the day.

A. B. Wisdom received a letter last week from his sister, Mrs. Mickey of

Protect Your Stock and Poultry

Good outhouses for your poultry and stock is a very important matter. It requires more feed to keep them in good condition if the housing is poor. Therefore it would be good business to look to this matter and see that they are protected. The faithful old cow will give you better service if she is comfortable. The hens will stay on the job more regularly if they are protected against the winds. Besides, you are taking care of that which depends upon you for protection and which has been entrusted to your care.

This establishment has what you want. Call and talk it over.

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A. L. JOHNSON Crowell, Texas

Clovis, N. M., stating that their father, W. M. Wisdom, was at her home and getting along nicely. It was a mistake about him being in the hospital and we gladly correct the mistake.

COMMON DUST USED IN MINES

When It Is Mixed With That From Coal the Combination Is Nonexplosive.

Dust is generally regarded as an enemy rather than a friend, and housewives have always declared relentless war on the little particles of matter that accumulate on their shelves, but some people deliberately collect dust and pile high on shelves collect dust and pile it high on shelves.

When a slight explosion occurs in a coal mine there may be no immediate damage done; but the rush of air caused by this small upheaval stirs the fine coal dust on the floor of the mine, whips it into the air and leaves it suspended; and coal dust, suspended in the air, is a deadly menace, for nothing promotes the spread of an explosion more quickly; in fact, the suspended dust becomes itself an explosive mixture, which, if ignited, could easily wreck the entire workings and cause a frightful calamity, observes the New York World.

But science has found that when coal dust in the air is mixed with other dust it becomes harmless. Therefore in the mines are shelves, and on the shelves are piles of dust collected from outside—ordinary dust, such as housewives sweep away. When a rush of air stirs the deadly coal dust it also stirs this harmless dust and mixes it with the coal; so that the air is no longer a source of danger. Inspectors visit the mines and take samples of the dust in the air and if the mixture is too nearly pure coal dust the owners are warned to put in more of the common article.

Merchants Trades Day Matinee

The following merchants gave with each cash purchase of 25 cents or more a free ticket to Saturday Matinees at the Crowell Theatre.

Crowell Dry Goods Co.
Miller and Bain Grocery.
Ferguson Bros. Drug Store.
O'Connell Garage,
M. S. Henry & Co., Hardware.
Sanitary Meat Market,
Gabe's Confectionery and Sanitary Cafe.

Rifle Has Done Its Bit.

When a private stationed at Fort Benning was engaged in cleaning a rifle which he had just drawn, he pushed out a small roll of paper which contained the following message: "This rifle was used by Private Frank Webster 2010213, 1 Co., 125th Inf. I fired this point-blank at seven Germans, Oct. 7, 1918, in an attack on the Kriemhilde Stellung during the Meuse-Argonne offensive. On Oct. 11, 1918, I fired with this rifle 115 rounds while in the third battalion, 125th Inf. Gassed in the Death Valley near Geanes, France. Whoever draws this rifle can know it has done its bit."

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