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## FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDOW

### NEW YEAR!

The following New Year vows are worth considering as we turn the pages of 1936 to begin a nice clean sheet in 1937. Let us hope that the 1937 page of our life book will record a richer and broader life than any page our lives have written.

### New Year Vows

By S. E. Kiser  
I will start anew this morning with a higher, fairer creed;  
I will cease to stand complaining of my ruthless neighbor's greed;  
I will cease to sit reining while my duty's call is clear;  
I will waste no moments whining and my heart shall know no fear.  
I will look sometimes about me for the things that merit praise;  
I will search for hidden beauties that elude the gambler's gaze;  
I will try to find contentment in the paths that I must tread;  
I will cease to have resentment when another moves ahead;  
I will not be swayed by envy when my rival's strength is shown;  
I will not deny his merit, I will strive to prove my own;  
I will try to see the beauty spread before me, rain or shine—  
I will cease to preach your duty and be more concerned with mine.

Coming as a surprise to us at the Intermediate B. T. U. social Monday evening, we were presented with a nice manicure set from the group, with everyone standing. "Blest Be the Tie" was sung while a wrapped gift was passed from one to the other. When the president said "Love," the one holding the gift was told to keep it. We were holding the gift at the appointed time. We were very much surprised, but we appreciated the sentiment very much. After teaching the Intermediate Sunday school class and being leader of the Intermediate B. T. U. four years straight, the tie is naturally very strong regarding our attitude toward the young people. Some have been in the class the entire four years. They will be promoted next year, but somehow there will always be a tie existing between this teacher-editor and each of the members of the group, with whom we have been so closely associated.

Mrs. F. A. Hollis, associate Intermediate leader, was presented a lovely mixing bowl as a surprise. Doyle Lee Brown, president, presented the gift. Let us add that many times it has been repeated that "Mrs. Hollis is the ideal preacher's wife," with which we heartily agree.

We had a letter from J. Rupert Jackson of Baird this week, enclosing a check for a dollar, saying, "Please run my ad for a month." This was a nice little Christmas remembrance and we might add that Mr. Jackson can think of lots of nice things to do for his fellow man.

D. E. Park received a calendar from the First National Bank of Cisco which had the picture of the quintuplets dressed in pink. The calendar is very attractive, of large size, and extra good stationery. Mr. Park said, "That's the cutest picture I ever saw in my life. I'm going to have mine framed."

Baird is brilliantly lit this Yuletide and looks very attractive. The lighted star and the large half-moon on the front of the court house are very unusual in appearance and most attractive. Lights are very bright and gay; the entire length of Main Street. Side streets are also attractively lit.

### Today's Thought

He that is void of wisdom despiseth his neighbor; but a man of understanding holdeth his peace. — Prov. 11:12.

### Can't Take It

Neighbor—"What was all the yelling about over at your house last night, Benny?"

Benny Ross—"Daddy has a cold and mama was trying to put an old-fashioned mustard plaster on him."

### Smart Pupils

Miss Roberts—"Frances, what event took place in 1732?"

Frances (promptly) — "George Washington was born."

M. R.—"Correct. Now Calvin, what happened in 1742?"

Calvin (after a pause)—"George was 10 years old."

### How Clever

Bill West—"What is the name of that piece Miss Pounds is playing?"

Otis Tatum—"I don't know. You ask her."

B. W.—"What's that you're playing, Miss Pounds?"

Miss Pounds—"A piano, big boy."

## RECEPTION HONORS

### MRS. NEAL MOORE

Mrs. E. C. Waddell was hostess at a lovely Christmas reception honoring Mrs. Neal Moore, a recent bride, in her home Friday evening. Seventy-six guests were present with others sending lovely gifts. Among those furnishing musical numbers were Ruby Jo Pounds, Pauline Roberts, Bobby Clinton, Aura Frances Waddell, Clinton Waddell and David Park Clinton.

Hortense Rogers poured tea, and Dolores Brandon poured coffee. Myrtle McCool and Louise Peek presided for sandwiches and cookies. They were attired in evening dresses.

