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Merry Christmas to All



1925 MEETING PLACE OF FOUR COUNTY INSTITUTE TO BE DECIDED TODAY

Teachers of District Are Being Royally Entertained By Memphis People. Institute Faculty Pleases Teachers.

The place of meeting of the Consolidated Institute in 1925, in which the teachers of Childress, Collingsworth, Donley and Hall counties are interested, will be decided in a business meeting to be called this afternoon. Since Memphis is more centrally located for the four counties, it is believed to be the ideal meeting place, and an invitation will be extended to the teachers to return in 1925. But no bid will be made for the privilege of entertaining them and for the responsibility of caring for the institute next year, according to those who will extend the invitation in behalf of Memphis.

EX-STUDENTS OF W. T. S. T. C. HOLD ANNUAL BANQUET

Registrar and Member of College Faculty Are Guests of Honor At Banquet Here.

Ex-students of the West Texas State Teachers College, at Canyon, were entertained at a banquet arranged by the Ex-students Association of this district, Tuesday night, at a local cafe. A pleasing menu was served to about thirty ex-students, and a few visitors.

W. M. Hale, of Memphis, who entered the college in 1913, and who is one of the most successful ex-students in this section, acted in the capacity of toastmaster. D. A. Shirley, Registrar of the institution, and Miss Edna Haines, of the Kindergarten Department, who is Primary Instructor in the Consolidated Teachers Institute here this week, were the honor guests.

The program for the evening was begun when the toastmaster requested those present to announce their names, and state when they were in attendance at the college. Miss Haines made a few remarks, expressing her pleasure at being able to attend the banquet and associate with the former students in the institute here. Miss Lucille Read, of Memphis, favored the guests with a reading.

Mr. Shirley, who has been with the institution for the past twelve years, was the principal speaker of the evening. He gave some idea of the growth of the college since its establishment in 1910, stating that a larger number of students comprise the Freshman class of 1924-25 than were enrolled in the institution at any one time during the first few years of its existence. More than 700 students are now doing strictly college work. He also discussed the progress made in the athletic field, announcing that the T. I. A. A. cup, in basket ball, had been awarded the W. T. S. T. C. recently on the strength of the unofficial record established last season. Mr. Shirley believes in the teachers training school, and its influence in the up-building of the schools in this section of the state.

County Superintendent Mrs. Guthrie was given the authority to appoint officers for the ensuing year. This appointment will be made early next fall, after the rural teachers are located in their respective places. Toastmaster Hale urged those present to attend the annual banquet next year and to encourage other ex-students to take a greater interest in the organization.

E. T. Montgomery, of Plaska, was in Memphis Saturday, accompanied by his father, D. T. Montgomery.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wherry and daughter, Florence, visited their farm in Childress County Sunday. While on the trip they had the misfortune of wrecking their car, when it was driven off a cattle guard. None of the occupants of the car were injured.

rel. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5th pullet.

Bronze Turkeys—Mrs. Arena Mullins, Turkey, Texas, 3rd young tom, 2nd and 3rd young hen, 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5th old hen. Arch Owens, Memphis, 1st old gobbler, 1st young gobbler, 1st young hen.

The visiting teachers began arriving Sunday, and by Monday noon most of them had been placed in Memphis homes. The trains were met by Y. M. B. L. cars, beginning Sunday morning, but a majority of the visitors came in automobiles, many driving to and from the institute. The program began at the high school building at 10:00 o'clock. Since Monday was Trustees Day, the attendance was largest on this day. About thirty of the Hall County trustees were present for the lectures given for their benefit, and the other counties in the district were represented. Some of the patrons of Memphis and Hall County schools attended this day, and have been present for each assembly.

Chamber of Commerce Gives Show.

The Chamber of Commerce furnished entertainment for the teachers on Monday night by arranging for passes to the movie program at the Palace Theatre. This program was one of the best of the week, and was enjoyed by the visitors.

Tuesday the first of the several sectional meetings were held, with the instructors in charge of their respective departments. The teachers have expressed themselves as being highly pleased with the instructors, and it is evident that an effort will be made to secure the same faculty next year.

Tuesday night was given over to banquets, but only one was arranged. The ex-students of West Texas State Teachers College met in their

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MONTE WINS ON LEGION FIGHT CARD FRIDAY

Double Main Event To Feature Saturday Night's Card at Old Opera House.

The American Legion fight promoters made a sad mistake when they changed the day of the fistieuffs from Saturday to Friday, as was proven last week when the attendance dropped to almost half. In the future, it is announced that the fights will be held on Saturday nights as before.

Several preliminaries were staged, the Jelly Bean Special being the feature of the preliminaries, while two dusky battlers furnished plenty of excitement for four rounds.

In the main event between "Wild Cat" Monte and Lightfoot Keotah, Indian college boy from Carlisle Academy, Monte was awarded the decision by a shade, after eight slow rounds. Both boys were cautious throughout the entire fight, which caused the fight to lag and failed to show the usual speed that men of this weight generally display. However, many hard clean blows were landed by both men, with Monte having a great advantage at long range and an even break on the infighting. Though the mill was slow, it was by far the most scientific battle yet carded here.

The main wrestling event, between Chief Wow Wow and Jack Gorman, was called off due to the condition of Gorman's arm, which was paining him considerably on account of a carbuncle which he had burned with carbolic acid. But, Mutt Browning, 168 pounder of Breckenridge, offered his services and agreed to throw the Indian twice in an hour. This he did,

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FACTORY MEN HERE IN INTEREST OF BUILDING PLANT

Chamber of Commerce Investigating Possibility of Suggested Building Plans.

Two representatives of a spark plug, tire and tube manufacturing company have approached the Memphis Chamber of Commerce with a proposition, which will, if carried through, bring to Memphis a \$200,000 manufacturing plant.

The men, in presenting their proposition, that their company had invested \$175,000 in machinery, which is to be installed in a plant to be established somewhere in West Texas. Their reason for desiring a location in the West was in order to get away from the competition of the large factories in the North and East until their patented product is well introduced. They stated that after an extensive inspection of the country their location pended between this and one other town. Memphis was given the preference because sand, which is one of the raw materials required, of the best quality for their use is found in abundance here.

The company proposes to sell stock to the amount of \$50,000, to Hall County citizens, if the plant is established.

The Chamber of Commerce is making a thorough investigation of the proposition, and if it is found to be reliable, will endorse and encourage it, it is said.

Plaska Merchants Now Proprietors Of Local Grocery

A deal was consummated Wednesday, whereby the Walker Bros Grocery, of Memphis, sold to Vallance Bros, of Plaska. The new management took charge of the store this morning.

John Vallance will represent the firm as manager of the business here. Mr. Vallance has lived in Hall County for the past twenty years, and has many friends in Memphis as well as the Lodge community, where he is now making his home. He is an experienced groceryman, having been in the general mercantile business at Plaska for the past five years.

Hall County Leads "Green Belt" In Ginning Report

According to the report issued by the Department of Commerce, December 8, on cotton ginned prior to December 1, Hall County has forged ahead and is leading the counties of the "Green Belt" by more than 3,000 bales. The last report showed that this county was rapidly climbing to the top. Although, the larger portion of the crop has been gathered, the total is still expected to reach 10,000 bales before the season is over.

