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*The First Xmas
Was a Jewelry
Xmas.*

*A Jewelry Xmas
A. D. 1*

*"And the Wise
Men Presented
Unto Him Gifts
of Gold"*

*A Jewelry Xmas
A. D. 1916*

**XMAS
GIFTS
Should be
Jewelry**

**Our stock of Diamonds,
Jewelry, Cut Glass and
Silverware is Complete**

A large stock of Ivory Goods, Engraved
Free. Be Wise, Shop Early.

All Articles Engraved Free

Oscar T. Doell, East Side Sq.
JEWELER AND OPTICIAN WITH JONES DRUG CO.

NEAR FATAL ACCIDENT

**FRANK CHAMPION KICKED
BY HORSE SATURDAY.**

Serious Internal Injuries Sus-
tained—Victim Nearly Suc-
cumbs to Loss of Blood.

Frank Champion is in the local sanitarium making a fight for life. Saturday night Mr. Champion went out into the lot to look after his horses. In the dark he failed ascertain the exact position with reference to one of the horses before slapping it on the hip. The startled animal promptly landed two blows with its heavily shod hoofs on Mr. Champion, the first striking him on the thigh and the second in the abdomen. Suffering intense pain, and growing weaker every moment from internal loss of blood, Mr. Champion managed to secure assistance, and he was rushed to the sanitarium where it was found that he had sustained a rupture of the liver and also of one of the intestines. But for the opportune work of the surgeons in charge, it is almost certain that Champion would have forfeited his life.

At present he is resting well, and apparently is on the high road to recovery.

LADIES!

See our line of Silk Shirts for men that appreciate a nice Christmas present. Mann Bros.

Implements are going to be higher next year. We can make you a good price on a planter. Broad Mercantile Co.

Gloves, Pocket Knives, Spurs and Bits make useful Christmas gifts. H. P. C. Evers.

BUTTER KIST BREAD

Buy a loaf today from the White Kitchen.

LYRIC THEATRE

FRIDAY, DEC. 22

PRESENTS

Douglas Fairbanks

IN
"Double Trouble"

Entertaining story of Love, Business and Politics, presenting the star to a great advantage

ALSO

"The Janitor's Wife's Complication"
2 REEL KEYSTONE COMEDY

TWO BIG FEATURES

Price 25c, Children 10c Show Starts at 7:45

Greece and Italy

Were once the first of all great countries in point of Art. We have a limited selection of Reproductions of the Art Statuaries as designed and sculptured in Greece and Italy.

Come in and see them. We are selling them cheap.

Jones Drug Co., Inc.

C. A. TRIGG, Manager

Rexall Store On the Corner
"Your Money Back if You Want It"

The Last Lap

This week is toy week with us. Santa Claus has been here. Come and see what he has left for you.

Lange's
5-10 and 25c Store

The Last Call

ONLY 4 MORE DAYS---THEN CHRISTMAS

Shop here--this store is full of the most sensible gifts for men, women and children, both in novelties and substantial gifts. Come to this store for quick service. We are ready for the final rush of gift buyers and

**We are Prepared to Give You Prompt
and Efficient Service**

C. H. Vincent
DRY GOODS

South Side

A Beautiful Show Window.

Of exceptional attractiveness is the show window at the S. A. Benham store this week, the more so since the decorations are in entire keeping with the spirit of the season. The scene represents, on the one side, a church house set in a snow-clad garden, where tiny cedars give the only evidence of the green life hidden by the snow. In the other corner is the fire-place set for Christmas eve, a bright log fire burning on the hearth, and the children's stockings hung from the mantle in anticipation of Santa's visit. The big snowflakes that dot the windows, furnish a picture that calls for a second look from the passers-by. At night the illumination of the church and the fire-place complete a scene that is inspiring to say the least.

Our BUTTER KIST BREAD is hand made of pure ingredients. It has the home made flavor. Buy a loaf today. The White Kitchen.

We have a car load of Rock Island Implements on hand and want to figure with you on a Planter, Cultivator, Sulkey Plow or Disc Plow.

Broad Mercantile Co.

Don't sell your cattle and hogs before getting my bid. Abner Hanson.

Try the Firestone tubes and casings next time. Guaranteed as good as the best. W. M. Murphy. King building. North side square.

The swellest line of men's Neckties—and we pack in nice Gift Boxes. Mann Bros.

For Sale Cheap—A nice little 4-room house; bath room, front and back porch, nice location. Will arrange good terms. E. J. BROAD.

Let us help you in your Christmas shopping.

O. D. Mann & Sons.

Holiday Greetings.

I take this method of thank-in all my friends and customers for the patronage accorded me during 1916, and to wish one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

During the year 1917, I hope to merit a continuance of your patronage by giving you only the very best in leather goods and workmanship.

With best wishes to all, I am,
J. F. SCHAEG.

Miss Hopkins Improving.

The many good friends of Miss Pearl Hopkins are rejoicing over the good news that she has come into their midst again. It will be remembered that Miss Hopkins was seriously hurt in a runaway last May. She was on the point of death several times, but finally was brought back to life, thanks to the well doings of her home physicians. She hasn't been in town very long, yet she is fast improving after coming here. Altho', as yet she has not been seen in the business part of town, we all know she is here, and that she can get about on the outside by the aid of her crutches, which is a great help, as Miss Hopkins is too ambitious and industrious a person to remain idle. Let us all hope she will get over her fall and ere long be seen walking as she used to walk.

Reading matter would be gladly accepted by her. Call and take her a-car riding once in a while.
A FRIEND.

LADIES!

See our line of Silk Shirts for men that appreciate a nice Christmas present. Mann Bros.

How about your watch? Is it keeping correct time? If not, let us remedy the trouble for you. Satisfaction guaranteed. A. F. Grant, jeweler, east side square.

Exciting Runaway.

A runaway team Monday about noon created excitement by making a dash down the hill past the E. J. Broad store at break-neck speed. The team was attached to a farm wagon the property of Jim Mann, and being used by Doc Wyers on the Mann Bros. farm south of town. Wyers was in the wagon and held on as long as possible, but when the horses began running and the negro driver threw the lines in the air and tumbled off the wagon seat Wyers discretely alighted also. The runaways turned slightly in crossing Commerce street and collided with the corner of the old Mann building, where their flight was brought to a halt by spectators. One of the horses was badly cut, but very little damage resulted to the wagon and harness.

Four In One.

We have some more of that famous 4 in 1—mixed hulls and meal. Phone 295. Macy & Co.

If it is a rice Sweater, we have it. Mann Bros.

Tires and inner tubes. Murphy, the auto accessories man. Next to Standard office.

When you have auto trouble phone 152. Brady Auto Co.

We keep a complete record of all orders for job printing. Just phone 163 and tell us to duplicate your last order—we'll deliver the job on time. The Brady Standard.

Large stock of Iron Beds and Mattresses.

Broad Mercantile Co.

A rocking chair has always been and will continue to be a good present. We have lots of them in stock.

O. D. Mann & Sons.

We take pleasure in wrapping your bundles for Parcels Post or Express deliveries, furnishing nice holly paper for same. Mann Bros.

Happy Xmas Gift Suggestions



An Easiman Kodak

will make an excellent gift for brother, sister or sweetheart. Keep a picture story of your life. We have the Eastman Kodak in various styles and sizes, and prices to suit everyone.

Christmas Cards

Our complete assortment of Christmas cards makes it possible and convenient for you to send a token of remembrance to every friend. By sending these cards you can distribute holiday cheer. We also have Tags, Stickers, Etc. Large assortment of Christmas boxes.

Choice Christmas Candy

for wife, sweetheart or friend—there is no gift more appropriate and acceptable than a box of Norris Candy.

Christmas Cigars

If he is a smoker, you need not worry about his Christmas gift. Give him a box of our Cigars. We also carry a nice line of Pipes and Smokers' supplies.

French Ivory

A combination of Useful Toilet Articles is always welcomed by the women. You can buy by the piece or set.

Perfect Perfumes

We do not sell special brands of Perfumes for Christmas, but give you the same high grade goods we sell regularly.

20 Per Cent Discount on all Xmas Goods

Central Drug Store

"HAS IT"



Some Thoughts to Take Home With You About the

BUICK SIX

More Buick Valve-in-Head Sixes have been bought than any other six-cylinder car ever built—More people today are demanding this particular Buick model than ever demanded any single model in automobile history—In this car is found the development of the best thoughts and ideas of leading American and foreign automobile engineers, extending over a period of almost a quarter of a century—Every sound theory of mechanics during this period has been investigated, and when consistent with Buick Valve-in-Head basic principles, has been adopted.

