The Wheeler Times

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WHEELER, WHEELER COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1933

THE COUNTY SEAT NEWSPAPER

and Tragedy Kelley Home

n New Mexico Hospital-Killed in Auto Crash Friday

gedy, stalking close on the death, brought bereavee Kelley home a few miles heeler last Friday, when lost his life in an automonear Glenrio, Texas.

car with Mr. Kelley were a daughter, Miss Ola, his n and wife and their two en. Clayton was the only ape uninjured. Mrs. Jeff Miss Ola were most seriand were rushed to a hosucumcari. Clayton's wife en were taken to an Amatal for treatment.

elley, another son, and an man, had died early Friday t a government hospital in que, N. Mex., where he had ng treatment.

the accident occurred the ring the son's body, and few close friends. v had gone to complete fungements.

Jeff Kelley was killed ina hospital is not known. funeral services were held day at 1:30 for the father of the Wheeler high school. Interment was made in the metery.

glas Carver, pastor of the urch at White Deer, read ure lesson and gave the Boyd Kelley.

dist church of Wheeler, bituary of Jeff Kelley and prayer. Rev. A. F. Wood f address

Cornealis of Wellington, e friend of the family, e funeral sermon.

onclusion of this service American Legion boys er and Wheeler took accorded military honors mer companion-in-arms. and taps were given at rillo. followed by the benedicinced by Rev. Kirby.

seven children, was born on, Texas, Nov. 9, 1893, ney in Amarillo. t Albuquerque, N. Mex., 33, at the age of 40 years, and six days.

member of the Methodist of the American Legion. s a loyal, faithful son, the love and respect of his circle of acquaintances.

eff; Kelley was born in ec. 15, 1933, near Glen- buted to the growers. He was, therefore, past

moved with his parents hen he was seven years in Caldwell county. In nt to Collingsworth counresided until 16 years he family came to Wheelwhere they have since

y was united in marriage ulla McCracken on Sept. ren, Boyd, Clyde, Ward, (Mrs. Horton Cutch), d Clayton Kelley. With n of Boyd, all the childr with the widow, survive

of Boyd, followed in a by the tragic ending of life, spread a pall of Wheeler and the comwhich the Kelley family a complete family circle

sympathy is extended to g relatives and the many

County Songfest

ounty singing convention unday afternoon in Bris-First Baptist Church. Sevof W. O. Puett, Walter changed, T. C. Newkirk and Miss

THREE GET SENTENCES

IN DISTRICT COURT

Wednesday adjournment of the

Three sentences were imposed in environs of Shamrock. the criminal docket early this week. ing a motorcycle. Preston Lowry vault at the court house. entered a plea of guilty to the charge received a suspended sentence.

G. B. Harris, charged with theft Frank Copeland, Charlie Canada ing, December 27. man's car parked in front of a Sham- are alleged to have been occupying burglary of the Tux tailor shop, also was found, or appeared to have othentered a plea of guilty and was giv- erwise been connected with its posen a two years sentence in each case. session.

FLYNT-NEWKIRK

Miss Mildred Flynt, daughter of home of the bride's parents two miles near Briscoe. west of town, with Rev. A. C. Wood arty were neturning from reading the beautiful ceremony in the er with burial in Wheeler cemetery. , where they had met the presence of only the relatives and a

Mrs. Newkirk is one of the leading young ladies of the community and in Wheeler Monday. takes an active part in the B. T. S. whether he died while being and church work of the First Baptist church of which she is a member. She graduated with the 1930 class

> The bridal gown was of tan crepe away gown was brown having acces-

Mr. Newkirk is a young business vious to that he attended both grade and high school in Jacksboro, gradudriver between Wheeler and Amarillo the first of the year.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and

The couple left immediately on O. E. Newkirk and family and also his grandmother Mrs. Robt. McCart-

Wheeler Farmers Get Wheat Money

Wheeler county farmers had the honor of being the first in the state sional men of the city showed there d meriting the friendship to receive allotment checks from the was a desire for such an enterprise. last of the week for Oklahoma City government under the wheat reduc- Following suspension of the former to spend Christmas with her daughtion campaign plan. The first pay- newspaper here some weeks ago, bus- ters Mrs. P. L. Ussery and Mrs. Ben ment totaling \$9,158.80, reached here iness interests and the general public nty, Ala., Jan. 19, 1862, the last of the week and was distri- experienced a keen realization of

This county is to get a total of \$12.822.32. The balance will be forthcoming in about four months.

ties are to participate in this govern- newspaper. ment distribution within the next few days. Nearly four millions of dollars ceived much verbal encouragement. will be turned loose.

eral business improvement is predict- the paper will in a large measure deed for this area following receipt of pend upon the paper itself and the the funds. This money, together with management thereof. To this union were born thousands of dollars being paid each The vast majority of merchants week to CWA employes, will be of know that advertising is imperative if great benefit to the Panhandle count their business is to survive. Under R. J. will leave Saturday night for

DEMONSTRATION CLUB

HELD MEETING WEDNESDAY

President, Mrs. Jess Carver; vicepresident, Mrs. Fred Farmer; secre- however, foster nor encourage strife tary-treasurer, Mrs. Jim Risner; as- or ill-will between different towns. sistant secretary-treasurer, Mrs. J. Each is out to offer the best possible M. Laurence; reporter, Mrs. Horace inducements to the trading public. Wicker: parlian.entarian, Mrs. Bry- At this point the newspaper enters the an Witt, librarians, Mrs. W. M. Mc- picture. rterly meeting of the Murtry, and Mrs. O. B. Miller.

After the business session a Christ- to be of service to Wheeler and came Wednesday to visit their sister mas program and social followed. Wheeler County. To carry the news Interesting talks were made on "The of the town and county as completely r people attended the con- Ways of Celebrating Christmas in and accurately as possible; to afford mong them was a quartet Foreign Lands." Gifts were ex- a medium wherein the business inter- hospital where he has spent the last of erysipelas which covered one side

Delicious refreshments were served offerings, and to boost for Wheeler, to sixteer members and two guests, its institutions and advantages is a meeting will be December Mrs. E. T. Cosper and Mrs. J. I. Ma- part of the program The Times ex- they will spend two weeks with rela- daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Bow-

SHERIFF'S FORCE MAKES

HEAVY LIQUOR HAUL

On Wednesday of this week, Deputhirty-first district court held at the ties W. W. Davis and P. R. Waters court house in this city was an of Sheriff Porter's force, aided by

Tom Gierhart was given two years leged Christmas cheer was brought to er of Commerce office at nine o'clock and Mrs. Henry Bill Lowrie were atby a petit jury on a charge of steal- Wheeler and safely lodged in the Tuesday morning, December 26th, tendants.

under bonds of \$1,000 each.

of 100 suede jackets from a sales- and Calvin Edgar, all of Shamrock,

BURGESS INFANT BURIED

Funeral services were conducted Mr. and Mrs. Chas. R. Flynt of Saturday, December 16, by Rev. Aud-Wheeler, and T. C. Newkirk, son of ie Smith, pastor of the Baptist Church Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Newkirk of of Briscoe, for Harold Ray, infant son Wheeler, were married Sunday, Dec- of Mr. and Mrs. Morris (Gravey) ember 17, 1933, at high noon at the Burgess, who live in Hemphill county

Services were conducted in Wheel-

H. H. Eisenminger, a farmer living near Mobeetie, was attending court

HOWDY, FOLKS!

Permit us to offer for your approv-Times, the new county seat weekly nesday afternoon. in a charming model and her going newspaper published in the City of Wheeler, Texas.

tions it may be well to present the man living north of town with his staff of this publication. C. G. Miller moved to Gladewater to make their Edmund Kirby, pastor of parents for the past six years. Pre- is the editor and publiher. Mrs. Mill- home er will assist in the task of gathering the news and looking after the front ating with the class of '27. He is a office. Bill Miller, a son, is employed Mrs. Reed's parents, Mr. and Mrs. member of the First Baptist Church in the mechanical department. Beat I. N. Bowers. where he takes a leading part. He rice, a freshman in the Wheeler High Mr. and Mrs. G. O. McCrohan will through the singing of the Christmas will assume his new duties as truck School, completes the Miller family.

