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OVER \$375,000 IMPROVEMENTS DURING THIS YEAR

Town Topics

WITH THE dawn of a new year—1930, on the threshold, the News, Your Home Paper, takes this opportunity to wish everyone, here and everywhere—



News that Dimmitt is likely to have gas by next winter IS NEWS—providing Dimmitt gets gas. We say "likely" advisedly, for it is not certain at this time that the city commission will grant a franchise acceptable to both the municipality and the utility. And again, the News feels that the gas company will probably have a franchise drawn up, which will very likely be acceptable to the commission. But to put this thru, without granting one or more extensions, is another proposition. Many obstacles can be encountered to delay the project, but we trust that, with the very short distance the main line will have to be run, that the usual delays will not occur, and extensions will not be asked for.

The proposal of Fred C. Porter of Olton, to build and operate an ice plant in Dimmitt, has met with favorable response from several of the leading business men of the city. It is the belief of the News that this is one public utility that Dimmitt should have by next summer. We trust that some definite plan can be worked out at the next meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, when Mr. Porter will be with us to discuss the proposition.

Dimmitt has been, for the past month or two, confronted with a problem that, if not adjusted, and done at once, will injure the town and its business interests. Due to inadequate, and where obtainable, in some instances, exorbitant prices, of the city housing facilities, there has been lost to us a number of families. This being the terminal of the Plains Division of the railroad, it is nearly essential, all things being equal, that the train crews live here. But after over a month of investigating, the News finds that things have not been "equal." Acceptable living quarters have been very scarce, and in some instances, where they were acceptable, the price asked was prohibitive. The News is not trying to set the price of room or house rent in the city, but when the city loses as many as three families, totalling seven or eight people, and a pay roll of over \$1700 per month, we believe that we should wake up to the fact that the railroad is worth more to the city than as a carrier. Railroad officials desire their crews to live here, but it is not compulsory where facilities are inadequate or rent unreasonable.

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FATHER OF MRS. GILBERT DIED AT BUDA MONDAY

Word was received Monday of the death of A. L. Piland, at his home in Buda, and father of Mrs. N. M. Gilbert, of this city.

Mrs. Gilbert was called home two weeks ago, on account of the serious illness of her father, and returned to Dimmitt last

Texas Utilities Will Build Up With Dimmitt

Company Announces That Their Properties Here Will Be Expanded.

It has been learned by the News that the officials of the Texas Utilities Company, now serving Dimmitt and many other towns in this section with light power and ice, have been, for the past year, watching with interest, the growth of this city.

With this information, we are authoritatively informed that this company intends to expand its properties here during 1930, in proportion to the needs of the city. Money has been appropriated for certain improvements which the officials feel sure will be needed before the end of another twelvemonth.

Within a very short time, and with the connecting of the Dimmitt high line with that of the line recently completed, from Clovis, running about a mile south of the city, Dimmitt will have access to three high lines, and, according to Fred Oberthier, Utilities official at Hereford, this city will be the only one, except Canyon, with this arrangement, and which, it can readily be seen, is a great asset. We are on the line out of Canyon, running thru, and serving, Hereford and after connection with the Clovis-Plainview line, we will be "tied on" with the line north from Plainview, giving us a service of electricity second to none in West Texas.

Judge I. R. Kelso, of St. Louis, President of the Texas Utilities Co., who was in Dimmitt last week, displayed much interest in the progress of the city, while visiting at the News office.

Judge Kelso is responsible for much of the progress of this section, during the past four years, and he has many friends here who are watching with a great deal of pleasure the progress of his company, and their great work in the upbuilding of this immediate section.

Legion Will Sponsor Show

Castro County Post No. 445, American Legion, held a very interesting meeting at the court house last Friday night, with about sixteen members present.

The most important matter taken up was that of increasing the finances of the post. It was decided to sponsor a war picture at the Castro Theatre some time in January, probably about the 22 and 23, at which time Johnnie Lawson, manager, will give the use of his house, plus actual expenses, to the Legion. Arrangements are now being made for a war picture, thru the National headquarters of the Legion, for the picture, announcement of which will be made in detail as soon as they are completed.

At the meeting the following additional officers were elected, which completes the personnel of the post:

Carlos Reynolds, Chaplin.
J. C. Stringer, Finance Officer
Bert Huckabee, Service Officer
Edgar Ramey, Sergeant-at-Arms.

Other officers of this new organization are:
Thomas F. Bice, Post Commander.
George C. Smith, Vice-Commander.

Cecil Montgomery, Adjutant.
The Post meets the first and third Fridays in each month, and has a membership of over

East and West Bus Line Thru Dimmitt Is Refused

Word was received last week by the News from the Motor transportation Division of the Texas Railroad Commission, that the application of W. E. Watson, of Lubbock, for permit to operate a bus line from Clarendon, thru Dimmitt, to Farwell, had been denied. The hearing was held in Wichita falls on December 12.

The letter contained the information that the applicant did not have a single witness, nor any other evidence, as required by law, showing the public necessity for the line.

The Chamber of Commerce of Castro County, thru its president, wrote a letter to the commission, endorsing the line, but the law requires witnesses and proof that the proposed line is a necessity for public welfare, and also, correct information as to the condition of the roads along the route.

North and South Line

Since the News received word as to the failure of the Watson line, we have learned that an application is now on file with the commission at Austin, for the operation of a line from Hereford to Silvertown, via Dimmitt and Tulia. This application is being made by a Mr. Byrd, an experienced bus line operator of Oklahoma, and the chances for its passage are good, according to persons familiar with the situation in this section.

Cagers Are Still Winning

Again demonstrating their ability at the popular indoor winter sport, the Dimmitt High cagers defeated their old-time opponent, Canyon, last Thursday on the local court by the very decisive score of 45 to 16.

A large crowd attended the game, and fans of this city are beginning to see in our fair team a champion aggregation for the present season. This is their third victory, in as many contests.

And following, as they did the week before, the Dimmitt boys added another victory to their list by defeating the Farwell boys in a contest the same evening, score, 21 to 14.

The boys journeyed to Friona last Friday night and added another win to their list by defeating the Parmer County boys by the score of 16 to 14.

