

Personally Speaking

By E. M.

The weatherman either has an unusual sense of humor or else he thinks this April fool season instead of Christmas and New Year holidays. At any rate he has surely been pulling tricks on Darrouzett people lately.

On the whole, weather during the holidays has been unusually good. Sunday was especially sunny. White clouds floated lazily in a blue, blue sky, reminding one of summer time and getting people in the mood for picnics again.

On Monday morning housewives getting ready to do the weekly wash were teased a little for the weather man had ordered a supply of wind for the occasion. The supply was soon exhausted, however, and the sun came out hot in the afternoon.

The same weatherman became more mischievous on Tuesday. He even became malicious. Along with a heavy cold wind that struck shivers running along one's spines, he brought an unnecessary amount of dust that made housewives and business men alike feel like saying naughty words when newly-swept floors and recently dusted furniture were coated again.

That evening the culprit brought even colder weather. People were forced to hunt for red flannel nighties, and bed socks. Yea, and hot bricks! Not content with all that tormenting, the old so-and-so added variety (who said it was the spice of life anyhow?) to his "oneriness" by bringing snow and sleet to keep the icy wind company on Wednesday.

Only the afore-mentioned weatherman knows what prank he will spring for the rest of the week.

How true it is that "Only newcomers and fools prophesy weather in the Oklahoma and Texas panhandles!"

New Sunday School Officers Are Chosen

Officers for the Darrouzett Sunday School for the coming year were elected on Sunday morning, December 27.

R. D. Hennigh was re-elected superintendent. Florella Woods is the new secretary-treasurer, while Doris Montgomery is assistant. Laura B. Allen is again chorister, with Mrs. Stella Beck to assist her. Mrs. A. Blair Grubb was chosen pianist and Coeta Terrel, assistant.

Teachers of the various classes were chosen as follows: Mrs. George Hennigh, teacher, and William Terrel, assistant, Senior Bible class; Rev. A. Blair Grubb, teacher, and G. A. Jenkins, assistant, Junior Bible Class; Mrs. A. H. Montgomery, teacher, and Mrs. Stella Beck, assistant, Young People's class; Mrs. William Terrel, teacher, and Mrs. Carson Altmiller, assistant, Intermediate Girls' class;

Mrs. Ray T. Hennigh, teacher and R. D. Hennigh, assistant, of Junior Boys' class; Mrs. A. Blair Grubb, teacher, and Mrs. Ruth Wright, assistant, of Junior Girls' class; Mrs. C. A. Lourwood, teacher, and Mrs. George Russell, assistant, primary class.

Appointment of Mrs. Lourwood as head of the cradle roll department and Mrs. C. H. Powell as her assistant made by Rev. Gribb was approved by vote of the Sunday School.

Freedom Granted To Knowles Bank Suspect

The preliminary trial of J. C. Freeman, who was being held by Beaver county officers for robbing the Knowles bank was held Saturday, Dec. 19, before Justice of the Peace, W. T. Quinn.

The trial started at 2:00 o'clock and was finished at 8:30 in the evening. A number of witnesses testified that Freeman was in Taloga, Okla., at about the same time the bank was robbed. The court held that the evidence was insufficient to bind Freeman over to the District Court and the charges were dismissed.—Beaver Herald-Democrat.

Shattuck residents who placed lighted candles in their windows on Christmas Eve after 9 p. m. were entertained with the singing of Christmas carols by members of the Methodist Epworth League.

More than 1500 children were treated with sacks of candy and nuts at the Beaver City celebration on Saturday, December 19.

Men Jailed After House Is Entered

Fred Longhofer, a farmer living near Gaylord, and his hired hand, Lawrence Richie, are in jail at Lipscomb following their arrest Saturday night at the Longhofer farm on charges of breaking into the G. H. Helfenbein house, four miles southwest of town, stealing a number of articles, and wrecking furniture, on Christmas Eve, according to information received from E. B. Roberts, county sheriff, on Wednesday afternoon.

At a preliminary hearing before W. J. Hennigh, justice of the peace at Follett, the men were bound over to the grand jury which meets in six months, and their bond was set. Bond for Longhofer was set at \$2500 and for Richie, \$750.

Furniture Wrecked

When Mr. and Mrs. Helfenbein and children returned from Christmas services at the Follett Lutheran Church on Christmas Eve, they discovered that the place had been entered. When Mr. Helfenbein attempted to light a carbide light, flames surged in every direction from the broken lamp.

Investigation showed that every carbide light in the house had been broken, the stove had been knocked over and broken, documents had been taken from a desk and scattered over the floor, beds had been torn open, a gun taken, contents of dresser drawers dumped on the floor and furniture wrecked.

The house, which had been locked, had been entered by the breaking of a window at the back.

Officers Called

After a hurried survey, the Helfenbein family drove back to town to spend the night after calling the county officers.

Sheriff Roberts and Deputy Claude Wells found a number of the thirty-two different articles of food and household implements, including a can of cream, sack of sugar, a broom, etc., at the Longhofer house on Saturday evening when the arrests were made.

It is thought that the house was entered at approximately 7:25 for a clock that had been broken had stopped at that time.

The family had left the premises at 6 p. m. to attend the church services.

Three Boys Hurt In Accident Recovering

G. B. Hennigh, Roy Roper, and Marvin Jones, who were all injured when the strip-down car in which they were riding overturned near the bridge south of Darrouzett last Wednesday were recovering this week.

None of the boys were injured badly. G. B.'s left arm was thrown out of place and the bones were twisted. However, he does not have to carry it in a sling any longer.

Roy Roper received a crippled ankle and a skinned hand. Marvin Jones was unconscious for a few minutes after the accident. Roy Phillips, driver and the only other occupant of the car, was not injured.

The strip-down car was completely wrecked. One front wheel and the steering gear were broken, and the body was badly bent.

Joe Robbins Announce Birth of Daughter

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Robbins announce the birth of a baby daughter on Saturday morning, December 26.

The child weighed six pounds at birth.

"None shall go hungry in Perryton or community on Christmas Day" was the slogan of the Perryton American Legion and Auxiliary on December 24 when the two organizations sent trucks laden with baskets of food to be delivered to needy families. More than sixty baskets were prepared.

Thirty Christmas baskets of food were delivered to needy homes in Shattuck on December 23 by the Community Chest. The organization is directed by the Lions' Club, the Sorosis Club, and the ministers of the various churches.

A Christmas feature story by Frank Ewing of Higgins appeared in a recent issue of The Amarillo Daily News. Ewing holds the position of reporter on the paper.

"He That Putteth His Hand To The Plow"

A Christmas Story Of The Long Ago

By MILDRED CRABTREE SPEER

WE lived in Louisiana, but for years we had been hearing about the great state of Texas, its greatness, its broadness, its fertility, and its wealth. My husband was a preacher—minister you call them now. If you will look about you and see what a hard time the country preacher of to-day has, and multiply that by ten you will have some conception of how hard things were for us at that time.

For some time Thomas, my husband, had been writing to a man in Texas whose name was John Marlin. Mr. Marlin owned a large farm and ranch in central Texas. He had a small house and farm near his larger one that he was offering for sale. We had given up all hopes of ever owning it, for we could never get enough money together to buy it, small as it was.

I shall never forget the day when Thomas began his first camp meeting. He was the only one there would be to preach, and for weeks he had been preparing sermons so that he should have enough to last through the two weeks' meeting.

On the day the meeting started we received a letter from John Marlin, who said that they needed a preacher very badly in that territory. He wanted us to come and live on the tenant farm, which he had been trying to sell us, rent free. We could have the privilege of buying the farm later. He advised us to try to get there before the first of the year, for the worst of Texas weather on the plains seemed to come in January and February. The letter had been delayed and missent; it had been two months in coming.

