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Statement of Condition of the Marfa National Bank

Marfa, Texas, at the close of business on
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RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$448,565 68
U. S. Bonds, Stamps and Certificates	170,908 43
Banking House and Fixtures	13,215 86
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	3,000 00
Cash and Sight Exchange	368,279 27
Total	\$1,003,969 24
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 70,000 00
Surplus Fund	30,000 00
Undivided Profits (net)	14,840 42
Circulation Outstanding	67,900 00
Deposits	821,228 82
Total	\$1,003,969 24

I certify the above Statement to be correct.

H. M. Fennell
Vice-President.

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The Banquet

Elsewhere in this issue will be found a display ad, setting forth some of the plans and details of the proposed banquet and entertainment, to be given in the Community Club rooms and opera house on New Year's Eve, by the Chamber of Commerce.

It is earnestly desired that it shall be understood by everyone that neither the Chamber of Commerce nor the proposed banquet and entertainment is a "Closed Corporation." The benefits and privileges of the Chamber of Commerce are open to every citizen of Presidio county and vicinity. The secretary of the Chamber of Commerce will welcome applications for membership.

Members and prospective members of the Chamber of Commerce may secure as many admission cards to the banquet and entertainment as may be desired, upon application to the secretary.

The Marfa Chamber of Commerce is a permanent fixture in the community; it is operated by and for the community; why not join us in our efforts to further the interests of our section?

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Bunton were up from their ranch Wednesday, doing their Christmas shopping.

"The American Creed"

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people, whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign nation of many sovereign states, a perfect union and one inseparable; established upon the principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its constitution; to obey its laws; to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies.

By William Tyler Page.
This Means Pay Your Poll Tax

And be ready to put the right man in office. Remember the I. W. W., the Bolshevik, the demagogue and the professional politician all have and use their votes.

Mr. and Mrs. Good Citizen use your power to bring peace and rest to our loved country. The power of evil is always strong and awake. The power of good is weak because the average good citizen says, "What's the use."

Mrs. C. A. Barrett of Temple is spending the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Midkiff.

Sunday at the Christian Church

The services at the Christian church on Sunday will partake of the Christmas spirit.

At 11 o'clock the pastor will preach a sermon appropriate to the day. His subject is "The Influence of Jesus Christ upon the World."

At 6:45 the service will be given over to the choir, with a short Christmas sermon by the pastor.

The special music will consist of solos, duets, quartets and choruses. All will breathe the Christmas fragrance. Cordial invitation to all.

Christian Endeavorers Busy

On last Sunday, nineteen Christian Endeavorers of Fort Davis, together with several Marfa Endeavorers, motored over to Valentine for the purpose of organizing a C. E. Society at that place.

All these young people, together with the young people of Valentine, met at the little church promptly at 2 o'clock. With the assistance of the Methodist and Presbyterian pastors of Fort Davis, Revs. Fuller and Irving, the young people were able to fulfill their plans.

Since the district convention, which met in Alpine in September, it has been the purpose of the Endeavorers of Fort Davis, Alpine and Marfa, to show the young people of other communities the importance of "Christian Endeavor."

With all the "pep" and vim these young people possess, they could not help but accomplish their purpose. The society was organized and the following officers were elected: President, Henry Gray; Vice-President, Mrs. P. M. Overstreet; Secretary, Mrs. Sam Bunton; Treasurer, Mr. Hicks Gray.

The Fort Davis Endeavorers promised to come back to Valentine any time they were needed, to help this new society in learning the meaning of Christian Endeavor.

These people went home to do bigger things, and gave a bazaar on Friday night and raised \$198.75 in cash to help finance Christian Endeavor work in the western district.

Christmas Services in the Sacred Heart Church Below Alta Vista Hotel

On Wednesday, the 24th, there will be a solemn Midnight Mass, to which everybody is cordially invited. A select choir is in charge of the singing. On Christmas day masses will be at 8 and 9 a. m. All welcome.

Mr. Houston Hamilton, who has been employed by the quartermaster the past eight months, left Monday night for Camp Sam Fordyce.

Ladies' Aid Meeting

On Wednesday, December 17th, the Ladies' Aid of the Christian church was entertained at the home of Mrs. L. C. Brite, with Mrs. Kate Logan and Mrs. H. H. Kilpatrick as hostesses.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. J. F. Hamie, followed by a prayer by Mrs. M. B. Anderson. The scripture lesson, taken from Luke, was read by Mrs. Seerest. A few comments on the lesson were made but the leading thought in the lesson was "If there had been no Christ there would have been no Christmas;" for on Christmas day the King of Kings was born, and this beautiful thought should not be lost in the festivities of the season.

After the business of the society was finished the meeting was closed with a prayer by Mrs. Brite.

The social hour which followed was in harmony with the season. The house was beautifully decorated with the Christmas emblems. The Christmas tree, with its gay ornaments and a gift for each guest, aroused the Christmas spirit which was shown in the faces and heard in the merry laughter of those present.

The "Picture Gallery," "Who's Who in the Aid," showed a display of portraits that would rival the art galleries of the Old World. It was hard to realize as one looked into these baby faces that they were the same faces of the grown-up guests of the afternoon.

Several new members were added to the society, among them was Mrs. M. B. Anderson, who was made an honorary member. Mrs. Anderson has the distinction of being a charter member of the Christian church and the Ladies' Aid Society.

Master Hugh Kilpatrick presented the society with a \$5.00 War Savings Stamp to be added to the building fund.

Delicious refreshments, consisting of salad and chocolate and cake, was served during the afternoon.

Mrs. Hogan and Mrs. Kilpatrick favored the guests with several beautiful songs, which were very much enjoyed by all.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Seerest.

Program Junior C. E.

December 21, 1919, at 3 o'clock. Subject, "The First Christmas." Leader, Roma Bristow. Scripture reading, Luke 2:8-20.

Song, Prayer, Song, Scripture reading, by leader. Clippings, "It Has Been in Bethlehem," Tyler Wilkinson. "What Christmas Has Come to mean to Some Japanese Children." Roll call. Benediction.

