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CROWELL IS GAYLY DECORATED TO WELCOME CHRISTMAS SEASON

Scene of Beauty Reflected with Colored Lights and Decorated Trees on Streets of Crowell; Working on Festoons

Crowell has ushered in the Christmas season by dressing up in the gay colors of its history. A truly beautiful spectacle is presented when the red, green and blue lights, that decorate the awnings and Christmas trees along the streets, are turned on at night.

The town will present an even more attractive appearance within a few days when festoons of red and green lights are strung over the street intersections at the southwest, northeast and southeast corners of the square. The festoons will be arranged in the same order they were last year, but will contain red and green lights instead of the ordinary white lights that were used last year.

The West Texas Utilities Company now at work putting up the festoons which have been made possible by Crowell merchants who have consented to an increase in the electric bills for the purpose.

Fred Allan, of the West Texas Utilities Company, has been in charge of the firm's work here on the decorations. He stated that over three hundred colored light bulbs had already been sold in Crowell and there is a need for many more. Many of the Christmas tree lights have been sold and there is a demand for any more, according to Mr. Allan. These will be secured as quickly as possible. The West Texas Utilities Company is furnishing all material at actual cost.

Julian Wright distributed around the Douglas fir Christmas trees in the business section last Saturday for an American Legion. Nearly every tree in town now has one of these standing in the flag pole hole and several have beautifully decorated trees and others are making plans to do so as soon as electric sets can be secured.

More Trees Left

The American Legion still has a number of various sizes of Christmas trees on hand and is desirous of selling these to anyone wishing them. The type of trees on hand may be seen at the legion.

Tourist Camp Being Completed West of Crowell by Gamble

J. R. Gamble has just completed a new tourist camp, six blocks west of the court house on the south side of the Lee Highway.

At present the camp has four living rooms and four rooms for housing automobiles. All of the living rooms and spaces for automobiles are connected in one building. Through such a plan one can keep his car under a roof and at the same time have it in a space adjoining his sleeping quarters.

When completed the camp will have six living rooms, two of which will be in a house separate from the main building. Mr. Gamble stated that he also planned to enlarge the camp as business justified. Although the camp has not yet been completed, it has been filled to capacity, he stated.

Each room will be provided with natural gas, lights, water, bed, chairs and a table when completed. L. I. Saunders is doing the construction.

CONDITION IMPROVED

Mrs. T. J. Boney of Spearman, Texas, formerly Miss Inez Ivie, has been seriously ill with the influenza for the past few days. Her condition was reported improved Wednesday night, according to a message received by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Ivie.

Shop and Mail Early

Too much cannot be said about the necessity of early Christmas mailing, according to Gordon Gribble, postmaster.

"Every year thousands upon thousands of packages and Christmas cards are not delivered until some time after Christmas because the people are content to wait a week or less before Christmas to do their mailing," Mr. Gribble stated.

Each year the post office department is confronted with a super-human task at Christmas times and better cooperation by the public should be offered to facilitate the work of the post-office department.

Mailing of Christmas packages should be done right now, according to Mr. Gribble. He also stated that if the people would tie their greeting cards together and mail them now, that they would be delivered as near Christmas as possible and that the people would be assured of securing better service on the delivery of their cards if they would follow that plan now.

in the window of the Russell building, next to the post office. The profit made from the sale of these trees will go into the fund that will be used for purchasing the doughboy and sailor statues that will be eventually placed on the pedestals on the concrete base on the court house lawn.

The trees that the Legion has for sale are the best obtainable and are being sold at very reasonable prices. The people of Crowell not only have a rare opportunity of securing a really nice Christmas tree at a low price, but can help an exceptionally worthy cause at the same time.

Decorations Everywhere

The gay-colored lights are not confined to the business district of Crowell alone, as a number of outlying filling stations have also secured them and a pleasant sight greets the visitor coming in from any highway, even before he reaches the business district.

Many attractive window displays, reflecting the yuletide spirit, have been arranged at many stores, along with the interiors of the firms. An attractive star and festoons of colored lights have been arranged above the awning to the Rialto Theatre. The M System has left nothing undone in decorating the interior of their store.

Home Decorations

Plans are being made by several local people for the decoration of their homes. According to Fred Allan several orders have been placed for lights to decorate the shrubbery in various lawns and about the residences to further emphasize the spirit of the holiday period.

When the entire decorative program is completed, Crowell will be one of the most attractively decorated cities for its size in West Texas, according to the West Texas Utilities Company, which is decorating many of the various cities that it serves.

The various decorations over the town not only beautify the town, but also serve to instill the Christmas spirit into the residents of the city and the visitors as early as possible.

MRS. H. T. KENNER DIED AT HOME IN MARGARET DEC. 11

Had Lived in Foard County Since Small Child; Funeral Held Thursday

Mrs. H. T. Kenner, 43, died at her home, about one-half mile west of Margaret at 1:10 a. m. Wednesday morning. She had been dangerously ill for the past two weeks and had been in ill-health for over a year.

Mrs. Kenner was born in Palo Pinto County on October 18, 1886, and came to Foard County with her family when just a small child. She spent the greater part of her life in the Margaret community.

On September 16, 1903, she became the wife of H. T. Kenner, her name at that time being Miss Allie Cordelia Goble. Five children were born to this union, four of whom are living. She became a member of the Crowell Christian Church in 1904 and lived a faithful Christian life since that time.

She is survived by her husband, one daughter, Mrs. S. E. Mills of Treott; three sons, Tim, 22, of Gilliland; John Henry, 18, and Elbert Ceay of Margaret; one grandchild, her father, J. H. Goble of Menard, Texas. One sister, Mrs. B. F. Hendrix of Mineola, Texas, and the following half sisters and brothers: R. H. Goble, Bryson, Texas; J. E. Goble, British West Indies; Viola Guest, San Francisco, Cal.; Mrs. Beulah Lee Spaldwin, Menard; Mrs. Pearl Harding, Electra; Mrs. Melvin Looney, Marvin Goble and Reagan Goble, all of Menard, also survive Mrs. Kenner.

During the long time that she has lived in Foard County, Mrs. Kenner made hundreds of friends that will long remember her sunny disposition and kind character. She was a devoted mother and was always ready to be of service to a friend.

Funeral services were held Thursday morning at 10 o'clock at the Margaret Methodist Church with Rev. O. A. Hood, pastor of the church, officiating. Following the services, interment was made in the Crowell Cemetery.

HOSPITAL NOTES

J. W. Davis of the McClung Construction Company is recovering from an injury in which his right foot was crushed on Monday.

Mrs. Horace Lee underwent an operation Thursday.

J. H. Easley is in the hospital on account of illness.

Miss Mary Lou Fudge is recovering from a serious sick spell.

The Vision of Christmas

IT WAS SURELY more than mortal wisdom that centered the Christian faith about a Child. Little children, with their laughter and tears, their joys and their sorrows, their sorrows, touch the better instincts of all mankind, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven.

CHILDREN ARE the center of the family, and the family is the center of the true spirit of Christmas. The radiance of Christmas shines into every crevice of human life, but only those about the family hear its joyful warmth.

IT IS A TRUE instinct of the soul which prompts us, at Christmas time, to draw the family together and be as we come again as little children.

Then the asperities of life are softened; the cares and ambitions of life cease their clamor, and Love settles upon the family circle. Even the empty chair may have its occupant of the spirit, and the "touch of a vanished hand" may be felt in the soft stirrings of the Night of Peace.

THE REAL Vision of Christmas is lost to those who fail to see in the family circle the symbol of the greater group—the Family of Mankind—and to catch in this season of goodwill on earth some glimpse of the Larger Brotherhood. Slowly, for nearly two thousand years, that Vision has been taking form. Although from time to time eclipsed, it invariably returns, bursting over every cloud of war and hatred, a little brighter, a little nearer, a little more defined. Whenever the call of sudden disaster or spectacular suffering is heard, generous hearts in every land respond. And in millions of uncalculated instances mercy is not strained and charity spreads its protecting wings as gently as falls the dew from summer skies.

GOD HAS ordained Christmas that once a year the harmonies of Heaven may fall on ears unsealed by selfishness, on hearts miraculously softened from the hardness of the daily grind, that in that hour of peace may come a clearer vision of the Brotherhood of Man.

Claude Dodd Home Destroyed by Fire Saturday Morning

The five room residence of Claude Dodd was completely destroyed by fire Saturday morning. The flames gained headway so quickly that it was impossible to save even a piece of furniture. Only a few pieces of clothing of one of the Dodd children were saved.

The origin of the fire is unknown. Mrs. Dodd and her children were at home at the time the fire started. According to Mrs. Dodd, the first time she was aware that there was a fire was when she saw a wall in a front room ablaze.

By the time the fire alarm had been turned in the blaze had gained too much headway to be stopped by the time the fire department arrived. A fire plug was also too great a distance from the residence to be used.

The residence was located in the northeast part of Crowell. The Dodd family is now residing in a residence belong to Glyn Shulte that is located near their former home.

Insurance was carried on the residence and had been paid in full by Thursday morning, according to Leo Spencer. The furniture was not insured.

Tax Collector Says Special Road Tax Is Misunderstood

According to Que R. Miller, tax collector, many people of Foard County do not understand the "Road Tax" against male persons in Foard County, that was passed at the last session of the Legislature. He stated that many did not know that this was a separate tax from others.

This law requires all able-bodied men, between the ages of 21 and 45, who live in Foard County and outside of the city limits of Crowell, to pay a \$3.00 road tax.

Any person subject to this tax who does not pay it shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars.

The money derived from this tax is placed to the credit of the road and bridge fund and a separate account is to be kept for each precinct from which the money is received by the tax collector.

Heretofore the able-bodied men of Foard County were subject to five days work on the county roads. The payment of the \$3.00 road tax now eliminates that requirement.

ARM BROKEN

Jimmy Self received a broken right arm Monday morning while cranking an old automobile at Self Motor Company. The arm was broken near the wrist.

FOARD COUNTY GINNINGS REACH 13,284 BALES ON DECEMBER 12TH

Gins Have Already Turned Out More Cotton Than Was Generally Expected for 1929; Season Is About Over

Up to Thursday afternoon the seven gins of Foard County had turned out a total of 13,284 bales of cotton. The three Crowell gins alone had turned out 4,902 bales.

It now looks as if the total production for 1929 will pass the 14,500 mark and many local cotton men are predicting that the total will run above 15,000 bales. Over two months ago the News made the prediction that approximately fifteen thousand bales would be produced in Foard County and a number criticized the statement, saying that it was from two to four thousand bales too high.

The ginnings of the county at present are as follows:

Vaughn Gin, Margaret	1,936
Rayland Gin	2,195
Thalia Farmers Gin	2,436
Thalia Gin Company	1,815
Crowell Gin Company	1,715
Farmers Gin No. 1, Crowell	1,532
Farmers Gin No. 2, Crowell	1,655

TOTAL 13,284

Various estimates were secured from the various gins of the county. Some expressed the opinion the crop of the county was about five-sixths in while others expressed the belief that at least ninety per cent of the cotton of Foard County had been ginned.

Many farmers of the county have already gathered all of their cotton, while others have several bales yet to pick.

S. M. Tole, who lives on a farm north of Thalia, has an excellent cotton predicting record for Foard County. It is one of his duties to furnish the agricultural department of Texas with cotton predictions. In a conversation with Mr. Tole Wednesday, he said that he predicted 14,625 bales of cotton for Foard County in a statement that he mailed to the department at the beginning of the season. Last year he came within 210 bales of guessing the exact production for Foard County. The production last year was 9,596 bales and he estimated 9,806 bales.

Foard County's first bale of cotton this year was brought in by C. A. Gloyna from the Rayland community on August 15th. The first bale for the year before was brought in on September 3rd. By September 27th, this year, 550 bales had been ginned in Crowell alone. On October 11th, Foard County had ginned 4,612 bales, November 8th the total had reached 9,006 bales and November 22 the total was 11,184 bales.

A. T. Schooley, public weigher, had weighed in 5,575 bales of cotton at the local yards up to Thursday afternoon.

UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

Mrs. E. Fisch and daughter, Lena, are now managing The Famous, dry goods store. E. Fisch of Frederick, Oklahoma, recently took over this store that was formerly operated by his son, Irving. Mr. Fisch was here Wednesday looking after business matters for the store.

JAIL MATTER DISCUSSED BY COURT TUES.

Responsibility of New Jail Rests With Public According to Commissioner Court

Considerable agitation is being made for a new jail for Foard County, according to a report at the meeting of the commissioners court Tuesday. After considerable discussion of the matter the court expressed itself as not being averse to any improvement in the jail conditions here, and that if the public wanted a new jail, it was their matter to decide and not that of the court alone.

In discussing the matter at the meeting it was pointed out that a bond election would be necessary before funds could be provided for a new jail and that if the people of Foard County were sufficiently interested in the matter of improved jail conditions that they could circulate a petition asking for a bond election on it.

The only way of securing funds for a new jail would be by a bond election, according to J. E. Atcheson, county judge. "Many people have the false idea that the commissioners' court can issue warrants for funds for this work, but the court does not have the authority to issue warrants without authority to levy a tax to pay for the outstanding warrant," Mr. Atcheson stated. "There is not a tax to take care of such a warrant in Foard County now."

The commissioners court of Foard County has done all that it is possible to do in bettering the jail conditions here. Only a few months back, its interior was painted and other improvements made. But with conditions as they are the jail is accessible to prisoners and are not only kept in an untidy condition, but also makes escape easier. In most jails, the outside wall cannot be reached by a prisoner.

The matter of improving the present plant is entirely out of the question for it would be just like throwing money away, according to county officials. The old jail was not built practical at the start and can never be made so.

It does not furnish a place for the safe-keeping of prisoners and is not a healthy place to keep a human being. With the jail as it is now, little improvement can be made in the sanitary condition of it, no matter how diligently the matter is worked at.

Two escapes within a week's time recently further bear out the fact that prisoners cannot be safely kept in the jail. Sheriff Que Miller now takes all of his most important prisoners to jails at Vernon or Quanah.

It is generally realized that jail improvements are badly needed here and according to the opinion of the commissioners court, this responsibility rests on the people and not on the county officials. It is the desire of the commissioners court that the public learn the facts regarding the matter and then act accordingly.

CROWELL WINS OVER THALIA AND LOCKETT

Margaret Wins Two Games at Local Gymnasium Saturday Night

Crowell High School defeated the strong Lockett quintet by the score of 19 to 14 in a closely fought game at the Crowell gymnasium Saturday night. Margaret High School won Margaret juniors also defeated the Crowell juniors. Crowell defeated Thalia in a game there Monday night. The Crowell-Lockett game featured the basketball program here Saturday night.

The game was closely fought throughout and Lockett was leading by one point when the game lacked two minutes of being over. Crowell made a success of its final dash for victory and rang up the winning goals in rapid succession with Bill Middleton and Guy Todd contributing the winning points.

Ernest Spears played a remarkable game, scoring nine of Crowell's points. He was not only the outstanding offensive star of the game, but played equally well in other departments. John Todd's excellent defensive work was an outstanding force in gaining a victory for the Wildcats.

The first quarter of the game ended with Crowell leading by a score of 4 to 3. The half ended with the score tied, 7 and 7. Crowell was leading by a one point margin with the beginning of the last quarter, the score being 11 to 10. With the aid of two free goals and a field goal, the strong Lockett team overcame the Crowell lead and for a short while, things were looking gloomy for Crowell.

Lockett had already played 21 games this year before playing Crowell and had lost only four of these, giving them one of the best records in this section of Texas. Crowell had practiced only five days before this game and were also handicapped by their short stature. With more practice and diligent training on the part of members of the team, Crowell

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Many Thanks!

The News force has done its best to make this Christmas issue a real creditable edition and we sincerely hope that it will meet with the approval of the public.

It is impossible for us to really express our gratitude to the advertisers who prepared their ads earlier than usual and who, in many instances, saw fit to increase their space. Our efforts to put out a nice Christmas edition would have been futile if we had not first received the splendid cooperation from Crowell merchants and business men.

Every ad in this paper has a worthwhile message and if you will read each one carefully, we believe you will find an easier and more economical method of doing your shopping.

Again we wish to thank all who had a part in making this issue what it is.

THE NEWS.

WEST RAYLAND
(By Special Correspondent)

J. E. Young and son Elijah, returned from the Plains Tuesday.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Butler went to Amherst Saturday to visit relatives.
Bob Huntley is ill.
Mr. and Mrs. Cap Adkins visited Owen McClarty at the home of Sam Leak in Vernon Saturday. Mr. McClarty is still confined to his bed.
R. F. Derrington and daughter, Oneita, and Bill Derrington went to Wichita Falls Monday.
Elmer Key and son, Glenn, and Wallace Seales and children visited the Vernon airport Sunday evening.
Miss Ruby Cowen was the supper guest of Miss Eula Mae Gregg Sunday night.
Work was begun Tuesday on Herman Gloyna's new house on the farm he recently purchased from R. G. Whitten.

Arthur, Tom and Bertha Dunson to Walters, Oklahoma, Sunday, took their niece, Mrs. George Allison.
Mr. and Mrs. Horace Young went to the Plains Thursday.
Mrs. Allie Huntley returned from Dallas Saturday. She has been visiting friends and relatives there for some time.
Hugh Heaton and family of Vernon visited Cap Adkins and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Young and daughter, Thelma, spent Wednesday night with Mrs. J. M. Brown at Childress.
Mrs. G. W. Seales spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. E. M. Key.
The Thalia boys and girls played West Rayland boys and girls at West Rayland Wednesday. Thalia won both games. The scores being 13 to 7 for the girls while the boys score was 20 to 12.
Maurine Farrar got her ankle badly sprained while playing ball at school Wednesday.

The West Rayland and Thalia girls second team boys played at Thalia Friday night. West Rayland girls won their game by a score of 13 to 9. The boys lost to Thalia 21 to 8.
West Rayland school has an enrollment of 39 pupils at the present time.

VIVIAN

(By Special Correspondent)

Misses Fern Nicholson and Irene Patton spent the week-end with their parents at Crowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Fish and daughter, Anita, were in Paducah Saturday.

Bert Matthews transacted business in Paducah Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Beatty and daughters, Lillie Faye and Thelma spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Fish.

Miss Louise Davis and cousins, Herbert and Henry Fish, attended church in Paducah Sunday.

Mr. L. L. Nixon was in Crowell Monday evening.