Considerable help besides the family will be employed from time to Geoffrey McCrohan of Austin. time in producing the Times, includ-Miss Roma Newkirk, Tascosa, Texas, rious communities of the county, as urday from Ft. Worth, where they ing program will be given. well as mechanical workers in the of- spent several months.

their honeymoon trip to Clovis, N. folk, having followed the profession home Thursday to spend her Christ- Senior League will for a good many years. They came here from Elk City. Okla., but have published newspapers in other places. his brother C. H. Starkey and A. V.

The Times was established in Wheeler in response to what the maninite need. It was undertaken after day shopping and visiting Mrs. Cora canvass of the business and profes- die Gill. their loss.

From a newspaperman's point of view it seems inconceivable that a county seat town, the central point or Thirty-one Panhandle-Plains coun- hub of a county, should be without a

The Times management has re-The amount of financial encourage-Increased buying activity and gen- ment-or patronage- that comes to

modern conditions competition is not Amarillo and Vega to spend Christwithin a town nearly so much as from without-or between towns.

Recognition of this condition has, in A most enjoyable meeting of the the main, been conducive to better Home Demonstation club was held co-operation and greater harmony be-Wednesday in the club room at the tween business men of an individual court house, when the following of town. Antagonisms that may have ficers for the ensuing year were in- prevailed in other days have largely Mobeetic. been laid aside.

It is the aim of The Wheeler Times ests of the city may advertise their pects to present.

CORN AND HOG PROGRAM MEETINGS NEXT WEEK

Three meetings have been called in Wheeler county for the next week for Mr. and Mrs. Dennie Harris of Twitthe purpose of explaining the new ty; and Mr. Onial Bowerman, son nounced until the middle of next Constables Virgil Carver and J. H. government corn-hog program, ac- of Mrs. J. M. Burgess of Wheeler, Cox, made a heavy liquor haul in the cording to County Agent Jake Tarter, were quietly married Saturday Dec-The first of the series of meetings ember 16, 1933, at 12 o'clock with Approximately 75 gallons of al. will be held at the Shamrock Chamb- Rev. A. C. Wood officiating. Mr. and the next will be held at Mobeetie Three men were arrested on charg- at one o'clock that afternoon. The son at nine o'clock Wednesday morn-

meeting will be held at Wheeler at one o'clock Saturday afternoon, control association, according to Tar-

J. W. Phipps of Twitty was trading in Wheeler Wednesday.

S. E. Allison of Canadian was in Wheeler Wednesday on business.

Frank Lee of Mobeetie was in Wheeler Wednesday on business.

Mr. Chaney of Canyon is surely making fine bread at the Wheeler

R. D. Douglas from the Dixon community was in Wheeler Saturday on

Mrs. W. I. Williams was in Wheelbr Saturday shopping and visiting p. m., there will be a Christmas dinwith friends.

Mrs. G. O. McCrohan motored to hildress Thursday to visit her sister Mrs. R. N. Land and family.

A. B. Crump made a business trip al this, the first issue, of The Wheeler to Ft. Worth Monday, returning Wed-

Mrs. A. B. Crump, who is visiting her sister in San Antonio, is expected While on the subject of introduc- nome the first of the year.

have for their Christmas guests Mr. hymns,

and Mrs. S. L. Phillips of Joshua and Mrs. O. E. Newkirk, Clovis, N. Mex.; ing a corps of corresponents in va- Tucker and Lois, returned home Sat- tribute the gifts. Another interest-

The Millers are trained newspaper attending C. I. A. at Denton, came glad hand.

mas vacation. Rev. Alamo Starkey accompanied the last location being in southern Southern and son Willie to Pampa

Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Meadows and son Earl Jr., and Mrs. Mike Morris agement believes to be a real and def- of Mobeetie were in Wheeler Thurs-

Mrs. T. P. Morton will leave the

Benham and their families. Misses Peggy Page and Bobbie Woodring, who are attending West Texas State Teachers College at Can-

yon, will be home to spend Christmas week with home folks. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lohberger and Mr. and Mrs. Orner Schnoblen left Thursday for Los Angeles and other

points of interest in California on a combined business and pleasure trip. M. V. Sanders, abstracter, has moved his office from the court house square to the southwest part of town, where he occupies a former frame

office building. Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Puckett and son mas with Mrs. Puckett's parents, Mr.

and Mrs. J. M. Looney and family. W. L. Mathis, a former Wheeler county man, now of Amarillo, was transacting business in Wheeler Wednesday. He spent spent some time with Geo. Dunn and other friends in

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lohberger, who The foregoing conditions need not, live twelve miles north of Wheeler, and daughter Mrs. Mount Tipps and her daughter Betty Gene of Briscoe, were in Wheeler Wednesday doing some Christmas shopping.

> Mr. and Mrs J. W. Ussery and son Jimmie and Mrs. Fannie Ussery. mother of J. W. of Ft. Lyons, Colo., and daughter Mrs. Ora Whittington and a friend Mrs. T. P. Morton. Mr. Usery is a patient at the veterans is recovering nicely from an attack wo years. The party, including Mrs. of her body from the hip down. She Whittington and Mrs. Morton, left was removed from the Pampa hos-Thursday for Oklahoma City where pital Monday. She is the grand-Prater left that evening for I

WHEELER COUNTY YOUNG COUPLE MARRIED SATURDAY

Miss Norma Harris, daughter of

Mrs. Bowerman is an attractive been granted to Wheeler county. young lady, having spent most of her Total expenditures will exceed \$30,of driving a car while intoxicated and es of possession and later released third meeting has been set for Alli- life on a farm near Twitty, where 000 or these relief improvements. she attended both grade and high school.

county farmer and his friends are No. 1, Mobeetie, went to Austin the dock hotel recently, and also with premises where the contraband liquor December 30, to organize a county numbered by his acquaintances. He last of the week and made a plea beattended grade school in Nocona and fore the Texas relief commission for completed his education in Wheeler additional aid for the county.

on a farm near Dimmitt, Texas, after the City of Wheeler. About 12 men the first of the year.

The Times joins their friends in wishing them a successful married

AT THE CHURCHES

METHODIST CHURCH

J. Edmund Kirby, Pastor Friday night, December 22, at 7:30 mer for the church membership and their families.

There will be a program consisting of music, poetry, and slides with lecture on "The Other Wise Man" There is no charge for the dinner but we do ask that you bring an offering for the orphan's home.

Sunday, December 24, will be a big day at our church. A program of Christmas music has- been arranged for the morning hour. A big choir, under the direction of Mrs. E. J. Reed of Pampa was in Wheel- Tom Britt, has been practicing for er the first of the week and visited two weeks on the program. Several special numbers have been arranged. Come and worship the Christ Child

Sunday night at 7:15 there will be a Christmas Tree for the children. Mrs. W. Veale, son and daughter Santa Claus will be present and dis-

The public is invited to worship at Miss Jacqueline McCrohan, who is the church with the Big Star and the

The Intermediate League will meet at the same hour.

BAPTIST CHURCH

9:45-Sunday School. 11:00-Preaching Service. 6:30-B. T. S. Meeting. 7:30-Preaching.

The Martha Sunday school class as arranged special music for the morning service.

There will be a B. T. S. zone meeting Sunday afternoon at 2:30. This will be the last meeting for this year and each church will bring some report of their year's work.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Rev. Clyde Dill of East St. Louis, Ill., assumed the pastorate of the Assembly of God church on Decemher 9. The weekly services are held at 7 o'clock on Thursday and Saturday evenings.

Sunday hours of service are: Sunday School 10 a. m.

Preaching 11 a, m. Young People's Meeting 5:30 p. m. Evening Service 7 p. m.

Everybody invited. Everybody elcome.

Mrs. Howe is Hostess

Members and guests of the Contract Bridge Club were very delightfully entertained by Mrs. Melvin Howe at her home Thursday afternoon of last week. The Christmas motif was carried out in tallies and decorations. High score went to Mrs. Nelson Porter.

