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Other Pioneer of This County Answers the Call of Death

A message was received from John W. Fox of Quannah Wednesday morning stating that J. G. Witherspoon died that morning at 7 o'clock at the home of his niece, Mrs. Chedister, Okla., Oklahoma, and that the body will be buried at Quannah Thursday morning at 11 o'clock.

Particulars were given as to the immediate cause of his death, but it is thought here that likely he had died from an attack of the flu which developed into pneumonia. This supposition based on the fact that only a few weeks ago when the body of J. F. Cheek was buried here, Witherspoon expressed regret that he had a severe cold and could not attend the funeral.

The News is unable to get a historical sketch of Mr. Witherspoon's life, but we might say that he was one of the pioneers of this country and 20 years ago was one of the leading men here. He was not only known throughout West Texas but was known over the state. He served as representative from the legislative halls of the state. He was one of the Confederate veterans of the Civil War.

Mr. Witherspoon had been making home for the most part recently at his niece, Mrs. Chedister, at Okla., but for the last several years he had claimed Crowell as his home. We hope to get a sketch of his life in the next issue.

Orphan's Home People Here Saturday Night

W. F. Barnett and wife, managers of the Methodist Orphan's Home at Quannah, were here Saturday night with a group of children of the Home and gave an entertainment at the Methodist church at 7:30 p. m.

The house was well filled and the entertainment was of a high character.

As we understand it, the aim of this home is to show what the Home is doing in the way of preparing for usefulness children in the Home, who would otherwise have no opportunity to prepare themselves and who might become dependent on relatives who could not give them a chance in life. The children show that they have been trained and are being educated to become an asset rather than a liability.

Rev. Fuller called attention to this at the morning service Sunday and said that \$225 a year is the amount necessary to keep one child in the Home for one year. That includes food, clothing, and education. It is a very small sum and he puts the matter up to the church to make contribution to the support of the institution. It is doing a great work and is worthy the hearty cooperation of all members.

All the great denominations have their orphan homes and our information is that none of them are able to care for the number making application for admittance yearly. Great-hearted Christian people want to enlarge these institutions to the extent that they can care for more unfortunate youths and thus do a greater service to humanity.

Haskell Man Buys Confectionery

O. C. Kinnison of Haskell has bought Gabe's Confectionery and is now in charge of the business. Mr. Kinnison says he will make some changes in the arrangement of the building and will add a sandwich and light lunch shop.

Mr. Kinnison has moved his family here and will place five children in the Crowell school after the holidays.

Ed Newman, former proprietor of the Quannah Hotel, and family passed through Crowell Tuesday en route to Seymour. Mr. Newman has recently sold the Quannah Hotel for a consideration of \$55,000 to J. M. Berry of Morgan City, La., and it is said that Mr. Newman is planning to enter the hotel business in Seymour.

D. M. Wisdom was in town Saturday from Thalia and took advantage of our clubbing rate on the News and Star-Telegram. Mr. Wisdom and family will leave this week for Fort Worth to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Fox of Tell, Texas, were here Sunday visiting Mrs. Fox's parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Billington. This was the first visit the young couple had made home since their marriage on Sept. 25th.

Cates Takes Prizes on Buff Orpington

Jim Cates makes good showing with his Buff Orpington chickens at the poultry fair at Wichita Falls last week, winning two seconds on a pen of pullets, two thirds on a cockerel and a pullet and a fourth on a cockerel and a fifth on a pullet. All other pullets were placed in 6th and 7th grades with one disqualifying. He exhibited 15 birds in all.

Mr. Cates bought the cock bird that took first at winter show in Oklahoma two years ago as a cockerel, and last year first in color special at Wichita Falls show. The bird was owned by Adam Dongee of Vernon. Mr. Cates will mate this cock with his pullets and expects to get some very fine birds from this mating. He is well pleased with his success at the Wichita Falls show.

Character, Courage, Essentials in Life

Character and courage were the two great outstanding points in the life of John the Baptist, who had a real message, according to the discourse of the Methodist preacher, Rev. Fuller, in his pulpit Sunday morning.

It was the message that attracted the people of the cities in his day and caused them to empty the cities and brought about him in the wilderness. They were poisoned by the petty jealousies and strifes that had grown up in the cities and it was that great preacher who had a vital, living message for them. It was delivered by a man of sturdy character and with courage. It was a message that would satisfy.

The evil results of scrambling for social position, leadership, honor, wealth, etc., were pointed out. The effect on the church are blighting. Not only that but the extremes of dress and the following of fashions of many foolish kinds are discouraging practices to many who can not keep pace with such rapid going of the present day.

Unstability of character, conviction and courage to stand by it are too often present in human life. A desire to be on the popular side of public questions, regardless of the principle of right is too common. What the world needs today is men with conviction and men who have the courage that John had to stand by their convictions.

Crowell Boy Makes Good at Simmons

Alvin Borchardt, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Borchardt of this county, is a member of the Freshman class at Simmons College, Abilene. He is taking pre-medical work in that institution but has not decided whether he will take his degree there.

Young Borchardt graduated in the Crowell High School last year and while in his high school year distinguished himself both in his literary work and in athletic activities and is taking high rank in both at Simmons. He is now trying out for the Varsity basketball team, which is quite an honor for a Freshman.

He speaks highly of Simmons College and hopes that many of the graduates of the Crowell school for the year 1925 will attend the college next year.

J. R. Simmons, who has been living in the Black community for many years, was in the News office last Saturday stating that he is moving to Amhurst. He advanced his subscription to the News a year and ordered it changed to Amhurst. Mr. Simmons said he expected to get loaded out yesterday. Some months ago he bought a farm 3½ miles from Amhurst and has recently built a house and made other improvements, including the digging of a well. He says there is plenty of good water in that country at a depth of 80 feet.

DEMONSTRATION OF OVERLANDS POSTPONED

The Overland demonstrators came to Crowell Thursday to make the demonstration of Overland cars but on account of the very disagreeable weather it was postponed until a later date. Announcement will be made later for the demonstration.

Moves to Plains

Jim Clifford was in the News office Saturday and had his paper advanced and the address changed to Quitaque, to which place he is moving. Jim has purchased land in that country and will continue to farm.

Supervisor Says No Room for Growth in Crowell School

The work of classifying and accrediting the public schools of Texas is under the direction of the State Committee composed of six members chosen by the public schools and six by the colleges. This committee determines the conditions upon which the high schools are classified and accredited for the purpose of establishing educational standards, encouraging schools to attain these standards, and certifying those that have attained them so as to facilitate the transfer of students to any other school or college.

The regulations as prescribed by this Committee are administered by the State Department of Education through high school supervisors. In the visits of the supervisors and in their reports to school authorities, recommendations are offered in the spirit of cooperation and helpful suggestion, with the earnest desire that all school authorities will join with the State Department of Education in their efforts to maintain the necessary standards of secondary education in Texas.

In order that the schools may be properly certified it is essential that the minimum requirements as outlined in Bulletin 182 be met. To that end, the supervisor who recently visited your school makes the following recommendations:

1. That the toilets be kept in a more sanitary condition.
2. That hearty commendation be given the attention given this year to library improvement.

Book cases have wisely been provided for the various grade rooms. The high school library is carefully chosen, and more complete in some particulars than the average high school library. Painted shelves and furniture, pictures, and a rug for the floor, all are indications of appreciation felt for good books and of the recognition of the importance of attractive library equipment.

3. That further commendation be given the uniformly excellent type of teaching observed.
4. That the friends of education in the community be thoroughly awakened to the need in Crowell of a new high school building.

The present building is inadequate, inconvenient, difficult to keep clean, and, in some particulars, uncomfortable. The auditorium is used for a class room, dark, cold and inaccessible.

With the number of affiliated units Crowell now enjoys, proper housing and equipment are necessary, if credits are to be retained and further accrediting secured. At present the school has no room for growth.

The courtesy extended by the superintendent, teachers and school board is very sincerely appreciated.

AUCTION SALE IS POSTPONED UNTIL SAT.

On account of the bad weather Wednesday S. B. Middlebrook's auction sale was postponed until Saturday. It will be held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, and the Methodist ladies of Margaret will serve dinner.

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT AT RAGGEDY CREEK

An accident occurred at Raggedy bridge northwest of Crowell Wednesday night when the car driven by S. C. Duke of Flomot missed the bridge and plunged off the embankment.

Mr. Duke had his family with him and they were coming towards Crowell. Mrs. Duke was hurt rather seriously and is now in the hospital here. One of the children of the Duke family was hurt. None of the other members of the family suffered serious injuries.

The car was a Ford and was damaged but not beyond repair. The accident was caused by the dense fog freezing on the windshield so that driving was difficult.