MARGARET
(By Special Correspondent)

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Fish and son, Billie, visited Mrs. Fish's mother, Mrs. W. H. Adams, of Crowell Saturday. Mrs. Adams accompanied them home and will visit for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lewis, Oscar Fish and children, and E. L. Redwine were among visitors in Paducah Saturday.

Dee Bevins came up from Truscott Wednesday for his wife who has been visiting Mrs. A. J. Whitley. They returned home the same day accompanied by Mr. Bevins mother.

J. H. Myers and children, Evelyn and Alton, returned from Fara, Oklahoma, where they have been picking cotton.

Mr. and Mrs. Elry Jones returned last week from Browfield where they have been visiting Mrs. Jones' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Carroll.

Roy Young was in Crowell Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hank and family are moving from this community to Durant, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander and daughter, Marie, returned Monday afternoon from a trip to Oklahoma.

The Women's Demonstration Club met last Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Bert Matthews with 10 members present. Officers for the coming year were elected. They are as follows: Mrs. J. R. Rasberry, president; Mrs. Oscar Fish, vice-president; Mrs. E. L. Redwine, secretary; Mrs. J. H. Lewis, song leader; Mrs. Ray Whitley, parliamentarian; Mrs. Allen Fish, reporter. The Christmas meeting will be held with Mrs. J. H. Myers on December 19th. All members are urged to be present.

We want to invite all who have not been attending Sunday School in this community to come to the school house each Sunday morning and help make a good Sunday School. J. H. Lewis has been elected as superintendent and is doing his best to increase the interest and attendance. Come and do your part toward this good cause.

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(By Special Correspondent)

Mr. and Mrs. Griffin and children of Crowell spent Sunday afternoon with C. C. Martin and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Nichols and children spent Sunday with Sid Boman and family of Margaret.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Chapman of Crowell spent Sunday with Hayden Ford and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jonas of Crowell spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. C. D. Hall.

Mrs. Joe Pechacek has returned from a visit with her son, Charlie, of San Antonio.

Jack Mills of Rochester is visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Culberth.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Nichols spent Sunday afternoon with their son, Sherman Nichols, and wife of Jameson.

There are about 25,000,000 cats in the United States.

FOARD CITY CLUB

The Foard City Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Welch on November 19, with sixteen members, three visitors, two new members and Miss Freeman present, making a total of twenty-two.

After the re-election of officers, Mrs. Gover as president, Mrs. Halbert, vice-president; Mrs. Farrar, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. McLain, reporter and Mrs. Callaway, song leader, our meeting adjourned.

Our next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Canup on December 17. All mothers bringing children are requested to bring a present for them to be put on the Christmas tree.

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Bagley Russell returned to Margaret Friday night from Los Angeles, California, where he had made his home the past year.

The Ladies Missionary Society of the Baptist church will serve chicken dinner at Roden's Cafe Saturday, December 14th.

A large crowd from Margaret attended the ball games at Crowell Saturday night. Our senior boys defeated the Crowell seniors by a score of 16 to 15. The juniors won their game with Crowell 11 to 10.

Mrs. Curtis Bradford and children and Mrs. Studie Bradford were shopping in Vernon last Thursday.

Mrs. Stephens visited her daughter, Mrs. Lee Bradford, and husband in Vernon Sunday.

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SEE AMERICA FIRST

Some people have an intense yearning to visit foreign lands. They are not satisfied with the place they call home.

You can stand on a certain street corner in Paris and see people from many nations stroll by within a limited time. It is the same in London, and Rome and in any of the other great metropolitan cities of the old world.

Wherever there is wealth and fashion and excitement you will find congregated people from the four corners of the earth. They dress and act a little differently, and speak in many tongues, but otherwise they are just people—like yourself, and

others around you.

There is more to be gained by seeing our own country than there is traveling in foreign lands.

And there is infinitely more to be gained by being happy and content in our own homes.

The mountains and coast line of California were still in the making during the age of reptiles and the age of mammals.

Pieces of ambergris washed up on the sea have been worth as much as \$150,000.

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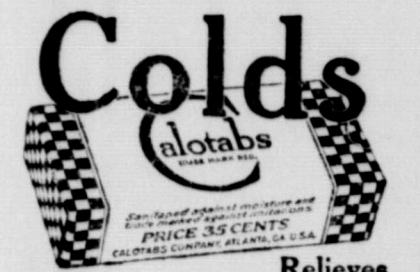
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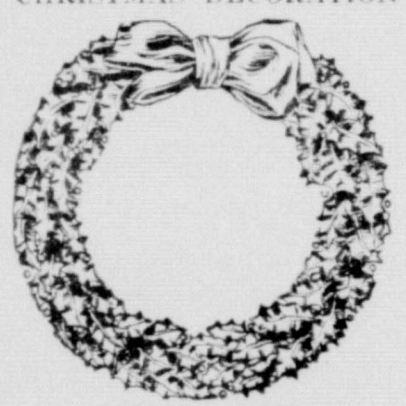


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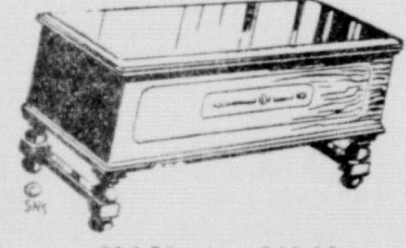
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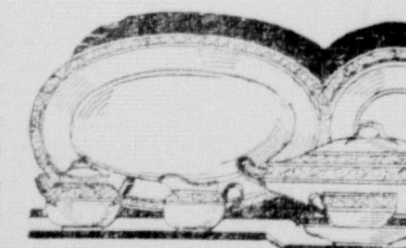


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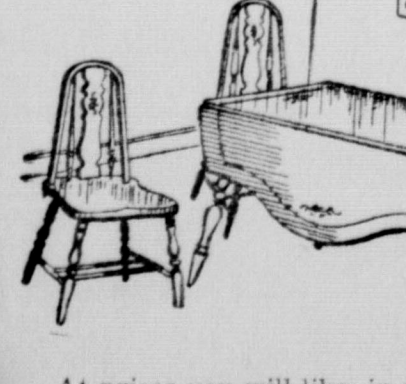


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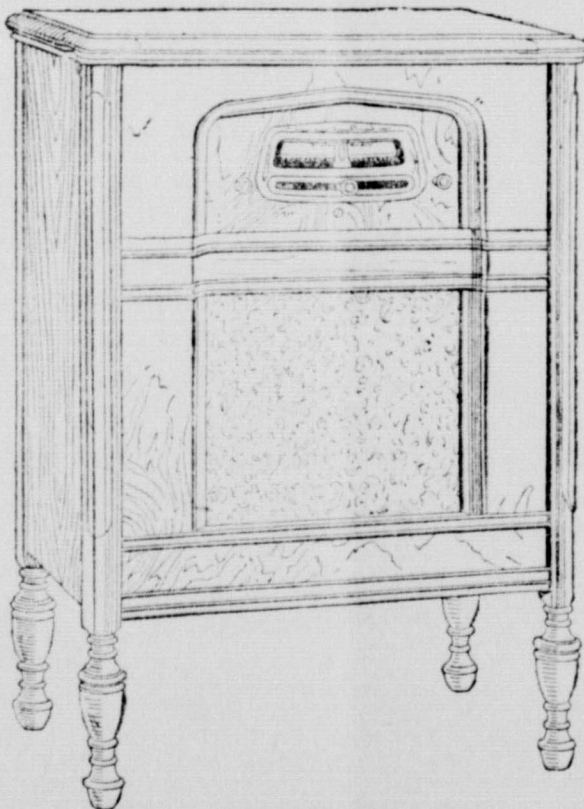
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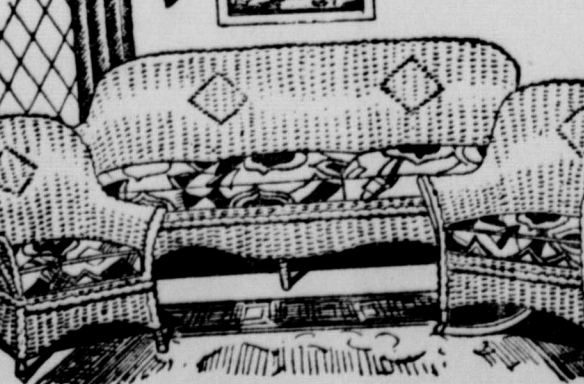
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Ex-students of both Clarendon and Seth Ward Junior Colleges, upon the recommendation of the Board of Education of the Northwest Texas Conference of the Methodist Church, are to be duly recognized by McMurry College of Abilene, the only Methodist College now existing in Northwest Texas; and all rights and privileges enjoyed by McMurry Alumni ex-students are to be granted to the ex-students of Clarendon and Seth Ward, as well as to former students of Stamford College.

The official records from these colleges are being transferred to McMurry College, and certificates of recognition will be issued to Clarendon and Seth Ward exes upon application for them. Those who wish to secure such recognition should apply to Miss Iris Graham, McMurry College, Abilene, Texas.

McMurry Alumni and Ex-Students Association opens its doors to the exes of the other three Methodist colleges and will be glad to have as many as possible line up with the organization. Information concerning membership may be obtained from the corresponding secretary, Miss Maurine Eastus, 1017 Peach Street, Abilene, Texas.

TEXON TALES

You never heard a postal employee wish "Merry Christmas." That ain't the way they feel. We been telling folks to "Mail Early" but of course it don't do no good. The only thing they want to be in a position later on to say, "Well, I told you so." One day says, "What do you mean by mail early, do you mean early in the morning of the 24th?" Well, I reckon that's what they thought we meant at the time. Up in Foard County we used to have a bad drouth once in a while but when the rains came again folks would forget hard times and never realize another bad drouth could hit any time. It looks like people forget the push they had last Christmas every time. Every year since 1776 Uncle Sam has had thousands of men, lots of them pretty smart, trying to impress on folks that an advantage it would be if they would mail early and none of them have got the job yet so it is beginning to look pretty bad. Seems like think postal employees want to get make it easy on themselves. Well, a guy that dumb couldn't hold government job. Anytime a holiday rush is a lark I'll mark my stamps down below cost. Of course it may be worse down here where everybody is away from home and use the post office for a Christmas tree. Anyway we'll get the job done in the kind of a shape and we have a right smart of fun bucking a game that is impossible and seeing how far long we can get with it. We don't have time to do as much grumbling and worrying as some folks do when they could avoid it. So, I have invented a poem or something one night after I had plenty of mince pie

for supper and you can't sleep in a case of that kind so I didn't know what else to do, and here it is. Commence here: Are folks surprised when they've surmized Christmas is near? Well, fool around slow and first thing you know Christmas is here! Now, don't be a clam when you Uncle Sam says I'll treat you fairly but while I may I'm forced to say "Shop now! Mail Early" since if you wait and mail too late I can't do what I might so I'll do my best for you and the rest to handle your gifts siderrate of me as I always am of you and do what I say in every way we'll put this job through in such a way you'll have to say it's the best you ever knew. But, I guess it's the same old story. You will refuse to hurry. Well, in that you're the boss. Your choice to wait and hit the big jam late to share the delay and loss. But night and morning I give you my warning, "Shop Early, Mail Early, too," or wait too late and "sufferate" hay! you guys, it's up to you!

TEXON TATTLER.

"It Has Set Me Right," She Says

Well Known Eastland, Texas Woman Gives Her Reasons for Endorsing Orgatone

Mrs. T. M. Holmes, wife of a well known drilling contractor and residing at 603 Halbryan St., Eastland, Texas, in a recent statement regarding the benefits she has derived from Orgatone said:

"I haven't been in good health for several years. My system seemed to be all run-down, my appetite was very poor and I had aches and pains in my stomach after eating. I could not sleep well and was nervous and irritable and suffered a great deal from biliousness. In fact, I never felt good at any time and knew I needed something to put me in condition."

"Seeing Orgatone so highly recommended in the papers and by many of the people right here in Eastland I decided to try it and it has certainly set me right. My run-down, nervous, irritable feelings are all gone and my appetite is splendid. All my aches and pains have left me. I sleep like a log every night and am simply feeling great. These are my reasons for thinking so well of Orgatone and I have told numbers of others about it."

Genuine Orgatone may be obtained in Crowell at the Reeder Drug Store. (Adv.)

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Business Conference to be Held at Lake Pauline

December 12, 1929.—Dates for the Business Conference to be held at Lake Pauline, Quanah, by the employees and executives of District "E" and "J" of the West Texas Utilities Company have been placed at December 13th and 14th. The extensive plans formerly drawn for the various committee meetings are still in effect as are the plans for entertainment of all at the Conference.

The Conference for Friday afternoon, to be opened with introductory remarks by George W. Fry, will be composed of executives and departmental heads. On the program to be thoroughly discussed and acted upon will be such subjects as rates, merchandise sales, operating policies, industrial development and public relations each to be discussed by men who are intimately active in that field.

Saturday's Conference will be centered largely about the meeting of the Safety Council and Women's Committee both of which are to be open to all employees of Districts "E" and "J." The general conference will be closed on Saturday evening with a large barbecue at 5:30 and a dance at 8:30 at the Lake Pauline Club House.

Those attending this important conference from the General Office and District "A," Abilene, are G. W. Fry, Price Campbell, E. R. Hoppe, Dan Gallagher, R. M. Wolfe, F. W. Schroeder, Joe White, Harold Austin, P. W. Campbell, R. E. Niese, R. R. St. John, E. A. Short, E. V. Sellers, Geo. Clark, Carl Mahan, T. V. Grayson and L. P. Cook. From District "B," Cisco, are P. P. Shepard and R. A. Williams. From District "C," Stamford, are W. G. Owsley and E. M. Wilson. From District "D," Ballinger, are Earl Morley and Chas. Coombes. From

District "H," McCamey, are M. E. Pittman and J. W. Wilson. From District "K," San Angelo, are Taylor Rowe and Henry Batjer.

This conference, Mr. Fry stated, would be held regardless of weather conditions.

TWO ESSENTIALS

"Use your horn! That's what it's for," is the advice of an experienced driver to motorists in an effort to prevent automobile accidents. He urges them not to steal up from behind people without some signal of this kind. They are to use whenever the slightest occasion demands it.

But they should also be urged to use their heads, and what is supposed to be in them. They should give evidence also of some consideration for the rights of others on the road; they should keep in mind that public highways are not private lanes and someone is always likely to drive into their path from some side street or road.

There are many things which motorists must keep in mind if automobile accidents are to be averted. In the speech of the motorist there ought to be no such word as "unexpected." The unexpected is the very thing they ought to expect. It ought

to be as clear as day and as inevitable as winter's snow to all of us that driving a motor car is no child's play; it ought to be done only by painstaking and responsible persons, able and willing to always give their most serious attention to the business in hand.

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JUNE thought something terrible must have happened when Alice came to her in tears and said that she and George weren't getting along well after being married only three months.

" . . . he used to be so cheerful," Alice said, dabbing at her eyes, "and now he's so irritable—especially at meal times. This morning after breakfast he growled a good-bye to me and . . ."

"How many cups of coffee did he have?" June asked, shrewdly.

"One—and he drank only half."

"What kind of coffee was it?"

"It was . . . why, I really don't remember. What difference does it make?"

"All the difference in the world, my dear," June told her chum. "A husband without good coffee at breakfast is like a bear. I made the same mistake with Dan. You get White Swan Coffee for George and . . . well, you just get it. You'll get the surprise of your life."

Alice got both—the coffee and the surprise.



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Crowell, Texas, December 13, 1929

"Diversified Program Is Only Safe Route" Says S. M. Roberts

S. M. Roberts was in the News office Wednesday to state that he is going to quit farming on a big scale and start in on a more diversified program by farming fewer acres of land.

Heretofore Mr. Roberts has been farming from 700 to 1,000 acres of land each year. He is now planning to farm about two hundred acres of land. Wheat, cotton and feed crops and other products will be raised on the farm from now on, according to Mr. Roberts.

"The people of this section must come down to a real diversified farming program," Mr. Roberts stated. "I have found by many years of experience that farming on a big scale won't pay the individual who farms that way and when he farms in such a big manner, he is also retarding the progress and development of the section in which he lives. I have decided," said Mr. Roberts.

Here Since 1885
Mr. Roberts has lived in this section since 1885, coming here from Cooke County at that time and settling in the Margaret community. Foard County had not been organized at that time and was then a part of Hardeman. He has been engaged in farming and stock raising here since then and if anyone is qualified to state the farming needs of this county, Mr. Roberts should come as near qualifying to give that advice as most anyone.

"Our garden of not more than one-half acre made us more money than our farm this year," he said. "Over four hundred cans of various products from this garden were canned this year. Mr. Roberts stated that this was the first year that any attempt had been made to can on such a large scale. A modern pressure cooker and sealer is now part of the regular equipment on the Roberts' farm.

Must Terrace or Perish
Mr. Roberts is a firm believer in terracing and states if the soil of

this county is to be saved, every farm must be terraced, or we will soon be in the same shape of the other worn out counties of the state. "I have seen this country change from a plain cow country to what it is now and there is a noticeable deterioration in the soil already. If we don't rotate our crops, terrace and follow a real diversified program, we are going to be gone as sure as the world," he stated.

Few, if any farms in the county, have more equipment to farm with than Mr. Roberts has. Due to that fact he is making his plans to hold an auction sale Tuesday morning for the purpose of selling off a large amount of farming equipment and livestock.

In the course of the conversation with Mr. Roberts, he stated that he could name the people on his fingers that are living in Foard County now that were here when he came to this section. As near correct as he could give, he stated that these persons were Mr. and Mrs. John Wesley and W. T. Dunn of Margaret, John S. Ray of Rayland, James Ashford and P. P. Cooper of Crowell, Foard County and Crowell were not organized until 1891 and Mr. Roberts came here six years before that time.

Cotton to Wichita Falls
"Few people of the rising generation can begin to realize the hardships we old-timers had to go through," he stated. "The first bale of cotton that I know of being raised in this section was grown one mile south of Margaret and then had to be carried to Wichita Falls to be ginned. The cotton was raised by Judge Logan, a former official of old Hardeman County.

"When I first came here we had to drive to Wichita Falls to get groceries and other materials. Such a trip required anywhere from a week to ten days. With the coming of the railroad there for about two years and later at Vernon and then at Quanah. We had to haul all of our wheat and other products to Vernon and Quanah for many years before the Orient finally reached Crowell and Foard County in 1911," he concluded.

Thomas Asks Public to Stop Double Parking

R. J. Thomas, city marshal, states that there is entirely too much double parking and parking in the middle of the streets in the business section of Crowell and that this violation of the city ordinance must stop or definite steps to apprehend those violating it will be taken.