Buick Four--1917 Model

Roadster \$715.00; Touring \$730.00, f. o. b. Brady

BRADY AUTO CO.

B. A. HALLUM, Manager

BRADY, TEXAS

Bevo

REG. U.S. PAT. OFF.
A BEVERAGE



Cold Weather Notice

Keep in mind the fact that Bevo, being a soft drink, will freeze at 32° Fahrenheit—just like any other non-alcoholic beverage. Be careful about this, as freezing affects the rich fullness of that delightful Bevo flavor which goes so particularly well with a meal or a bite to eat.

If Bevo were merely a summer beverage this warning might not be so timely—but, as all who drink it know—

Bevo is an all-year-'round drink

Everybody enjoys it for more than just its thirst-quenching qualities—the pleasure it gives comes from its flavor, purity and wholesome nutritiousness—the enjoyment of these qualities is independent of time or season.

To get full pleasure out of Dutch lunches, Welsh rarebits, oysters, clams, lobsters, sausage, cheese and many other such delicious edibles, Bevo should be included.

Serve it with your meals too. Everyone at the table will enjoy the zest it adds to eating

and will profit besides by its pure wholesomeness.

In short—Bevo is the ideal beverage with meals and between meals, every day in the year for everybody—young and old.

You will find Bevo at inns, cafeterias, restaurants, groceries, department and drug stores, soda fountains, dining cars, steamships, canteens, soldier's homes, navy, and other places where refreshing soft drink beverages are sold.

Your grocer will supply you by the case—demand the genuine—have the bottle opened in front of you—see that the seal is unbroken covering the crown top and see that the crown top bears the Fox.



ANHEUSER-BUSCH.

ST. LOUIS

WALKER-SMITH CO.

Distributors

BRADY, TEX.

Steals Auto Casings.

Some mean sneak thief Sunday night stole two casings off Lee McShan's car, leaving the car jacked up when he made his get-away with the tires. An attempt was made to take off a third casing, but after discovering the casing was somewhat worn, the thief evidently decided it was not worth while, and resisted from his efforts. Mr. McShan's tools were used in taking off the tires. All his tools, together with his overcoat, were in the car, but none of these was carried off, for which Mr. McShan feels grateful.

The auto shed door was barred, but the thief gained entrance by going through a stable door.

There is quite a bit of this petty thievery going on. Just a month or two ago, Parson Grant lost a couple tires in the same manner, the thief leaving his jack under the car in exchange for the tires stolen. Whenever the guilty parties are run to earth, it is certain an example will be made of them that will be a warning to others.

Tissue paper for wrapping Christmas packages at The Standard office.

Any printing today? Phone 268, and our young man will be on the way.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head
LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary quinine and does not cause nervousness nor ringing in head. Remember the full name and get the signature of E. W. GROVE, 25c.

Government Weather Report.

Forecast for the week beginning Sunday, December 17, 1916. For West Gulf States: The weather will be generally fair except that rains are probable on Wednesday or Thursday. Temperatures will be below the seasonal normal during the first half of the week, followed by warmer by Wednesday. Colder weather is probable on Friday and Saturday.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine. It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 25c.

At the last minute—nothing better for a gift than a year's subscription to The Brady Standard.

Buy a loaf of BUTTER KIST BREAD. You'll like the flavor.

It is no trouble to show you through our line of useful articles, suitable for Christmas Gifts. Mann Bros.

Phone 295 for best McAlester or Swastika coal.

Wagons, Buggies and Implements—we lead them all in prices and quality. E. J. BROAD.

We are showing some of the nicest Music Bags and Satchels ever seen in Brady. Buy the girl one for Christmas. H. P. C. Evers.

I want to buy your cattle and hogs. Abner Hanson.

We take pleasure in wrapping your bundles for Parcel Post or Express deliveries, furnishing nice holly paper for same. Mann Bros.

"Double Trouble."

"Double Trouble," starring Douglas Fairbanks, with Miss Margery Wilson as leading lady, will be the feature film at the Lyric Friday night. The story is unusual. It represents a Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde character—a kind, agreeable, easy-going man on the one hand, but one who is an absolute business failure. On the other the same man transformed into a shrewd, alert, successful business man, who stops at nothing to accomplish his ends. The picture is startling, and the finale shows the blending of the two characters into one character possessing the admirable traits of each and none of the bad qualities of either. Usual Friday night prices will admit to this picture.

The Magic Washing Stick.

We want the people of Brady to know that we positively guarantee that the Magic Washing Stick will in fact wash clothes without the use of a washboard or machine, thus saving all the hard work on washday. We will let you try the Magic Washing Stick five times at our risk and if at the end of that time you do not say it is the best thing you ever saw, we will give you your money back. Come and let us explain it to you. The Jones Drug Co., Brady, Texas.

Give your wife a Cole's Hot Blast High Oven Range. Perfect water heaters, perfect bak-ers. Broad Mercantile Co.

Do your Christmas shopping early.

O. D. Mann & Sons.

All kinds automobile accessories at Murphy's. Next to Standard office.

Goat Roping.

A great roping contest is being arranged by local parties for Christmas day. The event is to be staged at the Fair grounds. Plenty of live, frisky and frolicsome goats are to be on hand, and all ropers are invited to come out and partake in the event.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions, and in order to cure it you must take an internal remedy. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrh Cure was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years. It is composed of some of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The perfect combination of the ingredients in Hall's Catarrh Cure is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. All Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

At the eleventh hour—get a Dollar Boston Pointer. Useful alike to old, young or middle-aged; in the home, the school or the business office. The Brady Standard.

Free air and water to all autoists at Brady Auto Co.

We are receiving new goods every day, and can please you with presents for men. Mann Bros.

Our store is full of the best kind of Christmas presents.

O. D. Mann & Sons.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic

Take Grove's
The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents

PERSONAL MENTION.

Howard Campbell was in San Saba the first part of the week on business.

Henry Lawson and sisters and Henry Baldrige were five folks in Brady Monday.

Miss Eula Duke has accepted a position as sales lady in the I. G. Abney Dry Goods store.

Mrs. S. A. Benham has been quite ill since Monday, but at last reports was somewhat improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Burl T. Wiley are here from Temple to spend several days with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bradley and daughter were here from Fife the latter part of last week shopping.

H. T. Knappe is spending a couple weeks in Austin on business and incidentally visiting friends there.

Robert Finlay was in from Fife Monday marketing a load of turkeys and smiling broadly over the handsome sum derived from their sales.

Mrs. P. T. Orloop and son, Paul Souther, are here from Dallas to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Souther.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Blackwell are here for a visit with his uncle, J. H. Blackwell, and wife. They drove over to San Angelo the first of the week on a business trip.

Miss Ada Wilson has resigned her position with the I. G. Abney store, and will leave for San Antonio, where she will make her home with her sister, Mrs. Earl Davenport.

M. L. Burrell, one of our former Fife friends, has located at Post, Texas, and orders his Standard to that address. Incidentally he sends good wishes to all his old friends here.

W. R. Pence, accompanied by his son, Omer Pence, and wife, expect to leave Saturday in his big Reo for a trip to Austin, where they will be guests over Christmas of his son, Winfield Pence, and wife.

Steve Jennings returned this morning from Fort Worth where he marketed a car load of cattle. He reports but little stock being shipped at present, and consequently was enabled to find a good market.

W. M. Murphy, Ex Simpson and John Mayse have returned from a hunting trip in Kimble county, and brought back with them both venison and turkey. To Messrs. Murphy and Simpson falls the honor of bagging the turkeys, while John Mayse gets the glory of having slain the buck.

B. F. Hendrix of Eden left on Sunday night for his old home near Birmingham, Ala., where he will spend the holidays with relatives and old acquaintances. He expects to be gone about three weeks. This is the first time Mr. Hendrix has been back to the old home since he came to Texas.

O. B. Rose is here from Kellyville, Okla., for a visit with relatives and friends, and will incidentally attend the marriage of his brother, R. L. Rose, to Miss Elizabeth Hanson, which takes

place tomorrow evening at 6:00 o'clock. O. B. has been in Oklahoma for the past six months, being in the employ of the St. L. & S. F. railway.