Married

Mr. Rober A. Miller of Oklahoma and Miss Ella Mae Carr were married on December 9th. Mr. Miller is a young man 23 years of age and the bride is the daughter of W. W. Carr of Thalia.

The young couple expect to make their home near Thalia.

J. R. Allee and family were remembered by F. C. Borchardt upon his return from Southwest Texas where he killed two deers, the Allee family being the recipient of a quarter of the deer.

Play at Thalia Last Saturday Night a Success

"The Daughter of the Desert," a western play presented by the faculty, pupils and friends of Thalia school and under the direction of Mrs. Boyd, for the purpose of buying school equipment was a success, netting the sum of \$102.35. The play was given in the auditorium last Saturday night.

Mr. Selvidge played the part of a railroad surveyor with great success, while Mrs. Boyd acted "The Daughter of the Desert," to a perfection. The second leading part was represented by Charley Wood and Annie Mae Neil, representing a land owner and his daughter. The third leading part of the play was represented by Annie Wood and Miss Nettles, acting the part of a widow and her son, Clarence. Miss Nettles proved to be more than an amateur in making love to the daughter of the land owner. The climax was excellent, being reached in the fourth part where Alex Neil, representing "A Gambler on the Square," and Corine Haney, representing "An Indian Maid," played a very prominent part in revealing the mystery of the death of the late Mr. Arlington. Billie Banister had a part in this representing a Mexican greaser that proved to be the murderer of Mr. Arlington. Last but not least, Mr. Boyd played the part of Sheriff Jones to the satisfaction of all.—Contributed by one present.

Ginners Report Shows Three Times As Much Cotton As Year Ago

According to the Government's ginners' report for Foard County, we have already ginned nearly three times as much cotton as we had ginned at the same time a year ago. Up to December 1, we had ginned 15,494 bales, as compared with 5,689 at the same date a year ago.

There is still some cotton to be gathered and this report is for the season up to Dec. 1, three weeks back. In all probability the total will approximate 18,000 bales for the season, the biggest cotton crop in the history of the county.

W. L. Baldwin Dies; Body Is Shipped to Merkel for Burial

W. L. Baldwin died at his home northwest of town Monday after having suffered for some time with diabetes. Mr. Baldwin was born October 25, 1865, in Arkansas, being a little more than 59 years of age at his death.

The body of the deceased was shipped to Merkel for burial, going on the night train Monday night. Mr. Baldwin had resided here for several years and was known as a good man. He leaves some children, all of whom are mature in age.

FOARD CITY SUPERINTENDENT WILL BE MARRIED DEC. 21ST

Mrs. R. O. Tacket announces the engagement and approaching marriage of her sister, Effie Long, to Mr. William Charles McClellan. The wedding to take place at the Tackett home in Taft at 7:30 a. m., Dec. 21.—Corpus Christi Caller.

They will return to their home in Foard City where they will be at home to their friends after Dec. 23.

Foard City Parent-Teachers Club

The Parent-Teachers Club of Foard City met last Wednesday night, Dec. 11. We had a splendid program and a large crowd. We will meet on Friday night, Jan. 2, at the school building and go into permanent organization.

Mr. Hugh McLain, Mrs. Stone and Miss May King have been appointed nominating committee.

After the business session the following program will be rendered: Song. The needs of our school.—Mr. W. C. McClellan. Vocal duet.—Mrs. Stone, Mrs. Callaway.

Simple things parents can do to aid children in their school work.—Mrs. Frank Welch. Piano solo.—Miss Inez Sloan. Reading.—Mrs. Blakemore. Violin solo.—Ernest King. Song. All cordially invited to attend. —Reporter.

Crowell Band Is Newly Organized

Eleven Crowell youths enrolled as members of a newly organized band in the district court room Monday night under the leadership of Fred H. Roberts of Paducah.

Mr. Roberts was here last week in the interest of a band and left word that he would return Monday for the purpose of organizing a band and asking those interested to meet him in the district court room and the result is as above stated.

Those enrolling are Clyde King, Thomas Reeder, Herbert King, Chas. Ferguson, Fred Kinsey, Clinton French, Joe Roberts, Henry Teague, Nelson Handley, Virgil Greer and Vance Swain. In addition to this company of Crowell boys is Robert A. Miller, who has had three years' experience in the National Guard band. He expects to be a regular pupil for his own improvement and to assist in making the Crowell band a success.

Mr. Roberts has taught band music for a number of years and has been very successful wherever he has taught. He is now leader of the Chamber of Commerce band at Paducah, having been recently employed by that body to lead the band of that city. He has a good live bunch of boys in his band there and thinks he will have no trouble in building up one in Crowell. He is well pleased with the start already made and believes several more boys will come in later.

He will make two trips to Crowell a week, one on Monday and the next one on Friday of each week.

Mr. Roberts states that he has met with splendid encouragement among the business men of Crowell and he thinks they will give this matter their hearty cooperation.

The News feels that it is a rare opportunity offered to boys here and would be glad to see our town build up one of the best bands in this country, as it can do by giving Mr. Roberts the proper assistance.

About half the boys enrolling in the band already have instruments and others gave their orders to Mr. Roberts for instruments, so that tonight when the boys meet for the first time under the instruction of their new master most of them will have their instruments and will be ready to start off right at the beginning.

One Bale to Acre Record on 50 Acres

T. L. Ward would have us know that he has not done so badly in the production of cotton this season, and when he tells us that he made 50 bales on 50 acres, we are bound to agree with him.

On his entire crop of 160 acres he has already picked 120 bales and is not quite done picking. That means that he has already gathered three-fourths of a bale on an average, which is exceedingly good for an entire crop. It is not likely that many can give a better report of a crop of 120 acres. If there are any who can do it, the columns of the News are open for such reports.

Shower for Newly Weds

Mrs. Leo Spencer and Mrs. Geo. Allison invited a number of friends to the home of Mrs. Allison on Tuesday afternoon, the occasion being a shower for Mr. and Mrs. Tanner Billington. The beautiful home was decorated and a special chair arranged for the bride. After the crowd gathered and had been served to punch by Miss Ella Patton, Mrs. Spencer, in a sweet way introduced the honor guest and immediately the program began.

Everyone present enjoyed the excellent musical numbers given by Mrs. Sam Crews, Dorothy Florence Hinds, Mrs. Arnold Rucker and Frances Allison. A reading, "Does Marriage Pay?" was given by Frances Allison.

At this time the program was interrupted by the messenger boy with a telegram mentioning a package at the express office for Mrs. Allison and Mrs. Spencer. It was sent for but a close look revealed the name of Mrs. J. T. Billington instead, and upon opening the huge package it was found to contain fifty useful and beautiful articles for which the honoree thanked the hostesses and everyone that remembered them so kindly.

Toasts were given by Mesdames Couch, Oswalt, Griffith and Miss Mary Clayton Giddings, to the bride, the groom, and the girls left behind. —Contributed.

R. H. Cooper Makes Good Showing with Rhode Island Reds

R. H. Cooper, one of the leading breeders of S. C. Rhode Island Reds, won some good prizes at the Wichita Falls poultry show last week, going up against some of the keenest competition in the country. Birds were at the show from the most successful breeders in Texas, Oklahoma, and from some of the Western States, among them being Iowa and Missouri. Mr. Cooper took 4th prize on pen, 5th and 6th on pullets and 10th on cockerel. His birds were held in such high favor at the show that he easily got his price of \$50 for a pen of 5 pullets and a cockerel. Besides this sale he sold two cockerels for \$20.00.

Mr. Cooper is well pleased with his success and thinks he received a square deal. The judge was E. C. Branch of Lees Summit, Mo., one of the most experienced judges in the country.

Mr. Cooper purchased some fine cockerels to be shipped on approval. He does not disclose the price paid for them, but says that he is not content without having the best Rhode Island Reds to be secured in this country.

Riley Free Found Dead in His Bed

Riley Free was found dead in his bed by Mrs. Free at their home in Chillicothe Friday morning about 3 o'clock.

It is said that Mr. Free had been subject to heart trouble for about three years and his sudden death is attributed to that disease.

A good part of Mr. Free's life had been spent in Foard County. He was 34 years of age and about 16 years ago he married Miss Molley Belle Gamble, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Gamble of this city and old-time residents of the county.

Since having married they have spent several years at Chillicothe, but for the last year Mr. and Mrs. Free had resided on a farm belonging to Mr. Gamble in the Black community. A short time ago they moved back to Chillicothe and were making their home in that city at the time of his death.

The body of the deceased was brought to Crowell and buried in the Crowell cemetery Saturday.

He is survived by his wife and four children, three daughters and one son, also by his father and mother who make their home on one of Mr. Gamble's farms, the one known as the Averitt place in the Black community.