Violations of this ordinance are especially dangerous with the increased traffic on the streets, due to the many gravel trucks, and the public should cooperate in eliminating the double parking condition.

HONOR ROLL IS ANNOUNCED FOR 2ND SIX WEEKS

Supt. Graves States That Honor Roll This Time Is Best In Years

I. T. Graves, superintendent of the Crowell schools, has turned in the honor roll containing the names of the pupils of the Crowell schools that have been able to reach the standards required to get on the list. The honor roll below is for the second six weeks' term of school.

According to Mr. Graves the roll is far better than that for the first six weeks of school and he believes that it is the best that has been made since he has been superintendent of the schools here. This is his third season as superintendent in Crowell. A student is required to not make below 80 per cent on any one subject and must have an average of 85 per cent if any one subject is below 80 per cent, to get on the honor roll. To be on the high honor roll a pupil is required to not make below 90 per cent in any one subject or to make an average of 95 per cent if any grade is below 90 per cent.

Pupils in the primary department that are on the scholarship honor roll are: Tom Alton Andrews, Billy Bradshaw, George Thomas Burress, Melard Carroll, Ted Crossnoe, Gaylon Gover, Roy Johnson, Jr., Clark Renfrew, Joe Reavis Spencer, Jimmie Williams, Frances Henry Johnson, Vern Joy, Robert Bomar, Frances Davis, Lady, Mary Helen Ross, Joyce White, Theda La Verne Wright, Barney Brewer, Frances Hanks, Frances Garret, Mary Catherine Lankford, Joe Harrel Fox, Wade Adams, Mary F. Bruce, Eugene Fox, Granville Mullins, Oleta Fay Zeibig, Van Evans Mitchell, Lee Ellen Hanks, Elba Simmons, Daphn McClure, Raymond Joy, Robert Bomar, Francis Davis, Louise Eubanks, Edward Gaffard, Opal Garret, Chippie Griffin, Era Hanks, Audrey Rogers, Glendon Russell, Margaret Woods, Robert Brewer, Humphrey Dockins, H. K. Edwards, Jr., Riley Griffin, Horace Erwin, Forbus Blakemore, Virginia Mae Coffey, Nina Christine Coffman, Camille Graves, Hallie Bea Lankford, Fern Pearce, and Thelma Jo Ross. The high scholarship honor roll for the primary department is as follows: Charles Stuart Clark, Thelma Lois Moore, W. H. Adams, Dorothy DeFisher, Dorothy Faye Nicholson, Alva Clary, Dorothy Erwin, Chester Warren, Mary Elizabeth Hughton, Tom Ray Roberts, Mary Lou Fudge, Edith Marie Gover, Mozell Lemons, Dana Taylor, Naymon Evans and Zell Perry.

Pupils on the honor roll for the intermediate grades are: Elsie Mae Coffman, Nancy Cogdell, Ralph Cogdell, Mabel Ivey, Hazel Ivey, Elizabeth Locke, Mildred Donaldson, Jo Roark, Louise Nicholson, Dan Hines Clark, Charles Ray Smith, Belle Locke, Bonnie Cogdell, and Evelyn Sloan. Pupils in the high school that are on the high honor roll are: Cecile McAnear, Mary Frances Self, Mary Ragland Thompson, Elsie Faye Roark, Maggie Meason and Leslie Thomas.

Pupils in the primary department who have neither been tardy nor absent are: Billy Bradshaw, Gaylon Gover, A. Y. Norman, Clark Rennels, Joe Reavis Spencer, Wilma Jo Lovelady, Thelma Lois Moore, Barney Brewer, Joe Harrel Fox, W. H. Adams, Robert Bomar, Lewis Calvin, George Ferguson, Dorothy DeFisher, Chippie Griffin, Woodrow Hollingsworth, Dorothy Faye Nicholson, John Lee Orr, J. C. Rader, Audrey B. Rogers, Glendon Russell, Margaret Woods, Robert Brewer, Eddie Campbell, H. K. Edwards, Jr., Riley Griffin, Jack McAnear, Joe Perry, Edward Roark, Sam David Russell, Albert Schooley, Jr., Forbus Blakemore, Marjorie Fox, Ora Belle Francis, Hallie Bea Lankford, Fern Pearce, Thelma Jo Ross, Maxine Thompson, Alva Clary, Dorothy Erwin, Emmett Lankford, Junior Nelson, Zell Perry, Juanita Schlagal, W. F. Suttser, Chester Warren, Thelma White, Mary Elizabeth Hughton, Myrtle McKown, Ada Evelyn Smith, Roy Thomas, Joe Eddy, Edith Marie Gover, Hampton Oldham, Ocie Pearl Thompson, Dupree Allen, Wade Adams, John Louis Gray, Maxdean Beideman, and Van Evans Mitchell.

Pupils in the intermediate department that have neither been tardy nor absent are: Merrill Allee, Banks Campbell, Rosemary Crawford, Sam Crews, Jr., Nola Mae Draper, Odell Emery, Julia Bell, Myrtle Lou Erwin, Ruth Ferguson, Edith Fox, Edith Francis, J. H. Garret, Myrthal Ketchersid, Bob Lilly, Goodlow Meason, Irene McCaskill, Virginia McGowan, Dorothy Pauline McKown, Glenn Shook, Frances Welch, Fred Allen Beverly, Harold Barry, Ada Beideman, Geraldine Carter, Ruth Fox, Lorene Gray, Louis Gribble, Beulah Ivie, Ala Ketchersid, Vidella Miller, Bernice Poland, F. L. Rennels, Coy Ward, Clifton Wood, Dee Adams, B. F. Hallmark, Marshall Jonas, Mark Saunders, Hazel Todd, Weldon Bradshaw, Cressie Brown, Lida Sue Gorell, Frances Ivey, Margaret Schlagal, Lester Patton, Lewis Brown, Lillie Mae Edgin, Mary Fox, Bessie Francis, Mary Eva Meason, Mamie Lee Teague, Mary Louise Adams, John Welch, Ruth McGowan, Lona Johnson, Roy Ownbey, James Loyd, Mozelle Lilly, Agnes Wood and Mattie Bell Greening.

PROHIBITION OFFICER HERE SEVERAL DAYS

Captain Lynn A. Boyd of Wichita Falls, head of Federal prohibition operations in this district, and Frank Finnegan, also a prohibition officer of Wichita Falls, were in Foard County a few days last week investigating liquor conditions here.

Upon leaving here Monday, Mr. Boyd stated that less traces of liquor had been found in Crowell and Foard County than in any other place he had visited. He had considerable praise for the healthy condition here.

Capt. Boyd acted in co-operation with the sheriff, deputies and city marshal while in Foard County.

Still Captured
With the aid of local officers, Sheriff Que Miller, R. J. Thomas, city marshal, C. B. Morris and W. B. Chapman along with the sheriff of Hardeman County, Garret Hawkins, and a deputy, a well built still was captured just over the Foard line in Hardeman County Sunday.

The still was found on the old Ledbetter ranch, in a house about one mile north of Peace River and about 3 miles west of the Peace River bridge. One arrest was made and warrants for the arrest of two others were made. It is believed that this still furnished a good part of the liquor that has been coming into Foard County. Some whiskey was also found along with the still. The person arrested was carried to Wichita Falls to be tried in Federal Court there.

While the still was not an extra large one, yet it was capable of producing a considerable amount of whiskey. The plant was well built and well equipped in every way. It is believed that it has been in operation for a considerable length of time.

After being unable to find any law violations in Foard County, the Federal officers returned to Wichita Falls. Periodical visits will be made to Foard County in the future by Federal officers, according to Sheriff Miller. They will co-operate with local officers in eliminating violations of the prohibition law.

AUCTION SALE

Tuesday, Dec. 17th at 10 A. M.
Lunch at Noon


- 1 span of mules, 16 1-2 hands high
- 1 work horse
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- 4 mares
- 2 two-year old horses
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- 1 yearling filly
- 1 saddle horse
- 1 disc harrow with trailer
- 1 disc harrow
- 1 double row planter
- 1 double row Oliver planter
- 1 double row go-devil
- 1 one-row go-devil
- 2 drag harrows
- 1 single row harrow
- 1 V harrow
- 1 walking plow
- 2 cultivators, 6 plows
- 2 John Deere pony disc plows
- 1 Canton disc plow
- 1 John Deere go-devil
- 24 sweeps and other equipment
- 1 ten runner wheat drill
- 4 pair of harness
- 1 20-10 Minneapolis tractor

This sale will be held at my farm, 2 1/4 miles southwest of Crowell.

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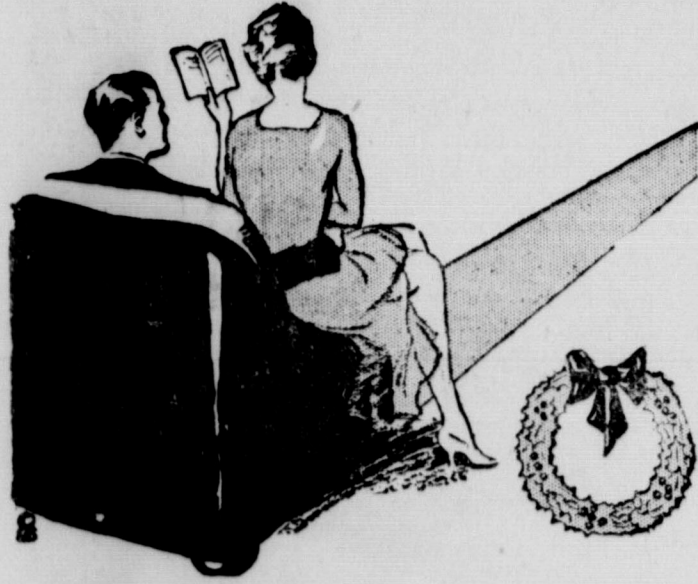
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 Pecans, yams and apples for sale. See W. D. Womack at Wallace's Barber Shop. 25p
 Lots of pretty Christmas things besides our usual line of novelties.—Womack Bros.
 Roy Flowers of the W. E. Flowers Produce House at Sherman was here on business this week.
 A real meal in a dozen. Hot tamale sale at post office Saturday.—Foard City W. M. S. 25
 Beautiful dishes, and beautiful and dainty breakfast room suites on which to use them.—Womack Bros.
 Free license plates for 1930 with each car purchased from Allen Chevrolet Co. Dec. 13th to 19th.
 Mr. and Mrs. Grover Cole visited Mr. Cole's parents, Judge Robert Cole and wife, in Vernon Sunday.
 Mrs. Walker Todd started working Monday in the bookkeeping department of Allen Chevrolet Company.
 C. S. Clark came in Tuesday from Moran, Texas, for a visit with his daughter, Mrs. W. R. Womack.
 Steve Stephens of Wichita Falls, chief scout of the Texas Company, was a business visitor here Monday.
 No Man's Land, Beauty Shop—Marcell 50c, free retrace; shampoo 60c, free wave set. At Reeder Drug Co. 25
 Mesdames J. C. Thomson, N. A. Crowell, D. C. Greer and G. W. Waldball were visiting in Vernon Tuesday.
 Mr. and Mrs. H. Meisels and daughter of Wellington left Wednesday after a visit with Mrs. Meisels' mother, Mrs. E. Fisch.
 Portable phonographs: Victrolas, Brunswick, Columbias and Polks, \$19.50 to \$50.00. Records 75 cents.—Womack Bros.
 Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Roberts and son, Tom Ray, left Tuesday for a visit in Fort Worth. They will return the latter part of the week.
 We have had many compliments on the new showing of fibre living room suites. See them. They are wonderful values.—Womack Bros.
 Haven't you got some second hand furniture to sell or trade? If so, see us and trade it to us on mattress work.—Ketchersid Furniture Co.
 E. G. Campsey was here Friday of last week from Truscott. While Mr. Campsey was here he called at the News office and renewed his paper.
 Rev. Woodie W. Smith returned from Dallas Wednesday night where he attended a meeting of the general board of the Baptist State Convention.
 Absolutely Free with each used car purchased from Allen Chevrolet Co. from Dec. 13th to Dec. 19th, there will be given 1930 license plates.
 You will not like to hear the alarm clock in the morning if you are sleeping on a Ketchersid-made mattress. See us for quality mattresses.—Ketchersid Furniture Co.
 See our bargain list of used cars in this paper this week for the sale from Dec. 13th to Dec. 19th, during which time 1930 license plates will be given absolutely free with each car.
 The News man and family and J. W. Klepper were in the Thalia community Sunday and visited for a short time with J. G. Thompson, who has been seriously ill for several weeks. At that time Mr. Thompson was improving.
 Miss Carrie Maurice Allee returned last week from Fort Worth where she visited friends at Texas Woman's College, the school she attended last year. She also witnessed the T. C. U. S. M. U. football game while in Ft. Worth.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lovelady of Brawley, California, spent the weekend visiting in the home of Mrs. P. S. Lovelady. Mr. Lovelady is a brother-in-law of Mrs. P. S. Lovelady. They left Monday morning to visit other relatives in Texas cities.
 L. A. Foster of Vernon, secretary-treasurer of the Mutual Protective Life Association, was a business visitor in Crowell Monday. Mr. Foster stated that the association was making splendid progress. The central office of the association is located here.

Crowell Wins—

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High School should have the best basketball team in its history this year. Coach Grady Graves is to be commended for the smooth-playing quintet that he put on the floor in so short a time.

Margaret Game

The second game of the evening was played between Margaret and Crowell High School, with the Wildcat second team beginning the contest. This game also proved to be a real thriller with Margaret winning by the close score of 16 to 15.

Margaret showed unexpected strength and within a short time, Crowell's first team was sent, one by one, into the game. Margaret maintained a narrow lead throughout the contest with the first quarter ending 4 to 2; the half, 10 to 8; the third quarter, 12 to 11 and the game 16 to 15.

Malone was the outstanding star for Margaret, scoring seven of his teams points.

Junior Game

The list of tight games for the night came to a close with the game between the Margaret juniors and the Crowell juniors. Margaret won by the score of 7 to 6.

Thalia Game

Crowell High School won another game Monday night over Thalia by the score of 27 to 16 at the Thalia gymnasium. Ralph Burrow of Crowell was reported to have been the outstanding star of the game.

Thalia comes to Crowell for a return game here Saturday night. The game will be called promptly at 7:30.

Ricks Dairy Will Quit Resident Deliveries

W. L. Ricks, owner of Ricks Dairy, has announced that he will make his last round of resident delivery of milk on Sunday evening, December 15th. Mr. Ricks will continue to wholesale milk to Crowell firms. Due to the fact that as much milk as heretofore will not have to be produced, Mr. Ricks is holding an auction sale next Wednesday morning at his dairy to dispose of 26 milch cows.

C. I. A. Freshmen Send Letter to the News

The News received an interesting letter from Misses Bernice and Dorothy Coffee Thursday morning and re-

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Bibles, Bibles, Bibles

The Mutual Protective Life Association is giving a nice Bible to everyone who will join Class A. This proposition will be open until December 24th. New members are being added daily.

L. A. FOSTER, Sec.-Treas.
 Room 205 Waggoner Bank Bldg., Vernon Texas
 Vernon, Home Office
 Crowell, Central Office
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gret that the entire letter cannot be published. The letter arrived on press day and just when the News was overwhelmed with work on this Christmas issue.

Both girls are freshmen in the College of Industrial Arts at Denton and are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Coffey.

According to their letter the visit of the U. S. Marine Band to this famous girls college created about as much excitement as any other event of the year. This band has a wonderful history of romance and naturally with an organization of fine-looking marines landing in an exclusive girls school, possibly the largest in the nation, excitement was bound to result.

CATCHES 82 SLACKERS

John Chapman, resident of Foard County about twenty years ago, left last week after a short visit here with his uncle, Sam Scales, and W. F. Thomson. All of the men knew each other many years ago in Milam and Jefferson counties.

Mr. Chapman has been in the service of the government since 1917 and his duties of tracing down wartime slackers, has taken him to nearly every state in the Union and to many states in Canada. He has caught and delivered 82 slackers in his period of service. He stated that as strong a search is being made for slackers today as when the war was on.

AUCTION SALE OF MILK COWS

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 18, 10 A. M.

Crowell, Texas

23 Jersey Cows
 3 Holsteins

Twenty-two of these cows are producers and four are springers.

Come and get a fine milk cow at your own price.

Jim Ray of Wichita Falls will be auctioneer for this sale.

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- Sugar, 10 lb. cloth sack, limit 1 sack 65c
- Chuck steak 25c lb.
- Baby beef roast 20c lb.
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- Fresh roasted peanuts 25c lb.
- 3-lb. can White Swan coffee \$1.75 can
- Creamery butter, per lb. 45c
- Oranges, dozen 25c

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I will make my last round in the residence section Sunday evening, December 15th. I will continue leaving milk at the Sanitary Market, Haney-Razor Market, 'M Store, Ferguson Bros. O'Connells, Texas Cafe, and Commercial Hotel. Any persons wishing my products may get them at these places.

I also thank the people for their loyal patronage.
 On December 18th, I will sell at auction a part of my cows.
 Respectfully,
 RICKS DAIRY.

The so-called century plant sometimes takes forty-five years to bloom.



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Classified Ads

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If you have anything to sell, or want to buy or exchange something, a classified in the News will do it for you.

Rates are 10c per line, six words making a line, minimum charge for an ad one time is 25c.

STRAYED OR STOLEN—Eight head of mules, 2 big mules not sheared, 2 smaller mules not sheared, 2 black mules with itch on back and neck, look close; and 1 with end of tail clipped off, 1 blue mare mule, 1 yellow horse mule. Notify Riverside Service Station, Vernon, Texas, \$10 reward. 25p

FOR SALE—1 three burner oil stove; 1 oil heater; breakfast table, two chairs; and child's small red car.—Mrs. Frank Moore, Phone 241. 25p

STRAYED—One red cow, one white-face cow, heftailed; one roan 2-year old heifer, 2 roan calves, all fresh branded B on left thigh except one calf which has OV on left side. Notify R. A. Rutledge Store, Rayland, Route 3, Vernon. 20p

BUSINESS HOUSE FOR RENT—See B. F. Ringgold at Variety Store. tf

NOTICE

We are in the market for several thousand Rhode Island Red and Banded Rock hatching eggs. Will contract for what you have from now until May 1st. Write us just what you have and how many you can furnish each week. Crowell Chick Hatchery, Crowell, Texas

PECANS, YAMS AND APPLES FOR SALE—See W. D. Womack at Wallace's Barber Shop. 24p

FOR SALE—4 good mules, \$450.—Crews-Long Hardware. tf

SHOES SHINED and dyed every day in the week at Bruce's Barber Shop.—Guy. 27

USED CARS FOR SALE



3 model A roadsters all in good condition priced to sell.
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1 model A coupe, extra good \$425
26 model T roadster \$75.00
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23 model T roadster \$25.00
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CHRISTMAS CARDS—Order yours now while you can secure the choicest samples. See our line.—Foard County News.