Delicious ice box cake and coffee were served to Mesdames Worth Beal, Clyde Fillmore, Al Watson, Nelson Porter, G. O. McCrohan, Ed Watson, Bronson Green, Deward Wofford, Roe Green, Don Fisher; and Misses Reba Wofford and Mildred

Theda Joyce the little daughter of had attended this year. Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Reed of Pampa ers of Wheeler.

Wheeler County to Get More CWA Aid

Five New Projects Will Bring More Than \$30,000 to Area

Announcement has just been made that five new CWA projects have

R. H. Forrester, chairman of the county commission on this work, and Mr. Bowerman is a young Wheeler D. G. Sims, commissioner in precinct

The new projects include \$4,125 They will make their future home to be used for steet improvement in

will be employed on the work. Lateral road improvement work in rural sections is apportioned as fol-

Precinct No 4-\$8,700. Precinct No. 3-\$7,500.

Precinct No. 1-\$8,750. The exact number of men to be employed is not known at this time. However, precinct 1 has asked for 75

nore men. The last project is \$5,136 approoriated for street improvement work n Shamrock.

The office of W. Veale on the court house grounds is a very place handing the relief work. Mr. Veale is county administrator for the Texas relief commission, the CWA and the national re-employment service. He has a corps of assistants and all are kept busy with routine office work in the various divisions.

Other members of the county commission besides Judge Forrester are J. B. Clark, Shamrock; J. M. Tindall, Twitty; O. W. Elliott, Mobeetie, and Paul Macina, Pakan.

Administrator Veale is compiling figures on the relief work and will issue data shortly covering the entire

Dorcas Class Party

Mrs. J. I. Maloy, in her delightful vay, was hostess to the Dorcas Class of the Baptist Church Wednesday of last week. The house was attractivev decorated with Christmas greens and reds.

The president, Mrs. Tarter, was in charge. Roll call was answered with Christmas stories or experiences. After business a short program and

rames were enjoyed. Each member brought a gift which was put in the "chimney", then in turn the gifts were fished out.

Dainty refreshments, which carried out the Christmas colors, were served to members: Mesdames J. P. Waters. Floyd Pennington, Cordia Gill, Norwood McPherson, Earnest Dyer, Jake Tarter, Lee Guthrie, Jim Risner, Alamo Starkey and the hostess. Also to guests Mesdames J. N. Green, C. G. Miller, and Jess Carver.

The hostess was assisted by her

HOLD CHRISTMAS PARTY

daughter Juanita.

Miss Reba Wofford was hostess to members and guests of the Contract Bridge Club at her home on Tuesday afternoon. Christmas colors were carried out in decorations. Gifts were exchanged by members and ruests of the club.

Refreshments were served to Mesdames Nelson Porter, G. O. McCrohan. Worth Beal, Alfred Watson, Ed Watson, Melvin Howe, members. The invited guests were: Misses Gladys Gunter, Mildred Watts, Alan Helm, Mesdames Don Fisher, Cora Hall, Roe Green, A. C. Reed, Gordon Stiles, Wheeler, Weaver Barnett, and Clinton Wofford of Briscoe.

Entertains Church Club

The Comradeship Club of the First Methodist Church enjoyed a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bowers, Monday night of this week. Those present spent a pleasant even-

ing playing games and visiting. After the games refreshments were served. At 11 o'clock the party was over and everyone left feeling that this was one of the best parties they

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Prater and daughter Bonney Lee of Briscoe and Mrs. B. Prater of Frederick, Okla. were in Wheeler Saturday. Mrs. B. home after a four months visit with her son and family.

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o Shamr The Must lose gam Celton for r which p hird place he Must hat made 'reekmor Hang up your stocking and get the good old Christmas Spirit once again.

THE CORRA

Published weekly by Journalism Students of Wheeler High School.

Teachers Hold Open House

EXHIBITS FOR PARENTS

For the purpose of letting the parents see what kind of work their children have been doing, there was held an open-house in the Wheeler schools at 2:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon of last week. Among the history exhibits in Miss Winona Adam's room was a guillotine of the French revolution made by Wallace Pendleton: a nail made into a sword of the were many very attractive ones", the five days. tained posters and notebooks from mas comes again .- H. G. the different subjects and classes of

At 3:30 o'clock the parent teachers association was held in the auditori- Meeting each "wise crack" with exercise by the first grade, and the to Miss Winona Adams, sponsor. tumbling program mhich consisted ol The ludicrous appearance of Joe ness meeting was held.

FIRST GRADE PUPILS ENTERTAIN IN CHAPEL quarreling.

-Lewis Craig: Alfred Hale and Hu- Earl Farris, the minister. trouble-Donald Hunt; Tap Dance- college girls, Ruth Dill and Elizabeth Patsy Beal; Christmas Exercise - Joss, was held somewhat in check by Girls; Rhythm Band; ,A Good By- the solemn demeanor of their chap-Jean Hall.

WHEELER GIRLS WIN

CONSOLATION CUP people attended. Roth senior basketball teams went | Swaggering in with pipes and pisplace. The girls' first game was with coffee pot. feating them 24 to 18. Wheeler girls a very creditable manner. were scheduled to play Canadian's econd string but they forfeited to TEACHERS PRESENT hem. This left the girls to play none

which put them in the play off for by Johnny Faye Templeton and Dorhird place against Reydon who beat othy Sanders. At the end of the he Mustangs 25 to 18. The boys program the group sang "Silent come in. He's my husband." hat made the trip were: Raymond Night". Walter Adam, Earl Farris, Earl dancers and singers at the piano. ivage, Christopher McClain, Billy Carrol, John Ficke, Coy Hix, W. J.

THE STAFF

Assistant editor ... Anna Mae Puett Exchange editor ... Marguerite Ficke Sport editor____Billy McCarrol Joke editor...___Joe Field Meek HISTORY, SPANISH, HOME EC Gossip editor____ Bessie Mae Ficke | "Teachers should encourage pupils get that his best girl friend was there Gustof Scholl, Kinderpolka, Tantoli,

Ficke, Mary Eunice Noah, and Exie night. Creekmore.

GIVE OLD ST. NICK A TRY

late eighteenth century by Eugene socks, hang them on the mantel and banquet under the supervision of Mrs. Smith, a French travelling coach of give "ole" St. Nicholas a try anyway. C. B. Witt, club sponsor. Five dol-date. Have you changed your mind ren, Clerine Morgan, Elva Willard. the eighteenth century made by Cecil Even though the students have not lars and seventy cents was received about women, Chief? Sherwood; drawings of Napoleon af- worked so hard, they will receive a and this money will be used to send ter his surrender in June, 1815, and Christmas present of a week's holi- a delegate to the Farmers Short drawings of Napoleon as Emporer. In day, which isn't so very bad after all. Course, states Helen Flynt, president. negro doll for Christmas? Changed Noah, Florine Callans, Helen Saundthe journalism room was a poster But if we have been studious and The program began with Helen colors all at once, I guess sth the different exchanges on it. made good grades several more pres-Spanish room contained a Span-ents might have been found in the Those giving talks were O. B. Miller, ish senorita made by Anna Mae Puett sock. Who can tell? The Christmas J. L. Gilmore, and M. S. Kavanaugh. and a Spanish ox cart made by La- holidays are indeed a vacation for Music was furnished by Dick Guynes veau Cole. In the Home Economics some of the pupils but some have had W. C. Perkins, O. B. Miller, J. L.

home economics teacher. Many of come to school Monday week with more. the grade school rooms were decor- a determination to make better grades | Those present at the banquet were ated for Christmas and all rooms con- the next semester. Remember Christ- as follows: Rev. J. E. Kirby, Dr. Everybody can easily see why Billy rice Miller, Ella Pearl Starkey, Mar-