W. R. Sneed was in from the Fife community Saturday and ordered The Standard to his address. He reports getting quite dry at Fife, even though they had a good rain a month or more ago. However, with the excellent price received for cotton, and the high prices now being obtained for turkeys and chickens, he thinks the folks have no great room for complaint. Mr. Sneed marketed his last five bales for a total of \$522.70, which is highly satisfactory figure he thinks.

V. B. Yeager, wife and little daughter, Ethel Paine, were here Sunday from Stephenville visiting his mother, Mrs. H. B. Yeager. While here, Mr. Yeager took occasion to try out the qualities of his famous bird dog, but his efforts to locate the birds seemed to be in vain. They returned home on the 8:00 o'clock train that night. Besides being Chief of the Stephenville Fire department, Mr. Yeager is agent for the Chevrolet and is, consequently, a very busy man; hence his short visits to his mother.

Capt. H. W. McGhee returned Sunday morning from a business trip to El Paso. The captain spent ten days in that city and gives an interesting account of his visit. He reports the El Pasoans very much disgruntled towards President Wilson because of his failing to take decisive steps in the Mexican embargo. The great numbers of soldiers quartered in and about El Paso, however, are causing that city to flourish as never before, and money is plentiful on all hands. Many individuals engaged in lines of business which cater especially to the soldiers, have become immensely wealthy.

Corrugated Tanks are the best tanks you can buy. Let us figure with you on one.

Broad Mercantile Co.

Full stock of casings and inner tubes at Murphy's. Next to Standard office.

Window Shades, large stock. Broad Mercantile Co.

Notice our display ad on aluminum in this issue.

O. D. Mann & Sons.

Phone or write me if you have cattle or hogs for sale. Abner Hanson.

A rug makes a very acceptable present.

O. D. Mann & Sons.

Get your wife an Art Square for Christmas.

Broad Mercantile Co.

Get your auto accessories from Murphy. Next to Standard office.

Brady Auto Co. Complete line of gasoline, oils and supplies.

Lard Cans. Broad Merc. Co.

HOW TO CHECK THAT COLD.

When it is painful to breathe and fever sends chills up and down your back, you are in for a cold. A timely dose of Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey will stop the sneezes and sniffles. The pine balsam loosens the phlegm and clears the bronchial tubes, the honey soothes and relieves the sore throat. The antiseptic qualities kill the germ and relieve the congested condition. Croup, whooping cough and chronic bronchial affections quickly relieved. At all druggists, 25c.

NOTICE!

List your property with us; we have buyers for McCulloch county land. ACOSTA BROS.

ARE YOU SAVING?

Buy your flour from us and save money. We have just unloaded a car of flour bought before the great advance. Come to our store and see the many inducements we offer for your trade.

You are not practicing economy unless you trade with us. We have big inducements on everything in our grocery and general merchandise stock.

ACOSTA BROS.

Phone 211

South Side

THE BRADY STANDARD

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 Official Paper of McCulloch County.
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Notices of church entertainments
 where a charge of admission is made,
 obituaries, cards of thanks, resolu-
 tions of respect, and all matters not
 news, will be charged for at the reg-
 ular rates.

BRADY, TEXAS, Dec. 19, 1916.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Anonymous communications are the bane of the newspaper editor. Why people should expect an editor to assume responsibility for every article, every line and every word in every issue of his paper, and then fail or refuse to take the responsibility for a single article of their own composition, is hard to ascertain.

There is but one place for anonymous articles, and that is the waste basket.

Last week we received an excellently written, interesting and newsy item from Lohn telling of the Lohn-Rochelle basket ball game. There was nothing objectionable about it; on the other hand, the article might be classed as desirable. Yet the writer failed to attach his or her name. The only purpose of the name would be to guarantee

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 * 15, 1916. *

the authenticity of the article. The absence of the name leaves us in doubt as to whether the article is genuine or a fake. Into the waste basket it went.

This week we are in receipt of other articles, which suffered a like fate for a like reason. If you want your articles printed, please use care to sign your name. If you do not wish your name published, so state, and your wishes in the matter will be respected.

The Rockdale Reporter last week issued the most attractive and well gotten up Christmas edition that has reached our desk. The ads were not the least of the interesting features as all of them showed painstaking efforts in the writing, and in the setting of the type, and the cuts that illuminated the ads were not only artistic, but were appropriate to the season and to the class of goods set forth. The twenty pages of matter composing the edition, reflected credit upon the ability of Editor John E. Cooke, both as a newspaper man and as a business-getter.

Instead of "Do Your Christmas Shopping Early," the motto now is "Better Late Than Never."

THEM'S CRUEL WORDS.

Poor old Brady. The people there are having to boil the water they drink in order to kill the microbes, mugwumps, etc. Moral: In locating you should hunt a town with plenty of drinking water. Lometa has it. —Lometa Reporter.

Well, well! Here's our old friend, Herbert Adkins, who flourished like a green bay tree while living in Brady and drinking our polly-woggy water, and who comes back here every now and then to recuperate health and strength, now telling us what an awful thing it is to do to drink water. Inviting us old-timers to come to Lometa, which is described on the hotel stationery of the Jackson house at Lometa as being half-way between heaven and hell, and being so delightful a place that none of the inhabitants want to die and go to either."

But times have changed, Herbert, and with them have been wrought changes in the Brady water. We've got a filter, Herbie, and a whole lot of new-fangled contraptions, and the water is first boiled and then par-boiled, stewed on one side and roasted on the other, until nary a germ will have anything to do with it. The learned Doctors of Bacteriology have declared it to be 99 per cent plus pure, and it is quite the correct thing to drink, now-a-days. O, yes, it is quite an improvement on nature and we recommend it to all hard drinkers. Of course, this may look like a whole lot of trouble to you, Herb, but in making all this stew over our water, we are sure no one will get stewed by it. So, Hub, in these days of progress, it's no use to sound the "get back to nature" tocsin—that stuff's all to the same paper—too rough to pull. Come over and we'll split a bottle of Bevo—if water has no charms.

Mechanical Engineering FOR BOYS IS WHAT A STRUCTO OUTFIT IS

We have them from \$1.00 sets up to \$5.00, and the beauty of them is a dollar set can be used, then when the boy has exhausted the supply of things that can be built out of that he can get supplementary set, and then another and another until he has the same supplies that come with a No. 5, outfit, and it will not have cost any more than had he bought it all at once.

O. D. Mann & Sons
 "We Appreciate Your Good Will as Well as Your Trade"

FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING.

With Baptist Church, Rochelle, December 28-31st.

Program of the Fifth Sunday Meeting of the Brady Baptist Association, which will meet with the Rochelle Baptist Church, at Rochelle, Texas from December 28th to 31st 1916. Thursday, 7:00 o'clock p. m., Sermon by Bro. C. W. Stephenson.

Friday.

9:30 o'clock a. m. Devotional, led by Bro. Harley Smith.
 10:00 a. m. A review of the past years work in the Association, led by Missionary W. M. Green.

11:00 a. m., Sermon by Bro. J. W. Shirley.

2:00 p. m., Devotional, led by Bro. H. D. Martin.

2:30 p. m., A Forward Look, led by Bro. H. C. Whisenant.

7:00 p. m., Sermon, by Bro. W. H. Gage.

Saturday.

9:00 a. m., Devotional, led by Bro. Arthur Briscoe.

10:00 a. m., The Laymans obligation to his church, by Bro. J. P. Barton.

11:00 a. m., The Womans Work; their own program.

2:00 p. m., Board meeting.

7:00 p. m., Sermon, by Bro. W. L. Stewart.

Sunday.

10:00 a. m., Christian Education, by Bro. Walter T. Hillman.

11:00 a. m., Sermon, by Bro. J. M. Reynolds.

3:00 p. m., B. Y. P. U.

7:00 a. m. Sermon, by Bro. W. M. Green.

Every Board member is urged to come and bring a good collection for Associational Missions.

• R. H. GIBSON, Pastor.

The Magic Washing Stick.
 "The Magic Washing Stick is the thing—it sure will do the work. It makes the clothes so white and clean," says Mrs. M. L. Beaver, Canton, Texas. We want you to try this article at our risk. If you don't like it, it don't cost you one cent. It washes clothes without rubbing. Makes washing a pleasure instead of a drudgery. Call and let us tell you about the Magic Washing Stick. The Jones Drug Co., Brady, Texas.