TYPEWRITER RIBBONS—L. C. Smith, Royal, Underwood, Remington—at the NEWS OFFICE.

BUTTER PAPER—Vegetable parchment, the best that it is possible to obtain. 500 printed—\$4.25. 100 blank—50c.—Foard County News.

NO FISHING, HUNTING or trespassing of any kind allowed in my pasture. This means everybody. Leslie McAdams. tf

CHURCHES

Christian Science

Sunday, 11 A. M. Subject for Sunday, December 15, "God, The Preserver of Man."
Sunday School at 9:30. Wednesday evening service at 8:00. The public is cordially invited.

The Christian Church

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Morning worship at 11:00 a. m., sermon, "The Overflowing Love."
Christian Endeavor at 6:00 p. m. at the Christian Church; night service at 7:00 p. m., sermon, "What Think ye of Christ?"

Our attendance at the night service is increasing from night to night. Sunday night, we are to present a film strip on "The First Christmas." Every one is cordially invited to come. The Friendly Church.
JOHN G. CLARK.

Methodist Church

To the good people of Crowell, I make my bow. I have been appointed pastor of the Methodist Church at Crowell for a year. I am very anxious to be acceptable, not only to the church, but to the entire citizenship of the city. My highest ambition is to be the preacher that my Lord, and you, think I should be. I hope to so perform my duties that I may get home to Heaven.

I entertain high hopes for the year. I shall feel that my labors are in vain if we do not have conversions and a spiritual growth in the church during the year. It is going to require an unusual effort on the part of us all. Individual sacrifice and a hearty cooperation on the part of all, are going to be necessary.

As your pastor, I promise to be faithful, to stand in my place at all times. With this assurance from me, may I not have the same assurance from you? Thank you. This said, we shall succeed. To God be the glory.

Let each and every person be in his place at the church next Sunday morning, promptly at 9:45 for the opening of Sunday School. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Hi-League at 8 p. m., Senior League at 6:30 p. m. Women's Missionary Society meets next Monday at 9 p. m., Prayer Meeting Wednesday at 7 p. m.

All Methodists are expected to be in their place in these services. All others are cordially invited, and will find a hearty welcome. All for Christ.
B. J. OSBORN.

Baptist Church News

Last Sunday was somewhat an off day with Crowell Baptists. We were hopeful of a large representative crowd. The attendance was fair but since it was in many respects a most important day, we had hoped for a large crowd.

We strive to make next Sunday the banner day. This day will set the pace for our progress for the coming year. If every body cooperates in our plan we will step far in advance of our past record. May each member be present next Sunday. If you love the Lord and His cause, make a special effort to be present and help put over this program.

The most important matter we face is our budget for next year. Next Sunday will tell the tale. Your presence and cooperation is greatly desired and needed. By it you will say what interest you have in the Lord's work. Let us face it like real men.

The past year has been the most glorious history making period of our church. Through the budget, which no doubt is God's plan in financing the Kingdom, has proven the best and most satisfactory way to do this work. "God's ways are always the best." Now to go on unto perfection is our slogan. We have laid out the work for the coming year, including all that Baptists hold dear and if our budget is subscribed and paid we will have to take no special offerings during the year except in case of revivals and any unseen emergency. Don't forget, next Sunday is Sign-Up day. With the spirit of Christmas coming on, let us put the Spirit of Christ into our service. "Give and it shall be given unto you."
WOODIE W. SMITH.

Senior B. Y. P. U. Program

Subject—Making the World Christian.
Scripture reading—Matt. 28:18-20.
Introduction—Margaret Calvin. There are enough heathen at home.—Mrs. McBurnett.
We have no right to force our religion on other people.—Ludell Green. There are so many heathen that it is a hopeless task.—Frances Schlagal. All that have been elected to salvation will be saved.—Ted Carter. It takes too much money.—Mrs. King.
Why should we seek to make the world Christian?—Ivan Wozencraft. How are we to make the world Christian?—Carl Ivie.
Everyone is welcome in the B. Y. P. U. Come and bring your friend with you.—Reporter.

Senior Epworth League

Subject—The Ministry of the Church and other Ministries.
Leader—Granville Lanier.
Scripture—Rev. 1:4-6; Acts 13:1-4; 20:28.
The Ministry of the Church—Granville Lanier.
Other Ministries—Henry Black. The American National Red Cross—Virgil Greer.
The Anti-Saloon League; The Woman's Temperance Union—Mildred Cogdell.
The Commission on Interracial Cooperation—Miss Emily Purcell.
League Benediction.—Reporter.

Hi-League Program

Subject—Learning From Jesus How to Play.
Leader—Elouise Sanders.
Scripture—1 Cor. 8:12; 13; 9:27.
How Shall We Choose Our Recreation?—Pauline Donaldson.
Playing the Game—Mary Eva Meason.

Christian Endeavor

Subject—What Have Young People to Give?
Leader—Mary Clayton Giddings.
Ways of Giving Cheer, Friendship, Service and Sympathy—Frankie Kirkpatrick.
Duet—Grady Walker and Emma King.
Budgeting Our Time for the Lord—Lela Patton.
The Most Valuable Thing That We Can Give—Mrs. Grady Walker.

CLIMBING HIGHER AND HIGHER

Since all humans aspire to the high places there is nothing unnatural in the construction of skyscrapers. Man was not content until he invaded the birds' element with the assistance of the airplane; having achieved that goal it was not strange that he began constructing lofty buildings in which to work and even to make his home. This is the idealistic view of the skyscraper. On the economic side the skyscraper's existence is justified by the fact that soaring land values in metropolitan centers and even in the smaller American cities make it imperative that small tracts of land render greater service.

One wonders what the limit of the skyscraper will be. A few years ago the Woolworth building in New York, climbing 722 feet high, was the last word. Today there are several buildings in that city and New York which are higher. In one building in Chicago, 18,000 people work each day, though the plot of land which it occupies is only two blocks square.

Structural steel makes it possible to build these architectural giants. The limit of safety has apparently not been reached. How much higher they can go in safety with existent building material is an open question. The skyscrapers of the future is dependent entirely on that question. In the meantime it is gratifying to note that the newer skyscrapers are adding beauty to the world, a new form of beauty which will go down in his-

tory as an American contribution. Ugly skyscrapers are abundant and more of them will be built, but structures like the Tribune tower in Chicago and the New York Telephone building in New York City offer aesthetic compensation.

WAR MOTHER SEALS

So far the well known midnight oil has not become adapted for use in automobiles.

Releasing men from prison does not always convince them that they are wrong.

The bootlegger who sells his ware for credit, has a mighty poor head for business.

It was the civil war that brought forth the charity stamp—our civil war of '61 to '65. Some of your grandmothers first played "postoffice" with stickers similar to Red Cross Seals way back in 1862, when they conceived the idea of selling stamps at fairs for the benefit of the relief funds for the soldiers' hospitals in Brooklyn, Boston and elsewhere.

Nearly \$1,000,000 was raised in this way before 1865. After the war this method of raising money was discontinued in this country for a generation, although it found vogue in Portugal, Switzerland, Austria, Denmark, France, Spain, Norway, Russia, Sweden and other European countries. There are now several thousands of different types of charity stamps used in all parts of the world as many as 40 being used in Austria for children's hospitals alone.

Stamps or seals were first used to get money for the anti-tuberculosis crusade in Norway and Sweden in 1904. To Jacob Riis, the well known social worker of New York, and to Miss Emily P. Bissell, the energetic secretary of the Delaware Red Cross, jointly belongs the honor of originating our American Red Cross Christmas Seal.

In 1907, Mr. Riis' interest was aroused by the receipt of a Christmas tuberculosis stamp on a letter from Norway. He published an article about this queer looking stamp in the Outlook and suggested some possible uses for it in this country. Miss Bissell at once saw an opportunity here and prepared a stamp, from the sale of which the society realized \$3,000 for tuberculosis work.

So impressed was she with this success that she induced the American Red Cross to take up the sale in 1908 on a national basis. It is fitting to note that war, inhuman and cruel, was the mother of the seal and that now war for humanity against diseases brings it back to its fullest usefulness.

Since 1918, however, the anti-tuberculosis work has grown to such proportions that it has been organiz-



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Other Gifts

A new set of spark plugs, auto polish, top dressing, and numerous other items that we can furnish, would make ideal Christmas gifts. A can of EVEREADY PRESTONE, the perfect anti-freeze, would make a perfect gift for the motorist.



Card of Thanks
We want to thank each and every one that took part or helped in a way for the shower they gave me last week.
Mrs. C. E. Washburn and children.

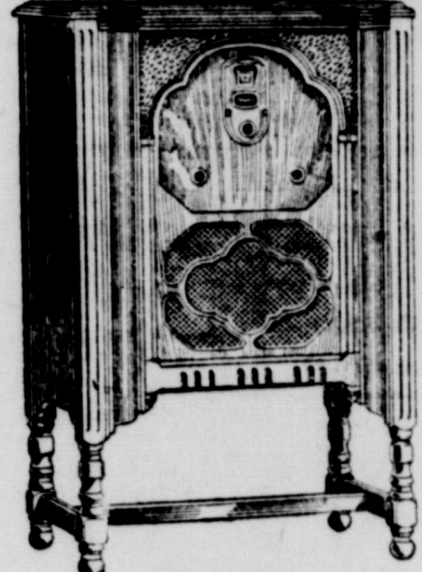
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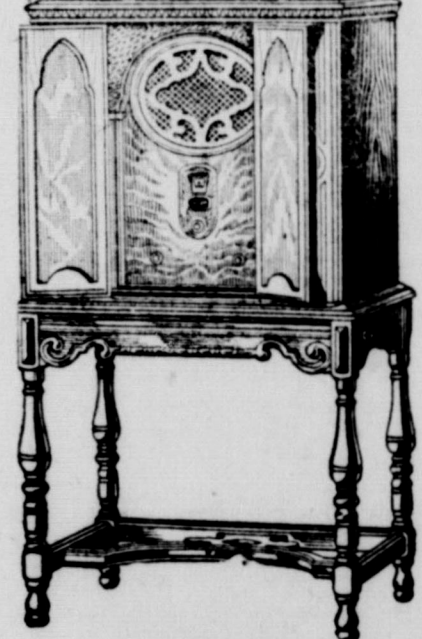
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GAMBLEVILLE
(By Special Correspondent)

Mrs. Gladys Jobe of Lockett spent Sunday night and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bailey. Mr. and Mrs. Jonas and son, Ray, of Vernon visitors Saturday. Ray Alston left Sunday night for Wetwater where he will work for while. Mrs. Oulalle Tole, Annis Greenway, Mrs. Shultz and Mrs. Moore all Rayland spent Saturday with Mrs. Bailey. Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Alston were visiting in Wichita Falls Saturday. Rev. Woodie W. Smith of Crowell preached at the school house Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Vaden and family went to Vernon Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Olin Turner went to Vernon Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Homer Zeibig and Mr. Mrs. Bob Meadows of Crowell at Sunday with Mrs. Vernon Pyle family.

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There will be a singing at the school house every 2nd and 4th Sunday night. Everybody is invited to come.

THALIA

(By Special Correspondent)

Jack Wood and Miss Jessie Taylor visited Misses Mattye and Lillian Reid in Baileyboro last week-end. The Methodist ladies met with Mrs. J. A. Stovall and quilted two quilts Monday afternoon. Truett Neill and family of Rayland visited relatives here Saturday night and Sunday. Luther Ward and family moved back to their farm Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Gamble visited in Turkey a few days last week and Mrs. Gamble remained for medical treatment while Mr. Gamble and children returned home Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Morris and Mrs. J. R. Morris were Vernon visitors Tuesday. Mrs. M. C. Adkins was a Crowell visitor Tuesday afternoon. K. Langley, M. C. Adkins and family, Lee Whitman and family, Mrs. J. K. Langley, M. C. Adkins and family, W. F. Wood, Leland Stovall, Mrs. Lee Sims, Minnie Wood and E. G. Grimsley and family were Vernon visitors Saturday. Mrs. J. H. Self and daughter, Miss Winnie Self, and Mrs. Agnes McLaughlin of Crowell visited J. G. Thompson here one day last week. John Hugh Banister preached at the Christian Church Sunday and Sunday night. He preached at Fargo, December 1st, and will preach at that place one Sunday in each month. Miss Pollard who has been nursing

J. G. Thompson the past few weeks returned to her home in Vernon Friday. Mr. Thompson is slowly improving.

O. E. Hodges visited his family in Burk Burnett last week-end.

Rev. A. O. Hood of Margaret filled his regular appointment at the Methodist Church here Sunday morning and Sunday night. Large crowds attended both services.

O. J. Matthes visited his home-folks in Breckenridge last week-end.

T. B. Klepper and family, J. W. Klepper and Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Henry of Crowell visited M. C. Adkins and family Sunday afternoon.

Ernest Williams and family of Haney attended Sunday School at the Methodist Church Sunday.

Mary Ruth Adkins visited Elizabeth Burrelsmith in the Haney community Sunday.

Mrs. Sam Abston and Mrs. Leona Abston visited Mrs. R. G. Nichols in the Black community Friday.

H. W. Banister, Buck Hudgins and John Hugh Banister were business visitors in Wichita Falls Saturday.

Billie Banister and Alex Neill attended a show in Vernon Saturday night.

Mrs. D. T. Jobe of San Angelo is here attending the bedside of her brother, O. C. Hammonds, who is slowly recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Mrs. T. H. Matthews entertained the Home Demonstration Club and Idle Hour Club in her home here Friday afternoon. A large crowd was present. Miss Freeman, home demonstration agent, gave a fruit cake demonstration which was very interesting.

Mrs. Ila Frances and daughter, Mildred, and son, Coyal Francis, and wife of Wichita Falls visited G. A. Shultz and family Sunday.

E. G. Grimsley returned home Friday from Waco where he attended a convention of the Masonic lodge.

J. H. Freudiger left Wednesday for a prospective trip to the Plains.

G. C. Phillips attended a musical in Margaret Tuesday night.

A. G. Wickendon and Lucille Shultz were Vernon visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Phillips were Vernon visitors Wednesday.

J. L. McLarty and Robert Caldwell of Haney were business visitors here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wheeler and daughter, Katherine and Louise Stovall, visited Mrs. Donna Wheeler of Vernon Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal Johnson and son and Mr. and Mrs. Eudell Oliver and baby were Vernon visitors Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. J. A. Stovall has been ill this week.

Card of Thanks

We wish to take this method of expressing our sincere gratitude for all the nice things that have been done for us since we lost our home a few days ago. We wish we might tell each one personally just how much we appreciate everything that has been done for us, since that is impossible we take this method of thanking you.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Dodd.

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"All my neighbors are talking about the wonderful change Sargon made in my health. For three years I was in such terrible condition I couldn't do my housework. Everything I ate seemed to disagree with



MRS. C. E. WOOD

my kidneys, and my back hurt nearly all the time. I was constantly taking medicine for inactive liver and constipation, and would sometimes get so dizzy I'd have to hold to something to keep from falling. My blood seemed thin, I suffered terrible headaches and was so nervous I could hardly sleep. "Sargon is the first and only medicine I found that gave me lasting relief. My appetite is splendid and everything agrees with me. Sargon Pills rid me of biliousness and constipation entirely. I'm no longer nervous, sleep fine, and my color is clear and healthy. I haven't one of my old troubles left and feel like a new woman. I can now understand why so many praise Sargon."—Mrs. C. E. Wood, 2510 Market St., Ft. Worth.

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The world is full of too many people today who believe that the spirit of the law is to abolish the spirit of the law.

When a rich man can not find anything else fashionable enough to pay, he can always fall back on alimony.

It is no wonder that the masculine styles in dress seldom change. We pay the bills.

RAYLAND

(By Special Correspondent)

The singing at the Baptist Church was well attended Sunday night.

Misses Griffith and Thomas of Parsley Hill attended Sunday School at the Baptist Church Sunday morning.

Mrs. Bill Barret of Thalia visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Davis Sunday.

Mrs. Otis Dunson left Saturday night for several day's visit with her parents at Avery, Texas.

Mrs. Delia German and her brother, Bill Price, attended church in Vernon Sunday morning.

The Rayland boys played the Thalia seniors Saturday night. The score was 22 to 6 in Thalia's favor.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Kincheleo and children of Kincheleo visited her grandmother, Mrs. Martha German, Sunday.

Vernon visitors from this community Friday were R. G. Whitten, Miss Ruby Cowen, Mrs. George Key, R. M. Gregg and family, Vena and Frances Lawson and Fred Belew.

Hazel, Jerlene and Elton Keith spent Sunday with Sunshine and Ruth Austin.

Geneva and Kathleen Gordon spent Sunday with Dorothy and Margaret Gregg of West Rayland.

FOARD CITY

(By Special Correspondent)

Miss Thelma Ferguson spent the week-end at home with relatives and friends.

Mrs. John Dixon and children of Margaret is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. A. Bare, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harden Russell have moved to Foard City.

Miss Virgie Callaway entertained the young people Saturday night with a candy making at her home. A large crowd was present and every one reported a lovely time.

Mrs. J. E. Mulliniks and sons, Harvie and Edward, and nephew, Enoch Smart, of Slaton are here for a short time.

Mrs. H. A. Bare, and family and Mrs. visit with her daughters, Mrs. H. A. Bare and Mrs. John Dixon.

Deck Callaway has moved one mile north of Foard City.

Remember Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m. Also preaching next Sunday. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Aydelott moved Monday to Mr. Cogdell's place northeast of Foard City.