Following is the line-up for the two teams:

Girls
Forwards—Effie Elder and Ona Fae Smith.
Centers—Jumping, Zonell Brooks; Running, Alyne Creager and Evelyn Blanton.
Guards—Lillie Belle Hart and Leona Hastings.
Substitutes—Ruth Waggoner, Jennie Gardner, Willie Mildred James, Mary Kate James, and Louise Houtchins.

Boys
Forwards—Tater Webb and Pat Hardy.
Center—Floyd Smith.
Guards—Rothwell, Jr., and Elbert Newsome.

Substitutes—T. Newton, Useless Wagoner, Greer Estell, Gaston Jackson, Clyde Tisdale, Newburn Kennedy and Glenn Maples.

WILL BUILD NEW HOME

T. A. Singer, of the West Texas Telephone Co., has moved the frame dwelling at the corner of Ninth and Bedford, opposite the new Baptist Church, a few feet west, and will begin the construction next spring of a new and

State Inspector Commends Our County Schools

State Rural School Inspector Commends Castro County Schools Highly.

Miss Selby Attwell, of Austin, and a rural school inspector connected with the state department of education, was in this county last Tuesday and Wednesday, and in company with County Superintendent M. R. Avery, made an inspection of seven rural schools, all of whom had applied for additional state aid.

Each of the institutions inspected by Miss Attwell received an O. K. on the application, and she was loud in her praise of the schools of Castro County.

She stated that this county has the best system of rural schools that she has inspected, and this was evidenced by the fact that each application was approved by her.

The following rural schools were officially visited:
Hart, Sunnyside, Cleo, Flagg, Big Square, Easter and Frio.

While here Miss Attwell visited the Dimmitt High School, just recently completed, and was surprised at the magnificence of the building, for a town the size of this city.

CAPTAIN C. S. NUSBAUM IN HOSPITAL AT TULSA

Word from Captain C. S. Nusbaum, who conducted the community festival here some time ago, stated this week that his right leg just below the knee had been amputated. He stated, however, that he would soon be out of the hospital and back on the job.

CHANGES AT DEPOT

Clayton Bond, of Silvertown, who came to Dimmitt about two months ago as helper at the depot, has been transferred as agent at South Plains. Lee Bomar, also of Silvertown, took his place as assistant to J. H. Bruce, local agent.

Many Attend Xmas Festive

Nearly four hundred people attended the Community Xmas tree sponsored by the churches of Dimmitt at the auditorium on Christmas Eve.

Santa Claus was there, and as usual was generous with many presents and goodies for all the kiddies, and they were there!

The large Christmas tree, electrically lighted, with the large star atop presented a beautiful sight, and the committees who were responsible for this event are to be commended for the manner in which it was presented.

RADIO INTERFERENCE ABOUT ELIMINATED

For the past four weeks radio fans in Dimmitt have been experiencing an unusually large amount of interference in their sets. This was caused by the high frequency of vibration caused by the automatic ringing machine recently installed on the switch board of the Dimmitt telephone exchange.

According to T. A. Singer, of the West Texas Telephone Co., the eliminator for this apparatus was not sent with the machine, but it has been received, and connected up the first of this week. Since Monday the interference has stopped from this source. Some other electric machines over town are interfering some, but not to any great extent.

ALONG WITH EXTENSIVE BUILDING PROGRAM FOR PAST YEAR, BOTH CASTRO COUNTY AND DIMMITT HAVE ENJOYED SUBSTANTIAL INCREASES IN POPULATION. BUMPER WHEAT CROP LAST SUMMER ATTRACTED HUNDREDS OF NEW FAMILIES HERE, AND INFLOW AT PRESENT IS VERY NOTICEABLE THROUGHT COUNTY.

DURING THE past twelve months, or, in fact, since the coming of the railroad into this County, a little over a year ago, many interests, and farmers, have watched Castro County and its site, Dimmitt. With the coming of the Denver, which gave Dimmitt its first train, in September, 1928, the town began to show signs of rapid growth. At that time less than half a dozen brick buildings were in the city, and only a sufficient number of residences to house the four hundred inhabitants of the village.

During 1929, however, Dimmitt has seen a wonderful growth. The building of 15 new brick business houses, at a cost of approximately \$56,000.00, and 60 residences, many of them constructed of brick, total cost estimated at near \$120,000.00, the city has increased in population over one hundred per cent, there now being more than 1,000 people residing within the city limits, which now comprises the original town section site, the Miller Addition, in the northwest part of town, the Clifton Heights Addition, in the west part, and the Winona Addition, on the north side.

Dimmitt's Total About \$315,000

Castro Citizens Urged to Buy Tags at Home

County Commissioner Calls Attention to Benefits of Buying License Here.

Roy Haberer, county commissioner from Precinct No. 2, covering the southwestern portion of the county, calls the attention of the News to the fact that, in past years, many automobile, and especially truck owners, have been in the habit of purchasing their auto licenses at Muleshoe, in Bailey County.

But the attention of our citizens is called to the fact that at present, the state law provides that most of the money expended in a county for auto licenses remains there, to be expended on bridges and roads, and those of Castro County who purchase their licenses in other counties, are contributing to the roads of communities where they do not live, own property, or use to any great extent. And the condition of their own county roads are neglected to the extent of every dollar spent away from home for auto licenses.

Auto owners of Castro County are, therefore, urged to purchase their licenses in Dimmitt, where they will receive the benefit of approximately 99 per cent of the money.

Proposition of Ice Plant to Come Before C. of C.

Fred C. Porter, who was in Dimmitt three weeks ago looking over the field with a view of erecting an ice plant, was here again last week, and after conferring with Chamber of Commerce officials, agreed to return and meet with that body at their next meeting, which will be held early in January.

He will have, at that time, figures to present to the civic body and the business men of the city, with a view of getting from them an expression of the advisability of the establishment of such an industry here.

Mr. Porter will, if all things are favorable, have a seven- or ten-ton plant in operation by next summer.

RECORD RUSH AT LOCAL POST OFFICE THIS YEAR

The Holiday rush at the Dimmitt post office this year is the heaviest on record, according to assistant postmaster Duree. All incoming mails are heavy, and the outgoing package mail is larger than ever before.

During this Holiday rush Mrs. Wade Parks, a former assistant in the office, has been helping with the work.

With the completion this month of the new \$85,000.00 School building in Clifton Heights, Dimmitt's total building program for the year just ending will reach, approximately, \$315,000.00. This does not include about \$33,000.00 spent by the Texas Utilities Company in the construction of two high lines in the county, one of which traverses the city.