We have added the famous Firestone line of casings and tubes to our stock of automobile accessories, and can supply them in any size. Nothing better than the Firestone. W. M. Murphy, King building, North side square.

I am making shipments every week, and am in the market for your cattle and hogs. Abner Hanson.

Phone your orders for 4 in 1 feed to 295. Hulls and meal mixed. Nothing better. Macy & Co.

Christmas Trees.

Christmas Tree celebrations are being arranged for the little folks at the various churches, and the visit of Santa Claus upon these occasions is being eagerly looked forward to by the little folks, and all the grown-ups are none the less interested.

At the Methodist church the Christmas Tree celebration will be given in the tabernacle at 7:45 o'clock Saturday, Christmas Eve night.

At the Presbyterian church the occasion will also be observed, and a program rendered, beginning at 7:15 o'clock Christmas eve.

At the Baptist church the children and friends are expected to be on hand by 7:15 o'clock Christmas eve.

The children and their parents and friends are extended an invitation to be present by each of these churches, and to place their gifts on the Christmas tree for distribution.

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The society will not meet at any time during the Christmas holidays, but expects every member to be present at the first meeting of the New Year, which will be held, as usual, at the tabernacle at 3:30 p. m.

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The above suits are our very best sellers of the newest styles and materials, such as Broadcloths, French Serges, Poplins and Garbardines in all the newest shades. We expect to sell every suit on hand this week, so come early. We are also making low prices on Ladies' Coat Dresses and Ladies' Hats. You have never bought goods so cheap before. Come and see for yourself.

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THE PEOPLE'S FORUM.

Tick Eradication.

There are many persons that are going to vote for eradication Saturday week who are thinking only of getting rid of the cattle tick. We can kill the tick all right by dipping all the cattle in the county a couple or three years every twenty-one days, at a cost of 40c or 50c per head per year, with four or five thousand dollars extra for inspectors, with several thousand dollars worth of worry and trouble thrown in; but let's see what we have when we have the tick eradicated. We have a "Clean" county; we are placed above the quarantine line, which now runs 70 or 80 miles north of us. The U. S. Government says we can not sell our cattle to the buyer from Coleman, San Saba, Mason, nor any other county that is not "clean." We will admit that this condition will not hurt the man who sells cattle or steers by the hundred head, or by the thousand head. He always ships; but the fellow who is going to lose out is the fellow who has an old cow, a few yearlings or odd cattle, doesn't need or don't want to feed through a hard winter. As it is now, he can sell to the buyer from Coleman or Mason counties, if he will pay more than the local buyer, but if he was in "clean" territory he could not sell to buyers outside McCulloch.

Let us illustrate—I have 10 head of yearlings I don't want to keep, on account of being short of grass and water; it is dry here, and I am afraid I might lose several of them, and

must sell. Over in Coleman Co., they have had rain; grass and water is plentiful, no one over there wants to sell any cattle, and a buyer there wants mine. Would pay me \$40.00 for them, and we have all seen these conditions recently. I cannot sell to the man in Coleman county, on account of being quarantined. He doesn't want my cattle because they are clean. This forces me to sell my cattle to a man in McCulloch county who has no grass or water, and who expects to make a profit after shipping to Fort Worth.

This is the way eradication would work. Friends, after we clean up it will restrict the market on our little bunch of cattle. We can't force Coleman county to eradicate the tick. Only recently the people of Coleman county showed this proposition under for the same reason. They want to sell their cattle in the highest market wherever it is.

Let's wait on eradication until we are connected more closely with territory above the line. Let's don't make an oasis out of McCulloch county in regard to marketing our cattle, but let's defeat eradication as Coleman county did, and let those who want to, dip their cattle, but don't vote to close our market outside McCulloch county. Be sure and not forget to vote. Jas. Finlay.

Editor's Note—The editor does not wish to participate in any discussion of the above subject, except to correct obvious error. Mr. Finlay states the proposition incorrectly. If McCulloch county is "clean" territory, our cattle may be shipped and sold anywhere—in Coleman, San Saba, Mason and any other

county regardless of whether such county be "clean" or not. On the other hand, however, no cattle can be shipped or brought into clean territory from "unclean" territory. Thus, if Mr. Finlay wishes to sell his cattle and ship them over into Coleman county where they have plenty grass and water, he is at liberty to do so. However, if Coleman is tick infested territory, and McCulloch is "clean," he cannot bring his cattle back into McCulloch county after having allowed them in Coleman county. The editor appends this explanation just to "keep the record straight."

The Cost of Feeding Ticks.

From Farmers' Bulletin No. 639, U. S. Bureau of Animal Industry, issued December 19, '14. If a dairyman with 20 cows, producing 8 quarts of milk each per day, should let them become lightly infested with ticks and the milk production were decreased, as in the case of the lightly infested cows in the experiments made by the Department of Agriculture, (See article in issue of Brady Standard of December 12th) the loss would be 1 1-2 quarts a day for each cow. At 20 cents a gallon, or 5 cents a quart, this would amount to 7 1-2 cents a cow, or \$1.50 for the entire herd each day. If the tick infestation were heavy and the reduction in milk were as great as in the heavily infested cows in the experiment, the loss would be 3.4 quarts (worth 17 cents) a day for each cow; this would amount to \$3.40 a day for the entire herd.

The experience of a dairyman in the heart of the tick infested territory also strikingly illustrates how much it costs dairymen to have ticks on their cattle. Late in the season, when his cows were covered with ticks the cattle were dipped and the ticks killed. One week after dipping, the 42 cows in his herd gave 10 gallons of milk more than before dipping. This was an increase of 16.6 per cent, and as the milk was bringing 35 cents a gallon, the extra 10 gallons were worth \$3.50; hence, by getting rid of the ticks, the same cows on the same feed produced enough milk to net the dairyman \$3.50 a day more than before they were dipped. The money which this dairyman spent in dipping his cows was a good investment.

If the farmers in one county will work together, the ticks in the entire county can be eradicated in one year. The dipping vat makes the work easy, effective and practical.

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NEW KIND OF CONVEYANCE

Shallow Streams Can Be Navigated With Good Results With Hydroplane Boats.

The public has not yet begun to realize that the world is about to have added to it a great system of water transportation upon shallow streams that undoubtedly will bring producers and consumers closer together, remarks the Detroit Journal. Hydroaeroplane boats are being built capable of skimming over the surface of shallow rivers and being really able to carry a considerable amount of freight.

One of these air-water boats has made a successful trip on the Hudson, attaining a speed of twenty-eight miles an hour.

It consists of three sets of pontoons, each independently removable in case of puncture, and each filled with water-excluding material. The boat has two propellers, driven in air like those of a hydroaeroplane, and is easily steered and controlled. Its middle section has a motor car body and cover, so that ten people can be comfortably seated. And there is space for freight.

While this particular boat was built for use on a Colombia river, there is no reason why it should not be found on the many navigable streams in the United States and Canada that are shallow and long, and flowing through cultivated areas lacking transportation facilities. Persons who have traveled can recall such streams where better transportation facilities would greatly increase the joy of living for that particular locality.

THEIR PENNIES FOR "DANDY"

Its Breed is a Question, But Dogcatcher Can't Harm These Children's Pet.

Dandy, the household dog at the Burkhardt home, will not be taken by any old dog-catcher man this year. Dandy is not much on pedigree, but it can wag its tail with nonchalance and hold up its head, because Elinore and Marion Burkhardt, seven and nine years old, respectively, walked into the Omaha city clerk's office and handed over 50 pennies each, in return for which they received dog license tag No. 257 and a receipt showing they had paid the money, says the Bee of that city.

These children saved their pennies for some time and now they may sleep without having bad dreams of the dog-catcher's getting Dandy. The dog is white, with black spots, and when the dog license man asked for Dandy's breed they looked at each other in bewilderment, as if they had forgotten to bring some important facts regarding the past life of Dandy.

There is a blank space on the records where the breed should be recorded, but that did not make any difference when the clerk handed over the tag and the youngsters proudly fastened it on Dandy's neck.

CERTAINLY NOT.

"I hate overweening conceit," remarked the observant person, "but a man should be fair to himself."

"To be sure," replied the tolerant citizen. "And even if he gives himself a trifle the best of it occasionally, nobody is going to find fault with him for that."

THE REAL WORK.