Christmas at Saint Paul's, Marfa

Saint Paul's Episcopal church in Marfa will observe Christmas-tide this year with special services and carol singing, which promise to be among the most impressive of its celebrations at Christmas for the last twenty-five years of its history. At 4 o'clock on Christmas Eve St. Paul's church school will hold its Christmas festival under the auspices of the St. Paul's Guild and Woman's Auxiliary. The rector will tell the children the story of Christmas. At 5 o'clock the "Candle Light" Christmas Eve service will begin and continue until the close of twilight. At this service there will be carol singing by the children and Dr. McClellan will tell the story, "Why the Chimes Ring," by Raymond M. Alden, one of the most delightful Christmas stories ever told. At the end of this service Santa Claus will arrive at the church and present each child with a Christmas remembrance. Every child in Marfa is invited to attend and is asked to bring his or her parents and friends.

At 11:30 p. m. Christmas Eve the St. Paul's choir will render a program of ancient Christmas carols including, "Silent Night," (German), "First Nowell," (English) "God Rest

Ye Merry, Gentlemen," (ancient English carol) "Cherry Tree Carol" (old English), "Adeste Fideles," (Latin), "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," (English modern), "O Little Town of Bethlehem," (American). An orchestra will accompany the organ and singers. Dr. McClellan will conduct the service of the Holy Communion beginning at midnight and will take as the theme of his Christmas Eve sermon, "When the Angels Had Gone." At the conclusion of the sermon and Holy Communion the Livesay memorial pulpit will be dedicated with fitting ceremonies by the rector. The service will come to an end about 12:45 with intercessions and carol singing and the burning of the Christmas candles in the night.

These three services on Christmas Eve will be the only Christmas services at Saint Paul's this year. All are most cordially invited to attend and keep this great natal day of our Blessed Lord, which day the church throughout the ages has solemnly observed.

Mr. W. P. Murphy earnestly requests all members of the committee on refreshments for the Chamber of Commerce banquet to meet with him Monday morning, 9:30, December 21 at Community building.

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Marfa, Texas, December 20, 1919

ANNOUNCEMENT

We are authorized to announce
V. I. Cargile as a candidate for the
office of representative of the 117th
District, subject to the action of the
primaries, July, 1920.

Everything Changing

That people do not go to church
as much as they used to is a well-
known fact, and probably there is
no one reason for it, but a combina-
tion of reasons, chief among which
is the fact that times, customs and
people are changing all over the
world, and nothing is now as it used
to be.

People do not read books and mag-
azines as much as they used to do,
either. They go to the movies and
go riding in automobiles. Hundreds
of thousands who used to go church
and then read a book on Sunday are
now kiting all over the country in
autos. Probably the coming of the
automobile has taken more busi-
ness and also working men away
from Sunday church services than
any other one thing. People like to
get out in the country and away
from the city, and Sunday is about
the only day they have to do it.

Then again, people are much more
educated and enlightened than they
used to be, and because of this
many of them have refused to long-
er accept some of the dogmas of
the church creeds. Many of them
who in their childhood, were taught
to believe in the divinity of Christ,
a literal heaven and a personal God,
a literal hell and a personal devil,
no longer hesitate to say that they
do not believe in these dogmas and
creeds.

It is a hard problem to solve, and
yet every man and woman ought
to try to solve it, for it means more
to each and every one of us than
anything else does.

Our idea of it is, that we should
all lend our moral and financial sup-
port to the church, because of the
great good it does to mankind, if
for no other reason. We do not
have to absorb all of the dogmas
of the various creeds if we do not
want to; but have the privilege of
accepting such as appeals to us and
getting what good we can out of
them, and casting aside from our
minds such of them as we do not
want to accept.

When we go into a restaurant we
do not eat everything on the menu.
We eat what we want and leave
that which we do not want; and
there is no reason why we should
not do the same with church dog-
mas. Following this simile up a
little further; it is a fact that on
the menu may be a lot of food that
we do not want, but that some other
people would rather have than any
other kind, so why not let them en-
joy the kind they like and we do the
same? We do not get up from the
table and leave the house just be-
cause there is something on the
menu which we do not relish. Then why
should we leave the church for a
similar reason?

It takes all kinds of people to
make a world and all kinds of food
to satisfy them, as many kinds of
food in fact, as there are kinds of
people. And this applies to all
spiritual food.

Whatever the reason for the peo-
ple drifting away from the church,
they are wrong, and they should
drift back again.

—OXO— Ft. Davis-Alpine Game

The first game of basket ball in
the Trans-Pecos Interscholastic dis-
trict was played at Alpine Dec. 6
Alpine winning by a score of 31 to
30.

The total score does not indicate
exactly how each team played, but
the score by halves makes that
clearer. During the first half the
Fort Davis team gave a wonderful
exhibition of good throwing, and
easily outplayed their smaller op-
ponents. The score at the end of
this half was 18 to 8 in favor of
Davis. In the second half Alpine
made good use of their speed and
wind, and played rings around the
Davis team. The score at the end
of this half was 23 to 12 in favor of
Alpine.

The last few minutes of the game
was very exciting, either team need-
ing only one field goal to win. It
was a great game.

The Star

They followed the star the whole
night through.
As it moved with the midnight, they
moved, too;
And cared not whether it led, nor
knew,
Till Christmas day in the morning.

We followed the star the whole long
year,
And watched it beckon, now faint,
now clear,
And now it stands still as we draw
near

To Christmas day in the morning,
And just as the Wise Men did of old,
In the hush of the winter's dawning
cold,
We come to the house and there we
behold

The Child on Christmas morning,
Just as the Wise Men deemed it
meet
To offer Him gold and perfume
sweet,
We would lay our gifts at His holy
feet.

Our gifts on Christmas morning,
—OXO—
Christmas

Topic for December 21—"The
Christmas Message and the Christmas
Spirit." Luke 2:8-14; Matt. 2:9-11.
Leader—Mrs. Maurer. Song Ser-
vice.

