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Turkeys Bring Farmers Money

The fact that about 60,000 pounds of turkeys have been shipped out of O'Donnell this fall is something to gobble over—besides we have eaten a few. At the average price of 17 cents a pound, this means that more than \$10,000 has been distributed among the farmers. Those who have raised turkeys state that the cost of raising them is very little, besides the birds are advantageous in keeping down grasshoppers and other pests, which more than pays for the trouble and expense of raising them.

The price last week advanced to 20c and it is expected that many birds will be brought in during the next few days.

McClung Engages in Automobile Business

J. E. McClung has engaged in the automobile business as a sideline to his hotel. He has taken the local agency for the Star and Durant cars and has already disposed of his first shipment. Mr. McClung is enthusiastic over these popular make of cars and contemplates a big business during the holidays. He is planning to build a two-story brick, the lower floor to be used as a display room. He will be glad to talk Star and Durant car to you any time.

S. I. Self came in last week to look after the organization of the National bank that is being planned. As yet, the charter has not been received, but it is expected that it will be granted at an early date and the work of organization will proceed.

H. A. Waller of Wichita Falls arrived this week and will engage in the practice of dentistry with his brother, D. E. Waller. The new firm of dentists will go under the name of Waller Perkins & Waller and will maintain offices in both O'Donnell and Lamesa.

Burglars Rob Mercantile Company

The O'Donnell Mercantile Co.'s store was burglarized Monday night and between \$300 and \$400 worth of goods taken. The thieves entered the building by jimmying up one of the rear windows and crawling through and when once in it was no trouble to open the rear door. The thieves evidently had a previous line up on the stock, as they took only the highest priced goods in the store, which included silks, ladies suits, dresses and overcoats. In their get away, they lost the jacket to a ladies suit and also dropped a small bolt of silk. One of them traded an old leather coat for a new one and left his gloves for good measure. Owing to the fact that snow began falling before daylight, the trail of a light car was lost when it entered the street.

City Marshal Wimberly has been working on the case, but up to date no arrests have been made.

O'Donnell Hotel Changes Ownership

O. D. Riddle has sold his lease and the furnishings of the O'Donnell Hotel to Carroll & Cox of who have taken charge of the hostelry. Mr. Riddle has had a success of the hotel business and his friends regret seeing him give it up. With his family, Mr. Riddle expect to visit Oklahoma during the holidays, and we may expect some good missionary work from him, as he is a booster for the O'Donnell country every day in the year. They have not announced what business they will engage in upon their return.

Ed Knight of Temple, has been here this week looking after his land interests.

LOST—Strayed from my place near T Bar school house Dec 10, Gray horse, smooth mouth, natural pacer, 15 1/2 hands high. Any information of him will be appreciated. J. C. McCarley, O'Donnell.

Eleven Thousand Bales Ginned

The 11,000 mark was reached this week in the number of bales of cotton ginned. Owing to the snow and cold weather the first of the week the farmers could not pick, although the gins were running on slow speed most of the week. The heavy wind of last Sunday caused some damage in the fields where the cotton had not been picked, some estimating as high as 600 bales having been destroyed in the O'Donnell territory. Where the tumble-weeds did not take the cotton out of the fields, a large amount of it will be recovered by picking it up from the ground.

Weighter Busby, who has been watching the crop closely, estimates that the year's crop will run well over 12,000 bales. The total amount weighed by Mr. Busby up to Friday was 11,074 bales.

Highway Garage Selling Dodge Cars

The Highway Garage has accepted the agency for the Dodge Motor cars and trucks and the proprietors report that they have sold six cars during the past few days. D. F. Kirby bought a special sedan, D. C. Davis a special touring, Dewey Everett a roadster, Doc Beach a roadster and S. R. Schooler a touring car. The services of Carl A. Clark have been secured as salesman and he will devote all his time to pushing the sale of these popular cars.

Plans are being considered for the erection of a new brick building to be used as a display room and garage, the building to be 50x100 feet.

H. E. Gillespie has moved to town, having purchased the building on 9th street, where he will make his home.

Lost—Brown leatherette overcoat, right pocket torn. Please return to Tom Brown, White House Cafe.

Some Wind and Some Snow Storm

Following an exceptionally mild winter, the winds came up from the west Sunday morning and for a few hours the country was given an imitation of a sand storm—all the old timers had seen worse. The town needed a cleaning of the waste paper, tin cans and other rubbish that had collected in the vacant lots and alleys—and it got it. About 6 o'clock Monday morning snow began falling and throughout the day and into the night it continued and the ground was well covered. It was estimated that a little more than an inch fell. The snow came from the east accompanied by a strong wind.

Reduction in Price of Ford Automobiles

The O'Donnell Motor Company announce in this week's Index that the prices on Ford cars have been reduced, this last cut making them cheaper than any automobile ever sold. The manager, Mr. Kuykendall, states that he has had an exceptionally good run of business since engaging in business here last summer, the business only being limited to the number of cars he could obtain. With his new building he will be better equipped than ever to handle more business the coming year. See the page advertisement in this weeks Index.

The news of O'Donnell's prosperity has spread to all parts of the country, or at least one would judge so by watching the bunch of beggars, peddlers and grafters that have been plying their trades among the people of late. To get all the money they can and give nothing in return seems to be their one ambition. These fellows care nothing for the town or its future—they get the money and are gone. This is not fair to the home merchants who are paying out their hard earned cash to support the city government, the schools and the churches.

Entertain with Turkey Dinner

Mayor and Mrs. W. R. Sanderson entertained their son, Mose, and granddaughter, Miss Sibyl Lyons of Lamesa, with a big turkey dinner last Sunday. The occasion was the celebration of the twentieth birthday of each of the young people, a number of invited guests being present. The turkey, with all its usual accompaniments to make a perfect dinner, was cooked to a queen's taste and was heartily enjoyed by all. A large birthday cake bearing twenty lighted candles was placed in the center of the table and Mose was given the first trial at blowing them. His first whiff knocked the glim from every candle, which was proof positive that he will live a bachelor for another twenty years. When Miss Lyons chance came, she had to make three attempts before extinguishing the little candles, which was construed to mean that she would be married three times during the next twenty years. The cake was then cut and each of the guests expressed many happy returns of this eventful day for the young people.

Besides Mr. and Mrs. Sanderson, there were present Mr. and Mrs. Carl M. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Sanderson, Miss Coe, Miss Kennedy, T. J. Kellis and the guests of honor, Miss Lyons and Mose Sanderson.

Undergoes Operation for Appendicitis

Gail Cheney underwent an operation Monday for acute appendicitis. His case was considered too far developed to permit of his going to a sanitarium, the operation was performed at the offices of Dr. C. P. Tate, Dr. Krueger coming down from Lubbock to assist in the operation. The young man rallied in splendid shape and is now considered well on the road to recovery.

This is another instance which proves that O'Donnell should have a hospital.

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There are still many sections of the country—even whole states—that are trying to operate twentieth century traffic over nineteenth century roads.

This is costing millions of dollars every year, and will keep on costing millions until we have well developed permanent highway systems everywhere.

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Your highway officials want to be of the greatest possible service to you. Get behind them with ways and means that will provide more concrete roads and streets. Such an investment will pay you big dividends year after year.

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Brooklyn, N. Y., May 10:—"I thought it might interest you to know how much Resinol has done for my baby. Her face was covered with scabs and the itching was so severe I had to keep stockings on her hands to keep her from scratching. I had to be up at night as it bothered her so she could not sleep. Two doctors, one of them a skin specialist, told me she had eczema. I tried several remedies, but nothing helped, so when I read in the paper about Resinol, I thought I would give it a trial. I can't praise it enough, for it has done wonders for the baby's skin and she sleeps all through the night now. I would advise anyone with a similar case to try Resinol Ointment." (Signed) Mrs. Rose Goersdorf, 27 Furman Avenue.



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RIGID ECONOMY IS URGED IN MESSAGE BY THE PRESIDENT

Coolidge Advises Congress to Repeal Publicity Section of Income Tax Law—Executive Covers Wide Field in Outlining Policy for Next Four Years.

Washington.—President Coolidge advised congress in his annual message that perhaps the most important work it could do at its present session would be to practice such economy as to make possible a reduction of taxes for the next fiscal year.

"The government can do more to remedy the economic ills of the people by a system of rigid economy in public expenditures," he said, "than can be accomplished through any other action."

The President renewed his plea for American adherence to the Permanent Court of International Justice; declared the United States would not join the League of Nations; appealed for support for the European reparations settlement plan, and repeated his declaration of opposition to cancellation by the United States of the debts owed the country by foreign nations.

The text of the President's message, which was read to congress, in part follows:

The nation holds a position unsurpassed in all former human experience. This does not mean that we do not have any problems.

Our domestic problems are for the most part economic. We have our enormous debt to pay, and we are paying it. We have the high cost of government to diminish, and we are diminishing it.

We still owe over \$21,000,000,000, the cost of the national government is still about \$3,500,000,000, and the national taxes still amount to about \$27 for each one of our inhabitants. There yet exists this enormous field for the application of economy.

In my opinion the government can do more to remedy the economic ills of the people by a system of rigid economy in public expenditure than can be accomplished through any other action.

For Repeal of Publicity Act.
Combining discussion of tax revision with his statement on economy, the Executive declared publication of income tax payments to be "detrimental to the public welfare and bound to decrease public revenues," and urged the repeal of that section of the revenue act.

If at the close of the present session the congress has kept within the budget which I propose to present, it will then be possible to have a moderate amount of tax reduction and all the tax reform that the congress may wish for during the next fiscal year. There is every prospect of an era of prosperity of unprecedented proportions.

Our country has a well-defined policy of reclamation established under statutory authority. This policy should be continued.

For Relief of Agriculture.
No more important development has taken place in the last year than the beginning of a restoration of agriculture to a prosperous condition.

The government cannot successfully insure prosperity or fix prices by legislative fiat. Every business has its risk and its times of depression.

The government has been constantly increasing its efforts for the relief and permanent establishment of agriculture on a sound and equal basis with other business.

Every effort must be made, both by government activity and by private agencies, to restore and maintain agriculture to a complete normal relationship with other industries.

It is my opinion that the support of agriculture is the chief problem to consider in connection with this property.

I should favor a sale of this property, or long-time lease.

The railways during the last year have made still further progress in recuperation from the war, with large gains in efficiency and ability expeditiously to handle the traffic of the country.

In my message last year I emphasized the necessity for further legislation with a view to expediting the consolidation of our railways into larger systems.

Simplify Labor Rules.
Another matter before congress is legislation affecting the labor sections of the transportation act.

It would be helpful if a plan could be adopted which, while retaining the practice of systematic collective bargaining with conciliation and voluntary arbitration of labor differences, could also provide simplicity in relations and more direct local responsibility of employees and managers.