THOMAS sat with his head in his hands, and I had never seen such a look of disappointment as came over his face. He knew that we owed \$30 in that little village; he knew that we had only \$5.00 in the world; he knew that the meeting he was conducting would not bring over \$15, and probably a part of that would be paid with food, quilts, or whatever the poor people had. He turned to me and smiled a crooked smile that I knew came to his face only when he had reached the depths of despair.

"Well, Ruth," he said, "I like Louisiana anyhow; don't you?"

It was then that I knew what my mission must be. I snapped back at him, "Yes, I like Louisiana, but I think I'll like Texas, too. Leastwise that's where I'm going. I want a home! You help me pack up and tomorrow morning I leave here for Texas."

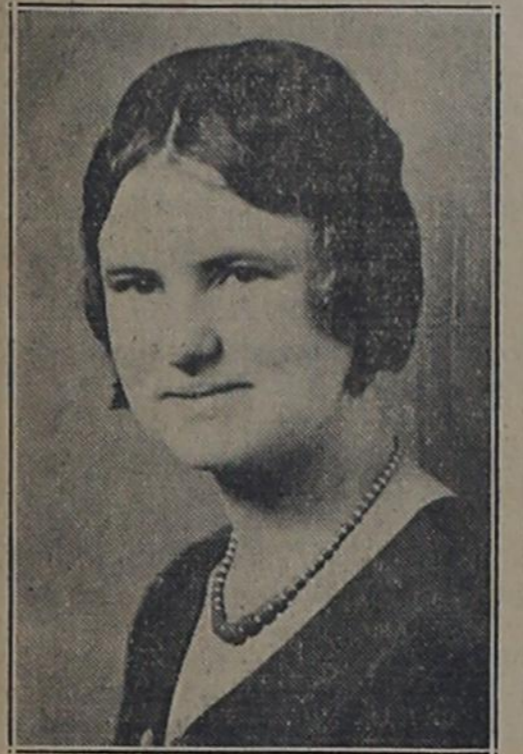
Thomas answered gravely: "No, Ruth, no; we cannot leave here owing money, and I can't leave just when my first meeting is beginning. We wouldn't dare leave three weeks from now; I would be afraid that winter would catch you and the children."

"Well, who said you were going?" I asked fiercely. "It is I who am going! I will leave old Jim for you to ride, and I will go on. You can pay what you make off of this meeting on our debt; then you can stay here and work until you pay the rest! Don't you see, Thomas, it is the very chance we have been looking for? We have a case of syrup, some soda, and salt; you can take the rest of our corn and have it ground this afternoon. There is lots of bacon left in the meat box, and I'll get along fine with all of that. We'll put on all the feed we can for old Maud and Kate, and if I have to I will beg for enough to finish the trip."

Thomas got up and—well, I thought he had kissed me before, but the others had been mere pecks.

NEXT morning we were up early—we had hardly gone to bed. Thomas had found out everything he could about the trail I was to follow. He carefully wrote down all the directions, and told me how to make inquiry along the road. Before we had breakfast I took out the \$5.00 from our old purse, and gave them to him. I knew he would apply them on our debt, and it would bring him to us just one week sooner.

There were only four children then; John, ten; Martha, eight; Nancy, six; and Mary, just turning five. I can never forget the bewildered look on their faces as Thomas kissed them and lifted them into the wagon. Thomas' face was so white, and as for



MRS. J. E. SPEER who is author of a Christmas story reprinted here from the Northwestern Christian Advocate published in Chicago.

me I pulled my bonnet down over my face and tied it firmly.

It was well that Kate and Maud were old and trained to stay in the pad, for I could not see to drive for the first five miles. I got out once and leaned on the wagon wheel; I cried my heart out. It was then that I felt a little hand tugging at my skirts. It was John, and in one hand he held a little bag.

He said, "Father said for me to give you this if we ever got in a hard shape, and you seemed to need help; you need help now, don't you mother?"

I did need help. The bag contained a small Bible, and the \$5.00 I had given Thomas. I climbed into the wagon, turned it around, and headed toward Thomas. I went only half a mile, though; then I turned and headed toward Texas again.

I turned around five times that day, but something would drive me to turn again each time. The last time I turned toward Thomas my eye caught these lines in the little Bible I had been reading off and on all day: "He that putteth his hand to the plow, and looketh back is not fit for the Kingdom of Heaven." Wearily I turned once more toward Texas, and this time I kept my eyes set straight ahead.

It would not be interesting to tell of all the hardships and suffering of that trip. Once old Maud got sick and I knew she was going to die, but by some miracle she recovered. Once we got off the road, and went fifty miles out of our way. When the feed for our team was gone I had to feed them some of our precious corn meal. Before we arrived at our destination, Martha got sick and it took all of the \$5.00 to buy her medicine, pay the doctor's fee, and buy things to tempt her appetite as we struggled on.

WE arrived at Mr. Marlin's home on the twenty-second day of December. He was not at home, but we stayed with his wife that night. The next day the weather looked very threatening, so I hastened on to the place that was to be home.

It was thirteen miles from Mr. Marlin's place, and we got in just at dark. It had begun to snow. I dragged our bedding into the little two-room house, and put the children to bed without any supper; they were so tired and cold they hardly whimpered about it.

Then I looked at that cold, empty fire-place that seemed to match the cold empty place around my hear. I dragged out one of Thomas' old coats, seized the ax—which was sadly in need of sharpening by this time—and went out and began to cut down some dead trees that stood near the house. I cut armful after armful of the wood. The snowstorm grew steadily worse;

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Large Crowd Sees Program at Sunset

A large crowd attended the Christmas program at the Sunset school-house on Christmas Eve.

Exercises began with a welcome extended by Wesley Beck. Numbers that followed were: welcome drill; "Remarkable, My Sakes!" read by Bethel Douglas; "The Christmas Story told by Georgia Beck; a song, "Silent Night" given by Essie Beck and Bernice Foster; "Sympathy," a reading by George Paulk; "Time to Hang Up Baby's Stocking," sung by Darrel Woods; a reading, "Christmas Vacation," by Roland Flock; a dialog, "The Missing Factor";

Exercises Given

"Holidays," read by Canova Kerns; "Up on the Housetops," sung by Bethel Douglas and Bernice Foster; "I Love My Dolly," reading given by Agnes Nicholson; reading, "Waiting For Santa," by Margie Chappell; two exercises, "Christmas Day," and "Our Gifts"; "Its Santa Claus," read by Velma Williams; "Watch Out Santa," a song by George Paulk; "The Christmas Stockings," a dialog; "What We Enjoy," an exercise; a song, "Christmas Workers";

Other numbers were: a piano solo, "Starlight Waltz," played by Norma Eifers; "At Twelve O'clock," read by Edith Nicholson; a reading, "I'll Do My Best," given by Ethlyn Douglas; "Jingle Bells," sung by Nelly and Gilbert Gensman; "Christmas Thoughts," read by Ruth Nicholson;

Santa Arrives

"In Old Judea," a reading by Bernice Foster; "Beautiful Star of Heaven," a piano solo by Georgia Beck; "A Christmas Thought," read by Madeline Woods; "O Little Town of Bethlehem," song; "Is there a Mrs. Santa Claus," exercise;

Song, "Merry Christmas Is Here"; dialog, "Dropping In On the Smiths"; song, "Good Night," reading, "Merry Christmas" by Vera Neal. Santa Claus arrived at the close of the program and distributed presents from the Christmas tree.

