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WEDNESDAY BIG DAY IN MASON; FORD CAR WENT TO DR. BEACH

Yesterday, Wednesday, December 20, was a record-breaking day in Mason. That is, with reference to the town being crowded.

A new Ford Touring car and cash premiums amounting to \$100 were given away.

At 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon the depositing of tickets in the contest ended and the cans containing the tickets were taken to the band stand in the court house yard and were poured into a large wagon sheet and then shuffled up. The committee in charge of the drawing was composed of Messrs. Ed W. Jordan, Ben Kidd, Rex Lavelle, Chas. L. Martin and Emil Durst. The task of handling the tickets was so great that three additional men were called up on the stand to assist; they were Messrs. J. S. Capps, Will Bauer and Henry Cavness. Following the announcement relative to the rules by Mr. Jordan, a little girl was called to the stand to do the drawing. The child who did the drawing of the tickets from the sheet proved to be little Miss Amelia Schuessler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schuessler, and she gave her age as ten years. She had a tobacco pulled over her head each time as she drew the tickets.

Four tickets were drawn and then a fifth one was drawn in each instance and the fifth ticket won the prizes. Below is a list of the tickets drawn and shows the number of the ticket and also the name of the party winning the prize as well as the name of the firm issuing it:

First drawing—No. 52347, Ford, W. W. Beach, issued by Larimore & Grote.
Second drawing—No. 25973, \$25, L. B. Wootton, issued by J. J. Johnson.
Third drawing—No. 176596, \$25, E. J. Hahn, issued by F. Lange.
Fourth drawing—No. 70637, \$10, I. L. Henry, issued by E. Henrich.
Fifth drawing—No. 89848, \$10, Irvin Puenneke, issued by Herbert Hofmann.
Sixth drawing—No. 125761, \$10, Henry Simon, issued by Mason News.
Seventh drawing—No. 134410, \$10, W. S. Gates, issued by W. C. Henrich.
Eighth drawing—No. 82021, \$10, W. M. Hight, issued by E. Lemburg & Bro.
From data at hand there were something like 175,000 tickets in the wagon sheet when the drawing was conducted.

Henry Keyser, Jr., and wife were in Mason Wednesday from the Loyal Valley section.

August and Max Ellebracht were here Wednesday from the Doss section. The former reported the aged Mrs. Sandler having happened to an accident recently and sustained a broken limb at the hip joint, the result of a fall.

Turkey Dinner

Mrs. J. W. White was hostess to a number of friends at a delicious turkey dinner on last Thursday. Those enjoying themselves upon this delightful occasion were Meses. Morgan Hamilton, of Chickasha, Okla., Mmes. O. H. Mebus, Ery Hamilton, Bertha Todd, Belle W. Bridges, W. H. Knolle, Charles Bierschwale, Sands, H. Puckey, J. P. Lyle, John Lemburg, Seth L. Baze, Tom White; Miss Elizabeth White and the hostess.

GLORIA SWANSON AN AUTHOR!

That Is, Famous Star Hopes One Day to Become a Novelist

Gloria Swanson, beautiful Paramount star, is likely soon to achieve fame as a novelist or short story writer. She is practicing daily when not on duty in an endeavor to perfect herself for authorship honors. Incidentally, she is studying French and artistic dancing and designs the furnishings of her beautiful home. Miss Swanson, with Wallace Reid and Elliott Dexter, Paramount favorites, appears in "Don't Tell Everything", a splendid Paramount picture, and this triumvirate of players will be seen in the picture when it is shown at the Star theatre December 23rd and 25th. It is an outdoor picture, filled with pep and action and will be greeted with delight by every polo player and golfer who sees it.

Christmas Toys at Mason Drug Company. 40

INDUSTRY'S NEW PASTOR SURPRISED AND CONGRATULATED

Last Thursday evening at 6 o'clock the M. E. Church congregation assembled at the parsonage in honor of Rev. and Mrs. G. W. F. Schreiber's silver wedding anniversary.

All participants assembled in the church whereupon the Industry church band intoned a beautiful march, after which Rev. and Mrs. Schreiber entered and seated themselves directly in front of the altar. At the conclusion of the musical prelude, E. H. Lindemann in well chosen words stated the object of the meeting and introduced Rev. J. Ott of Brenham, whose presence was kept a secret to the honorees. Rev. Ott spoke the solemn words that united Rev. and Mrs. Schreiber for life twenty-five years ago. Rev. Ott took charge of this part of the program and carried it out in a very creditable manner.

O. Henschel next addressed the large assemblage in very appropriate language. He was followed by H. Baekke who in eloquent and inspiring words presented to the groom and bride of twenty-five years ago, in the name and by the authority of the Industry congregation a costly silver table set as a token of love and friendship coupled with a fond remembrance from the people he is to guide in their divine teachings. At the conclusion of this part of the program all present repaired to the parsonage where the ladies had loaded the tables with the choicest cakes and accessories imaginable. The band rendered sweet music for the occasion and all were happy with faces beaming with joy and pride. After all had satisfied the inner man, Rev. Wm. Menking of Haw Creek addressed the audience in his usual graceful style.

Thus we sum up our felicitations by wishing that their journey together as husband and wife be a long one, and that every future celebration of their wedding day may find them as contented with their lot, and as happy in each other, as they are now. God bless them! —Industry Paper.

Albert Keyser, of Loyal Valley, was a business visitor in our city on Wednesday, and ordered the News to make its weekly appearance at his home. Mr. Keyser states that his father, H. C. Keyser is moving to Fredericksburg and wants the News to be changed to that address. Albert states that conditions are generally good in his section, and that there is still sufficient moisture to plow, and that stock on the range are doing well.

NO FEAR OF HOLDUPS

The inhabitants of Mason should rest perfectly easy on Tuesday night, and be able to enjoy one real night's sleep, without fear of burglars or hold-up men bothering them, for on that night we will have the famous Northwest Mounted Police with us and with their ability to always "get their man," no self-respecting criminal would take a chance on operating the night they are in town.

Manager of the Star Theater has succeeded, after weeks of negotiations, in securing this world famous attraction for patrons of his theater. They have what is claimed to be the most educational, novel and entertaining performance ever seen in this country. You will hear in detail just how the "Mounties" work, and why it is that they seldom fail to capture the man they are after. You will be taken on a ten thousand mile travel thru Canada, Alaska and the Arctic circle, with the Mounted Police, and see some of the most famous captures, and the terrible hardships these sturdy men of the north, sometimes have to endure.

A noted critic has said, that if John D. Rockefeller was a baby, that with all his money, he couldn't live long enough to see the wonderful sights shown you in your trip thru the frozen north with the Mounted Police. Add to all this, Artie Vaudeville, something never before seen in the states, and six reels of pictures, and you have one of the most enjoyable performances one would wish to see.

The "Mounties" will be here for one night only.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Shearer came in last week from Rochelle for a visit with relatives in Mason.

ZWEIG TAKES HUPP FOR THIS TERRITORY

Word comes from the offices of J. R. Overstreet, Hupmobile distributor for West Texas, that Henry W. Zweig has been appointed distributor for Hupmobiles in Brady and surrounding territory. That this is a wise move on the part of the Hupmobile distributors will be conceded in these parts, as Mr. Zweig is well and favorably known throughout this territory as an aggressive and well favored business man.

In speaking of his having secured the dealership for the "Hupp" in this territory, Mr. Zweig said, "Yes, I was mighty glad to secure this line, for I have long been sold on the 'Hupp' as the best automobile at its price, class and the peer of all light fours. I have been planning on this move for some time and my plans have matured as I wished. One point I want to emphasize to the motor car buying public in my territory is that Hupmobile owners will be able to get real Hupmobile service at this institution. We will carry a complete line of parts at all times and no Hupmobile owner need ever be afraid of having his car tied up for several days, or perhaps weeks, while the dealer sends to the factory for some broken part, as is often the case with automobile dealers who are not properly equipped.

Our interest in Hupmobile owners will be just as keen after they have bought their cars as it is before we got their names "on the dotted line" and we are going to do everything in our power to maintain the splendid name owned by the Hupmobile through out the world for real, reliable service.

Our mechanics will be skilled Hupmobile men and we feel that our prospects for a big business are indeed very bright.

Walter Caldwell was in Mason Wednesday in the interest of Mr. Zweig's agency for this county, demonstrating one of the Sport Models of the Hupmobile, and it attracted much attention and favorable comment.

Celebrates 82nd Birthday

Mr. Jacob Schuessler celebrated his 82nd birthday on Sunday, December 17th with an elaborate turkey dinner. Those present to enjoy the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Glenn W. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Will Schuessler; Misses Carrie and Mary Schuessler; Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Reardon and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Rau, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Hofmann and son, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Schuessler and daughter, Mr. Richard Grosse; Miss Naunie Schuessler, and Smith Lewis.