—OXO—
Christmas

What the Christmas Message Is—
Ten Endeavorers.
What Spirit Should Characterize
Our Christmas Giving?—Mrs. Brite.
What Does Christmas Mean to
You?—Five Endeavorers.
Special Music.

What Has the Coming of Christ
into the World Meant?—Mrs. Mc-
Henry.

What is Meant by "Peace on
Earth?"—Mr. Aubry.

At the Christian church at 5:45.
Be on time.

—OXO—
Delightful Program

The following is the order of ser-
vice at the Sunday evening hour at
the Christian church:

Hymn—"Day is Dying in the
West."

Hymn—"It Comes Upon the Mid-
night Clear."

Prayer.
Duet—"Eventide," Mesdames Kil-
patrick and Hogan.

Chorus—"There is a Song in the
Air."

Solo—Mrs. Kilpatrick.
Song—"O Little Town of Bethle-
hem."

Fifteen Minute Sermon.
Quartet—"Silent Night," Mesdames
Kilpatrick and Hogan; Messrs. Fort-
ner and Miller.

Benediction.
—OXO—

Trespass Notice—Hunting in any
of my pastures is forbidden. Any
trespassing will be dealt with ac-
cording to law. C. E. Pruett.



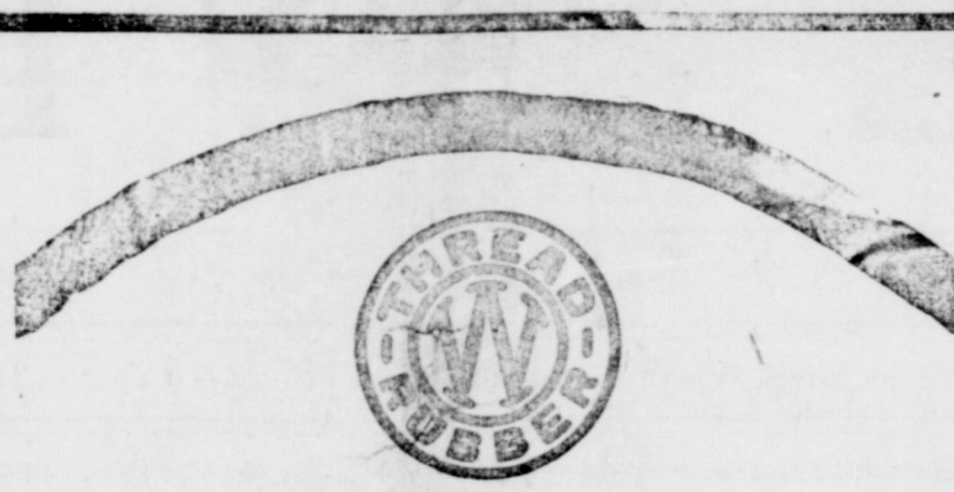
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SALE IS NOW UNDER WAY.

More Than 600,000,000 Seals Must Be Disposed of to Insure the Success of the Nation-Wide Educational and Preventive Campaign of the National Tuberculosis Association in 1920

Dr. Livingston Farrand, executive head of the American Red Cross, has given his unqualified endorsement of the 1919 Red Cross Christmas Seal sale, which is now under way and which will extend for ten days under the auspices of the National Tuberculosis Association and its 1,000 allied organizations. A fund of more than \$5,500,000, which will be used in the 1920 educational and preventive campaign, will be raised through the sale of the seals.

Acquainted as he is with all questions of general health community improvement and relief because of the nature of his work and office, Dr. Farrand's endorsement is based upon an expert knowledge of what the National Tuberculosis Association has accomplished and will accomplish in the future. His letter to Dr. Charles J. Hatfield, Managing Director of the National Tuberculosis Association, follows:

"I have been greatly interested in the plans that the National Tuberculosis Association is making for the sale of Christmas Seals during the coming holiday season. The success of that effort is indispensable to the carrying out of the far-reaching plans of the Association in its fight against tuberculosis in this country.

The American people, in common with the nations of Europe, are becoming aroused to the critical importance of the problem of vitality and conservation of health as the necessary factor in re-establishing the world after the devastation and destruction caused by the war. Of all the preventable diseases, tuberculosis takes perhaps the first place in importance. For that reason I view with warmest sympathy and approval the splendid work which the National Tuberculosis Association is conducting, and I trust that the response of the American people in the Christmas Seal Campaign will be generous and universal. Sincerely yours,

(Signed) LIVINGSTON FARRAND, Chairman, Central Committee, American Red Cross.

HEALTH BONDS POPULAR.

The demand for the Health Bonds which the National Tuberculosis Association issued this year for the first time are meeting with a ready sale. The bonds are in graduated denominations, the smallest being for \$5. In the past some of the large business houses and other large contributors found it difficult to use up the number of Red Cross Seals their subscriptions called for. The bonds have been issued for the convenience of large subscribers and the proceeds of their sale will be used for the same purpose as the Christmas Seal funds—the financing of the 1920 effort to reduce the number of deaths from tuberculosis in the United States. Last year the disease claimed 150,000 lives. The health bonds can be obtained from state and local tuberculosis associations.

—OXO—

Even As You and I

A fool there was and he made a vow
Even as you and I
That he'd live no more on government chow,
But he's back again in the army now,
For he tried to work and didn't know how,
Even as you and I.