NOTED WEST TEXAS CRIMINAL KILLED BY OFFICERS IN CALIFORNIA

A wire was received by Sheriff Campbell here Monday stating that John Teal was killed Sunday morning about 11 o'clock by a deputy sheriff at El Centro, Cal., while Teal was resisting arrest. According to the telegram Teal opened fire on the sheriff and fired three times, missing the officer, when the latter fired into Teal's body, killing him instantly.

The dead man was identified by J. A. Kenner, who was a resident of Foard County for many years, and who is said to have known Teal well.

Shipment of the body to Texas has been postponed for positive identification that would satisfy the officers wanting Teal in Bailey and Castro Counties, Texas, where a \$1,000 reward has been offered for several years for Teal's capture.

One of the crimes with which Teal was charged was the murder of a young lady in Castro or Bailey some four or five years ago. Besides, he is said to have had several wives.

Sheriff Campbell has been on Teal's trail for several years and at one time made a trip to Kentucky at his own expense, thinking that he had his man, but it proved to be another fellow. A later telegram from El Centro says that the body held has been identified by another Texas man and there seems to be no doubt about it.

Further action now awaits the arrival of a photo of the dead man at the sheriff's office here.

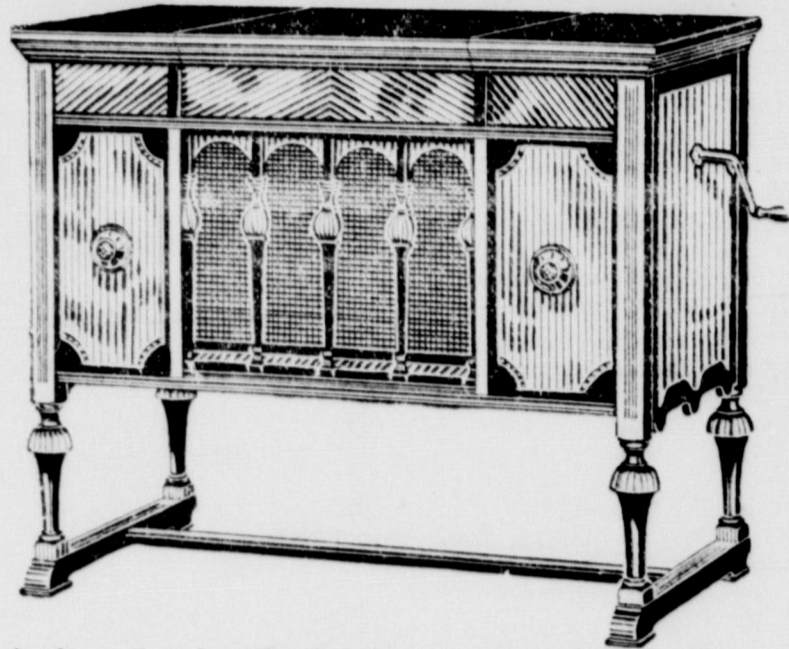
Miss Vera Waldrop Married

Announcements were received here this week of the marriage of Miss Vera Waldrop and Mr. Hervis M. Schultz on December 8th in the city of Dallas.

The bride was once assistant cashier in the First State Bank of Crowell and lived here for a number of years, having a host of friends in Crowell.

Suggestions for Gifts

Brunswick Radiola No. 160



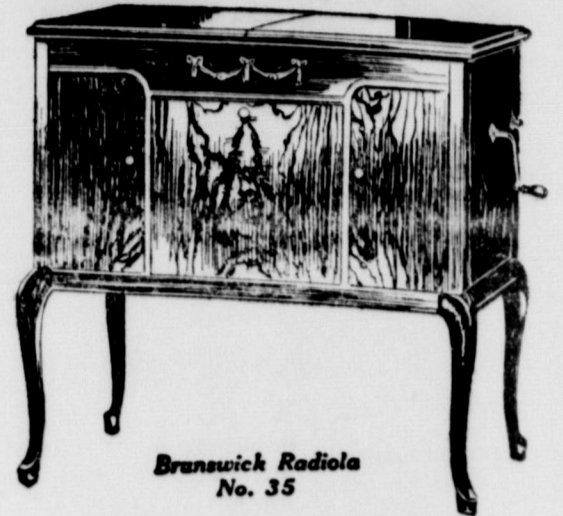
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W. R. Womack

ITEMS OF INTEREST OVER FOARD

Thalia News Items (By Special Correspondent)

J. A. Abston and A. C. Phillips were Vernon visitors Monday.
Dee Roberts and wife are visiting his sister, Mrs. W. J. Long.
Mr. and Mrs. Allen French and baby of Rayland visited in the Tom Abston home last Friday.
Quite a few from here visited the South Vernon oil field Sunday.
The play rendered here Saturday

night at the school auditorium was well attended. \$102 was realized which will be used for school equipment.

Pete Gamble and Mrs. Carroll Lindsey were called to Chillicothe last Friday on account of the death of their brother-in-law, Riley Free.

Bro. A. C. Phillips visited relatives and preached at Quanah Sunday.

John Thompson Jr. purchased a new coupe Wednesday.

Walter Johnson and wife returned home Saturday afternoon from a visit with his brother, T. L. Johnson, of Meadow, and other relatives on the Plains.

Miss Shirley Short returned to work in the phone office Monday after a long illness.

Mrs. J. A. Abston is spending a few days at Crowell helping to nurse her little grandson, Clark Rennels, who has pneumonia.

Jim Banister returned to his home at Tahoka Wednesday. His son, Roy, of Lockett returned with him to farm another year.

Mrs. Maggie French and son, Allen, and his wife and baby of Rayland visited Mrs. French's sister, Mrs. A. K. Edens one day last week.

Claud, Leotis and Charley Roberts, Alex Niel and Billie Banister are spending a few days on Wichita this week hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Self, Mr. and Mrs. H. Randolph, Belle and Leona Thompson were shopping in Vernon last Friday.

Both gins at Thalia have broken down and the farmers are hauling their cotton to Crowell, Margaret and Rayland gins, which makes it very unhandy for them.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Rollins and baby were in Thalia last Friday from Bailey High school in Hardeman county. Mr. Rollins was here with his ball team to play Thalia, the result being a tie—9 and 9.

Alex Niel, Billie Banister, Hugh Jones and Truett Niel and Misses Mattie Reid, Annie Mae Niel, Lora Lee French and Annie Wood spent Sunday in Burk Burnett visiting Mr. and Mrs. Brixley, nee Miss Mary Peder, former teacher of our school.

The families of Merrett and Geo. Moore, Luke Johnson and wife, Walter Johnson and wife, J. G. Thompson and wife and Tom Abston of Thalia, and Henry Moore and wife of Midland, brother of the Moore brothers, spent Monday at Lake Kemp. They returned home by way of Vernon.

West Rayland News (By Special Correspondent)

C. H. Huntley came in Friday from Plano. He will make his home with Mr. Gardner and wife who will farm on the Ab Miller place the coming year.

C. B. Davidson has purchased a half interest in a restaurant in Vernon Heights. He is spending the week there.

Eric Wheeler and family visited in the J. B. R. Fox home in the Ayersville community Sunday afternoon.

Frank Butler and Clint Edwards are at Amhurst this week improving their places which they expect to move to the coming year.

Kebe Short and family visited at Thalia Sunday.

Cordellia Coffman of Wheeler County, came in Saturday to spend the holidays with her uncle, J. R. Coffman, and family.

H. H. Hopkins and family of Vernon spent Sunday in the Mrs. J. M. Adkins home.

Loyd Porter and family are visiting relatives at Electra this week.

Mr. Lyeeth returned to his home in Wise County last Friday.
Arnold Young left Sunday for Red River County to move his uncle to this county.

The families of Elmer Key and Jarvis Young attended church at Rayland Sunday.
Hub Gregg and wife and L. G.

Ryan and wife have returned from a visit with relatives at Post. They were accompanied home by Bob Gregg for a visit.

Born to Luther Jobe and wife the 15th, a new boy.

Mrs. Thompson was here from Oklahoma visiting her sisters, Mesdames Sam Jobe and William Keesee, last week.

Mrs. Maggie French and boys of Crowell spent Sunday in the Owen McLarty home.

Mrs. J. M. Adkins spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. J. R. Coffman.

Lawson Farrar has purchased a new piano. A large crowd enjoyed a good singing at the Farrar home Sunday night.

Eric Wheeler and family visited relatives in Oklahoma the latter part of last week.

Vernon Butts and family spent Sunday in the Joe Culver home.

Dr. Maine of Thalia was called to the Bob Adkins place Tuesday morning to see Mr. Murphy who is threatened with pneumonia.

Items from Vivian (By Special Correspondent)

Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fish were in Crowell Monday.