Work On New Hotel Begun At Spearman

Through the efforts of the Chamber of Commerce of Spearman, construction work was started the fore part of this week on a thirty-eight room, three story, modern hotel in our neighboring city. The new hostelry will cost approximately \$40,000 and sixteen of the rooms will have private bath.

W. M. Woods, well known hotel man, is the builder. Mr. Woods states that he expects to have the building completed and ready for the public by May 1. With the paving under way on No. 117 through Spearman and this new hotel under construction Spearman should have a minimum of unemployed during the remainder of the winter.—Ochiltree County Herald.

Grocery At Booker Destroyed By Fire

The Kimmel Grocery and Market of Booker, was completely destroyed by fire early Monday morning, December 21, and the frame building housing the store was also destroyed. The loss to grocery stock and fixtures was estimated at \$9,000 by the owner, A. W. Kimmel, about one-third of which was covered by insurance.

The Booker fire department answered the 3:15 alarm and by their prompt work were able to confine the fire to the one building which was adjoined on either side by other frame buildings. The building was owned by an out-of-town man, it is said.—Ochiltree County Herald.

Eastern Star Plans Special Meet Tues.

A special practice meeting of the Order of the Eastern Star will be held at 7:30 on Tuesday night, January 5, according to Mrs. J. M. Robinson, Worthy Matron.

The next regular meeting of the order will be held on Tuesday night, January 12.

Between two thousand and 2500 people attended the Christmas festival held at Follett on December 19.

Miss Mittie Hill and W. R. Hill went to Booker Tuesday.

Prizes Offered For Best Essays On Prohibition

TO GIVE 3 AWARDS

Rev. Grubb Announces Rules Governing Contest

Prizes amounting to \$9 will be awarded the three ranking essays on the topic, "Prohibition; The Best Method of Dealing With the Liquor Problem," written by young people between the ages of 13 and 17, according to Rev. A. Blair Grubb. Reverend Grubb will award the first prize of \$5. Second prize of \$3 is being offered by the Epworth League, while Miss Elsie Montgomery editor of the Darrouzett News, is offering third prize of \$1.

Material on the subject is being collected by Reverend Grubb for the use of contestants, who must be members of the League, the local Methodist church, or Sunday School. The local contest will close on January 24.

Contest Is National

The contest is part of the annual church-wide prohibition essay contest sponsored by the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, working in connection with the Department of Epworth League and Young People's Work of the Board of Education. National prizes will be awarded amounting to \$300, Reverend Grubb said.

After the essays are judged locally, and the local awards made, they will be sent on to the national contest which closes on February 1, 1932.

Entries Urged

The essay must be not over two thousand words in length, Reverend Grubb said. Judging will be made on content (50 pct.), presentation (30 pct.), neatness (10 pct.), spelling and diction (10 pct.).

"When quotations from books, etc., are made reference should be noted in footnote or at end of essay," he stated. "The essay should have front and back cover sheets with title on the front cover."

William T. Templin, pastor of the Arnett Methodist Church, is director of the contest in the Alva district.

All young people eligible are urged by Reverend Grubb to enter the contest.

Booker Bank Robbers Sought By Officers

With a "pretty good lead" county officers are hot on the trail of the persons who took approximately \$600 of currency, mostly silver, from the Booker bank last Wednesday night, Sheriff E. B. Roberts said Wednesday.

Officers are working on clues left by the thieves.

Safe Damaged

The bank was entered by means of a window in the back of the building. It had evidently been pried at the bottom with a crow bar until the lock had broken.

The combination knob to the safe had been broken off, evidently in an attempt to chisel it in an effort to open it. The deposit boxes of the banks customers had been opened and the papers and other contents strewn over the floor of the vault.

Bank Guarded

With no currency on hand, bank officials were unable to cash checks on Thursday morning until change could be secured from Perryton. Guards were set to watch the bank on Thursday and Friday nights until a safe expert came to fix the damaged safe so that money could be deposited there.

Baby Son Born To Glen Browns Christmas Day

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Brown announce the birth of a son on Christmas Day. The baby has been named Billy.

Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Roper of Perryton visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Ludlum on Saturday.

Mrs. J. H. Barnes has been ill during the past week.

Valney Walton spent the week-end in Higgins.

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BE GLAD FOR THE GLAD NEW YEAR

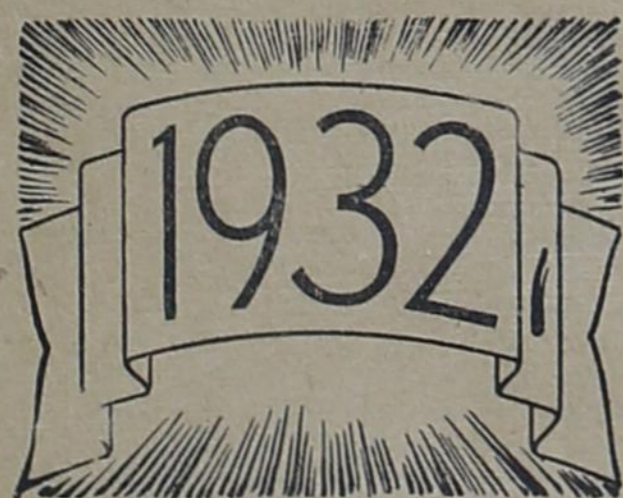
Welcome with joy the glad New Year.
Tho' the one just gone holds memories dear
You can make the new one better still,—
Yes, I know you can if you only will.
Then in the dawning of the glad New Year
Fill your heart with courage and hope and cheer.

For if your heart is full of love and joy
You will radiate gladness to each girl and boy
Whom you chance to meet day after day,
And will make their hearts sing as they go on their way.
Not only the young, but the aged too,
Will wish for many more like you.

Be glad for friends, for home, for health,
And it isn't a sin to be glad for wealth,—
Not if each dollar you have honestly earned
And all dishonesty you have steadfastly spurned.
For to possess even a dollar that is not rightfully your own
Will bring forth "evil fruit" from evil seed sown.

But oh what joy to know we are right,
And manfully, truthfully make the fight
To fight the battle,—At the end of year
To know we have won it with courage and cheer.
And so again, I say: Be Glad
For friends, for health, and the good times you've had;
Be glad again and hope that you
And your friends may live thru "Thirty-Two."

—Contributed by Mrs. Nellie Baxter of Gage, Okla.



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CHURCH NEWS

A. BLAIR GRUBB, Pastor

Cottage prayer service, at parsonage, Sat. evening 7:30
Sunday School 11:00
Morning Worship 11:00
Junior and Epworth Leagues 6:45
Evening Worship 7:30
Wednesday evening Bible Study; Acts ch. 21 7:30

Ladies Aid announces change in prices for quilting from seventy-five cents per spool to one dollar per spool. They announce however that no charge will be made for putting in the quilt into the frames and the twenty-five cent charge for binding will no longer be made.

PROHIBITION POINTERS from the "Voice"

Beer is the poor man's drink; the drink that keeps the poor man poor.

Drink does not drown your troubles, it floats them.

No drinker ever takes more than one drink at a time.

The man who says he can "drink or let it alone," always drinks; and the man who just "takes one now and then" takes more now than he did then.

To advertise the liquor traffic you never see an exhibit marked, "before and after taking."

Luxury may be taxed; but vice must be prohibited.

Water quenches thirst; alcohol creates thirst.

Civilized man makes liquor, and liquor makes savages.

Strong drink makes weak men.

I am a total abstainer from alcoholic liquors. I always felt I had better use for my head.—Edison.

Oh, if we could only get rid of prohibition and stop corruption and bring back the pristine purity which characterized New York, Chicago, and other cities in the days of Boss Tweeds and Hinky Dink McKenna.