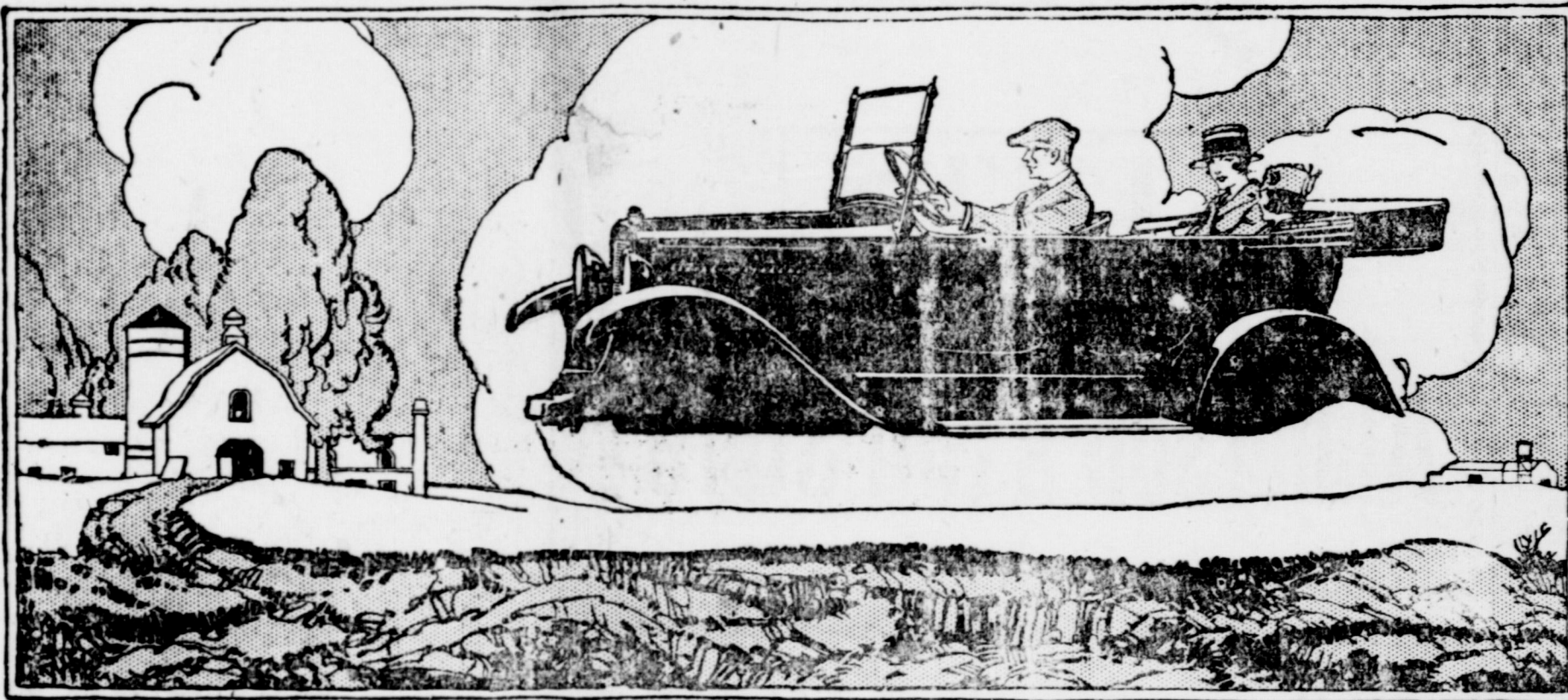
He cashed his finals and pulled his freight,
Even as you and I,
For a good-sized town in a distant state
Where his love for work quickly turned to hate,
And he once more longed for his government straight,
Even as you and I.

His hands grew hard and his head grew sore,
Even as you and I,
Till he passed one day through a flag-draped door,
And he raised his hand and he solemnly swore,
That he'd try it again for one year more,
Even as you and I.

—OXO—

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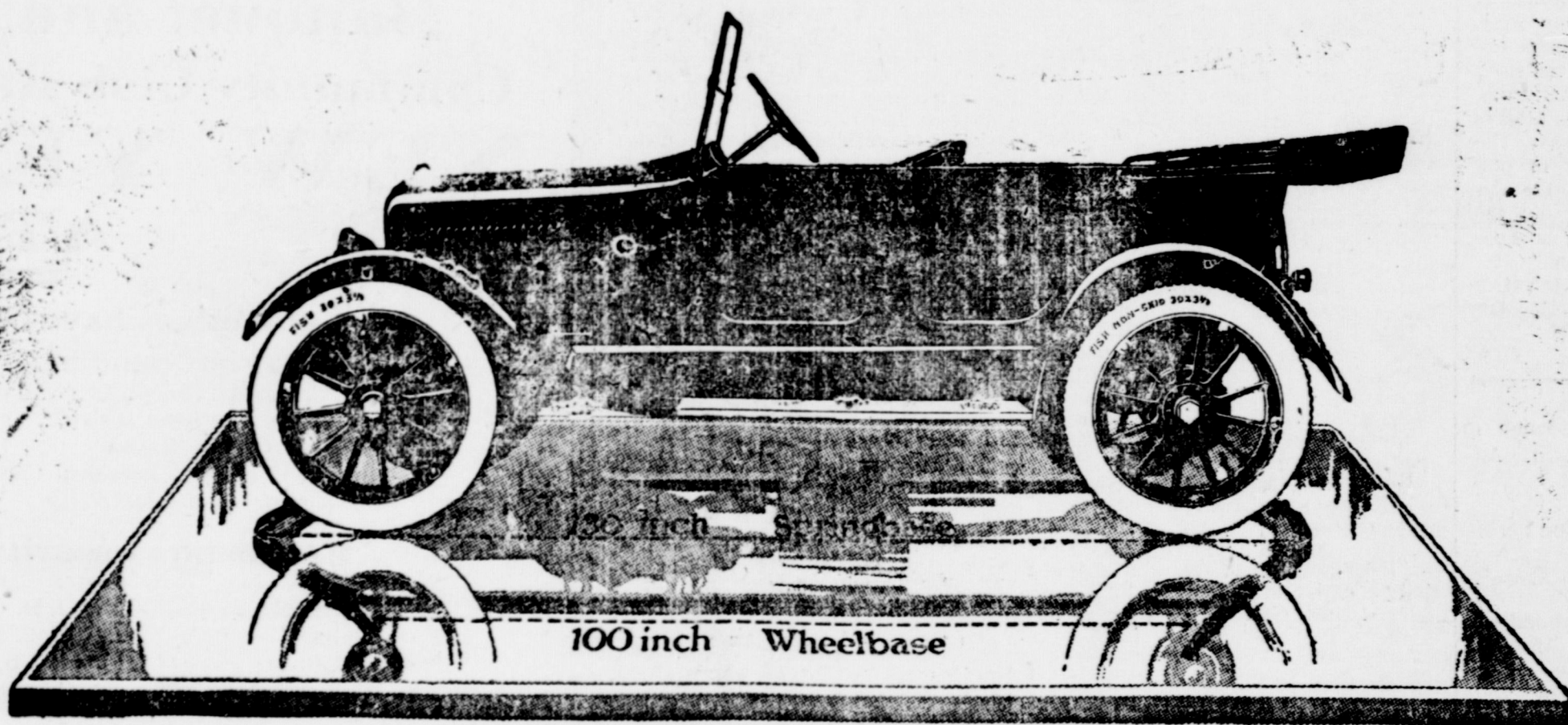
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Citation by Publication