The unusually large assortment of bridal gifts were arranged in the sun room of the Waddell home. Walls, tables, chairs, etc., were loaded with presents which the guests viewed, after which the bride and groom were ushered into the room. Mrs. Moore was wearing a gray silk dress made along dainty lines. Mr. Moore made an unusually good speech of appreciation wherein he stated he appreciated his friends and the town where he was born and reared. Mrs. Moore responded with a nice "thank you" address. Those present were Meses. Will Rogers, F. P. Shackelford, Pete King, Gus Brandon, J. B. Brandon, Jack Brandon, Fred Short, W. A. Everett, John Cook, Mina Cook, G. W. Damon, Janey Moore, W. W. Everett, G. S. Pruet, E. E. Sunderman, Andy Roe, Mark Shurwin, R. L. Clinton, W. A. Buchanan, Bill Clinton, A. A. Dodd, W. H. Norred, Tex Herring, W. E. Pruet, R. D. Williams, Lucile Kelley, H. A. Pruet, Mark Buchanan, Alton Lunsford, J. M. Cribbs, Wiley Clinton, Ida Rogers, E. C. Waddell, Lynn Williams, G. P. Gaskin, J. E. Heslep, S. M. Eubank, J. G. Overton of Putnam; Meses. Vernon King, C. R. Nordyke, R. L. Edwards, of Baird; Mrs. J. E. Hart of Cisco; Mrs. Buford Allen of Albany; Mrs. Floyd Coffey of Cottonwood; Misses Frances Cook, Hazel McMillan, Jo Pounds, Roma Yarbrough, Betty Mobley, Lois Pulley, Rowena Saunders, Pauline Roberts, Hortense Rogers, Myrtle McCool, Dolores Brandon, Bertha Buchanan, Gladys Snellgrove, Dorothy Roberson, Claudia Allen, Eva Moore, Vella Sandlin, Louise Peek, Sally Griffin; Messrs. Buford Allen, J. G. Mobley, E. C. Waddell, Neal Moore.

### REV. REYNOLDS TO PREACH

Reverend John W. Reynolds of Stephenville, former Putnam pastor, will preach at the Northside Baptist church of Putnam Friday evening, January 1st. Reverend Reynolds is pastor of the Fundamental Baptist church at Stephenville. Everyone is invited to attend.

### A piano.

Truthful Boy  
Stranger (to Reuben Ross' young son)—"What is your name, little boy?"

Little Boy—"Bozo."

S.—"Have you no other name?"

L. B.—"No."

S.—"What is your father's name?"

L. B.—"Daddy."

S.—"Has he no other name?"

L. B.—"No."

S.—"Then what does your mother call him?"

L. B.—"Fathead."

### Facts Worth Knowing

Ninety-five percent of the business in the U. S. is conducted on credit. According to the U. S. Department of Commerce there were over 138 billion cigarettes manufactured in the U. S. in 1935.

Each human being exhales enough carbon every hour (in the form of carbonic acid gas), to make a diamond of 100 carats.

Goat's milk has a higher fat content and less water than cow's.

The oldest lighthouse in the U. S. is Sandy Hook, N. J. When the Declaration of Independence was signed, it had been in operation 12 years.

More than 3,440,000,000 (billion) pounds of wool were produced in 1932, which was the largest world wool clip on record.

New Amsterdam was the first name given to what is now New York City.

Tobacco leaf is never sold in the United States. It is always acutoned off.

Members of the clergy, by far, live longer than those of any other profession.

Under the ultra-violet microscope developed by General Electric, a man of ordinary physique would appear about seven miles tall.

# CHRISTMAS

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## happiness to all..



May the Joy of the Christmas story  
Be with you all, today.  
May its Peace abide with you  
Along the New Year's way.  
And may its old, old beauty  
Remain with you, to bless  
Your home with cheer and kindness  
Your hearts—with happiness.

Mildred Yeager

J. S. Yeager

### RAYMOND CLARK HAS PAINFUL ACCIDENT

Raymond Clark had a painful accident Monday morning. While trying to repair a hydrant on the ranch about three miles southwest of Putnam, using a pipe wrench which in some way turned the pipe and a piece of the metal flew off and lodged in his right eye. He was taken to Cisco for treatment. There were two small pieces of the metal in the eye. This was removed and Mr. Clark was on the streets later in the day and stated that he did not think it would injure the sight, but it was paining his considerably.

### MRS. EUBANK HOSTESS TO SENIORS

Mrs. S. M. Eubank was hostess to the members of the senior Sunday school class of the First Baptist church of which she is teacher, for a lovely Christmas party in her home Monday evening. The program was opened by the singing of "Silent Night." Miss Pauline Roberts led the devotional. Mrs. F. A. Hollis led prayer. Naomi Buchanan told the Christmas story, after which Mrs. Eubank made a Christmas talk. Ruby Jo Pounds sang "Little Town of Bethlehem." Games were directed by Artie Cook and Mary Lou Eubank assisted by Mrs. Eubank and Mrs. Hollis.

After games and music were enjoyed, gifts according to number drawn were distributed from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree. Mrs. Eubank was presented a gift from the class.

Refreshments of sandwiches, coffee and homemade candy were served. Those present were Exal McMillan, Ardelia Gaskins, Hazel McMillan, Artie Cook, Jo Pounds, Pauline Roberts, Lois Kennedy, Earlene Pruet, Elsie Kelley, Katherine Clappitt, Naomi Buchanan, Mary Lou Eubank. Meses. F. A. Hollis, S. M. Eubank.