TRY CHRISTIANITY

Horace Greeley is said once to have received a letter from a woman stating that her church was in distressing financial conditions.

They had tried every device they could think of—fairs, strawberry festivals, oyster suppers, a donkey party, turkey banquets, Japanese weddings, poverty socials, mock marriages, grab bags, box socials and necktie socials.

"Would Mr. Greeley be so kind as to suggest some new device to keep the struggling church from disbanding?" The editor replied, "Try Christianity."—The Christian.

IMPS OF HELL

"Imps of Hell Inc." is an organization to fight prohibition. They have organizations in Nashville, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Chicago, New York, and even as close as Memphis and other nearby towns. Certainly these organizations have in them the "Imps of Hell." This is a brand they can truthfully wear.

The Bible says the devil is a liar but we were surprised that his children would organize and one time publish the truth that they were the "Imps of Hell."

Misses Jean Pugh and Velma Fisher were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carter on Thursday.

Mrs. W. L. Allen and daughter, Laura B., called on Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carter Wednesday afternoon.

Leroy Lowry, brother of Mrs. Glen Phillips, is here from Canyon visiting during the holidays.

FAVORITE RECIPES

By Doris E. Montgomery

RAISIN CUP CAKES

2 cups raisins
2 cups water
1 1/2 cups sugar
2 tablespoons shortening
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
1/4 teaspoon cloves
1 teaspoon soda
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1 cup chopped nuts.
3 cups flour
Cook raisins, water, sugar, and shortening together and let boil for a few minutes. Cool and add spices, soda, baking powder, nuts and flour. Bake in small pans or in a loaf.
MRS. G. R. MILLS.

LEMON PIE

1 lemon
1 cup sugar
1 tablespoon flour
1 cup hot water
Butter or substitute size of walnut 2 eggs
Mix the sugar and flour and add to the grated rind and juice of the lemon. Add butter. Cook in double boiler till done. Fill baked crust and use egg whites for a meringue.
MRS. GEORGE McVICKER.

SOUTH FLAT

By Mrs. Frank Peterson

(Last Week's Items)

Mrs. Harold Cornell and children visited at the L. M. Bowden home on Monday.

John Byrd received a fall that hurt his shoulder this week. He is also suffering with a sore throat.

Green Hilderbrand called at the Frank Peterson home on Sunday evening.

Miss Mary Gladwell was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mahaffey.

Rev. W. T. Lackey was a dinner guest at the I. G. Hilderbrand home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Anderson, John Anderson, and Max Johnston came home from Dumas, Texas, Monday because of a seven-inch snow which stopped their maize gathering.

Mrs. Carl Nelson was hostess to the Social Hour Club last Tuesday. All members were present.

Mrs. George Goode was initiated into this club. The hostess served a bountiful five o'clock dinner.

Art Evans, Guy Gillham, and Tom Maynard were also guests at the Nelson home.

The next meeting of the club will be held on January 5 at the home of Mrs. Frank Peterson.

Miss Rosamond Black spent the week-end with Miss Madge Anderson.

Frank Peterson lost a good milk cow with the bloat on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Davis spent Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

are lasting. If you pride yourself upon a good appearance, keep your clothes well-cleaned and pressed.

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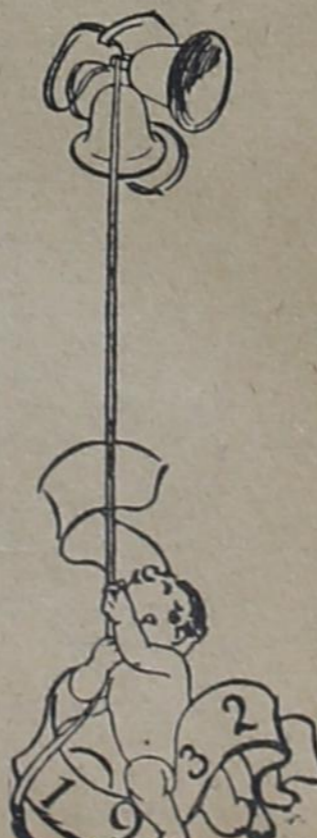
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Frank Peterson practicing Christmas music.

Lester Mahaffey helped Green Hilderbrand with drilling this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Maynard left for a visit in Kansas this week.

Kenneth Nelson received a badly bruised nose and eye this week while playing.

John and Carl Anderson threshed sudan seed for Frank Peterson this week.

W. C. Mahaffey was in Beaver on business Saturday.

Mrs. J. P. Anderson received quite a fall one day this week, injuring her hand quite badly.

Mrs. Frank Peterson had as dinner guests on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. William Gray and children.

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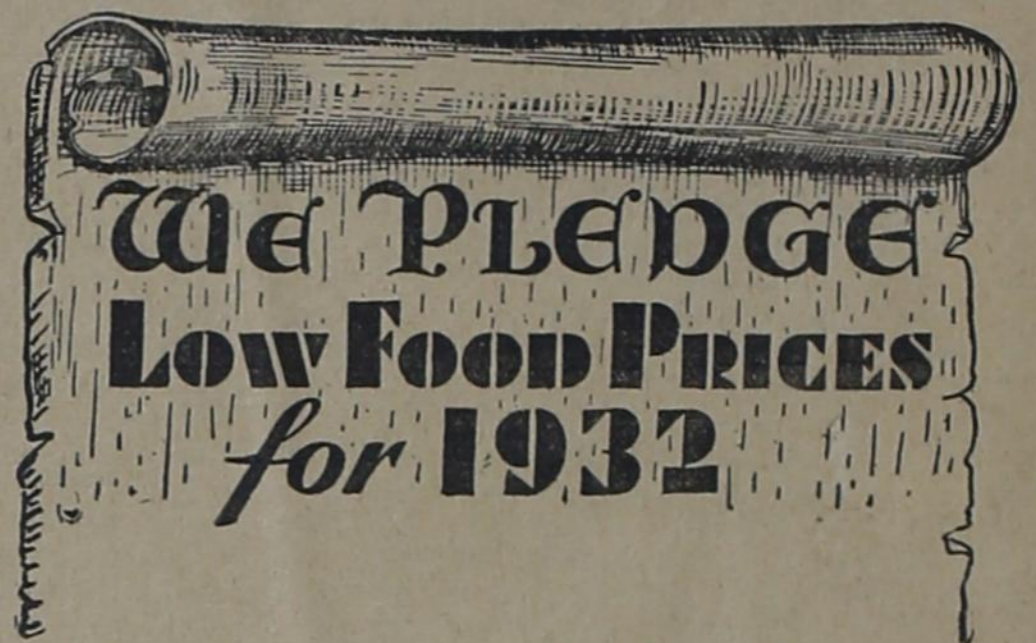
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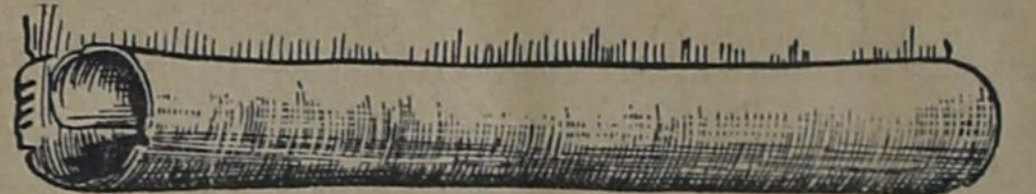
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Community Notes

TURNER SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTES

By Carrie Meller

(Last Week's Items)

Mr. and Mrs. John Martin and daughter, Nina Mae, started to Arkansas on Sunday where they will spend their Christmas holidays.

Rudolf Koch is rebuilding the barn on the school yard.