Jno. P. Walling and children went to Ringgold to attend the funeral of Mrs. Walling's mother, Mrs. Seeds.

Arthur Sandlin purchased a new Ford touring car Saturday.

Bro. Wheatley of Crowell preached here Sunday afternoon. He was accompanied by Earl Norman and Misses Brian and Norman.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Fish and children spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Fish's mother, Mrs. W. H. Adams, of Crowell.

Carlos Gibson purchased a new Ford roadster Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Fish and children were in Paducah Saturday.

Elry Jones was in Paducah Saturday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Fish and children of Paducah spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fish, and

A. C. GAINES

Jeweler and Optometrist

CROWELL, TEXAS

children.

Our school turned out last Friday for the teachers institute at Crowell and also for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. McGee and children and Mrs. J. E. Parson were shopping in Crowell Monday.

Mrs. Geo. Bishop who has been real sick is getting along very well.

J. M. Soesbee and father of Anson passed through our community Sunday en route to Paducah.

Mrs. J. E. Fish is spending a few

days with her daughter, Mrs. A. L. Walling, of Crowell.

J. W. Carroll, Ike Everson and J. E. Whatley were in Crowell Monday.

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Good Things to Eat

Nothing approaches in importance on Christmas Day, the dinner that is served. It is the one meal of the year every housewife wants to be as near perfect as possible.

One of the first things to do, then, is to visit this store early and choose your groceries.

We are amply prepared to serve you with a large stock of staple groceries and dainties that are in demand at this season of the year.

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WINTER GASOLINE

Cold weather is here and still lower temperature will prevail. Take time now to avoid feed line trouble when it's cold.

Moisture that has collected in your carburetor, feed line and gas tank all summer, is lying there waiting to freeze up.

Clean it out now—then use the only clean, clear gasoline and then your cold weather fuel troubles will be over.

MAGNOLIA STATION

DOW MILLER, Mgr.

Black Community News

(By Special Correspondent)

Steve Mills and wife and Eb Scales Crowell of were visitors in the home of O. M. Gentry and wife Sunday.

Delmar Powell and family spent Sunday in the home of Jim Clifford and wife of the Jameson community.

F. J. Jonas and family spent Sunday with Mrs. Jonas' sister, Mrs. Jim Simmons.

Sherman Nichols and wife have moved to Grover Nichols' farm on the river.

Our school closed last Friday for teachers' institute at Crowell and the Christmas holidays.

Quite a few from this community attended the funeral of Riley Free at Crowell Saturday afternoon.

John Clifford, Tom Nichols and Arthur Sheppard were in Vernon Sunday.

Jim Clifford and family passed through our community Tuesday moving to their new home near Quitaque.

VACATION WELL BEGUN

Friday we were told to spend vacation to our best advantage and to enjoy it as much as possible. The juniors began this Friday night.

A junior girl, Bonnie Knox, entertained the junior class with a party at the W. R. Womack home. The house was beautifully decorated.

We enjoyed several piano solos, all of these were very beautiful. Some beautiful phonograph music was enjoyed. One of the girls gave several readings. After everyone had arrived we began the games and contests. A prize was given to the winner of each contest.

The refreshments served were very delicious and the favors were very much appreciated. Everyone left affirming this to be one of the most enjoyable parties of the year.—Reporter.

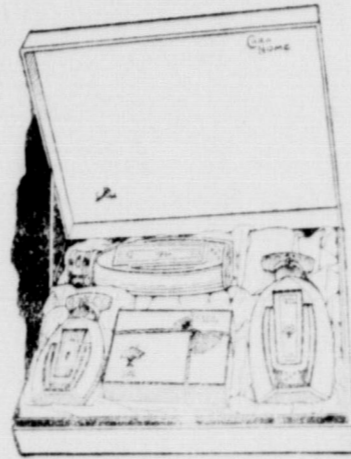
Get a Good Position

You can do it if you will take up the world-famous Draughon Training January 1. Ten times as many positions as graduates make it easy to place you at good salary. Write today for Special Holiday Offer on scholarships good at any time. Draughon's College, Abilene and Wichita Falls, Texas. 27p

Charlie Chaplin's wife is only sixteen years old. The newspapers didn't say whether it was her first marriage.

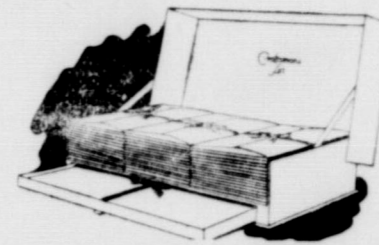
Violin bow manufacturers report a scarcity of white horses, the tails of which they use, but there still seems to be plenty of white elephants.

5,000 Items in Our Stock



MEMBER
TEXAS QUALIFIED
DRUGGISTS' LEAGUE

Legally
Registered
Pharmacist



A Suitable Christmas Gift.

It may surprise you to know that the average drug store stock contains about 5,000 items. We have never counted all the items in our stock yet we imagine that it is as complete as you will find anywhere. It is necessary for us to keep this big a stock to promptly supply your needs. There is hardly any article you expect to find in a drug store but you can obtain from us.

FERGESON BROS.

The *Rexall* Store

Christmas Party

Miss Thelma Thompson entertained the seniors and other members of C. H. S. as guests, on Friday night last with a "children's party." The costumes were in keeping with the type of party. Christmas decorations were used throughout the rooms. Games that we played years ago, such as "wink 'em," "clap in, clap out," "donkey party," and others were played. A great deal of merriment was afforded by the impromptu program. Then last, the door to a room that had previously been kept closed, was thrown open and we saw a beautifully decorated Christmas tree. Mr. Thompson acted as "Santa" in calling the presents from the tree. Everybody received a gift and a bag of fruit and candy from the tree. After this we departed thanking our hostess heartily for a pleasant evening.—A Guest.

When it is dangerous to tell others the truth, you can still tell it to yourself.

Prohibition and politics mix about as well as oil and water.

An airplane is going to race with the moon's shadow. But could you call it a race?

DR. H. SCHINDLER
Dentist
Bell Building
Phone Number 82 2-Rings

Knox City Sanitarium

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



Santa Says He Knows What You Want

And it is to be found here, if it is anything in the way of Hardware. This store has not been unmindful of your wants and needs at this season and therefore we have a full line of goods suitable for Christmas gifts, articles of utility, articles that you will find a use for every day in the year. Here are some suggestions:

Silverware,
Console and Comport Sets
from Holland,
Colored Cut Glass from
Holland,
Genuine Cut Glass,
Lunch or Tea Sets,
China Bowls,
A full line of Aluminum and
Enamel Ware, and many
other articles the wife and

mother would like. Come and see for yourself what we have to offer you.

For the boys and men we have to offer for the Holiday buying such as—
Airguns,
Rifles and shotguns,
Ammunition, etc.

For the kiddies we have a large assortment of toys.

Crews-Long Hardware Company

The world may be upside down, but no one has fallen off, according to late reports.

Not all people who come out flat-footed for something or other have fallen arched.

The President's plan for economy might here before Christmas make a hit with Father.

Deliberation is the soul of wisdom, but it's possible to be both too deliberate and too wise.

Interest on the public debt will be reduced \$35,000,000 next year, if that's of interest to you.

Common sense is a very uncommon commodity.

Get Back Your
Grip On Health—
or NO COST!

Take
KARNAK
The Amazing New
Medical Sensation

Notice the quick difference in the way you eat, sleep, look and feel—the remarkable improvement in your health, strength and energy, after taking 2 bottles! If not, the Karnak agent will refund your money.

Karnak is sold in Crowell by Ferguson Bros.; and by leading druggists in every town.



Yuletide Grocery Needs

It's amazing how much everybody at the Christmas dinner table can eat—so 'tis best to be prepared with plenty of everything you'll need in the line of Groceries.

We suggest you fill your Christmas shopping basket with nuts, fruits, cakes, etc., at this store.

Or if it is something in staples, we have it.

Matthews-Crawford Grocery Co.

THE FOARD COUNTY NEWS

KIMSEY & KLEPPER, Owners and Publishers

Entered at the Post Office at Crowell, Texas, as second class matter.

Crowell, Texas, December 19, 1924

Deaths caused by drinking liquor have increased 200 per cent in Chicago in the past three years, due to the "moonshine complex." Chicago's trouble lies in being too far from the seashore.

An automobile belonging to Booth Tarkington, the Hoosier novelist, was stolen and recovered, but some manuscripts were missing. Lots of budding authors would be proud of the fact if their stuff was worth stealing.

People who elect a man to Congress and then make sport of him put the laugh on themselves.

Another little fault of our times is the lack of detour signs just this side of trouble.

Dependable Service

I have made some changes and re-arranged my station in some respects. Can still give you first-class service and will appreciate your patronage. Come to see me.