"Didn't Columbus discover America?"

"I believe so," said Mr. Dustin Stax; "but it took some of us financiers to show what could be done with it."

HIS CASE.

"That fellow is a hustler. He stays in one place only long enough to borrow money."

"Ah! a case of touch and go."

THE REASON WHY.

"Pop, why did they call the old Norse poets skalds?"

"Dunne, son, unless it was because they poured out hot stuff."

IN THE BARNYARD.

Duck—Oh, Mrs. Hen, what cute eggs you are hatching!

Hen—Yes, I think myself they are something chic.

BUSINESS REASONS.

"How rabid Jones is abusing automobiles."

"No wonder; he's a life insurance agent."

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OIL MAGNATES.

Visit Oil Fields and Contract New Well.

Traveling in a special Frisco car, T. B. Slick of Clarion, Pa., and J. A. Frates of Clarion, Pa., millionaire oil operators, were in Brady last week, and while here visited the Lohn oil wells, and made inquiries regarding the local oil activities. The two oil magnates were accompanied by G. H. Schleyer of Fort Worth, vice president and general manager of the Fort Worth & Rio Grande Ry., and W. L. English of St. Louis, industrial commissioner of the same road.

During their stay Messrs. Slick and Frates made a contract to take over the Schultz Oil Co's properties and interests and to commence on a new well on the Schultz ranch within 30 days. The deal is contingent upon the acceptance of the proposition by the balance of the stockholders in the Schultz Oil Co. The party also evinced great interest in the Lohn field.

Mr. Slick is now drilling a well at Paint Rock, having contracted to go to a depth of 3500 feet at an approximate cost of \$25,000. The well there is now

down to a depth of 2600 feet with good prospects.

Mr. Slick is but 33 years old, yet his life's story reads like a romance. It was he who opened up the Cushing oil field in Okla., later selling his holdings for a cool million and a half dollars. He tells of an early experience, when he attempted to promote an oil company. He spent \$7,000 in advertising, and sold but \$10,000 worth of stock, leaving him but \$3,000 for the work, which, of course, doomed the proposition.

From Brady the party went to Brownwood where they looked over the projected oil field in that vicinity.

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THE PROFESSOR'S SHIRT

By FRANCES LAW.

The professor stopped as he was passing the little house next door, for there on the swing sat Miss Martha (the bridge, crocheting.

"A little warm for so early in the year," he remarked, pleasantly. It seemed that although these two had been neighbors for years they never got past the conventional subject of the weather or how much better the places were doing this year than last.

He was quite up on his own porch and had his hand on the screen door before Martha had the courage to ask: "How are you getting along, since Mrs. Gold went away?"

"Pretty well. Her niece is here to look after me until she returns."

"My, but I wish I had his teeth when he smiles!" sighed Martha and, not realising that her words weren't exactly what she meant at all, she sat a minute idle, but her thoughts were busier than her hands. "That's a shiftless creature that's keeping house for him now. I suppose it's the best he could do, though. Well, I guess I'd better get a cup of tea. I do believe he'd like a piece of that nut bread of mine. I'll take over a plate of it."

So, rolling up the work, she went back to the kitchen. Then, before banking of her own lunch, she fixed up the professor's treat, covered it with a napkin and took it over the back way. The clothesline was directly across her path and she had to dodge various articles of wearing apparel as she went.

Suddenly her sharp eyes made a discovery—a hole right in the breast of one of the professor's fine white shirts. The housekeeper had complained to her at one time about his propensity for spilling acids upon himself in the laboratory and what a time she had with his mending.

Martha ate her lunch and the professor went back to school. The street quieted down and Martha prepared for nap. Then, remembering a waist was minus a button, she got out her sewing basket.

When it just happened that she looked out of the window in time to see the girl in the next house lock the door and go out.

Instantly her thoughts reverted to the shirt. The clothes though dry, were still on the line, and here was she with thread and needle all ready. No second thought was necessary. She ran downstairs, through the kitchen door, around the lilac bush and had the shirt in her arms in no time. Then indoors again with her precious burden.

So she patched the shirt with patches so fine and so neat that it would take sharp eyes indeed to detect the situation.

But who was that just furling the corner? The professor himself coming home early! In a panic, she tucked up her mending and tore downstairs to the yard. She managed to get the clothespins back to place, although her fingers trembled dreadfully and she was shaking with fright.

Then! She went upstairs—and found the professor's shirt lying on her bed!

Her eyes widened with horror. What had she done? Weakly she got to the back room window, and there, swinging in the lazy afternoon breeze, was her waist on the professor's clothesline. She almost fainted with indignity.

There was nothing to do but wait, fag waiting only brought increased dismay, for the maid returned and entered in the clothes, with her waist among them.

Get the waist she must—some way. So that evening, when the dishes were done and "the street" was sitting out in front, she saw the professor go out with some books under his arm, and, later, Hattie, in flaming pink, departed with a beau for a movie. The house next door was dark and deserted.

Finally she roused herself with an effort, and tiptoed across the back lawn to the other house. A window opened onto the porch and nothing was seen between her and the coveted interior but a jickety screen. She pushed and it gave. She was soon inside the black kitchen groping for the laundry basket.

Then her hand touched it! Thank heaven, and right on top was her waist. She could tell it by the lace collar she had made herself. The shirt was quickly substituted for it and she was retreating when a light was switched on suddenly and the professor stood in the dining room door!

Martha looked at him an instant with wide-open eyes, and then promptly and quietly retired.

She revived almost immediately and saw the agitated professor bending over her. Then, with a fresh realization of what had happened, she shut the door and closed her eyes again. She wanted to die! But he had one of her hands in his and didn't let go. As she comprehended that fact, her cheeks went from a deathly white to vivid red, and then the tears started. It only she could get away!

She tried to stand up, and he helped her to her feet. But, instead of letting the hand go, he took possession of the other one.

"Martha, how you frightened me dear!" he said. "I thought you were dead. I thought I had lost you."

With a happy, albeit perplexed, she attempted no defense.

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DANGER IN SUMMER SPORTS

Majority of Fatalities Are Among Those Who Are Overconfident and Take Chances.

After all precautions have been taken, after children have been instructed and warned about dangers in aquatic sport, after the police, school and other officials have done their best, we must still expect many deaths from drowning this summer.

Nowhere is preparedness a greater asset against serious accident than in boating, canoeing and swimming. The efforts made by the police, the schools and others to teach the simple measures of common sense necessary afford the best protection against disaster. Yet there is another element which should be impressed upon the trained canoeists and the expert swimmers. These should be taught not to place too great reliance on their skill. Usually it is the experienced swimmer who drowns, and he drowns because of carelessness and too great confidence.

All that has been said here is known to everybody. Yet the record of each season shows these things were not said often enough or impressively enough to prevent deaths. Thoughtfulness, presence of mind and wisdom enough to avoid taking unnecessary chances are the subjects of the best lessons those who frequent the water in the summer can learn.

SEEKING ELIMINATION OF FOG

Smithsonian Institution Experimenting on Possibility of Dissipation Through Use of Electricity.

The Smithsonian institution announces that it has made an appropriation to further experiments in the dissipation of fog by electricity, and that the investigations will be carried out under the general direction of Dr. F. G. Cottrell, who has already done much toward the practical precipitation of dust, smoke and chemical fumes in large industrial establishments. The idea of dispersing fog by electrical methods has been before the public for a number of years, though it appears never to have reached the stage of feasibility, on a commercial scale. The subject has recently aroused fresh attention, particularly in the neighborhood of San Francisco, through researches planned by the University of California in co-operation with the United States lighthouse service. The American Institute of Electrical Engineers has also appointed a committee to co-operate in this work. According to the Smithsonian report, the essential element to success seems to be some form of electrical apparatus of very high direct voltage, with facilities for its control and ready application.

THEY COME HIGHER.

"You used to tell me that I had the dearest little foot in the world," said she, poutingly.

"That was lovers' talk," said he, "but if you don't quit paying ten dollars for boots, bless me if I won't believe I spoke the truth."

SUPREME SACRIFICE.

Louis—Don't you get awfully hungry when you have no cook?

Julia—Horribly! Sometimes I'm almost willing to eat what I cook myself.—Life.

LITERAL DWELLING.

"I hear that Jones lives in almost atrophied sequestration."

"Nothing of the sort; he lives in the suburbs."

COMPARISONS.

