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Goodfellows Urged To Donate Fund Early Special Term of Court For Dumas-Wood Cases Improbable Lions Club Invited To Midland Xmas Festival

Special Term for Returned Cases Is Not Likely

The possibilities that a special term of district court would be convened to try the cases of J. D. Dumas and Carl F. Woods, indicted last spring, by an Upton county grand jury on charges of murder and conspiracy to murder growing out of the killing of two alleged bank robbers in the rear of the local bank is not likely, according to District Attorney Roy R. Priest, Wednesday morning.

Priest stated that while he had not advised with the court on the matter, he believed that the cases which were recently returned from the Travis county district court because of a ruling of that court that it held no jurisdiction in the matters, would not be called until the regular term of district court the first Monday in April.

The district attorneys office would make no statement as to whether the cases might be tried in some county in the district other than Upton.

Seek To Modify Rule On Spacing Of Oil Wells

The state railroad commission will hold a hearing here December 17 on the application of attorney general Claude Pollard and intervenors, M. H. Reed and W. H. Caswell of Austin, to have the state oil and gas rule No. 37 modified so that oil wells may be more distantly spaced as a conservation measure in the area including the Red River bed acreage involved in the state's suit for title.

The state is suing C. W. Bradford and others in district court to oust their claim to certain river bed lands in Gray county, and is trying to protect the value of the acreage for oil production. Land embraced within the bed of the north fork of Red River from the east line of Wheeler county, upstream between north and south cut banks to at least the east line of section 148 H & G N railway company, block B-2 in Gray county, is claimed by the state in its suit.

Humble Station Remodeling

The remodeling of the Humble Oil Co. filling station has been completed this week new concrete approaches were laid and the station in general was made convenient for tourists and motorists, the station is under new management, and has installed complete lines of accessories for the car owner.

Goodfellows Urged to Donate Early

The recent action of the Lions Club of this city in organizing a Goodfellows fund for the furnishing of Christmas baskets for the poor families of this vicinity is meeting with the approval of individual givers in Rankin. Bottles for the collection of small donations have been placed in stores of the city where the traffic conveniently passes, these bottles are being rapidly filled.

Merchants and business men of this city as well as individual citizens who wish to make a donation by check are requested to do so this week to the chairman of the Goodfellows Fund in order to estimate the amount of money available to furnish baskets. Checks are to be made payable to the Lion Goodfellows Fund, and mailed to Chairman C. L. Burress of the Journal office.

Be a Goodfellow this Christmas help the poor, next weeks Journal will carry the names of all donors to this fund.

Shell Making Headway On New Pipeline

The Shell Pipe Line Co. are making fast time on the western end of the new ten inch line of the Roxana Petroleum from the Permian basin to the Gulf of Mexico with connecting lines to a large pipe line site at Houston, Texas.

It is understood that the new line when completed will complete the western oil transportation facilities of the Roxana company with the 2000 mile main line of the Roxana Company from Chicago to the Gulf coast.

The unloading of approximately five thousand joints of pipe line or fifty five cars on the siding at Rankin has been completed and the line has been constructed from the southwest section of Upton county to near Big Lake at the present.

The connecting line from Rankin to the Yates pool having been left until the latter part of January when a mix-up was found in the survey of that strip. The latter section of the line will extend from a point four miles southwest of Rankin to the assembling stations of the Roxana in the Yates pool in Pecos county.

On Visit

Mrs. F. E. Rankin will leave Friday morning to spend the holidays and possibly the winter in Orange, Texas with her daughter, Mrs. T. S. Barcus. She will visit in Dallas, Ft. Worth and Abilene and New Orleans, La., before returning home.

The Christmas Spirit



Good Little Children Write Letters to Santa

The little tots of Rankin are daily writing letters to Santa listing their wants this Christmas. Good little girls and boys who write to Santa Claus are seldom disappointed at Christmas time. The Journal will publish all letters written before December 19.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a doll, a piano and some candy and fruit.