IVIE'S STATION

West Side of North Main



Dec. 25 and 26 Crowell Theatre

THE HEALTH CHAMPIONSHIP

A flat-footed girl and a pimple-faced boy were selected as the healthiest girl and boy in America at the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago.

They did not win because of their flat feet and their pimples, or the swollen thyroid gland the girl had, or the discolored tooth or coated tongue the boy's examination disclosed.

They won in spite of these defects—and don't forget that.

The fact that a boy and girl with these physical handicaps won the "health championship" was printed in newspapers throughout the length and breadth of the land, and it will have a bad effect on those who do not stop to think.

When a man or woman lives to an extraordinary age, the press generally brings out that they smoked a pipe or had some other habit that is not conducive to longevity.

Those who "leap" to quick conclusions immediately infer that the pipe or the bad habit prolonged their life.

And flat feet, swollen thyroid glands, pimples, coated tongues and discolored teeth should not be emphasized too much because they are the outward manifestations of lack of care of the body, failure to observe healthful habits or an inherited weakness.

THE KNICKER FAD

Professor Shaw of New York university warns men to avoid knickers or democracy will go to the bow-wows.

His logic is that a man may wear knickers with propriety on the golf links or while hunting, but that they are taboo any other time; that if a man puts on overalls, he is dressed for labor; if he dons a sack suit, he means business, and if he appears in abbreviated breeches, it is evident he means to play or pose.

However true this may be, democracy is not in any grave danger of extinction by the knickerbocker fad.

It might seem serious in New York City, where those who play and pose are prominent, but out in the wilds of America outside New York, we have nothing to fear.

If a man has plump legs and a nice assortment of stockings of many hues, and enjoys wearing short breeches, let him wear them. He doesn't do it long out in the "open spaces."

If our ideals of government are not deeply enough grounded to withstand the knicker fad, then we deserve to go back to the age of class distinctions when a man who worked was not regarded a gentleman.

"Do You Need a Home?"

How would you like to stop paying RENT? Do you think you should own a HOME for your family? Has it not been your desire and ambition to own a home for yourself and family? If so, listen to the opportunity we offer you—15,000 acres on the market to HOME seekers, in tracts of 177 acres, 25 dollars per acre, small cash payments, balance 14 years at 6%.

LAND located 15 miles southwest of Littlefield. Come to Littlefield and ask for Ozark Trail out of town southwest, as we have no representative in Littlefield, and the signs will bring you to PEP where we have our office. If you want to know more before coming, write us or phone No. 4.—Alexander Bros., Littlefield, Texas. 29p

Tarver's Mattress Factory
Mattresses, comforts and pillows made to order; old ones made new. We use machinery. Beautiful ticking. Hays house, 5th block west of Hen-

A pretty girl can make a fool of the homeliest man, a twentieth century sage remarks. May we infer that a handsome man needs no such assistance?

"Silent Night, Holy Night," is one hundred years old, a Dresden dispatch says. Young folks will probably decide it's too old and stop singing it.

If Father does the proper amount of hinting, he may get a new necktie for Christmas.

One trouble with twentieth century digestion is that every time most organizations meet they have to eat.

Solve a dozen Christmas problems with a gift that only you can give—your photograph.

Quality and Service Studio

Heiskell's Ointment

That cruel burning inflammation is cooled and soothed by Heiskell's Ointment will heal it just as effectively as it does less serious skin trouble. At your Druggist, send for a sample. Johnson, Holloway & Co., Philada.



Santa Claus

Says:

"Give Gifts of Utility"

MOTHER and FATHER

FOR MOTHER

- An electric fireless cooker.
- Electric toasters and hot plates.
- New Perfection Superior oil range.
- A set of silver ware.
- A 42-piece dinner set.
- A set Pyrex glass ovenware.
- A percolator.
- An electric heating pad.
- Aluminum ware.

FOR FATHER

- A Winchester shot gun.
- A Coleman lamp.
- A nice Locket knife.
- A razor.
- A flash light.
- An electric lamp.
- A Thurmos jug.
- A set of auto tools.
- A case of shot gun shells.

SISTER and BROTHER

FOR SISTER

- Cut glass vanity box.
- Silver console set.
- Electric curlers.
- Cut glass bowls and vases.
- Nut sets.

FOR BROTHER

- A Winchester .22 rifle.
- A case of .22 cartridges.
- An air rifle.
- A Tricycle.
- A coaster wagon.
- A kiddie car.

For the Whole Family
A Star Automobile or a Radio

Our store is full of Useful Gifts

M. S. Henry & Co.

The House Where Service Counts

Eupion Oil

That knows no equal in value. Let us deliver you a barrel today and prove to you the

SUPERIOR

in kerosene.

It means the best oil that you can burn in your heater or cook stoves.

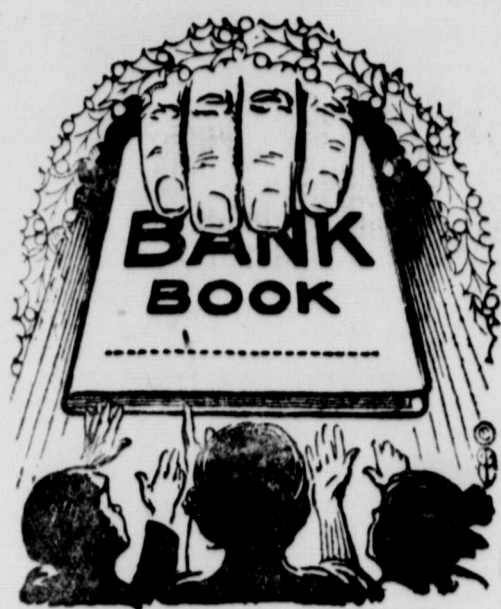
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Night phone 86



A Gift Worth While

A Bank Account in this Bank. Any member of your family would be agreeably surprised and happily satisfied to receive one. And then too, it would be the most practical Gift you could make.

Simply deposit a few dollars in the name of the recipient and, on Christmas morning, turn over the pass book to her or him. Then—watch the joy.

THE BANK THAT BACKS THE FARMER

THE BANK OF CROWELL
(UNINCORPORATED)

CAPITAL 1000000 CROWELL TEXAS

J. B. BELL, PRESIDENT
W. H. HILL, VICE PRES.
S. H. CARRISHER, CASHIER

Local and Personal

Our sale Saturday.—Self's.
Edison light bulbs are brighter.—M. S. Henry & Co.
A suit case.—Mrs. O. H. Hill, Post, Texas.
Send us your order for Xmas fruit.—Home Bakery.
A brighter light use Edison light.—M. S. Henry Co.
Saturday Sale 10 a. m.—7 yards outing for \$1.00.—Self's.
Rhode Island Red roosters \$3 each.—Ed Russell, 28p
Oranges, apples, candy and nuts for Christmas.—Haney-Razor Gro. Co.
Come to our store to buy your presents.—M. S. Henry & Co.
Gifts, beautiful and practical, for whom you love.—Owl Drug Store.
Ladies all-wool porechine dresses, choice for \$9.95.—Self's Sale.
Look at Poole's window. It will get to you everything for your Xmas baking.
Get the highest quality at moderate costs in our cookies, pies and cakes.—Home Bakery.
Help the Cemetery Association and buy a good program Christmas at district court room.

For quick results use want ads in the News.
Our store is full of Xmas gifts.—M. S. Henry & Co.
Secure your Christmas presents Saturday at Self's Sale.
Let Lunora marcel, curl and do your beauty work. Phone 48.
4 p. m.—10 men's sheep-lined coats, choice \$7.95.—Self's Sale.
Tires and tubes—prices that suit.—Kenner-Davis Filling Station.
When in need of coal or feed call phone 152.—Crowell Feed Store.
Oranges, apples, candy and nuts for Christmas.—Haney-Razor Gro. Co.
2 p. m.—Ladies all-wool porechine dresses, choice for \$9.95.—Self's Sale.
4 p. m.—20 ladies coats, values in this lot up to \$22.50, choice \$9.95.—Self's Sale.
A gift, rich in beauty and reasonable in price, is the gift you will find at the Owl Drug Store.
Dependable, quick battery service done by C. E. Flowers at the Exide Battery Station. Phone 53.
Let us grease your car and refill with Texaco oil, and see the difference.—Kenner-Davis Filling Station.
W. I. Stephens was here the latter part of last week visiting his sister, Mrs. R. L. Kincaid. He left Saturday morning for Vernon.