And in addition to the 15 new business blocks and 60 residences, work was recently started on another elevator, of concrete, being erected by the Farmers Elevator, on their present properties, and which will double their capacity for grain for next season.

The Castro County Grain Co. expended several thousand dollars on an addition to their elevator, to care for additional machinery installed, including a mill and smut-removing equipment.

Activity At Hart

In addition to the erection of two elevators at Hart, a number of new buildings have been erected, as well as residences, and it is understood that the building program contemplated for that city in 1930 is quite extensive.

Schools Improved

One complete new school building has been completed, at Big Square, and the Jumbo district erected a new building, near the old structure, to house the home economics department. At Flagg, bonds have been voted for a new and modern building, to supplant the present one of frame.

Census of City and County

The scholastic census of the county was, last January, about 1,000, and the increase is estimated by County Superintendent Avery at 25 per cent, giving the county 1250 at present.

The population of the county in January, 1929, was around 5,200, while now Percv Estes, tax assessor thinks it will reach the 6,000 or over mark.

In Dimmitt, where the largest growth of the entire county is evident, we have at present over 1,000 inhabitants, while last January, only about 400 dwelled in the city.

The scholastic census of Dimmitt now is over 300, while early in the year about 270 were reported by school authorities.

Waterworks Not Included

The municipal waterworks system, to cost in the neighborhood of \$50,000, has not been included in the foregoing resume, altho thousands of dollars worth of material and equipment is now on the ground, awaiting the completion of the well.

New Business Concerns

Several new business concerns have come to Dimmitt this past year, including the News plant which is modern in every respect and meant an outlay of

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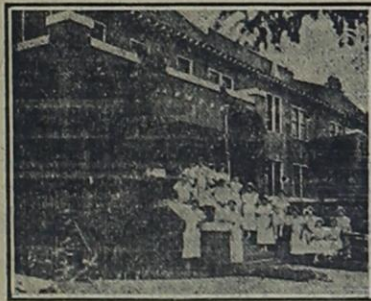
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These two Maltese dogs of a rare breed are a betrothal present to Princess Marie Jost of Belgium, made by her fiance, Prince Humbert of Italy. The princess expressed a desire some time ago to own a pair like this and Humbert, after a long search, found a pair of perfect specimens near London.

GO TO CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY

Church News

ALL DIMMITT CHURCHES WELCOME VISITORS

Services In New Church Sunday

Announcement was made this week by Rev. N. M. Gilbert, of the Paptist Church, that Sunday School and both morning and evening services would be held in the new church, first floor, on next Sunday.

The first floor is finished, and will be used until the later part of January, at which time it is expected that the entire building will be completed.

SPECIAL SERVICES BY REV. J. R. BRIGHT

Rev. J. R. Bright, pastor of the Methodist Church, announces that he will hold special New Years services at the Presbyterian Church, both at te morning and evening hours, on next Sunday.

Dimmitt Circuit, Methodist Church.

Rev. J. E. PETERS, Pastor JUMBO—First Sunday in each month, morning and evening services.

BETHEL—Second Sunday in each month, morning and evening services.

FRIO—Third Sunday in each month, morning service only.

EASTER—Fourth Sunday in each month, evening service.

FLAGG—Second and Fourth Sunday afternoons of each month.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Services every second and fourth Sunday by Rev. Earl Smith, of Hereford, morning and evening.

Bible Class Study 10 to 11 o'clock every Sunday morning.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.

Ladies Bible Class every Tuesday at 4 p. m. Social meeting every first Tuesday.

METHODIST CHURCH

Services on the first and third Sundays, morning and evening, by Rev. J. R. Bright, pastor.

Sunday School every Sunday at 10:00 a. m.

Epworth League meets every Sunday at 8:00 p. m.

Missionary Society meets every Monday afternoon a 4 o'clock.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Preaching every Sunday morning and evening by the pastor, Rev. N. M. Gilbert.

Sunday School every Sunday at 9:45 a. m.

Junior B. Y. P. U. meets every Sunday at 6:00 p. m.

Senior B. Y. P. U. meets every Sunday at 7:45 p. m.

Missionary Society meets every Monday afternoon.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Preaching every second and fourth Sunday morning and evening, by Rev. G. D. Robinson, pastor.

Building for 1929 Reaches High Mark.

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thousand dollars for the publishers.

Telephone Company Spends Improvements by the West Texas Telephone Company, in the County, during the past five months, will reach over \$18,000, according to T. A. Singer, owner, and who has been in active charge of operation and construction for the past four months.

NEWS OF

Arney

MRS. FLOYD W. FORTNER, Correspondent and Representative

Miss Lacy Boyd is spending a few days visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Hall of Childress.

A few fro mhere attended a baptising at Tulia Sunday, when Mrs. Tucker and Kalter Graham were baptised.

Mr. and Mrs. Abbott of near Dimmitt, spent the week end visiting Mr. and Mrs. Walter Graham.

Our Basketball boys are busy practicing for some matched games which they have scheduled.

Several of the young people of this community motored to Happy Tuesday night to attend the vocal concert which was given in the auditorium of the Happy High Schol building.

A large crowd gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hutson last Thursday night, for a surprise shower given in honor of their daughter, Opal, who was married recently. Many beautiful gifts were received.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace and daughter, Miss Olata, of Oklahoma, who visited their son, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wallace for a few days, left for Borger Sunday to visit their daughter during the Holidays.

Harlingen, one of the few Texas towns without bonded indebtedness, is considering a \$2,000,000 bond issue for a variety of public improvements.

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Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

BY MARY GRAHAM BONNER

MOUNTAIN LIONS

"Now we both know who we are, and we both know who each other is," said Mr. Mountain Lion. "We know that we are called the Mountain Lion family or the puma family, and that both names are correct."

"We know so many things," said Mrs. Mountain Lion.

"That's so," agreed her mate. "I am not just sure what all the things are that we do know," said Mrs. Mountain Lion.

"Neither am I," said her mate, "but I don't suppose it makes much difference."

"It might, of course, if anyone came up to us and said:

"What are all the things you know?"

"Do you suppose," said Mr. Mountain Lion, "that anyone would be so rude as to come up to two perfectly nice animals and ask such a question?"

"They might," said Mrs. Mountain Lion.