The State of Texas
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Presidio County, Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to summon Tip M. Clemons by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Presidio county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Marfa, Texas, on the fourth Monday in January, A. D. 1920, the same being the 26th day of January, A. D. 1920, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 17th day of

bered on the docket of said court No. 2553, wherein Cornelia M. Clemons is plaintiff and Tip M. Clemons is defendant and said petition alleging that the plaintiff is an actual bona fide inhabitant of the state of Texas, and has resided in Presidio county for at least six months prior to the filing of this suit; that plaintiff and defendant were lawfully married March 17, 1916 that about a week later defendant permanently abandoned plaintiff with no intention of ever returning, since which time defendant has not contributed one cent toward the support of plaintiff; that plaintiff through diligent search has not since been able to ascertain the whereabouts of defendant.

Plaintiff prays the court for judgment dissolving said marriage relations, that her maiden name, Cornelia Montolla, be restored, for costs and relief, special and general in

law and equity that she may be entitled to.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, J. H. Fortner, clerk of the district court of Presidio county.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Marfa, Texas, this 18th day of December, A. D. 1919.

J. H. Fortner,
Clerk District Court, Presidio County.

Citation by Publication

The State of Texas:
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Presidio County, Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to summon Louis Jiminez, by making

publication of this citation once each week for four weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 63rd Judicial District, but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, but if there be no published in the nearest district to said 63rd Judicial District appear at the next regular term of the district court of Presidio county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Marfa, Texas, on the fourth Monday in January, A. D. 1920, the same being the 26th day of January, A. D. 1920, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 10th day of July, A. D. 1919, in suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 2534, wherein J. J. Kilpatrick is plaintiff and Louis Jiminez is defendant, and said petition alleging The plaintiff alleges in substance

that he and the defendant are joint owners of eight and one-half acres of land in Presidio county, Texas, in survey Number 8, Block 2, Certificate Number 1-668 in the name of the T. & P. Ry. Co. on the Rio Grande, the estimated value being \$200.00. The plaintiff prays judgment for a partition of said land.

Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, J. H. Fortner, Clerk of the District Court of Presidio county.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Marfa, Texas, this 3rd day of December, A. D. 1919.

J. H. Fortner,
Clerk District Court, Presidio County.
(d12-27)

**XMAS SEAL MONEY
TO BE SPENT LOCALLY**

91.7 Per Cent. of All Funds Raised in Any State Remain There to Carry Out the Local Programs.

NATIONAL FUND IS SMALL

National Tuberculosis Association and American Red Cross Share Remaining 8.3 Per Cent.

✝ "For the Health of This Community." Such is the slogan appearing on the flap of envelopes on which the Red Cross Christmas Seal is printed. The issue of such envelopes in order to save the trouble of affixing gummed seals to letters sent out in quantity by large corporations and business houses has been inaugurated this year as part of the machinery of distribution set in motion by the National Tuberculosis Association and its 1,000 State and local organizations in disposing of more than 650,000,000 Red Cross Christmas Seals during the ten day sale which began on December 1.

The significance of the slogan lies in the fact that whether the letter is mailed in Los Angeles or Boston, in Chicago or in Galveston it still holds true. "This community" literally means the place where the seal is bought and used. To be exact, 91.7 per cent of the funds raised is devoted to local anti-tuberculosis activities in the state. Of the remaining 8.3 per cent a portion goes to the Red Cross.

WILSON ENDORSES STAMP SALE

President Wishes "The Very Best Success" for the 1919 Red Cross Xmas Seal Campaign.

✝ President Wilson, in a letter to Dr. Charles J. Hatfield, Managing Director of the National Tuberculosis Association, expresses keen interest in the work of the association and wishes success to the 1919 Red Cross Christmas Seal sale. More than 650,000,000 seals must be sold during the ten day drive which began on December 1, to assure a one hundred per cent application of the Association's 1919 educational and preventive campaign. The President's letter follows:

"Allow me to express again my deep interest in the work of the National Tuberculosis Association. I am very much interested to learn of the efforts of the Association to raise the sum of six and one-half million dollars this year. The state budgets may be financed for the coming year, and write to wish the very best success of the effort."

CHILDREN.

✝ David Starr Jordan says: "There is nothing in all the world so important as little children; nothing so interesting. If you wish to go in for philanthropy, if ever you wish to be of any use in the world, do something for little children. If ever you yearn to be truly wise, study children. We can dress the sore, bandage the wound, imprison the criminal, heal the sick and bury the dead, but there is always a chance that we can save the child. If the great army of philanthropists ever exterminate sin and pestilence, ever work out the race's salvation, it will be because a little child has led them."

RED CROSS CHRISTMAS SEALS SAVE THE LIVES OF AMERICAN CHILDREN—Buy them to-day.

For Sale—One good residence in Marfa in north part of town. Address the New Era.