KEEPING DOWN NOISE

The Germans dislike city noises so much that they are offering a prize for the best program of noise abatement. All cities are noisy. American cities, because of their high buildings and the consequent congestion are among the worst offenders in the world. New York is to Berlin as a callopie is to a flute. Many and perhaps most Americans

assume that the noise of the cities is inevitable. As there is nothing to be done about it, they say, there is no use making matters worse by fuming and complaining. They are wrong. The noise is all man-made and much of it is caused by the indifference and ignorance of the men who made it. All the mechanical shrieks, groans and hammering could be considerably reduced in volume if public opinion demanded it. And public opinion ought to demand it. Steam shrieks, pile drivers, riveters, street car gears and street car intersections, taxicab brakes and motor cutouts are among our principal offenders. To these in New York must be added the peculiar and needless horrors of the elevated. All of these noisemakers can and ought to be muffled. Noise is wasteful of human energy. When men and women must work in noisy surroundings, much of their

energy is exhausted in fighting the disturber. Their work suffers and at the end of the day they are needlessly fatigued. For some reason which it is difficult to understand, Americans will accept noises when they will not tolerate offensive sights, offensive smells, and offensive personal behavior. The mystery is deepened when it is realized that the noises are probably more injurious to health and peace of mind than the other nuisances combined.

American rainbow trout have been planted in New Zealand water with excellent results.

Free textbooks for pupils in grade schools are required by law in nineteen of the states.

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1929 Chevrolet truck. Owned by a farmer, in good condition, priced at a real bargain. With 1930 license plates for only \$535

1927 Chevrolet Imperial Sedan. New paint, motor recently fully reconditioned, a fine car with 1930 license plates for \$350

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Virgie Callaway

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"NO MAN'S LAND"

**Registration of Cars
Has Been Started Here
By the Tax Collector**

Que R. Miller, tax collector, has started the registration of automobiles and trucks in Foard County and urges the public to register as early as possible to avoid the rush that will come later.

Mr. Miller stated that everyone registering a car must have a light receipt, not over thirty days old. He also pointed to the necessity of registering any trailer or similar device drawn behind a motor vehicle.

It is expected that over two thousand motor vehicles will be registered in Foard County this year.

The price of license plates is considerably lower this year as a result of the action of the Legislature at its last session. The prices are based on weight with cars weighing from 901 to 2,000 pounds rated at 28 cents per hundredweight, 2,000 to 3,000, 36 cents, 3,501 to 4,500, 48 cents and from 4,501 up at 50 cents.

Truck prices range as follows: Up to 6,000 pounds, 40 cents per hundredweight and proportionately higher as the weight of the truck increases, for instance trucks weighing from 8,001 to 10,000, 60 cents; 14,001 to 16,000, 90 cents.

License costs on some of the most popular cars range as follows: Chevrolet, low—\$4.48, high—\$10.80; Ford (model T), low—\$4.20, high—\$7.92; (model A), low—\$7.56, high—\$9.72; Chrysler, low—\$9.00, high—\$24.50; Buick, low—\$7.56, high—\$23.00; Dodge, low \$7.56, high—\$18.24; Whippet, low—\$7.56, high—\$10.80 and Studebaker, low—\$7.42, high—\$21.60.

THALIA BAPTIST W. M. S.

The Thalia Baptist W. M. S. met Monday afternoon, December 9. After the opening song we were led in prayer by Mrs. Hathaway. A very interesting Bible lesson was led by Mrs. Capps, and a short business session followed.

Our bazar and bakery sale will be held Saturday afternoon, December 14, at the hardware store.—Reporter.

SOCIETY

**All Day Meeting of
County P. T. A.'s Held
In Crowell Saturday**

Saturday, December 5th dawned bright and clear for the all-day meeting of the Foard County P. T. A.'s. A bounteous feast appeared in the domestic science rooms and thirty-five or forty women assembled in the auditorium of the Crowell High School. The morning session was the practical help that can really be spent in a round-table discussion of attained from study by a mother in any P. T. A.

It was brought out by Mrs. Creighton that the child study programs cost only 2½ cents per month and that no where else could a course in child psychology be obtained at that price; second, an affiliated P. T. A. brings additional rank to any school in its state educational rank; third, that now, more than ever before, parents should be trained in order that their children in turn may be prepared to make valuable use of the additional leisure time which our machine age is making possible for them.

After our bounteous luncheon we assembled again in the auditorium for the afternoon program. Mrs. Kincaid extended greetings, and gave a short review of the sixteen years existence of Crowell's P. T. A. She told also that Margaret has the largest P. T. A., as all but three families in that community belong to the Margaret organization. Thalia has established a lunch room for their school children. All of which shows that such organizations are doing good in this county.

Foard City and Vivian P. T. A.'s were well represented at the meeting.

Mrs. Morris of Thalia responded on behalf of the other organizations represented. She reminded us that hospitality, an acquired characteristic, as the first step in cooperation is responsible for all civilization today, and that this meeting would encourage more wide spread interest in P. T. A. work throughout our county.

Mrs. Creighton of Wichita Falls, the district president was then introduced. She spoke on the creed of the P. T. A. movement, the help to be obtained from our state and national headquarters, the Congress Library, and what many of the great men of our country think of the need of more earnest child-welfare study. Mrs. Gillespie of Truscott, vice-president of the district, spoke a few encouraging words.

It was a great privilege to be present at the meeting and listen to these women who are so inspired and well-trained in their work. We hope to have them with us again and have a larger attendance at that meeting. Remember that you raise the standard of your home and community every time you attend a P. T. A. meeting by thus showing your interest in child welfare. Your help is needed in this task of rearing the future nation regardless of whether your children are in school or not.—Reporter.

**MR. AND MRS. GEO. SELF
ENTERTAINED THURSDAY**

On last Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. George Self opened their home to a number of friends and charmingly entertained them with bridge, six-hundred and forty-two. There were six tables, two of each game. Most attractive tally cards and score pads were used and blanched almonds and fancy candies were served throughout the games. Much pleasure and merriment prevailed during the entire evening and attractive gifts fell to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McGowan as favors. Mrs. McGowan received a pretty sash, entitled "Spring," while the men's gift was a box of linen handkerchiefs.

Trays, covered with Maderia cloths, centered with pink sweet peas and holding the refreshment plate were placed upon each table. Chicken salad, wafers, olives, pumpkin pie with whipped cream atop, and coffee was served to Messrs. and Madams M. S. Henry, S. S. Bell, Herbert Edwards, T. V. Roscoe, C. E. McGowan, Paul Shirley, Oscar Boman, T. J. Hughton, L. A. Andrews, T. B. Klepper, George Hinds, and Miss Lottie Woods.

SHOWER FOR RECENT BRIDE

With Mesdames Leo Spencer, Hub Speck, and J. E. Harwell as hostesses, Mrs. Spencer's home was the scene of a pretty miscellaneous shower last Saturday afternoon honoring Mrs. J. H. Lanier, Jr., who was married on November 22. The guests were met at the door by Mrs. Spencer who presented them to a receiving line composed of Mrs. J. H. Lanier, Sr., Mrs. J. H. Lanier, Jr., Mrs. Earl Benedict of Knox City and Mrs. Harwell. They were then greeted by Mrs. Speck who ushered them into the reception rooms which were attractive with Christmas decorations. Miss Lottie Woods in well-chosen words, gave the bride a most hearty welcome into our midst. Mrs. Alva Spencer rendered a beautiful violin solo. She was accompanied by Mrs. Arnold Rucker. Miss Frances Allison gave a clever reading, Mrs. Adolphus Wright sweetly sang "Before I Met You," also accompanied by Mrs. Rucker.

Then the guests were asked to arrange themselves into groups, those who were married in the same month forming a group. Finding that February was the most popular month, those who were married in that month were asked to perform, which they did. Those married in the minority month, also responded. Then the girls who were yet unmarried produced much laughter by their stunt which was very cleverly done.

At this time, a loud knock was heard upon the door and Santa Claus appeared asking for Mrs. J. H.

Lanier, Jr. He was literally loaded with gifts, and not being able to carry all, made many return trips assisted by others, and the bride, almost overcome by it all, began to investigate the packages. The gifts were numerous and varied, beautiful and useful, attesting to the love, friendship and goodwill held for the bride and groom. Mrs. Lanier thanked the guests for each gift.

Punch was served in the dining room by Misses Allene Lanier, Harriet Evelyn Swaim, Josephine Griffith and Frances Allison. Out-of-town guests were Mrs. Earl Benedict of Knox City, aunt of Mr. Lanier, and Mrs. John Rider of Dallas.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

The children of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Schlagal honored their mother with a surprise dinner party on last Saturday evening, celebrating her birthday. Each one brought a covered dish and the dinner was given at the home of Mrs. E. Swaim. The table was laden with good things to eat. Little Charles Nelson presented his grandmother with the birthday gifts from the different members of the family. There were 21 present on this enjoyable occasion, children, grandchildren and other relatives.

**Christmas Program to
Be Given By School
Wed. Morning Dec. 18**

The grammar grades of the Crowell schools will present a special Christmas program at the high school auditorium Wednesday morning, December 18th, beginning at 8:30 o'clock and lasting for 45 minutes.

An interesting program is being arranged and it should be of interest to all, especially the patrons of the schools here. Superintendent I. T. Graves extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend the program. All of the grammar grades and a large number of children will take part in the program.

**New Beauty Parlor to
Open Here Friday, 13**

Miss Virgie Callaway will open a beauty parlor in Reeder Drug Company, December 13th. Whether that day is unlucky or not, Miss Callaway is determined to begin her new business at that time. The shop is to be known as "No Man's Land."

She has just returned from Dallas where she graduated from Moler's Beauty Culture College. After receiving her diploma there she returned to Crowell.

Miss Callaway is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Callaway of Foard City.

If it interests you Jamaica has a huge banana crop.

Our idea of a retort comes from the Soviet republic.

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Digger: "Money."
Inquisitive: "That's interesting. And when do you expect to find it?"
Digger: "Saturday night."

A. H. Martin of Rayland community was a pleasant caller at our place one day last week.

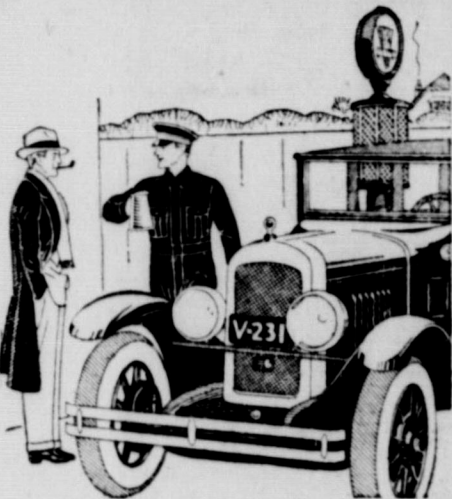
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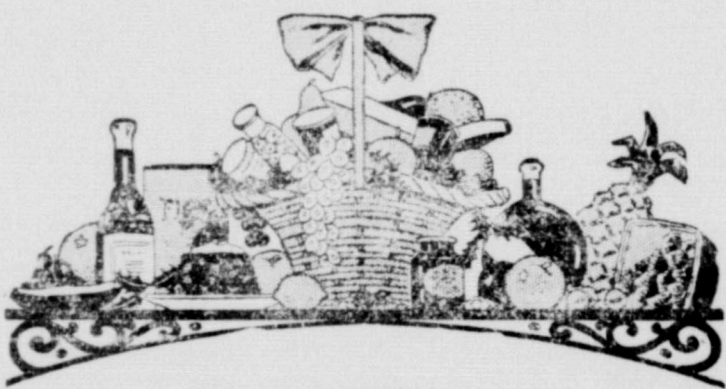
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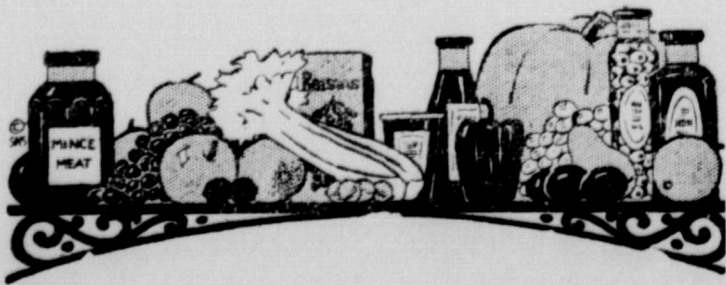
Plenty of real Christmas candy to fill the Christmas stockings! Buy your Christmas candies from us now.

CHRISTMAS MEATS

Naturally you are going to want the choicest meats of the year during the holiday season.

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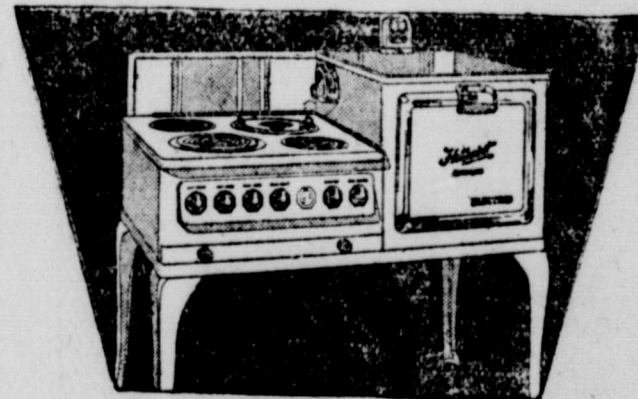
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SANTA RECEIVES MANY LETTERS FROM FOARD COUNTY CHILDREN

Old Santa Claus is Checking Over List of Good Boys and Girls in His Shops at the North Pole

Crowell, Texas, Dec. 3, 1929.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a great big doll with curly hair and a ribbon around it. I want new doll shoes and some little party pins.

me some candy, nuts and fruits. I am going to be a good boy and help my mama.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a tricycle and an air gun.

Lots of love,
Frances Henry.

Crowell, Texas, Dec. 1, 1929.

Dear Santa Claus:
Will you bring me a little tricycle, ball, a doll, a little red barn, horses, cows and anything else you might think that you think I would like. I think I will go to Mrs. Patton's to the Christmas tree but we will be home in time for you to bring my presents. Now Santa please don't forget me and bring me lots of things for I love you dearly. I'll close now and see you on the 24th.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a wagon and an air gun.

Yours,
Clyde Eddie.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll and a doll buggy.

Yours,
Ruby Black.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a tricycle and a doll.

Your little friend,
Paula McFadden.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a bicycle and a 22 target.

Yours truly,
Clifford Barnes.

Crowell, Texas, Dec. 7, 1929.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am asking you for several things, that are cheap things. I want a big stocking, number 49T9903; a patch mill, number 49T5784, and a beam shovel, number 9T5068.

Will Christmas ever come? We have waited for you so long and are trying so hard to be good. Be sure and save us two tricycles. We want just loads of things out of that pack.

Your good boys until Christmas,
James Milton and Bobby Cooper.

P. S. We will be over to Nanny's house or the church.

Crowell, Texas, Dec. 7, 1929.

Dear Santa Claus:
How are you today? I would like for you to bring me an air gun and a package of firecrackers. I am in the second grade at school.

Please bring us a saddle that will fit our shetland pony and some story books. We will see you soon.

With love,
Sam and Glendon Russell.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a bicycle and a wagon.

Yours,
Fred Hill Ely.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a bicycle and an airgun.

Your friend,
Clury Flowers.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll and fruit and candy.

Your friend,
Frances Garrett.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me a doll, and lots of nuts, fruits, and candy.

Your friend,
Frances Hanks.

Crowell, Texas, Dec. 8, 1929.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me a car with a horn on it that goes around and around, a train like that they have got at Henry's. Bring me an airplane and if you don't have an airplane bring me a tractor on a rubber track and Santa Claus, be sure and remember Billie, Ted and Jo Wallace, and I love you, dear old Santa Claus.

I am a little girl seven years old. I have a little brother, four years old, and we have been real good little children and minded mother and daddy. I want a baby doll with a bottle in its hand and a small doll too. I do not need a doll buggy and Harry wants a little boy doll, a train, tractor and truck. Now Santa just bring us anything else.

Your little friends,
Helen and Harry Harwell.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a pair of booties, a little engine that I can get in and runs by pedals, a mit and a ball, a cornet, a French harp, and a tool chest. If you can't bring all this just bring what you can. I am going to put a present for you on our Christmas tree. I love you.

Billie Newton Klepper.

P. S. Please remember all the boys and girls who don't have a mother and daddy, all my little friends, too, Billie.

Your friend,
Jenny Dee.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a wagon and an air gun.

Your friend,
Murrel Diggs.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy 8 years old, my name is Archie Porter. Will you bring

Dollies from Santa



Christian Church Will Have White Gift Service, 22nd

By Rev. John G. Clark
The White Gift Service will be given at the Christian Church Sunday night, December 22, at 7:30. The doors will be opened at 7 o'clock and will close promptly at 7:30 when the service begins, no one being admitted late. We are giving out tickets to the utmost capacity of the building, so as to not overcrowd the church and thus mar the worship atmosphere of the service. These tickets are free for the asking and Frank Crews and John E. Long will have charge of their distribution. If you do not get one Sunday, just go to the Crews-Long Hardware store any time soon and they will be glad to give you one.

Everyone except infants in arms must have tickets as we are giving out a ticket for each seat. We are giving this service not only for our own members, but for the benefit of every one in Crowell. So far, we have planned to give one service, but if the demand is sufficient, we will be glad to give more than one. This service is not an entertainment, but is a worship service. This service is intended to deepen the spiritual life of all participants and will bind all more closely together.
This is an adoration pageant centering around the birth of Jesus. As you enter soft music will be heard from a distance, and the spot light will be resting upon the road leading from the manger to the cross. The Madonna will then enter, taking her place beside the side of the manger. After which the shepherds will appear tending their flocks by night, suddenly angels appear to them telling them of the Christ Child. Then the wise men will come bringing their gifts of gold, incense and myrrh to the Christ Child. After this the gift bearers will enter bringing their gifts

of substance and service of the various Sunday School classes and departments of the church to be placed at the manger. Then, an opportunity will be given to anyone who will give the most supreme gift of all Jesus, the gift of self.

The gift of substance will be given by each class or department of the church for the building fund. The gift of service is a pledge made by every member of the Bible School and church to do some special work for the church during the coming year. The last gift, or the gift of self, is the greatest gift that any boy or girl, man or woman can give to Christ.

The following is the cast of characters in this adoration pageant: Madonna, Mrs. Jim N. Cook; shepherds, Albert T. Schooley, Roy Johnson and F. A. Davis; angels, Jewel Mullins, Mrs. Gene Bryant and Mrs. Grady Walker; wisemen, John Raser, Joe Ward and C. V. Allen; gift bearers, Virginia Sue Crowell, Elsie Mae Cook, Marjorie Schooley, Lillie Mae Edgins, Georgie Borchardt, Bonnie Patton, Ida Pearl Harris, Bettie Borchardt, Fern McCaskill and Frances Cook; torchbearer, Coy Ward; reader, Mrs. R. L. Kincaid; pianist, Mary Clayton Giddings; assistant pianist, Mrs. John E. Long; soloist, Mrs. Roy Johnson; choir leader, Joe Ward; choir, junior choir; ushers, Frank Hill, Jim N. Cook, Frank Crews and John McAnear; electrician, John Long; decoration committee, Mrs. F. A. Davis and Roy Johnson; costume committee, Mrs. Roy Johnson; advertising, Marion Crowell.