I am of the opinion that the national law governing the choice of members of the congress should be extended to include appropriate representation of

What Coolidge Asks

Recommendations contained in President Coolidge's message are:

- Rigid economy.
- Reduction of the cost of the government.
- Repeal of the income tax publicity law.
- Further tax reduction effective in the next fiscal year, provided congress helps create the necessary treasury surplus.
- Reduction of the surtaxes on large incomes.
- Improvement and flood control on inland waterways.
- Continued negotiations with Canada for the building of the St. Lawrence waterway.
- Enactment of the reclamation legislation called for by the fact-finding commission.
- Legislation relative to agriculture as soon as the new agricultural commission can make recommendations.
- Sale or lease of Muscle Shoals and creation of a subcommittee of the committee on agriculture of congress to negotiate with possible purchasers. Increase in the powers of the interstate commerce commission to stimulate consolidation of railroad systems.
- Reorganization of existing law relative to relations of railroads to labor.
- Amendment of federal election laws to provide equal representation of all parties at the ballot box and on registration boards.
- Establishment of a national police bureau.
- Amendment of immigration law to permit families of citizens to enter the United States.
- Protection of the negro in his full constitutional rights.
- Extension of the civil service law by congress to include all postmasters and the prohibition-enforcement force.
- Reorganization of the government departments.
- Adequate national defense and preparation.
- Sympathetic reception by congress for the legislative recommendations of the American legion.
- International co-operation, but no membership in the League of Nations.
- Membership in the Permanent Court of International Justice, with reasonable reservations.
- Postponement of further disarmament conferences here until pending European proposals for conference in Europe is worked out.

the respective parties at the ballot box and equality of representation on the various registration boards, wherever they exist.

During the last session of the congress legislation was introduced looking to the payment of the remaining claims generally referred to as the French spoliation claims.

The United States ought to pay its debts. I recommend action by the congress which will permit of the payment of these remaining claims.

Wage Earner Aided.
Two very important policies have been adopted by this country which, while extending their benefits also in other directions, have been of the utmost importance to the wage earners. One of these is the protective tariff. The other is a policy of more recent origin and seeks to shield our wage earners from the disastrous competition of a great influx of foreign peoples.

This has been done by the restrictive immigration law. This saves the American job for the American workmen.

The merit system has long been recognized as the correct basis for employment in our civil service. I believe that first, second and third-class postmasters, and without covering in the present membership the field force of prohibition enforcement should be brought within the classified service by statute law.

One way to save public money would be to pass the pending bill for the reorganization of the various departments.

Army and Navy.
Little has developed in relation to our national defense which needs special attention. Progress is constantly being made in air navigation and requires encouragement and development.

Under the limitation of armaments treaty a large saving in outlay and a considerable decrease in maintenance of the navy has been accomplished.

We should maintain the policy of constantly working toward the full treaty strength of the navy.

A special commission also is investigating the problem of petroleum oil for the navy.

I believe thoroughly in the army and navy, in adequate defense and preparation. But I am opposed to any policy of competition in building and maintaining land or sea armaments.

Says Veterans Deserve Best.
With the authorization for general hospitalization of the veterans of all wars provided during the present year, the care and treatment of those who have served their country in time of peril and the attitude of the government toward them is not now so much one of needed legislation as one of careful, generous and humane administration.

Through its officers the Legion will present to the congress numerous suggestions for legislation.

America has been one of the foremost nations in advocating tribunals for the settlement of international disputes of a justifiable character.

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Kills Headache Relieves Pain 25

For Mother's Christmas

By ETHEL COOK ELIOT

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“I am going home for Christmas?”
“Yes. All of us always go. Great fun seeing each other again and exchanging news! We go back to the farm.”

“Yours must be quite a family now, with all the children. But I suppose your mother gets in extra help, and you all help, too.”

It was not impertinent, because it was my best friend speaking. She is just frank and sincere. She had dropped into my office after hours, not to buy insurance from me (yes, I am a female insurance agent and not a failure at it either!) but to say “good-by” before herself leaving the city for the holidays.

“No, there's no extra help to be gotten these days in the country any more than here. Not any that's worth while. So mother does it all herself. But she likes it. Christmas only comes once a year.”

We said no more about that, but after my friend had gone I remembered her clear, frank eyes and the way they had received my reply. They had been slightly skeptical. I couldn't get that skepticism out of my mind.

The result was that, after much thought, I suddenly closed office a whole week before Christmas, practically kidnaped my youngest sister away from her home in a nearby city—that comfortable home with its full nursery, cook and nurse girl—and whisked her away to the country to give mother a little surprise.

At first I thought the surprise was to turn out an unpleasant one. We arrived in the early afternoon without warning. There was mother in a huge apron, her hair tied up in a towel, the front hall full of brooms and mops, housecleaning. She could not conceal her chagrin from us, we had so suddenly appeared. It certainly was different from our customary homecoming. Then, she met us at the front door, her arm linked in father's, dressed in her best silk, her white hair freshly curled, behind them the house shining in spotlessness. And then the pantry filled with pies, cakes, roast ham with its cloves, and mother's wonderful jelly tarts! Such an inviting, homelike, hospitable house! Such a sparklingly clean pantry full of good things!

How different today, six days before we were expected! Father had banished himself to the barn, and we



We Arrived in the Early Afternoon Without Warning.

found Jim disconsolately smoking by old Jim's stall. The house was chaos. All the rugs seemed to be up and the furniture out of place. Mother was cleaning!

“Oh, dear!” she greeted us. “I didn't expect you till Christmas Eve! Nothing's ready! I've just this hour started to fix for you.”

We put down our suitcases in wonderment at this unheard-of welcome from mother, our mother!

“That's just it, mother, dear,” I said. “We didn't want you to do all this ‘fixing’ alone. We've come to fix for ourselves, and the horde that follows on Christmas Eve.”

Well, at first mother simply wouldn't hear of it. We were to be company and just wait till she got the rooms we were to occupy aired and made up. Since we were all there, well we must stay. But we shouldn't drudge. She guessed we worked hard enough, each at our own particular kind of work, all the year, not to have to work when we came home.

We wouldn't listen. We had come for one thing. We laughingly overbore her in all her objections.

More than that, we called father in from the barn and got him to bundle mother up and take her off for a sleigh ride. “A sleigh ride! Who ever heard of a sleigh ride and all the parlor furniture in the hall waiting for the parlor to be cleaned!” Well, mother heard of a sleigh ride, and under just those conditions now. She heard of it from her two strong-minded daughters, her youngest and her oldest. Father caught our spirit at once and hustled her away. How merrily the bells jingled as they whirled away through the snow!

Now for it! Marge and I tucked up our skirts, draped ourselves in big aprons and wound towels about our heads, and fell to. It was hard work, but what a lark we made of it. And we had a good supper waiting for mother and father when they got back.

And every day that week we did the same. Father whisked mother off in the sleigh to visit old friends in nearby towns, or just for the ride. And while they were gone we—hustled.

By Christmas Eve the house was as shining and tidy as it would have been had mother been left to herself with it. And Marge had proved herself a marvelous cook, too. There were pies and cakes, and even tarts, and the ham with cloves. The turkey was dressed, too, and the stuffing made. And mother had not so much as put her nose into the pantry door.

Then the family arrived. Three daughters, with their three husbands



Father Whisked Mother Off in the Sleigh to Visit Friends.

and several children apace, and two brothers with their wives and offspring. And mother and father met them at the door, mother's arm tucked in father's, her hair freshly curled, her black silk rustling.

“My,” cried Brother-in-law Jim, Nell's husband, “but you've lost ten years, mother! Such bright eyes and pink cheeks I've never seen.”

Marge and I, in the darker background, nudged each other and giggled.

All the others cried the same thing. It was true enough, too. This was a different mother from the rather weary old woman we were accustomed to meeting at holidays here in the open door.

Father spoke up: “You're dead right, children,” he said. “Your mother looks like this all the year except at holiday time. Then she just slaves getting ready for you and sort of gets worn out. This year was different. This year she went honeymooning with me instead.”

Marge and I came forth from hiding. “Yes, and hereafter is always to be different,” we promised.

And how it paid! We'd gotten into the way of thinking mother was an old woman. Now we saw her as her neighbors and father saw her—hearty, bright-eyed, carefree.

“My, it seems good to be eating other's cooking,” escaped her that night, over Marge's apple tarts. “But you are naughty children just the same. Marge and you shouldn't boss me so! Right in my own house, too!” The reproach in her eyes, though mild indeed, was for an instant real. Marge caught it, and quicker than I, got up and ran around to mother at her place. There she leaned above her and gave her one of her old, impulsive, childish hugs. “Yes, mother dear, it's your own house. But you're our own mother. So 'twas fair!”

And everybody agreed that Marge had justified our highhandedness. However that may be, from Christmas to Christmas mother seems to be growing younger.

Well, another Christmas is here, and this insurance agent must get out her aprons. The other girls have offered to take their turns, of course, but I am too selfish to let them. I look forward to the annual cleaning spree with my jolly little sister, Marge, as to a jollification. And the best part of it all is the sound of those jingling sleighbells as mother and father go whisking out of the yard.

Heigh ho! Merry Christmas!

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In a swell cafe there's many a tip 'twixt the cup and the lip.

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Children's handkerchiefs often look hopeless when they come to the laundry. Wash with good soap, rinse in water blued with Red Cross Ball Blue.—Advertisement.

Any one who is always on his guard is desperately poor company.

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Unless you see the “Bayer Cross” on tablets you are not getting the genuine Bayer Aspirin proved safe by millions and prescribed by physicians 24 years for

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Entered as second-class matter September 28, 1923, at the post office at O'Donnell, Texas, under the Act of March 3, 1879.

Local Items.

Mrs. W. R. Sanderson left for Big Springs Monday to attend the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Tom Good, who is all.

We have buyers for a few bargains in real estate. If you want to sell your farm or town property, come in and list with us—O'Donnell Land Company.

C. E. Palmer of Detroit, Michigan, has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. O. I. Luellen the past week. He is on his way to California.

Nice fat hens for sale at \$1. If you talk nice you can get them at 75c. 1 1-2 miles north. B. O. McGonagill.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bailey have moved into their new home on Seventh street.

Mail us your Kodak films. Quality prints and reasonable prices. Let the professional photographer do your work—**WAFFLE STUDIO, Lamesa, Tex**

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Yandel are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine boy Monday morning.

LOST—One red Durham milk cow, dehorned, had on leather halter. Disappeared from town last Tuesday. Finder will please notify W. V. Tolbert, O'Donnell.

Wiley Estes was here from Hamlin last week. Some of these days Wiley is going to come out here and stick.

The Morning Avalanche is on sale in the Christopher Drug Store, O'Donnell, Texas. First daily paper to our town every day.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McCullough, son and daughter, arrived last week from Roby, to visit their son, P. J. McCullough and family. Sunday being the visiting mother's birthday, a big turkey dinner with all the and so forths that go to make it deal, was served in her honor.