### RAILROAD COMMISSION HIKES ALLOWABLE IN WEST TEXAS

West Texas oil producers have received notice from the Railroad commission of Texas that allowable for January had been increased from 1,248,907 to 1,293,419 barrels as allowable for the state. The West Texas district was given an increase of 1954 barrels. A hike in counties in the immediate vicinity of Abilene given in the order this week included Shackelford county 285 barrels, up to 8,119; Jones, 207 barrels to 3,586; south half of Jack up to 845 barrels to 4,372; south half of Young up 216 to 5,516 barrels; Callahan county does not show any additional allowance for January.

### VALUATIONS INCREASE IN 1936

The valuations in the state of Texas increased by \$56,700,000 (million) in 1936 over the valuations of 1935. The state comptroller's department stated that this is the first substantial gain that has been made in the last several years. This increase makes a total valuation of \$3,856,838,697 (billion) for 1936.

Valuations in twenty-two counties increased more than \$1,000,000 (million) or more. Wharton county reported the greatest increase, which amounted to \$12,506,000 (million) which resulted from higher assessments on sulphur properties. Tarrant county had the greatest decrease being \$3,569,960 (million).

Miss Ova Lee Farmer, teacher in the Sonora high school arrived the latter part of the week to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of her aunt, Mrs. Lula Dixon and her grandmother, Mrs. J. W. Bishop.

Cecil Triplitt, who has been attending A. & M. College, is spending the Christmas holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Triplitt.

### Mayor at 23



PORTSMOUTH, N. H. — Kenneth E. Goldsmith, 23, and college graduate, has a job he thinks he is too young to hold. He's the new mayor of this town of 15,000 persons, defeating the Democratic incumbent by some 3,000 votes. He's going to try out the job anyhow.

### GRIGG'S HOSPITAL NOTES

J. D. Jennings of Clyde was a tonsilectomy Thursday.

Patsy Respass, 4 year old daughter of Reverend Ross Respass of Cottonwood, was a tonsilectomy Sunday.

Jimmy Smith of Abilene was a tonsilectomy Monday.

Mrs. Keith Fuller and baby of Baird left the hospital Friday.

Ray Kendrick of Baird left the hospital Sunday.

Mrs. Louis Hall of Longview left the hospital Friday.

Fred Farmer of Baird was a patient Friday and Saturday for treatment of an injured foot received branding calves.

Mrs. C. S. Hines of Oplin was a hospital patient this week for high blood pressure.

Frances Haley of Baird suffered a fractured clavical, Juanita Duncan, student nurse of Abilene, bruises and cuts, Harold Hensley of Abilene, McMurry College, spinal injuries, Ernest Cook of Baird bruised shoulders, and Fain Hollingshead of Baird, bruises over the body in a car accident which occurred near Putnam on the east highway Sunday evening.

Mrs. J. L. Chatum of Oplin left the hospital Wednesday after having emergency appendicitis operation.

Mrs. W. B. Giggis is resting nicely.

Mrs. B. C. Chrisman, mother of County Superintendent Chrisman, suffered paralysis this week of the left side and also a cerebral hemorrhage.

### HITLER MAILS CARTONS OF FOOD

Three million German homes have been made happy by Adolph Hitler as he has mailed out three million cards, each card packed in a festively decorated carton containing sausage, canned herrings, coffee, cheese, cookies, sugar, canned milk and canned vegetables.

The cards are captioned German Christmas 1936, and enclosed in each is a portrait of Hitler opposite the greeting, "Der Fuehrer thinks of you." The packages were delivered by Hitler youths and maidens to small pensioners, disabled war veterans, and jobless on winter relief rolls.

## ABERNATHEY-SPROUSE

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Sprouse of the Admiral community announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Ethel, to Mr. Clinton Abernathy of Putnam. The wedding will take place at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. M. G. Walker of Baird. The wedding will be at 9 o'clock p. m. Christmas evening. Miss Sprouse has lived in Baird for the past seven years. She is a graduate of the Baird high school with the class of 1931.

They will make their home north of Putnam, where Mr. Abernathy is a driller in the Putnam shallow oil field.

### LOUISE PEEK HOSTESS

Miss Louise Peek was hostess to the members of the Junior Study Club in her home Thursday afternoon. A Christmas program was enjoyed, the subject of which was "Things About Christmas." Roll call was answered with Women of the Bible. Bertha Buchanan told the Origin of Christmas; Mrs. Jack Brandon "The Other Wise Men"; Hazel McMillan, A Christmas Story. Gifts were distributed to each member from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree. A plate of sandwiches and hot chocolate followed by a plate of white angel food cake decorated with cherries and green ice cream, were passed by the hostess, assisted by Miss Artie Cook. Those present were Meses. Loren Everett, Jack Brandon, John D. Isenhower, Bill Clinton, Alvin Gunn, Clarence Armstrong, John Cook, C. K. Peek, Misses Vella Sandlin, Artie Cook, Frances Cook, Dolores Brandon, Bertha Buchanan, Hazel McMillan, Louise Peek.

### WEINERT OPPOSES HIGH PRICE COACHES

H. H. Weinert, chairman of the board of regents, athletic committee, reiterated Tuesday in a statement given out to the press of Texas that he was opposed to paying \$12,000 to \$15,000 a year for a big time coach at the University of Texas.