"Horrors," said Mr. Mountain Lion. "Horrors, indeed," said Mrs. Mountain Lion, "but they might."

"I don't think it would be fair," said Mr. Mountain Lion. "It would not be nice for us to go up to anyone and say:

"How much do you know, or what do you know? It would be very rude, and also unkind."

"No one wants to show how little he knows, though everyone wants to



Water Doesn't Come in Pieces.

show how much he knows, and when asked how much it might appear very little."

"You talk as though you didn't know much," said Mrs. Mountain Lion.

"But I know a great deal," said Mr. Mountain Lion.

"My dear puma mate," said Mrs. Mountain Lion, "what would you do if anyone did ask you how much you knew?"

"I would pretend I was asleep," said Mr. Mountain Lion.

"That's a bright idea," said Mrs. Mountain Lion, "but suppose your ribs were tickled and you laughed, what then?"

"I'd pretend I was laughing and talking in my sleep," said Mr. Mountain Lion.

"Besides, I very much doubt if anyone came and tickled my ribs."

"I don't think people do that to mountain lions or puma creatures."

"But still, if they did, I could say how we belong to the puma family or the mountain lion family, and that we have both names."

"They could see that we were handsome creatures, so I wouldn't have to tell them that."

"I could tell them how quick and spry and clever we are. I could mention how quickly we can run and how easily we can move, and how wonderfully we can climb."

"Oh, we're such good climbers! We're the best climbers in the world—at least of the cat family."

"Then, too," said Mrs. Mountain Lion, "we could tell how we can swim, and how, whenever we come to a piece of water we go right in swimming."

"Water doesn't come in pieces," said Mr. Mountain Lion, smiling sweetly. "We'd better speak of water in some other way."

"We'd better mention whether we came to a brook, or a river, or a pond, or a lake, or what it was, and if it happened to be large enough for us to have a fine swim."

"Yes, we'd better do that," said Mrs. Mountain Lion. "However we really have a good deal to tell about ourselves."

"A good deal, it is true," said Mr. Mountain Lion.

"A good deal," repeated Mrs. Mountain Lion again.

Queer Word

Pocket handkerchief, when you pause to think of it, must be one of the queerest words in the language. At first, it was kerchief (couvre-herf), a covering for the head; then it became handkerchief, a covering for the head carried in the hand, and at last pocket handkerchief, a covering for the head, held in the hand, and kept in the pocket.

The Last Straw

On the road to Mossel Bay a motorist had occasion to crawl under his car to do a small repair. A herd of cows came by in charge of a boy.

As the last one passed the car the boy yelled out: "All right!"

Cost of State Wards Made Public In Austin Recently

A recent dispatch from Austin shows just what it costs to care for the 15,580 wards of the Lone Star State.

The reports shows that the State of Texas spent, during the month of October, a total of \$489,948 on inmates for the various institutions, including improvements and new construction at some of the institutions.

The average cost for support of each inmate was \$32.13 for the month.

The costs ranged from \$22.89 to reach of the inmates, numbering 1,526, in the Wichita Falls state hospital, to \$75.38 for each of the 211 pupils in the state blind school at Austin.

The cost was \$64.47 for the 319 Confederate veterans at the Confederate home; \$53.28 for the 102 persons in the Confederate Women's home; \$38.37 for 538 pupils in the deaf school; \$26.82 for the 224 pupils in the deaf, dumb and blind school for negroes; \$39.53 for 838 patients in the Austin school for feeble-minded; \$25.05 for each of the 2,144 patients in the Austin State hospital; \$47.03 for the 211 children in the Waco home; \$50.50 for each of the 963 patients at the Abilene state hospital; and \$56.80 for the 495 patients in the tuberculosis hospital and sanatorium.

Stephenville, which shipped approximately half that amount for the Thanksgiving market, expects to ship close to a half-million pounds of dressed turkeys this season. The Erath turkey crop this year is valued at well above \$200,000.

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Community Building

House Owner Profits by Regular Painting

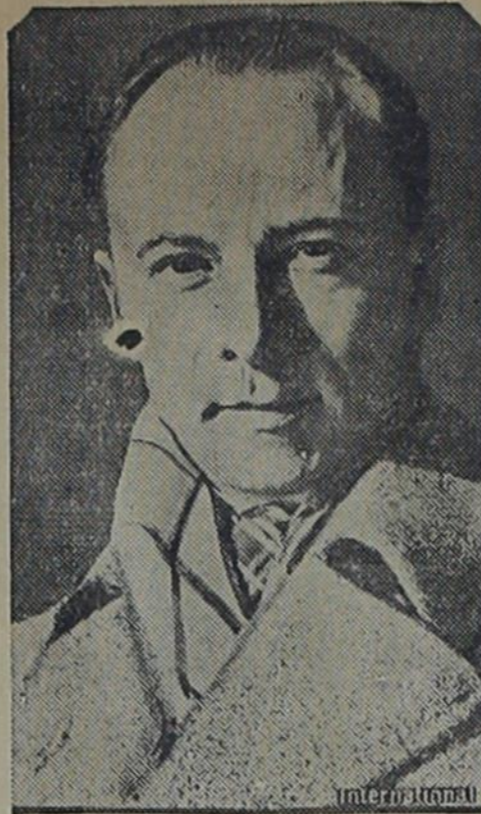
Too often painting is of a trial and error process. It takes us once to learn how, and experience is, in this case, a costly teacher. Yet there are other equally effective ways of learning. Inform yourself of the facts before you plunge ahead. Incidentally, informing yourself of the facts will not mean delay and prolonged deliberation, but on the contrary, earlier painting than you had probably planned. For if you will investigate appraisal statistics you will find an amazing difference between the relative values of regularly painted and partially neglected houses. Paint prevents weathering of wood and corrosion of metal, and in doing so maintains property values. The economical time to repaint a frame house, under average weather conditions, is every three to five years.

Regular painting alone does not mean the best that can be had in economy. A good job is likewise a requisite. The first requisite for a good job is good paint. And the second is good workmanship.

Inferior paint covers less surface and for this reason alone equals or even exceeds the cost of good paint—that is, if you are considering cost per square foot rather than cost per gallon. Inferior paint will probably require renewal in two years or less, whereas four years would otherwise have been the interval. When it is remembered that the cost of application is usually about three times the cost of the paint itself, the importance of this factor may be thoroughly appreciated. In addition to being of good quality, paint should be used only for the purpose for which it is intended—for exteriors, exterior paint only, and so on.