For Sale—Rhode Island Red Hens—See or write—J. B. Elmore, O'Donnell, Texas.

Morris and Neil Cathey of Lubbock, were visiting friends here Sunday.

Photographs of the children never grow old. The ideal Xmas gift. Studio located in the Tucker store building. Open every Wednesday. — Waffle's Studio, O'Donnell, Texas.

George Teague of Paris, has been a visitor here the past week.

FOR SALE—Healthy laying pullets; mixed, mostly White Leghorns at 75c. Also pigs.—H. E. Gillespie.

Mattresses, Mattresses, Mattresses.—Have your old mattress renovated. Phone 366 or write and a truck will call for your mattresses.—Direct Mattresses Co., Lamesa, Texas.

Arnold Melton of Munday, has accepted a position in the Sanitary barber shop.

Another democrat arrived Sunday morning just before the sandstorm blew up. This young fellow will make his home with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Roy, having chosen them for his parents. The doc says he is a dandy.

For battery recharging, generators, batteries and starters, see Cecil Hubbard with O'Donnell Battery Company. All work guaranteed to be done right.

W. J. Adkins of Rule, came out last week on a trip of inspection to the farm property he purchased last fall. He states that his tenant had made about one-third bale to the acre off sod land—and this was a bad year for farming. In order to keep posted about the growth of the county, Mr. Adkins kicked in for the Index before leaving.

Found—One black mare, 15 1-2 hands high, weigh about 1500 pounds, blind in left eye, piece of rope around her neck. Owner can have same by applying to D. W. Harris one and a half miles northwest of town and paying for pasturage and the publication of this notice.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. McGonagill, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shook and Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Thomas spent Saturday night camping in Indian canyon. They report a splendid outing.

Rowletts Automatic sash control eliminates weights, cords, pulleys and rattle. Instantly installed on new or old sash. Sold and guaranteed by your lumber dealer.

J. C. Gary, of Lanesville, will be a reader of the Index for the coming year, his brother, J. E. Gary, sending the paper to him as a Christmas present. Right here, we make the prediction that J. C. is going to catch the Southplains fever through reading the paper and nothing short of a trip here will cure him—and then he'll stay when he sees how well J. E. is getting along raising cotton and feedstuffs on cheap land, having already picked 47 bales and more to come, off 120 acres—and he worked it all himself.

The personal Xmas gift—your photograph. 12 photo—12 Xmas gifts. Make an appointment before the Xmas rush. At Tucker's store every Wednesday.—Waffle's Studio, O'Donnell, Texas.

The phonograph offered by the Hart Mercantile Company was awarded to J. G. Landis, who lives 8 miles west of town. A clock had been set running and at nine minutes and fifteen seconds to one o'clock the clock stopped, Mr. Landis having a ticket bearing a number nearest this time. The clock attracted quite a bit of attention among the holders of the tickets in the contest.

For Sale—One-half section of land one mile west of Wells school. Fine agricultural land. See or write the owner, A. J. Barnes, O'Donnell, Texas.

LOST—Between O'Donnell and Tahoka, one black suit case, with ladies and gents clothes. Reward \$10. Leave at Index office.

W. W. Williams, who farms just south of town, is so well pleased with the country that he recently refused \$75 an acre for his place. He made an average of one-third bale of cotton to the acre this season. Considering the off year, which this has been, he is well pleased with the yield.

The earliest maturing cotton known, Big Boll Half-and-Half. Seed for sale at \$2 per bushel, delivered. Climated to West Texas. 1200 pounds make a good bale. Address

E. E. Teaff, O'Brien, Texas.

After visiting all the advertised sections of the Plains country, R. Homer and Clarence Howard of Anson, arrived here last week and met their old friend, R. L. Barrett, who took them out to Newmoore, where they were so well pleased with the country that they planked down \$8,000 for a half section. They will soon be citizens of that thriving community and start improvements on their land.

Bill Barrett, who was injured in an automobile accident at Lubbock, arrived home this week and is rapidly recovering. Owning to the broken jawbone which he sustained in the turnover, it will be some time before he will be able to crack jokes.

Junior Missionary Program for Sunday

Subject—Persecution.
Leader—Ima Dee Everette.
Song, Scripture—John 5:16.
Prayer.

Why Did Cain Kill Abel? John 1:3.

How Did Joseph's Brother Persecute Him? Genesis 3:7, Act. 7.
Piano Solo—Christine McDaniel.

How Juan Lost His Humpback—Viola Wyatt.

Why Did Saul Persecute David? Sam 1:15—Hazel Potter.

Business. Benediction.

Lots for Sale—Three choice residence lots on Eighth street, just west of Joe Pugh's residence to sell at a bargain.—See R. Mayfield.

For Dress-Making and all kinds of sewing, see Mrs. Henderson, north side, O'Donnell, Texas.

Electrical supplies of all kinds at J. P. Bowlin's store. Come in and see our stock and if we have not got it, we can order it and get it for you quickly.

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

First Baptist Church CALENDAR.

Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays at 11 o'clock and 7:45 p. m.
Prayer meeting each Wednesday afternoon 7:45
B. Y. P. U. meets at 6:30 p. m. each Sunday.
Everybody invited.
W. K. HORN, Pastor.

Methodist Church CALENDAR

Sunday School 9:45. A class for every person that comes. Don Edwards, supt.; Raymond Ballew, assistant supt.
Prayer meeting Wednesday night.
Woman's Missionary Society Thursday afternoon.
Preaching services begin promptly at 11 o'clock and 7:15.
Everybody cordially invited. Don't go to sleep Sunday morning; don't do as Rip Van Winkle did; he is dead.
W. B. Hicks, Pastor.

Presbyterian Church

Sunday School at 10 a. m. All are welcome.

PRUNES PRUNES

Fresh from my orchard in Oregon
Packed in neat 25 and 50 lb. boxes
Would make an appropriate Christmas present
Every box Guaranteed to be perfect
Dr. J. H. Campbell
See J. E. BAKER, Distributor

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Call and see us
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O'DONNELL, TEXAS

See us for Long
and Short Hauls
Two Trucks
WILLIAMS and SHOOK

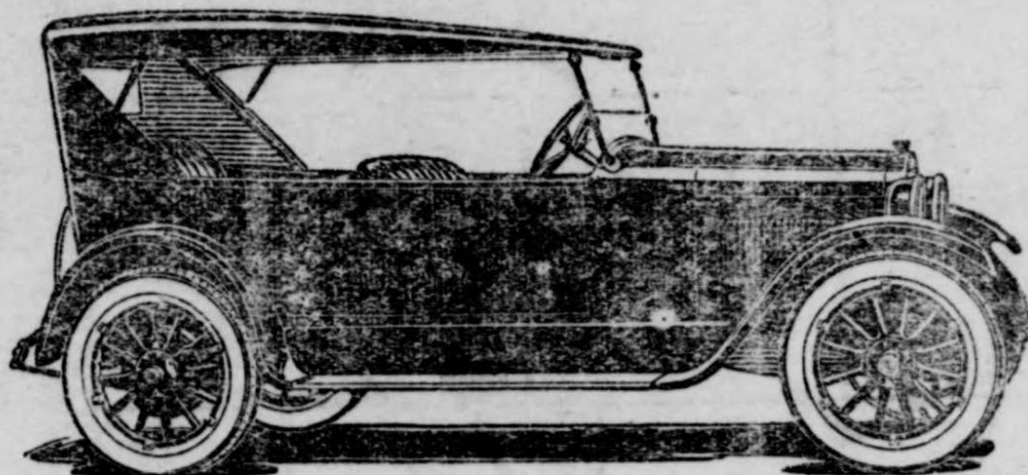
Announcement

We wish to announce to the people of the O'Donnell trade territory that we have the agency for

DODGE BROTHERS MOTOR CARS

In nine years Dodge Brothers have built over one million cars. Ninety per cent of these are still in active service. The reason is obvious.

Dodge Brothers Motor Cars are built throughout of the finest materials obtainable. The ma-



terial for each part entering into the car is selected and the production operations are planned to produce a part having dependability and long life. Only the best grade of genuine hand-buffed leather is used for upholstery.

Highway Garage

Carl A. Clark, Special Salesman

O'DONNELL, TEXAS

The Christmas Holly Girl



THE Cotton Patch BY FARMER

Christmas is getting closer than a fellow who wants to borrow some money.

Liquor is reported to have been discovered at West Point. It has also been found at points not half so far away.

Stew bad.

If carnation milk comes from contented cows, does pet milk come from loving cows?

Can it.

Some women are now sorry that they bobbed their hair, but the barbers are glad.

The barber shop quartette will now sing, "It's An Ill Wind, etc."

L. D. Tucker is advertising week-end bags. Which end is weak?

At sixty miles Drove Willie Smidder; He lost control, His wife's a widder.

A rattling flivver gathers no women.

FAMOUS SAYING:

What would you like for Christmas?

Bob Schalk and family have moved here from Seminole to make their home. They left here last year to seek a better place in which to live but failed to find it.

Engage in Radio Supply Business

C. M. Cox and Guy Bradley have formed a partnership to handle radios and radio supplies. They will specialize in the Crosley, which is recognized as one of the best on the market. They will make their headquarters and maintain their salesroom at the Corner Drug Store, where a machine with a loud speaker will give daily concerts.

\$5 Reward—Wheelbarrow lost or stolen from Ninth street, between Baldrige and Small.—G. A. Haney.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Bronk arrived this week from Winters and are now located on their section recently purchased.

Johnnie Rochell and sisters, Misses Janie, and Lola, will leave Tuesday of next week for a visit to their old home at Caddo.

Special Turkey Dinner SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15th At White House Cafe

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| Baked Turkey with Sage Dressing | |
| Cranberry Sauce | Cream Potatoes |
| Cold Potatoe Salad | Green Peas |
| Fruit Salad | |
| Coffee | Milk |

Just received a Car of American Beauty Flour AND American Beauty Meal

This famous brand is known as the best on the market.