BALCH AND FICKE ARE BIG SUCCESS IN SENIOR PLAY

um. The program consisted of two bursts of laughter, a large audience numbers by the folk dancing class; a enthusiastically received "The Antics reading by Donald Hunt; "Jingle of Andrew", a side-splitting comedy Bells" by the rhythm band under the presented last Thursday night by the construction of Miss Katheryn Bow- senior class. Receipts amounted to Mae Ficke, Dewey Vise, Lorene Rop- Turner." Who could have said that? Goad, Alfred Hale, Gene Hall, ers; reading by Artie Ruth Waters; \$37.35. The proceeds will be used er, Billy McCarroll, Robinette Ridg- I wonder. clap dance by six of the folk dancers; to buy much needed furniture for the way, Derwood Lewis, Sue Hubbard, reading by La Verne Gill; Christmas Wheeler High School stage, according

forward rolls, backward rolls, double Meek and John Ficke posing as mothrolls, triple rolls, diving, camel's walk er and daughter in evening attire and nette Hale, John Ficke, Anna Mae and two pyramids. At the end of the not quite knowing when to stand or program the seniors presented a small sit or just how to do either almost and Raymond Creekmore. portion of their play in order to ad- convulsed the spectators. Exie Creekvertise it. After the program a busi- more gave an excellent imitation of a hefty Negro mammy and she and Earl Sivage, the French butler, furnished plenty of comedy by forever

The grade school was entertained Coy Hix, in his realistic impersona- Mrs. Norwood McPherson, Mrs. John liams, cooked and served the food. school at the Wednesday chapel pewith the following chapel program tion of a rough rancher from Austra- Ficke, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. A. E. Buchan- Coy Hix, the toastmaster, gave ap-Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock by the lia, took secret delight in involving an, and Anna Mae and Helen Green. first grade; Welcome-Reba Mahler; his nephew, C. L. Balch, the hero, Greeting-Alfred Hale; Song-Class; deeper and deeper with Bessie What Visitors Miss-Patsy Beal; A Mae Ficke, C. L.'s fiancee. It finally Christmas Poem — Charlene Burks; ended happily, however, with the lov-Folk Dance-Class; Christmas story ers slipping away to be married by

bert Leon Parker; What makes the The exuberance of those gay young erones, Anna Mae Puett, spinster, and Dewey Vice, bachelor, both instructors in the college which all the young

o Allison Friday and Saturday to a tols, Bill McCarroll and Walter Adournament. The teams were defeat- ams proved themselves poor detected in their first games. This did not lives by failing to find a bottle of lisqualify them for a chance at third thirty-year-old wine concealed in the

Allison who defeated them 26 to 18. From start to finish the play was The next game was with the Meridian a succession of laughs and puzzling Oklahoma girls whom Wheeler re- situations from which all the charvenged their loss to Allison by de- acters finally extricated themselves in

PUPILS IN RECITAL Friday. other than the Reydon team. The Mrs. Clyde Fillmore and Miss Temgirls downed Reydon with a score of pleton gave a joint recital last Friday 27 to 23. Winning this game gave evening at 7:30 at the high school he girls third place at the tournament | auditorium. The program opened and a silver trophy cup. Lena Holla- with the entire group singing "Jingle oaugh was awarded a gold basketball Bells". Tap dances were given by and placed on the all-star team as Ruth and Lois DeBoes, Bernice Steruard. Those taking part in the game phens, and Sidney Mayfield, Jr. of vere: forwards, Beulah and Willie Shamrock, and Dolores Watson and Mae Hollabaugh; centers, Laney Mae Patsy Beal of Wheeler. Adrian Ris-Fillman and Inez Shipman; guards ner, R. J. Puckett, Albert Gunter, Laena Hollabaugh and Anna Mae Pu- verne Gill, Johnny Paye Templeton, tt. Substitutes were: Nerine Young, Dorothy Sanders, Scotty Risner, and daddy." Exie Creekmore, Joyce Clemens, and Lavelle Jaco gave Christmas readings. At the end of the playlet given by model." The boys also lost their first game Delila Montgomery and Patsy Beal, o Shamrock by a score of 27 to 3. Johnny Faye Templeton sang "Away

reekmore Curtis Weeks, J. C. Turn- Mrs. Roe Green accompanied the

Mary Eunice Noah was absent from gence." A. B. Turner and Forest school Monday of this week on account of illness.

Editor in chief Helen Gilmore School Banquet Given Tuesday

CLASSES MAKE ATTRACTIVE | Society editor . . _ Mary Eunice Noah to use more soap and water" is the or was he peeved at her? How about and We Won't Go Home Until Morn-Sponsor. Miss Bernie Addison opinion expressed by M. S. Kavan- it, "Slup"? Reporters__Doreen Wood, Mamie Lee augh as he explained the rule for Starkey, Mildred Kincheloe, A. B. school health to his audience at the and J. C. Turner, John Ficke, Coy superintendent and principal banquet third place at the tournament Fri- Gilmore, and Nell McPherson. Hix, Helen Gilmore, Anna Mae Pu- which was served by the Wheeler 4-H day? Well, they did, believe it or Tumbling stunts will consist of forett, Marguerite Ficke, Billy Mc- club girls in the basement of the not. Carrol, Joe Field Meek, Bessie Mae Wheeler Court House last Tuesday

kept throughout the banquet. The a life saver for somebody. It is Yuletide again, so sew up your 4-H club girls cooked and served this

department were exhibits of the sew- a holiday since September and Christ- Gilmore, S. A. Ribble, C. B. Witt, ing and canning the students have mas is just a regular routine of the Gorden Whitener, A. E. Brown, A. H. been doing. Also different girls had year's work so there will be but a and M. S. Kavanaugh, Mr. and Mrs. made their "ideal kitchens" and there small majority who can really relax Rex Lovelady, Mr. and Mrs. George squad girls can actually make spech- Clay, Marguerite Ficke Bessie Mae L. M. Weems, Leona Hobson, C. B. es? Well a few of them can but a Weatherly, Dorothy Tolliver, Doris states Miss Bennie Mae Williams, Enjoy your Christmas vacation and James, Dick Guynes and Helen Gil- majority of them can't.

> H. E. Nicholson, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Witt, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gilmore, Misses Winona Adams and Bernie Addison, Earl Farris, Marguerite Earl Sivage, Fay Ficke, J. C. Turner, teacher. Mildred Kinchloe, A. B. Turner, Beulah Hollabaugh, Coy Hix, Willie Mae Charles Hix, Annie May Green, Merriman Hawkins, Augusta Guynes, Ford Newkirk, Forrest Strentz, Cosette Crofford, Carlyle Robinson, Ja-Puett, Curtis Weeks, Florine Guynes,

PERSONALS

day last week.

Mildred Kincheloe went to the basketball tournament in Mobeetie Fri- with strips of black and gold paper man, Billie Noah; the matador, Car-

school Monday of this week.

Murry College at Abilene, visited school Tuesday of this week.

Tuesday of this week.

visited school Tuesday. Doraeen Wood went to Amarillo

SNICKERS

Miss Addison: "Walter, your hand to write better."

Walter:,"Well, if I did you'd be finding fault with my spelling."

Elizabeth: "Oh, I think you are jus' lots better looking than your next season.

C. I.: "I ought to be, I'm a later

Willie Mae (in chapel): "I can-'he Mustangs defeated Briscoe in a in Judea". R. J. Puckett rendered not imagine what is wrong with that Beet Pickles ose game with a score of 16 to 13. a vocal solo, "In the Valley of the young man over there. He was so Ice Cream celton forfeited next game to Wheel- Moon". Two piano solos were given attentive a little while ago but he Coffee, and mints of chocolate and won't even look at me now."

Ida Bell: "Perhaps he saw me

Mr. Gilmore: "When I began in

a bad start, didn't you."

Flowers are the sweetest! things that God ever made and forgot to put a soul in.

CAUGHT IN THE LASSO'S NOOSE to Meridian, Okla., soon.

the tournament Friday? Did he for- are: Dance of Greeting, Bleeking,

Did you know that the girls won ings will be given by Ruth Dill, Helen

Using red and green as the color when they were invited to the F. B. stands, and two pyramids. The scheme the Christmas colors were banquet? Somebody must have been rythm band will play "Jingle Bells".

be able to produce some poets yet.

What's this I hear about Sue keeping Derwood and Mildred apart?