The number of bales ginned in Hall and surrounding counties is as follows:

Childress	28,601
Cottle	24,929
Collingsworth	29,602
Donley	9,387
Hardeman	30,891
Hall	33,104

The total number of bales ginned over the entire state is 4,427,934, against 3,919,210 at the same date last year.

Forged Post Office Money Orders Are Passed In Memphis

According to information given out by the Postal Department, forged money orders have been passed to Memphis merchants recently, some of them being as large as \$25.00. In this connection, a warning is being issued against money orders drawn on the post offices of Brice and Kress, Texas, where postal money order blanks have recently been stolen. Postal officials request that orders drawn on these offices be sent to the local office to be cashed.

The post office remains open until 6:00 p. m., and protection is promised merchants in Hall County if they will comply with the above request.

First Presbyterian Church

Sunday School—9:45 A. M., Dr. W. McNeeley, Sup't.

Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. At the beginning of the eleven o'clock service the pastor will preach a brief sermon to the Juniors followed by his regular morning sermon.

Prayer Meeting—Every Wednesday 7:30 P. M.

The public is cordially invited to these services.

C. E. RICHTER, Pastor.

PRIZE WINNERS IN POULTRY SHOW ARE ANNOUNCED

List of Prize Winners in Third Annual District Poultry Show Is Announced.

Since the announcement last week of the Grand Champions and Class Champions in the Third Annual Hall County District Poultry Show, the following list of prize winners has been arranged for publication. This list has been checked carefully, and any errors that may occur will be corrected if reported to the show officials:

White Cornish Game—J. W. McCullough, Newlin, 1st Cockerel, 1st Pullet, 1st Cock, 2nd Hen, 2nd Pullet, 2nd Cockerel, 3rd Pullet.

A. Womack Memphis, 1st Hen, 3d Cockerel and 4th Pullet.

Dark Cornish Indian Game—Robert Hanvey, Memphis, 1st Cockerel, 1st hen, 1st pullet, 2nd hen, 2nd pullet, 3rd hen, 3rd pullet, 4th hen, 4th pullet.

S. C. R. I. Reds—Bill Greene, Clarendon, 5th cockerel and 4th pullet. Mrs. J. L. Lewis, Memphis, 1st Cockerel, 5th pullet and 3rd pullet. C. W. Flannery 1st and 2nd young pen, 2nd and 4th cockerel and 1st cock.

Light Brahmans—Rev. Whaley 1st pen and 1st, 2nd, 3rd Cockerel, 1st and 2nd pullet. E. T. Williams, 2nd pen.

White Wyandottes—Mrs. Seth Palmyer, Memphis, 1st Cock, 1st hen, 1st Cockerel, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd pullets and 1st pen.

Silver Laced Wyandottes—G. M. Duren, Memphis, 1st Cockerel, 1, 2, 3, and 4th pullets. T. B. Brooks, Memphis, showed three varieties of games, including Allen Round Head and Baron War Horse all winners.

White Rocks—W. F. Sittor, Memphis, 1st cockerel, 1st and 2nd hen, 1, 2, and 3rd pullet.

Dark Barred Rocks—Dennie Jarrel 1st pen and 2nd cockerel. Henry Newman, 1st cockerel. E. M. Ewing 2nd pen 3rd and 4th cockrels, 1st and 2nd pullets.

Light Barred Rocks—E. M. Ewing, Memphis, 1st old pen, 1st young pen, 1, 2, 3, and 4th Cockerels, 1st cock. S. C. White Leghorns—J. R. Mitchell, Newlin, 3rd cock. Chas. Williams, 3rd, 4th, hen, 5th cockerel, 2nd cock. G. A. Sager, Memphis, 2nd cockerel, 2nd and 5th hen. E. N. Hudgins 1st Cock, 1st hen, 1st cockerel, 4th cock

RAIN WRECKS CAR, KILLS 1 AT ESTELLINE

Child Killed and Parents Seriously Injured When Passenger Train Smashes Car.

A railroad crossing tragedy resulted in the death of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Williams, of Turkey, and almost all injuries to the parents Friday morning, when the north-bound passenger struck, and completely wrecked the Ford coupe, which they were driving, at the station crossing at Estelline.

The party, driving down the hill toward from the town section, discovered the fact that it was near time to cross the train, but did not notice its approach. The car was all but across the track when the engine struck the Ford, completely wrecking it, and scattering the wreckage a hundred yards along the rails. The occupants were hurled about ten feet from the car where the accident occurred.

The injured bodies of the child and an Estelline physician was called, who gave first aid. The train was met here by an ambulance which rushed the victims to hospital. The infant, which had a crushed skull, died immediately after arriving at the hospital. With apparently little chance of recovery, the youthful wife of the father, who is more than one year, underwent operation Friday afternoon, and received every attention since time. Attending physicians state she, in all probability, will live, but they are unable to say whether she will fully recover from the injuries.

Dr. Bockelman, whose condition is most serious, is recovering rapidly.

Mr. W. Ona Morton left Tuesday for California, where he will reside permanently.

Mr. Clark, of Denison, was a caller at this office today. He is a former friend of Estelline and has friends there.

BASKET BALL TOURNAMENT IS HELD AT HI SCHOOL GYM

Teams In Contests Here Today and Wednesday. Local Boys Win One, Lose One.

The High School gymnasium has been the scene of four basket ball games, between high school lads, during the week, which are the first to be played here this season.

Tuesday afternoon, the Estelline lads defeated the Hedley team by a score of 24 to 6 in the inaugural game. Immediately after the game, the Memphis cagers lost their initial game of the season to the Kirkland team, by a margin of 22 to 21. As a result of the first period of practice, the local boys had, they were hardly a match for the fast Kirkland boys, who have played a number of games this season.

Memphis defeated Hedley by a score of 20 to 19 in the first game on Wednesday afternoon. Following this game, the Hedley team was back to the cage to meet the local quintet, and were defeated by a score of 24 to 18.

In the close of the Memphis football season, basket ball regatta began to flood the gym for daily tryouts, until some 30 men were reported. During the two weeks of practice, which have followed, the number of try-outs has been cut to 10. Only one man has been lost to the year's team.

It is the string who will play letter in basket ball during the coming season: Hubert Dennis, Autrey, Alma Pace, Duncan, George Thompson, Bob Hendon, Leon Fisher and Paul James. Prospects for a championship team for Memphis are brighter than before.

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ALL KIND WINDOW

Letters to Santa Claus

Memphis, Texas, Dec. 11, 1924.

Dear Santa, Please bring me a gun, a black board, a toy auto and some blocks, and don't forget some nuts and candy. I have been a good boy. Slaton Stephens.

Memphis, Texas, R. 1

Dear Santa Claus, I am writing to ask you to come to see me. I am a good little girl or I think I am at times, I guess it is when I am asleep. Santa, please bring me a black board and a racer and a box of crayons and a set of glasses and a new dress for school. I want my doll a pink dress too. And bring Ester, my big sister, a new dress too. And bring me lots of nuts and oranges and apples, but I don't care for candy, take that to some little girl or boy that likes candy and bring Pinto, my little horse, some cake and some candy, for he likes it.

So Santa, I am looking for you on the early train. Lizzie McDonald.