You can make no mistake in buying them Every Sack Guaranteed

J. P. BOWLIN
Staple and Fancy Groceries

Announcing the opening of a Radio Supply Station

Specializing in handling the Celebrated CROSLEY RADIOS

We will soon have a demonstration machine installed at the Corner Drug Store and invite you to hear it

See us for demonstration and prices

Cox & Bradley

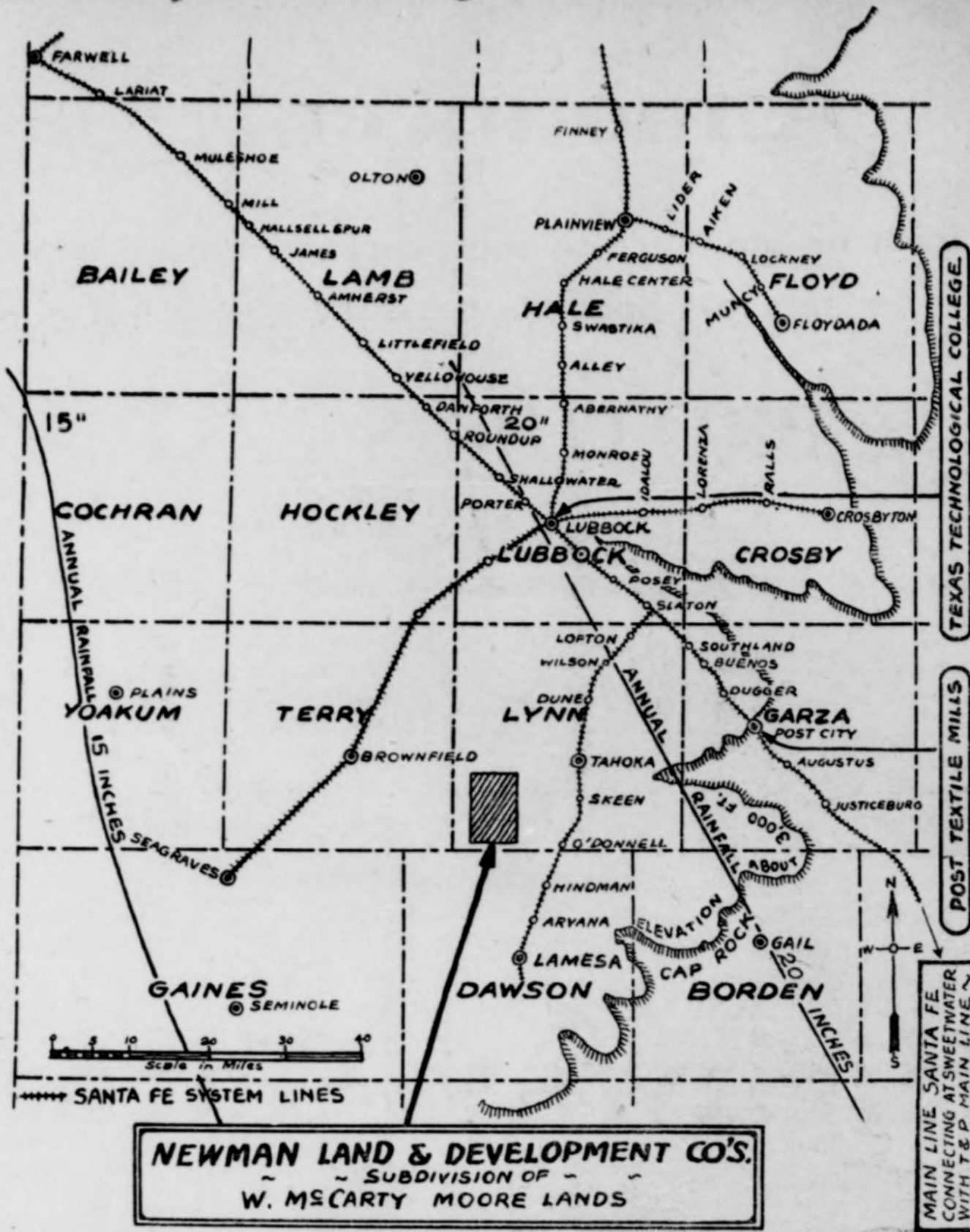
Newmoore Townsite Surveyed and Making of Another Southplains Town Under Way

Without the blowing of trumpets or the news being shouted from the housetops, Newmoore, the newest town in Lynn county, will soon be on the map in reality. The townsite has been surveyed and the engineers will soon have prints of the map ready for distribution.

When this fact is advertised to the world, there will be a lively scramble for investments in the new town.

When the Newman Land and Development Company took over the holdings of the Slash L ranch little more than a year ago, they had in mind the building of a town when they completed the sale of the land. The company first placed on sale twenty-seven sections and within six weeks after the announcement of the opening, the land had been sold to actual farmers. To accommodate the children of these farmers the company constructed a school building, equipped it with modern fixtures and paid the salary of a teacher for the term. Before the end of the school session it was seen that a larger building was needed and this was provided by public subscription. In the meantime the county took over the school and is financing it. Two teachers are now required and the school is again crowded.

It was not long until a store, garage and filling station was established to take care of the demands of the community and today the second store is being provided. Two buildings have been constructed in the last few days and the old ranch head-



quarters is in the making of a little city.

The churches have kept pace with the growth of the community, services being held each Sunday by the different denominations. The Baptists have organized a church and will soon commence the construction of a building. The Primitive Baptists have also organized and expect to construct a building soon.

A contract for a gin to be in readiness for next season has been made and actual work will start on the plant soon after the first of the year.

In platting the townsite, a large park site was set aside and will bear the name of the Sam Singleton Park, in honor of the founder of the ranch. Trees will be put out this winter and water will be supplied from the three wells already furnishing an abundance.

About three weeks ago the Newman Land and Development Company placed another subdivision, consisting of twenty sections of the ranch on the market. Today more than eleven sections of this land have been sold, and the company anticipate closing out the entire sub-division by the first of the year. This will mean an addition of from 75 to 80 families to the community, and given a year for development of these lands, Newmoore will come into the prominence it deserves.

Good roads lead out to the Newmoore community from O'Donnell, and if you have not been out there, follow the route as shown on the map. You will see a progressive and prosperous community and the people will give you a hearty welcome. Howdy, Newmoore.

Big Opening Sale

Let's Get Acquainted

We Want to Know You and We Want You to Know Us



We were late in the season in getting our store ready for business, but are now heavily stocked on
Men's and Ladies' Ready-to-Wear

And must make attractive prices in order to reduce. For the next few days, beginning

Wednesday Morning, December 17th At 9 o'clock SHARP

We will sell everything in our store cheaper than you ever bought before in West Texas

Space will not permit us to quote prices, but come to the store and let us quote them to you.

No matter where you live, it will pay you to attend this sale.

The Bargains are here

Come to the Jew Store Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock.

The last opportunity to do your christmas shopping at a saving.

Look for the Opening Sign



MAX SILVERMAN DRY GOODS COMPANY

O'Donnell, Texas

Big Sale Lynn County

South Plains Lands

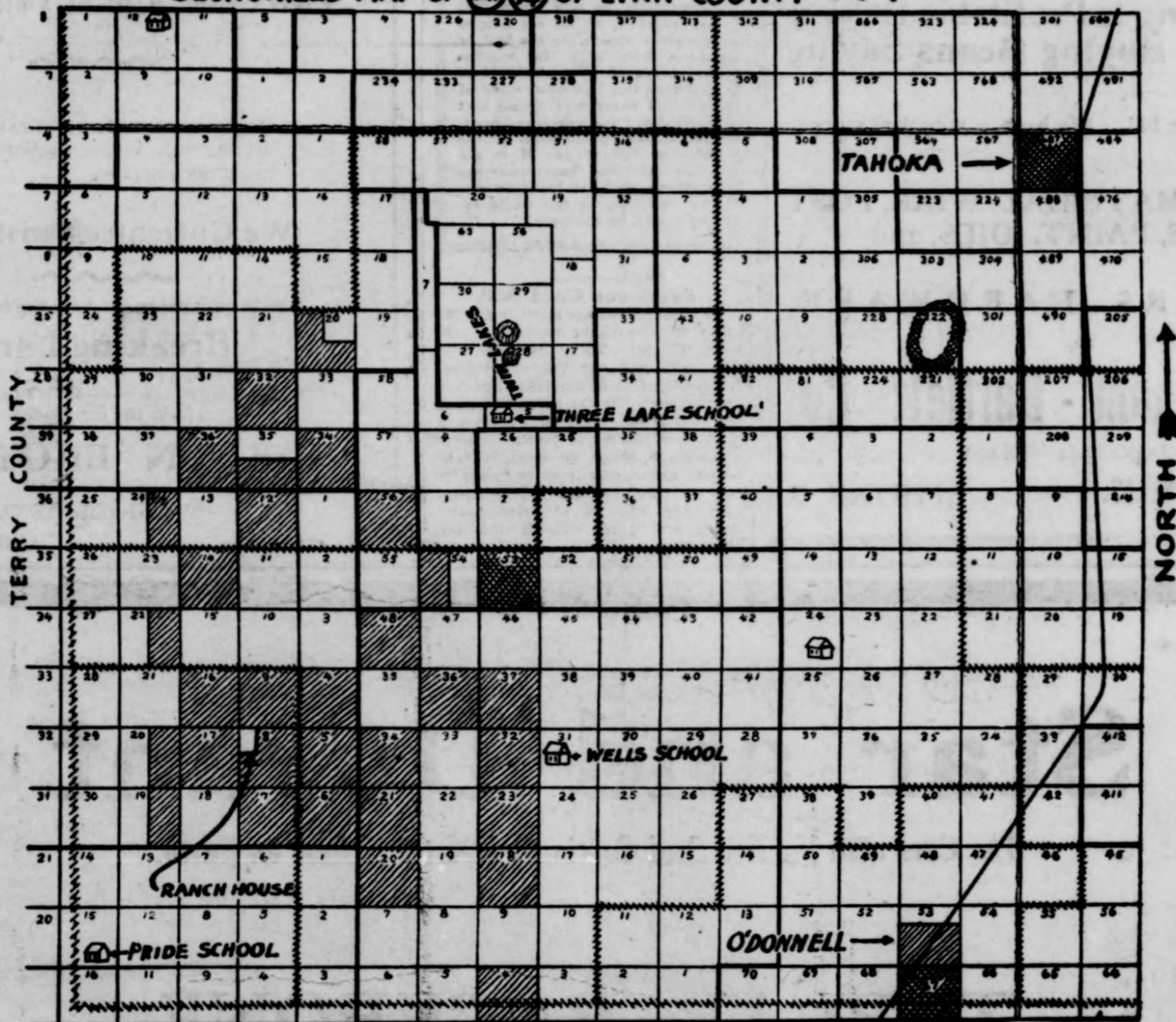
TWENTY SECTIONS FORTY HALVES EIGHTY QUARTERS

Located at

NEWMOORE

The new town in Lynn County, present post office, O'Donnell Texas, and 20 miles north of Lamesa

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 ← NEWMAN LAND & DEVELOPMENT CO'S.
 SUBDIVISION OF
 W. McCARTY MOORE LAND
 LYNN COUNTY, TEXAS

OFFERING—Sub dividing 20 sections, about 12,000 acres of the W. McCarty Moore lands, in quarters, halves or sections at NEWMOORE, the new town in Lynn County.

PRICES—\$17.50 to \$30.00 per acre for unimproved land. We have some improved tracts in halves and sections. Let us give you the prices.

TERMS—Easy. About the usual South Plains terms.

This is a private sale. You can buy any day until we are sold out. The lands are now ready for inspection and sale.

Get in your car and don't let anyone stop you—see these lands for yourself—drive to NEWMOORE, the map shows the automobile roads. At NEWMOORE we maintain the ranch house headquarters and an office and equipment for showing the land, taking care of you while on the ground, and making contracts of sale.