LUTHERAN CHURCH SERVICES

On coming Sunday forenoon there will be the usual morning service. In the afternoon the Christmas program for the Sunday School celebration will be arranged and practiced, and we would ask the children of our Sunday School to be present. On Christmas Day, Monday, beginning at 10 o'clock, we will have our Christmas service and the Lord's Supper will be administered and all who contemplate participating in the Lord's Supper are asked to kindly announce their intention before. On the night of this same day, beginning at 7 o'clock the Sunday School Christmas service shall take place. Everybody is invited to these services.

Wishing everyone the Lord's greatest blessings for the Holidays,
St. Pauls Congregation and Pastor.

Mrs. Loula Loring and Mrs. Anna L. Sackland returned home Friday from a hurried visit to Austin and San Antonio.

E. N. E. Ellebracht, of Doss was in Mason Wednesday, and while here took a new lease on the News for another year.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smart, a girl, December 7th.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Kimmman, a girl, December 16th.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Taylor, a girl, December 15th.

May Mason (colored) a girl, December 10th.

HONOR ROLL FOR MONTH ENDING DEC. 1—MASON SCHOOLS

Below is given the honor roll of the Mason Schools for the month ending December 1, 1922:

High School—"A" students, Ethel Gipson, Calvin Sanders, Louis Vater, Emley Jordan; "B" students, Chris Sanders, Thelma Wood, Alva Beach, Jessie Farmer, Coralea Finley, Stella Leslie, Lucille Lange, Dessie Hoerster, Dessie Hoerster's name should have appeared on the "B" list for both the first and second month. That of Stella Leslie should have been on the "B" list for the second month.

Seventh Grade—"A" students, Ethel Lehberg, Mildred Montgomery; "B" students, Martin Rogers, Willburn Lemburg, Garner Sequist, Lucille Rode, Lena Skelton, Ruby Grote.

Sixth Grade—"A" students, Arey Murrah, Mae Grote, M. J. Green; "B" students, Milton Reichenau, Christiana Gipson, Esther Vater, Joycelyn Ellis, Sadie Herring.

Fifth Grade—"A" students, Violet Vedder, Lucille Probst, Lina Millaire; "B" students, Henry Pimencke, Carl Biedfeldt, Daniel Raines, Maud Smart, Evelyn Willmann, Daisy Deau Sequist, Ella Mae Hofmann, Dorothy Gamel, Louise Brezcale, Gladys Churchwell, Eulalia Barber, Sarah Walters, Dorothy Zesch.

Fourth Grade—"A" students, Elfrieda Loeffler, Virginia Eckert, Jesse Raines; "B" students, Olivia Deaup, Ruby Danheim, Grace McMillan, Ruth Heinrich, Gordon Deaup, Percy Metzger, Clarence Starke, Reuben Danheim.

Third Grade—"A" students, Mary Cecile Lawson, Charles Gipson; "B" Vera Beck, Roseda Danheim, Lee Roy Eckert, Edmund Gierlich.

Second Grade—"A" students, Leona Banta, Mabel Grote, Ruby Schweers, Juanita Lemburg; "B" students, Runnie Lee, Anthony Lucia Beach, Dorothy Nelle Capps, Elroy Danheim, Cora Grote, Estella Hartmann, Alice Willmann, Ruth Saunders, Estella Nicholson, Alice Loeffler, Thelma Land
First Grade—"A" students, Delmor Sanders, Margaret Martin, Karlita Hofmann, Vera Lucy Vedder; "B" students, J. W. Boston, George Hey, Lee Roy Strackbein, Jane Loring, Anna Marie Rode, Margaret Wartenbach, Florence Clark.

J. S. Capps was here from his ranch north of town Saturday and stated Mrs. Capps is in San Antonio with her daughter, Mrs. Mills, where the latter is receiving special medical treatment.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH CHRISTMAS EXERCISES

It is announced Christmas exercises and a treat for the Sunday School children of the local Christian Church will be held on Sunday night, Dec. 24th. The program will start at seven o'clock and the general public is extended an invitation to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Brandenberger are receiving congratulations from friends upon the arrival of a big boy at their home on Sunday of this week. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Tart are the parents of a new boy who was born last Monday.

GERMAN METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, December 24th, Sunday School at 10 o'clock.

Preaching at Art by Rev. J. W. A. Witt.

Sunday night, Christmas tree in Mason at 7 o'clock. A collection will be taken for orphans.

Preaching in Mason Monday morning at 10:45, Christmas services, by Rev. J. W. A. Witt.

Christmas tree at Art on Monday night.

Cordial invitation extended public to attend all these services.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Elley and family, of Seguin, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nagel, of Charlotte, are spending the holidays in Mason with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Fischer.

Math Galbreath and wife, and John Martin returned last week from a visit with William Galbreath in Milam County. They report a nice trip and a most enjoyable visit.

NEXT LYCEUM NUMBER TO BE PRESENTED HERE JAN. 2ND.

The next Lyceum number will be presented at the local theater on January 2nd, and will be The Demarco-Aistrup Entertainers.

This number was advertised for appearance on November 17th, but due to the performers being delayed before reaching Mason, by an attack of dengue fever, it was postponed indefinitely, and now comes the information that the number will be in Mason on Tuesday night, January 2nd.

"EXPERIENCE"

Edna Wheaton, designated by the Daily News, of New York, as the most beautiful girl in New York City, plays the role of "Beauty" in George Fitzmaurice's production of "Experience," a Paramount picture which will be shown at the Star Theatre Saturday, December 30th.

Miss Wheaton competed with 6,000 other Gotham beauties for the honor of appearing in "Experience." Her chance to break into the movies came as the result of the kindness of a friend who sent her picture to the newspaper. She is eighteen years old and had come to New York from her home in Ithaca, N. Y., to study music.

Director George Fitzmaurice and the casting department at the Paramount eastern studios decided that some sort of a contest was necessary to get the right girl to play the part of "Beauty" in the picture. All the stage beauties were more or less cold and did not fit with Mr. Fitzmaurice's idea of beauty. Consequently the Daily News was enlisted in the search for the real American beauty and Miss Wheaton was the lucky contestant.

Miss Wheaton was busy for two weeks with her part having close-up shots with Richard Barthelmess, who plays the leading role, "Youth," and other scenes filmed with the remaining principals in the cast.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The News is requested to announce that Rev. I. M. Wood, of Brady, will not be in Mason to fill his appointment at the Presbyterian Church on the 4th Sunday of this month, but will be here for the fifth Sunday instead. It is announced Rev. Wood will conduct a week's revival here the week following and in the meeting he will have the assistance of Rev. T. W. Davidson, of Santa Anna.

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES

Special program at the M. E. Church South.

White Gifts for the King. At the hour of six thirty, Sunday, December 24th.

A new and inspiring program; the first of its kind ever put on in Mason. Everybody cordially invited.

Willard Larimore arrived in Mason Wednesday from Dallas, to spend a part of the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Larimore. He will return to Dallas next Tuesday.

Ed Willmann, who is now residing at Eastland, was at home this week for a visit with home folks and to recuperate from the effects of being run into by a car recently.

Will Ellebracht was through Mason the middle of the week en route to San Antonio.

Robert Jarozewski was up from Fredericksburg last Sunday for a visit with friends in Mason.

Mrs. Max Martin and Misses Ruth and Esther, who have been in San Antonio several weeks, returned home last week to spend the holidays. They expect to return to San Antonio about the 10th of January, to remain until spring.

The Demarco-Aistrup Entertainers at Star Opera House Tuesday night, Jan. 2nd. 11

Mr. Udo Henke, from Fredericksburg, came up Sunday to spend the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Hofmann.

POULTRY BREEDERS ASS'N. ORGANIZED FOR MASON COUNTY

Several breeders of pure bred poultry met in the County Agent's office last Saturday at 2 o'clock to organize the Mason County Pure Bred Poultry Breeders Association.

The following are some of the objects of the Association:

1. To encourage the raising of more and better pure bred poultry.
2. To have an annual exhibit of poultry raised by members.
3. To carry on an active publicity campaign.
4. To encourage proper feeding and care, and the keeping of cost records.

To offer membership to all breeders in Mason County.

A temporary committee was appointed to draft a constitution and a set of bylaws to be presented at a meeting in the near future.

All breeders will be notified of this meeting and the officers of the Association for the coming year will be elected.

NORRIS BOX CANDY

- Chocolate Nuts and Fruits.
- Chocolate Covered Cherries.
- Chocolate Cream Brazil Nuts.
- Norris Gold Boxes.
- Dates with Pecans.