"I am in favor of obtaining the best coach available at a salary commensurate with those paid faculty members," Weinert said. The regent also said he opposed subsidization of players. These statements were in direct opposition to sentiments recently expressed by H. J. Lucherer Stark of Orange, chairman of the board.

### THE GOOD WILL COURT BARRED BY INJUNCTION

The "Good Will Court," the radio program that replaced Major Bowes' amateur hour on the National Broadcasting Company, and which rose to the top rank of public interest in a few short weeks, was discontinued Sunday, according to the Dallas News, in accordance with a decision handed down only forty-eight hours ahead of the scheduled broadcast by the appellate division of the New York Supreme Court. The New York Bar Association led the fight against the "Good Will Court," threatening to disbar members who had any connection with the program. The attorneys claimed that it gave the public the wrong impression of court procedure and that it was injurious not only to courts as a whole, but to the legal profession.

### ASKS TEXANS TO NOT FORGET TO PAY FOR CHRISTMAS SEALS

An appeal not to forget remittance for Christmas Seals in the rush of the holiday season was made today by Pansy Nichols, executive secretary of the Texas Tuberculosis Association, which is now conducting its annual Christmas Seal campaign.

"Though the returns from this year's seal sale are considerably higher to date than for the same period last year," Miss Nichols said, "the fate of our campaign so far as reaching the necessary goal is concerned, is in the hands of hundreds of persons who still have the little seals and have not yet sent in their contribution. Most of this delay is probably due to procrastination. The payment was not sent when the seals were first received, and then the matter was forgotten.

"We shall make our goal if the overlooked seals are paid for. If only half of those who have not yet taken any action in this matter will send in their contribution, we shall have sufficient funds to carry on our work. If everybody who received seals by mail this year will contribute we can extend our work for the prevention of tuberculosis from the Panhandle to the Gulf, from the Red River to the Rio Grande."

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**FEDERAL COURT ORDER LETS WORK PROCEED**

Federal Judge Jennings Bailey of the Federal District court at Washington issued an order Saturday permitting the government to proceed with construction of flood control features of four proposed dams on the Colorado and Brazos River in Texas.

Judge Bailey modified and continued the injunction to March 1, 1937, under the terms of which various utilities companies in Texas blocked any part of the construction which might be used for generating hydro-electric power. Under the terms of this order, all strictly flood control work can go on as originally planned said Alexander Holtzoff, special assistant attorney general, who has been handling the litigation. As for as the injunction in this court is concerned it practically turns the government at Washington loose to do anything they care to since the United States Supreme Court has held in a former decision that power acquired in a legal way could be sold to the public or anyone that would care to purchase the power. Under this decision the only requirement is that the power was created in the way of flood control which no one would question — the government building dams for the purpose of flood control such as is being planned on the Colorado River, and this work being legal, then the power could be sold.

**FOOD SHORTAGE IN GERMANY AND OTHER COUNTRIES**

It is stated that Germany and some other foreign countries are facing the gravest food shortages in years, even greater than during the World War in 1918. The nation has come so close to depleting its resources, both of money and food, that officials have expressed fear they would be able to find no adequate solution for a crisis they expect by April.



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*"Tis the Week Before Christmas" — by A. B. CHAPIN*



**—AND ALL THROUGH THE HOUSE —**

OH DEAR, THIS PACKAGE TO UNCLE JUDD SHOULD HAVE BEEN MAILED LAST WEEK— AND AUNT ANNIE'S IS LATE TOO— IT'S ALWAYS THIS WAY— EVERY YEAR I THINK I'LL START EARLY— OH! MY FEET—

HUNDRED'N NINETY TWO— SHUCKS, WHY DO I HAVE TOO ADDRESS THESE CARDS— YOU'VE HAD ALL FALL TO DO IT— I'LL BE DURNED IF I SEND ONE TO THAT MISSUS SNYDE— WE OUGHT 'T SEND ONE TO TH' CLYMERS 'SPOSE, THEY SENT UP ONE LAST YEAR!

MOTHER! JIMMY'S SNOOPING IN TH' PANTRY!!

WHO GNE SANNY CLAUS PRESENT?

DADDY, CAN YOU LET ME HAVE SOME MORE MONEY?

1937. Under new orders, allowances of fats will be prorated according to the size of the families. Purchase will be limited to 80 percent of October consumption each month, starting January 1.

This is what is called planned economy. The department of Agriculture of Germany looted the imports of wheat from 605,000 tons in 1935 to 160,000 tons in 1936, and now they are waking up to the fact that their farm program is a complete failure and find that they have a food shortage and their people, many of them suffering from the want of the necessities of life, with prices so high that the ordinary citizen can't secure the actual necessities of life. It is reported that bacon is selling for \$1.00 per pound and everything else in the same proportion. It is said that feelers have been put out for aid abroad, especially in Great Britain.