Did you know that some of the pep Craig, Cozette Crofford, Parilee

goes home each week-end.

some outside help to dry dishes after Burke, Doris Clay, Marian Janelle Ficke, Joe Field Meek, Helen Gilmore, the banquet. Explain yourself, dear Crowder, Jeraldine Dearin, Louise

Hollabaugh, Walter Adams, Bessie the banquet: "I'm goin' to squeeze Louis Craig, Tommy Ford, Robert

Football Banquet

Celebration of the annual football banquet took place Monday night at the high school building. Dr. H. E. Nicholson and other business men of tired in brilliant sashes, lacy shawls, the town furnished the funds. The high mantillas, and other dress styles The visitors present at the chapel home economics girls, under the di- pculiar to Latin America, members of program Wednesday morning were: rectorship of Miss Bennie May Wil- the Spanish Club entertained the high propriate introductions to the talks made by members of the football Willie Southern visited school one squad, their invited guests and fac- sang "When the Moon Comes Over ulty members. There was no planned the Mountain" in Spanish. Mary Euprogram, but after the impromptu nice Noah gave a talk. The Ficke family spent Sunday in speeches, Rev. J. E. Kirby, as main speaker, gave a short address on foot- ish people next presented were: a

draped above the table. In front of lisle Robinson; and el gaucho (the the head table was an orange football cowboy) Merriman Hawkins. Thelma Bradstreet was absent from made of crepe paper with the black cards were gold footballs on black Wendell Meek who is attending Mc- stands; some of the nut cups were black and others were gold. At one Elizabeth Joss was a Shamrock vis- lines to represent a football field. "Buenos Noches Damas." itor Monday afternoon of this week. Four sticks of candy were used as goal posts. The waitresses wore black Edith Ashley was a visitor at school dresses with gold aprons and black will have charge of the chapel progribbons around their heads.

While Captain Adams was carving Ada Schaller from Jericho, Texas, the cake, the boys elected their captain for next year. Instead of a captain and a co-captain, the squad elected two captains, Curtis Weeks and Ford Newkirk, who are on equal basis.

The closing of the past football season was also the ending of high school football for eleven of the old Mustang squad: Adams, McCarroll, writing is terrible. You must learn J. Turner, Balch, Meek, Creekmore Ficke, Farris, A. B. Turner, Hix and Sivage, all being in the class of '34. However, with the prospective materfal and regular players, there are great hopes for a strong line-up for

The menu of the five course dinner

Orange Cocktail Cake Pork Roast Bread Dressing Gravv English Peas Golden Glow Salad orange flavor.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Demonstrating the type of instrucbusiness I had nothing in the world tion given during the past few weeks to start with but my own intelli- students in the tumbling and folk dancing classes will give a program Charlie: "Say, you surely did get at 7:30 Thursday night in the high school auditorium. They will be

assisted by the rhythm band under the direction of Miss Katherine Bowers. The admission will be 10 and 20 cents. Proceeds of the entertainment will be used to buy a tumbling mat

and to pay for the costumes. Colored tarleton, percale, and crepe paper costumes have been made for Don't be surprised if Coy moves all folk dances. These dresses and trunks will be donated to the class for use in future folk dancing classes. Why was Walter actin' up so at The dances that are to be presented ing. 'The song "My Wild Irish Rose' will be sung and pantomine and read-

ward rolls, backward rolls, double rolls, triple rolls, diving, camel's walk, Why were all the girls so thrilled duck wobble, stomach balances, head

Those taking part in the dances are: Ferral Ticke, Ruthie Bell Far-Can't say now that Chief hasn't a ris, Cordie Lee Farris, Gladys War-Fay Ficke, Evelyn Balch, Augusta Guynes, Mildred Kincheloe, Elizabeth What does Estelle want with a Joss, Nerine Young, Mary Eunice ers, Exie Creekmore, Thelma Bradstreet, Charlcie Austin, Verna Green-I believe that the English VI may house, Lottie Mae Clay, Helen Gilmore, and Ruth Dill.

Those taking part in the tumbling stunts are: Aline Buchanan, Orveta Puett, Lillie Mae Crofford, Louise Ficke, Ruth Faye Garrison, Dawn Tolliver, Willie Mae Hollabaugh, Janette Hale, Duvill Lee Norment, Mam-At last the secret is out of the bag. ie Lee Starkey, Estelle Scott, Beattha Alice Wiley.

Members of th rhythm band are: It seems that Miss Williams had Donald Hunt, Patsy Beal, Charlene Gill, Reba Mahler, Mozelle May, Fontella Montgomery, Lovitta Newsome, Heard at the front of the room at Louise Tillman, Suedan Willman Charles Hubbard, John A. Noah, Joe Page, Doyal Ramsey, Henry Risener, Elmer Toliver, Eddy B. Witt, and Kenneth Paul Tranthum.

a Huge Success Spanish Classes Present Program

sung by the assembly, the second year

Among the various types of Spangypsy fortune teller, Capitola Wilson; The room was tastefully decorated a dancer, Nell McPherson; hot tamale

A balcony scene was pantomined letters W. H. S. across it. The place by Curtis Weeks and Mildred Kincheloe. Keeping time with tiny tamborines, Ruth Dill, Mary Eunice Noah, Florine Callan, and Elizabeth end of the table was a large choco- Joss gave a Spanish dance. The first late cake with white icing and colored year closed the program by singing

> On the Wednesday following the Christmas holidays, the senior class

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1933

BRISCOE NEWS Miss Lois Douglas

Miss Pearl Huffman of Dixon left Wednesday for her home at Nevada, Texas, where she will spnd the Christ-

A large crowd attended the county singing convention at Briscoe Sunday. Another singing convention will be held at Briscoe the third Sunday

Miss Grace Douglas spent the week end with Miss Pauline Higdon near

tertained the Baptist intermediate

The Briscoe Senior boys went to the Allison tournament Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Smith were

shoppers in Shamrock Saturday. Miss Ruth Ewing of Wheeler spent the week end with Mrs. Weaver Bar-

Mrs. R D. Douglas spent Sunday vith Mrs. Dan Slagle of Briscoe.

KELTON ITEMS Mrs. D. L. Briley

Leonard Sullivan, Bob Roberts, and Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Roberts made a business trip to Littlefield, Friday returning home Saturday.

Miss Ada Marie Easley of Spearman is visiting friends here this week. Mrs. Elsie Mae Hood and small laughter and Miss Ruth Holland of Canyon were visitors here the early part of last week.

Edd Wall made a business trip to Erick, Okla., Friday.

J. T. Green of Amarillo visited with friends and relatives here last week Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Whitley and

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Davidson and family and Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Washan and small daughter visited relatives at Sayre, Okla., Saturday and

Mr. and Mrs. Don Rives and Mr. nd Mrs. Wilbern Rives were Shamrock visitors Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Carman were

Wheeler shoppers Saturday. Mrs. H. H. Walser and daughter, Fannie Bee visited with her daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Anglin of Shamrock Sat-

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Purnell were Wheeler callers Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Henderson and Claude Henderson of Shamrock visited with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Henderson Sunday.

Albert Johnson transacted business n Wheeler Saturday.

Lamar Roberts made a business rip to Erick Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Oglesby were n Wheeler Saturday.

Marvin Bradstreet spent the past week helping build his mother a

A number of the ladies attended a quilting party at Mrs. L. W. David-

pent the week end at her home in

Mrs. Albert Johnson were Shamrock

hoppers Saturday.

usiness caller here Saturday. Preparation is being made for a Christmas tree to ble in the high auditorium next Saturday

Henderson were business callers in Allison Sunday. H. H. Walser and J. B. Oglesby

were Wheeler and Shamrock callers

O. D. Perryman made a business rip to Shamrock Monday.

Several of the people here attended he singing convention at Briscoe

Horace Briley made a business trip o Wheeler Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tillman Clemens of this community have moved to the Eddie Wall's farm near Sweetwater,

an appendicitis operation a few weeks igo, was removed to the home of Mr.

The Senior and Junior girls' basketball teams attended the tournament at Shamrock Friday and Saturday. The senior girls played three games and won two which gave them the consolation prize, a trophy. The junior girls were defeated in their games. The senior boys also played but were defeated.

Mrs. Vera Jamison of Canadian will spend part of her Chrismas vacation in Wheeler with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hampton.