MASON DRUG COMPY.

The Famous Justin Boots for sale by Hofmann Dry Goods Company.

CHICKENS

If you have chickens to sell, don't fail to get my prices.

J. J. JOHNSON.

Galvanized roofing at R. Grosse's

SOPRANO GETS HONORS OF OPPORTUNITY NIGHT

Hilda Lemburg, soprano, gets the honors for the Opportunists at the Majestic Theater last night, and she proved to be the headliner in the opening spot of the bill, a position never relished by professionals. Miss Lemburg had two songs, "Comin' Thru the Rye" and "O Solo Mio." Both were enthusiastically received.

Edwin Bradford, xylophonist, gave three selections, all of which were pleasing, and his repertoire embraced present day compositions.

John Wiseman and Dorothy Strobnek were heard and seen in an original singing duet, the boy singing "Old Pal" with gestures that brought titters from spots in the house. Incidentally, the costumery was novel.

To make the "blues" more blue, Maurice Pommeroy had the blue spot shine on him while he was getting the words across the footlights.

Danton Trio, the Misses Johnson and Gillette and Art White, were seen in a dance divertissement of half a dozen numbers. The young women showed San Antonians what the professionals said were the most unique steps they had ever seen. The opening number smacked of novelty and paved the way for other surprises to come.

Opportunists appearing at the Majestic tonight will be Mary Kersey and Cecil Harrison, singing duo; Margie Mahavier, dancing; Allen Herndon and LeMoine Bagley, singing and piano numbers and the San Antonio Jazz Quartette.—San Antonio Express, Dec. 12th.

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MAY CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR BE ALL THAT YOU HOPE FOR.

MAY THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT REIGN SUPREME—AND FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH YOU HAVE SUPPORTED THE POLICY OF OUR HOUSE IN THE YEAR THAT IS CLOSING, WE KNOW OF NO WORDS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE WHICH ARE STRONGER, WHEN SAID, AS WE SAY THEM SINCERELY:

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Paris Chocolates in Fancy Christmas boxes and Japanese Hand Painted Baskets. Other Christmas Candies of all kinds.

We have an entire new stock of Christmas Toys.

Also a complete new stock of Ivory Goods, Stationery, Toilet Articles and Books.

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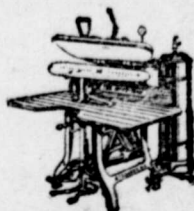
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In dry goods and groceries



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FROM NEWS FILES OF 25 YEARS AGO

From Mason News, Dec. 24, 1897:

Marriage License—Mr. James O. Clark and Miss Oma Troxell.

Chas. Maugham and bride are here from San Saba to spend Christmas.

Otto Evers cut his hand badly Friday with a saddler's knife.

Marriage License—Mr. John Ward and Miss Zelia Jones; Mr. J. T. Harmon and Miss Mary Patterson; Mr. Henry Dodd and Miss M. P. Westbrook; Mr. Arch Hurley and Miss Sadie Awalt; Mr. W. H. Arnes and Miss Edrea Sudberry.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Henry McDougall, a girl on the 20th; to Mr. and Mrs. M. Moran, a girl on the 20th.

The ground and trees were covered with sleet last Saturday.

Prof. S. A. McCollum and Ben G. Hey contemplate opening a real estate business in Mason by the first of the coming year. They expect to office in the Hoerster Building.

15 Years Ago In Mason

From Mason News, Dec. 20, 1907:

The safe at the depot in Brady was blown a few nights ago and about \$80 stolen.

Mr. S. C. Rowe and Miss Eva Lindsay were married Thursday at 8:30 o'clock.

The three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hayes, died near Fredonia Wednesday evening of last week.

Mr. L. B. McDonald, aged 71 years, died of heart failure last Thursday afternoon at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. D. Kiser.

Fire at Llano Monday night destroyed the Martin Telephone office, a meat market and a fruit stand.

Jesse Schmidt is here from Lampasas to spend the Christmas holidays.

An unusual sand storm for this season of the year visited this section Saturday.

Emil Fostel has bought the Fostel homestead from his mother for \$3,000. It consists of 149 acres.

All Leather Shoes at Hofmann Dry Goods Company. 33

CHICKENS

If you have chickens to sell, don't fail to get my prices.
31-tf J. J. JOHNSON.

Alfons Weber, of Fredericksburg, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Weber, had his skull crushed last week when his car ran off an embankment. The accident occurred at night and was the result of driving without lights. The young man died shortly after the injury.

Christmas Again

Christmas again, and hearts aglow
Find songs and merry tunes;
New friends to make, old friends to greet
Find over all the silver-sweet
Unchanging Christmas cheer.

A CHRISTMAS LEGEND

Crowing of the Cock to Keep
Away Evil Spirits.

Tale of Saint Stephen, the First Martyr, Whose Day is December Twenty-Six.

EVER since that first Christmas eve the cock has crowed all night long on the anniversary to keep away evil spirits; for the cock is a holy bird and a knowing one. There is a pleasant tale of him and Saint Stephen, the first martyr, whose day is December 26, close by his dear Lord's.

Saint Stephen was King Herod's steward, it seems, who served him in the kitchen and at table. One night as he was bringing in the bear's head for his master's dinner he saw the Star shining over Bethlehem. Immediately he set down the huge platter and exclaimed:

"No longer, Herod, will I be thy servant, for a greater King than thou is born."

"What aileth thee?" cried the King wrathfully. "Do you lack meat or drink that you would desert my service for another's?"

"Nay," answered Stephen. "I lack neither meat nor drink. But the Child that is born this night is greater than all of us; and Him only will I serve."

"That is as true," quoth Herod, smiling the table with his fist, "as that this roast cock on the platter shall crow before us."

Hardly were the words out of his mouth when the cock stretched his neck and crowed lustily. "Christus natus est!" At this proof that Stephen's words were true, Herod was so angry that he made his soldiers take Stephen outside the walls of Jerusalem and stone him to death. And this is the reason why, unto this day, Saint Stephen is the patron of stone-cutters. —Abbie Furvell Brown, in Lippincott's Magazine.

Cleansing the Saucepan.

Here is a simple but most successful method of cleansing a saucepan in which milk has been boiled. After pouring out the boiling milk, quickly replace the lid before the steam has time to escape, and allow the saucepan to cool before taking it off again. Then put the pan in cold water to soak. It can be cleaned quickly and easily.

Little Johnny's Fears

WHERE we use' to live, we had
A fireplace big an' wide,
An' all that Santy had to do
Was hold his breath an' slide,
An' squeeze hisself until he fit
The hole, an' then est drop—
An' he knowed where the stockin's was,
'Cause that was where he'd stop.

Where we use' to live, it was
No trick for him to climb
Up to the chimney on the roof
An' find us, Christmas time;
But now I'm worryin' for fear
He won't know where he's at,
Or mebbe can't get in at all!
We're livin' in a flat!

We're livin' in a flat, an' say,
You mus' be most polite,
Or else the janitor he'll go
An' lock you out at night!
There ain't no chimney to our house,
Where Santy Claus can slide—
There ain't no fireplace—just a pipe
About two inches wide.

They heat our flat with steam—that's why
I'm afraid he can't get in
With all his toys an' drums an' things,
Unless he's awful thin;
An' how's he go' to wriggle out
When he gets in? Gee whiz!
There's such an awful little hole
There where the sizzle is!
—Chicago Tribune.

Men's All Wool Suits from \$18.50 to \$27.50 at Hofmann Dry Goods Co. 33

Victrola Phonographs on easy terms at Mason Drug Company. 36

NEED GLASSES?

Dr. Jones, The Eye Man, in Dr. McCollum's office, Wednesday, January 3rd. Eyes examined, glasses fitted, headache and eye strain relieved. At Pontotoc 2 p. m., 2nd; Castell Thursday, 4th. 41-1c

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Make it a box of King's chocolates. Owl Drug Store. 28-tf

New arrivals of Ladies Suits, Dresses and Coats from New York weekly at Hofmann Dry Goods Company. 33

CRISTMAS GREETINGS



Here's to Christmas! May it be a merry one,

A beautiful day and a happy one;

Our thanks to you—

We feel they're due—

Here's godspeed to the year that's nearly done,

Here's luck and joy for the year to come.

MASON GROCERY COMPANY



To Our Friends and Patrons:

'Tis Christmas Time—the season of good cheer and Santa Claus; and we want to take this opportunity of extending our heartiest greetings and to wish you a very MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

And, too, may we say a word of thanks for the business you have so kindly turned our way during 1922? This business has been sincerely appreciated, and we trust it has been so handled as to justify a continuance of our past pleasant relations.