Henry Meller broke his right arm about two weeks ago. It is improving at the present time.

We have our school-room all decorated up nicely for the Christmas program on the evening of December 23. There will be a community Christmas tree and a box supper. The proceeds from the box supper, above the expense of the program will be used for the purchasing of playground equipment.

We are planning to initiate our new stage curtain in the Christmas program.

Miss Vivian Keaster is going to her home at Lubbock, Texas, to spend the Christmas vacation.

SUNSET NEWS

The Sunset Sunday School held its annual election of officers last Sunday. The officers will serve for the year of 1932.

New officials are; Mrs. C. H. Elfers, superintendent. Newt Burlison, assistant superintendent. O. C. Elfers, secretary and treasurer, Arda Smith, assistant; Clara Burlison, song leader; Georgia Beck, pianist; Norma Elfers, assistant pianist.

Teachers are George Beck, Newt Burlison, Laura Winfough, Cora Winfough, and Mrs. S. F. Winfough.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Boyer and Arda Smith spent Sunday at the C. H. Elfers home.

Miss Geneva Beck, who is attending school at Alva, Okla., spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Beck.

Miss Oklahoma Tingley, who is attending school at Canyon, is visiting relatives and friends in this community.

Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Newt Burlison on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Paulk and children.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wilson and daughter of Dumas, Tex., and Raymond Paulk of Briscoe, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlo Sheets and Mrs. E. G. Kerns were Monday afternoon callers of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Brown are the proud parents of a baby boy born Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wilson and family of Dumas, Tex., and Raymond Paulk of Briscoe, Tex., who have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Paulk for the past few days returned to their homes on Saturday night.

PLAINS ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Balch visited from Thursday until Saturday with Mrs. Balch's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Pope, and her sister, Mrs. Archie McCarter, and Mr. McCarter near Snattuck.

Miss Clara Balch has been spending the holidays at Edinburg in the Rio Grande valley, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Glen Draper.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Carter, Sr., of Shattuck spent Christmas Day with their daughter, Mrs. Garfield Dittus, and Mr. Dittus.

The Plains school teachers are spending the holidays at their homes. Miss Fannie Cook is visiting at Canadian, and Miss Sylvia Pinkerton, near Booker.

Mrs. Laura Draper, L. L. Draper, and daughter, Mary Louise, left Saturday morning, December 19, for Edinburg, Texas, where they will visit Mr. and Mrs. Glen Draper during the Christmas holidays.

NORTH FORK ITEMS

On Christmas Eve the P. T. A. of North Fork entertained with a tree and program.

The North Fork school will have one week's vacation.

Miss Rosamond Black is spending the vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Black.

Miss Laurene Gensman spent the vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Davis.

Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Davis were Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Stephenson, R. P. Gensman, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Gensman, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Stapp, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bellah.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Sneath spent Christmas Day with James Sneath of Forgan.

Visitors of Mrs. Pearl Cook and Edgar Cook on Christmas night were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Davis and Harold Beach.

Mrs. Carl Bellah made several trips to Perryton last week to have dental work done.

A large crowd attended the Christmas tree program at the community house Tuesday night.

SOUTH FLAT

(Items for This Week)

The Community House was filled to overflowing on Tuesday night when a Christmas program was given by people in the neighborhood. Santa Claus was present to help in the distribution of presents and treats



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Local News

Mrs. Emma Lash accompanied Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Russell and family to Wichita, Kansas, to visit her daughters, Mrs. Will Crawford and family, and her grandchildren, during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Morgan and daughter, Genevieve, and son, Harold, left Saturday for their home in Wichita, Kansas. They have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mosley.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Messner and Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Evans visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Robbins on Sunday evening.

Mrs. Dexter Gilger and Mrs. Green Hilderbrand visited Mrs. J. T. Phillips and Mrs. Belle Lynch on Monday afternoon.

Floretta Tiffin of Gage spent the week-end with her grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Allen.

from the tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Gillham spent Sunday with relatives in Forgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Jenkins went to Woodward on Wednesday and brought back Mrs. Lillian Jenkins Merritt and children to spend the holidays with relatives in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peterson and L. H. Shaffer enjoyed the Christmas season with Mother Green at Beaver. All the the Green family was present except George Green who lives at Palo Alto, Calif.

Gene Hudson who has been attending a school for boys in Arkansas for over two years came home to spend a few days during the holiday season with his mother, Mrs. Lora Hudson. He returned to his duties on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Jenkins and Herschel Allen were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Gheen on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peterson and L. H. Shaffer were dinner guests of Clyde Green at Beaver on Sunday.

Mrs. Mozelle Lappin gave a birthday dinner Sunday in honor of her birthday which occurred Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nelson, Mrs. Lora Hudson and son, Gene, were guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Newman and baby of Amarillo came to spend the holidays with Mrs. Newman's father, Ben Green, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Galen Palmer and family left Thursday for Missouri to attend the funeral of Mrs. Palmer's mother. The entire community offers sympathy to Mrs. Palmer.

Honoring her daughter, Mrs. Lillian Merritt of Woodward, Mrs. Belle Jenkins entertained a number of old friends on Sunday evening.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Guy and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Barker, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Walker and family, Ben Green and family, Mr. and Mrs. Newman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Jenkins and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Staples, and L. H. Shaffer.

A very pleasant evening was spent recalling old times, and enjoying music.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Phillips went to Canyon on Sunday. Mrs. Phillips is attending West Texas State Teachers' College there. Mr. Phillips returned Moadny.

Mrs. Noll returned to the W. R. Hill home Sunday after spending Christmas with her family at Booker.

Misses Helen, Doris, and Elsie Montgomery, and Lawrence Montgomery visited Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Fausset near Canadian on Sunday.

Russell Fausset has been visiting his brother, Maurice Fausset, and Mrs. Fausset near Canadian for the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Frass, Jr., and children, J. H. Carter and daughter, Thelma, went to Perryton on Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Rush have been visiting Mr. Rush's parents at Westmoreland, Kas., since last Wednesday, December 23.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mills and daughter, Gladys, of Oklahoma City are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Mills during the holidays.

Mrs. C. T. Phillips and Mrs. Otis Travis and sons were in Shattuck on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Clark announce the birth of a new daughter born Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Powell visited Mrs. Isabell Harden of near Higgins on Sunday afternoon.

Willard Smith who has been visiting in Follett and Gage returned to Darrouzett and Sunday morning.

Thelma Carter and Helena Fiskin were visitors of LaVelle Garvin on Sunday evening.

Pearl Lourwood and Kenneth Jenkins were in Perryton Wednesday morning.

Miss Marguerite Jenkins visited Miss Lois Roper of Perryton from Sunday until Wednesday.

Gilbert Powell of Canadian visited his brother, C. H. Powell, and Mrs. Powell from Sunday until Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mosley and son, Lloyd, were in Perryton on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Phillips spent Christmas week with Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Frass, Jr., visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Phillips on Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Phillips were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Frass, Jr., Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Phillips visited Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Smith on Sunday afternoon.

The Sunset Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. J. W. Lindsay Tuesday of last week.

R. D. Hennigh and son, G. B., went to Follett on Friday to have G. B.'s arm dressed.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Paine of near Booker visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hill on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Redman and son visited Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hill on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Chappell and son, Orval, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carter Tuesday evening.

Mrs. M. H. Flock sprained the arch of her foot Saturday morning when her foot slipped on a step.

R. D. Hennigh and son, G. B., went to Follett on Sunday to have G. B.'s arm dressed by the doctors there.

Mrs. S. A. Leeper who was injured in an automobile accident recently is much improved.

Opal Lourwood spent the week-end in Booker.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Altmiller went to Perryton on Saturday.