Lunora Beauty Shoppe phone 48.
Maize wanted by Bell Grain Company.
Service that serves at Kenner-Davis Filling Station.
Hear the National Trio Christmas night at court house.
Oranges, apples, candy and nuts for Christmas.—Haney-Razor Gro. Co.
When you have tire trouble bring it to Kenner-Davis Filling Station.
A Coleman lamp makes a good Xmas present.—M. S. Henry & Co.
Poole's window will suggest to you some things you may forget for your Xmas baking.
What makes a more delightful gift than an electric fireless cooker?—M. S. Henry & Co.
2 p. m.—40 ladies wool dresses, values in this lot up to \$22.50, choice \$9.95.—Self's Sale.
A beautiful selection of Christmas cards at the News office. Can print your name on them.
Cream, chickens and eggs wanted, will pay the highest market price.—Matthews-Crawford Gro. Co. tf
W. H. Terrell of Norman, Okla., was here the first part of the week visiting his sister, Mrs. Ida Cheek.
We have home-made brick chilli and pure hog lard at the City Meat Market at Haney-Razor Grocery.
Beauty Bread is a first rate health preserver and body builder. Ask your grocer, he has it.—Home Bakery.
I have a farm to rent to man who will buy stock and tools.—Walter Wilkins. Inquire at First State Bank.
Fresh oysters and pure pork sausage in links, also brick chilli, at the City Meat Market, Haney-Razor Grocery.

Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Teague of McAlester, Okla., are here visiting Mrs. Teague's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Seales.
Mr. and Mrs. John Hoard of Oklahoma were here the first of the week visiting Mrs. Hoard's sister, Mrs. Ida Cheek.
Our fruit cakes are scientifically baked and we use the best fruits obtainable. Place your orders early.—Home Bakery.
Rev. T. C. Willett, former pastor of the Methodist church here, and family were here Monday from Munday visiting friends.
Paul Zeibig and Gabe Sanders made a trip over the Plains country last week, visiting most of the towns in that section of the state.
Miss Lillian Finklea, trimmer for R. B. Edwards & Co., left Tuesday and will return the latter part of February for the Spring season.
For Sale—About a dozen and a half Buff Orpington hens and pullets, \$1 each. Two miles northwest of town on the Paducah highway.—Mrs. J. L. Kinchloe. 26p
Mr. and Mrs. Estridge Kenner have returned from Paducah where they had been residing for the last several months. They will make Foard County their home indefinitely and will go on the farm in the Margaret community.

Night Sale

Saturday the Last Day

We have never had a better sale in the history of our business than our night sale. To make it even better we have arranged three real live wire hour-sales for Saturday, the last day. COME.

10 A. M.

100 pairs men's blue bibbed denim overalls, choice \$1.00
7 yards best, heaviest outing for \$1.00

2 P. M.

20 ladies wool dresses, values in this lot up to \$22.50, choice for \$9.95
25 men's overcoats, values in this lot up to \$17.50, choice for \$9.95

4 P. M.

25 spools O. N. T. thread, 150 yards to spool, for \$1.00
10 men's duck, full sheep-lined coats, choice \$7.95
20 ladies coats, values in this lot up to \$25, choice for \$9.95

Hour sales last only thirty minutes from the time they start, and you must be here in person to secure these prices. No mail orders filled. Look them over.

Self Dry Goods Co.

One Price Cash Only

Xmas gifts for the whole family.—M. S. Henry & Co.
The National Trio will please you, Christmas night, district court room. Now is the time to buy your dishes. Our stock is complete.—M. S. Henry & Co.
Cleanliness is next to Godliness. Eat Beauty Bread—it is clean.—Home Bakery.
2 p. m.—40 ladies wool dresses, values in this lot up to \$22.50, choice \$9.95.—Self's Sale.
Our shop is open for inspection at all times. We are glad to have you visit us.—Home Bakery.
10 a. m.—100 pairs good blue denim overalls, bibbed, choice per pair, Saturday \$1.00.—Self's Sale.
Rev. J. E. Billington and daughter, Miss Juanita, made a trip to Plainview, Texas, this week to visit relatives.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cope and two children were over from Quanah Monday afternoon in their new Studer-baker sedan.

There are more calories and nutritive value in Beauty Bread.—Home Bakery.
There is one gift that brings more happiness. You'll find it at the Owl Drug Store.
For Sale some bundle feed. See Charley Gafford on my place.—Mrs. W. R. Tuttle.
Mrs. Reid Williams of Loveland, Colo., is here to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Self, and other relatives and friends.

Notice
No trespassing or hunting permitted in my pasture.—Furd Halsell, tf

INSURANCE

Fire, Tornado, Hail, Etc.
Mrs. A. E. McLaughlin

Greetings!

Imbued with the Christmas Spirit and desirous of spreading cheer at every opportunity, the officers of this Bank sincerely wish each and every man, woman and child in Crowell—

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

May supreme Happiness abound in every home and this Yuletide be a never-to-be-forgotten event. And may next Christmas find us enjoying the same pleasant relationship with our patrons that we enjoy now.

The First State Bank
Crowell, Texas



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Buy Your Christmas Gifts

Where you can get the best selection from the most complete stock in town.

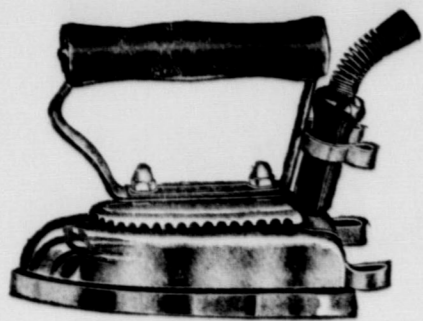
ACCURACY SERVICE COURTESY

Owl Drug Store
T. P. REIDER, MGR.
PRESCRIPTION DRUGGIST

PENSLAR AGENCY CROWELL, TEXAS

PHONE 27

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Haney returned Tuesday from Sheridan, Wyoming, where they had gone two weeks ago to look after the business affairs of Mrs. Haney's father, the late J. F. Cheek.
Will Gamble and his wife and mother, Mrs. J. R. Gamble, went to Knox City Sunday to consult Dr. Edwards about the health of Mr. Gamble, who is reported to have been poorly for some months.



**USE IT
While You
Pay for It**

You can buy this electric iron for \$1.00 down and 50 cents a week.

All our electric appliances, such as Ranges, Heaters, Cookers, etc., are sold on time or for cash.

Use them while you pay for them.

City Electric Co.

**Buy A
Jewelry Package
For
CRISTMAS**

After two auction sales I find I have left some of my most expensive jewelry and as I am determined to dispose of my jewelry stock have put the remainder of my entire stock into packages that I will sell at \$1.00 each. Nothing in any package cost less than \$1.00 and 75 per cent of the packages cost from \$5.00 to \$25.00. Every piece of jewelry in my house goes in this Box Sale. The Sale is for one day only, starting at 10 o'clock, Saturday, Dec. 20th.

Watches, gold rings, charms, bracelets, pearls, manicure sets and many other valuable pieces of jewelry, all go for \$1.00 each.

DON'T MISS THIS SALE

10 O'Clock Saturday, December 20th

A. C. Gaines, Jeweler

Toyland Sale

Don't wait until the last day to do your Xmas buying.

Only five more days left for your holiday shopping.

See us before you buy.

Harwell's Variety

North Side Square

FROM MR. FERRIN

Fairhope, Ala., Dec. 10, 1924.
Editor of News and Other Friends.

We are certain that there is great rejoicing throughout this portion of the Southland as it has been raining most of the time for thirty-six hours and about as fast as the soil would take it up. We have been here 71 days and this is the first rain that has wet the ground more than one-half inch, and farmers say no good rain since the last of July. They had a very hot summer and as a result not much of a fall crop. This coupled with the fact that the large acreage of orange groves was killed by the freeze of January 6th, the pecan crop being light, has made it very hard for the farmers, and consequently hard for the merchants. This had developed into quite a dairy section. The little city of Fairhope has two well equipped creameries, but the dry season cut all pastures short. Hundreds of acres were sown to oats and rye early in the fall, most of it still unspouted. The farmers are obliged to buy most of their feed and at high prices. Last year home grown truck was plentiful, now most of it must be shipped in. There is enough good water both in the city and country for house use but not for irrigation, and is seldom needed for that purpose. For genuine physical comfort it would be hard to find anything better than we have had here this fall, only one slight frost and no hard winds. This is probably one reason why people from the prairie sections like it so well here for the winter.

Since election tourists that stop here have been coming every day and it is now lively in a social and literary way. The Chamber of Commerce has fitted up tourist club rooms and placed therein plenty of material for games of various kinds, also provided for outside games. The rooms and grounds are open from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m. We have had two good literary programs. We have monthly literary programs in connection with the Organic School. The Sunday afternoon forum is getting a good start.