But now—at this Yuletide Season—we wish you and yours a wonderfully Happy Christmas, and a 1923 filled with joy, prosperity and plenty.

LARIMORE & GROTE

Merry Christmas.



To My Customers

May the blessedness of the Christmas spirit abide with you and the glorious promise of a bounteous NEW YEAR be given unto you.

L. C. PROBST



We wish one and all a very merry
CHRISTMAS
and a
NEW YEAR
Overflowing with Happiness and
Contentment

Please accept our sincere thanks for your valued favors in the past and permit us to enjoy your future patronage.

Wood Auto Co.



We believe in friendly business and no other—we hope you will continue to look upon this as your store—and sincerely thank you for your generous approval of our merchandising policy.

May yours—all thru—be—

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

LOUIS SCHMIDT



With all the greeting signifies, to the people of Mason. Peace! Joy! Plum pudding! Remembrance galore! For the liberal support you have given us in the past, our sincerest thanks.

Sunshine Confectionery



Christmas Day we are thankful,
 As we've often told you before;
 So we want to send holiday greetings
 To our friends who have crowded the store.
 We wish you long life and full measure
 Of holiday comfort and cheer
 And hope Life will be full of pleasure
 Each hour of the coming New Year.



MASON DRUG COM'Y

Best Wishes



LOADS OF LOVE AND CHRISTMAS PRESENTS,
 JOY TO LAST THE NEW YEAR THROUGH,
 ALL THAT'S CHEERFUL, NONE THAT'S TEARFUL
 THESE THINGS I AM WISHING YOU.

THANKS FOR PAST FAVORS



WM. SPLITTGERBER



We wish you, our friends, prosperity in your undertakings, wisdom and zeal in your work, peace on your pathway, friends by your fireside, and strength to the last. And especially do we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

L. F. Eckert's Garage

NOTICE TO CAR OWNERS

The 1923 registration tags will all be new and the law is, they must be on your car by January 1, 1923. Please take notice, and register as early as possible.

CHAS. LESLIE,
 Tax Collector.

P. W. Parker, W. L. Guthrie and H. H. Davenport, of Wichita Falls, have been in Mason County this week on a hunt. Mr. Parker is a son-in-law to H. H. Ischar of this city.

R. N. Sanders returned home Saturday from a short business trip to Comanche.

CARD OF THANKS

To the many good people of Mason who came to our assistance last week when fire broke out at our store, we wish to express our sincere thanks. Especially are we indebted to the Mason Volunteer Fire Company.
 MYERS BROS.

Be Evans arrived in Mason Saturday to spend the holidays. He is teaching this year in Concho County.

Miss Louise Latham who teaches school near Eden, is at her home near Fredonia, for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Willie Mae Doell has been assisting with the Christmas rush at the local postoffice.

PROGRAM

at the
 STAR THEATER
 For This Week and Next Week

Friday, December 22nd
 A WM. FOX PRODUCTION
 Saturday, Dec. 23rd and Mon. Dec. 25th.
 "DON'T TELL EVERYTHING"

Featuring Wallace Reid, Gloria Swanson, Elliot Dexter

Tuesday, December 26th
 An Alice Joyce Picture; also
 "NORTHWEST MOUNTED POLICE"

Friday, December 29th
 "UNDER OATH"
 Featuring Elaine Hammerstein

Saturday, December 30th
 "EXPERIENCE"
 Featuring Richard Barthelmess



I take this means of thanking the people of Mason for the valued support given me during the year about to close.

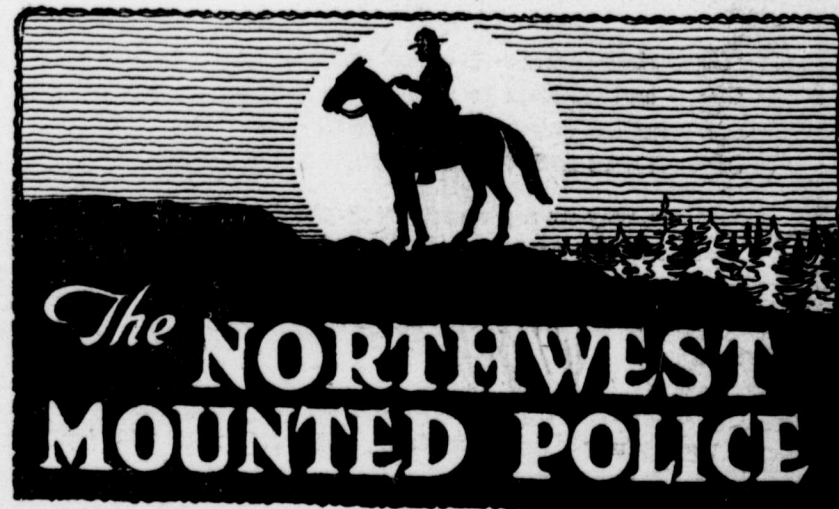
It has been a pleasure to serve you and it is my desire to merit your continued good will.

WITH BEST WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

MORROW'S HAT SHOPPE

MRS. WINNIE MORROW, PROP.

Coming to the
 STAR THEATER, DECEMBER 26TH.



LOOK FOR THE RED COATS ON YOUR STREET



THIS IS A SIMPLE MESSAGE OF SINCERE GOOD WILL COUPLED WITH BEST WISHES FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON, AND THE HOPE THAT THE INCOMING YEAR MAY BE BRIGHT AND PROSPEROUS TO YOU; MAY THE CORDIAL RELATIONSHIP OF THE PAST BE FIRMLY CEMENTED FOR MANY YEARS TO COME

MASON NAT'L BANK



THE Mason Ice & Power Co.



WISHES EVERYBODY
A MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR
with Thanks
FOR THE PATRONAGE WE HAVE ENJOYED





Merry Christmas



FROM US TO YOU—GOOD PEOPLE! YOU
WHOSE PATRONAGE AND LOYALTY HAVE
MADE US WHAT WE ARE!

WE THANK YOU—AND WISH YOU A VERY
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR.



Mayhew Produce Co.

FRANK DURST, Manager
Mason - - - - Texas



J. J. JOHNSON

EXTENDS TO HUNDREDS OF FRIENDS AND
PATRONS

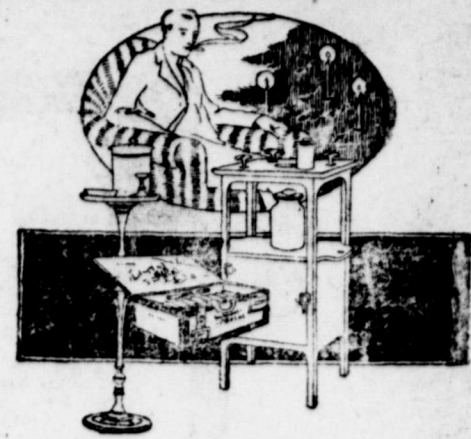
THIS CHRISTMAS MESSAGE
OF THANKS AND GOOD WILL

MAY HEALTH, HAPPINESS AND CONTENTMENT
BE YOURS, THEREBY ASSURING TO EACH
AND EVERYONE A
MERRY CHRISTMAS DAY AND HAPPY NEW YEAR





Merry Christmas



WE DESIRE, UPON THIS FESTIVE OCCASION, TO TENDER THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON, AND EXPRESS GOOD WISHES FOR OUR PEOPLE. WE HOPE THAT HEALTH AND PROSPERITY MAY BE THEIRS, AND THAT ABUNDANT CROPS, BOUNTIFUL HARVESTS AND RENEWED ACTIVITY IN ALL LINES OF BUSINESS WILL BRING HAPPINESS AND CONTENTMENT DURING THE NEW YEAR.



WE DESIRE TO THANK OUR CUSTOMERS FOR THEIR LIBERAL PATRONAGE SINCE THE OWL DRUG STORE WAS ESTABLISHED, AND SOLICIT YOUR VALUED ORDERS IN THE FUTURE. IN GIVING US YOUR TRADE YOU HAVE BEEN ASSURED THAT YOUR CONFIDENCE WAS NOT MISPLACED, AND IN 1923 WE WILL BE FOUND PREPARED TO GIVE ATTENTION TO EVERY WANT OF OUR PATRONS AND WILL EXTEND EVERY COURTESY JUSTIFIED BY SOUND BUSINESS PRINCIPLES.