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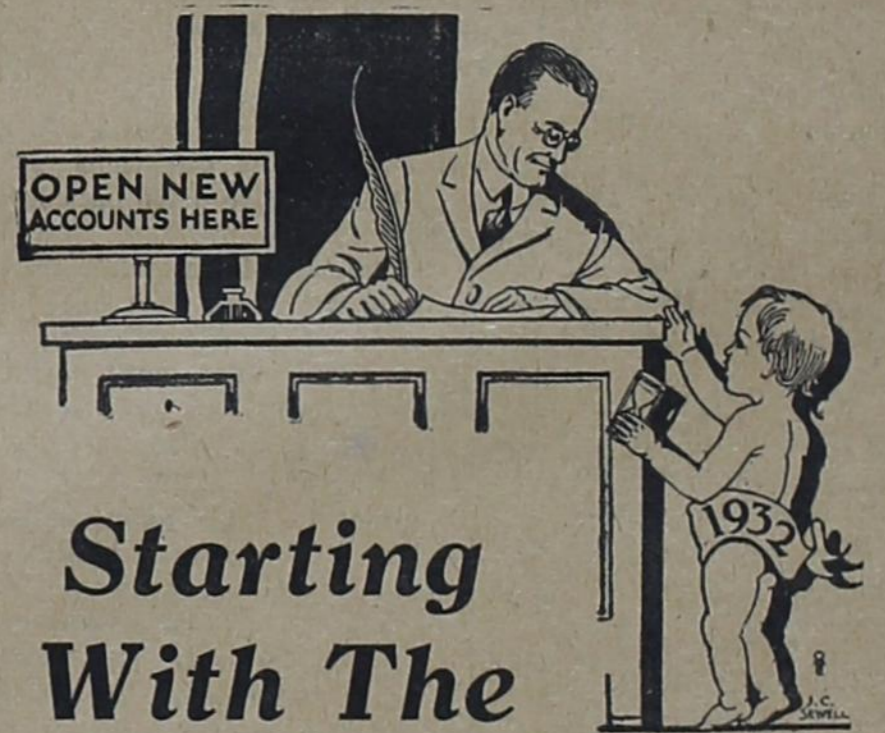
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SOCIETY Notes

Carters Entertain On Christmas

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carter entertained a number of relatives at dinner on Christmas Day.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ted Roach and son, Montie Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Roach and son, Kenneth Ray, Mrs. Mary Roach and daughter, Dorothy, all of Catesby, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. James Worrell and son, Ernest, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Worrell and son, Marvin, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Revis and children, all of Logan, Okla.;

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Fauusst and son, Donald, of Canadian; Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Arthurs and son, James Earl, of Follett; and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Worrell of Oklahoma City.

Follett Students Honored At Party

Honoring alumni and former students of Follett High School, Judge and Mrs. W. H. Sewell entertained at bridge and forty-two at their home on Friday evening.

Those who attended from Darrouzett were Misses Helen, Doris, and Elsie Montgomery, Laurence Montgomery, and their guest, Everett Moyer, of Liberal, Kas.

Bridge Party Honors Mrs. Phillips

Honoring Mrs. Glen Phillips, a bridge party was given at the home of Mrs. Otis Travis on Saturday afternoon.

Those present besides the honoree were: Mrs. G. H. Russell, Mrs. G. A. Jenkins, Mrs. Carl Lockhart, Mrs. J. T. Phillips, Mrs. H. D. Lash, Mrs. C. T. Phillips, Mrs. Henry Frass, Jr., and Mrs. Carson Altmiller

Dinner Honors Birthdays On Monday

Honoring the birthdays of Mrs. Edgar Taylor, Mrs. H. D. Lash, and M. H. Flock, a dinner was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Taylor on Monday.

Besides the guests of honor, those present were Mr. H. D. Lash and children, Mrs. M. H. Flock, Mr. Edgar Taylor and son, Oscar.

CHRISTMAS GUESTS of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mosley for dinner at the Hotel Ertz were:

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Morgan and Genevieve, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Morgan Mrs. Ault and daughter, Juanita, of Perryton, Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Grubb, and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Heard and son, Bobby, of Booker.

A CHRISTMAS PARTY for their children was given by Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Sneath, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Altmiller, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Messner on the evening of December 25 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Messner.

GUESTS OF MR. and MRS. JOE ROBBINS for Sunday dinner were Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Messner, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Altmiller, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Sneath, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Messner. Miss Ruby Messner called in the afternoon.

CHRISTMAS DINNER GUESTS of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Phillips were Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lindsay, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Phillips, and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hoover.

DINNER GUESTS of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hennigh on Christmas Day were Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Hennigh and children, Erma and Harry, Glen Hennigh, Mr. and Mrs. Baxter and daughter, Rossabell, of Gage.

CHRISTMAS DINNER guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Messner were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Messner, Miss Ruby Messner, and Alfred Fauusst.

DINNER GUESTS of Mr. and Mrs. Carson Altmiller on Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Tiffin and daughter, Florella, of Gage, and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Allen.

CHRISTMAS DINNER guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Ludlum were Mr. and Mrs. Ira Russell and daughters, Miss Francis Klinger, all of Follett, and Joe Dupont.

LUNCHEON GUESTS of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Montgomery on Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Moyer and sons, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moyer, all of Liberal, Kas.

A BUFFET SUPPER was given on Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carter. Guests were Rev. and Mrs. A. Blair Grubb, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Montgomery and family.

GUESTS OF Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Stapp on Christmas Day were Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Woods, Marjorie and Allen Daily. Allen remained to visit for the rest of the holiday season.

SUPPER GUESTS of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Altmiller on Monday evening were Miss Ruby Messner and Alfred Fauusst.

DINNER GUESTS of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carter on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Gheen, Miss Laura B. Allen, and Joe Dupont.

SUPPER GUESTS of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Altmiller on Monday were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Messner, Miss Ruby Messner and Alfred Fauusst.

GUESTS OF Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Montgomery on Christmas Day were Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Moyer and sons, Everett and Virgil, of Liberal, Kas.

MR. and MRS. P. J. GHEEN were guests of their son, Percy Gheen, and Mrs. Gheen of Booker on Christmas Day.

DINNER GUESTS at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Lourwood on Wednesday were Miss Bessie Carter and Lee Carter.

VISITORS OF Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Leeper of Knowles, Okla., on Christmas Day were Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Mills and children.

DINNER GUESTS of Mr. and Mrs. A. Blair Grubb on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Altmiller.

MR. and MRS. G. A. JENKINS entertained Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Evans at dinner on Christmas Day

SUNDAY DINNER guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Gheen were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gheen of Sophia.

CHRISTMAS DINNER guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Altmiller were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Altmiller and sons.

MRS. MYRTLE PHEBUS and daughter, Violet, spent Christmas Day with Mrs. Iven Mills.

MR. and MRS. GEORGE McVICKER and children were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Duffey.

GLEN HENNIGH was a dinner guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hennigh on Saturday.

MAVIS ALTMILLER was a Sunday dinner guest of Eulala Altmiller.

MARION CARTER was a Sunday dinner guest of Orval Chappell.

He That Putteth—

(Continued from front page)

once I got lost and did not find the house for an hour. I was so cold that I had to start a fire with my precious wood. The flames licked up the dry stuff in no time. I realized that I must have green wood to burn with the dry, so I trudged out again. The storm got to be so bad that I decided I must get our supply of food in out of the wagon. Somehow I managed to get it all into the house.

It was four o'clock when I crawled in with the children; how warm they were!

I AWOKE about twelve o'clock the next day. The fire was burning brightly; a voice was speaking just above a whisper. The voice was John's, and he was telling the younger children the Christmas story I had told them so often back in Louisiana.