Citation by Publication

To the Sheriff of Presidio County, Greeting: You are hereby commanded to summon Rogelio Carrasco by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county; if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Presidio county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Marfa, Texas, on the fourth Monday in January, A. D. 1920, the same being the 26th day of January, A. D. 1920, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 16th day of December, A. D. 1919, in a suit court No. 2554 wherein Simon L. de Leon is plaintiff and Rogelio Carrasco, Juliana C. Evaro and Pablo G. Evaro, husband and wife, Modesto Carrasco, Teofilo Carrasco, Francisca C. Lavarro and Francisco Lavarro, husband and wife, Victor C. Evaro and Pablo C. Evaro, husband and wife, Guadalupe Carrasco and Eluaterio Carrasco are defendants, and said petition alleging in substance:

That said defendants are sons and daughters and all the legal heirs at law of Mateo Carrasco, deceased; that on or about the first day of January, 1919, he, the plaintiff, was lawfully seized and possessed of the following described land and premises situated in Presidio county, Texas, holding and claiming the same in fee simple, to-wit:

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You can find anything
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of

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St. Paul's Episcopal Church

"The Little Red-Roofed Church"

Rev. Clarence S. McClellan, Jr., D. D., Rector

SUNDAY SERVICES

Holy Communion at 8 a. m. Church School at 10 a. m.
Morning Prayer and Sermon at 11 a. m.
Subject of Sermon, "JUST BEFORE CHRISTMAS"

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

"CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE" for children on CHRISTMAS EVE in the Church at 5 o'clock.
Story—"WHY THE CHIMES RANG." Carols.
"CHRISTMAS EVE CAROL SERVICE" in the church beginning at 11:30 Christmas Eve. Holy Communion at Midnight.
Dedication of the Livesay Memorial Altar. Address by the Rector: "HOLY NIGHT, SILENT NIGHT."

ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

Citation by Publication

The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Presidio County, Greeting: You are hereby commanded to summon Estrella Leyva by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county; if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the district court of Presidio county, to be held at the court house thereof, in Marfa, Texas, on the fourth Monday in January, A. D. 1920, the same being the 26th day of January, A. D. 1920, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 10th day of December, A. D. 1919, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 2550, wherein Pedro Leyva is plaintiff and Estrella Leyva is defendant, and said petition alleging that he is a resident of the county of Presidio, state of Texas, and has resided in said county of Presidio for at least six months prior to the filing of this suit and is an actual bona fide inhabitant of the state of Texas; that he and the defendant were married on or about the 27th day of May, 1904, and continued to live together till 1916, at which time defendant permanently abandoned plaintiff and has at all times since that time lived in adultery with one Thomas Fierro; that during the time plaintiff and defendant lived together the following children were born to them: Viola Leyva, a girl now 14 years old, and Ynosote Leyva, a boy now 12 years old; that said children are now and have been at all times since the departure of their mother, in the care and custody of the plaintiff; that during the time plaintiff and defendant lived together as husband and wife plaintiff bought Lot No. 1, Block No. 18, in Gillis addition to the town of Alpine, Texas; that said property appears in the name of defendant, it is not her separate property, but was bought by plaintiff with his earnings, and was used and occupied by plaintiff and family as a homestead.

Plaintiff prays for judgment dissolving said marriage relation, for custody of the children, and for title and possession of the above described real estate.
Herein fail not, but have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.
Witness, J. H. Fortner, clerk of the district court of Presidio county.
Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Marfa, Texas, this 16th day of December, A. D. 1919.
J. H. Fortner,
Clerk District Court, Presidio County.
By L. Quick, Deputy.

**WE WISH YOU
ONE AND ALL**

**A MERRY
CHRISTMAS**

Murphy-Walker Co.

**Marfa Chamber of Commerce
Banquet and Entertainment
Community Club Room and Opera House
NEW YEAR'S EVE
AT 7:30**

Committees have been selected as follows:

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| RECEPTION COMMITTEE | | |
| Col. Jas. J. Hornbrook, Commanding Officer Big Bend District. | | Mrs. Jas. J. Hornbrook |
| Mr. J. C. Orgain, Mayor. | | Mrs. J. C. Orgain |
| Mr. W. P. Fischer, President Chamber of Commerce. | | Mrs. W. P. Fischer |
| REFRESHMENTS COMMITTEE | | W. P. Murphy, Chairman |
| W. C. Kemp | Mrs. T. C. Croson | Mrs. A. F. Robinson |
| W. B. Mitchell | Mrs. J. B. Gillett | Mrs. E. R. Mabry |
| F. C. Mellard | Mrs. T. C. Mitchell | Miss Jessie Jones |
| Mrs. L. C. Brite | Mrs. W. H. Colquitt | Mrs. C. T. Mitchell |
| Mrs. W. B. Mitchell | Mrs. Tom Snyder | Mrs. C. E. Pruett |
| DECORATION COMMITTEE | | Tom Snyder, Chairman |
| H. B. Lockley | Hilsman Davis | Mrs. Raymond Fitzgerald |
| Gustav Raetzsch | W. K. Colquitt | Mrs. John Livingston |
| H. W. Reynolds | Mrs. R. S. McCracken | Mrs. F. A. Mitchell |
| | Mrs. Ben Pruett | |
| FINANCE COMMITTEE | | F. A. Mitchell, Chairman |
| C. E. Pruett | W. H. Colquitt | |
| ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE | | J. S. Cook, Chairman |
| Toast Master—H. O. Metcalfe | Mrs. H. M. Fennell | |
| T. C. Crosson | Mrs. Graves Bogel | |

It is the earnest desire and purpose of the Chamber of Commerce to make this the biggest, best and most enjoyable occasion ever experienced in Marfa.

There will be a tulle course dinner, an address by a prominent public man; and numerous other features, which are not to be discussed at this time.

Altogether, it is promised that the occasion will be well worth attending. Marfa citizens and their families can ill afford to miss it.

It is to be an invitation affair for members of the Chamber of Commerce, their families, their ladies and non-resident friends.

Locals and Personals

Toys, Toys, where? at Bailey's of course. (lf)

Ware Hoard was in from the ranch last Wednesday.

Holiday gifts for all. Prices right, at Bailey's (lf)

W. W. Weatherford is in El Paso this week on business.

See our pretty line of furniture, Murphy-Walker Co. (lf)

E. H. Carlton of Fort Davis was a Marfa visitor this week.

Judge H. H. Kilpatrick was in the past week from Valentine.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Chambers, on December 8th, a boy.

Instructions in classical and ballroom dancing, Information Phone 178.

Mrs. H. G. Cash returned this week from a visit to relatives in San Antonio.