Such is planned economy, and in the United States where we can produce more raw material than any country in the world we actually have a shortage of food and are importing food stuffs of all kinds from foreign countries, while the department at Washington is hiring the farmers of the country to produce less each year, telling them they have no market. With meat selling for \$1.00 per pound in foreign countries isn't there something wrong or the American farmer could raise hogs at a profit? We imported in 1935 2,414,000 (million) hogs and in addition to that we imported 115,900 pounds of bacon; but we planned it "just that way."

Post Office Department; so they had to change it.

Having gone to all the trouble of picking a name, the settlers were peeved at the turn of events. They decided to be stubborn about the Santa part, but agreed to compromise on the Fe. That's how Santa Claus was born in Indiana.

The early residents soon discovered they had something there. There is nothing like a Santa Claus postmark on a gift package at the yuletide. The Santa Claus post office did a right smart business.

In a spirit of appreciation, the town erected a statue of Mr. Claus—twenty-five feet tall, with bulging pack and plenty of whiskers.

**YOU CAN'T WIN**

There is a news story going the rounds that a colored couple over at Jackson, Mississippi, went into the city magistrate's office to get married and after the marriage the dusky bridegroom counted out \$2 in nickles.

"I know you must have saved and scraped to get up these nickles to get married," the judge said sympathetically.

"Nah, suh, boss, we jus' done hit de jack pot on a slot machine," the newly-wed beamed truthfully.

"Give me back that two dollars, boy," said the judge gruffly, reaching for the money.

**SANTA CLAUS ON MAP ALL RIGHT, BUT NAME IS PURELY ACCIDENTAL**

NEW YORK.—There is a Santa Claus—a slough of Santa Clausos. The National Geographic Society said as much Sunday—and more.

It said there were, lots of Christmases; and that there were St. Nicholases, a St. Niklaus, a San Nicholas and a Sao Nicolas, on account of ever since the Tower of Babel the world's citizens speak a varied language.

The National Geographic Society keeps track of things like that. It was founded in 1888 for the increase and diffusion of geographic knowledge, and the lowdown on Santa Claus is just routine diffusion.

The society points out the principal geographic Santa Claus, in Indiana, was all a mistake. The early settlers out there took a shine to the name of Santa Fe.

Word got around, however, that there already was a Santa Fe in Indiana. Two Santa Fe's are better than none, but very annoying to the

*Dear Santa:*  
Thanks for the pretty doll you brought me last Christmas. She needs a new dress and if it is not asking too much she really should have a buggy. The fresh air would be good for her if I could take her out riding during nice weather.

Daddy says we'll have a happier Christmas this year because I am well. Remember how sick I was last year with that bad cold? We have not had one at our house this winter. Mother says it is because we have heated the entire house like they do at Aunt Mary's.

Please Santa, don't bring Junior another rubber gun. He has one that is broken. When it was new he made me play cops and robbers and I was always getting shot.

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# Local Happenings

Misses Lois Kennedy and Elsie Kelley were Cisco visitors Monday.

J. L. Hudson spent Thursday and Friday at Abilene and other points.

Earl and Eugene Sunderman of Howard Payne College are at home for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. S. J. Hamilton, Mrs. E. G. Scott and Mrs. Mina Cook were Baird visitors Wednesday.

Misses Frances Sprawls of Baird and LeVerne Williams of Clyde, roommates at C. I. A., visited friends in Putnam this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sheldon have been visiting in the home of Mr. Sheldon's sister, Mrs. L. B. Williams and family.

Douglas Kelly and Shelby Aswell of Hardin and Simmons University spent last week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Shackelford.

Miss Elaine Norred of Baylor University arrived Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. W. H. Norred.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Golson left Monday for points in Louisiana where they will visit Mr. Golson's mother and other relatives during the Christmas holidays.

Miss Elsie Kelley spent the week-end in Fort Worth in company with Mrs. J. H. Bates and children. She also spent a few days in the Bates home at Graham.

Mrs. L. L. Welch and daughter, Mrs. Hughes of Abilene, spent Wednesday with Mrs. Welch's brother, Charlie Teague, who has been ill for the past several weeks. Mr. Teague is reported to be improving.

Jim Cook of Maynard was in Putnam this week visiting his brothers for the first time in several years. Mr. Cook had a stroke of paralysis about 18 months ago and has not fully recovered, but is able to be going.

## In Opera at 15



CHICAGO... Betty Jaynes, 15, made her Grand Opera debut, singing opposite Nino Martinelli in "La Boheme," to receive high praise of the critics who predict a bright future for her.

## INCREASE IN EMPLOYMENT

The University of Texas Bureau of Business Research, who keeps up with such things, tells us that there are quite a number more people employed during November this year.

Reports received from 1,668 representative Texas establishments showed that a total of 86,963 workers were employed during November, an increase of 9.2 per cent over November, 1935, and of 1.8 per cent over October. One of the best indications that general conditions are better is the fact that the payroll showed an increase of 17.8 per cent over the corresponding month last year and 2.9 per cent over the preceding month.