"My butler left me without any warning."

"You got off easy. Mine left me without any spoons."

SIGNS AND TOKENS.

"I am told Jinks is a rising politician."

"Anybody might know that by his general get-up."

NO CHOICE.

She (sternly)—I heard a suspicious noise last evening.

He (facetiously)—Was it the night falling or the day-breaking?

THE DEFICIENCY.

"That woman is a perfect talking machine."

"No, not a perfect machine. That has an exhaust."

THE MAN FROM TUSCITE

By LOUISE OLIVER.

One day the postman left a letter at the front door addressed to the Misses Fairleigh and having for its postmark, Tuscite, Ariz. The upper left corner of the envelope indicated that the communication had come from the office of Franklin K. Powers, secretary and treasurer of the Grand Canyon Development company.

"For goodness sake, hurry up!" urged Aurelia, unable to bear the suspense any longer, while Alicia, woman-like, was running her eye over the whole thing at once and trying to grasp the meaning.

"I'm hurrying." Alicia's voice was an almost inaudible whisper, and the letter shook so she could hardly hold it. "It's about a mine, Reelle, and it seems we are to get some money! Here, you take it; I'm shaking all over!"

Here's what the letter said:

"Dear Mesdames: As representative of the G. C. D. company of Tuscite, in which your late uncle, Moses B. Wright, was a director and stockholder, I have the pleasure to inform you that the Marian Turquoise mine recently redeveloped has yielded rich matrix deposits and, as beneficiaries of Mr. Wright's estate, you are entitled to twelve per cent of the net profits. I inclose a check for your share of the dividend, and will report quarterly unless receiving contrary directions from you.

"I am yours most faithfully,
"FRANKLIN K. POWERS."

"Reelle!"

"Yes, really! But, joking aside, here's a check for eleven hundred and thirty-six dollars that's real enough, and I'll show you how I'm going to spend part of it right now."

"Oh, Reelle!"

"For goodness sake! Is that all you can say?" dropping the cover on the sewing machine none too gently and pushing it noisily to its corner.

"You and I are going uptown and buy some duds and we're going to the seashore on the first train in the morning."

The Traymore hotel, housing a whole cityful of people, might have had their own brother as a guest and they not know it, so it was not surprising that they had been enjoying sea air and sunshine and had time to burn red, peel and burn brown again before they discovered that Franklin K. Powers, the genius of their fortunes, was their neighbor.

Rough bluff, a man of forty-five or so, he had the broad geniality of the West and was decidedly good looking besides. Their friendship ripened rapidly.

And gradually it grew to be quite the thing for Alicia to go with Mrs. Brown to a Chinese auction or crabbing with the Smith children at the Inlet, while Aurelia and her Westerner tried all the breakneck contraptions that were ever invented to catch the nimble sixpence.

"You are a person after my own heart, Aurelia," he said one day; "the best sport I've ever known. I'd like to see you on a cow pony in riding togs and sombrero. You'd take to the life like a kitten to catnip. You're made for it. It's a wonderful ride to the mine, and the presence of a few bad Mexicans in the vicinity only adds excitement. Here comes your sister. I was going to ask you something important, but it will keep until tomorrow."

But Aurelia's dream of happiness came to a sudden end when a page brought a note to her next morning. "Have been suddenly called home. Will write later!"

Weeks went by and no word came. The hotel porter who brought the mail never told a scuffle he had and of scattered letters that were all gathered up but one.

Aurelia waited in stoical silence, and finally began to think of Colport and her machine. Work might kill memory. Then one day she saw on the register "F. K. Powers, Tuscite, Ariz."

But something odd happened. More suspense turned into certain unhappiness for Aurelia, for Mr. Powers had changed so completely in his absence that he might have been another man. He was not only reserved and backward in his conversation, but he seemed to have forgotten all about his former affinity, or rather preferred to sit quietly in a corner of the long porch and talk with Alicia.

"I am going home," announced Aurelia one morning, as Alicia came in and found her on the floor before an open trunk, surrounded by clothes of all colors.

"Reelle!" said Alicia, softly going up and laying a hand on her shoulder. "Come downstairs a minute, won't you? We—I have a surprise for you."

"What is it?"

"Come, and you'll see." Something in her sister's tone compelled her, and she smoothed her hair and powdered her nose and went obediently.

"In the sun parlor!" cried Alicia as they hurried over soft, thick rugs that silenced every footfall.

Then at the door Aurelia stopped. She suddenly understood the truth and her happiness surged back, leaving her speechless, when one of two men, the exact counterpart each of the other, came over and took her hand.

"I didn't get my answer, so I came for it," whispered he, "and I hope I'm as lucky as Forbes, my twin brother, for your sister has promised to be his wife."

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LAWYER HAD TO MAKE GOOD

Under the Circumstances It Is Somewhat Difficult to See How He Could Have Done Otherwise.

I was practicing law in Nevada, writes Thomas Fitch in Case and Comment, and had successfully defended some men who were accused of stage robbery. A week afterward, with some companions I was "seeing off" a London mining expert who was about to depart on the stage coach. After a round of drinks he said to me jocularly, "I may meet some of your clients on the road, I wish you would give me a pass."

"Certainly," I replied. I stepped to the hotel desk and on a sheet of my office paper which I happened to have in my pocket wrote: "To all road agents: Please pass the bearer and oblige me"—signing my name thereto. With a laugh he pocketed the note, and we bade each other good-by.

That night, sure enough, the stage was stopped and the passengers lined up and relieved of their money and valuables by masked highwaymen. When my friend was reached he handed my note to the robber, exclaiming, "Here, my man, is a note for you." The robber carried it to the stage coach lamp, read it and handed it to the captain of the gang, who read it and with a grin that could be seen below his mask exclaimed, "That's good!" and passed the bearer of the note without robbing him.

Months afterward I received from the county jail a message from a man who was accused of being a participant in a shooting scrape that he desired to see me. I went there. He said that he desired to employ me to defend him. "I have no cash to pay a fee," said he, "but maybe this will serve for one." He handed me the pass I had issued. "It's good," said I. Could I have said less?

OF COURSE



First Sparrow—How do you know he is a quack?

Second Sparrow—By the size of his bill.

NEW YORK IS PEARL MARKET.

New York is rapidly becoming the great world pearl market. Before the war Indian pearls, which make up the bulk of the supply, were sent to Paris or London and sold there. Few came to New York direct. This is all changed now. Bombay merchants have sent representatives here who are now disposing of their gems without European intermediary.

STRIVING TO PLEASE.

"John," said the minutely observant woman, "didn't you forget to tip the waiter?"

"No. I attended to that right at the start. I handed him all the money I can afford to spend and told him to take his tip and bring us something to eat with the change."

HER GOOD POINT.

"Your laundress seems to be a timid sort of woman."

"Yes, but she always manages to put up a stiff front."

HIS MAKEUP.

"That man has nerves of iron and a grip of steel."

"Then I gather he is a man of mettle."

SAME THING.

"Is the noise I hear the wheels in that fellow's brain humming?"

"No; I guess it is the bee in his bonnet."

THE PLACE.

"So the nation wants somebody who is heroic."

"Sure it does, but only in the movies."

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The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

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Why Electric Light Bills Increase in the Fall and Winter

Consumers of Electric Lights are all aware that there is more darkness in fall and winter than in summer, but few realize the extent of the difference, which is so plainly shown in this diagram:

Month	Daylight	Darkness
January	8 hrs. 35 min.	15 hrs. 25 min.
February	9 hrs. 10 min.	13 hrs. 50 min.
March	11 hrs. 35 min.	12 hrs. 25 min.
April	13 hrs. 15 min.	10 hrs. 45 min.
May	15 hrs. 05 min.	8 hrs. 55 min.
June	15 hrs. 50 min.	8 hrs. 10 min.
July	15 hrs. 25 min.	8 hrs. 35 min.
August	13 hrs. 45 min.	10 hrs. 15 min.
September	12 hrs. 20 min.	11 hrs. 40 min.
October	10 hrs. 35 min.	13 hrs. 25 min.
November	8 hrs. 20 min.	15 hrs. 10 min.
December	8 hrs. 35 min.	15 hrs. 25 min.

This should be of interest to every one who uses Electric Lights; and remember, too, that more of this darkness occurs in the morning as the winter advances, and that dark, rainy wintry days make more artificial light necessary.