RESPECTFULLY,

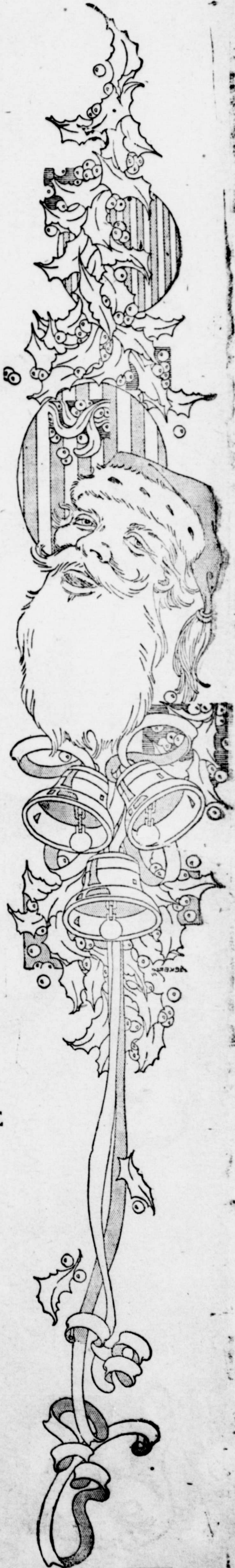
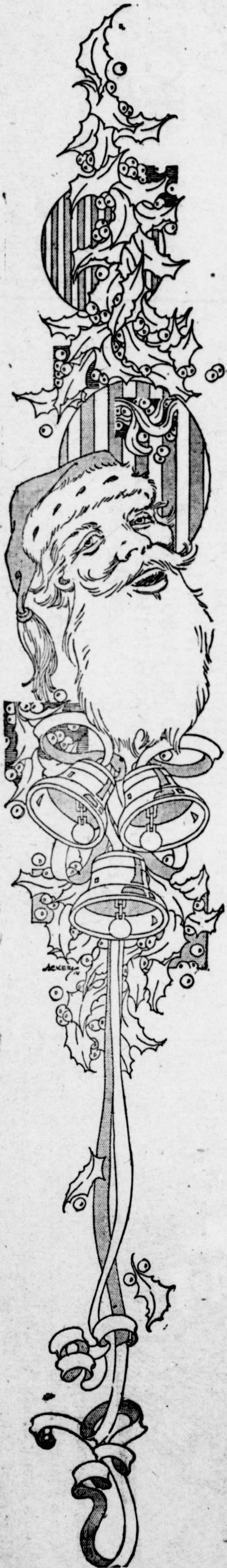
OWL DRUG STORE

SAFETY—COURTESY—PROMPTNESS

E. B. KOTHMANN

J. O. SCHMIDT

C. H. BREAZEALE





THIS IS A BONAFIDE SALE AND EVERYTHING IS JUST AS WE ADVERTISE.
REMEMBER!
WE ARE HERE TO STAY

GREAT REDUCTION

SALE!

THIS IS A BONAFIDE SALE AND EVERYTHING IS JUST AS WE ADVERTISE.
REMEMBER!
WE ARE HERE TO STAY



CASH MUST BE RAISED



Sale Opened Saturday Morning,



December 16--Closes December 25



Madras Dress Shirts, all sizes.....	98c
Men's Flannel Shirts.....	98c
Men's Army Shirts, all wool.....	\$2.45
Blue Work Shirts.....	59c

UNION SUITS

Boys' Union Suits.....	69c
Men's Union Suits.....	98c
\$1.50 Men's Union Suits.....	\$1.19
Men's Flannel Lined Unde shirts or Drawers.....	59c
Men's Ribbed Shirts or Drawers.....	59c



Red Seal Gingham.....	19c
9-4 Sheeting.....	38c
Zepher Gingham.....	17 1-2c
Blue Bell Sheeting.....	16 1-2c
Mattress Ticking.....	17 1-2c
The Best Creton, 36 inches wide,.....	19c
Unbleached Domestic.....	12 1-2c
Fast colored Percales.....	12 1-2c
36 inch Khaki Cloth.....	22 1-2c
Outing, a good grade,.....	17 1-2c

Special Values

Wool Knap Plaid Blankets 66x80.....	\$1.45
Oil Cloth, all colors, per yard.....	32 1-2c
WILLMANTIC THREAD, 6 SPOOLS FOR.....	25c
KIRKENDALE BOOTS, FOR THE SALE ONLY, \$9.95	

(WE GIVE TICKETS FOR THE FORD CAR)

THE POPULAR FIRM OF MYERS BROS. WISH TO THANK THE PEOPLE OF MASON COUNTY FOR THEIR GENEROUS BUSINESS GIVEN US IN THE PAST, AND TO SHOW OUR APPRECIATION WE ARE GOING TO PUT ON THE LARGEST SALE EVER ATTEMPTED IN MASON COUNTY. WE HAVE TAKEN \$15,000 WORTH OF GOOD MERCHANDISE FROM OUR RESERVED STOCK TO MAKE THIS A GREAT EVENT.

EVERYTHING MUST GO REGARDLESS OF PRICES. THIS IS NOT A SALE TO MAKE PROFITS; IT IS A SALE TO RAISE THE CASH. AND REMEMBER, WE ARE HERE TO STAY.

And Remember We Are Here
TO STAY



MENS AND YOUNG MENS CLOTHING	
\$34.50 Suits on sale.....	\$21.95
\$27.50 Suits on sale.....	\$14.95
\$22.50 Suits on sale.....	\$12.95

BOYS' SUITS

All wool, some with 2 pair of pants.....	\$8.45
\$12.50 Boys' Suits, with 2 pair of pants.....	\$5.95
\$8.50 Boys' Suits, 1 pair of pants.....	\$4.95
\$6.50 Boys' Suits, 1 pair of pants,.....	\$3.95
\$5.50 Boys' Suits swell sizes.....	98c
Men's Sweaters on the table.....	98c

Sale Opens Saturday Morning
December 16, at 9 O'clock



SHOE BARGAINS FOR THE FAMILY

\$6.50 Men's Dress Shoes, Brown Kid, Straight Last.....	4.95
\$5.50 Men's Dress Shoes, Calf, Straght Last.....	\$3.95
\$5.00 Men's Dress Shoes, bargain,.....	\$3.95
\$4.50 Men's Dress Shoes, all leather,.....	\$2.95
Mens Scout Shoes all leather.....	\$1.89
That Famous Lion Brand Army Shoe, the very best,.....	\$3.95
\$7.50 Men's Booties.....	\$5.95

SPECIAL

Ladies' Shoes on the Table..your choice,.....	\$1.45
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HATS

John B. Stetson Hats.....	\$6.95
\$5.00 Hats @.....	\$3.95
\$4.00 Hats @.....	\$2.95
One Lot of Hats at a Close Out Price.....	\$1.98

PANTS

\$6.00 Dress Pants.....	\$3.95
Men's Corduroy Pants.....	\$2.45
Special Grade Brown Mole Skin Pants.....	\$1.98
Boys' Knee Pants, all sizes,.....	\$1.29
10 oz. Duck Pants and Coats.....	\$1.69



Ladies' Silk Hose.....	49c
Ladies Lisle Hose.....	39c
Ladies' Work Hose, 3 pair for.....	25c
Children's Hose.....	14c
Men's Heavy Work Sox, 3 pair.....	25c
Men's Dress Sox.....	10c
Our Ragular 25c Seller, for this sale, 2 pair for.....	25c

MYERS BROS

WEST SIDE OF SQUARE
Mason - - - Texas

WEST SIDE OF SQUARE
Mason - - - Texas



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The Officers and Directors of the
COMMERCIAL BANK
(UNINCORPORATED)



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WISH YOU A SUCCESSFUL AND PROSPEROUS
NEW YEAR AND DESIRE TO EXPRESS THEIR
APPRECIATION FOR THE PLEASANT
BUSINESS RELATIONS WHICH HAVE
EXISTED BETWEEN US THE PAST
YEAR



Merry Christmas



AT THIS SEASON OUR THOUGHTS GO OUT IN GRATITUDE TO OUR FRIENDS WHO HAVE MADE OUR PAST YEAR'S BUSINESS SUCCESSFUL MAY THE COMING YEAR BRING JOY, HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY.



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First State Bank

GUARANTY FUND BANK
MASON - - - - TEXAS



WITH THE NEW YEAR ALMOST UPON US, IT AFFORDS US MUCH PLEASURE TO CONSIDER OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS. TO EACH WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR CHRISTMAS GREETINGS AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR VALUED PATRONAGE AND GOOD WILL.

MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS BE JOYFUL, AND THE NEW YEAR BE HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS TO YOU ALL.



HOFMANN DRY GOODS COMPANY



The message which we would bring to you at this time is one of thanks and appreciation for your good will and your friendly co-operation during the year now closing.

To this we would add our heartiest and sincerest good wishes for a real old-fashioned "Merry Christmas" and a most pleasant and prosperous "New Year."