MORE LETTERS TO BE IN NEWS OF NEXT WEEK

All Children of This Section Invited to Write Letters

All of the children who failed to send their letters to Santa Claus for this issue of the News, may have their letters printed next week if they will mail or bring them to the News office at the earliest possible time.
The Foard County News wants to give every child in Foard County the opportunity of having its Santa Claus letter published and feeling that there are many more children in this section who would like to have their letters published, the News will publish another group of letters next week.
Two or three letters were received this week that were impossible to read and had to be left out, however, the children writing these may have someone help them with letters for Write your letter at once! The issue next week.

Letter Received By News Telling of Xmas in China

C. P. O. Box No. 1234, Shanghai, China, Nov. 7th, 1929.

Dear Editor:
Christmas is coming before long when people feel as much like children as they ever do, and think as much about them, so let me tell you a bit about my kiddy "Chinks" and my work among them.

Soon after coming to China I went with a missionary to see an idol temple. The missionary preached to the Buddhist priests. They didn't seem impressed with the message. The missionary said to me, "There is not much hope for these idol-worshippers." I was surprised at his remark, feeling God's Holy Spirit could convert even the hardened priests. Leaving the temple we had to pass through a great gate-house. In it were four huge idol "gate-keepers," fierce, savage, ugly, with hands, up-raised ready to strike any who might displease them. They did strike terror into a little child whose mother was bringing it into the temple to worship. As we were passing by the little one was screaming with fright; but the mother put the wee one's hand up and made it go through the acts of worship in spite of its terror.

Then I realized why the Chinese were confirmed idolaters. They are taught to worship idols even when babies. And I saw that our hope of winning China was not in preaching to the priests, though that must not be neglected; but was in getting the children. So, as soon as I could talk Chinese and a missionary lady suggested starting a Ragged Sunday School for the street kiddies not far from her home, I was ready to help. She asked the dairyman if we could have it in his shed. He consented, so we began our first Ragged Sunday School. Crowds of little people came. How they did delight to sing, "Ya-su-ai-ngo" (Jesus Loves Me). Many of that cow-shed Sunday School came to love Jesus and became useful members in the church.

When I came to Shanghai, and went about preaching, children a plenty were on the streets. I remembered that Sunday School and wanted these "yaller" people to have the same joys. I rented a room and started a Sunday School with no pupils! I stood inside and sang, "Jesus Loves Me." Children came to the door. I was glad and said, "Come in." The kiddies ran for home as fast as their legs could carry them. They had heard that foreigners use eyes and hearts of Chinese children to make medicine for Western children. I sang again and big people came to listen. The wee ones took courage and peeped in. I talked of Jesus and His love for little and big people, and gave the kiddies cards, asked them to come again and bring their friends and I would give them all cards. Next Sunday ten came and the next 20 and then 40, and soon my small room was full of "Brownies." They learned to sing and liked to sing and we literally sang the Gospel in to their hearts. Now Jesus has lots of little friends in Shanghai. They do not run from me any more; but run to me shouting, "Jesus man coming," and grasping my fingers, led me to the Sunday School.

I wish you could know my wee Brownies. I am sure you would love them as I do. Every Christmas I try to give them a jolly time, friends at home sending me money for their treat. Christmas is not far away and I am getting ready for the glad day. No Chinese kiddies will hang up their stockings and no home will have a Christmas tree. Christmas will be cold and bare for millions of kiddies; but I like to bring brightness into the lives of more than 800 of my Brownies. They will delight as much in some foolish little toy as some grown-ups at home will delight in a motor car. When they receive the gifts their eyes sparkle and they say a sweet "Zia-zia Noong." Thank, thank you. It pays in joy of giving and who knows how many little hearts will be opened to God's big giving through these little gifts.

May you all have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Yours in Christ's glad service, (Rev.) H. G. C. HALLOCK.

MAKE THE MOST OF CHRISTMAS

Make it a jolly Christmas and don't worry over the bills. They won't come due until next year. That sounds a long way off, whether it is or not.

Browse around town and look into the stores. You may be surprised at some of the things you find. We've seen a lot of them and we know.

We suspect that our local merchants are attempting to make London and Paris jealous—or perhaps they know the discriminating taste of our people and are simply trying to meet expectations.

At any rate, the "berries" are there, in the stores, waiting to be picked. And, believe me, they are worth picking.

Government estimates show that there are about 30,000,000 institutions in the United States.

The United States buys more coffee and rubber from Brazil than the rest of the countries combined.

The Most Welcome Visitor



More Santa Claus Letters on Pages 2 6 and 8 this section

After Santa's Visit



SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish you would bring me a wagon and a bicycle. I am in the high second grade, and have been a good boy so come and see me.

Your friend,
John Lewis Gray.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a car, a monkey, a gun and a dog and a box of firecrackers.

Love,
Jim Wright.

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish you would bring me a wagon and please bring me a French harp and a saddle and firecrackers.

Yours,
Freddie Carroll.

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish you would bring me a scooter and some fire crackers and some candy and pecans and I have been a good little boy at home and at school.

Yours truly,
Arnold Evans.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll, a story book, a ring, some house shoes, a desk, a chair, a doll bed, a little stove, a table and chairs.

With love,
Joyce White.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a little doll, a little rocker, and a Christmas book.

Love,
Minnie Ola Ballard.

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish you would bring me a book and some peanuts, candy, some firecrackers, oranges, apples and some pecans. I also want some other things. I am a little boy in the second grade.

Yours,
Eugene Alton Fox.

Crowell, Texas, Dec. 2, 1929.

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish you would bring me a gun and a blackboard and a box of firecrackers. I am in the second grade and I am a little boy. I wish you would bring me a rubber ball and I want some crayolas too, and some candy, a story book and booties.

Yours truly,
Wade Adams.

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish you would bring me a gun and a horse and a saddle and firecrackers, a pistol, a box of shells, a knife, a coat and a pair of boots.

Yours,
Leon Williamson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 8 years old and am going to school. I love my teacher very much and I want you to bring me a bugie and some candy, nuts and fruits and I will thank you very much.

By-by,
Louis James Denny.

Crowell, Texas, Nov. 12, 1929.

Dear Santa Claus:

The following things are which I prefer for Christmas but if you do not have them please bring something similar. I would like to have a large Christmas stocking, a loop-the-loop, and an up-to-date airplane carrying ocean liner. I will be good and expect all of the things.

Yours truly,
Roy Steele.

Crowell, Texas, Nov. 28, 1929.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am too old to ask for toys, so I am going to let you give your toys to some other little boy or girl. Anyway I am going to get a few.

Yours,
Glendon Reeder.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 7 years old. I am going to school and I love my teacher very much. I want you to bring me a little cap gun and candy, fruits, and nuts and I will thank you very much. By-by.

Your friend,
Henry Charles Denny.

Stole 300,000 Chickens; Now Protects Farmers

New York.—Robert F. Stephens, who says he stole 300,000 chickens in eastern Nebraska and western Iowa during a period of eighteen months, now hopes to protect farmers from night prowlers through the publication of his memoirs.

Stephens tells in Farm and Fireside, how he headed a gang operating with swift automobile trucks, robbed between 10,000 and 15,000 hen roosts and was finally caught and sentenced to the Nebraska state reformatory. He has now finished his sentence and has already exposed several fake protection agencies, saving farmers nearly \$100,000 a year. He plans to expose the methods of small farm robberies in a manner which he says will reduce annual losses through theft, estimated at \$15,000,000, by half.

New Yorker Pays \$25 to "Conscience" Fund

Washington.—"John Brown," who apparently lives in New York, squared accounts with the treasury by a contribution to the department's "conscience" fund. Announcement was made that \$25 had been received and so deposited. Such a fund is maintained for anonymous deposits made by persons who feel they have "cheated" the government. Mr. "Brown's" method of making his contribution was somewhat different than is usual, however, for he took the trouble to buy a money order and make the amount payable to Andrew W. Mellon, secretary of the treasury.

Sargent, Former Cabinet Member, Collects Clocks

London, Vt.—Collecting and repairing old clocks is a hobby which for many years has brought enjoyment to former Attorney General John G. Sargent.

At his home here he has a huge collection of antique timepieces which is nationally known among clock connoisseurs. To the interested visitor Sargent explains with pride that all his clocks, even the most ancient of them, are still running.

The world's main source of commercial supplies of arrow-root is the island of St. Vincent, in the British West Indies.

About \$1,000,000 worth of jasmine is gathered by Foochow farmers in good harvest years for tea-scenting.

The Grand Canyon of the Colorado was discovered by the Spaniards in 1540.



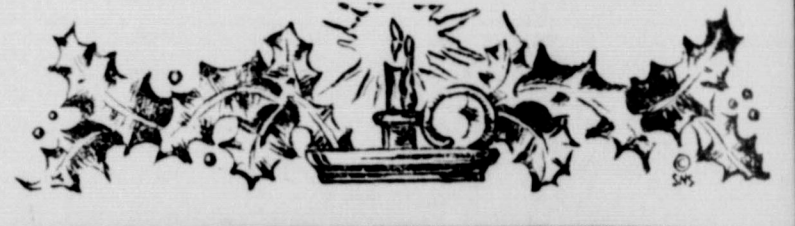
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Holiday time is busy time, so why do your own washing when it will be to your advantage to let us handle that matter for you.

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Fergeson Brothers



The Make-Shift Christmas Tree

by Martha Banning Thomas

MARY had a way of accomplishing the impossible. She could think of more different things to do about a situation than anyone else in the world. At least Dick thought so. But now came a time when she had to give up. There would be no Christmas tree for little Betty and Joe. There couldn't be.

In the first place they lived in a barren town far from Christmas trees. They neither grew nor were sold within a hundred miles. This was the family's first winter in the place, as Dick had been sent out to his New York firm on an engineering job.

Dick had been so busy he scarcely had a moment at home. His job had reached a critical point. Putting it away meant everything—moving away from the town, more money, better chances for bigger work. Then the day before Christmas he had thought about the tree. Mary said she had been trying to get one everywhere, but had failed. "Leave it to me, Dick," she smiled. "Somehow we'll have a tree for the children. If it's no more than a feather tree trimmed with popcorn."

On Christmas day Martha sat eyed her house from an easy chair, with pleased approval. Never had it been gay. And never had Martha felt so well acquainted with her grandchildren. She hadn't had time, other Christmases—when she was rushing, tired out, about the kitchen—to admire their presents, watch them play, and tell them stories. Now she could—and did!

At the table which sparkled with festivity, Martha beamed. "I feel like a queen," she said gayly.

Her tall son, Charlie, laughed. "This is the first Christmas mother has actually sat through a dinner without jumping up to wait on somebody every five minutes, isn't it, mother?"

"Yes!" Alice gasped and looked ashamed. "We girls were just saying in the kitchen we'd never realized what a huge undertaking the family Christmas was! Mother, you've been a wonder! But things will be different after this!"

And when her little namesake smiled at her grandmother as at a newly-found comrade, Martha's happiness was complete. She glanced at the offending ankle and whispered, "Doctor Trenton was right!"

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A Strange Christmas Gift

by Clara Gage Hay

MARTHA GRAHAM tried to smile. "Even if it isn't serious to you, it's fearfully so to me!"

Doctor Trenton finished the bandage. "I know there's some pain but it's only a slight sprain. You'll be around in a week."

Martha shook her gray head and felt her glasses absent-mindedly. "It's not the ankle that pains me so much as Christmas. All the children and grandchildren will be here. They always are. And father's helpless about housework..." she sighed.

"So that's it!" Doctor Trenton laughed wisely. He knew "Grandma" Graham's family. "Maybe this is a disguised Christmas gift."

His patient shook her head dubiously. Christmas four days off. Nothing but the fruit cake made.

Only Doctor Trenton knew why Alice, Martha's youngest daughter, "happened" in two days ahead of her family, and Mary and Bertha got a chance to ride over the day before Christmas. "Happy coincidence!" they all agreed.

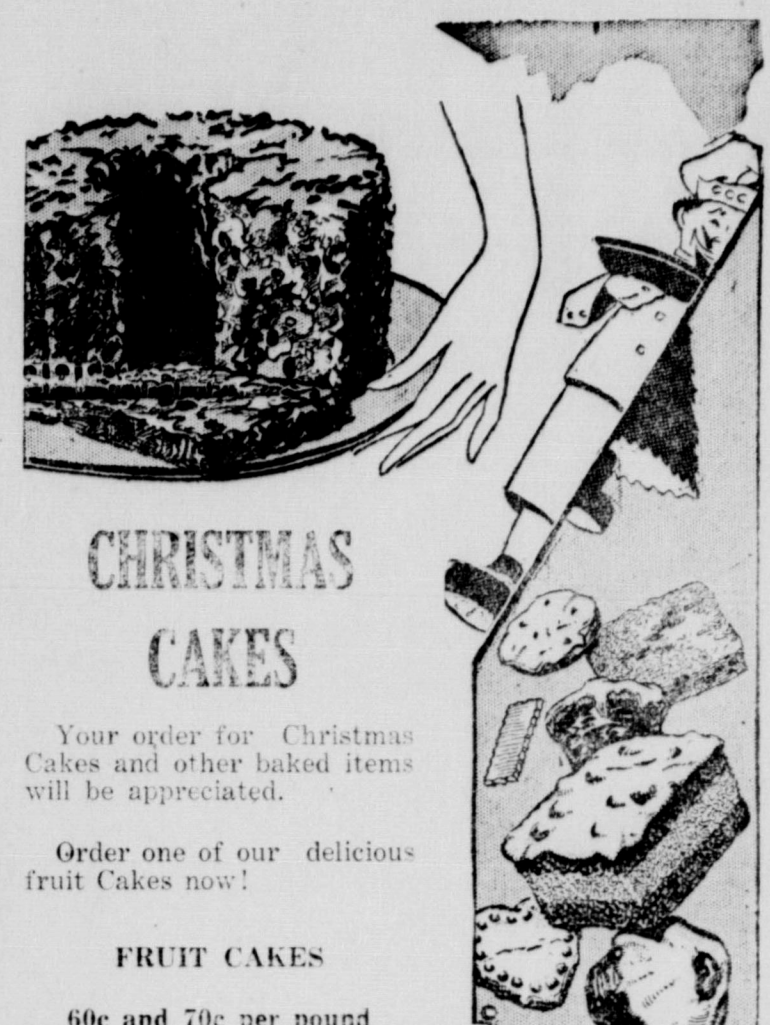
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Santa's Visiting List



It has been found that sheep are sometimes affected by tularemia, the disease which human beings have been contracting from handling rabbits.

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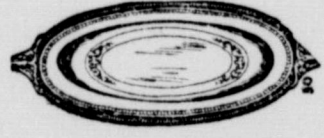
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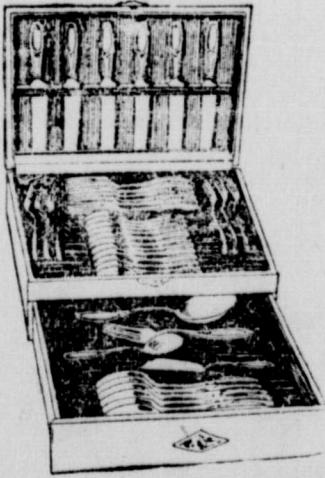


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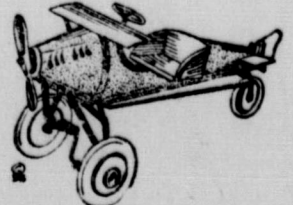
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The Surprise Santa Claus

By Florence Harris Wells

HERE'S the Christmas tree, Miss Johnson. That's that," Tom Blodgett, who represented the school board in the snow-bound village, stood back and surveyed the fine symmetrical fir he had just made stable in the center of the schoolroom platform. "Now what next, teacher?"

Peggy Johnson laughed gayly: "Next, we hang all the Christmas ornaments I've been able to get together in this community, and all the strings of popcorn and cranberries the mothers could spare."

"You're bound to have a Christmas celebration of some kind, aren't you, even if we have been hemmed in here for four straight weeks. In all the years I've been here I've never seen such a steady snowfall," Tom continued; "not a chance for an auto to make that forty miles to the city, all up grade as it is. The youngsters will get their faith in Santa Claus shaken, I'm afraid, this year. Presents will be mighty scarce."

"Scarce all right," Peggy cheerfully agreed. "But they're going to have as good a Christmas as it is possible for us to give them."

"I'm with you on that," Tom said. "My little folks and all the other kiddies are looking forward to this more than they ever have to any Christmas. The big folks are, too. Fine idea of yours, Miss Johnson. Everybody's keen about it."

As they chatted the tree was fast becoming gay and festive in its Christmas apparel. They had barely finished when the village folks began to struggle in, laden with baskets of food. It was to be a community dinner, followed by carols and games and the distribution of the few presents they had been able to assemble from the town's meager resources.

It was when the games were the very liveliest that the crash came—a crash that jarred the little schoolhouse and brought the merrymaking to an abrupt standstill.

A second, and Tom, followed by others, rushed out; then came the real surprise. In came Tom and with him—Santa Claus in a scarlet Hudson Bay coat, plaid trousers tucked into his heavy boots, and a fur cap pulled down over his ears.

Behind them were the others, their arms filled with bundles of all sizes and descriptions; while dolls and trumpets, drums and all sorts of toys were piled in a great hamper that two of the men brought in between them.

The boys and girls shouted with glee and the older folks looked on in amazement. Tom and Santa Claus walked straight to Miss Johnson. Santa Claus pulled off the great fur cap. Both Santa Claus and Peggy stared.

"Peggy!" he stammered. "Reg!" she stammered back. "Where did you come from?"

Santa Claus found his tongue: "I was headed here—I didn't know you were here. I heard the town was snowbound and I thought I'd be Santa Claus. But I thought it was five miles beyond. I figured my big car could get through on the down grade. I hated to think of kiddies having no Christmas. But the car got off the track in the drifts and we came down the side of the hill like a rocket until we hit this school."