Do not blame the company for an increase in bills, which is perfectly natural and necessary.

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Brady Water & Light Works

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BUY NOW! BUY HERE!

And get the **NEW** and **UP-TO-DATE** line of Merchandise. Our line of goods is almost complete and offers golden opportunities. Do you realize that it is

ONLY A FEW MORE DAYS TILL XMAS

When every penny will count in the many purchases you are compelled to make. Come to our store; buy now and save money and avoid the rush that is sure to come just before Christmas.

We are Closing out All Ladies Coat Suits and Silk Dresses at Cost This Week

WILENSKY BROS.

BRADY, :: :: TEXAS



Little Girl 7 Years Old.
Brady, Texas, Dec. 18.
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl seven years old, and I have been a good little girl, and will you please bring me something.
These are the things I want, a ring, raincoat, a rocking chair and some candies and fruits.
Your little friend,
Elsie Farenthold.

Don't Forget Them.
December 19.
Dear Santa Claus:
Will you please bring me an air gun, and some fire works and bring my little sister a doll and a doll buggy, and bring my little baby brother a toy auto and some building blocks. Now be sure and don't forget us Christmas night.
Edwin Clark.

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SERIOUS SICKNESS**
By Being Constantly Supplied With
Theford's Black-Draught.

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"Theford's Black-Draught is purely vegetable, and has been found to regulate weak stomachs, aid digestion, relieve indigestion, colic, wind, nausea, headache, sick stomach, and similar symptoms."
It has been in constant use for more than 70 years, and has benefited more than a million people.
Your druggist sells and recommends Black-Draught. only 25c. Get a package to-day. N. C. M.

Firecrackers, Too.
Fredonia, Texas, Dec. 18.
Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to send me a little wagon and some oranges, apples and some candy and firecrackers.
From
Alto Cochran.

Jay Lives at Fredonia.
Fredonia, Texas, Dec. 18.
Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me a top and a little doll and a little auto that will run, and candy and oranges and apples.
Jay Cochran.

Letter from Mildred and Forrest
Brady, Texas, Dec. 18.
Please bring me a big doll and a doll buggy and a rocking chair and bring my little brother a train that runs on a track, and some candy and nuts and fruits.
From
Mildred and Forrest Jones.

A Little Writing Desk.
Dear Santa Claus:
I am six years old, have tried to be a good little girl. Please bring me a big doll and doll buggy, some pretty books and I would like to have a little writing desk or anything nice you would like for me to have.
Good bye,
Hazel Aliene Branscum.

Dainty Little Handkerchiefs.
Voca, Texas, Dec. 17.
Dear Santa Claus:
I will write to my dear Old Santa to tell him what I want him to bring me. I want a doll that goes to sleep, a doll buggy, and some dainty little handkerchiefs. Also want a red cap, and white pencil. I want some fruits and nuts also. I have tried to be a good little girl this year, so good bye,
Imogene Hopkins.

A Baki Headed Doll.
December 14
Dear Santa Claus:
Will you please bring me little doll trunk. My age is 7 years old, and a baki headed doll. That is all. So good bye, dear Santa,
From
Mary Cathrine Campbell.

At the Christmas Tree.
Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me an unbreakable doll and doll buggy and some fruit and some candy and some ribbon. Put it on the Christmas tree, Saturday night.
Your little friend,
Orean Baker

A Good Boy.
Doole, Texas, Dec. 14.
Dear Santa Claus:
Please send me a bicycle, a foot ball, and some large sky-rockets. Please bring these to me for I have been a good little boy.
From your little friend,
D. C. Middleton, Jr.

Santa, Remember Majorie.
Wakrip, Texas, Dec. 15.
Dear Santa Claus:
Will you please bring me a doll, a set of dishes, and a doll table and a little sewing set, and some candy and fruits. Santa, please don't forget me.
Your friend,
Majorie Winstead.

Lots of Fire Works.
Whiteland, Texas, Dec. 18.
Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me one skyrocket, and I want two packages of firecrackers, and I want one pair of gloves, and I want a pair of wheel whirls, three roman candles, and I want a pocket knife.
By by, from
Jack Cottrell.

A Buster Brown Tie.
Voca, Texas, Dec. 17.
Dear Santa Claus:
Do you know I have tried to be a good little boy? So I will please ask you to bring me a little gun, an iron horse, and an erector set. Also want a plaid buster brown tie. So good bye to our Old Santa, good man.
Raymond Hopkins.

Remember Mother and Father.
Brady, Texas, Dec. 18.
Dear Santa Claus:
I want you to bring me a little doll that will close its eyes. I'll be pleased with anything you bring me. I have been a good girl. From your chum,
Selma Narine Peters.
P. S.—Please remember mother and father Christmas, too. Good bye.

Daddy Wants His Bottle.
Calf Creek, Texas, Dec. 15.
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good little boy this year, and I want you to bring me a tricycle and a little wagon, a train, and a kicking mule. Daddy said "to be sure and not forget his bottle of Guckenheimer."
Your little friend,
Claudie Bradshaw

A Very Good Little Girl.
Dear Santa Claus:
Brady, Texas, Dec. 18.
If you have got money enough I want you to bring me an unbreakable doll and a doll buggy, some building blocks, a pair of red stockings and some ribbon. I have got my pretties you brought me last Christmas, yet. Bring my little sister and little brother some pretties, too. My sister's name is Ruby Baker and my brother's name is Sammie Lee Baker. I am a very good little girl.
Laura Baker.

Merry Christmas, Santa.
Brady, Texas, Dec. 18.
Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a good little boy since last Christmas. Will you please bring me a little wagon, some fire works, a gun and some fruit and candies. Wishing you a merry Christmas,
Arch Baird.

A Winding Automobile.
Brady, Texas, Dec. 18.
Dear Santa Claus:
I thought I would write and let you know what I want you to bring me. I would like to have a little winding automobile and some fruits, and also some roman candles. With best wishes and a happy Christmas.
Your little friend,
Harold Nelin.

A Four Year Old Girl.
Brady, Texas, Dec. 18.
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl four years old and I have been a good little girl and will you please bring me some things.
These are the things I want, a little ring, a tricycle, a teddy bear, and some fruits and candies.
Your little friend,
Eva Dorothy Farenthold.

BUTTER KIST BREAD
from The White Kitchen. Buy a loaf today.

LADIES!
See our line of Silk Shirts for men that appreciate a nice Christmas present. Mann Bros.

Fully equipped auto repair department in charge of expert workman. Bring us your auto worries. Brady Auto Co.

We want your business, and believe we are as well able to satisfy your wants, as any other business house in Brady.
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LETTERS TO SANTA

Gloves, Red Ones.
Rochelle, Texas, Dec. 15.
Dear Santa Claus:
I want a doll trunk, set of dishes, a pencil box, and a pair of red gloves. From
Carmalita Baze.

J. K. Wants a Pistol.
Rochelle, Texas, Dec. 15.
Dear Santa Claus:
Please, I want a cap pistol, and some caps, and pencil box, and a pair of good warm gloves.
Your little friend,
J. K. Baze.

Send Anything Else, Santa.
Fredonia, Texas, Dec. 18.
Dear Santa Claus:
I want a little wagon, and some oranges and candy, and if there is anything else, send it to me.
Edwin Schooley.

And the "Tonic," Santa.
Calf Creek, Texas, Dec. 15.
Dear Santa Claus:
As I have tried to be a good little girl I want you to bring me a sleepy doll, a doll buggy, and a set of dishes. Daddy said "be sure and not forget his bottle of tonic."
I am your friend,
Linnie May Bradshaw.

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Strayed.

Brown mule, one-eyed. Notify W. E. Turner, Sr., at Turner Wagon Yard.

LOST—Dark bay horse, 16 hands high, fat, shod all around, no brands. Will go toward Santa Anna. Notify J. E. Wiley, Brady.

LOST—Suit case containing suit of clothes; name "D. H. Blackwell" on inside coat pocket. Reward for return to Standard office.

WANTED:—Married man to work on farm and ranch. Must have good references. Apply at this office.

FOR RENT:—Room adjoining J. M. Page's second hand store. See E. L. Ogden or A. Odgen.

Mrs. F. W. Henderson wants to sell her home, and her Tubular Separator. Both bargains.

Mrs. Henderson wants the man who found bead purse to phone her and hear something to his advantage.