There are 494 Texans reporting net incomes of more than \$50,000 a year, including 13 with incomes exceeding \$500,000.

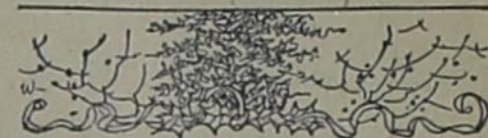
Painting Mr. Hoover



Tadeusz Styka, noted Polish portrait painter, who is now in Washington to make a portrait of President Hoover.

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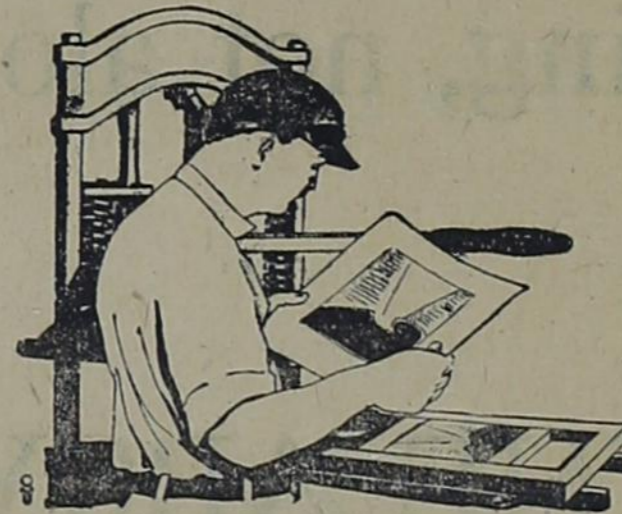
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By B. B. Huckabee, Secretary



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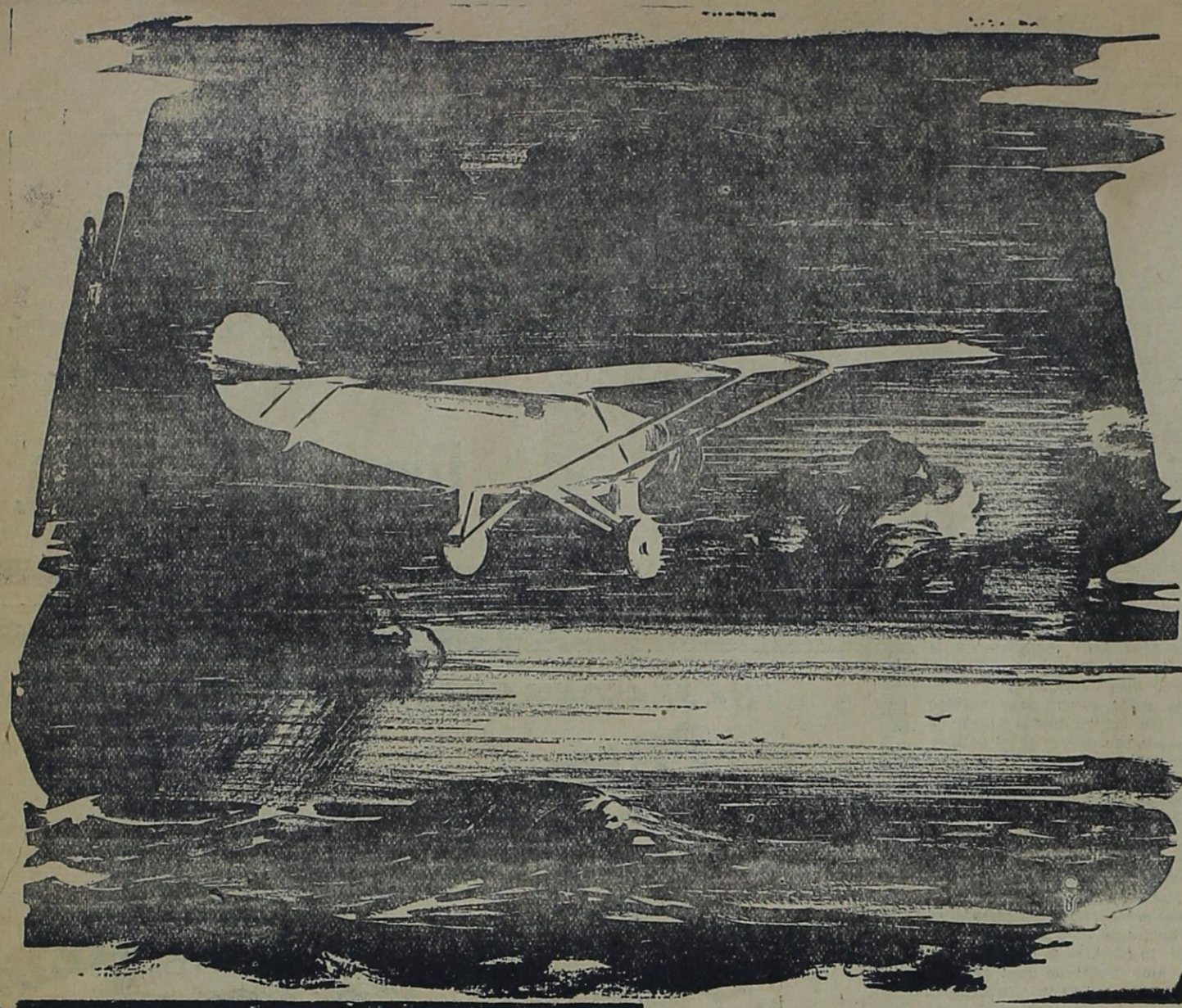
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ONWARD AND UPWARD--WORKING TOGETHER DURING

As we forge onward into the dawn of a new year, where we will be forced to cross seas of unknown depth and width before us the knowledge that in union there is strength. Boosting, not alone by word of mouth, but by acts as vigorous, com

TO THE ABOVE END, DO WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMUNITY UNIT, FOR A BIGGER AND BETTER FUTURE THE ADVANCEMENT OF OUR

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1930 FOR A BIGGER AND BETTER COMMUNITY!

will be apt to meet storms of unknown strength---where
---where none can tell what awaits---let us ever keep be-
a united community we can meet and overcome all.
l, we can make this community better and more pros-
what may!