This land will sell fast and this is your last opportunity to buy at last year prices. "First Come, First Served." Come on!

NEWMAN LAND & DEVELOPMENT CO.

611 Magnolia Bldg., DALLAS, TEXAS

Field Office: Newmoore, Texas

Post Office: O'Donnell, Texas

Miss Ruby Gaines of Fannin county, came in first of the week to join her brother, Paul, who is one of the proprietors of the Home Cafe. Miss Gaines probably be joined by her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Gaines as soon as they read a few more copies of the Index.

While Sunday's sandstorm was doing its best, Rev. W. B. Hicks was called upon to perform the ceremony that united Miss Mary Moore to James Ward. The bride formerly lived east of town with her parents. Mr. Ward came here from Hamlin to claim the lady of his choice.



Poor Fellow
Bug—There isn't a thing on that tree for me!

Wells Drilled

I have a Well Machine and men to run it. If you want a well, see or phone me.

J. T. Crabb

Phone 97 O'DONNELL, TEXAS

What Christmas Brings

By KATHERINE EDELMAN

(© 1924, Western Newspaper Union.)

CHRISTMAS, the brightest day of the year, is with us again, rekindling faith and trust within our souls and filling our hearts with tender and blessed memories of the past. For on this day there comes to us in the fullest measure all that is beautiful and worth while in life: we share in each other's happiness and joy, putting aside selfishness and greed and hate, and giving the best that is in us that someone else may be glad. We become, in a measure, as little children again, rejoicing in the simple little pleasures of home, forgetting for the time being all the vexations and problems of the world, and feeling within us a surging of the beautiful faith and trust that was ours in the long ago. On this day, too, we see the best that is in our fellow-man, overlooking the little faults and failings of his that may, perhaps, have stirred us to anger yesterday. Today he is our brother, a fellow-being to be helped and encouraged and loved as far as it is possible for us to do, for today with the new vision that has come to us we see him as ourselves, struggling the best he knows how with the worries and cares of life. Would to God that this beautiful spirit of love and peace and giving that hovers over the world on Christmas would live through all the days to follow, for if it did many of the heart-weariness problems that are bringing sorrow and pain to the world today would be no more!

Peace and Good Will

The real Christmas spirit is not the spirit of extravagant expense, of covetous delight. To be peaceful with God and with our fellow-creatures; to be willing to do good for Him and for them—that is the peace and good-will which can make of our lives a continuous Christmas feast. It costs nothing; it hurts no one; it wins heaven and earth; it gives "glory to God in the highest." The oldest Christmas wish is still the best—Peace and good will.—Herald and Presbyter.

Coal

Just received 3 cars famous "Nigger Head" Coal. Buy now.

Cicero Smith Lumber Co.

Notice of Taxes Due

Notice is hereby given that street, poll and property taxes for the City of O'Donnell are now due and payable. Please call at the City Hall and pay same.

O'Donnell Sanitary Market

DYE & WILSON, Proprietors

FRESH MEATS - CURED MEATS
Fresh Vegetables Every Day

Fresh Bread. Ice in large or small quantities

I want your trade. Give me a trial
NEW LOCATION—WARREN BUILDING

"Nuff Said"

Wise Buying is Profitable Buying
Profitable Buying Means Saving

Let us figure your bill. We have a complete stock of

**BUILDING MATERIAL, WIRE, POST
STAYS, PAINT, OILS, and**

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O'DONNELL, TEXAS.

Manager, E. T. WELLS.

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We have had many years experience drilling wells in this section and we know the business.

We Guarantee Satisfaction

We are now prepared to make contracts for

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We are equipped with good tractors and plows
See us for prices

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Star and Durant

The Cars with the Red Seal Continental Motor. Best on Earth.

TUBLAR BACKBONE

You can get in a creel and it don't affect the body. No jar at Steering Wheel.

More Mileage On Tires Than All Others.

See **J. E. McCLUNG**

McCLUNG HOTEL

The Christmas Store

The season of giving gifts will soon be here once more. The Yuletide spirit is better expressed in making others happy. But make this spirit last more than a day—by giving useful and lasting gifts, it will remain throughout the year.



A high grade line of Rogers Silverware

We can sell you complete sets or single pieces. They make
"Gifts That Last"

Glassware

You'll find this a truly delightful stock to select from if you wish to give glassware for Christmas.



JEWELRY

One can always be certain that the selection of some article of fine jewelry will please. But let it be of the best quality. Our stock of Gift Things presents a great variety of pleasing and useful articles.

Watches Rings Other Jewelry

Books Are Always "Different"

Books share their entertainment and inspiration with a whole family circle. And your dollars buy so much in books.

Latest Popular Fiction
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Our stock of toys is complete. Come in and see them. Prices right

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Games

Books



Mechanical Toys

And other articles to
delight the kiddies.

SHOP EARLY

A complete line of Fireworks

Corner Drug Store

O'Donnell School Notes

Edited by the pupils of the O'Donnell Public Schools.

Vol. 1

No. 7

SENIOR CLASS

There are teachers and teachers but none to beat our teacher and superintendent, J. A. Rickard. Not only is he our teacher but a friend, generous to our faults. He thinks not of himself but of others. He believes in his students and does not look for our faults but for the best in us. He is always planning to give us the best he has; never too busy to answer questions.

In years to come, after we have left school we can look back to our senior year in high school and think of Mr. Rickard as a faithful teacher.

Senior class of O'Donnell High School.

We are glad to note that Eula Lee Gardenhire, who was absent Monday, is back in school.

Although we enjoy our work at school, we are delighted to have the two weeks holiday. We plan to have a good time Christmas, and be ready to come back to school when the holidays are over, and go to work.

A picture of the Senior class was made Monday, and we regret that several members of the class were absent.

We are very proud of our Senior debaters, Clyde White and Alta Rodgers. Friday morning some one said, "The Seniors are afraid of the Sophs." That afternoon we showed them that if we were afraid of them, we could beat them. We hope to win the debate over the Juniors as we did over the Sophs, that is unanimously.

JUNIOR CLASS

After the excellent weather of Sunday and Monday the Juniors are very much refreshed and have shown much improvement in their work. A class meeting was held Monday to adjust some financial matters concerning our class.

A preliminary debating contest was held the last period Monday afternoon to determine who will meet the Honorable Fish in the Junior Fish contest, the winner will meet the "Most Gracious Seniors," in the most hotly contested match of the season; according to our estimate on the Fish are as good as beaten and "Woe be Unto the Lordly Ones." Those winning first and second place in the contest were Geoffrey Holman and Delbert Beaton. The Seniors defeated the Sophs. in an elimination con-

test Friday afternoon but as the philosopher saith "They are a lofty house built on a shaky foundation," therefore, we Juniors may beat them all to "Well, well, well, you never can tell."

Miss Erma Mae Groose, our respected President, was absent on account of unknown reasons, but we have our suspicions.

The Junior class wishes the Seniors, and the rest of the High School a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

SEVENTH GRADE

We had two more pupils in our room this week.

The following have been neither tardy nor absent during the third month: Nellie Chandler, Fern Fritz, Dollie Crawford, Evelyn Edwards, Irma D. Palmer, Bessie Mae Tate, Margie Devore, Pauline Wilhite, James Millwee, Erwin Brown; Sharon Millsad, Margie Anderson and Etta Singleton.

We are going to have a Christmas tree Friday afternoon.

Everybody is looking forward to a good time.

We all hope that every one has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We hope to start to school in 1925, with good resolutions.

FOURTH GRADE

The 4th grade pupils of Mrs. Pfimmer's room were all very sorry to learn that last Friday was Verda Ballew's last day in our room, for she was moving to Lubbock on the following Saturday. Verda is a splendid pupil and will be missed in our room.

Last Friday the pupils of this room drew names for the Christmas tree, which we will have the next Friday. We are all looking forward to a good time then.

The attendance is not nearly so good this month as it should have been, but we shall endeavor to do better from now on. Although there are several who have been neither absent or tardy during the entire month. They are as follows:

Alice Joy Bowlin, Evelyn Bailey Oleta Humphries, Moyelle Ed-

MRS. P. H. NORTHCROSS
Public Stenographer
Notary Public
Conveyancer

wards, Verda Ballew, Christine Cozart and Horace Brown.

LOW FOURTH AND FIFTH ROOM

Douglas Ballew, a fifth grade pupil, and Ira Jewell Page a fourth grade pupil have with drawn from us this week. Douglas, will attend school in Lubbock, where the family is moving to. We hope he will enjoy his work there, even as we have enjoyed having him with us.

Ina Jewell will go to school in Coleman county where the family moved from.

Each one of us is busy this week planning for Christmas.

The monthly report cards, that were issued this week, show that everyone is working harder, or the lessons are easier.

We have had several that have been absent on account of sickness but we hope they will be back with us soon.

THIRD GRADE

The third grade in Miss Fairley's room have been progressing nicely this month.

Class A. have been doing fine work in their new readers.

Class B. are working hard to get new readers by Friday.

Orvel Riddle brought us a nice framed picture for our room last week. Several pupil's brought

nice calendars, which makes our room look more like home.

We miss Lilburn and Thelma from our classes very much, and will be glad when they can be back in school. We have been decorating our room for Christmas and are planning on a good time Friday.

We had another new pupil this week and will be glad when Wilma Green can be back in school, as she has returned from California. We had quite a few tardies and absents this month, though several received perfect attendance certificates.

Those receiving certificates being: Mildred Pinion, Ira Dimple Hancock, Mary Genice Hardberger, Leona, Mary and Annie Mae Lackey, Addie Williams, Earlene Aldridge, Geneva Ballow, Pauline Brunson, Orvel Riddle and Floy Cox.

We hope to do better than this next month.

Wishing you one and all A Mer-

F. W. Thacker

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Headquarters at Corner Drug Store

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Phone 97
Warren Bldg., O'Donnell, Tex.

ry Christmas and A Happy New Year. We are:

The Third Grade.

SECOND GRADE

Those awarded certificates of attendance this month were:

Wilfred Gates, Julian Pirtle, James Monroe Hamilton and Geneviva Webb.

The second grade children have been writing letters to Santa Claus, the following were the best:

Dear Santa Claus—I want a air gun
(Continued on next page)

Valuable Lynn Co. Land For Sale

Southeast quarter of section 12, block "O" Lynn county, located about three miles north of Newmanville, 80 acres in cultivation, good new small house and barn, fenced and cross fenced, all smooth tillable land. Priced at \$30.00 an acre patented basis. Possession Jan. 1st.

320 acres, with 100 acres in cultivation, splendid brand new well built bungalow house, good barn, fenced and cross fenced, well, mill and tank, every foot of it is a high grade smooth mixed land. The price is \$25.00 an acre with \$1.50 due the state. Wants \$2,000 cash and will put the balance up to run from one to nine years at 7 per cent or will make a cotton crop payment contract for part of balance. School house is located on this land; 18 miles northwest of O'Donnell and about four miles north of Newmanville. This place is known as the Marshall place, and is the west half of section 24, block "O". Possession Jan. 1st.