I love you, Santa.

Evalyn Lee Cauthan

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle and a box of chocolate.

Lovingly,

Billy George Kelly

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a .22 target and tool chest.

Raymond Lee Mayhall

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a set of dishes and a piano.

Love,

Loise Brown

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle and a top.

Claude Davidson

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a set of dishes

and a piano.

Love,

Helen Rancier

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle.

Charles Smith

Dear Santa:

Please bring me an electric train and a .22 target.

Clayton Fred McDaniel

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle, a train, a truck and a gun.

James Beach

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a piano, doll, doll buggy, set of dishes and a vanity set.

Love,

Novell Welden

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a doll, doll buggy and a set of dishes.

Marvel Agnes Dees

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a book desk and a book.

Burlston Reed

More letters to Santa Claus will appear in this paper next week.

Football Boys Entertained at Lion Banquet

The members of the Rankin Football squad were entertained at a banquet given by the Lions Club at the Harlan Hotel Thursday evening.

An interesting program was arranged for the evening and speeches from various business men of the city were interesting topics on the program. Lion President H. G. Secrest was master of ceremonies for the evening.

An interesting talk on the work of the football squad was presented by Coach Les Mourland who profusely thanked the Lions Club and the business men of the city for the support of the team during the season just closed. Several short talks were presented by members of the team, who elected Jack Cope as captain of the 1929 football team.

Red (Gander) Cuttrel was awarded a loving cup by a committee of Lions, given by George Sousares of the Palace Confectionery. Two more prizes are to be awarded to the most valuable player on the team this year, shortly.

Church Notices

Sunday, December 16th: Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning topic: "The Greater Gift"; Evening topic: "Lord, Lord - But!" Rev. H. H. Washington.

Important Steward meeting immediately after the morning (Continued on back page)

Midland Lions To Entertain With Xmas Festival

The Rankin Lions Club was extended an invitation, Thursday to attend in a body the Christmas Festival, planned for the entertainment of visiting Lions from over west Texas, Friday evening at 7:00 o'clock December 21st.

The Odessa, Pecos, Stanton, Big Spring and other clubs will have a large delegation present and each club is expected to entertain the gathering with speeches, songs and what ever they may be called upon to present.

The Midland Lions Club in conjunction with the Rotary Club of that city are preparing to care for the visiting delegations in a manner befitting kings. Don't fail to be there Lions.

Postmaster Asks Co-operation In Xmas Mailing

The local post office has asked the cooperation of the citizens of this community in doing their part to help speed up the mail and allow time for the proper handling of parcel post mail of which there will be the greatest amount of during the latter part of this month, owing to the holiday season.

A. J. Bushong, postmaster, Thursday urged the mailing of all parcel post matter before 10:00 a. m. and after 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon on account of the post office crew being rushed with the handling of east and westbound mails in between those hours.

In order to simplify the handling of parcel post, Bushong, stated that the parcel post and money order windows would be open from 8:00 a. m. until 10:00 for mailing and receiving parcel post matter and from 3:00 p. m. until the office closed in the evening no package or parcel post matter being handled between 10:00 o'clock in the morning and 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

Bushong also stated that for the information of the public the trains schedules and time limits of opening and closing of first class mail pouches were as follows: Train No. 1 West Bound mail must be in the office by 12:00 o'clock noon. Train No. 2 East Bound mail must be in the office by 1:30 in the afternoon, all mail being received after those hours being held over until the following day. Speed up the mail, mailing your packages early, observing post office ruler handling regulations.

Charles Smith, Bob Har H. G. Secrest were attending business in San Angelo

Local And Personal News

Phone 5 For Local Happenings

Miss Oma Walker of Ft. Stockton was the guest of friends here during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Johnson were visitors in McCamey Sunday.

Mrs. W. C. Rutledge and daughter, Mrs. P. J. Weldon, left early Friday morning for a visit in Los Angeles, California. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Falk and little son, who will make their home in Los Angeles for the future.