There is a general feeling that everything is on the upgrade everywhere. This alone means we are overcoming the depression. After all, a depression is caused by the mass mental idea that there is hard times spending money, stop investing, etc. With the mental attitude of the American people healthy at the beginning of 1937, the coming year should be one of recovery.

## Hats Off to Ministers' Sons

Three years ago a little New England school sent three boys to one of the big eastern universities, and this last year all three of them were elected to Phi Beta Kappa, the honorary scholarship fraternity. This is an amazing record. I wrote to the headmaster to congratulate him. In answer I got the following note:

"Our boys have made a very satisfactory record in all of the colleges, but these three have been outstanding. All three are sons of ministers and come from families without means."

Subtract the sons of ministers from the history of the world and you would leave mighty vacuities. Here are a few examples:

Cleveland, Clay, Buchanan, Arthur, among statesmen. (In the presidential election of 1916 both the candidates, Wilson and Hughes, were preachers' sons.) Cecil Rhodes and Harrisman, financiers; Agassiz, Jenner, Linnaeus, scientists; Sir Joshua Reynolds among the artists, and Sir Christopher Wren, the architect; Hallam, Froude, Sloane, Parkman to represent the historians; Tennyson, Ben Johnson, Cowper, Goldsmith, Addison, Matthew Arnold, Emerson, and a multitude of other poets and writers.

Preachers' sons have good books, they hear good conversation, they spend their childhood in an atmosphere of idealism. If the church did nothing in a community but support a preacher and so enable him to raise a family, it would justify all its cost.

One other advantage the preacher's son has is that he has to work, he has to save, he has to live frugally. When it comes to raising the right kind of children, money seems to be about the last thing that counts.

## Watch the Paper Scale

I recently attended a meeting of men interested in the manufacture of paper. Charts were exhibited to show the trend of the business since 1929. They were very interesting.

They were interesting because there is probably no better index of general business activity than the consumption of white paper. When business is slow men write fewer letters; they make fewer memoranda they set down fewer plans; they prepare fewer booklets; they lessen all printing and typewritten sales effort.

Looking at the charts which register tonloads and trainloads, I was reminded of a remark my father made years ago. He said, "There is no greater contrast between my childhood and the childhood of my children than the lavish use of paper. When I was a boy paper was scarce and expensive. We used it with almost painful frugality. We wrote on both sides of every sheet. We saved old envelopes for memoranda. The idea of making a few scratches on a clean white sheet and tossing it into the waste basket would have seemed almost sacrilegious."

He added that paper was so scarce in Abraham Lincoln's boyhood that the future president worked out his arithmetic problems on the back of a wooden shovel and then carefully scraped off the pencil marks to provide a clean surface for the next night's work.

The return of prosperity so far as paper is concerned, has been realized. We all have all we need at prices that are very cheap, and it was good to see those charts. Real business prosperity is not handed down from on high. It springs up out of millions of minds all figuring out and disseminating ideas by the use of paper.

## WILL ENFORCE TEXAS LIQUOR CONTROL ACT

AUSTIN.—Declaring that he feels they "are concerned as to the manner in which the Texas Liquor Control act is to be administered, and that you are interested in the methods to be used in administering said act," Liquor Administrator Bert Ford this week had written every member of the legislature a letter which incorporated his views and plans.

"I am going to assume," he wrote, "that the act sets forth the policy which the legislature desires to have enforced; and I propose to treat the entire act as a strict mandate."

Ford said further that it would be his purpose to enforce the law and the rules and regulations of the Liquor Control board in the light of court decisions, and added that he would endeavor to be fair and reasonable in matters where discretion is authorized on the part of the administrator. He also will use his best efforts in dealing with the social implications of the liquor problems, as well as in continuing to collect the revenue due the state, the letter read.

"It will not be my purpose," said Ford, who resigned an unexpired term as member of the house of rep-

# BRUCE BARTON Says:



representatives from McGregor to accept his present post, "to tell the legislature what its policy shall be, but I will at all times be ready to co-operate; and I want to assure you sincerely that I will always be glad to give you any available information with this department."

"Close co-operation of the legislature and this department will develop into vast benefit for the state of Texas."

"It has been said that good government is compounded of intelligent policy and efficient management," the letter concluded. "I will look to the legislature for the policy; and I promise that I, as the representative of the Texas Liquor Control board, will put forth my best efforts to render efficient management of the affairs connected with the enforcement of the Texas Liquor Control act."

With liquor control still a vexing problem more than a year after legalization, the daily press applauded Ford's letter to the legislators as "honest and courageous." One commentator, expressing admiration for the new administrator's stand, said, "we like the way in which Mr. Ford

## TRADE AGREEMENT BENEFITS COTTON GROWERS, INDUSTRY

COLLEGE STATION.—Concessions of direct benefit to the American cotton grower and manufacturer have been obtained in 13 of the 14 trade agreements thus far concluded, according to information supplied the Texas Extension Service by the U. S. Department of State.