December 4, 1924. Memphis, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus, I want a doll two feet tall, that will say Mama.

I want a little trunk for my dolls' clothes, and a little dresser with a little mirror in it, and some candy and oranges and I want a black back writing book for school. Will you please send them to me for Christmas? (Unsigned)

Wheeler, Texas

Dear Santa—Please bring me a little wagon, a rubber bladder for my football and a fountain pen.

Your little friend, WILJE B. SOUTHERN

Memphis, Texas, Dec., 16 1924.

Dear Santa—I have been a good little boy and I hope you will remember me and bring some toys. I want a horn, some chewing gum, a telephone that will ring, some blocks, and candy and nuts. Don't forget to bring little Baby Sister some new teeth and a rattler. Remember all the other little boys and girls.

Your little friend BILLIE B. HALE

Lakeview, Texas, Dec., 15th

Dear Santa Claus—I am writing you to let you know what I want you to bring me for Christmas.

I want a little Alabama Coon Jigger and a horn, a drum, and a little airplane. I have a little sister that wants a little doll trunk and a toy piano.

Yours truly, J. T. and JDA LOU WARD

Memphis, Texas, Dec., 17, 1924.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me a little black board, some blocks, an air gun, and a book to color in. Don't forget to bring me some candy and nuts. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Your little friend, SLATON STEPHENS

Jingle Bell's



Happy, gladsome Christmas time should annoy drive away our ill; if it wasn't for the sweetness of Bells, dolls, dolls, dolls.

CHRISTMAS WISHES
THE most important question in the world is only important if asked by the right person.
The most important answer in the world is the right answer only if answered by the right person.
But the most important wish in the world is the wish that those you meet, or to whom you send gifts or Christmas cards or Christmas letters, may have a merry Christmas.
And this wish can be wished by anyone to anyone else without losing any of its importance and any of its glowing thrill.—Mary Graham Bonner.
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Memphis, Texas, Dec. 13.

Dear Santa Claus: I am rather late writing you, as my mamma has been very sick. But hope it won't be too late.

I am a little girl six years old, and I can hardly wait until you come, so I hope you will bring me a piano, for I can sing and if you doubt it, ask Bro. Whaley, he can tell you. I also would like a new doll and a little rocking chair with arms. And some fruits and candy, too.

Don't forget the other little girls I play with, for they are good, too. Good bye, and hurry up!

Your little friend, NINA BETH KERSEY.

Dear Santa—I am well and hope you are the same. I will write you a few lines and tell you what I want for Christmas. Well, I want a ferris wheel for my dolls, and I want a motersickle that will run, and a little set off dishes, the biggest that you have and a little train that will run on a track, and a little bango that will play and a little trunk. Well that is about all I have to say. Dear Santa. WYDELL STILWELL

Memphis, Texas, Dec., 2, 1924.

Dear Santa Claus—I hope you are fine. I will tell you what I want now. I want a little bear that will roll and a chain on it. I want, too, a little tincy doll. I want a little dresser. I want some candy and some oranges and some nuts and apples. I want a little car that will wind up and run, and a little bed, and I want a little cooky stove, the biggest that you have. A little play toy and a little bird that will sing.

I will close and say goodbye. WINNIE STILWELL

THE GOAL OF THE CHRISTMAS SEAL SALE



The annual sale of Christmas in the fight against tuberculosis is being handled in Hall County under the direction of County Superintendent Mrs. Roy L. Guthrie. The goal of the campaign this year is \$100,000, which will be used according to the management of the sales, in order to:

1. Increase the number of nurses now available for school nursing.
2. Increase the staff of lecturers and field workers so that health education may be more quickly carried over Texas.
3. Support a traveling tuberculosis clinic.
4. Assist in campaigns for the erection of county tuberculosis hospitals.
5. Enroll a much larger number of school children in the Modern Health Crusade.
6. Enlarge the health film and exhibit service.
7. Continue the work of the Association preventing disease and saving human lives.

Deep Lake Doings

We are having some real winter weather, which has delayed the cotton crops considerably.

School closed Friday for two weeks a week for Institute and Christmas week. The teachers hope to have a full attendance when school opens again.

T. N. Baker left for Mineral Wells Tuesday. Ervin Moreman went as far as Mineral Wells with him enroute to Paris Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Wiggins are the proud parents of a fine son born last week. All doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Cone were in Memphis Monday shopping and attending Trustee Meeting.

We failed to state the marriage of George Brewer and Edna May Bevers on Sunday, December 7th, they were married at Lakeview, and quite a few friends attended the nice supper which followed the wedding.

Joy Bowers was out from Memphis visiting friends Sunday. Mr. Ivey, of Farmington County, moved to Harry Anderson's farm last Wednesday, having a very cold trip

Lakeview Letter

The Lakeview High School closed Thursday afternoon for the holidays. A nice little program was given and every much enjoyed by all present. Many nice presents were exchanged. Sister Hawkins is slowly recovering and we hope that she will soon be well again.

Turkey and Lakeview played Basketball Thursday, Turkey winning the game.

Roy Faulkner of Amarillo, spent several days in Lakeview. Clem Wyatt of Memphis, spent Sunday with relatives in Lakeview.

Mrs. Fay Peninger and daughter, Betty Lou, are spending a few days in Lakeview with Mrs. T. M. Potts. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bevers and family accompanied by Ruby Bevers, have gone to Sudan for a short visit.

Grady Grandstaff has moved back to Lakeview.

Mrs. T. M. Lotts, Mrs. B. E. Davenport, Mrs. D. H. Davenport and Fannie May Davenport, spent Wednesday in Clarendon.

C. N. Ward had the misfortune of turning his car over but no one was hurt.

Mr. and Mrs. George Payne and family have moved to the west side of town.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Weatherby were Lakeview visitors Monday.

Mrs. L. H. Byrd is enjoying a visit from her sister, of California.

Lolo Davenport is home from Clarendon to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Del E. Wells will have a gift counter of hand work and Christmas novelties on display at Borens Store beginning Dec., 19.

Call Steve's Transfer for any kind of hauling. Phone 450.

Elite Incidents

The Young Peoples League, will have a carnival at the church building on Saturday, December 20th, at 7:00 p. m. The proceeds go to help pay for the piano which has been recently purchased for the church. Everybody is urged to come.

Rev. Dalas Denison, the Methodist pastor, will preach here Sunday at 11:30 A. M. and at 7:30 P. M. Everyone come to church.

There will be a Christmas tree at the church Wednesday evening, Dec., 24th.

There was not a large attendance at the pie supper here last Saturday night and the proceeds were only \$13.95 but will go to help install a Delco light plant for the I. O. O. F. Hall and the church building and the school house.

School closed last Friday on account of this week being Institute week and will not start until Monday after Christmas.

There were several Elite people in Memphis Saturday, doing their Holiday shopping.

W. B. Stargel and family visited in Amarillo Saturday and Sunday.

The Young Peoples League meets at 6:30 p. m. Sunday and will render a program. Everybody invited.

W. B. Cheatham's mother, who has been spending several weeks with her son, was called to the death bed of another son in south Texas.

Brown Smith and G. T. Moss have purchased a new Star car each.

Everybody come to Sunday School Sunday at 10:30 A. M.