Christmas! I was so shocked that I could not move. Not once had a thought of Christmas entered my head. The children must have gotten the idea from Mrs. Marlin's children.

The voice went on: "Santa Claus will come and he will bring us what we want too. I'm going to stay up and see if I can't get him to wake mother up. Then, too, I want to have him a warm fire when he comes."

I raised my head and looked at those bleated babies. They were all seated flat on the floor with their backs turned to me. A bucket of syrup stood in front of the fire; they had pried the top off, and were dipping their fingers in the bucket and then sucking their fingers. Mary turned her face partly toward me and I saw that it was pale and pinched with hunger; they had had nothing to eat since we left Marlin's the morning before.

I tried to get up; a groan escaped me, and then four little bodies landed on top of me. They all tried to tell me at once, how they had shook and pulled at me trying to wake me, and how I had just groaned and gone on sleeping. They had built up the fire and were waiting for Santa to come and wake me.

My head was bursting and I was sore and stiff, but I managed to get up, get some snow from the window, melt it, and give the children a drink. Then I cooked bacon and made corn-bread pones. How we did eat, but there was a thought in the back of my mind that kept saying, "It is Christmas." As soon as I had straightened things up I fought my way to the wagon; it was no longer snowing, but the wind was blowing so hard that it kept whipping a sting-

ing blast into my face. I fed the horses in the little lot near the house; Mrs. Marlin had given me some feed, and there was a small shed, so I did not worry about them any more.

WHEN I went back into the house the children began to shout: "Give us the Christmas story, mother!"

I could not. I had not one present; I was without a penny, and thirteen miles from the nearest neighbor. I tried to tell the children that Santa Claus would not be able to find us; that he could not travel in the kind of weather we were having. I told them he would come later, perhaps in a month or two. I would rather have faced four loaded guns than the four pairs of eyes that were turned on me.

John spoke shakily, "Mother, last year we were having awful weather in Louisiana, and you laughed when I said it might be too bad for Santa to come. 'N he did come, too.'" A sob caught his voice.

Martha spoke next; she was frankly crying. "But mother, John sa-said this morning that Jesus was a-away off in a cattle manger, and the Wise Men found him 'cause they looked and saw a big star that was over him. Don't you think Santa will look until he find us by a star or something?" Her hope had gained, so that by the time she finished her voice was firm and faith was shining through her tears.

Nancy chimed in next with, "Any-how reindeers can go any place in snow or 'nthing."

"All 'ants is a doll, 'n Martha 'ants a doll, 'n Nancy 'ants a doll 'n' John says anything 'll do him," said little Mary.

I put them to bed early. I needed to think and read my Bible a while. I got down on my knees, and I prayed as I had never prayed before. I threw myself on the mercy of God, and somehow I gained the faith and hope that God would do something about it. I rose and stood smiling, listening to the whispering in the corner.

John's voice was saying, "N we'll have turkey, 'n dresin', 'n pie, and I just bet there will be candy for Christmas dinner and in our stockings too," and here four pairs of eyes furtively eyed the patched stockings that hung on our one chair by the fire.

I gave up hope then. The idea of their thinking that Santa would come, and that we would have Christmas dinner, too! I got after John rather harshly for putting such thoughts in to the minds of the other children. I took my ax and went out; I am afraid I banged the door but my heart hurt to hear John's smothered sob.

I worked for an hour chopping wood. Once I found a little bird with feathers all red and gold; it had died and fallen there; a wing had been broken somehow. I thought, "This little bird is like I am; its wings are broken." I slipped it into my pocket. I at last had enough wood.

The children were asleep when I got back, their faces turned toward the warm fire-light. The Bible I had been reading was still lying on the floor by the box I had been sitting on. I looked at it rather scornfully. I picked it up and started to put it away. Once more my eyes fell on the passage: "He that putteth his hand to the plow and looketh back, is not fit for the kingdom of heaven."

WELL, I went to the box that our clothing was packed in, and began to unpack things. I thought there might be some new handkerchiefs, or some material I might make handkerchiefs from. I was nearing the bottom of the box; nothing I could use had come to hand. Then I saw my wedding dress, and took it out and laid it carefully on a box. I thought, "I'll wear it to-morrow; perhaps that will make them feel better." My hands ran lovingly over its ruffles and folds.

Suddenly an idea came to me: around the waist was a girdle made of deep blue ribbon. I caught it up and I think I kissed it before I could control myself. I ripped the ribbon off; I suppose there were about three yards of it. I hunted up my one iron, cleaned it, and put it to heat. I cut the ribbon into three equal pieces, and then dug hopefully on into the box. I came to the hose and slippers that went with my wedding dress; I laid the cotton hose by the ribbons. Next I took a quilt top that I had pieced; there were many bright-colored calicos in it. I piled this on the stockings and ribbons.

I got up and went to hunt for a rag to go around the iron handle. In moving things around I tumbled out a paper sack, and found one lone shriveled orange in it. I remembered buying half a dozen oranges when Martha was sick, but I had thought they were all eaten.

The iron was hot; I carefully ironed out the ribbons, and then the wrinkles out of my wedding gown. I eased a cotton pillow from under Nancy's head and ripped it open; then I took the white cotton hose, cut them into suitable lengths for rag dolls, and stuffed them with cotton from the pillow. I tied strings around the places for necks and waists. With my bottle of ink, and some red calico

that I knew would fade, I put eyes, nose, hair, mouth, and cheeks on the dolls. Then choosing carefully so that no two dolls should be dressed alike, I made dresses for the dolls from the quilt pieces.

THE thing that troubled me now was something for John. As I studied I went to hang the coat of Thomas' that I had worn; the little red and gold bird I had found fell from the pocket. I picked it up, walked over to the fire and begun to remove the longest feathers. Taking a piece of cloth from my quilt top, and using the feathers, I made an Indian headpiece for John. Next I took the orange, put sticks in it for legs and arms, and drew a face on it; I dressed it something like the clowns of today.

I put the ribbons and dolls in the 'ittle girls' stockings, and the head-piece and the orange-man in John's stocking. I was very happy until I thought of what I had heard the children say about candy. I puzzled over this for a while, and then thought about my case of syrup. I made syrup candy, two batches, one for the stockings, and one for the table next day.

I had determined by this time to have some kind of Christmas feast the next day; I thought I might be able to kill a wild turkey in the morning. As I thought, I pulled and pulled the candy. Already there were blisters in my hands and these broke, and were very painful. At three o'clock the candy was wrapped in the tissue paper from my wedding gown, and was placed in the stockings. I repacked the box and was asleep in five minutes.

MORNING was a joyful time for the children. They still maintain that it was the happiest Christmas of their lives. I had a great many "I told you so's" to laugh over. The sun was shining and I let them all outside for a few minutes.

John laughed as he went out: "mother wants us all out of the way so she can fix Christmas dinner." I explained that we could not have Christmas dinner, but they only laughed and reminded me that I had, also, said that Santa would not come. I took the gun and tramped for an hour, but could not find even a track in the snow. I returned to find the children gathered around a man I had never seen before. I was alarmed, but his quiet smile reassured me.

He said, "I am John Marlin. I got in home yesterday, heard you were here, and that Tom," he called my husband that, "would be along soon. I'm glad to see you and these fine-looking youngsters; they say Santa sure visited them last night. The missus said you would be too tired to cook, and as we had too much she sent you down your Christmas dinner. There it is in that box."

John Marlin does not know to this day how near he came to being kissed by a perfectly strange woman. When he started to leave, he gave the children some nuts from his pocket, and turning to me he said: "By the way, some letters came for you in my care yesterday. They are packed in with that Christmas dinner somewhere."