Homer Taylor and sons H. G. and Harold Quinn from north of town were in Wheeler Saturday trading.

Mrs. H. Briley and daughter-in-law Mrs. D. L. Briley of Kelton were in Wheeler Saturday, shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Trout and son Jakie will leave Saturday to spend Christmas with Mrs. Trout's father John C. Clarke and other relatives at Barksdale, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Puckett me ored to Amarillo Monday

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one's the trump, isn't she?' he'd ask;

and every one would agree with him."

has nice eyes with curly lashes,"

Louise began. "

or two," Lucy snapped.

should do about it?"

Lucy contributed.

and Smif laughed.

like It?"

The response was prompt.

"Hollywood diet!" from Laura.

"Smif's complexion's fine and she

"No one denies, my dear, that she

would be passable if she'd lose a ton

"Talking about me," a rich, almost

unctuous voice declared with no un-

certainty and the utmost indifference.

"Well, what do you suggest that I

"Cyrli would prescribe thyroid ex-

tract, salt free diet and five meals a

day-if you can call them meals,"

The chorus was eager and earnest,

"Forget it, girls. If anything would

make a sylph of me surely this wed-

ding would have. How did you

"Perfect!" the sisters agreed in

"Regardless of expense, wasn't it?"

"Practically," Smif confessed. "It

isn't every day the Lovely family ac-

quires a belted earl. It seemed suit-

chorus, but Lucy had to add:

CHAPTER I

e wedding was over. In the litf confetti that concealed the patof the rug on the floor the foyer silent witness to the fact that the and groom had departed. The ing had been lavish; the wine, in of supposed drought, veritable; the apartment, among the most tiful and spacious in New York, ely suitable for a function that united an American family of dision with the English nobility.

last most of the guests had gone vere reluctantly making ready to under which circumstances the elder Lovely sisters felt that were free to indulge their desire private conversation without givthe impression of a family council. IIIIIII lyril had to rush off to a patient after the ceremony," Lucy said. at die you think of it, Laura?" was a beautiful wedding. I don't ve I could have improved on it." conceded graciously.

> will cost poor Bill-Lee a fortune. culously extravagant, I call it," went on.

ulse nodded briskly. "The Scotch d in the Lovely ancestry is coming in you, Lucy. Why should you y? It isn't going to cost you any-After all, it would have been orable if this had been a shabby tion. As an international affair, ing else has been talked of for the month. This marriage, and Smif's parts e management of it, won't take a y out of your purse and certainly cts great credit on the family." low Smif has done it on what she

IIIIII a year is more than I can underd," Lucy hinted. "The very last r 1 had from Bill-Lee said busiin South America had gone to she went on; "every year he had ed he would make a killing and be to send Smif something; but this there was just no use kidding self-there wasn't a Chinaman's ce of it"

Bill-Lee's way of expressing him-Laura began, only to be interted by Louise, struck by more than wording of what was plainly a quoon from their brother:

You can't mean he never has sent anything? Why, Cintra's educaalone and this wedding! You're at. Lucy. It must have cost a for-

Oh, not so much perhaps," Laura in, characteristically unwilling to row trouble, "after all, Susan lps belped substantially when she Smif this apartment. I think it

awfully decent of Susan." ucy sniffed. Susan wasn't entirely disinterested. vas one way to make sure that her clous Pamela would be invited to a bridesmaid. She never offered

of us such a chance. If Cintra been marrying a plain, every-American I doubt if Susan would been so generous."

Perhaps she's fonder of Smif than is of us-"

There's no need of speculating on Laura interrupted Louise, "she mif use it. Hadn't we better go? 'Il be the last, if we aren't careful," That's all right," Laura reassured "we're the family. I mean to until I've seen Smif. I've never ed to ask her, and I'm wondering at she'll do with herself now that s lost Cintra."

oor old Smif. It really is a tragwhen you come to think of her. of the affair. You can't deny that has given up her whole life to that ld. Fve said it before and I say it in, Bill-Lee had no right to saddle with his offspring, young as she then." Louise looked at Lucy llengingly and Lucy took up the

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Louise always talks as if she were only one who cares for Smif. I re her and so do you, Laura. She's most considerate, the most generperson I know. But neither of us lind to the unfortunate facts. I il always insist that Bill-Lee saved face by providing her with an oc-

ation in life when his wife died." imif's going to be awfully lonely." ra expertly managed to give the et of agreeing with both of her "Oh, dear, she was the bestding of any of us when she was a Why did she have to turn out this? It makes you feel too conuous for words to take her around You all know what I mean. n't mind if people stare at me bee I'm specially well dressed or etter than usual. They stare olf as if they believed she must aped from a sideshow. Yet remember how proud poor was, showing us off to his

'The lovely ladies,' he'd say

Then he'd snatch Smif up

her on his shoulder. 'And this !

proposing a toast, 'my four

and a casual "I'll be back," Smif went off with Charles Phelps.

"Now, what do you make of that?" Louise bent her brows as she stared after the mismatched pair: Charles Phelps, so dried-up and anxious-looking, for all the millions that should have lifted every care from his shoulders; Smif, so massive, so capable, so protective in pose.

Laura shrugged her shoulders. "Preparation for a campaign in London this spring. A good move on Susan's part."

"That isn't what I mean. What do I care for the Phelpses and their social campaigns? It's Smif I'm thinking of. Don't you see how pathetic she is? Actually doing her best to scare Leister off in the hope that she wouldn't have to part with Cintra."

"Nonsense!" Lucy presented her view in answer to Louise. "Smif was very clever there. Leister can never say Cintra's family jumped down his throat. And Smif knew that all Englishmen are bullheaded; oppose them and they're twice as bent on getting their way. What I'm worrying about is the money question. Do you suppose she is going to ask us to con tribute to the expenses? Because ! may as well say at once that it is im possible for Cyril and me to help her. With the stock market collapsed, a fashionable doctor's is the last bill to be paid."

"I'll do what I can," Laura said. "Jim is an angel about money matters."

"Smif wasn't hinting." Louise faced the other two indignantly. "You ought to know her better than that. Ned always says she's 'damnably independent.' Honestly, I'm worried about her. Left alone like this-"

"What she ought to do," Lucy interrupted briskly, "is to buy a small place in the country. She could raise chickens or dogs."

"And we could send the children to her for the summer holidays," Louise submitted the suggestion dryly. "Just like Bill-Lee. Dump our responsibilities on her shoulders. You make me

"Forget It, Girls. If Anything Would Make a Sylph of Me Surely This Wedding Would Have."

able to celebrate the capture. Moreover his earldom's a good fellow. What he saw in Cintra's beyond me. 'She hasn't the brains of a mosquito,' I told him."

"You didn't!" Lucy cried incredulously.

"I did, Why not? I always play fair, I said those very words-and he said: 'Good. I don't like brainy women. What I want to know-Is she sound and kind? Warranted steady in double harness? No kicking over the traces or jumping gates looking for better pasture?' 'No,' I said, 'she'd not have imagination enough to think of such a thing.' 'Good again,' said he, 'my last fancy wrote novels. I'm off imagination for life. How's her temper?' said he. 'Sweet as apple-blossoms,' said I, 'and just about as stimulating.' 'She'll do,' said he. 'When I want excitement I can go to India after big game. I no longer pine for temperament in the 'Please don't be in a hurry home.' about this. You're a bit young to settle down to Cintra's pace,' I warned him. 'Remember, she's always the same. Beautiful, perfect, never a hair out of place, as exciting as a rice pudding.' 'And as wholesome,' he cut in. 'It's no use, Smif, old chap. I'm for it.' 'I see you are, my lad,' I agreed. 'So take her-with my sympathy."

Lucy regarded her youngest sister with extreme disapproval but added hopefully: "Naturally he didn't think you were in earnest."

"You fancy not?" Smif looked back at her owlishly. "At any rate it was a pretty wedding," she ended, bringing the conversation sharply back to where it had started.

"Claire Goodhue said it was absolutely the most charming wedding she had ever seen, and she meant it. For my own part, Smif darling, I don't see how you did it on your income." This suggestion, surprisingly enough, came from Laura. It was more in Lucy's line. A distinct pause followed.