A beautiful new line of coats and waists. Call and see us. Mjady's Shoppe.

Novelties! Novelties! Novelties! If it's a Novelty, we have it. Bailey's Store.

Harry Young, Jr., returned Sunday after a two weeks' visit to San Antonio and Dallas.

We still have many beautiful presents to select from at Murphy-Walker's. (lf)

For Rent—Two three-room houses, known as the Mack Camp houses, Phone Ben Avant, 18.

Forrest Avant left Thursday night for Diller, Texas, to spend Christmas with home folks.

For Rent—Two rooms furnished for light house-keeping. Also one bedroom. Phone 167.

Miss Theo McNeil left Tuesday night to spend the holidays with homefolk in San Marcos.

Emmanuel Wright left Thursday night for Floresville to spend the holidays with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Anderson of Presidio were in Marfa this week doing their Christmas shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Williams and Miss Ruth Gray of Fort Davis were shopping in Marfa Tuesday.

You are welcome at the Young People's Christian Endeavor. Come Sunday at 5:45, Christian church.

We have a nice lot of new ranges. Come and let us trade you one for that old cook stove. J. M. Hurley. (lf)

For Sale—Steam drilling outfit in good condition. Inquire at New Era office or address box 113, Marfa, Texas. (4-1d)

Mrs. Kittie Porter Dillman of El Paso came down on Wednesday's train to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Porter.

John Mead came in Thursday from Austin, where he is attending the State University. He will spend the holidays with his parents here.

Our holiday goods are going fast but we still have a nice line to select from. Four more shopping days to Xmas. Murphy Walker Co.

The Marfa Endeavorers had better get busy, if they don't want Fort Davis to beat them. They have over \$200.00 in their treasury. Come on! Let's go.

Something to gladden the heart at Yuletide. Father, mother, sister, brother, sweetheart and grandparents. We have prepared for all, at Bailey's. (lf)

From Manger to Cross, or Jesus of Nazareth in Film, will be given at the Marfa Opera House, for two nights only, 24th and 25th. Don't fail to see this of all interesting films, taken in the Holy Land. Adults 50c, Children 25c.

The Household Science Club met Thursday with Mrs. Will Shannon as hostess, at her home. The subject for study was designing, directed by Mrs. Hoffman. Holiday decorations adorned the home. A very pleasant evening was enjoyed by all. The next meeting will be held the third Thursday in January with Mrs. Hoffman.

Messrs. Mills of Waco and McAllister of Aransas Pass, have purchased the Busy Bee store of Messrs. Hunter & Gray, and will conduct the business along the same lines as heretofore. We welcome these gentlemen into the business life of Marfa.

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H. G. Loehr from the St. Louis office of the Marfa Electric & Ice Co., was in the city the past week, the guest of Local Manager V. G. Myrick. Mr. Loehr finds the Marfa plant in the best of condition.

The show window at the Murphy-Walker Co. store is a beauty and something out of the ordinary. It is beautifully and artistically decorated with the season's best showings. It is worth your while to go and take a look at it.

John E. McDonald and Dr. A. J. Hoffman this week purchased from E. Williams, the shoe repairing, top trimming and saddle business, and will occupy the building which will be vacated by the Garter Cafe on the first of the year.

The Red Cross Society has donated \$90.00 for the purpose of buying nuts, fruits and candy for the hospital. There are about seventy-five patients there now, and to give them a touch of Christmas is a most deserving step.

For Sale—Overland Roadster, in good condition; too small for my purpose; a bargain for some one who needs it. Also, one Buick roadster in good condition. For prices and further information call at New Era Office.

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Joe Midkiff, who has been attending the A. & M. College of New Mexico, at Mesilla Park, came in Wednesday to spend the holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Midkiff.

Leo Howell, Jimmie Walker and Rudolph and Malcolm Mellard, who have been attending the A. & M. College at Mesilla Park, New Mexico, came in this week to spend the holidays with home folks.

NOTICE
No hunting allowed in my pasture. Please don't ask permission.
(3td) D. O. Medley.

We will have Tuesday, 23rd, all vegetables, fruits, the best the market affords for your Christmas dinner. Please phone us your order. Murphy-Walker Co.

Don't forget to look through our cut glass and China ware at Murphy-Walker & Co. (lf)

Notice of Raise

Beginning Monday, December 15th, the price of shaves will be raised to 25c. All other prices will remain the same. Marfa Barber Shop.

Auto Painting
Leave orders Marfa Lumber Co. All kinds of signs painted.
(lf) J. J. Maurer.

Trespass Notice—Positively no hunting is allowed in my pastures. Trespassers will be prosecuted.
(lf) C. T. Mitchell.

For Sale—Light truck in A1 condition, at a bargain. Apply to W. A. Richardson, at Marfa Lbr. Co. (lf)

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting

The regular annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Marfa State Bank, Marfa, Texas, is hereby called to meet at the office of said bank in Marfa, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. on the second Monday in January, it being Monday, 12, 1920, for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year, and to transact any other business which may legally come before it.

T. M. Wilson, President.

Karl H. Word, Cashier.

Miss Cora Windus of Presidio left on Monday's train for Fort Clark.

RANCHES AND CITY PROPERTY FOR SALE

By A. M. Avant.

Thirty-seven sections of land in Hudspets and Cullerson Counties. Well fenced and watered with tanks and several seep springs. Undeveloped fine Gramma grass and plenty of timber for wood and ranch use. Well dully now first class rig, will sell with ranch 100 head of cattle and 25 head of Hures. Will take \$55.00 per head for the cattle and \$25.00 per head for the horses. Price \$3.50 per acre. Bonus \$1.55 due state. Will sell on reasonable terms.

FOR SALE—Six sections of land, well improved with about 15 sections of leased land to go with it in Rusto Canyon. Plenty of running water, good ranch improvements. Price, \$5.00 per acre. Patent has' For Sale—18 sections in Presidio County, 25 miles southwest of Valentine, well watered with springs, tanks and pipe line; 3 sections leased land goes with it; all fenced in two pastures and small trap; two small ranch houses and corals. Price \$1.50 per acre bonus \$1.25 due the State; one-third cash, balance in 1, 2 and 3 years at 8 per cent; will pay 5 per cent commission for sale.