ED, PLEDGE OURSELVES TO WORK AS A COM- TTER TOWN AND COUNTY, AND FOR AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY.

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Editor and Manager

TOWN TOPICS

(Continued from first page)

"You have the best system of rural schools it has been my pleasure to inspect", stated Miss Attwell, state school inspector last week to M. R. Avery, Superintendent. And in addition to that, she said, after visiting our new high school, "It is wonderful, I never saw such a beautiful building in a community this size." It was very gratifying to Judge Avery and the Dimmitt independent school officials, and it is a pleasure to the News to let our readers know the opinion of one who is connected with the state department of education, with reference to the schools of Dimmitt and Castro County.

The loss, apparently, of the proposed bus line, east and west, thru Dimmitt, is regrettable, but with the news that an application is pending for a line to run from Hereford to Silverton, via Dimmitt and Tulia, is good, inasmuch as we believe that the north and south line will be welcomed even more that the one east and west.

To any person studying the matter, it is plain to be seen that the strategical point in the operation of the Texas Utilities is in Dimmitt. With the service line out of Canyon serving us now, we find our "Electrical Servant" bringing in more lines from other directions. Not because Dimmitt needs more service, but because, it seems to the News, that we are strategically located on the company's network of lines, serving efficiently, this entire section. It is obvious, then, to the News, that this city's location will, some day, be a great asset. In short, Dimmitt is very fortunate, and should take advantage of every opportunity to advance. Our Utility Company will be in step as we move forward!

We are glad to make an urgent editorial request of all auto owners that they purchase their car and truck licenses at Dimmitt. Nearly all of the money that you spend for your license will remain in the county where you spend it, to be used on the roads and bridges. It certainly would be poor policy for a person to go to a neighboring County to buy his license with the knowledge that his money would be used on his own home roads, had he left it there. Spend it at home this year, folks!

Let the News Print it in 1930!

Yanks Help Dedicate New Belgian Bridge



Veterans bearing the colors of America's Thirty-seventh division, while their band plays, during the dedication of the new Eyne bridge at Eyne, Belgium.

NEWS OF Jumbo
MRS. J. J. WILDER,
Correspondent and Representative

Mr. and Mrs. C. Andrew and children were in Plainview last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Schofield left Saturday for Lubbock, where they will spend the Holidays.

Miss Kitty Ozford came up from Ropesville to spend her Holiday vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ullmon Hunter are spending the Holidays at Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Guinn and children are visiting in Stephenville and Cisco for the Holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Thomas entertained a number of relatives last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Beck and children of Phoenix, Arizona, arrived last week to spend the Holidays with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Lovell, who are teaching at Westway, Deaf Smith County, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ullman Hunter and attended the pageant last Friday evening.

The program given by the pupils of the school last Friday was well attended. The Pageant

portraying the birth of Christ was especially good, and the musical numbers rendered by the orchestra were greatly enjoyed.

NEWS OF Flagg
Mrs. W. T. Sumner,
Correspondent and Representative

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd McGee left Sunday for Johnson County where they will spend the Holidays with Mr. McGee's mother.

Quite a large crowd attended the Christmas program and tree, for the school children last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Ernest Jones entertained a large number of friends with a sumptuous Christmas dinner on Wednesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Birdwell spent Christmas with Mr. and

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ia, where they go to make their future home. The community regrets very much to lose these good people, but we wish for them success and happiness in their new home.

Texas cement production set a new record in October with a total of 777,000 barrels, a gain of 160,000 barrels over the preceding October.

Mrs. W. T. Sumner entertained the Study Club at her home Monday afternoon, at which time a Christmas shower was given Grandmother and Grandfather Sumner, by members of the Club. Many useful gifts were received. After the program refreshments were served to Mesdames Tarpley, Thomas, Reeder, Herring, Armes, Sheffy, Cumpston, Strickland, Mrs. Lloyd Smith of Earth and Mrs. J. B. Sumner and others.

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A new overall factory at Orange will soon be in operation. It will employ about 350 persons. Perryton is to have a 50,000-egg hatchery. The Borden milk plant at Waco is gratified at receipts, which have set a new high average of 47,000 pounds daily.

The Southwestern Gas & Electric Co., headquarters in Texarkana, serving a thriving section of East Texas, will spend \$4,000,000 in improvements in 1930, according to a recent announcement. Major improvements are to be made at Texarkana, Marshall and Longview.

Sportsmen Cash In on Lion Hides



These Canadian sportsmen are returning from a hunting trip in the hills of Vancouver island and will receive from the government \$40 each as bounty for the hides of the mountain lions that they bagged.

Be Our Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Duree
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stalcup
---are invited to be our guests on
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29

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---You May Be Next!

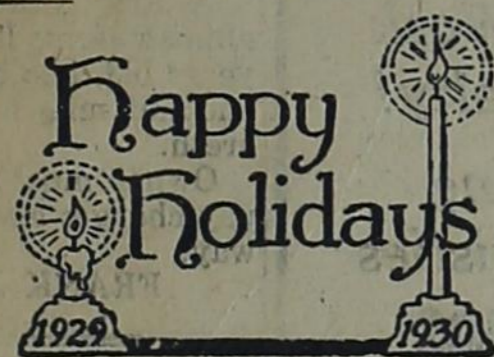
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Community Building

Business and Utility Crowding Out Beauty

Relative to esthetic elements in city building projects, an authority has said: "The gradual disappearance of the private residential dwelling with its spacious lawns and beautiful foliage within the confines of the city limits, has measurably lowered esthetic considerations in practically every large and progressive American city. Business and utility are crowding out beauty and design. Property values are soaring higher and higher in direct ratio to the upward economic trend."

"Municipal art commissions or other public bodies of similar character must bestir themselves now if we would prevent the total extinction of the rustic in the city home of the future."

Efficiency of space and economy of investment are the factors which have been given most heed in building construction, he pointed out.

"In fostering building development in any large city, the welfare of the latter is also closely bound up in the regional planning within city limits and with areas adjacent thereto. To that end conferences should be held with representatives of adjacent cities and towns to work out jointly and to correlate the problems of neighboring smaller communities in the environs of the larger municipalities."

"In this connection it may be well for state legislative bodies throughout the country to pattern legislation after the New York state law which permits the creation by counties of regional advisory boards, a single board for all of the New York state counties within the metropolitan area, and another for outside counties."