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- Sister's Mother " " "
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- John's Wife " " "

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A Christmas Tree on Every Farm

By Phebe K. Warner

do you like that idea? Is any better place to have a Christmas Tree than on the farm? We believe that the home is the most proper place for the Christmas Tree. It is one of those memories to store away in children's memory. But it might be an easy matter for everybody to have their own family Christmas Tree. That would mean an awful lot to some and somebody would soon be complaining about the waste of trees. As for that, only a few years ago we saw the forest trees being cut by the hundreds over in Texas. Fires running around the dead timber climbing the living trees and burning all the way off. In other places where the owners were trying to clear the land they were chopping down and piling the wood in long piles and burning it. A Christmas Tree must make one feel to go to the trees and the finest kind of Christmas trees, out in the timber, get rid of it, when you have your up kaffir corn stalks and your daily papers up for kindling? Christmas trees could be grown out in the fields of East Texas to furnish West Texas home a Christmas Tree if it were not so far and so hard to get them. But it is a home farm we are thinking of today. We just threw that out because a lot of folks could have their own Christmas Tree if they would go to just a little trouble. Don't miss it if you can. Don't miss it no matter if you don't have a lot of costly gifts. Trim it with popcorn, berries and apples and dried little sacks of nuts and so on. And later let the children have it for days and weeks after Christmas is past.

the things she wants for these men and women and boys are handkerchiefs, socks, gloves, or mitten, books and magazines and newspapers. Not the old, worn-out things that you want to get rid of, but something new and clean and inspiring. Something that will fire those humiliated and discouraged souls with new hope and new determination and new motives. Then, Mrs. King wants ornaments to decorate these twenty-four trees. She wants fruits and candies and cake. If you send fruit, Mrs. King suggests that it be dried fruit so that the men may store it away and make it last longer. Another thing the convicts long for is pictures for their bare walls, and records for their Victrolas. And if you wish, Mrs. King will send you a name of some individual prisoner and you may send your gifts direct to them. Or if you prefer you may send your gifts, whatever they may be, to her at San Antonio, and she will place them where they are most needed.

Is there a club anywhere that can not send a book or a package of some kind to these shut-ins? The Boy Scouts are planning to help Mrs. King in many places. And if any of your clubs want to send a box of books or gifts to be distributed by the helpers of Mrs. King, ask your freight agent about it and you will find that the railroads have already promised to carry all freight for the Prison Farm Christmas Trees at a great reduction. If every county or every organization in our counties would their bit to make Mrs. King's dream of a Christmas Tree on every prison farm come true, what joy there would be on Christmas Day in our penitentiary.

Our Accomplishments—What Have They Been?

I HAVE always found, even in youth, quite as much interest in looking back as in looking forward. It is good to plan for the future, but there is quite as much to be gained from reviewing the past and in seeing how far we have come, how much we have accomplished, in what ways we have developed.

I was talking to Foreman about the year that is so nearly at an end. He was dissatisfied with his progress and uncertain as to whether or not the time and money he had expended had been worth while. He had learned little, it seemed; for all he could see, he wasn't different than when he had left the little country town nine months ago. But I could see that he was a little more self-possessed, a little surer of himself, a little less crude in his manners. He was learning to think, learning to meet people, and developing a little wider range of interest than when he left home.

As you come to the end of the year and look back, how far have you come? It is an easy question to ask, but possibly not so easy to answer.

When we were little children at home, mother used to teach us after we had said our prayers at night to go over in our minds for a minute or two the events of the day and try to determine whether it had been a good day for us or a bad one. Often we dropped off to sleep before we had gone far, but it was a good experience, this looking our accomplishments in the face and trying honestly to estimate them. It is something like this that I should like to put before you as this year is closing. What has the year meant to you? New friends? New powers? New ideals? Have you done something worth while? Are you better, stronger, more able to fight the battles of the world than you were a year ago? Are you wiser with a wisdom that is clean, healthy and uplifting? If so, the year is ending happily for you.—Thomas A. Clark, Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

WOMAN'S STATEMENT WILL HELP MEMPHIS

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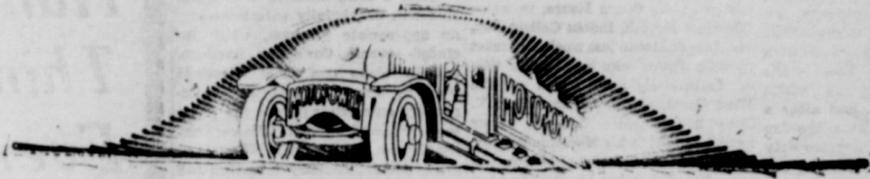
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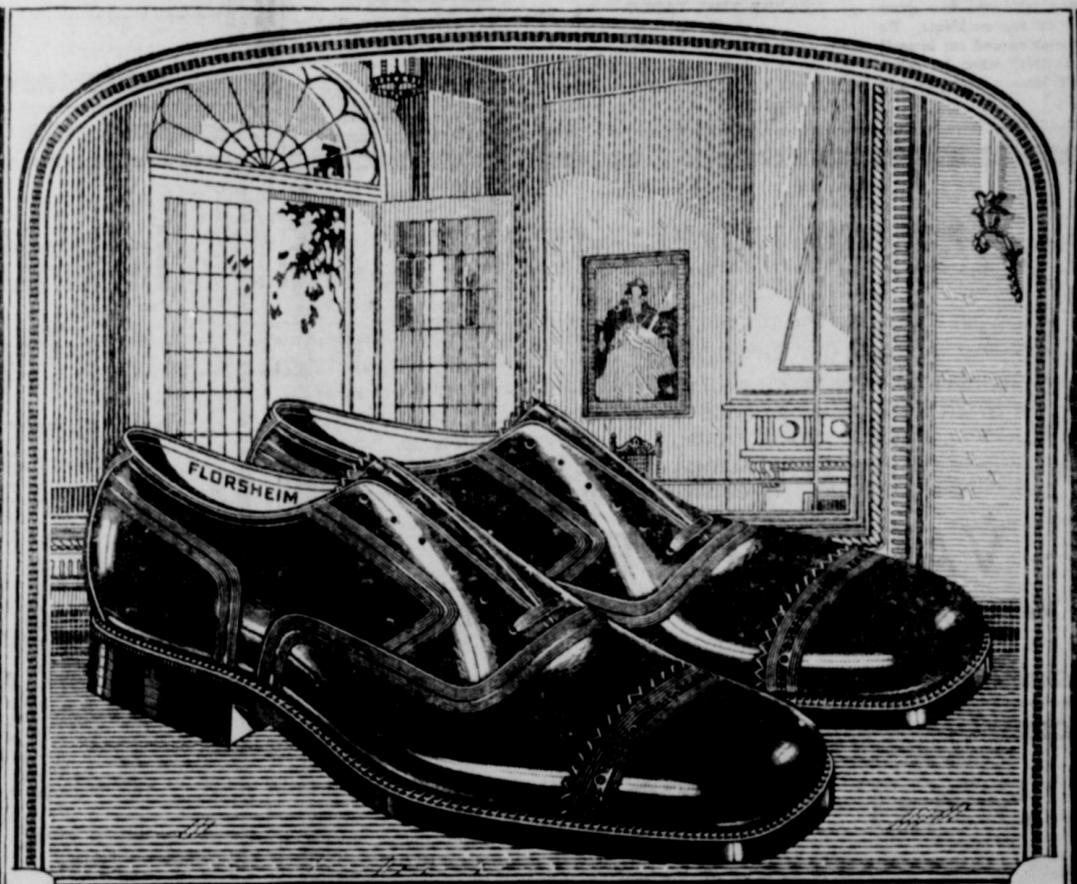
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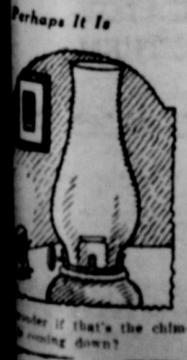
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Next Meeting Place of Institute To Be Decided To-day

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annual banquet at a local cafe, with D. A. Shirley, Registrar of the College, and Miss Edna Haines, a member of the faculty, as honor guests.