H. C. Brooks was visiting relatives in San Angelo the latter part of the week.

Clifton McDonald of Buena Vista was here the first of the week visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hall spent Sunday in McCamey as the guest of Sam Hall and family.

Kermit Dyke was a visitor in McCamey Sunday.

Mrs. E. W. Butler and little daughter of McCamey were the guests of Mrs. Louise Yates Saturday. Miss Veda Cunningham and Mrs. Louise Yates accompanied her home for a short visit.

Mrs. Frank Gilbert returned Saturday from Stephenville, where she has been visiting her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moore and Mrs. Pat Clark were visiting friends and shopping in Midland Monday.

Miss Veda Cunningham will be with the Harris-Luckett Hardware Co. during the Christmas shopping season.

W. E. Williams was in Iraan attending to business Monday.

Mrs. Ben Mayes attended the basket-ball game in Big Lake Friday.

Mrs. A. O. Beavers, who has been visiting in San Antonio and Pearsall, returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson Bettis of Iraan were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Nix.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Sammons and baby of Iraan were the guests of Mrs. May Sammons the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lane and daughter, Mabel, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lane and baby, returned Saturday from a visit in Houston Galveston and San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Yates were visitors in Iraan Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Barnes of Crane were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Burres Sunday.

L. E. Sloan Jr., who has been very ill this week with tonsillitis is now improving.

Dr. Marvin Rape made a professional call in Iraan Tuesday.

Ollie Parker was in from his ranch near Iraan Tuesday attending to business.

Cotton Production Record Established

A total yield of 180,8 bales of cotton has been made by 118 club boys and girls in Nacogdoches county on 115 acres according to reports submitted to the county agent, F. O. Montague, in a county wide cotton contest. This is considered one of the most remarkable records ever made by a large number of contestants in one locality. The total value of the crop is placed at \$10,271.45 and the average net profit per acre \$89.31.

The individual hero of this wholesale triumph is Bernie Winder who produced 1601 pounds of lint on his acre for a net profit of \$241.52. Closely following him came Miss Beulah B. McDonald, 17 year old club girl, who made 1488 pounds of lint from one acre.

The impossible was accomplished when four acres of upland produced 9 1-2 bales but this is quite in line with the general improvement in cotton production in Nacogdoches county, Mr. Montague says, for the crop has almost trebled in the last four years. This is due he believes, to widespread terracing, more teams and tools for thoroughly preparing the soil, and to the more intelligent use of commercial fertilizer. The food and feed crops have shown corresponding increases with at least 80 per cent of the needs of the present year supplied by the current crop.

An Irish potato crop of 5000 pounds from one and one-sixth acres has given a Bastrop county club boy, Clinton Claiborne, a net profit of \$92.05. The potatoes were planted on sandy loam land and the cost of producing the crop amounted to \$58.95.

After gathering a crop of 20 bushels to the acre late last spring, Mr. Hogan of Prairie Grove Franklin county, planted cotton on the same land and made nearly half a bale to the acre. He says the oats hold the ground and keep it from washing.

Another farmer demonstrating the county agent's idea of growing two crops from the same land in the same year is O. W. Gandy

who followed oats with field peas and made two good crops. He expects to plant cotton on this land next year.

Bleeding Gums Healed

The sight of sore gums is sickening. Reliable dentists often report the successful use of Leto's Pyorrhea Remedy on their worst cases. If you will get a bottle and use as directed druggists will return money if it fails. Up-ton Drug Co.

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Here are marvelous new Fisher bodies introducing a new order of beauty, smartness and luxury.

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We cordially invite you to visit our showroom and secure complete and detailed information regarding this great new car, which will be ready for delivery beginning January 1st.