Anyone who will come here and enter into the spirit of sociability and good fellowship can pass a very pleasant winter, however this is not a choice place to camp out in ordinary auto tent, but there are plenty of furnished rooms and at very reasonable prices. Judging by the great string of crowded autos that are going into Florida that state is not lacking for tourists. Several families have been in this camp that have sold out in states far to the northwest and are going to Florida expecting to make it their home. They are well supplied with literature booming that country in the southern part of Florida. Some are coming out of Florida headed for Texas. If they are looking for a farming country in the South it is my opinion they are wise.

This little city has made some good improvements the last year and are on the eve of bonding the city for other much needed improvements.

In addition to the 39 cults represented here last year we now have an astrologer, and strange as it may seem, he is getting a following and is talking of locating permanently.

Anyone coming to this city should be able to find both political and religious associates to their liking. Wife and I both have our jobs in some of the many Christmas festivities.

With best wishes,
H. M. FERRIN.

For Sale

400 acres fine farming land about eight miles west of Crowell on sixty foot auto highway. Also public road in rear of farm. Black and red land, fenced and cross-fenced, two fields in cultivation. About 150 acres, most of the land not cleared good farming land easily cleared, scattering mesquite. Everlasting water at residence, pasture very level. Rented this year by W. C. Golden, not rented for 1925. \$35 acre payable, \$5 acre cash, balance easy payments. Could be divided into several farms. Reserve gas, oil and mineral rights. Write J. R. Irion, Dallas, Texas. 27p

Appreciation

We, the teachers and pupils of the primary and intermediate departments of Crowell public schools, wish to express our most sincere thanks to the members of the Columbian Club for the two portable talking machines which they have recently presented to our departments.

Signed:
MRS. F. E. DAVIS,
Principal Intermediate Dept.
LOTTIE WOODS,
Principal Primary Dept.

Sound sleepers never have any trouble with their conscience or their digestion.

Germany is returning to normalcy. Bandits killed eight people in a raid on a villa.

One way to get better babies is to have better fathers and mothers.



You'll Find His or Her Gift Here

If you are looking for suggestions as to what would be appropriate and what mother, father, sister or brother would appreciate this Christmas—just pay us an early visit. Our years of experience in catering to men's, women's, boy's and girls' wishes in the line of furnishings qualifies us to advise you in making your selections. Stop in. We know we have what you want.

BLAW & ROSENTHAL

We keep the prices down where they belong.

THE NATIONAL TRIO

The National Trio will appear here on evening of December 25th, at the district court room, under the local auspices of the Cemetery Association.

The National Trio is a play which has had a very successful tour in the last few years, throughout all sections of the country. This artistic trio will prove an innovation of great merit—worthy of the backing of the best minds of the community—yet capable of giving delightful entertainment to everyone.

The National Trio was especially organized by Mr. Elias Day, of the Arts Conservatory of Chicago, and bears the stamp of his approval. The program is unique, the personnel of the company being chosen personally by Mr. Day.

Two short plays will be given, with all the attention to detail that has made Mr. Day's work notable in the entertainment world. The plays are presented by artists of experience and thorough schooling, and to prelude and interlude these plays, music of such a character as to lend atmosphere to the plays is given. We can think of no program that will have more popular appeal to all classes of audiences. The program is interluded with child impersonations, and with vocal music.

The bureau furnishing these attractions recommends the National Trio as being one of the attractions which is a universal favorite.

At the Christian Science Chapel
Sunday services at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Testimonial services Wednesday 7:15. Subject for Sunday, Dec. 21, "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?"
The public is cordially invited.

People with lots of pepper in their make-up are the salt of the earth.

Fur Trappers

Wolf and skunk hides bought at Ringgold's Variety Store. Will try and pay you in Crowell, Texas, as much net as you will get in Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City or Denver. Try me out with a lot. Take no chances or gamble with your furs, when you will know what you will get before you turn them loose. The other way you don't—just take what they send you.

J. R. Beverly

Conveyancing, Abstracts and Land Loans
Crowell, Texas



It's a terrible blow to lose faith in Santa Claus, but still worse to lose faith in men.

Some Indiana college students painted a neighboring town red with paint. In the old days when they wanted to paint it red, they didn't use paint.

CONTRACT WORK

See me individually for your contract work. I shall be glad to make estimates on any kind of carpenter work you want done.

H. D. POLAND

Your Christmas package will not be complete without baby's picture. How about father and mother?

Quality and Service Studio

If you think you are wrong, up before you get backed off.

STOP THAT ITCHING

If you suffer from any form of skin diseases such as Itch, Eczema, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Poison Ring Worm, Old Sores or Sores on Children. We will sell you a BLUE STAR REMEDY on a 30 day antee. It will not stain your skin and has a pleasant odor.

OWL DRUG STORE

Dr. Hines Clark

Physician and Surgeon

Office Russell Building over

Owl Drug Store

Office Tel. 27 Res. Tel. 62

YES--

We are a hog about your meat business, but man enough to appreciate it. We have choicy meats of all kinds. We are no wfixed to give you first-class service. Try us and convince yourself.

CITY MEAT MARKET
In Haney-Rasor Grocery, North Side

Hot and Cold Baths First Class Shines

The City Shaving Parlor

An Up-to-Date Shop
In Every Particular

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When you want Feed of any kind you will find it at my store. All kinds of Hay, Oats, Chops, and all kinds of Cow Feed.

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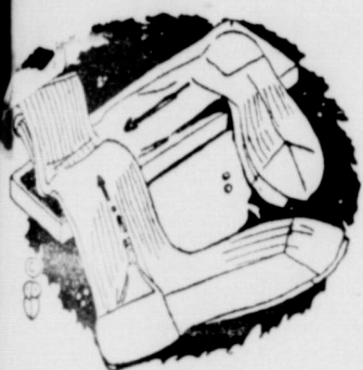
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Smart New Holiday Apparel



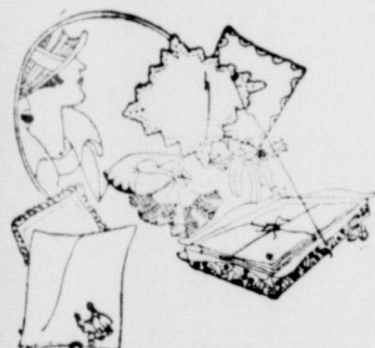
SHIRTS

that satisfy. Men folks never have too many. All the popular materials—roadcloths, Madras, Cords and Silks.



HOSIERY

A gift box of hosiery is always appreciated. For every-day wear in cold weather, fancy ribbed all wool hosiery. For social wear, silk hosiery.



HANDKERCHIEFS

All the newest colors and designs.



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A practical gift. Pajamas for boys and men in fancy stripes or plain colors. Durable materials. All sizes, real values.



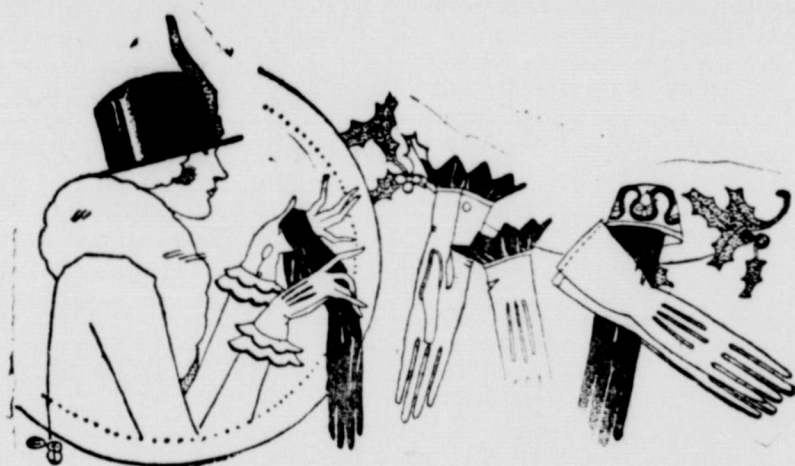
SWEATERS

—Knit, Silk and Wool. Brushed Wool and All-Wool. All colors and combinations.



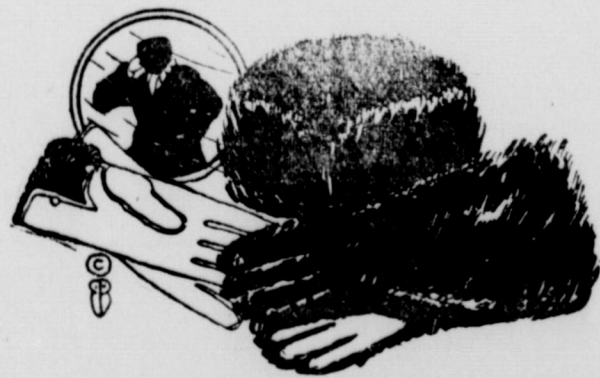
HATS

—Changeable Taffetas and Satins. Also Flower Trimmings for Mid-Season wear.