One 6-room residence in northern part of town. Price \$3,500.

One Block of land in northern part of town.

One 3-room house close in; price \$1,300.

Five lots close in, \$500.

Two 4-room houses; price \$2,000.

One 6-room house with well and windmill, and orchard; close in. Price, \$4,000.

One 4-room house with bath and modern improvements. Price, \$2,800.

One 6-room house; price, \$3,500.

One 8-room house; price \$3,000.

One 6-room house; price \$1,600. See A. M. Avant.

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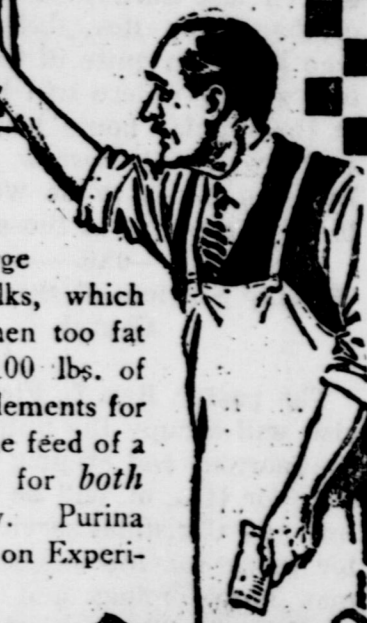
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Elements for	Yolks	Whites
Purina Scratch Feed	247.49	112.11
Purina Chicken Chowder	152.85	262.55
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MARFA, TEXAS.



Everything for your Xmas dinner, we will have on display Tuesday. We will appreciate your orders. Murphy-Walker Co.

Wanted—Red Cross wants the address of Ruth Shipp and Alice Cunningham in order to send a delayed allotment check. Communicate with J. Humphris, Marfa, Tex.

Trespass Notice—No hunting allowed on my ranch. All permits given are hereby revoked. J. B. Gillett.

Magazines of all descriptions, as well as full line of daily newspapers always on hand at the Cozy Corner News Stand in the postoffice building. Call and see us.

OUR CHURCHES

Baptist Church

Rev. J. J. Maurer preached two excellent sermons at the Baptist church last Sunday in the absence of the pastor, Rev. C. S. Harrison, who has been quite ill for the past two weeks. There will be services at the regular hours both morning and evening tomorrow, and Rev. Harrison hopes to be well enough to fill the pulpit at those hours.

Sunday Services at the Methodist Church

The pastor, Rev. L. Fletcher Parrish will occupy the pulpit at both the morning and evening hour. Sermon for 11 a. m. will be in the nature of a Christmas service, the pastor using for his subject, "Christmas Homecomings and the Value of Home." The subject for the evening hour will be "A Christmas Package." There will be special music by the choir at each service, and a cordial welcome extended to all visitors and strangers.

Christian Church Sunday School

Last Christmas Sunday school of the Christian church introduced "White Gifts for the King," and it was such a pronounced success that it will be repeated this year but with an entire change of program. The exercises will be on Wednesday night, Dec. 24. The decorations will be unusually beautiful. Each child has been given a white envelope and as the class is called, each pupil will join in the march and drop his offering at the foot of the cross. Each pupil will receive a remembrance. This will be a giving and receiving Christmas at the Christian church.

White Gift Christmas Service

The Methodist Sunday school will observe the White Christmas at the church on next Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock. The committee of ladies preparing the program have worked diligently with the children and delightful music and readings will be had. The decorations will be in keeping with the White Gift Christmas program. There will also be a surprise for the children of the church following the program in the nature of other Christmas festivities. The public is cordially invited to be present.

Monthly Social of the Methodist Mission Society

A delightful social gathering of the women of the Methodist Mission Society was held last Monday afternoon in the church parlors, which was well attended, having the entire membership present. The main feature of the program was the installation of the newly elected officers of the society, which was conducted by the pastor. A special musical selection was rendered by Mrs. J. C. Orgain, after which the hostesses, consisting of Mesdames Pruitt, Poer and Miles, took charge and furnished a most pleasing social hour, following which delicious refreshments were served. The new officers enter upon their work with bright prospects as the retiring officers have had a year of splendid progress and all reports show the society in excellent condition.

Saint Paul's Episcopal Church

Because of the rector's absence last Sunday there was no service at 8 o'clock or 11 o'clock. The church school met, however, and conducted their regular session.

The bishop of New Mexico and Texas, west of the Pecos river, has recently licensed Mr. Evan Hume, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Harold M. Fennell, to act as lay reader in St. Paul's church. In the future Mr. Hume will assist the rector in the services.

The choir met as usual this past week for their practice and all is about ready for the Christmas services at 4, 5 and 11:30 on Christmas Eve. One of the features of the midnight service will be the procession of the choir in vestments at the beginning of the Holy Communion service on Christmas Eve. A cross and American flag will be carried in the procession.

The rector returned today from Fort Davis after a two weeks' absence at El Paso, Albuquerque and Santa Fe, where he has been preaching and holding a conference in religious education. He held services last night at Fort Davis. Tomorrow morning the rector will occupy the pulpit and preach on the subject, "Just Before Christmas." His instruction will be "What we owe to Martin Luther and the Great Reformation in Germany."

In another part of the paper the

full details of the Christmas services to be held in St. Paul's church on Christmas Eve appear. The congregation of the church extend to the townfolk a most cordial invitation to join with them in the keeping of Christmas at St. Paul's. Last year the church was crowded to the doors. It is hoped as large a congregation will attend this year. The service of last year will long be remembered because of its reverence and beauty of worship.

Trespass Notice—Positively no hunting allowed on my ranch known as the Bogel place. Trespassers will be prosecuted.

(If) A. E. Mitchell.
This is to notify the public that the partnership heretofore existing between Mendias Bros. and E. P. Lucchese, in the Liberty Theatre, is hereby dissolved.
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