For Sale or Trade at a Bargain—5-passenger Model 40 Buick; E. M. F. roadster; E. M. F. 5-passenger Brady Auto Co.

FOR SALE—Two or three good second hand autos—Fords, a King 5-passenger, an Overland and a Hupmobile. E. J. BROAD.

Still have a few second-hand cars in good condition that we are offering at bargain prices. Brady Auto Co.

FOR SALE—Small place of 127 1-2 acres, with about 38 acres in cultivation, within 1-4 miles of court house. Priced reasonable if sold by January 1st. Apply Brady Standard.

Mule Teams.

25 head young mules, two to five years old. See us if you want a team.

MANN BROS.

For Sale—160 acres, 7 or 8 miles from Melvin. Raw land; no improvements, but fenced. This is a fine, level piece of land. Will sell cheap and take small payment down. Apply to E. B. Ramsay, Brady.

Trespassing Notice.

No hunting, trapping or other trespassing will be permitted upon the Glenn Bros. ranch, under penalty of the law.

JESSE GLENN.

No Trespassing.

All hunting, trapping and other trespassing upon my land is forbidden under penalty of the law.

MAX MARTIN,

Mason, Texas.

Notice of Annual Meeting.

The regular annual meeting of the shareholders of the Commercial National Bank of Brady, Texas, will be held in the office of their bank building on the second Tuesday in January, being January 9th, 1917, between the hours of 9:00 a. m. and 3:00 p. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and for the transacting of any other business that may legally be brought before it.

W. D. CROTHERS,

Cashier.

Notice.

Complaints will be filed against all persons having Sanitary accounts appearing in a delinquent condition on the 1st day of January, 1917. Come in and pay your account now and save further trouble.

F. Y. JACKSON,

Sanitary Collector.

Ammunition for any gun.

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BAU AUTO ACCIDENT

W. F. EVANS AND L. F. HARVEY VICTIMS.

Former Suffers Broken Collar Bone, and Latter is Badly Bruised and Skinned.

While on their return to Brady from Menard, W. F. Evans and L. F. Harvey were the victims of an auto accident that all but had fatal consequences, and which resulted in a broken collar bone for Mr. Evans, while Mr. Harvey is suffering severely from bruises and skinned places. In company with their families and several other Brady folks they had been to Menard for a visit. The accident occurred on the return trip near Callan at about 5:30 o'clock. All the members of the party were ahead of Evans and Harvey, and consequently did not witness the occurrence, and neither Evans nor Harvey were able to say exactly what caused the disaster. Both must have been unconscious in the road for some time, and when Mr. Harvey finally came to, despite his injuries his first efforts were to restore Evans to consciousness. Both men were so badly hurt as to be rendered unable to go out for aid, and the intense cold added to their suffering. They managed to build a fire, but were nearly exhausted when a passing auto picked them up and brought them to town for medical attention. At the Guyton sanitarium, Evans is reported resting easily, and he will probably be able to be out again in the course of a week or so. Mr. Harvey was taken to his home, where he is suffering great pain as a result of the bruises and shock sustained. However, it is thought that with careful attention, he will soon be restored to his former health.

Whether the car struck a stump, was overturned, or what happened, cannot be ascertained. Mr. Harvey's recollection is that it sounded like an explosion. Although the car was standing upright following the accident the top was crushed, the windshield shattered, and the car was turned diametrically opposite the direction in which it was going. The presumption is that it overturned completely. The car, a Ford, is the property of the Commercial National Bank, for whom Evans has been acting in the capacity of collector. It was brought to town under its own power, and besides the damage enumerated above, a bent axle seems to complete the injury sustained by it.

Notice of Last Ginning.

I will run my gin for the last time this season on Saturday, December 23, 1916. Bring in all your remnants at that time.

J. C. KOERTH,

Brady, Texas.

BUTTER KIST BREAD

At the White Kitchen. Buy a loaf today.

A Perfection Oil Stove will make a splendid Christmas gift. We are prepared to handle your business.

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See us for furniture. We have a good stock, and the price is right. E. J. BROAD.

Lard cans and sausage mills.

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Wrist Watches from \$3.00 up. Cameos, mounted in various ways, from \$3.50 up to \$35.00. Diamond Pins of every description. Also the regular line of Jewelry such Rings, La Valliers, Dress Pins, Brooches, Bar Pins, Neck Chains, Watches, Waldeemar and other Watch Chains, Cuff Links, Watch Fobs, Stick Pins, Silver Handled Parasols, Parisian Ivory Toilet Articles, Belt Buckles, Cut Glass and Silverware.

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PROGRAM AT STACY.

I. O. O. F. Entertains Friends With Program.

Quite a number of local members of the Odd Fellows' lodge went to Stacy Friday night, where the Stacy Lodge, I. O. O. F., entertained its members and friends, their wives and sweethearts with an elaborate program, interspersed with music and topped off with delicious refreshments. The following is the program, which was as follows:

Opening Ode of Oddfellows, by all present.

Oddfellows prayer, by the Lodge Chaplain.

Introductory Remarks, by Dr. Manning.

Music by Pink Haines and Co. "Why I am an Odd Fellow," Bro. Collier.

Music by Pink Haines and Co. "Benefit Derived from Being an Oddfellow," Dr. Smith, of Melvin.

Music by Pink Haines and Co. "Short talk on the Good of I. O. O. F. and Rebekah's," Dave Pliner, of Brady Lodge.

Music.

Refreshments.

Adios.

Every one enjoyed the talks made by all on the program, and we especially were pleased to have with us Bro. Pliner of Brady who entertained us with a very pleasing talk on the general work of the order. We feel that his visit among us will be remembered for some time to come. All present reported a very fine time, and only regretted when the time came to go to the respective homes at a late hour.

A Friend.

Lard Cans. Broad Merc. Co.

Mrs. L. J. Marshall Dead.

Mrs. L. J. Marshall died Thursday night at 12:00 o'clock at the residence of her son, E. W. Marshall, living north of town, with whom she had been making her home for the past six years or more. Mrs. Marshall had been in bad health for the past several months, death resulting from general debility. Last September she passed the 67th milestone, and her advanced age hastened the end.

The body was carried to Pontotoc Saturday, where it was laid to rest in the family burial ground besides that of her husband, who preceded her to the Great Beyond six years ago. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. I. T. Morris, an old friend of the family.

Mrs. Marshall was born and raised in New Hampshire, the family taking up their residence at Pontotoc in 1897, where they continued to live up to the time of the death of Mr. Marshall. Mrs. Marshall then making her home with her son, who is the only surviving member of the family.

Mrs. Marshall was a true Christian woman, and had been a member of the Methodist church for a number of years. In her loss, Mr. Marshall and family have the sincere sympathy of all.

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Is hand made and retains all the flavor of the ingredients. Try a loaf today. The White Kitchen.

Get the boy a saddle for Christmas. No better or more appreciated gift. H. P. C. Evers.

United States Automobile Tires, in both the Chain and Usco Tread Non Skids. Let us sell you your next auto tire. Complete stock of sizes.

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FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

C. I. A. Students at Denton to Spend Christmas Here.

Notices have been received by Brady parents of girls attending the College of Industrial Arts at Denton stating that students will be released from that institution on Wednesday, December 20th, and will be expected to re-assemble for classes the morning of Tuesday, January 2nd. The notices urge that all students return on time, as classes missed before December 20, or after the opening hour Tuesday morning will constitute deductions from the student's grade average in those classes.

A correspondent from the college states that only a fractional per cent of complete failures was recorded among the more than a thousand young women who have recently completed the first term examinations at the C. I. A. Personal consideration was given each student whose work was manifestly unsatisfactory, and only when the

conclusion was reached that she could no longer profit for her work in the College she was asked to remain at home.

Brady girls who are expected from the C. I. A. to spend their holidays with relatives include Misses Bernice Hall, Virginia Miller, Edith Morris and Stella Traweek.

Stockholders Meeting.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Brady National Bank of Brady, Texas, will be held at its banking house in Brady, Texas, on the second Tuesday in January, the same being the 9th day of January, 1917, at 2:30 p. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year, and for the transacting of such other business as may be legally brought before it.

E. L. OGDEN,

Cashier.

Automobile Casings and Inner Tubes.

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BUTTER KIST BREAD At the White Kitchen. Buy a loaf today.

Santa Claus

Could make the man or the boy no more sensible gift than a pair of

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Or make yourself a present of KELLEY BOOTS.

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