Six countries—Cuba, Sweden, Canada, the Netherlands, Switzerland and Finland—have agreed to continue favorable treatment accorded imports of American raw cotton. Two

Cuba, Canada, Colombia, Guatemala have reduced the duty on cotton seed oil. Two countries—Cuba and Sweden—have granted concessions on cottonseed cake. Five countries—Cuba, Canada, Colombia, Guatemala and France—have granted concessions on cotton yarn, and ten countries have granted concessions on various textile manufactures.

In the negotiation of trade agreements every effort has been made to insure the continued free entry of American raw cotton into the countries concerned, as well as to increase foreign buying power by enabling foreign countries to sell us more of their goods. During the first year of the agreement with Belgium imports into that country from the United States increased 23 percent. There was an increase of only five percent in imports into Belgium from all other countries during that period. Imports of American (already on Belgium's free list) increased by 132 percent, while imports of cotton from all other countries decreased by nine and four-tenths percent.

In 13 of the agreements concessions have been obtained on tires and automobiles and the products of other industries which are important consumers of cotton, thus indirectly benefiting cotton and cotton manufacturing industries.

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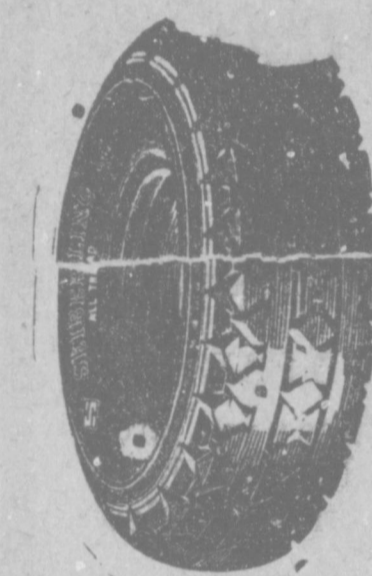
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**FARM NOTES**

(ROSS B. JENKINS, County Agent)

**Boy's 4-H Activities in 1936—**

In 1934 the first serious attempt at introducing 4-H Club work in Calahan county was made. During that year five boys were enrolled for 4-H Club work and two completed their project. In 1935 22 boys enrolled and 5 completed their project. In 1936 116 boys enrolled and 35 have completed their project and made a report to the county agent.

During the year 1936 more fathers and mothers talked with the county agent about their boys entering club work than had ever talked with him before on any subject other than AA-A activities. Already many parents have been making inquiries for 1937. The county agent desires that every boy between the ages of 10 and 20 who are not near a school that teaches vocational agriculture should

enroll and become an active member of the 4-H Club. This is a national organization that has for its aim the building up of a love for farm activities in the minds of boys and girls and at the same time to give them some employment from which they may realize some money of their own. Mothers and fathers realize more today than ever before that if their son, or daughter, is to be encouraged to stay at home that he must be given some part in the farm program that will provide him a permanent interest in the farm. That means he must have certain acres allotted to him from which he may grow crops that will produce cash for his own bank account. Boys want livestock that they can feed properly and learn how to care for them which will allow them a profit and at the same time a permanent store of knowledge. The county agent does not believe in giving a boy a pig or a steer calf

then when the animal has been fed out that it be butchered for home use without paying the boy for his work with the animal. Indeed, the full market value of the animal should be given the boy and at the same time he should have the privilege of purchasing other animals in its place and thereby begin the collection of a herd of cattle, a flock of sheep, or a bunch of hogs for himself.

4-H boys, one hundred strong, met in Baird on March 7th and staged the first annual livestock show. At that time two pigs were turned loose and the boys who caught these animals and agreed to feed them out according to approved Extension methods were given them free. In addition to that on June 22 and 23 the boys, 20 in number, went to Buffalo Gap for a two day outing. They were joined there by the boys from Taylor county under the leadership of Assistant County Agent Leon Ranson. Fifteen boys attended the Texas Centennial. Two of the boys went to College Station to the annual Farmers Short Course held July 20th through the 24th. About 35 of the boys attended the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show March 16th.

Plans have not been drawn for the year's work for 1937 but it is hoped that a greater percentage of the boys who sign up will complete their projects. The severe drought of 1936 discouraged many boys who had planned a crop demonstration as their project and after the crop had been harvested intended to purchase a pig or a calf and start feeding. It is not likely that such a drought will occur in 1937, therefore, it is believed that another record year will be made.

During the year three boys purchased bred Hampshire gilts and one boy purchased a weanling gilt. All were registered stock secured from Caraway Farms. The three gilts have farrowed a total of thirty-six pigs which will remain in the county as foundation stock the coming year.

Gene Finley showed the first 4-H calf ever actually entered from Calahan at Fort Worth in the Fat Stock Show. His calf netted him a profit of \$51.00.