"I'd say you did," Tom interrupted as he turned away from them. "I thought I was done for," Reg continued. "Instead I'm made if you say so, Peggy. I've hunted all over for you since your father lost his money and you ran away from me because you thought it made a difference."

Peggy's eyes glistened as she fought back her tears; then she caught Reg by the hand and dragged him into the group surrounding the gifts. "Here's Santa Claus already to distribute the presents!"

Santa Claus caught her spirit and held her hand a bit tighter as he gayly added: "And the future Mrs. Santa Claus already to help him. We wish you all a Merry Christmas!"

And the little room, that all the evening had been so filled with good will, just brimmed over with laughter and song and Merry Christmases.

A Christmas Candle

By Katherine Edelman

LOWLY, almost reverently, Nora Carney set the Christmas candle in the window, whispering a prayer as she looked out into the cold, still night. Bravely the little flame gleamed out into the darkness; a beckoning light to any wanderer that might be seeking shelter.

"Mother, won't you tell us the story of Christmas again?" little Michael asked. "Tell us about the coming of the Christ Child, and—the reason they light the Christmas candle in Ireland?"

Nora Carney had been born in Ireland. Now, her home was in the midst of a great western prairie, but, as her children gathered around her, she told them the story of the coming of the Christ Child and the reason for the lighting of the Christmas candle as her own mother used to tell it to her long ago, around a glowing peat fire in far-away Ireland.

"You know, children," she began, "when Jesus came there was no place for Him. Joseph and Mary were so tired and so weary after the long journey into Bethlehem, but every place they sought a shelter they got the same answer 'no room.' People

took little interest in them because they were poor; so they had to go out to that dark, cold cave, and there the little Christ Child was born. Angels were singing their songs of joy and welcome for Him over the hills of Judea, but in Bethlehem they sought a shelter in vain."

"I wish our house had been there, mother; we—we would have let them in," little Mary interrupted. Mrs. Carney stopped to stroke the curly head with her work-worn hand, then went on: "In Ireland there is a beautiful legend that very often Mary, with the little Christ Child in her arms, comes back to earth on

Christmas eve, and seeks a shelter for herself and Jesus. And lest she might seek a place in vain, a Christmas candle is placed in every home to guide her."

"Oh, children," she went on, her voice taking on a radiant note, "it is a beautiful sight to look out on Christmas eve and see every hill and valley in Ireland dotted with little golden lights; the whole country looks like one big Christmas tree."

She stopped a few moments as if memory carried her back over the years and she was looking on the scene once more; then, at the insistence of the children, went on:

"This was how the beautiful custom of lighting the Christmas candle started, and it has been kept up through the years."

"But—but—" practical-minded Jimmie interrupted: "They—the mother and child don't really come back—do they?"

"I—I don't know for sure, Jimmie, but I do know that very often others that the Christ Child loves are needing aid or shelter. Sometimes it is only a kind word, or a bit of encouragement, maybe, but if we give it, and give it cheerfully at Christmas, we are really doing it for Him and—giving Him the shelter that they refused in Bethlehem long ago. You know the words He said when He was here: 'Inasmuch as ye do it unto the least of these, ye do it unto Me.'"

Silence fell upon the room after the story was finished. Even practical-minded Jimmie asked no other question. All the children seemed to be looking toward the little candle that was shining so bravely in the window. Now, after the story that they had listened to, it was no ordinary candle that they were looking at; it had grown to be something sacred, something inspiring.

And in the years to come, no matter where the Carney children might be scattered over the earth, always the lighting of the Christmas candle would bring back the memory of this hour, and for all of them it would always be a symbol of the love and desire to help others at Christmas for His sake.

Cheer up, and you will make Christmas more cheerful for others.

TOO MUCH LENIENCY

Criminal conditions today have reached such a point that law-respecting persons who might be otherwise more or less soft-hearted believe severity should be the rule. They believe that a person is convicted in a fair trial his sentence should seldom be interfered with by those powers which can give him liberty by parole or by full pardon.

To many criminals the hope of early pardon or parole is an incentive to criminal activity. The possibility of being confined for a few months or a few years has little terror for them and, hoping for pardon or parole, they proceed with their criminal acts.

If parole and pardon authorities would decline to grant leniency except in really worthy cases the prospect of long imprisonment would serve to decrease criminality.

Make the most of Christmas. We won't have another one this year.



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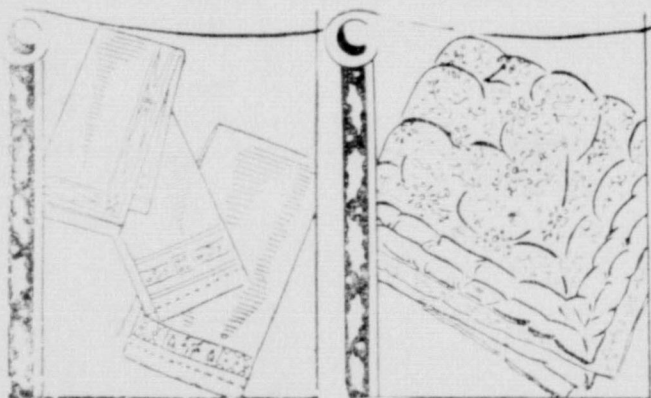
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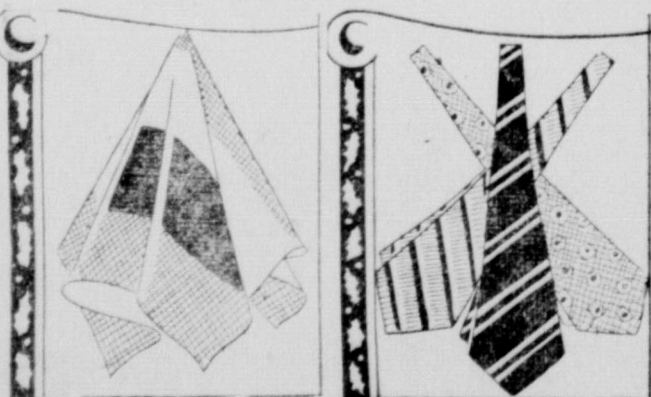
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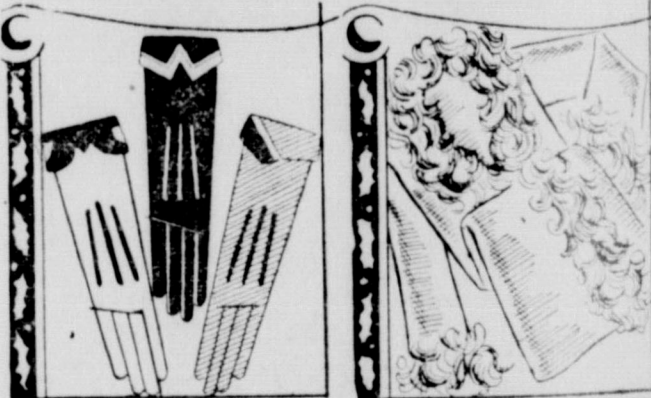
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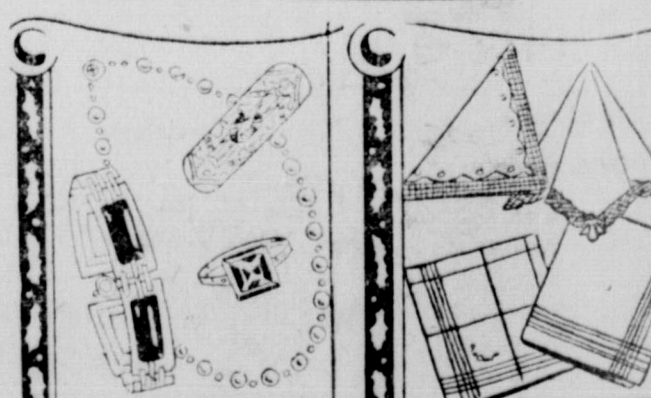


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Christmas and Hearts

By Lily Rutherford Morris

ANN told the newspaper aside with a quizzical smile, "Wonder if he is a bachelor or a widower? Well, I'll not be long finding out," hurriedly jotting down the address.

Half an hour later she was ringing the doorbell of a pretentious house on one of the city's best streets.

"I came in answer to the ad about Christmas-making," she said sweetly to the somber-looking man who opened the door. "Are you the gentleman who wants a lady assistant?"

"Yes, please come in." The man, dressed in a suit, looked at her with an interested expression and began to enlighten her about herself.

"I am Miss Thomas. I live at the building on Broadway. Your ad appealed to me because I, too, am alone in the world and tired of going out by my Christmas dinner with no one but to do something for. I'd just like to get ready for a real Christmas as in a sure way."

"I see no reason why you shouldn't if you are willing to undertake the task of trying to cheer up an old bachelor who has grieved through Christmas for the last ten years—since my mother was taken. Here's a cook, of course, but," shrugging significantly, "who wants to eat prey alone?"

"I see," said Ann, laughing with her at the picture. "A sympathetic feeling exists between us, at any rate. I should like to begin preparations at once if you think I look like the right person for the joyful work."

"Good! The house is at your service, Miss Thomas. Don't mind expense. Get what you want and if I can help I shall be delighted."

"Then we'll go shopping right away. There's no time to lose with Christmas only three days off."

"I'll get the car," he announced, reaching for his coat. "Let's make the old house look gay and festive—it has been gloomy long enough. Why, you know, I feel pepped up already."

"So do I," replied Ann. "I'm getting the spirit fast. Let me have a pencil and paper, please. I'll make a list while you fetch the car. We must have wreaths and candles in every window, of course; and a tree and the trimmings and—I hope the cook hasn't made the fruit cake. I have a grand recipe and I'd just love to go to the kitchen and stir up the mixture. Do you think she would object?"

"Not Carrie. But I hadn't thought of imposing the cooking on you."

"Impose! For five years I've wanted to make a fruit cake. But how could I without a kitchen to work in? I'll make it tomorrow, if you don't mind, even if Carrie has one already."

"Oh, certainly. I want you to feel privileged to manage as you wish."

What a jolly morning for Ann and Jim, though it was the mere beginning of a three-day period of increasing fun. Christmas eve showed the house ablaze with light and glowing with Christmas cheer. The tree glistened with its varicolored lights, and gifts were piled beneath it for neighborhood children who had been asked to come next morning. Ann rushed in late, having missed her car, for Jim was told to remain at home to receive the kiddies. Not in years had the Hilton home seen such revelry.

Later the old couple across the way were brought in for dinner. The table was beautiful with poinsettia, red candles in silver holders, and sprigs of holly at each plate.

"Why, Mr. Hilton!" exclaimed the frail little woman, "how did you learn to make things so pretty?"

"I haven't learned, Mrs. Dean. Please give Miss Thomas credit for everything," and Jim bowed graciously to Ann. There was a merry twinkle in his eye as he smiled upon her, and in his heart there was a grim determination to try to persuade Ann to become the permanent manager of his home. Her answering smile, at least, seemed hopeful.

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Woman Spends Night in Capital Monument

Washington.—Mrs. S. E. Longaell, forty, of Middleburgh, Vt., is the first among nearly 10,000,000 visitors to the Washington monument to spend the night in it.

It was an oversight on the part of the guards that permitted her to be locked in the great obelisk for the night. Authorities believe she purposely secreted herself in the shaft when the door was closed at night. The story did not leak out until later.

Mrs. Longaell went to the monument fortified by a lunch and a thermos bottle full of tea. Authorities think she wanted to see the moonlight and the sun rise from the top of the monument.

The guards promise this stunt will never be repeated. Hereafter they will move any furniture behind which a person might hide. It has been a sort of unwritten law that no visitor should be permitted in the monument after the closing hour, primarily for the protection of visitors.

Made Insane by Loss of \$100,000 Won in Lottery

Breslau.—With a lottery prize of \$100,000 in his pocket, Bruno Wellmann thought he need not bother to work for the rest of his life.

Wellmann was the owner of a cafe until he won the big prize in the Saxon State lottery. He immediately made his nephew proprietor of his cafe, bought a villa and prepared with the interest on the rest of his money to spend his days in dignified ease. But the next day the bank in which he had deposited his winnings went into bankruptcy. Wellmann is now in an insane asylum.

Murphy Wedding Held; Many Murphys Attend

Troy, N. Y.—There was an all-Murphy wedding here recently. Vincent A. Murphy and Miss Catherine R. Murphy were the principals. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Robert C. Murphy, and the bridesmaid was Miss Eileen Murphy, sister of the bride, and the best man, Clarence R. Murphy, brother of the bridegroom. Even the ushers were Murphys.

December 25th as Christmas Day
The earliest reference December 25 as Christmas day is found in an ancient catalogue of church festivals about A. D. 354.



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- (6) A guarantee that you will have a certain amount of money when you are old.
- (7) A guarantee that whether you live or die, you are worth so much more money. You cannot lose.
- (8) Keep this in mind. If you live, it's a Bond and you get all your money back with interest—If you don't live—then your folks get all of it in cash.
- (9) No, the rates are even less than on most standard forms of life insurance.
- (10) With a simple plan of this kind, is it worth while to gamble with your own old age, or the welfare of your family?

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A Letter to Santa Claus

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Margaret, Texas, Nov. 25, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I want a doll, graphone and some house shoes. My little brother, Jerry, wants a little car, a French harp, and a toy dog.
With love,
Bessie Short, age 7.

Crowell, Texas, Dec. 3, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a slide trombone, a 10-inch army type drum, an airplane, a banjo and I would like a few nuts and some candy. I am trying to be very good and quit talking so loud.
Yours truly,
Joe Reavis Spencer.

Crowell, Texas, Dec. 3, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a picture book and a set of doll dishes, teddy bear and a doll buggy and whole lots of candy, nuts and fruit.
Your dear friend,
Wilma Jo Lovelady.

Crowell, Texas, Nov. 10, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I am asking you for several things this Christmas. The articles are as follows, a large Christmas stocking, a doll, number 81T3199 and a set of dishes, number 49T1904.
Yours truly,
Ruth Steele.

Foard City, Texas, Nov. 22, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a slate, three pencils and a popgun and lots of nuts and candy, and bring Billie a train, a gun and lots of nuts and candy.
Love from,
Albert Cox.

Foard City, Texas, Nov. 24, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me a pump gun and a train and lots of candy and nuts.
Your friend,
Billie Joe Cox.

Crowell, Texas, Dec. 4, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a good boy and want you to bring me some clay, a football, a story book, a pair of rubber boots, and lots of good things to eat.
A hug and kiss from,
Ted Crosnoe.

Crowell, Texas, Dec. 4, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy, 7 years old. I am in the first grade. I would like very much to have you bring me a sanddumper, a toy tractor, and some apples and candy and nuts. Please fill my stocking.
Your little friend,
Lowell Dockins.

Crowell, Texas, Nov. 29, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I should like to have a new tricycle or wheels for my old one, a new wagon, some leather boots, size 11½, and a lot of fire crackers.
Yours truly,
Tom Alton Andrews.

Crowell, Texas, Nov. 30, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I want one book and a blackboard for Christmas.
From your friend,
Travis Gaylon Gover.

Crowell, Texas, Nov. 30, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I want a tractor, pair of gloves, some firecrackers, a box of sparklers, some nuts and candy, a French harp and a good book for little boys.
Love,
Billy Bradshaw.

Crowell, Texas, Dec. 1, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
Will you please bring me all these things when you come Christmas? A Bible story book, Peter Rabbit book, and an animal book. Electric train, a sheriff suit, toy airplane, firecrackers, phonograph, watch that will tick, leather belt and a telescope.
With love,
George Thomas Burriss.

Foard City, Texas, Dec. 2, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I want a pair of bootees, a gun and a package of firecrackers. I want some oranges and a horse and a saddle and I want a bride and a gun. I am in the second grade. Miss Schlagal is going to let us have a Christmas party in our room, so come to see us then, too. I want some bootees.
Van Evans Mitchell.
Your friend,

Crowell, Texas, Dec. 2, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll with long curly hair and a story book containing Mother Goose rhymes. I am six years old and go to school and I try to be a good girl for mother and my teacher.
Thelma Lois Moore.

Crowell, Texas, Dec. 2, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to please bring me an airplane, a pair of gloves, a real good story book and a football.
If I have asked for too many presents you may leave off something, as I want every little boy and girl to get some presents and be happy Christmas morning.
Your little friend,
Clark Rennels.

Crowell, Texas, Dec. 2, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl 9 years old. I want a bicycle and a sleepy doll and lots of candy, a set of dishes, and I want a package of firecrackers and a French harp. I am in the second grade and my teacher said I might pass. I want a cake, dinner basket, nuts and I want some other pretty toys.
Yours truly,
Oleta Fay Zeibig.

Crowell, Texas, Dec. 2, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl eight years old and I am in the second grade and I wish you would bring me a blackboard and a doll and some beads and I want a book. I have a little sister five years old and she wants me to write for her so I am. She wants a doll and a book and some beads and a ring.
Yours truly,
Mary Frances Bruce.

Crowell, Texas, Nov. 26, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I am writing to you, Santa Claus. This is what I want for Christmas. First I want two new dresses, next I want two new pair of hose and a pair of gloves and a little machine and a big doll.
Love from,
Lola Daphyn McClure.

Crowell, Texas, Nov. 26, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl, and I was 9 years old December 3. I want a big doll and a tricycle and a car, a buggy, a little cat, a little cow, a big cat and a big cow.
Your friend,
Ida Kate Sellers.

Crowell, Texas, Nov. 26, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I wish you would bring me a car and a wagon and some firecrackers and a blackboard and a book and a French harp and some nuts, candy and apples and oranges. I am in the second grade.
Love from,
Maxie Dean Beidleman.

Crowell, Texas, Nov. 26, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I wish you would bring me a car and a wagon and some firecrackers and a blackboard and a book and a French harp and some nuts, candy and apples and oranges. I am in the second grade.
Yours truly,
Raymond Joy.

Foard City, Texas, Dec. 2, 1929.
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl and I would like to have a big doll, tricycle and a lit-

le cat and a stocking full of candy. I want a little house and a bed. I am in the second grade.
Yours truly,
Ida Kate Cellars.

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like a book and some firecrackers and oranges, an airplane, a fire truck and a pony. I want some pecans too. I am in the second grade.
Yours truly,
Jesse Fred Collins.

Dear Santa Claus:
Would you bring me a little car and some firecrackers and a gun and some oranges and a sack of apples and some candy? I am a little boy in the second grade.
Yours truly,
James Ferguson.