160 acres, N. W. quarter section 12, block "O" 3 miles north of Newmanville. This is an extra fine smooth quarter section of raw land. Has a large tank in south east corner. Price \$22.50 an acre with \$1,000 cash, balance one to nine years. Write

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O'Donnell School Notes

(Continued)

and a soldier's suit and a toolbox and my little sister wanted a doll buggy and my mother wants a set of dishes, father wants a neck tie.

Your little friend,
Thornton Musick.

Dear Santa Claus--I want a baby doll and a story book and a box of colored chalk.

Your little friend,
Miss Marguerite Hicks.

Dear Santa Claus--I want a little car and a new suit, wagon with a little horse.

Your little friend,
Wilfred Gates.

Dear Santa Claus--I want a fur, ring, vanity case, a big white ball and a wristwatch.

Your little friend,
Kimilee Pearce.

LOW FIRST GRADE

Mrs. Shaw teacher, has enrolled 44 pupils and 5 have withdrawn up to the present date.

We miss Donald very much but hope he is enjoying life in Lubbock.

We are having some real work and good lessons.

All have the Christmas spirit and counting the days till Santa comes.

Entertains Lucky Thirteen Club

Miss Willie Schooler entertained the Lucky Thirteen Club, with few visitors on last Friday from 3 to 5. Score cards were passed and a number of very interesting and exciting games of forty-two were played. After the games, Mrs. Harvey Everett gave a reading which was very thrilling as well as amusing. Mrs. B. T. Brown sang a beautiful song, accompanied by Mrs. A. W. Gibbs.

Dainty plate refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Everett to the following: Mesdames J. R. Sanders, A. H. Koeniger, Carl M. Cox, A. W. Gibbs, T. C. Brown, B. F. Dye, E. L. Sorrels, Harvey Everett, C. I. Kuykendall, C. W. Waller, E. T. Wells, B. T. Brown, Misses Lois Pugh, Idelle Heiber son and Lavinette Smith.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. J. R. Sanders.

Howard Walker Married

Howard Walker surprised his friends Monday when he returned from Paris bringing home his bride. It was known among his intimate friends that he had a girl back at his old home, but it was not thought that he intended matrimony when he left here a couple of weeks ago, ostensibly to spend the holidays among his old friends. He was married Saturday at 11 o'clock in Paris to Miss Bertha Brown. The young couple will make their home here. They have the best wishes of a host of friends.

Wanted.—A Ford car. Will trade horses or mules for car.—See W. V. Tolbert.

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All Kinds of
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L. L. WYATT
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Santa Was to See Me



UNDERWOOD & UNDERWOOD

Systematic Simpkins

By Christopher G. Hazard

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IN HIS earliest years Samuel Simpkins began to exhibit his methodical sameness. It is related of him that he trudged the whole length of a garden one day to put a banana skin in the proper receptacle before making the banana a part of his infant constitution, a most unnatural reversal of ordinary procedure, but an indication of the tendency to put first things second that was to follow his future course a long way. Pursued by this cart-before-the-horse system, his youthful literary experiments began with the second volume when the story was extended enough, and when this was not the case he read "The Second Fiddle" before perusing "The First Violin." As he persevered towards maturity his habit of thinking first and feeling afterwards usually deprived him of emotion and left him cold, while he thus backed out of many situations that demanded instant action. While he was considering how to characterize the case the motor car that had knocked him into the roadside bushes faded away. After he had miserably failed on the platform he discovered that in his preparations he had gone against nature by considering the twigs and leaves of his tree of address, leaving the roots and trunk to the inspiration that forgot to come. So he went on, painfully exact and systematic, but with his hand always on the reverse lever.

Simpkins' friends were not greatly surprised, therefore, when he began wishing everybody a Happy New Year on December 25. They had rather expected the blind philosopher to celebrate the Fourth of July. The year before they had imposed upon him a New York daily paper of the date of April 1 of the previous year and tried to laugh him awake to affairs of the moment. Now, they accepted his mistake, and left his Christmas out of his calendar, so that he got no greetings, no cards, no slippers, no cigars, no candy; his bachelor apartment was colorless and cheerless, without a thing to remind him to create Christmas gladness for others, a loss so great

that he was shocked into the system of things that makes us, forsaking the system of things that he had made. Thus Simpkins learned why Christmas comes before New Year's day; that warmth of heart, and ministry to life, and good cheer of love, are better than thought; heralds that must go before new eras and new enterprise.

Christmas

By MARY TASH LLOYD
in the Presbyterian

GOD gave his dear Son for a Savior. When the world was by sin so distressed, He took human form in descending. In a young mother's arms was caressed.

At Christmas we ponder His coming. There was no place for Him but a shed, And Mary, His mother, watched o'er Him In a manger where cattle were fed.

Oh, wonderful story and precious! There were shepherds with flocks on the hill, Who followed His star till they found Him, He who did Scripture's promise fulfill.

The wise men, with homes at a distance, Quickly journeyed in haste to be there; They knelt by the Child and adored Him, And they offered Him gifts rich and rare.

Dear Christ Child, so pure and so holy, Whom the angels are praising today, May we at Thy feet leave love's offering, Carry with us Thy blessing away.

Christmas Joy

Genuine Christmas joy will overflow with conquering enthusiasm into other circles than that of its own experience. It is always exuberant and manifests a spirit of helpfulness to others. The happy song of angels at the birth of our Savior sought sympathetic response in the souls of the surprised shepherds. The announcement of the angel, "I bring you good tidings of great joy," indicates the power of the movement that would in some way through Christians of other ages, carry this joy "to the people." The band of shepherds, after they had visited the new-born Babe, who had returned "glorifying and praising God," instantly and gratefully made known abroad the character and the cause of their gladness.—Herald and Presbyterian.

Nice Christmas Gifts

Hose, Handkerchiefs, Ties, Belts, and Dainty Gifts for Ladies

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Very Happy on Christmas Day

By Mary Graham Bonner

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PRETTY SUZETTE was very happy. Everything amused her or pleased her, or warmed her heart still more, it seemed.

She had seen a little boy, obviously poor, giving a nickel which looked as though it had had no companion in the pocket from which it came, into a bucket where money was being collected for Christmas dinners for those still more poor. The little boy had looked so enormously pleased, as he had given it with an air of complete indifference. It had been such a joy for her to have given him an engine which he had next gazed at lovingly in a shop window.

She had been amused at Alice, the little girl next door. Alice had told Gwenne, her playmate, that if Gwenne wanted a little sister she must get the address of their doctor, who had brought them one.

Suzette had watched a traffic policeman holding up the traffic while three boys and three dogs had crossed over proudly.

She had heard an older girl she knew telling of the diary she had destroyed not long before. "Because," the girl had explained, "it was written when I was engaged, and we used to quarrel then, and we never do now. It made me sick to see how I used to act." That was the way Suzette hoped her married life would be.

Then she had been amused that day because Mrs. Purdy had, as a rule, always dropped a nickel in the corner of the collection plate where it would not be noticed.

She had always explained that she didn't believe in giving ostentatiously.

And this Christmas day Suzette had noticed she had put in a dollar—and had turned it so that it could be seen



Bruce Had Kissed Suzette Under the Mistletoe.

that it was a bill, but so that its denomination could not be determined. It wasn't because she wanted others to see that she gave a bill, she explained to Suzette, that she put it down conspicuously upon the plate, but she thought it was well to set an example.

Ah, yes, Suzette was very happy. All things about her seemed perfect. She had never seen such white, dazzling snow. She had never heard such clear, merry sleighbells.

She had never noticed how cheery and gay were the voices of people and how joyous were the voices of children.

There seemed to be something appealing and attractive about every one. And how crisp and fresh was the air! How beautiful the Christmas trees standing in their gay and decorated glory in the windows of all the happy homes.

Suzette had never been so happy. Never! Never! Never!

And Bruce was happy, too. He had never been so happy. Never! Never! Never!

Everything to him seemed appealing or attractive or amusing or cheery.

For Bruce had kissed Suzette under the mistletoe.

And Suzette had liked it. And so had Bruce.

And he had asked her to marry him. And she had said "Yes."

And the mistletoe was winking at the holly and saying:

"I did a good Christmas day's work!"

Christmas Cigars

Christmas cigars come just in time to save the man who thinks about swearing off on the first of the year.

TRADE AT HOME

The Index does not believe that there is a man in the town who would willingly, knowingly and maliciously tear down any of the institutions which are the life of the town and without which the town could not exist and prosper, but it seems that there are some people who cannot understand that it is their duty to themselves, their town and their fellow man to support home institutions. If you live in O'Donnell, your interest should be here and it is your duty to support the institutions which are vital to the town's interests. Of course, if you are only a drone, only stopping here without an interest in the past, present or future of the town—a parasite sapping all the life you can from others without giving anything in return, there may be some excuse for you trading away from home for things that you could purchase as cheaply here, the town could better exist without you. But if you believe in giving a little as well as taking a lot, there is no reason under the sun why you should not patronize home institutions. Trade at home.

Makes Christmas Present

Miss Leta Rodgers made a very appropriate Christmas present to her sister, Mrs. J. W. Holland of Houston, by having the Index sent to her for one year. Mrs. Holland will be reminded fifty-two times during the coming year of the thoughtfulness of Miss Leta. That is what we call safe and sane buying.

Stores Stock Up for Holiday Trade

The spirit of the Yuletide season is being displayed by the merchants at their stores by the largest assortment of Christmas goods ever seen here. Special shelves and counters are being erected in most of the stores and the windows gives one the impression that Santa Claus had arrived with a full load. There will be no need for anyone to send away for a suitable gift for father, mother, brother, sweetheart or friend—or even your wife. Shop early and you are sure to find that the home merchants have provided the very things you want to buy as gifts.

White House Cafe

Regular Dinners - - Short Orders

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"Valley of Silent Men"

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FRIDAY

"Wolf Man" with John Gilbert

SATURDAY

"Ridin Fool" with Neal Hart

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have been appointed to settle the estate of the late Dr. King. Those knowing themselves indebted to this estate will please pay the same and those having bills against the estate will present same for settlement.

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Ninth street Monday.

Christmas Time

I have always thought of Christ-
mas time, when it has come around
as a good time, a kind, forgiving, char-
itable, pleasant time; the only time
I know of, in the long calendar of the
year, when men and women seem by
one consent to open their shut-up
hearts freely. And therefore, though
it has never put a scrap of gold or sil-
ver in my pocket, I believe that it has
done me good and will do me good;
and I say God bless it.—Charles
Dickens.

Post Up

It is a good thing to remember that
it is well to be prepared in case one
of the children becomes curious and
asks you something about the true
meaning of Christmas.