"But of course I didn't," Smif re-

turned nonchalantly. Before her audience had grasped the

significance of this, a worried-looking little man hurried toward the group. "My dear Smif. Susan has decided to run up to the Manor for the rest of the week. Pam has invited the whole bridal party. All those English

people, you know. To the Manor for

over Sunday. Pam wants them. Do

you care to go?" "Goodness, no, Charles! All I ask now is to be allowed to forget that there are such things as marrying and giving in marriage. I'll run and speak to Susan." With a nod to her sisters

positively savage. Why don't you apply for admission for her to a Home for Indigent Spinsters? Smif hasn't asked you for anything. You don't even know that she needs help. When she does will be time enough for you to decide for her what she had better do. She succeeded in educating Cintra, brought her out and married her to an entirely desirable man without assistance or advice from any of us. I'm ready to risk a guess that she'll continue to manage her affairs in her own way, and I, for one, am content to

"I'm sure no one wants to interfere if she isn't in a hole financially," Laura hazarded, eager as always to sidestep trouble. "We were only afraid from what she said that she might need money-and where it was to come from in the present financial depression-'

"Exactly," said Lucy vaguely. "She's not the only person who's hard up. With four children that becomes a chronic condition. And this is so un expected, Louise. If we had ever had to help her before it would be different. We would have saved up for it. whereas now we are utterly unprepared."

Louise had never liked her elder sisters less. Of a sudden they seemed to her selfish and self-centered. As far as money went, she and Ned Carter had less at their command than either of the other families. They lived on Louise's income and put all Ned made back into his business. They had bought a tiny house out on Long Island, pretty as a Dutch toy and just right for a bride, which the arrival of two babies in rapid succession had

crowded to the rooftree. "If Smif needs help, she can depend on Ned and me," Louise rejoined. "I'm sorry if you two are so poverty stricken that you can't afford to de

anything for your sister-" Before the others had rallied their forces to reply to this attack, which was as unexpected as a pet lamb's letting out the roar of a lion, Smif

again bore down on them. "It's too bad, girls. I'll have to go ahead of the others with Susan. She's depending on me to help her through all they have in New York-"

this party of Pam's." "But, Smif, when will we see you again?" Louise asked, her solicitude creeping into her voice and sensitive with extreme disapproval.

little face. Impulsively Smif kissed her.

"We want to know where you are going to live now that Cintra's gone?" Laura asked. "Will you keep your apartment? I fancy it's bigger than you'll need-"

"A little house in the country-" Lucy began, until the understanding. expression on Smif's broad face cut her short in mid-career.

"Invite us all to lunch with you, Laura, a week from today. By that time I ought to have escaped from the after-effects of the wedding. I'll tell

you all my plans then." "Then you have plans?"

Smif grinned, a grin of sheer amuse ment at the thought of the reception the older girls were certain to accord those plans.

"I should say I have! Exciting plans -but I must hurry. That's Pam call-

"Not without telling us what you're going to do?" Louise implored her.

"I don't mind telling you," said Smif, "only I'm rather afraid you won't like it when you hear it. I'm going to be an adventuress."

She passed out into the foyer and a moment later the clang of the elevator door as it closed behind her told them that she was really gone.

CHAPTER II

At first glance the history of the Lovelys, of Lovelylea, Va., presented little of interest to the lingering news monger or novelist. They were not the legendary penniless patricians, immolated on the altar of their pride by the Civil war. On the contrary, the war that pauperized many of their neighbors brought developments which had made the Lovelys of that day vulgarly rich for their time. Immediately thereafter, heartless ill-bred capitalists from the hated North had penetrated their fastnesses to discover coal on lands belonging to them in West Virginia; and while it was a regrettable fact that a higher price might have been realized had the Lee Lovely then reigning been less scornful of advice and of business methods, it is pleasant to remember that for a property regarded as so worthless that the aforesaid heartless capitalists had to convince him that he alone owned and could give title to it, he received a sum that permitted him vintage wines and every indulgence. and of which enough remained at the time of his death to make his son a rich man. His heir, in his turn, died before he had time to impair this inheritance. His son, another Lee Lovely, married, the day he came of age, a girl who proved to be a restraining influence, and that early marriage was blessed punctually every two years by progeny.

All the children were handsome but the youngest, named Matilda Smith, after her mother's mother, was a picture. Before she could walk, her mother being dead, her father carried her in front of him on his saddle, exhibiting her to friends and relations. His pet name for her was "Loveliness," a name which as soon as she could talk she repudiated with scorn.

"Name is Smif, Smif, Smif!" she would shout. And he accepted, as did every one else, the name of Smif for his youngest born. She was the baby, the pet of the older children and of the whole family connection. Smif was quite a big girl before she learned to speak plainly. By that time it would have required a violent effort to break the habit of calling her Smif, and no Lovely was given to effort except in the search for amusement.

Lee Lovely was killed by a fall from his mount returning from a hunt, and young Bill-Lee, now Lee Lovely in his

turn, reigned in his stead. To every one's surprise, when the will was read he proved to have come into an empty inheritance. Lee Lovely the elder had divided his money equally among his daughters, all minors, who had no power to assist their brother before they came of age however much they might desire to do so. Each of them received a round hundred thousand dollars, Bill-Lee the ten-thousand-acre estate of Lovelylee, the non-existent residuary estate and the injunction to give his sisters a home as long as they remained unmarried.

Young Bill-Lee, at that time twentytwo years old, taking Smif with him for company, rode over to his Grandmother Culpeper's to discuss the situ-

Grandmother Culpeper, who looked both frail and brittle, like a Chelsea figure grown wrinkled, was yet a personality whose opinions carried weight. Grandfather Culpeper had been gathered to his fathers years before, but the old lady still dispensed justice and advice in his name.

"As I see it, Grandmama," Bill-Lee expounded, "the only thing for me to do is to find some rich Yank who wants to hunt or raise hunters and rent the place to him, while I go away and try to make the money I'll need to live here as a Lovely should."

His grandmother accepted without protest the fact that a lean life on starved acres could hold nothing to tempt one of his blood.

"Laura says I'll be the richest of the family by the time I come of age, Bill-Lee. I'll give you all my money, so don't worry." Smif had listened to their conversation with interest and a precocious understanding of the situation, and Bill-Lee smiled at their grandmother over her burnished head as Smif went on: "Laura can't spare any. She says she and Lucy will need

"New York?" Recognizing the validity of this second-hand information, her grandmother had seized on it

"Yes, ma'am," Smif nodded, "They're going up there to be married to mighty rich gentlemen."

"Thank you, Smif," said Bill-Lee gravely and in good faith, "when I need help I'll certainly call on youall. . . . Now, Grandmama, this is

my plan, ma'am. I'll rent the place, with Masters to stay on as superintendent. Anyway, it wouldn't be right for the girls to live there with no one but me to look after them, even if I saw my way to staying. They ought to go to good boarding schools. The education they get down here with governesses isn't worth two bits. I'm going to Chile. Nitrates come from there, you know, ma'am, I've been talking to Crossman Barden, who's just back, and he says there's every opportunity for men with push and a little capital."

"But the capital, Bill-Lee-I mean

"Bill-Lee is right, Grandmama. Time enough to be Lee when I take over Lovelylea. The capital, ma'am, will come from my tenant. Masters will forward me the excess over taxes and other expenses, and I'll take a job in Valpo (that's what they call Valparaiso), while I learn the language and look about me carefully before I invest. I mean to make my eternal fortune and come back to Virginia in

Mrs. Culpeper smiled, indulgent of his youthful enthusiasm and saying nothing to discourage it, since she was too straitened in circumstances to offer the aid she would have liked to extend. Cintra, her daughter, and Smif's mother, had been the youngest of her six children and the others all had families as numerous as the Lovely brood and, being less affluent, were a constant drain on her resources in one way or other; moreover she felt that Bill-Lee had hit upon a scheme that held out some faint hope of success. Let the boy go. To be on his own resources would make a man of him, and meanwhile Lovelylea would be kept up. On his return a way might open for him to live there as the head of the Lovely clan should.