Points to Consider When Planning Home

The average person building a home today is not careful enough about picking out the contractor who is to do the work for him or the materials the contractor will put in his home.

When one builds a home he expects to live in it for several years at least, and the home that has the least yearly amount of upkeep will be the home that eventually will be the cheapest and best investment in the long run.

A contractor may be a good workman, but if the owner picks cheap materials the result will show it. On the other hand, good materials can be ruined and the home spoiled beyond imagination by a poor contractor. In either case the value of the completed home suffers and the home builder does not get what he is eventually paying for. Here is a great deal of difference in the ability of contractors and the quality of building materials.

If more people realized how important it is to get the best of everything there would be more better homes built today for less money and with less annoyance and expense in upkeep and repairs.

Make for Friendliness

Where people who dwell in the country have gardens, we in the city have only tiny window boxes—and these at sadly rare intervals. Yet I have noticed that if a neighbor pushes forth a window box with bright geraniums, or even simple drooping ivy, some one across the street will do the same. It is as if people remote to one another's consciousness suddenly became acquainted over the chasm that divided them. Such a gesture causes those of us who are city pent to realize that there is a friendliness, a desire to become acquainted, even in the dingiest street.—Charles Hanson Towne in Harper's Bazar.

The Texas public school system comprises 1,000 independent and about 7,000 common school districts with school property valued at \$179,200,598.—Texas Commercial News.

MODEL FOR A FRIEZE



Sergt. Walter B. Andrews, Company E, Thirtieth Infantry, stationed at the Presidio in San Francisco, who has been picked by the commanding officers of the infantry in answer to a call from Maj. Gen. Stephen O. Fuqua, chief of infantry, asking the picture of the "most soldierly" soldier in each infantry regiment. The photographs will be placed in a frieze to be installed permanently at headquarters in Washington.

Women and Money

In the hearing of a divorce case the other day the wife asserted that she had received only 40 cents in money from her husband in the ten years they lived together. But just to show it isn't safe to trust a woman with money it was proved that she spent 20 cents of this money for turnips. No wonder the men cling to their dough.—Los Angeles Times.

Preserving Floors

The forest service says that to prevent dry rot in floors the wood should be treated with a preservative before it is used and there should be air vents in the foundation so that the air would not be confined beneath the floor.

New Braunfel's new \$250,000 hotel, recently opened, is proving an additional attraction for the scenic beauties of that section.

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DIMMITT, TEXAS

Social and Personal

MISS ALYNE CREAGER, REPORTER
Office Telephone 88

Dinner Party Enjoyed by Seventy-Five Guests.

The biggest social event of the pre-Christmas season was enjoyed to the fullest on Tuesday night of last week, when Mesdames B. A. Fuller, E. B. Wright and Bessie Gill, assisted by the Dimmitt High Home Economics Class, entertained about seventy-five guests with a Dinner party at the new high school building.

As the guests arrived, they were escorted thru the building by Home Economics students, after which a most delicious turkey dinner was served them in the Home Economics department.

The Yuletide color scheme was effectively carried out in place cards, candlesticks, cut flowers, candlestick holders, and even in the food, which was served in the three-course dinner.

After the enjoyable dinner, the guests spent the remainder of the evening in Forty-two games.

Members of the board of education, their wives, the teachers, as well as a large number of prominent citizens, were included in the large guest list.

Out-of-town guests were Miss Attwell, of the Department of Education of Austin; and Miss Evelyn Runnels and Mr. Duckworth, of Sudan.

Misses Josephine Hardy, MacLile, Dora Baker, Josephine Lowersert, Koma Hyatt and Iessrs Howard Horton, B. D. Woodlee, Jr., and Tommie Allen, of West Texas Tech, of Lubbock, are spending Christmas week with homefolks and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Prince of Spur, with their daughter, Gertie, and son, Ray, are guests in the home of his sister, Mrs. A. H. Hutchings, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Graham Entertain With Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Graham entertained a number of guests with an old-fashioned Southern dinner last Friday evening at their home twelve miles southeast of town.

Beautiful Christmas decorations were used thruout the home, and the large table, extending the full length of the room, was artistically decorated with the Yuletide colors, tall red candles burning while the guests enjoyed the Southern feast.

Turkey, Virginia baked ham, with all the trimmings, and punch was served, after which violins were produced, and an old-time square dance was thoroughly enjoyed by the following:

Messrs. and Mesdames M. L. Hardy, Joe Elliott, Ray Sheffy, E. R. Wright and daughter, Tina Mae, Bill Graham, W. A. Wright and Mrs. R. B. Boren.

Rameys Give Turkey Dinner to Friends.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Ramey, living six miles east of Dimmitt, were treated to what many of them said was the biggest turkey feast ever given in the county, on last Sunday.

Turkey and duck, and everything that goes with them, were served to the following:

Messrs. and Mesdames M. R. Avery and family, N. M. Gilbert, C. A. Cryer, and Buck and Giles Tate, and Master Jack Boren.

The home was beautifully decorated in true Yuletide style, and the guests enjoyed very much relics belonging to Mr. Ramey, who is a great lover of the outdoors and game.

Miss Betty Rose Kerr of the school faculty, is spending the week with her parents and friends in Hereford.

State of Texas Was Santa Claus to Its 15,000 Wards

With 15,580 wards in the various institutions of the State, Texas this year did not let the Yuletide pass without remembering each of them.

The State Board of Control set aside, some time ago, \$1.00 for each inmate in its care, to be used for Christmas gifts. This was in addition to a bountiful Christmas dinner, served in all institutions.

Toys and gifts in wholesale quantities were purchased by the board and sent direct to each of the institutions in time to be placed on Christmas trees and distributed on Christmas morning to the wards.

Auto Trailers Must Have Tail Lights

According to a representative of the State Highway Department at Austin, all trailers in Texas must have a tail light.

In the past this law has not been rigidly enforced and, it is understood, not known by the majority of autoists of the State.

But during 1930, word comes from Austin, this law will be enforced, and all persons owning trailers and who expect to use them at night, had better equip them with tail lights, as well as the regulation trailer number plate.

First Chapel Program by Seniors January First

Announcement was made Thursday that the first Chapel program of the present school year would be held in the auditorium of the new high school building on next Wednesday, January 1, beginning at 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

This initial program will be rendered by the Senior of '30, and promises to be an interesting rendition.