J. S. KING, Jeweler
"GIFTS THAT LAST"

POSTED NOTICE

This is to notify the general public that all land owned by me is posted according to law against hunting, trapping and trespassing of any kind. Violators of this notice will be prosecuted.
35-2mc LOUIS G. ECKERT.

TRESPASS NOTICE

This is to give notice that all lands owned by us are posted against hunting, trapping or trespassing of any kind.
34-2mp A. R. EVERS.
EMIL KORDZIK.

POSTED

All land owned or controlled by me are posted according to law, and I warn the public against any and all kinds of hunting, trapping or otherwise trespassing.
34-2mp AUGUST KOTHMANN.

POSTED

Notice is hereby given that the former E. H. Kothmann place is posted according to law. No hunting of any description; all former permits herewith revoked. Anyone caught violating this notice will be prosecuted.
34-2mp W. C. LEHMBERG.

POSTED

There is to be no hunting, trapping or trespassing of any kind in our pastures.
HENRY JORDAN
ARTHUR JORDAN
35-4mp JAMES STENGEL

NO HUNTING

On account of my pastures being stocked with sheep and goats, I hereby warn the public against hunting therein, with either gun or dogs.
34-4fc FRANK SIMON.

POSTED

I hereby warn the public against hunting, with dog, gun or traps, in any of the pastures owned or controlled by me.
35-3m D. A. JORDAN.

POSTED

All lands owned or controlled by the undersigned are posted and parties trespassing therein with dog, gun or traps will be prosecuted.
S. B. CAPPS, J. S. CAPPS, J. W. BROOKS, A. O. DRAPER, O. C. WISEMANN, H. R. EAKER, ROBT. PRIESS, W. R. CAPPS. 37-2mp

POSTED

No trapping, or hunting of any kind will be permitted on any of the land owned or controlled by the undersigned.
35-2mp E. & H. ZESCH.

All my land is posted according to law, against hunting, trapping or trespassing of all descriptions. I warn the general public of this fact, as I will prosecute any and all violators of this notice.
33-c J. W. WHITE.

POSTED

All lands owned and controlled by the undersigned are posted against hunting and trapping, or otherwise trespassing.
EMIL HOERSTER.
35-4tp ALBERT KOTHMANN.

POSTED

This is to notify the public that I have leased the fur right on all lands owned and controlled by J. D. Eckert and sons and the same is posted according to law against hunting with dogs or trapping, or trespassing of any kind.
J. M. ECKERT.
38-4tp Katemey, Texas.

POSTED

Notice is hereby given that no hunting or trapping is allowed on the lands owned by us.
DAN JORDAN
38-4tp R. J. DURST.

Blankets, blankets, blankets at Hofmann Dry Goods Company. 33

Buy her a box of Norris Chocolate Brazil Nuts at Mason Drug Comp'y.

Early Christmas Morning

FOUR little feet pattering on the floor,
Two tangle-cut heads peering in at the door,
Hear the merry laughter o'er the chimney's rear,
Early Christmas morning.

Two little stockings full of sweets and toys,
Exulting as churning for little girls and boys,
How could they help them, making such a dreadful noise
Early Christmas morning!

Down beside the stockings many gifts were spread,
Dolls, dresses, a cradle, and a brand new sled,
"Haven't we too many?" little Nellie said,
Early Christmas morning.

Four little bare feet on the sidewalk cold,
Two little faces with want and hunger old,
Peeping through the window where these gifts were laid
Early Christmas morning.

"Yes," says John to Nellie, as he spies the two,
"We've no more presents—tell you what we'll do:
I'll give half of mine away. Now, dear Nell, will you?"
Early Christmas morning.

Two little hoarse throats late the house were called,
Favors heaped upon them till they stood entranced,
Was not that the angels' song, "Peace, good-will to all!"
Early Christmas morning? —Harry B. Pugh

Everything in the Dry Goods Line at Hofmann Dry Goods Company. 33

A Clearance Sale of Fall Millinery

Every hat in the house now going at cost. Sale starts Saturday, December 16th.

Be sure you don't miss this wonderful opportunity.

MRS. MORROW'S HAT SHOPPE

Christmas Post Cards at Mason Drug Company. 40

A TEXAS WONDER

For kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and irregularities of the kidneys and bladder. If not sold by your druggist, by mail \$1.25 Small bottle often cures. Send for sworn testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall 2826 Olive Street St. Louis Mo

"BANK STOCK"

We offer for sale a few shares of Mason National Bank Stock.
EDWIN McKELLAR,
Austin, Texas.

J. D. Eckert, Pres. W. E. Jordan, Cashier
E. O. Kothmann, V. P. Kinney Eckert, Ass't C'r.

N O. 1203

THE FIRST STATE BANK
A GUARANTY FUND BANK

We can please you also. Ifay we?

CAPITAL STOCK - - \$25,000.00

DIRECTORS

OSCAR SEAQUIST E. W. KOTHMANN
H. S. WOOD E. O. KOTHMANN
PETER JORDAN J. D. ECKERT
W. E. JORDAN

DODGE BROTHERS MOTOR CAR

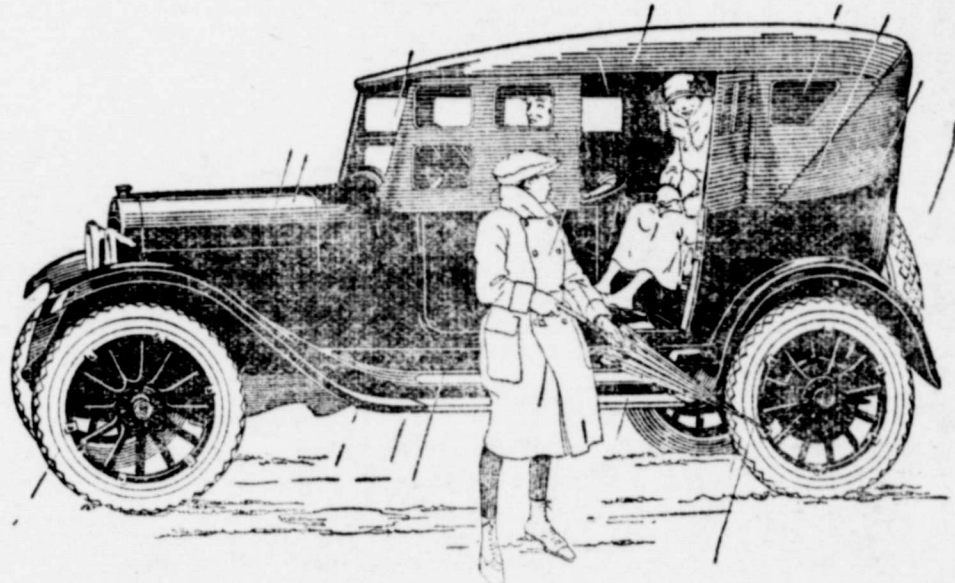
Few days are too cold for comfortable driving in this sturdy car.

Snug-fitting curtains, which open and close with the doors, afford complete protection from wind and snow.

The carburetor and starter are famous for their prompt and dependable response on cold mornings.

Cord tires, with safety treads, act as a safeguard against skidding, and greatly reduce the possibility of having to change tires in disagreeable weather.

F. R. WULFF MOTOR CO.
PHONE 29 BRADY, TEXAS.



SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Mason, F. W. Tatsch, Plaintiff vs. Edgar Kothmann, et al., defendants. In the District Court of Gillespie County, Texas.

Whereas, by virtue of an order of sale, issued out of the District Court of Gillespie County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said Court, on the 21st day of September, A. D., 1922, in favor of the said F. W. Tatsch and against the said Edgar Kothmann et al., No. 1386, on the docket of said Court, I did, on the 4th day of December, A. D., 1922, at 2 o'clock p. m. levy upon the following described tract or parcel of land, situated in the County of Mason, State of Texas, and belonging to the said Edgar Kothmann, to-wit: the same being lot numbered one (1), in block numbered one (1), in the town of Mason, Mason County, Texas, as said lot and block are shown, designated and delineated on the map or plat of said town of Mason and known as the Geistweidt property; and on the 2nd day of January, A. D., 1923, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on said day, at the court house door of said Mason County I will offer for sale and sell, at public auction, for cash, all the right, title and interest of said Edgar Kothmann in and to said property.

Dated at Mason, Texas, this 5th day of December, A. D., 1922.
CHAS. LESLIE,
39. Sheriff of Mason County, Texas.

The Demareo-Aistrup Entertainers at Star Opera House Tuesday night, Jan. 2nd. It

FRESH STOCK OF GROCERIES
Before you buy, see my fresh stock. Prices rock bottom.
38-4tp W. E. MASSEY, Streeter.