Wednesday was taken up by lectures in the sectional meetings, and was one of the most profitable days, in an intellectual way, during the institute.

Collingsworth Co. Wins Cup.

Wednesday evening was one of fun and amusement. In the presentation of "stunts," in which the four counties competed for the Y. M. B. L. "booby" loving cup, Collingsworth County was an easy winner, although all the stunts were well arranged, and furnished plenty of amusement to the many teachers who did not have a part in the entertainment, and to the many visitors from town. The winning stunt was a burlesque of a moving picture show. This is the second consecutive year in which Collingsworth has won, and after a third decision in their favor, the cup will become the permanent property of that county. The real loving-cup will be presented tonight.

Dr. Hill Speaks Today

The feature of today's program will be an address by Dr. J. A. Hill, President of the West Texas State Teachers College. An address will be given this afternoon by a speaker from Amarillo, in the interest of Parent-Teacher Associations.

The business session this afternoon, at 4:00 o'clock, will receive the attention of every teacher. Consensus of opinion favors Memphis for the 1925 meeting place.

A musical program arranged for this evening, will conclude the program of entertainment for the week. If the inclement weather of today continues, it is probable that the entire program will be concluded by Friday noon, giving the visitors more time in which to reach their destinations through the blizzard.

A local barber who has been going around with a bandaged face gives this account of the accident: He says he was shaving and cut himself when he said "No" when he asked if he wouldn't have a shampoo and massage.

Monte Wins On Legion Fight Card Friday Night

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after being pinned by Wow Wow in 38 minutes. Browning took the next two falls in less than three minutes from the lighter Chief. Both men were greatly handicapped by the surplus amount of resin being spilled on the mat, which made it nearly impossible for the men to break a hold once it was secured.

A good card is promised for Saturday night, December, 20th, at the Armwood Opera House. A double main event is carded, one being an eight round go between Mutt Browning and Cowboy Rogers, heavyweights both of whom have been seen in action here several times before, and as the fans well know this will be a real scrap. The other, is expected to be eight of the fastest rounds presented at the Opera House, in which Lightfoot Keotah, Indian College boy, who fought Monte last week, will meet Speedie Snow, who earned the title of featherweight champion of the West Coast, and is the son of J. Y. Snow of Memphis. Speedie, better known as Joel to his Memphis friends, agreed to fight here only for the purpose of showing his friends what he had learned about the manly art of self-defense, and is expecting to finish the Indian boy in short order. Lightfoot says he will be at the finishing and maybe it won't be him who is finished.

Besides these two main events, a semi wind-up of four rounds will stage between Loy Lewis, of Memphis, and Toughy Crabtree, of Gainesville. Both of these boys have been clamoring for a match in Memphis and as both are anxious to make good here a real thriller may result. Stuffy Cohen and Goof Greenwood, Cyclone football stars, will battle three rounds in a preliminary. A Dixie Special has also been arranged, which will be three fast rounds by two dark boys.

Heat has been arranged to show. The building will be heated and kept comfortable throughout the entire performance.

DENVER TIME TABLE

No. 1, north bound	6:05 p. m.
No. 7, north bound	9:20 a. m.
No. 2, south bound	9:50 a. m.
No. 8, south bound	9:15 p. m.

Society and Club News

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HARMONY CLUB MEETS AT METHODIST CHURCH

Mesdames J. D. Worrell and Frank Fore, and Misses Ruby Blanton and Neville Wrenn, were hostesses to the Harmony Club which met in regular session last Wednesday at the Methodist Church.

Beautiful Christmas decorations were in evidence throughout the basement rooms, where the members and guests were received. Showers of bright bells and large Autumn bouquets gave a unique charm to the decorative scheme.

After a brief business session the club was delightfully entertained by an appropriate program, which included several Christmas numbers. All the piano and vocal selections were by American composers. Especially entertaining were the piano solos rendered by little Misses Shirley Greene and Kenneth Wilson, pupils of Mesdames Mary Robertson and Elmer Shelly.

After the program a dainty salad course was served to sixty club members, and guests.

MEMPHIS YOUNG PEOPLE MARRIED AT AMARILLO

Friends of Miss Mildred Snow and Mr. Dave Price, of Memphis, were surprised when a telegram was received Sunday announcing their marriage, which occurred that day in Amarillo. The marriage was entirely unexpected, even to the relatives of the happy young couple.

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Newlin News

Mrs. Ida Hyatt and little daughter, Frankie Lois, of Roy, New Mexico, are visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Smith and expects to spend the holidays here. Mrs. Hyatt is spending this week-end with her sister, Mrs. Lelia Browder, of Giles.

Mr. and Mrs. Tad Nelson and children left Sunday morning for Savannah, Mo., where Mrs. Nelson will undergo an operation. They expect to be gone about fifteen days.

An old-fashioned box supper was held at the Gilpin School house Friday night, the proceeds amounting to \$110.30, which will be used for play ground apparatus, and other necessities. A pretty girl contest was held, in which Miss Ruby Duckett was awarded the box of candy. This contest brought \$65.00. A large crowd was present.

Rev. Fitzgerald, Methodist preacher, of Hedley, held services at Gilpin Saturday night, Sunday morning and Sunday night. He will preach regularly at Gilpin, on the second Sunday of each month. Everyone is invited to hear him.

Louis Smith came in from Quannah last week to spend the holidays with home-folk.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Knight entertained the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brumley and family, with a turkey dinner at their home near Newlin last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Brumley are to leave soon for Corpus Christi, where they will spend the winter.

The Newlin basket ball team played with Carey Friday afternoon. The Newlin girls defeated Carey with a score of 11 to 3, while the Carey boys won by a score of 13 to 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Colcoate, of Lamesa, are visiting the former's parents of Newlin.

The ladies of the Methodist Church are giving a box supper at the school house on Saturday night, December 20. The proceeds will be used to pay for seats at the Methodist Church.

Miss Louis Thomas and father, of Silverton, spent the week-end with the former's cousin, Mrs. Z. A. Cox.

Bro. Baker, Presbyterian pastor, held services in Newlin Sunday morning, at the usual hour. Clifton Todd, of Salisbury, preached Sunday night. Announcement was made Sunday of the Sunday School Christmas Tree which will be for everyone, and will be arranged in the auditorium of the school building, December 24.