**BARKER'S
CHRISTMAS
CHANGE**

By Frank Herbert Sweet

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HE boys yelled "Bark an' Bite" at him, because his name was Barker A. Bright, and his face rather canine in contour. But the name was a misnomer, as the boys found out. This Christmas the yell changed to "Bully Bright."

His little grocery remained open until near midnight Christmas Eve for the accommodation of late customers and those who had managed to scrape up a few coins at the last minute.

Bright's shop was in a very poor part of the town, so he knew.

He kept one half-grown boy to deliver goods in a basket, on foot. But this Christmas Eve he added several extra boys to his force.

He kept them busy, too, going into all sorts of places.

Barker was an expert in package wrapping, and his fingers flew swiftly except when waiting on customers. These customers were rather more than usual, but not enough to account for the packages the little grocer was hurrying into baskets.

"Gee!" panted one boy as he came in with an empty basket. "I never knew Dutch Herm nor Sleepy Hogan nor Spilkins an' some others to have any money before, but here we're stuffin' baskets for 'em fit to kill. Must 'a' been rainin' money over in Goat Shanty street."

At length the evening was over and the shop closed. Then "Bark an' Bite" dropped on his stool to figure up his day's business.

"H'm!" he at last muttered grinely. "Good thing I ain't married with a family. A single feller can economize better by not eatin' much. Seventy-five dollars is a pretty big Christmas loss." Then he grinned. "But I guess I can stand it."

The next day, whenever he showed himself, the yell that greeted him was "Bully Bright."

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Yuletide Suggestions

We have anything you want, in the line of Groceries, to make your Christmas a merry one.

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FRUITS

CANDY

A complete line of Fireworks

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See City Transfer Company for all kinds of hauling. Satisfaction guaranteed. Office with O'Donnell Land Company. Phone No. 81.

George Teague of Paris, has been a visitor here the past week.

FOR RENT—West half of building opposite Sorrel's Lumber yard. Will fix to suit tenant. Apply at once. —H. E. Gillespie.

For Sale—Rhode Island Red Hens—See or write—J. B. Elmore, O'Donnell, Texas.

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Closing Out Sale.

Having sold my store building and lot, I wish to announce to the public that beginning next Monday, December 15th, I will place all the goods in my Variety store on the market. I have cut the prices to cost and less in some instances in order to dispose of the goods. This is your chance to buy Christmas goods, Variety goods, dishes and hosiery at prices that will pay you to take advantage of. Everything in the store goes. Yours very truly,
Rose Variety Store,
J. H. Rose, Prop

Fig Delight

One-half cupful sugar, one cupful brown sugar, half cupful milk, half cupful chopped figs, half tablespoonful butter, one teaspoonful vanilla.
Boil sugar and milk until it forms a soft ball in cold water. Take from the fire, add butter and vanilla and beat until creamy. Stir in the chopped figs and pour quickly on buttered pans.

Cream Pie

Dissolve one and one-half cupfuls of sugar in two cupfuls of cream. Fold in the stiffly-beaten whites of three eggs and add flavoring to taste. Bake with one crust. A tablespoonful of sifted flour may be mixed with the sugar to good advantage.

Electrical Effect



Mabel—I asked my husband to give me an electrical runabout for a Christmas gift.
Maude—What was the result?
Mabel—He was shocked.

SUGGESTION FOR CHRISTMAS:
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Everything for the Christmas Dinner, but the Turkey.

NUTS

FRUIT

CANDY

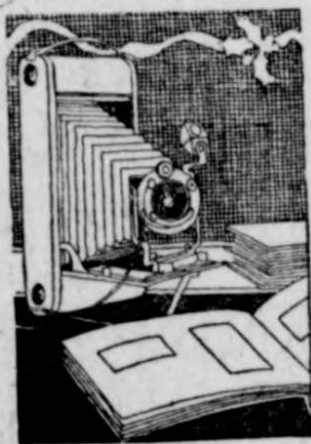
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Welcome Christmas Shoppers

Our store is full to overflowing with quality gifts. After walking down the aisles of beautiful gifts, one will not be at a loss as to suggestions. Shoppers should come early in order that they may shop complete. You will find our prices very reasonable.

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Candy

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Condensed Austin News

A total of 213 counties have filed their election returns with the Secretary of State, leaving thirty-nine counties to send in the results of the last general election.

Resignation of F. Y. Robnett as secretary of the Highway Commission has been announced. N. K. Brown, former clerk of the House of Representatives, has been appointed in his place.

The Commissioner of Banking has granted final papers to the Guaranty State Bank of Farwell, Farmer County, capital stock \$25,000, promoted by Henry Wilkinson and associates.

The State Board of Control has advertised for \$300,000 worth of highway maintenance equipment at the request of the Highway Department. Proposals are to be received until Dec. 30.

Mrs. Lola C. Wood has been appointed executive clerk in the Department of State, vice Carey Morrow, resigned. Mrs. Wood has held desks in the executive office and in the Department of State.

Miss Helen Phipps, instructor in romance languages at the University of Texas, will be one of the American representatives on the faculty of "La Escuela Internacional Para Senoritas," a woman's college in Madrid, Spain, next year.

Registration of motor vehicles in Texas have climbed to 779,722, a gain of 54,722 during the last week, according to records of the State Highway Department. To date 718,579 passenger vehicles have been registered, 61,143 commercial busses, 2,148 trailers, 120 tractors, 2,631 motorcycles, 3,9976 dealers, 12,417 chauffeurs and 169,155 transfers.

J. W. Reid of Canyon, Senator-elect from the Thirty-First District has been in Austin and announced that he will favor a bill increasing the gasoline tax from 1c to 2c per gallon and make a corresponding reduction in the motor vehicle license fees. Senator Reid also favors a strict law regulating grade crossings so as to reduce the number of accidents.

Dr. H. H. Harrington, member of the State Board of Control, and W. R. Hendrickson, State Building Inspector, have returned from Denton, where they accepted the new administration building at the State Teacher College erected at a cost of \$300,000. They also accepted the remodeled dormitory at the East Texas Hospital for insane at Rusk. This improvement cost \$42,000.

The Bureau of Fisheries at Washington is taking a census of fish, shrimp and oyster production on the American coast. Three assistants of the bureau have completed Louisiana and were in Austin recently gathering data from the State Game, Fish and Oyster Department preparatory to taking the census of Texas marine life. They will begin work at Galveston at once.

Because the trial Judge failed to allow the jury to consider the question of cases that an ax handle is not a deadly weapon, the Court of Criminal Appeals reversed and remanded the case of Arvie Neal, convicted in San Augustine County of murder of Jim Hines and sentenced to seven years. The higher court said that it has been held in many cases that an ax handle is not per se a deadly weapon.

Communicable diseases reported to Dr. Malone Duggan, State Health Officer, show a decrease in number over the report of the preceding week. The following diseases were reported: Chicken pox fifty-six, dengue six, diphtheria forty-two, dysentery three, influenza seventy-one, mumps twenty-four, pellagra two, pneumonia seven, scarlet fever twelve, smallpox twelve, trachoma five, typhoid fever eight, paratyphoid two, tuberculosis forty.

The State Treasurer reports a total deficiency of \$2,178,277 in the general revenue fund. Monthly transfers included \$224,420 to the available school fund and \$28,586 to the pension fund. Revenue from land sales and leases during November totaled \$337,180, of which amount \$248,407 goes to the available school fund and \$80,000 to the permanent fund. The building fund of the University of Texas receives \$27,828.

Have You This Habit?

By Margaret Morison

A GOOD MIND

AFTER 25 years of married life, it was more fun for Mrs. William to plan and get her husband's present than it had been even the first Christmases. One year she left Billy's book—it was always a book—until the last. His own special copy of "Rabbi Burns" had been lost, and, without saying anything to Billy, she meant if possible to duplicate it. Burns was the poet from whom he loved to quote on all occasions—there was a man, he was wont to say, who really offered one the milk of human kindness. So Mrs. William proceeded first to the library to hunt up the special edition that the lost copy had been.

The librarian had a straight line between her eyes and the corners of her mouth were drawn down. Mrs. William, who had carefully consulted the card catalogue before applying at the desk, was met with an icy stare. This was Christmas week and the library was short-handed; if she wanted a special edition she'd have to wait until the boy had time to hunt. Mrs. William was perfectly willing to wait—and she did; for three-quarters of an hour.

With her glow of pleasure somewhat lessened, she continued on her errand. At the book store where she dealt there was a tired and jostling crowd and a corps of Christmas trade clerks—Mrs. William wondered if these were the same "boys" that had made the library short-handed. The employee she accosted was not interested in Robert Burns, and took no pains to conceal his scorn of one so entirely unaware of the "best sellers." Mrs. William was made to feel that it was no time to come asking for a book so out of the holiday line.

As she came out onto the street, she had begun to think that perhaps the Christmas spirit was indeed a thing of slower-moving and less-crowded generations. It had started to rain and the rising wind whipped the storm round her ankles. A gust caught her umbrella, and as she struggled to hold it her package with Billy's poems fell to the wet pavement. "Some night!" came a childish high-pitched voice at her side, and

looking down she saw a quaint figure in the uniform of a messenger boy picking up her lost book. He was almost a midget and was evidently a man past fifty. His face was cadaverous and there were deep lines round his mouth, but in his eyes was the flash of fun and youth. And all the time that Mrs. William thanked him sedately, there was in her mind the extravagant desire to take him home with her to their warm fire and good supper and Billy and "Rabbi Burns."

For he had crystallized a thought for her; that the habit of pleasantness means mental fitness; that a cross-grained person is not a healthy animal. To desire the best, expect the best, demand the best from others, and to acquire the habit of turning a tranquil countenance toward the world—these imply not what we used to mean by "good nature" but what we mean now by a good mind.

HAVE YOU THIS HABIT?

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PA ON SAVING

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

IT DOESN'T matter what you make. What great amount of money, If you're not saving for the sake Of days that aren't sunny. Some people brag about the dough They're making ev'ry minute, Unless you save a little, though, My boy, there's nothing in it.

A dollar man who saves a dime, A little of the dollar, Is really richer all the time, However they may holler, Than those who make a five or ten When things are rather humming, And then just pass it on again, No better for its coming.

Not what you make but what remains, How much of it you're saving, Will show how much you have of brains,

How well you are behaving, So, when a dollar bill has gone, Tomorrow through your fingers, Just see that when it passes on A little of it lingers.

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SCHOOL DAYS



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Mother's Cook Book

Out of the night that covers me, Black as the pit from pole to pole, I think whatever gods may be For my unconquerable soul. —Henry.

COMPANY GOOD THINGS

A CAPON is most delicious eating. The following recipe may be varied as to stuffing and sauce. Oyster stuffing is especially good:

Roast Capon With Savory Stuffing.