**MODERN SHOE PURCHASES  
BELL'S SHOE SHOP**

The Modern Shoe Shop of Baird of which I. A. Allphin is proprietor, has purchased the equipment of the Bell's Shoe Shop, which is new and modern in every respect. The equipment will be moved into the Modern Shoe building. The Bell's equipment, which is the latest out, will add to the speed and efficiency of the Modern Shoe Shop, enabling them to have double equipment which will accommodate more customers at the same time.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON**

by Charles E. Dunn

**THE SPREAD OF CHRISTIANITY**  
Lesson for December 27th. Hebrews 2:14.

Golden Text: Revelation 11:15.

We have been studying the early expansion of Christianity within the boundaries of the Roman Empire. Under the compulsion of this initial impulse the faith of Christ has spread to all corners of the globe.

Few people realize the extent and variety of the services rendered through the centuries by the many ambassadors of the Master who have tried to do for their generation what the apostle Paul did for his. Consider what is happening today in distant lands.

Over in East Africa the International Missionary Council is prompting a research project the aim of which is to present the film as an effective channel of entertainment and education. In Japan the Christian forces, inspired by their great leader, Kagawa, are vividly interested in various types of cooperatives. For example there are nearly a hundred medical cooperatives, hospitals conducted by the people as consumer-owners.

The eight thousand men and women who have gone out from the 13 Christian universities and colleges of China are serving in every province and in practically every city of that distracted Republic. Fifty-two percent of those listed in a recent edition of "Who's Who in China" are alumni of these Christian institutions.

A similar scene confronts us in India where in one district the government authorities gratefully acknowledge that their finest teachers come from the Christian higher schools.

All of this proves that the Christian movement abroad exerts an influence out of all proportion to its size. While the financial resources available for the missionary enterprise have been sadly depleted, notable advances have nevertheless been made by missionaries of the Cross who have stuck to their posts despite many discouragements.

**INTERMEDIATES HAD  
CHRISTMAS SOCIAL**

Intermediates of the First Baptist church of Putnam enjoyed a Christmas social in the home of Mrs. F. A. Hollis Friday evening. Guests were taken through the clinic first with Dr. Doyle Lee Brown and nurse Zada Williams, who took the temperature with a stick of candy and administered candy pills. A special diagnosis chart was completed by the pateint wherein such questions as "Does your heart flutter when you have a date?" etc., were answered. Willie Grace Pruet won the prize for having the best answer. Frances Lunsford won second prize and Buster Roberson, third. Other interesting games were played. Reverend F. A. Hollis led the devotional after which Mildred Yeager led prayer. Several Christmas songs were sung by the group.

Willie Grace Pruet and Helen Maynard sang a duet accompanied by Mary Alice Burnam. Miss Mildred Yeager and Mrs. F. A. Hollis were presented Christmas gifts as a surprise. Each guest then drew a number and as his number was called from the Christmas tree he was presented a small gift. Refreshments of pop corn balls, and Christmas candy were served. Members of the social committee are Doyle Lee Brown, president, Mildred King, Mary Lou Eubank, Zada Williams.

Roy Lee Williams read the story of Jesus by the lighted Christmas tree, after which "Silent Night" was sung at the close. Reverend Hollis led the closing prayer. Those present were Cleveland Dunaway, Carolyn Elzay, Euster Roberson, Mary Lou Eubank, Helen Maynard, Willie Grace Pruet, Mary Alice Burnam, Glenn Burnam, Earlene McMillan, Billy Gaskins, Douglas Kelly, Stanley Culwell, Oiver Davis, Alene Dunaway, Frances Lunsford, Nilson White, Billy McMillan, J. Nelson Williams, Mildred King, Dorothy June Keiley, Stanley Hurst, Mary Douglas Williams, Zada Williams, Doyle Lee Brown, Sylvia Philips, Roy Lee Williams, Bennie Burns Williams, Miss Mildred Yeager, leader, J. O. Pearson, Mrs. F. A. Hollis, leader, Rev. F. A. Hollis.

**MARINES RECRUITING AGAIN**

DALLAS.—The United States Marine Corps recruiting officer, Allen building, Dallas, has been authorized to enlist several hundred men during the next few months. Applications must be between 18 and 25 years of age, minimum height 66 inches, and in excellent physical condition. Articles are often written in which the Marine Corps has been compared with military academies,

relative to education, character building, athletics, practical experience, and other benefits essential to a young man's make-up. The only difference between the Marine Corps and a military school, one article goes to point out, is that you pay to go to a military school, whereas, the government pays you to be a Marine. Full information regarding life and advantages in the Marine Corps will be furnished upon request.

**NOTICE**

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We want to thank each of you for every favor shown us. Some of you have been good enough to recommend us to your friends. Many have given us helpful suggestions to improve our service. We want you to continue to do this—we feel that you are a part of our business. In return, we promise you anew that we will, to the full extent of our ability, strive to continue to merit this friendship and good will.

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