I laughed and cried as we unpacked that box. There was turkey and dressing, pie, cake, sauce, candied berries, and right in the bottom were two letters from Thomas.

That dinner was a very merry one. I put on the white wedding dress and the white shoes. I have often wondered if that dress and shoes did not look queer with the coarse woolen stockings I wore. At least the children did not mind, and I did not care, for had I not had two letters from my Thomas, and had not the last one dated three weeks before said that he was leaving for Texas the next day? People travel faster on horseback than they do in covered wagons. Then, too, God had been good to me; I had put my hand to the plow, I had looked back, but God had understood and looked the other way when I was weak. I was supremely happy!

Soldiers Order Meets At Perryton Monday

Though not the largest in the matter of members present, the meeting of Veterans of Foreign Wars at Legion Hall in Perryton, Monday night, was one of the best, according to expressions of several of the men there.

Commander B. L. Rogers, of Farnsworth, in the absence of Adjutant Paul Ballew, who was called away just as the meeting was about to begin, read important communications from National and Departmental Headquarters.

Plans for work in the interest of Veteran affairs, and Community Welfare were discussed. Quartermaster, Henry J. Frass Jr., of Darrouzett, spoke impressively of the work being carried on by National Headquarters, in the interest of Veteran's welfare, and paid tribute to the efforts of Congressman Pattman, of Texas, in seeking to have the deferred payments due Veterans on their compensation paid in full.

Vice Commander, Sibley Jines, offered suggestions as to means of enlisting in the membership, more of the Veterans whose service record

makes them eligible. Horace Lackey, present Commander of the Legion, spoke encouragingly, and W. M. Boston said that he had taken more interest in Legion and Veteran affairs since he had joined the V. F. W.

A very enjoyable part of every meeting is the informal fellowship, and discussion, by groups, who linger after the meeting closes. Howard Carter, of Darrouzett, and B. L. Rogers, of Farnsworth, who served in the Spanish American War, recalled incidents of 1898.

The Perryton Post, V. F. W. meets at Legion Hall in Perryton, on the fourth Monday of each month. This Post recently organized, invites all eligibles to its meetings. The organization dates from 1899, when several groups of Veterans who had served in the Philippines, Cuba, Porto Rico, and China, were consolidated.

Veterans of the Mexican War were included also. All who have served honorably, in any war or military expedition outside the limits of the U. S., are eligible.

LIPSCOMB NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Banks Ranson and children of Perryton were visiting at the Ranson home here on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Spangle and family of near Follett passed thru here Thursday on their way to Amarillo for a short visit.

E. B. Roberts and Claude Wells were at Booker the last of the week.

Ed Hall of Wichita, Kas., is here visiting for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Boyd were at Higgins on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Merydith and children were visiting with relatives in Ochiltree county during the Christmas holidays.

Ben Lawrence left Wednesday for east Texas, where he will visit with relatives during the Christmas vacation.

Miss Nell Scott, who is teaching in the schools at Austin, is visiting with home folks this week. She was accompanied home by her sister, Beth, who is attending school there.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Owen of Booker, were visiting with relatives here the last of the week.

Chas Keffer, of Amarillo spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Keffer.

Mrs. R. B. Dorsey and children of Arnett, were visiting at the Teisen home on Wednesday.

Miss Johnny Callahan is spending Christmas vacation with relatives in Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Kelley were visiting with relatives at Higgins on Christmas Day.

Alex Barton was at Canadian one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Linn and daughter, of Ochiltree county were visiting relatives here on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lauren Hardage and children of Glazier, were visiting relatives here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Boyd spent Christmas Day with relatives at Canadian.

Helene Thompson spent the last of the week with relatives at Follett.

Mr. and Mrs. Ercel Rynearson of Wichita, Kans., were visiting here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Keffer and family of Lubbock were visiting with relatives here during the Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hill and children of Spearman were visiting here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Merriam left Saturday for Wichita, Kans.

Miss Gladys Buchanan, who is teaching in the Amarillo schools this year, is visiting with Mary Minton this week.

Dick Duke and Coy Colander of near Booker, were in town on Saturday.

Miss Mary Wood is spending Christmas vacation with home folks at Canadian.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Shutterly and daughter, Vera, of Wichita, Kansas, are visiting with friends here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hardage and children of Glazier were visiting here Christmas Day.

Mrs. Bert Webb and daughter, Thelma, were at Higgins Saturday.



Roy Phebus spent Christmas Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Phebus, of Perryton.

Misses Doris, Helen, Elsie, and Pauline Joyce Montgomery were in Booker and Perryton on Thursday.

Miss Jean Pugh spent the weekend at Perryton as the guest of Miss Velma Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Messner visited Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Lawson at Sophia Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Russell visited at the home of Russell Thompson on Sunday.

H. D. Lash went to Garden City, Kansas, on Monday.

Merrill Ludlum was ill with a severe cold on Sunday and Monday.

Pearl Lourwood and Delmar Clarke spent the week-end in Kiowa, Kas.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Taylor went to Woodward on Saturday.

Glen Phillips and Elmer Mills went to Follett on business Tuesday.

Farnsworth Grange Furnishes Member

At a regular meeting of Lone Star Grange Monday night, Master and Mrs. L. R. Conner gave an interesting report of the meeting of Oklahoma State Grange recently held at Lamont.

Granges in Ochiltree County are attached to the Oklahoma State Grange, until the organization is further extended in Texas.

Election of State officers resulted in re-election State Master Gillespie and State Lecturer Holden. New State officers elected included Mrs. L. R. Conner of Farnsworth; probably the first time a Texas member has been elected to office in the Oklahoma State Grange.

Efforts of Panhandle Grangers came within four votes of bringing the next State meeting to Beaver City, Stillwater winning by only four votes.

Despite the fact of his being a resident of Texas, Master L. R. Conner was appointed to the Legislative Committee. The Grange is working vigorously for measures designed to correct the evils of centralization of power, political and economic.

Additional details of reports from the State meeting will be made by Master and Mrs. Conner at the next meeting.

It is expected that installation of officers will also take place at the next meeting which will be Jan. 11. State Lecturer Homer Holden is expected to be present to install the new officers.

B. L. Rogers To Run For Representative

A letter received from B. L. Rogers at Farnsworth the first of this week states that he will be in the race for Representative of the 124th legislative district of Texas subject to the elections of 1932.

We are giving below a few of the qualifications that Mr. Rogers has stated to us.

Mr. Rogers is familiarly known as Bird Rogers, and is proprietor of the Service Store at Farnsworth having been in this capacity since 1920. He came to Ochiltree county in 1918, taking charge of a ranch for his brother, F. P. Rogers, the ranch being known as Rogerstown, one of the first post-offices in Ochiltree county.

With the building of the railroad he left the ranch and moved two miles to the present site of Farnsworth, engaging in the general merchandise business, though continuing some farming activities.

Mr. Rogers is 53 years old, Veteran of the Spanish-American War, and at present commander of the Perryton post of Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a delegate from Amarillo camp of Spanish-American War veterans to the national encampment in Philadelphia in 1930.

Mr. Rogers states that he has never held any public office other than school director, but feels that he is capable of presenting this territory at Austin.

If in need of a farm loan it will pay you to investigate the FEDERAL LAND BANK 5 1/2 percent LOAN made through the Ochiltree National Farm Loan Association, F. P. Rogers, Secretary Treasurer, Perryton, Texas.

MAN' HEART STOPPED BY BAD STOMACH GAS

W. L. Adams bloated so with gas after meals that his heart missed beats. Aderika brought out all gas and now he eats anything and feels fine.