Cook the liver of the capon with one or two chicken livers in very little water and press through a colander. Moisten one pint of bread crumbs with the water in which the livers were cooked; press out superfluous moisture, and add white hot, six tablespoonfuls of butter, one tablespoonful of chopped parsley, six chopped mushrooms, seasoning to taste and lastly bind with one well-beaten egg. Fill the capon, truss for roasting and cook in a hot oven, allowing fifteen to eighteen minutes to a pound for a large capon. Serve with:

Truffle Sauce.

Rub through a colander with two

tablespoonfuls of butter, one-fourth of a pound of truffles, heat in a saucepan with one ounce of lean ham finely chopped, and a sprig of parsley minced. Add one and one-half cupfuls of brown stock and thicken with one and one-half tablespoonfuls of arrowroot, blended with cold water.

Mushrooms in Pepper Cups.

Remove the stems from green peppers, cut a slice from the top and take out seeds and membranes. Parboil, place each pepper on a slice of toast and fill with mushrooms broken into small bits and pressed firmly into the cups. Place the toast and peppers on a grating or rack in a dripping pan and bake in a hot oven fifteen to twenty minutes. Season with butter and salt, with a dash of pepper on each cup.

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The Young Lady Across the Way



The young lady across the way says what Doctor Coue takes in at his lectures goes to charity but she supposes he makes a lot of money on the sale of his medicines.

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among men, but some morning their names will be flashed across the sky and the news will tell you that here and there new stars have risen, and dimmed the light of the old luminaries, upon whom we have so long depended for guidance.

It is only when our old idols are gone that we seem willing to endow other human beings with life and consciousness.

It comes hard at first, for we realize that we, too, are being crowded out by the new Adams and Eves, and that we must eventually take our places in the ranks where the marchers are slower and their numbers grow thinner with the passing years.

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Something to Think About

By F. A. WALKER

BEING PUSHED ASIDE

THOSE who today hold the exalted places of earth, and about whom the story writers pen entertaining, instructive and inspiring tales, have reached the zenith of their power.

All their lives these illustrious characters have striven for honor, glory, fame and wealth. The gods have blessed them with their earthly treasures, but the winners themselves are not satisfied. There is something missing. They cannot keep on going.

Having won their seats in the high places, there are no seats awaiting them in the higher tiers.

They have heard their names sung around the earth; they stand now at the heights unable to take another step forward.

At such a point in life the truly great realize the frailty of human endeavor, and fall into the line of be-

lief with the Biblical preacher who exclaims that all is vanity!

When the hunt is on, the trail is hot and the hounds are baying, men are apt to forget everything else in the blood-stirring quest.

And it is well for men that they do forget.

For there's a new set of hunters on the scene every morning, a new ring to the trumpet, a new charge of the horses and a new delight in the smell of the delicious air.

The newer Adams and Eves are crackling the whips and pushing for place. They are crowding out their elders, the faithful, the great who have brought us the latest inventions, who have taught us how to beat the air and fly swifter than eagles; how to send our voices around the world!

Destiny has marked these new Adams and Eves to continue the work of their progenitors.

The elect are not yet known

BRITISH GOVERNMENT CONCERNED OVER FRENCH DEBT

TO ASK WHAT STEP LATTER COUNTRY HAS TAKEN IN U. S. OBLIGATION.

WILL FORWARD NOTE

Washington Surprised at Prospect of British Inquiry in Debt Funding Situation.

London.—The British Government, it is stated in official quarters, is expected to address a note to the American and French Governments in the course of the next few days requesting those Governments to inform Great Britain what steps have been taken or are anticipated in settling the French war debt to the United States.

Such inquiries, it was stated, were natural after the recent statements made both in France and in the United States regarding preliminary negotiations to such a settlement, as Great Britain not only was uninformed of such steps, but never has been approached on the subject of any settlement of the French war debts to the British Government.

France's debts to Great Britain amount to 623,000,000 lbs, compared with 798,000,000 lbs. owed by France to the United States. It is pointed out that Great Britain has a right to expect, seeing the sums are almost identical and were obtained for the same cause, that the British Government receive the same treatment from France as any other nation in this tangled problem of inter-allied debts.

The British financial minister is necessarily bound to follow public opinion largely in the matter of debts, it is stated, and Great Britain's action in this particular case is guided by what the man in the street thinks and wants.

While it is everywhere admitted that the United States is under no sort of obligation to amend the British terms in any case, there is manifest expectation that if France is accorded better treatment, Great Britain will be similarly considered. There also is a growing insistence that, if France should pay the United States, she must also pay Great Britain.

Washington.—London reports that the British Government expected to address an inquiry to Washington and Paris asking information regarding the funding of the French war debts to the United States have been received with marked surprise by officials in close touch here with the debt funding situation.

It was said authoritatively that no intimation had come from London or from British Embassy quarters thus far indicating that the London Foreign Office proposed to take such a step.

TEXANS ARE MENTIONED FOR FARM BOARD

R. D. Johnson of Houston and A. C. Williams of Fort Worth Indorsed.

Washington.—Appointment of a member of the Federal Farm Loan Board to take the place of M. L. Corey, resigned, is expected shortly after President Coolidge's return from Chicago, it is indicated in administration circles. Both Senators from Texas and members of the State delegation have indorsed R. D. Johnson of Houston, brother of Representative Latcher Johnson, while A. C. Williams of Fort Worth, connected with the War Finance Corporation here in an advisory capacity, has the backing of Frank W. Mondell, member of the corporation and former Republican leader in the House.

Mr. Johnson is treasurer of the Texas Farm Land Bank at Houston, where he had been for seven years, formerly residing in Corsicana.

President Coolidge and Mr. Mondell, who may go into a Cabinet portfolio after March 4, have conferred several times over the vacancy, and considered the claims advanced in behalf of Mr. Williams, who is recognized for his ability in assisting the War Finance Corporation in valuing cattle for loan purposes. The president is said to be impressed with the need of a practical cattleman on the board. Mr. Williams was formerly assistant secretary of the Texas-Southwestern Live Stock Association.

Raises Cotton in City Block. Midland, Texas.—Doc Wesson of Midland gathered over \$120 worth of cotton off a regular sized city block of land owned by Ralph Barron.

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A Voice From the Garbage Barrel



LUCKY.
How did you come out with your law suit?
I won it.
Get damages?
Sure! I got almost enough to pay my lawyer.

Bread Well Preserved
A loaf of bread said to have been baked in 500 B. C. by an Assyrian housewife or baker has been discovered by a French explorer. The loaf was in excellent condition when found wrapped in a cloth and sealed tightly in a sarcophagus.

TENDENCY.
Why do you think baby will be a politician?
I've noticed he throws the mud instead of making pies of it.

HOW TO ADVERTISE.
Why do you formally retire from the stage every summer and return to it every fall?
That make a two press items, old fellow. The chap who merely takes a vacation doesn't get any.

HA, HA
Pup Poet — Want to hear my latest?
Other Pup — No, it's doggerel I expect.

Head and Heart
The head learns new things, but the heart evermore practices old experiences.—Beecher.

OMITTED THE PRETTY ONES.
He—Our hostess was really the most beautiful woman of all present.
She (who was not invited) — I dare say. She took good care to provide for that when she sent out her invitations.

As With Humanity
The vine produces more grapes when it is young, but better grapes for wine when it is old, because its juices are more perfectly concocted.—Bacon.

PA'S IDEA.
Pa, why is it the great writers and poets always refer to peace as "sweet peace"?
I suppose it is because peace should always be preserved, my son.

Texas Items

The women of Center have organized a cemetery association.

A complete street lighting system in the business district has been placed in service at Wills Point.

Ground has been broken for the foundation of the million dollar cotton mill at San Marcos.

Construction work upon the highway between Longview and Kilgore will start in the near future.

A total of nearly 6,000,000 pounds of wool and mohair at top prices were sold during the past year in Kerrville.

An issue of \$65,000 city of Rusk waterworks extension bonds bearing 6 per cent and maturing serially, has been approved by the attorney general's department.

Three million dollars of Houston independent school district bonds, recently voted, were approved by the attorney general Friday and registered in the state comptroller's office.

The Navarro County Medical society has elected Dr. I. N. Suttle, president; Dr. J. W. Davis, secretary; Dr. R. C. Curtis, censor, and Drs. T. S. Slater and W. D. Cross delegates to the state convention.

A rate of 12 cents per 100 pounds on salt cake from Houston and Manchester to Beaumont, Port Arthur, Orange and Texas City has been granted by the railroad commission on application of the railroads.

Forty cars of citrus, mixed vegetables, cabbage and other truck moved out from the Rio Grande Valley last week, according to figures released by the local freight office at Brownsville, bringing total shipments for the season up to 131 cars.

An issue of \$25,000 Lamesa (Dawson County) independent school district bonds, bearing 5 1/2 per cent and maturing serially, was approved Saturday by the attorney general's department and registered in the comptroller's department.

The Texas railroad commission has announced that it will hold a hearing in Fort Worth January 31 on the proposed statewide revision of freight rates on live stock. The hearing will be held at Fort Worth for the convenience of large numbers of cattlemen expected to attend it.

Reports of cotton ginned and shipped from Weimar up to date show 8,000 bales, with 2,000 bales yet to be shipped. Farmers are holding their cotton for better prices. Practically all cotton in that section has been picked. The yield equaled that of last season, notwithstanding the severe drought.

An apportionment of \$1 per capita of the available school fund, based on 1,231,600 scholastics, will be made December 15, Professor S. M. N. Marrs, state superintendent of public instruction, announced this week. This will make a total of \$4 per capita thus far apportioned out of the annual apportionment of \$14.

State office holders have been set at ease by an opinion of the attorney general on a doubtful point as to when terms begin and end. In cases where the legislature created an office for a definite term but did not state when the term was to start, it is considered to begin running from the date of the first appointment, the opinion said. All subsequent terms begin on that same date.

Fire losses of \$967,043 in Texas cities and towns during October were reported to G. N. Tilley, state fire marshal, he announced Saturday. Unreported and rural losses brought the total well above a million dollars for the 31 days. There were 233 fires causing losses, or over seven daily. The principal part of the million-dollar loss was from fires whose origin was not discovered. Matches and smoking were responsible for \$39,000 in losses.

Three hundred million miles a month is the automobile travel total of Texas, according to the comptroller's department. The department will collect \$300,000 in one-cent per gallon gasoline taxes. This will be applied to the treasury deficiency. The retail sales of gasoline in Texas have become rather steady at 30,000,000 gallons per month. The estimate of the vast motor mileage in the state was made on an average of 10 miles per gallon for motor vehicles, trucks and passenger cars.

The state of Texas has jurisdiction over the waters of the Rio Grande, "in so far as the use or waste of same in this state is concerned," held the attorney general's department Friday in an opinion to County Attorney John Perkins of Taylor County. While the state recognizes and respects the vested right of owners of land along this stream, this does not preclude, the opinion says, an "enactment and enforcement of such laws as may be necessary in the protection of the waters of this stream."



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