Compulsory School Law Now in Effect in Crowell

I. T. Graves, superintendent of the Crowell schools, has announced that the compulsory school law of the state of Texas is now in effect, having begun on December 2nd and continuing through five school months.
This law requires that every child in Crowell Independent School District who is eight years and not more than fourteen years old shall be required to attend the public schools.
This law does not apply to children whose bodily or mental condition is such as to render attendance inadvisable.
Every effort will be made by local officials to enforce the compulsory school law.

least two-thirds good roads, we had some as poor as could be found in any state."
Mr. Ferrin also told of the cold weather striking Alabama on November 30th, when the thermometer stood at 22 when just the day before garden truck was green. His wife joined him in best wishes to his Foard County friends.

Thalia Man Is Arrested After Car Accident

T. L. Robertson of the Thalia community was arrested in Vernon Sunday night on charges of possession of

whiskey and failure to stop and render aid after an accident on Highway No. 28, north of Oklaunion. Robertson was turned over to Wilbarger County officers Monday morning and was taken to Wichita Falls where charges of possession and transportation of liquor were filed in Federal Court.

He will be returned to Vernon on charges will be filed in County Court on failure to stop and render aid after an accident in which the automobile of Ray Faulkner of Frederick, Oklahoma, was demolished. Four occupants of the Faulkner car were badly shaken up but no serious injuries were reported.

Ferrin Tells of Visit to Muscle Shoals Plant

H. M. Ferrin of Fairhope, Alabama, sent some interesting information along with his check for renewing his subscription to the News. Mr. Ferrin is a former resident of this section.
A part of his letter follows: "A party of six went from here in autos to the 'Public Ownership Conference' at Muscle Shoals last week. We met and heard members of that League that were from many different states, from Maine to California. There is a man who is very prominent as a government employee there, with whom all of our party was well acquainted and he went with us one-half day visiting all the different plants there, the original cost of which was one hundred and fifty six million dollars. The plant has been standing idle for eleven years, when the Nitrate plant alone could have produced 330 tons of nitrate fertilizer a day and no place in the wide world is fertilizer more badly needed than in Alabama."
"We went up through Montgomery, Birmingham and Decatur then came back much farther west. Saw hundreds of thousands of acres that had been deserted as farming land. We ate breakfast in Prewton where the water last spring was nine feet deep and the building was fully two feet higher than most of the business section of the city. While we had at

Dear Santa Claus:
I wish you would bring me an air gun and bring my little sister something and bring me some nuts and candy and fruit. I am in the second grade.
Yours truly,
Alvin Bonham.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl in the second grade and I want a doll, a big cat and two little cats and a box of crayolas. I want some oranges, apples and lots of pretty toys.
Love,
Geneva Howard.

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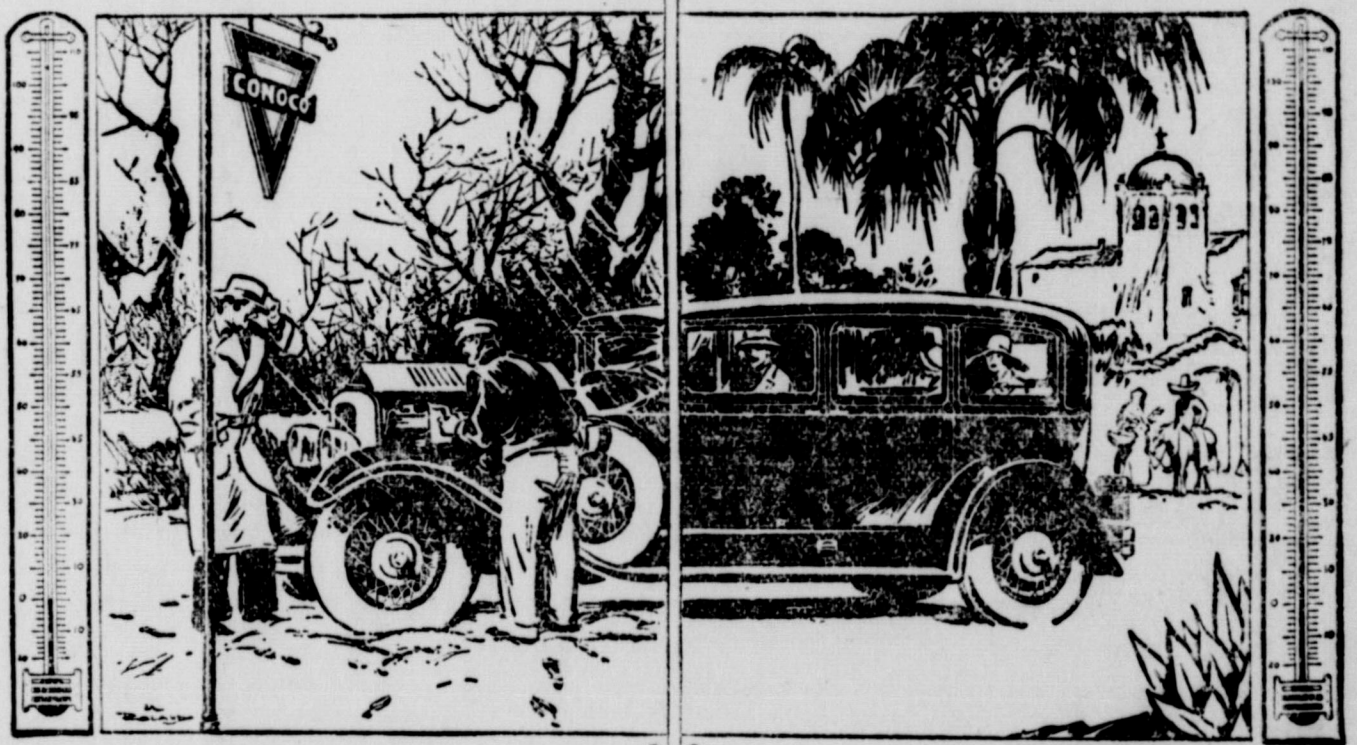
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The Girl in the Gray Smock

by Edith Miniter

SEVENTEEN I have—seventeen—oh, dear— to get." Grace Poore went around repeating when she should have been keeping the firm's books. Her Christmas list for the office tree. Fun—only for Number seventeen. A new girl, and nobody had her. The office force like one family, until she came. United even in uniform of smocks, one for each week—blue, Nile, orchid, daffodil, rose, etc. But the new girl, Anita Marsh, wore the same gray linen from Monday morn to Saturday noon. "Helped at home—couldn't afford laundry," she "unsociable" the bunch said.



Had a View of the Glorious Tree and Festive Table.

timid about going home late. "Kindness to leave her out." The bunch agreed. Anita sensed something wrong. It was dreadful to hear a busy clack of typewriters as one neared the washroom, to silence when she entered and to tread on the liquid soap. Then, too, she was put into a small room with her file case, the closed door bearing

a sign, "keep out—this means you!" It was really for the good of her work, but Anita thought 'twas because her smock wasn't smart. And when, the day before Christmas, she peeped out for a look at the clock, there was the entire office force, dashing out in response to a fire drill. No one had remembered to call her!

"Suppose if there should be a real fire, they'd let me burn to a crisp," she told herself in self pity. And then she saw she wasn't quite alone. Grace Poore was still in the cage, where, as near as Anita could make out, she earned a living wage by contemplation of a rose in a vase and not another thing. Just as Anita was reflecting on the injustice of this, a noise from below sent her flying to the window. A siren—and the alley crowded with milling apparatus. She dropped the drawer "Cra to Cub," snatched her thin purse from the niche "Zy" and ran to give warning.

Now Grace had deliberately cut the fire drill in order to tie some anonymous gifts to the tree, which was set forth in a front office, "No. 17" caught her, and had a view of the glorious tree and festive table, prepared by a caterer with china, flowers and the souvenir boxes of chocolates contributed by the firm. Angry—and conscience stricken as well—Grace said something very bitter about "snooping," which Anita interrupted by a dignified "Pardon me, Miss Poore, but it's not a drill, it's a real fire!" If she had anticipated any lack of attention to her warning, it was dissipated when Grace, waiting for nothing, estapulated into the hall and down the stairs.

"Never shut a door, or put away a book," thought Anita. And even as she mused, fear made her want to run just as fast. Then she ignored her beating heart, closed the iron door on those party preparations to which she was not invited, and placed Grace's books in the yawning safe.

"Heaping coals of fire," gasped Grace, giving No. 17 a great hug, when she found what had been done for her, after they all came trooping back with the story of a false alarm. "I should have caught it good and plenty for my carelessness."

"Aren't coals of fire proper?" asked Anita, winking off happy tears.

"Clever gink—for that you'll not be allowed to bring a single gift to the tree this evening. And as it will be late, tell your folks that my folks will bring you home in the car. Excuse, please—important business."

Not bookkeeping. Just to tell the bunch that Anita belonged and to send the office boy for a phonograph record of that close harmony. "Fireman, save my child—ild." So appropriate for the girl in the drab smock.

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DEAR CHRISTMAS, grandfather!" a deep, young voice called out merrily. "Same to you, Billy," the answer came back; "and a great many more of them, too!"

"Gee! I like that best, grandfather. It—it sort of adds the right touch to the other. You—you would never hear a modern say that, would you?" Here Billy paused.

"Do you know," he went on in a moment, "that sets me thinking that after all the old ways were not bad?"

"Well, Billy, the old days were good days and we were not the slow, dumb crowd some of the moderns think we were. But the new days are good days, and I am glad I lived to see this age."

"Why, Billy?" the old man grew excited as he went on, "this generation has accomplished wonders. Think of the facts that have been done of late. And there are as many heroes as ever before. This year I have been clipping news items from the papers about heroic deeds, and I have a record here of nearly a hundred deeds of sacrifice and heroism. I don't think any age could have beat that very much."

Billy's eager blue eyes glistened. Bashfully he reached out his hand and put it over the worn old hand that lay on the arm of the chair; "Thanks, grandfather," he acknowledged huskily. "You're right. We may seem to be a hurrying, rather selfish crowd nowadays, but—but, when it comes to the real test, we can deliver the goods. And in spite of the masks we wear, we've got a lot of sentiment left."

"Christmas answers that, Billy," the old man said slowly. "We need only look around us to see that men and women are just as they always were—and, maybe, just a little bit better."

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GIFTS OF JEWELRY

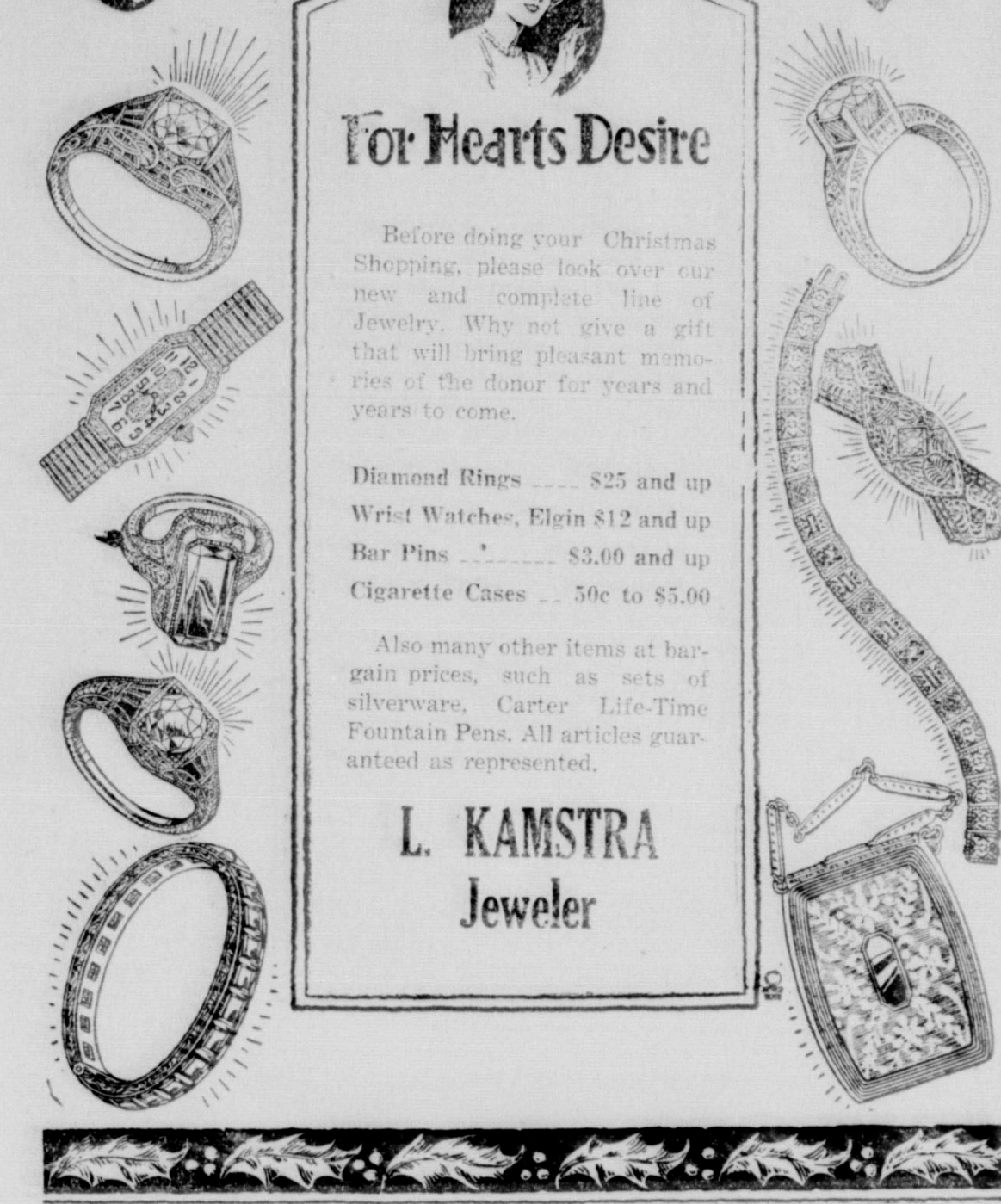
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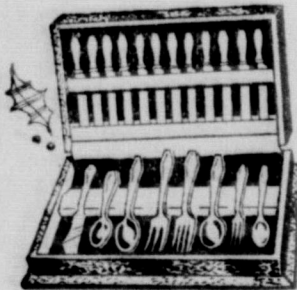
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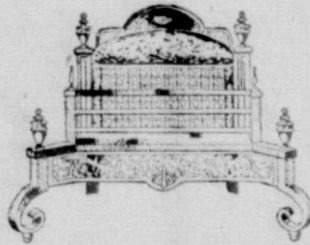
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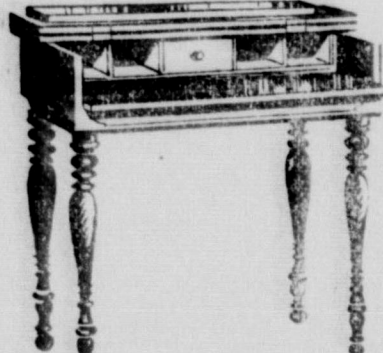


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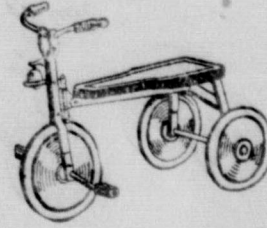
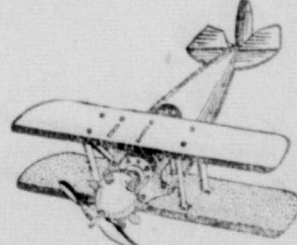
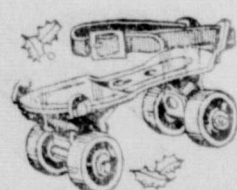


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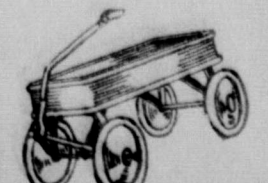
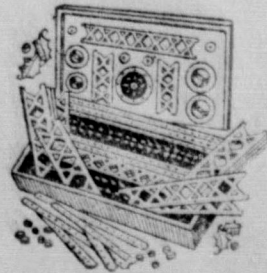
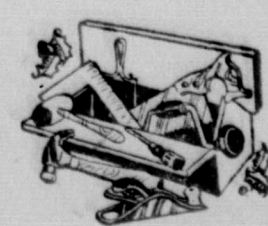


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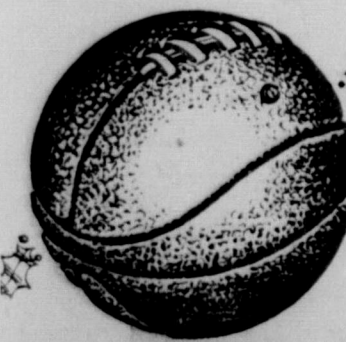
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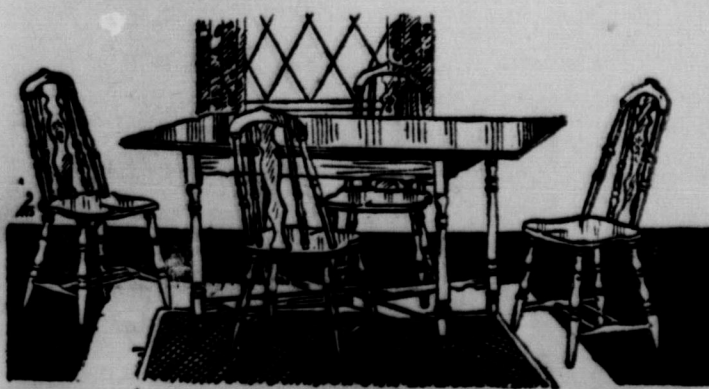
Bread trays, sandwich trays and fruit baskets.



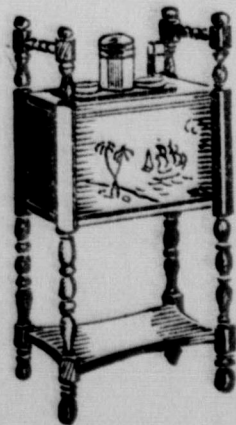
Basket Balls, regulation size, cowhide cover \$2.50

Acc punching Bags, used by amateurs everywhere \$1.00

Rubber balls 15c



Five piece breakfast room suites, in colors and attractively decorated. These suites priced at \$24.50 and \$29.50 are not the cheapest that can be bought. They are well constructed, built to give lasting satisfaction at a moderate price. A number of up to the minute bed room suites \$75.00 and up.



Smoking stands, magazine racks, end tables, console tables, tables for the living room, many odd pieces that are ideal for gifts. First furnish your home, it tells what you are.



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