The pupils of the Junior Sunday School Class, were entertained by their teacher, Miss Winnie Mullins, at the home of Mrs. L. M. Caldwell, of Newlin, Saturday afternoon. The little folks played games on the lawn for about two hours and were then entertained with indoor games. Refreshments were served to the following: Lucile Neyson, Mary Gresham, Annie Margaret Helm, Bertha Ann Hellison, Lanell Nelson, Peggy Leary, Blanche Downing, Dora Mae Caldwell, Lilly Mae Thornton, Georgia Johnson, Don Leary, Dan Jennings Whiteside, Robert Crow, and J. E. Duckett. Miss Lucile Glover furnished music for the afternoon.

Use Democrat Want Ads.

Estelline Events

Mrs. Johnson has purchased a new Hudson Coach.

Mr. and Mrs. Garison of Tell were here Wednesday to attend the funeral of their brother's baby.

School has dismissed for two weeks on account of the holidays and our teachers are attending the institute.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Grundy visited relatives at Childress Sunday.

Mrs. J. B. Rothwell was called to Turkey Sunday, due the illness of her daughter, Mrs. Colvin.

Mrs. Abe Vinyard of Dalhart, visited her parents, Dr and Mrs. Miller this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gano visited at the home of Mrs. Anderson, Sunday.

Mmes. Johnson and Payne shopped in Memphis Monday.

Mrs. E. W. Grundy is visiting relatives in Wichita Falls this week.

Our second Lyceum number by the National Trio will be given at the Tabernacle Thursday evening.

Mr. Oscar Powers spent Sunday in Estelline.

Mmes. Hume Russel and H. M. Faulkner, shopped in Memphis Monday.

Dr. Miller made a business trip to Dallas Monday.

G. F. Cornelius of Seymour, visited relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Howard and Mr. and Mrs. Guest visited at the home of E. W. Cornelius Sunday.

Mr. Rufus Greene was an Estelline visitor Thursday on business.

Mr. Blair of Lon Alexander Drug Co. of Childress was in the city a few days the past week.

The baby of Mr. and Mrs. Rogers Garrison died at Turkey Tuesday and was buried here Wednesday.

T. N. Copeland was out of the drug store a few days last week on account of illness.

Hulver Hints

Dewey Britt purchased a new Ford Coupe last Saturday.

Mrs. Ellsworth Henderson is spending the holidays with her mother and working at the Drug Store in Estelline.

Miss Marcelle Stout has been real sick the past week.

Rev. Clark and wife of Vernon, were here for the Quarterly Conference also Bro. Grace of Newlin, and a number of the Newlin people. The services by Rev. Clark were greatly enjoyed by all.

The pie supper at the school house netted \$27.00 to be used for the playground equipment and other improvements.

Mrs. O. A. Davidson and nephew, Sam, and Mrs. E. F. Billingsley shopped in Memphis Thursday.

A short Christmas program and a beautifully decorated tree was greatly enjoyed by the school children and a few of the parents Friday evening. School is out now until the holidays are over and our teachers are attending the Institute in Memphis.

Mrs. J. H. McGlocklin and little son, and Mrs. Cral Hill were Memphis visitors Thursday.

The Methodist Missionary ladies enjoyed a business meeting at the home of Mrs. Sam Billingsley, Monday evening. New officers were elected for the ensuing year, after other business matters had been disposed of. The hostess served peaches, cake, and punch to the members.

A father was called by an infuriated neighbor, and told that his son had been fighting. The father accosted the boy, "Son, what have you been doing?" The boy was stumped only for a minute. He answered, "Father, I plead insanity." Which goes to prove that the boys read the papers.

The wife says, "Ragson, put on your coat and wrap yourself up good, it's time to feed then hen and goat and chop the kindling wood." We raise an awful howl and fuss, it's too darned cold outside; we argue and we scold and cuss, and want to let it slide. And then we throw our paper down, and glare a baleful glare and kick the peaceful sleeping hound and busy a parlor chair. We grumble while we do the job, we want to stay indoors; this makes our cold much worse, we sob, we hate these weary chores. But when the mallards from the north come honking o'er the lakes, we grab our guns and sally forth, forgetful of our aches. We rise before the moon goes down and walk most forty miles, through icy sleet and snowy grounds, our face is wreathed in smiles. We wade in water to our neck and crawl, through mud and snow, and shoot wild ducklings by the peck while winter blizzards blow. The chores at home are hard to bear, but still it's very strange, we stand the cold without a care, out on the hunting range.

Letts Life

We want to thank those who attended the box supper at Letts school house, December 12. The amount raised was \$85.50, and a volley ball and Giant Stride have been ordered for the playgrounds. After the first of January the playgrounds will be more interesting.

School dismissed December 12 for teachers institute and a week for Christmas. It will reopen December 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bevers and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Bevers.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. John Willis has been real sick with pneumonia.

Miss Callie L. Puckett is attending teachers institute in Memphis this week, and will spend next week at her home in Amarillo.

Mrs. T. D. Weatherby has been ill the past week.

There will be Sunday School at Letts every Sunday at 3:00 p. m. Everybody invited.

Big Carnival at Eli Saturday night, December 20. 1tc

Brice Breezes

Brice farmers are still busy gathering their crops. Most of them will finish by the first of January.

Bro. Ming preached at the morning hour Sunday. He has changed his regular meeting day to the fourth Sunday in each month.

Doc Garret, Curtis Nixon, and Dave Owens left Saturday for Sulphur Springs. They will return next week.

Geo. Bradley and Miss Gladys Hatley went to Amarillo Sunday.

M. L. Pitman has purchased a new Overland car.

Hope Lemons has a new Ford.

There will be a Christmas Tree, and Program, at the church on Christmas Eve.

A number of car keys have been stolen, and the wires cut on several cars in this community the past week. No serious damage has been reported.

"Grandma" Lewis left Tuesday for Cooper, Texas. She has been with her children in Hall County for more than a year.

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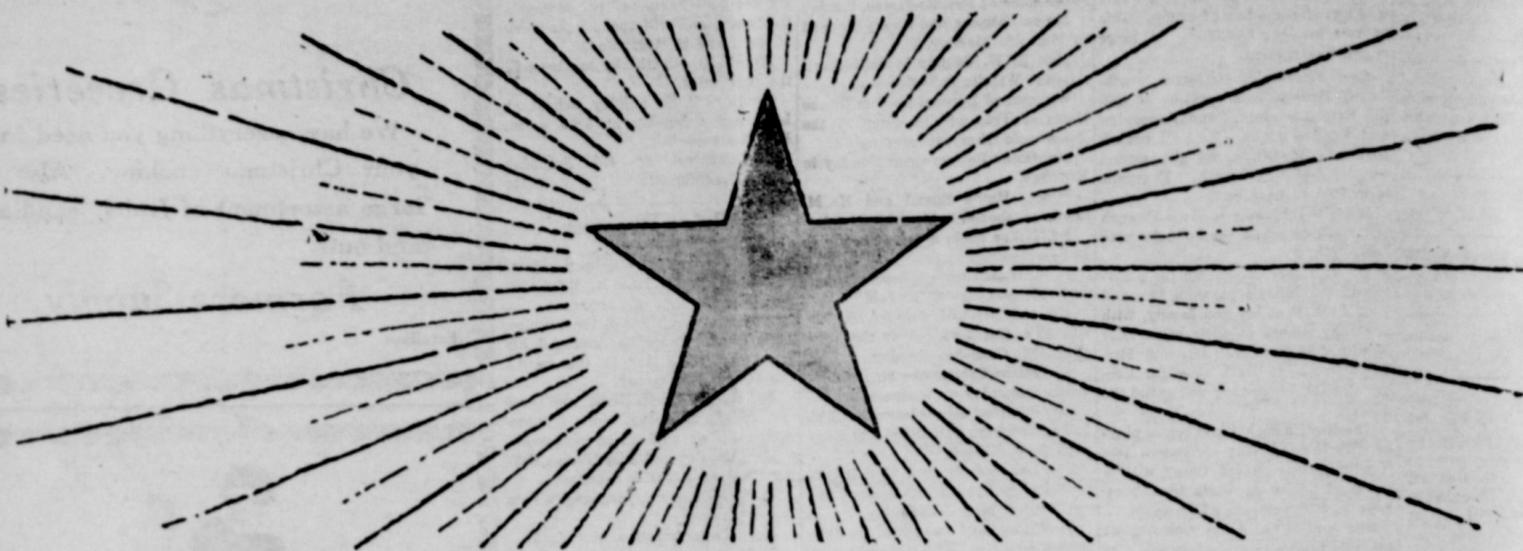