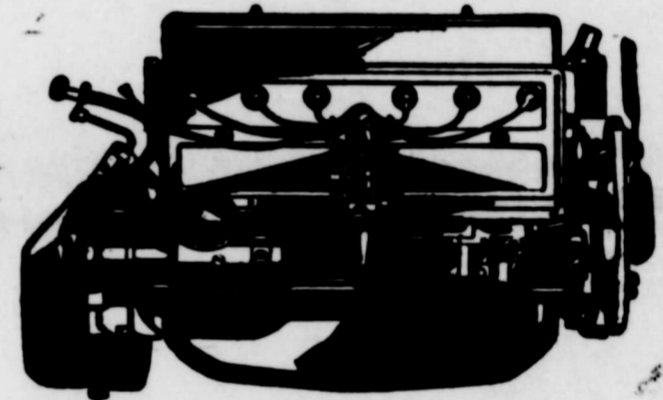
Advance Showings

The Outstanding Chevrolet of Chevrolet History is being displayed in a series of advance showings, the last of which are in the cities listed below:

San Francisco, Dec. 8-13, Civic Auditorium, Larkin Hall ...
Cincinnati, Dec. 8-14, Hotel Sinton ... St. Louis, Dec. 8-14
Arcadia Ballroom, 3515 Olive Street ... Atlanta, Dec. 18-22
Auditorium-Armory ... Dallas, Dec. 18-22, Adolphus Hotel
Junior Ballroom ... Portland, Ore., Dec. 18-22, Public Auditorium.

The Roadster	\$525	The Convertible Landau	\$725
The Phaeton	\$525	Sedan Delivery	\$595
The Coach	\$595	Light Delivery Chassis	\$400
The Coupe	\$595	1 1/2 Ton Chassis	\$545
The Sedan	\$675	1 1/2 Ton Chassis With Cab	\$650
The Sport Cabriolet	\$695		

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New heavier crankshaft statically and dynamically balanced.
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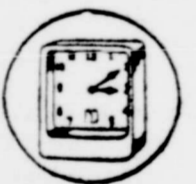
COOLING SYSTEM
New type thermostat cooling system control.
New electric water temperature indicator on dash.

ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT
New two-beam headlamps with foot button control.
New prismatic headlamp lenses.
New theft-proof Electrolock.
New semi-automatic spark control.

CHASSIS
New self-adjusting, single plate dry disc clutch.
New smooth 3-speed transmission.
New solid shaft type steering column.
New flat type, slender rim steering wheel.
New and more complete Aluminite chassis lubrication.



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Midland Christmas Section

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Midland In Gala Attire For Holiday Season Extends Co-operative and Friendly Spirit to Trade Section

Rankin Folks

Are Cordially invited to Visit their Neighbor Midland.

Travelers say that Midland is now one of the most beautifully decorated cities in West Texas. One huge Christmas Tree and 150 smaller trees all tinsel and lighted with 1000 colored lights.

Rankin friends are invited to come any week day or Sunday and stay until after dark to view Midland all lighted up. Midland urges Rankin Shoppers to shop as much as possible in Rankin making Midland their second choice in Christmas Buying.

Midland is just half the distance of any other good sized city from Rankin and has by far the best roads in all kinds of weather.

Midland Chamber of Commerce

Neighboring City Welcomes Visitors During Holiday Season

Midland, neighboring city of Rankin north on the bankhead highway has entered into the spirit of the Yuletide season with a vim and vigor seldom seen in West Texas.

The entire city is bedecked with lighted Christmas trees numbering one hundred and fifty along its business streets and a tree lighted and spangled on the lawn of the court house square. Over one thousand colored lights were used in the decoration of the business section and when luminated the city takes on the appearance of gay Christmas splendor.

The merchant of the town have also decorated lavishly the interiors and exteriors of their business establishments to create the holiday spirit so necessary to this season of the year.

The entire city through the

Midland Chamber of Commerce have extended a most hearty invitation to the people of the territory surrounding Midland to come at least on one visit to the city during the holidays and view the beautiful decorations.