GLOVES

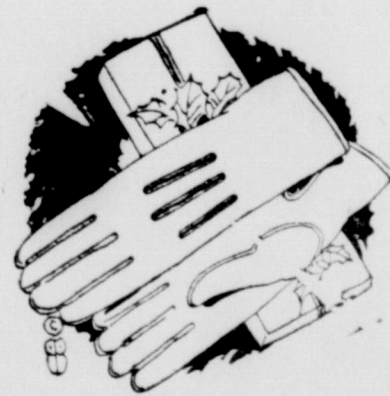
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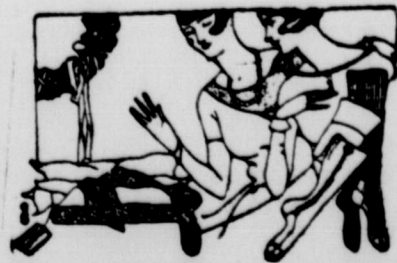
For His Personal Comfort

—during the cold weather. Our glove assortment includes Fur lined Capeskin Gloves which are both warm and durable. Outseam sewed. Fancy stitched back in colors—brown or black.



KID GLOVES

For social wear. Suede and glazed Gloves—very attractively made—in light tans and greys. All sizes.



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His Gift and Her Gift are in this pack. You'll see them on display this week at our store.

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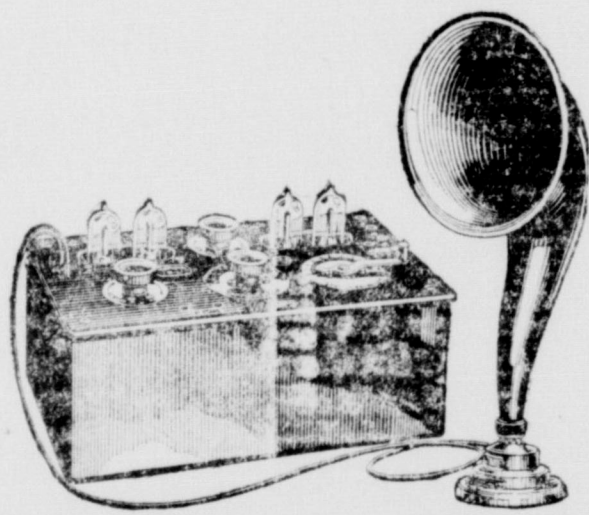
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A Prized Christmas Gift

In buying your Christmas gifts, if you can't think of what you want, think of Photographs, and kill a dozen birds at one throw. We do tinting and enlarging, have a nice line of Easel, and Wall frames, kodaks and kodak albums. Either of these items would make your friend the highly prized Christmas present. Something no one else can give. Call and see us.

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COVERS INJURIES CAUSED BY AUTOMOBILES, whether riding in, driving, operating, demonstrating, adjusting or cranking an automobile, or accidents resulting from being struck, run down or run over by an automobile, or by the burning or explosion of an automobile. No medical examination is required.

PAYS—

- \$25.00 Weekly for Totally Disabling Injuries.
- \$40.00 Weekly for Hospital Confinment.
- \$350.00 for Loss of One Eye.
- \$500.00 for Loss of One Foot, or One Hand.
- \$1000.00 for Loss of Life, or Both Hands, or Both Feet, or Both Eyes, or One Hand and One Foot.
- \$12.50 Weekly for Partially Disabling Injuries.
- \$5.00 Doctor's Bill for Non-Disabling Injuries.
- \$100.00 Emergency Expenses.

COSTS ONLY \$5.00 PER YEAR

LEO SPENCER, Agent

His Uncertainty

"How are the dances out your way these days, Mr. Johnson?" asked the able editor of the Tullnville Torch of Liberty and Tocsin of the Times. "Well, I don't prezizely know whether we've improved 'em or not," replied Gap Johnson of Rumpus Ridge. "But anyhow, we've made a rule that there sha'n't be no fighting till after eleven o'clock, unless it's about something mighty special or with fellows that have come over from Silppery Slap, and so on, looking for trouble."—Kansas City Star.

Nice Place for Cows

The small daughter of proud parents who live in Indianapolis, was visiting for the first time on a farm this summer and during her many wanderings about the place had visited the cow barn. One evening she was seen running out of the farmhouse, and when asked by her mother where she was going, replied: "Mother, I'm going out to the cows' garage."—Indianapolis News.

Problems of Immigration

Of the 11,000,000 foreign-born in this country, it is estimated that nearly one-fourth cannot speak the English language and that 3,000,000 others cannot read it.

Battery work quickly done at the Exide Battery Station. Also sell Exide batteries, the best on the market. C. E. Flowers, phone 53.

Hiding the family skeleton by defaming others is a poor practice.

Being a friend is one thing and staking you for a loan is another.

Short vision never lengthens your bank account.

Opportunity never uses the fire alarm bell.

Entertainer Coming Here

Miss Ina Sires of the Kansas City Schools, with her number entitled "The Cowboy As the Builder of the West," will be featured at the Crowell Theatre here next Tuesday evening. Miss Sires is a product of the great Texas Panhandle and knows her subject. She is a graduate of Baylor University and a reader and impersonator of rare ability. This is not a number of the vaudeville type, but is cultural, educational and inspirational as well as entertaining.

Dow W. Tate, superintendent of Paducah Schools, who was in Crowell this week in the interest of Miss Sires' engagement here, states that she is being booked for a number of engagements in neighboring towns during the holidays.

Margaret and Thalia M. E. Churches

Last Sunday was a good day for us at Thalia. Large crowds greeted the pastor at both services. We received five into the church at the morning service.

Rev. O. P. Clark will be with us at Margaret Saturday at 11 o'clock a. m. for our first quarterly conference. He will also preach for us Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Rev. Clark is more than a Presiding Elder, he is a preacher of the Gospel. Come and enjoy a feast.

T. M. JOHNSTON, Pastor.

SCHOOL CRITICISM

If the most good is to be derived from school visits of parents and other patrons, the school should have the benefit of any suggestions or criticisms that they may have to offer. The public schools are a cooperative enterprise, and to obtain the best results, we should all be thinking and working on plans for their improvement.

It might seem presumptuous for one who has not been in a school building since he graduated, to offer a criticism of school teacher or executive, but since school authorities always invite an expression of sentiment regarding conduct of the schools, patrons may feel free to say what they wish.

The parent-teachers association will offer a good outlet for such expressions, and every well-wisher of the schools is hoping that a renewed interest will be taken in this organization. It can be made a forum for discussion of school problems in an intelligent way, with the entire elimination of personalities, and with only one aim—school betterment.

And in offering criticism, school patrons should not do so in the spirit of finding fault, because such methods will not build up, but will tear down the school morale. Criticism given only with the best interests of the schools in mind will be of some value.

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We know how

Does your hair-cut fit you as well as your clothes? One just as important as the other. Be conservative—get an individual hair-cut or shave.

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Money back without question if HUNT'S GUARANTEED SKIN DISEASE REMEDIES (Hunt's Salve and Soap), fail in the treatment of Itch, Eczema, Ringworm, Tetter or other itching skin diseases. Try this treatment at our risk.

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Many a man gets credit for being smart by just sitting still and listening.

By the way, what has become of the formerly well known lone bandit?

Trying to make over the doesn't add any new recreation.

In union there is strength and judge severs the knot.

Saturday Specials

December 20, 1924

- 3-lb. Can M. J. B. Coffee \$1.00
- Irish Potatoes, per peck50
- Mothers Oats, for only30
- 16 pounds Pinto Beans for \$1.00
- 1 sack Cream of Wheat flour \$1.50
- 8-lb. Pail Swift's Jewel Lard \$1.25
- 4-lb. Pail Swift's Jewel Lard75
- Swift's Premium Hams, per pound35
- Swift's Premium Slab Bacon, per pound35
- 1-lb. Box Swift's Premium Sliced Bacon40

SOAP DEAL

- 16 bars Swift's Quick Naptha Soap for \$1.00
- 1 Attractive Shopping Basket for only50
- 1 Tin Sunbrite Cleanser10
- 1 Package Pride Washing Powder10
- 1 Package Quick Naptha Soap Chips10
- \$1.75 Value for only \$1.00

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Is Your Car Ready for Winter?

It should be fit for driving in cold weather. No test of an automobile's endurance is as severe as that which it undergoes in winter.

Let us tune it up and prepare it for the rigorous days ahead. Our mechanics are reliable and competent.

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We have been satisfying a growing number of customers for many years and we are confident that we can give you satisfaction.

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Remember the Alamo! Remember the Main! And remember that our maret is still doing business at the same stand.

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