Patrons and parents of the school are cordially invited to attend the services.

Charles C. Burns spent Christmas with his family in Lubbock.

Mrs. J. C. Stringer spent Christmas Day with relatives in Fort Worth and Greenville.

Bert Huckabee and family visited relatives in Tulia Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Dean spent Christmas Day in Clarendon.

W. A. Ray and family, and David Cook, of Happy, were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Avery Christmas Day.

Mrs. S. C. Woods and two sons Ted and Roy, of Dill City, Okla., are here this week visiting her son, Buck, of the Gunter Drug Store.

A major contribution to Texas mineral output is the 100,000 ounces of silver produced monthly by the mine at Shafter, which in 48 years' operation has yielded 23,000,000 ounces of the metal.

Assessed values in Texas for 1929 are \$4,144,446,188 and actual values (estimated) are \$12,500,000,000. Assessed values in 1861 were \$256,784,482.—Texas Commercial News.

In 1921 Texas shipped 19 cars of citrus fruit. In 1929 it is expected to ship 5,000 cars—just a small gain of 25,000 per cent.

In 1928 Texas ranked second among the States in number of airports, but with 70 new ports during 1929 and numerous others planned it may be in first place by 1930.

The growth of rural electrification in Texas is indicated by the fact that 8,500 farmhouses are served by central power stations where less than six years ago the total was 2,100, a gain of more than 400 per cent.

Let the News Print it in 1930!

Personal Notes

Miss Ouida Campbell is spending Christmas in Merkel.

Miss Ethel Womble is spending Christmas in Hereford.

Mrs. E. N. Mitchell spent Christmas with relatives in Tulia.

Clarence O. Byrnes and family visited with relatives in Tulia Christmas Day.

Charles B. Byrnes and family were guests of relatives in Tulia Christmas Day.

T. V. Weaver and family are spending Christmas week with relatives in Levelland.

Henry Loter, of the high school faculty, is spending the Holidays in Kirkland.

Miss Mary Killen, of the local schools, is visiting this week in House, N. M.

Miss Stone, of the Dimmitt schools, is visiting in Wolfe City during the Christmas Holidays.

L. P. White transacted business in Amarillo Monday of this week.

J. H. Workman and family are spending the Christmas Holidays in Hamilton County.

Bruce McLean, of the First State Bank, transacted business in Amarillo Monday.

I. B. Brooks transacted business in Breckenridge the first of this week.

George Key transacted business in Lubbock Monday of this week.

Miss Mayme Caulley will visit in Lubbock and Shallowater during the Holidays.

Mrs. I. B. Brooks and daughter, Zonell, and Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Wright were in Amarillo Sunday.

Mrs. G. A. Barnett and daughter, Joan, and Miss Alyne Creager were in Amarillo Monday.

Mrs. Ernest Medkief is spending Christmas week with her mother, in Tucson, Arizona.

Mrs. George C. Smith and son G. W. Burroughs, accompanied by her father, J. W. Grant, are spending Christmas in Houston.

Misses Margaret and Virginia Goode are spending the Xmas Holidays in Perryton with their parents and friends.

Mrs. Clarence Mathis and son, with Loudell Rose, spent Christmas Day with Mrs. Mathis' father in Roswell, N. M.

T. A. Hulen, of Dill City, Okla. is spending the Christmas Holidays here with his brother, W. H. Hulen.

Noel Gollehon, of W. T. S. T. C., of Canyon, is spending the Christmas Holidays here with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Cryer and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rothwell, are spending Christmas in Oklahoma City.

Charles McLean, who is a student at Tech, in Lubbock, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McLean, this week.

Miss Helen Estes, student in the Canyon Teachers' College, is spending Christmas Holidays with homefolks.

Mrs. Henry Globber of Whiteface, Texas, is a Holiday guest this week of relatives here, including her sisters, Mesdames C. R. Fisher and Walter Schmitz, and brother, J. E. Williams.

A. H. Hutchings and Joe Elliott transacted business in Memphis Monday. They were accompanied on the trip by Ray Prince of Spur, and Herschell Hutchings.

Mrs. Carroll Gunter left Wednesday morning for Silverton, where she spent Christmas Day, then leaving with her parents for a week's visit in San Antonio with her sister.



That You May Have
A Happy and Prosperous Year
During 1930
Is the Sincere Wish of this Store
and its Organization!

Carter-Houston
DRY GOODS COMPANY
DIMMITT, TEXAS

Kemp-Cone Organization Banquet

Members and a few invited guests of the firm of Kemp-Cone Chevrolet Co., this city, were banqueted at the White Rose Cafe last Friday night. This is an annual affair with all Chevrolet organizations, and this event was reported a success in every way, by those attending.

The following members of the organization attended:

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Smith, G. A. Barnett, Buck Cone, Carl Kemp, C. B. Nabors, B. F. Applegate, J. H. Johnson, Jr., J. A. Cone, Bob Flanagan, Claude Morris.

Following were the invited guests:

Misses Zonell Brooks, Virginia Johnson, and Anita Willis. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McLean, Dr. Mayes Miller, and Mr. Nabors, of Fort Worth.

Carl Kemp was the toastmaster of the evening.

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FOR SALE—Nice 4-room house close in, at a bargain. W. M. Hicks, Dimmitt.

FOR RENT—Beds and rooms, modern conveniences. \$10 per month. Mrs. Geo. Stafford. Phone 112.

FOR SALE—Good second hand windmill, complete, and a coal heater, both in good condition. J. P. WOOD, Phone 246, Hereford.

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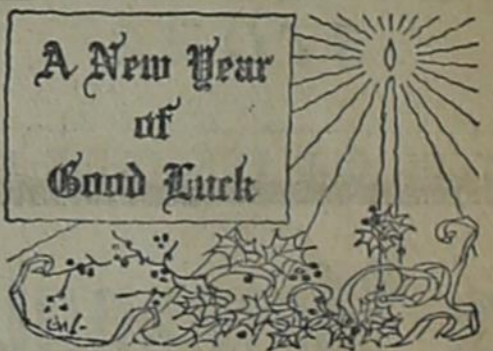
A stray Hereford bull, a fine animal, seems like he is coming 3 years old, has come to my place one-half mile northwest of Nazareth.

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