Galvanized Roofing at R. Grosse's.

Take in the picture show at the Star Opera House each Friday and Saturday night. Show starts at 7:15 o'clock.



FOR CHRISTMAS

And numerous articles for everyday use at the

CASH VARIETY SHOP
The Same for Less

Capital Stock \$50,000

Surplus \$50,000

The eight-hour day for the working man and the twenty-four hour day for his working dollar make a financial combination you can't beat.

MASON NATIONAL BANK

"Our Family Medicine"

"I WILL WRITE you in regard to Black-Draught liver medicine, as I have been using it more than 18 years," says a letter from Mr. S. F. Mintz, of R. F. D. 2, Leland, N. C. "I keep it in my home all the time, for it is mostly our family medicine. When we begin to feel feverish or sluggish, with trouble from the liver or stomach, we take a dose of Thedford's Black-Draught and the trouble is soon over. I mostly buy a dollar package at a time, and it has saved me many a bill."

Thedford's Black-Draught is a

purely vegetable remedy, acting on the liver, stomach and bowels. It is made from selected herbs and roots, and contains no calomel or other mineral drugs.

It has been found of great value, in indigestion, stomach trouble, sick headache, constipation, and lazy liver, helping to relieve the symptoms caused by these troubles, and to put the digestive system into proper working order.

Get a package of Black-Draught liver medicine from your druggist or dealer, today. Be sure to get the genuine—Thedford's.

Thedford's
BLACK-DRAUGHT
A Purely Vegetable Liver Medicine

MAIL LINES

MASON TO LLANO
GEO. WHITE

MASON TO BRADY
VON WHITE

We solicit your express hauling to and from these and intervening towns. Have good cars and make good time on both routes. Special courtesies shown passengers and the fares are reasonably low.

CARS LEAVE MASON DAILY. PHONE US FOR INFORMATION

THE HOME BAKERY

J. C. WINKEL, Proprietor

(One door west of C. C. Smith Building)

Delicious bread baked daily and wrapped in sanitary oil paper. On sale at bakery; also at Manhattan Cafe, Hasse Market and Hibdon Market.

LET THE HOME BAKERY DO YOUR BAKING

I am always in the market for fat hogs and chickens. Get my prices. J. J. Johnson. 31-1f

J. W. Hasse's Market

CHOICE MEATS ALWAYS ON HAND—BEEF, PORK, SAUSAGE HANDLE PACKING HOUSE PRODUCTS. ONE DOOR WEST MASON NATIONAL BANK

Alfred Hibdon Meat Market

One door north Larimore & Grote's Store. Will appreciate a portion of your trade. CHOICE MEATS, PORK, SAUSAGE, PACKING HOUSE PRODUCTS, BREAD, ETC.

KIMBLE COUNTY FARMS AND RANCHES FOR SALE. WRITE FOR FREE DESCRIPTIVE CIRCULAR AND PRICES.

M. C. REESE
BOX 6, JUNCTION, TEXAS.

The City Meat Market & Bakery

W. A. ZESCH & SON Props. Located in the Bridges Building, one door east of Louis Schmidt's Store

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 Medicine is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. Hall's Catarrh Medicine 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 Medicine is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal conditions. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. All Druggists, etc. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Men's work and dress shoes; all leather. See me before buying elsewhere. Herbert Hofmann. 39-1f

A new supply of Ladies' and Men's Sweaters at Hofmann Dry Goods Co. 33

Wright's Condensed Smoke. Wright's Ham Pickle. Wright's Smoke Flavor. At Mason Drug Company. 36

Gates' Super-Tread Tires and Tested Tubes. Sold by Otto Schmidt. 13-1f

DR. G. L. MCCOLLUM
PHYSICIAN & SURGEON
OFFICE OVER OWL DRUG STORE

DR. W. W. BEACH
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON
Special Attention Given to Fitting Glasses, and Ear, Eye, Nose and Throat
Office over Mason Drug Co. Res. Phone 17 Office Phone 83

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Not Associated in Criminal Practice
MASON - TEXAS

CO. SURVEYOR NOTARY PUB.
J. H. KING
Surveying, Abstract and Notarial Work. Write Deeds and All Legal Transfers

THE ASKEWS LEAVING

Well Known Banker to Reorganize Claremore Bank

F. V. Askew, one of Pottawatomie county's best known bankers, definitely closed a deal Thursday which has been pending for the past ten days, by which he assumes the re-organization of the recently closed First National bank of Claremore. Mr. Askew will be president of the newly organized bank, with F. E. Hewett of Tecumseh cashier.

Perhaps the loss of no couple in Shawnee will be more keenly felt, of their departure more sincerely regretted by Shawnee citizens generally, than that of Mr. and Mrs. Askew. Popular in church, social and study circles alike, they will be sorely missed.

Mrs. Askew has during her residence here, been an earnest worker in the M. E. Church, south, being equally active in the missionary and aid societies of the church and in the Sunday school. She is a member of the Hawthorne study club, and in all the organizations with which she is connected, she has been a leader, noted for efficiency and faithfulness. Her outstanding characteristic, however, is a gracious sweetness and charm of manner which endears her to her friends, and their hearts are exceedingly saddened at thoughts of her leaving.

Mr. Askew has for the past four years been president of the First National bank of Tecumseh, Mr. Hewett being cashier, previous to which time he was for seven years, president of the Security State bank in Shawnee. Just before assuming the presidency of the Security State bank, Mr. Askew was for a year, president of the Farmers State bank at Lexington, Okla. For seven years prior to that, he was with the Shawnee National bank, most of that time as assistant cashier.

Mr. Askew returned from Claremore last night, and will leave with Mrs. Askew and their little son, John Rowland Sunday, making the trip overland. Mr. Askew has rented a cottage at Claremore, and their household goods have already been shipped. It is their plan to build in the spring.—Clipping from Shawnee, Okla. paper.

Edison Phonographs (all kinds) on easy terms at Mason Drug Comp'y. 36

TO THE SHARE-HOLDERS OF THE MASON NATIONAL BANK OF MASON, TEXAS:

You are hereby advised that the annual meeting of the stockholders and directors of the Mason National Bank, will be held at the banking house in Mason on the 2nd Tuesday in January, same being on the 9th day of January, 1923, at 10:30 a. m. At this meeting directors will be elected for the ensuing year, and such other business will be transacted as will properly come before the meeting.

You are urgently requested to be present, but should you find that you will be unable to attend, kindly authorize some person to act in your stead.

Yours very truly,
D. F. LEHMBERG, Cashier.

TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE FIRST STATE BANK OF MASON, TEXAS:

You are hereby advised that the annual meeting of the stockholders and directors of the First State Bank will be held at the banking house in Mason on the second Wednesday in January, same being the 10th day of January, 1923, at 2 o'clock p. m.

At this meeting directors will be elected for the ensuing year, and such other business will be transacted as will properly come before the meeting.

You are urgently requested to be present, but should you find you are unable to attend, kindly authorize some person to act in your stead.

Yours very truly,
W. E. JORDAN, Cashier.

TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE COMMERCIAL BANK (Unincorporated)

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Commercial Bank, unincorporated, will be held at the banking house in Mason on the second Tuesday in January, same being January 9th, 1923, at 2 o'clock p. m.

All stockholders are urged to be present, but if you find you are unable to attend, you will please authorize some one else to act for you.

Respectfully,
Walter M. Martin
Cashier.

The Commercial Bank

(Unincorporated)

CAPITAL STOCK \$100,000.00
RESPONSIBILITY OVER \$3,000,000.00

Directors

MRS. ANNA MARTIN, Pres. C. L. MARTIN, Vice-Pres.
MAX MARTIN, Vice-Pres. HOWARD SMITH
WALTER M. MARTIN, Cashier FRANK BRANDENBERGER
L. F. CLARK

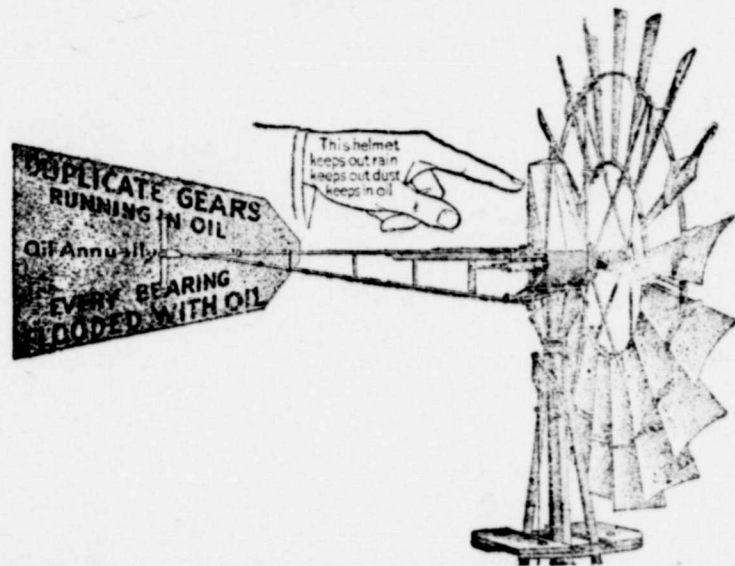
CHAS. BIERSCHWALE

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ABSTRACTOR AND NOTARY
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Birthday Dinner
 Mrs. W. O. Bode entertained with a dinner on Tuesday; the occasion being that of Mr. Bode's birthday. The guests included Messrs. S. J. Thorne, John T. Banks, Chas. Heler, Chas. Leslie, Tom Strong, Robert Lee, Roscoe Rynge and W. I. Marschall.