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...not," Gerald answered, "all a little overstrung, I think, little one!"

...her almost carelessly and... Christopher. The two left... The music had ceased... walked through the empty... When they arrived... Myrtle's look... Christopher slackened his pace... was crying quietly... he begged, "please listen... she told him... at eight o'clock I shall... take you to the station... behind the clothes you are... and I will return them to... You will go to Lon-... Lady Mary will take care of... Mary is Gerald's sister. Do... she faltered... don't think of me as an ex-... Christopher went on, with a... feeling in his tone... a very wonderful thing... is also a very dangerous... if you care for Gerald, and... you, believe me, some... will belong to one another... will be happy; but the love... happiness is not of a mo-... It is not a matter of... Today you love Gerald... whole soul. Gerald has... affection for you. You are a... child whose softness... attracts him. The king-... is a wonderful place, but... who are in the position... Gerald can enter it by the... If you are faithful, re-... A year or two of life will... to you, and you... stand just what was lacking... what, in a corner of your... I believe, that you... looking. That something... has seduced even your won-... You must wait, dear... the world will keep you and... if your love for one un-... the love that endures... away without a word... Christopher walked, un-... the darkest corner of the... waited until he saw the... in Myrtle's room. Then... to the hotel, changed his... and rested for a couple of... he returned to her room... waiting for him, dressed in... the sage suit, silently pa-... Christopher carried her small... they made their way to the... he said, as they stood to-... taking the train coming... "This morning I think... hating me. You think me... Try and not judge me for... that you mean well," she... you do not understand... put money into her... back her up to where Lady... standing with her little ar-... She spoke a few... Myrtle, who answered... but without any trace of... Myrtle sat down... the trunks and looked stead-... the sleeping white-fronted... Christopher and Lady Mary... moment apart... know why I am doing this... Mary said, "If you... show the truth, I dislike the... intensely..." "I feel that you are doing... Christopher replied, "I... are doing it for Ger-... stated at him for a mo-... Christopher fancied that he... her somewhat haughty... of that pitiful sup-... claimed for its people... and heads of their satellites... and see me in Lon-... and a little softened... return," he promised. "I... this, Mary," he added, a... "You've been a... seriously gratified at his... Christopher leaned... Myrtle," he said... her eyes from the win-... Christopher," she an-... looked back again at the... with its irregular front... curtains. Behind one... was sleeping. With a... smoke and a succession... pants, the long train... out of the station... BOOK TWO
Chapter I
... been lurching at the... and was on his way... Green street. Hence

There was the faintest possible indication of a smile on Pauline's lips. "His name is Lord Dombey," she answered demurely. "He is the son of the earl of Hinterleys."

"Dear me!" Madame de Poniere murmured.

"The earl of Hinterleys," Pauline continued, "is one of the lesser English noblemen."

Notwithstanding his anxiety, Gerald's sense of humor was touched. If only his father could have been standing at his side to assist in the conversation with these two shabbily dressed ladies!

"Our titles are, at any rate, not unduly modern," he pleaded deprecatingly. "Besides, is this of any real consequence?"

"What precisely do you want of us?" the older lady asked, after a slight hesitation.

"The privilege of renewing my acquaintance with you both," Gerald replied.

"You have done so," Madame de Poniere reminded him.

"With permission to pay my respects at your London residence," he argued.

"We do not receive in London," was the curt reply.

"I trust," Gerald persisted, "that you will make an exception in my favor."

Pauline suddenly intervened. There was a shade of hauteur in her manner, but some frankness.

"My dear aunt," she said, "there are certain things which it is impossible to conceal. My aunt and I," she went on, addressing Gerald, "are living in some impossible rooms in an impossible hotel in South Kensington. I see no reason, however, why we should not receive you there, if you are in earnest in your desire to call. We are without acquaintances in this city."

Madame de Poniere closed her lorgnettes with a little snap.

"We are staying at Number 25, Eriston Gardens, South Kensington," she said. "I believe they call the place the Eriston Gardens hotel."

"If you will permit me," Gerald suggested, "I will bring my sister to call upon you when she is in town. In the meantime, may I venture upon a daring suggestion? You are without acquaintances in town; so, for these few days, am I. Will you do me the great honor of dining at Ranelagh tonight with me? We shall escape this insufferable heat and be able to listen to music out of doors."

"I regret that it is impossible, sir," Madame de Poniere replied.

Gerald was naturally quick-witted. There were many little things he had already noted.

"Mademoiselle," he said, turning to Pauline, "I beg you to intercede with your aunt. I do not invite you to one of the established restaurants. The great charm of Ranelagh is its informality. The people who have been playing tennis and golf stay on to dine, with some trifling change in their attire. I myself should have to ask you to excuse my remaining in morning dress. It is a convention of the place."

"Lord Dombey doubles our wardrobe," Pauline remarked, with a faint smile. "No," she went on hastily, "please do not think we are offended. I think your discretion is admirable. And, aunt, I beg of you, let us accept Lord Dombey's invitation. Think how much we are suffering from the heat. Think of our stuffy room, our unspic-able dinner!" In short, I insist."

"If you will allow me, I will call for you at a quarter to eight," Gerald proposed, turning to Madame de Poniere.

Madame de Poniere hesitated for another moment. Perhaps it was something in the almost boyish quality of

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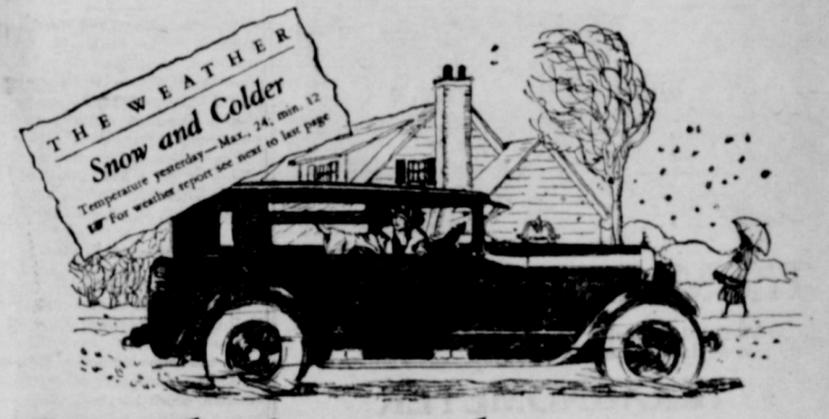
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"My Dear Fellow," Christopher exclaimed, "What on Earth Has Happened?"