From then on, with his grandmother's approval, Bill-Lee had carried his arrangements forward with a rush. Following the plan he had made, he had gone to Chile and his grandmother never saw him again although she had lived to see Cintra, his daughter. who at the age of eight was sent north to the care of her Aunt Smif, then only twenty-two herself. Bill-Lee had remembered his youngest sister's proffer of aid and had turned to her confidently when he needed help after the death of his wife, the penniless daughter of the American consul at Guayaquil. By that time both Lucy and Louise were married, comfortably if not brilliantly settled. Smif had begun to change from the charming child he remembered into a huge woman, so over-weighted with flesh that she was always judged to be far more than her

Laura, the most beautiful as well as the eldest of the Lovely sisters, at that date was also still unmarried. She had one passion and one only; the preservation of her beauty by natural, not artificial, means. To insure that she took many precautions. She was very popular, very handsome, and, as the years went by, she kept a place for herself in the ; oung set as it matured by a carefully calculated gen-

Her choice, for a husband, had fallen on James Hammersley, a man verging on fifty. Jim Hammersley was rich;



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able and willing to gratify her whims; his social position was, as she expressed it to Lucy, her sole confidante, entirely suitable for a Lovely of Lovelylea." There would be no necessity for her to struggle to assert herself.

Thus at thirty-eight, when her niece Cintra was married, she would have been taken by a stranger for her husband's daughter, or the youngest of the handsome Lovely sisters. And the youngest she intended to remain, cost anyone else what it might.

. Carried before her father on his horse, or later at his side on her own pony, Matilda Smith Lovely had learned to know every wood and brook and dell of his possessions in all weathers and she had absorbed many of his tastes and peculiar preoccupations. Drenched to the skin and chattering with cold she had been brought home and handed over to her nurse after a thunder storm which they had watched come and go from the top of a distant hill.

At Lovelylea she spent the happiest days of her life, and for the dignified old mansion and its surrounding acres she had a depth of affection that was not suspected by her sisters or brother; the tears she had shed on their departure being attributed to her grief at parting from Bill-Lee. Actually she had been eager for him to start on his great adventure, feeling certain that he would soon return in the guise of the prince in the fairy take, bringing

with him enough of the wealth of the Incas to enable them all to come back in triumph to Lovelylea and live happily ever after, according to the proper pattern; or, if the elder girls persisted in their perverse intention to stay in New York and acquire rich husbands, she hoped that by that time she, Smif, might be adjudged old enough to act as chatelaine for Bill-Lee.

This dream received its first shock when her brother married. To her mind, the money spent to support his wife and child in luxury was money wilfully diverted from the redemption of Lovelylea. From then on, she knew Bill-Lee for a weakling and laid her plans accordingly; plans destined to be sadly disarranged when Cintra was sent to her with a reminder of her childish promise,

Smif came of a stock whose word was their bond. Unquestioningly she accepted the responsibility thrust upon her, and gave her niece a devotion so unselfish that no one ever doubted its inspiration was affection; Cintra, who was beautiful and brainless, least of all.

Now, when at last she was freed from her burden, Smif's greatest desire remained unchanged. To regain possession of the family estate was her goal. Her brother was ready to assume that further effort was useless and he had pointed out that where he was, living was easy and cheap. Plainly the old life in Virginia, love for which seemed to have entered the very marrow of her bones, no longer held a lure for him. He was content in South America and meant to stay

Smif wrote Bill-Lee a long letter in which she set forth the argument that as he had no love for Lovelylea and she had, she wished the opportunity of buying it from him at the expiration of the present lease.

This letter would have impressed her brother as even more extraordinary than it did had he known how nearly she had ruined herself for him and his child. However, he was never one to reject any favorable chance requiring no exertion on his part. If Smif wanted to sink her money in the old place, by all means let her! Probably by this time she was a rich woman, an old maid who had found no way to spend her income in all these

years. And so the matter had been settled. At some sacrifice, Smif had sent a thousand dollars as earnest of her intention, fearing him in want and too proud to confess his difficulties; for it must be put down to Bill-Lee's credit that he had not sponged upon her as he might have done, although from time to time he had accepted the helping hand she had offered him.

With unusual business foresight, Smif had demanded and duly received an acknowledgment setting forth this payment and their agreement, for Cintra's information should it happen that she inherited before her aunt had exercised her option.

The possession of this document warmed Smif's heart even though she had no idea where she could obtain a sum of money sufficient to avail herself of the opportunity it held out to her. That Cintra might want to take over the ancestral halls had never seriously entered her head and, if it had, would at once have been dismissed. The place was only a name to the girl.

Knowing it to be impossible, Smif yet longed to stay at Lovelylea with the child through the changing seasons, to awaken in her a love for the land since, unconfessed at the time even to herself, she was already fearful that Bill-Lee would neither return there nor marry again. Reading between the lines of his letters, she divined that he had parted with Cintra, joyful at his release from family cares and expenses. He had made it quite plain that his daughter was to be hers to do with as she would. And she reasoned that since there would be no male heir, in the fullness of time Lovelylea would be Cintra's.

At that date, it seemed essential to Smif that the little girl should see the place and learn to love it; but her grandmother gently negatived the suggestion. Anything else they wished they might do, but they were not to go to Lovelylea.

Smif inquired discreetly the reason

for the prohibition, and the answer at first made her smile.

Mr. Johnstone Nesbit was not a Virginian.

"Grandmama, darling." she cried. "that really has ceased to be a crime. I've met some quite charming gentlemen who have had the misfortune to be born outside of our beloved state."

"Gentlemen, yes," Mrs. Culpeper agreed, "I should have said further that this man Nesbit is not a gentleman. He has lived here for years and he is received nowhere. You cannot visit your home while he is its tenant. He certainly was mighty rude to your Cousin Christopher."

Grandmama Culpeper's commands could be neither questioned nor disputed, and so it happened that Cintra on that visit did not see the home of her father's fathers.

Later, when Smif had plumbed the shallows of her niece's nature, she never troubled to take her to Virginia again. Cintra had no depths either of affection, intellect, or humor. She expressed and felt no regret at leaving her father and the land of her birth. She was quite contented in New York, quite contented in fact anywhere. She was absolutely negative and as little trouble as a child could well be. And she was always a picture of serene loveliness. As a companion a fine

wax doll would have been equally sympathetic. (TO BE CONTINUED)

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Miss Geraldine Lewis spent the week end at the Floyd Adams country nome, northwest of Wheeler. John Smith, a farmer living near

Elk City, Okla., enroute to Lubbock, spent a short time in Wheeler Thurs-

Mr. and Mrs. John Puryear of Wellington were in Wheeler Monday trying to find out when Jeff Kelley's funeral would be held.

Mrs. O. Lewis and daughter Mrs. im Hyatt and her daughter Bobbie Jo, motored to Shamrock Friday where they visited Mrs. G. T. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Johnson are expecting his parents Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Johnson of Greenville, Texas, to spend Christmas with them.

Mrs. Hattie E. Miller and daughter, Mrs. R. H. Cailloutte and husband of Elk City, Okla., were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. G.

Late Tuesday night the farm home of Sylvester Carver on the A. B. Crump and D. E. Holt ranch, six miles from town, was completely destroyed by fire, including the household goods,

Ed. Strentz, manager of the Panhandle P. and L. Co. for Wheeler county, made a trip to Borger Wednesday in the interest of the com-

A. and M. at College Station is expected home Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with his mother Mrs M. L. Gunter and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy W. Bones and daughter left December 12 for Bellevue, where they will spend the holidays with Mrs. Bones' mother and

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hicks are expecting the following guests for Christmas dinner: Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wilburg, Mrs. Kaken and her daughter, Mrs. Margarette Smith and two sons, Lesley and Carol of Woodward, Okla. Mrs. Wilburg is a sister of



a home newspaper. And when we say that the Rogue is again to have the pleasure of bothering you with his chatter, we feel that first of all we should thank Mr. Miller and his good family for coming to Wheeler and making possible the Wheeler Times, our new newspaper. We sincere a pleasant association with the pe the hot stuff about the movies-

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