Christmas Candy at Mason Drug Co.

Woman's Literary Club
 The Woman's Literary Club met at the home of Mrs. B. Bridges Thursday afternoon.

Five members responded to roll call. Poems were read from Robert W. Lewis by the few members present and some books and their authors were discussed.

The Club adjourned to meet at the same place on the first Thursday in January.

Ladies Aid of the Christian Church
 The Ladies' Aid of the Christian Church met at the home of Mrs. Elgin Eckert. The scripture lesson was led by Mrs. H. S. Wood, and the regular monthly lesson was conducted by Mrs. H. Mebus.

The following members were present: Mmes. R. Runge, Julius Splittgerber, O. H. Mebus, H. S. Wood, S. L. Baze, M. D. Loring, O. Shearer, Ben Pluenneke, J. Lemburg, Sterling King, W. I. Marschall, Wallace Boston, Arch Metzger, Jennie Hamilton, Chas. Bierschwale, Ruth Sands, Ed Garner, R. H. Kidd and the hostesses, Mmes. Kinney Eckert and Elgin Eckert; visitors, Mrs. Frank Jordan and Miss Elizabeth White.

A social hour was spent, during which a dainty salad course was served.

The next meeting will be held Jan. 10th, at Mrs. Chas. Bierschwale's. All members are urged to be present, as the new study prepared for the Aid, will be taken up.

Christmas Gifts at Mason Drug Co.

Cool weather stayed off a good while, but we had a fair sample of sure enough ice this week.

Up-to-the-minute Millinery every few days at Hofmann Dry Goods Co. 33

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WANT COLUMNS

WANTED—Man with car to sell Tires and Tubes. Will arrange salary and expenses with right man. Sterlingworth Tire Co., Main, E. Liverpool, Ohio. 1tp

WANTED GRAVEL HAULERS—Have 20000 yards gravel haul in Mason County. Want 35 teams. Good haul. Do not apply unless you have a good team and can haul one yard and a half. Write Fred P. Holt, Box 355, Mason, Texas. 1tp

FOR SALE—Registered Hereford Cattle, 8 dandy bull calves and 8 nice heifer calves, also four bulls one year old last May that weigh more than one thousand three hundred pounds each. In the four fairs shown they took all the blue and purple ribbons in their class, also grand championship over all others shown. Courts, Cleveland, Grandbury, Texas. 40-2tp

TURKEYS—Thoroughbred Bourbon Red Toms for sale, \$9 each. Phone or write Mrs. J. S. Capps, Jr., Fredonia, Texas. 40-2tp

LOST—Young black dog with white ring around neck. About half Collie and half Sheppard. Finder, please notify Will Loeffler. 39-3te

FOR SALE—Jersey Milk Cows with calves about 2 months old. Heavy milkers. If interested apply to Ellis Massey, Streeter, Texas. 37-4tp

MULES FOR SALE—Several head. If interested, apply to Marvin Grote. 37-1te

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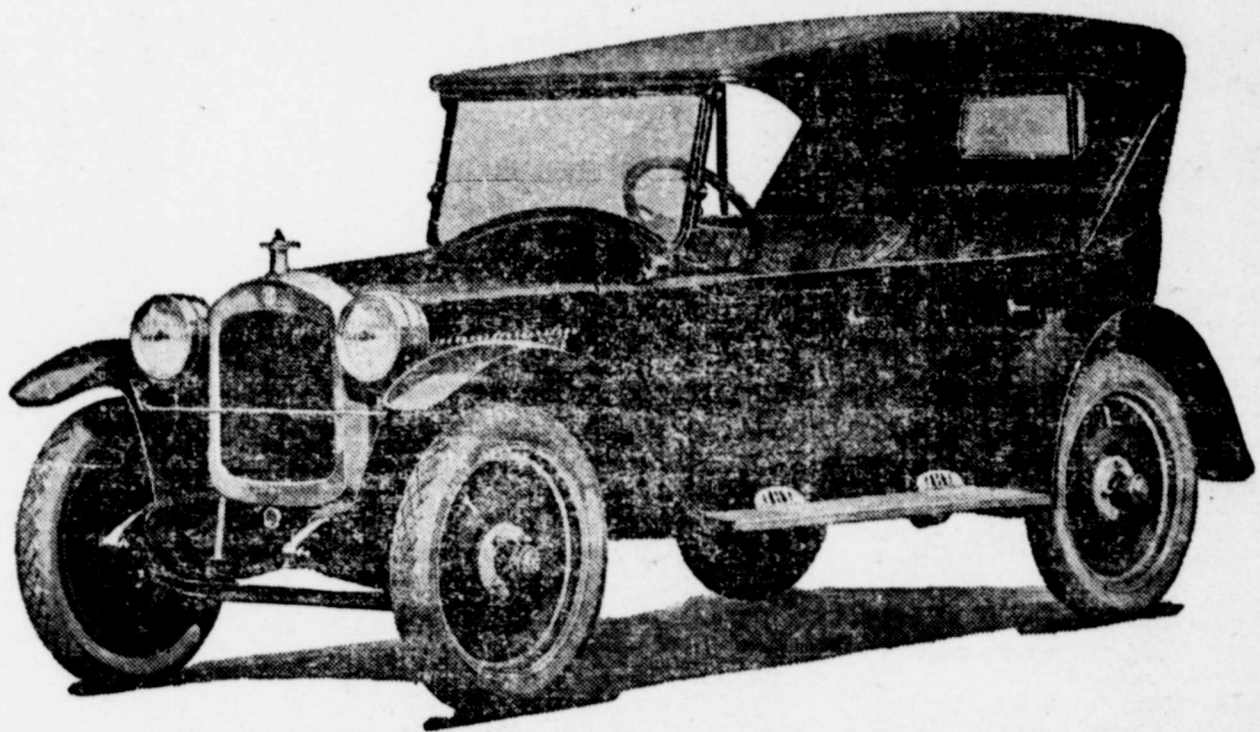
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H. P. GARTRELL



WE EXTEND TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS heartiest thanks for their valued patronage during the year about to close, and ask that we may receive a continuation of your good will.

That you all will enjoy a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a BOUNTIFUL NEW YEAR is our sincere wish
MAYO'S GARAGE

also a rowbinder. Both in fine condition. If interested, see Aug. Willmann or inquire of E. F. Willmann. 39-4tp

TOWN PROPERTY For Sale—Undivided 1-2 interest in lots 8, 9 and 10 on N. W. cor. square. Fronts 112 feet and 110 feet deep. Also undivided 1-2 interest in lot 150x150 feet just north of above lots. Apply to F. A. Gerdes, Mason, Texas. 34-tfe

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Mrs. Jennie Hamilton Honored

Mrs. Mike Jennings, of Fredonia, entertained with a 12 o'clock dinner on Tuesday of last week, honoring Mrs. Jennie Hamilton, of Chickasha, Oklahoma, who is a guest of her mother, Mrs. Bertha Todd, of this city.

Those present to partake of Mrs. Jennings' hospitality included Mmes. J. W. White, Chas. Bierschwale, John Lemburg, H. Puckey, C. L. Martin, O. H. Mebus, Bertha Todd; Misses Anna Martin and Elizabeth White and the honoree.

Christmas Toys at Mason Drug Co.

AT THE CLOSE OF THE YEAR WE WISH TO THANK OUR MANY FRIENDS FOR THE MANY FAVORS SHOWN US DURING THE YEAR AS WELL AS IN THE YEARS PAST. THAT YOURS MAY BE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND THAT THE YEAR 1923 WILL BRING YOU MUCH HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY IS OUR SINCERE WISH

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