Gerald's eagerness which decided her. This Englishman was at any rate no boulevardier.

"We will await you at that hour," she replied. "I trust," she added, after a moment's pause, that you will not consider my hesitation in any way discourteous. There are reasons which make it difficult for my niece and myself ally."

(Continued next week.)

FOR SALE—One standard make piano cheap. See Sam J. Hamilton.

A feed for every need, Purina Checker-board bags, Chow Chow Hen Chow and Chowder at Craver Grain Co. Phone 213.

Local and Personal News

News Paragraphs and Personal Mention of General Interest to Memphis and Hall County Readers

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Stephens visited in Wichita Falls last week-end.

Shell Pecans in 1/2-lb packages at A. Womack Grocery.

Big Carnival at Eli Saturday night, December 20. Itc

Mesdames E. C. Johnson and W. J. Lang visited in Wellington Tuesday.

Martin's Blue Bug Remedy at Craver Grain Co.

Gamett the radiator man at Gerlach's Garage.

The Delphian Club has a few nice articles suitable for Christmas Gifts. If interested call 236. Itc

Get a tube of Flumonia Balm at your druggist and stop that cold.

Mrs. H. H. Newman and Miss Ira Hammond were Dallas visitors the first of this week.

Miss Anne Williams, of Childress, is visiting relatives in Memphis this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Edmonson, of Estelline, visited in Memphis Sunday.

Big Carnival at Eli Saturday night, December 20. Itc

Have you tried our American gasoline? Gerlach Bros.

I have established a transfer and am prepared to give you quick and satisfactory service. Steve's Transfer, Neal Stephens, proprietor. Phone 456. Itc

Mrs. F. A. Spencer returned Tuesday from a two month's visit in California. She reports a pleasant trip and likes California, but says there is no place like Hall County.

Fred Lacy, of Turkey, was in Memphis Sunday en route to Dallas, where he purchased holiday goods, returning Wednesday.

Try a can of Premier Coffee—A. Womack Grocery.

T. H. Jouett, of Estelline, was in Memphis Saturday, visiting this office while in town.

Hall County In Grip of Blizzard; Snow Falls Today

A bleak northeast wind struck the county Tuesday night, causing a noticeable drop in temperature. Dawn of Wednesday morning revealed threatening clouds and a heavy fog, and drizzling rain, which continued through the day.

A sharp norther blew up Wednesday night, turning the freezing mist into snow, and registering the lowest thermometer reading of any this winter. The snow has continued to fall at intervals throughout the day, and the ground is now covered with the white blanket.

Have expert radiator repair man at Gerlach's Garage.

Tate's Blistol, the King of blisters. When using veterinary medicine, why not demand the best—that means Tate's remedies. On sale at Clark & Williams Drug Co.

Mrs. B. Webster returned Monday from Fort Worth and Dallas, where she has been visiting relatives. She was accompanied home by Mrs. W. S. Chaney, of Iowa Park, who is now ill at the Webster home.

First Baptist Church.
Sunday School 9:45.
Preaching 11:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m.
The pastor preaches at both hours.
B. Y. P. U.'s all meet at 6 p. m.
Splendid program.
W. M. S. meets Monday 4 p. m.
Sunbeams Monday 4 p. m.
Prayermeeting Wed. 7 p. m.
Choir practice 7 p. m. Thursday evening.

You are especially urged to be at the services Sunday. The ordinance of baptism will be observed at the close of the evening service.

The Sunday School will have its Christmas Tree and program on Wednesday evening, December 24, 7:00 p. m. You are invited to come. Let's make this a great Christmas, by making some one happy.

We wish for all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Chas. T. Whaley, Pastor.

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Notice of Estate.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To the sheriff or any constable of Hall County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Hall, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of twenty days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To all persons interested in the estate of C. C. Johnson, deceased, D. L. Johnson, Administrator, has filed in the County Court of Hall County, Texas, his final account and application for discharge as such administrator which will be heard at the next term of said court, commencing the third Monday in January, A. D. 1924, at the court house thereof, in the city of Memphis, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said account, should they see proper to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court this writ, with your return thereon endorsed, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, this the 17th day of December A. D. 1924.

(SEAL) EDNA BRYAN,
Clerk County Court, Hall County, Texas.

Now we have it that in the year 2,000 there will not be room upon the earth to hold the people. Interesting reading. But the world and the people on it have a peculiar habit of adjusting themselves to conditions. We used to think we had to have a ten room house for a family of five. Now we crowd into two and three room apartments and still have room for the cat and a loud-speaker for the radio.

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- Double boiler, with cover ---- \$1.25
- Percolator, 2-cup ----- 95c
- Percolator, 6-cup ----- \$1.00
- Percolator, 10-cup ----- \$1.75
- Water pitcher ----- \$1.00
- Water bucket ----- \$1.25
- Water dipper ----- 25c
- Dish pan, \$2.50, \$1.50 ----- \$1.00
- Ladle, spoon, plate, ----- 10c

SUGGESTIONS

- Enameled white bread box -- \$1.50
- Earthen tea pots, decorated -- \$1.00
- Salad bowls, decorated ----- 50c
- Gold band plates, set ----- \$1.50
- Plain white plates, set ----- \$1.00
- Large goblets, set ----- 75c
- Commodore, white cote, cover -- \$1.25
- Lamps, large size, all complete \$1.00

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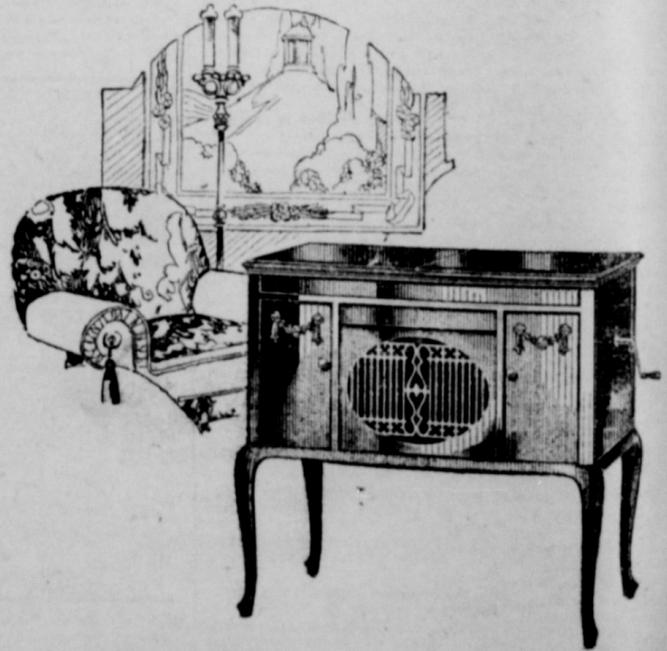
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