The friendliness of the Midland merchants is expressed in the invitation in that visiting shoppers are requested to do as much shopping at home as possible and make Midland their second choice in their shopping tours.

The Midland Chamber of Commerce through its secretary, Paul Vickers, one of West Texas' consistent boosters, is cooperating in every way possible to bring as many people to Midland during the holiday season as can be induced to come, to see the fast growing city and marvel at its growth in the past year.

Rising from a small cow town

of a few years ago, Midland is well on her way to become one of the best cities in West Texas.

Now Thrice Welcome CHRISTMAS

*OBSERVE how the chimneys
Do smoke all about,
The cooks are providing
For dinner no doubt;
But those on whose tables
No victuals appear,
O may they keep Lent
All the rest of the year!*

*With holly and ivy
So green and so gay,
We deck up our houses
As fresh as the day,
With bays and rosemary,
And laurel complete,
And everyone now
Is a king in conceit.*

—Four Robin's Almanack—1895

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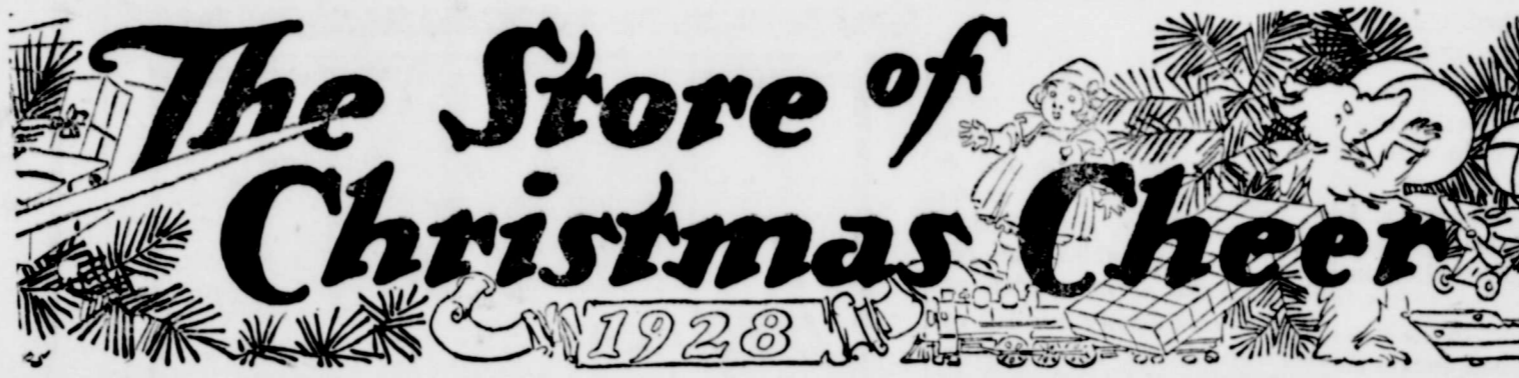
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Sermonettes

By Rev. H. H. Washington

Text: "And he breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living soul". Gen. 2: 7.

What God did for man when he made him a living soul, was more than a mere act of creation. He did not merely put life into man. He breathed it into him, thereby giving man a portion of Himself. Before God did this man was just a worthless mass of flesh with physical life, perhaps, but without soul life. The chief thing which distinguishes man from the rest of creation today is just this bit of God in him. And man's soul ever seeks to keep in touch with this God who gave it life.

This soul life which God gave already existed. God merely chose to clothe it in flesh. We have too long looked upon the body as a real man, and have tried to find his soul by dissecting his body. Of course, we cannot find the soul or the seat of life in this way, for when we dissect the lifeless form the real man is not there. He is soul life, and has gone back to God, from whence he came.

The body is subject to the laws of nature. It dies and decays in accordance with these laws, for it is physical. But the soul can die only through estrangement from God, that is, through sin. Abundance of physical life depends on closeness to God.

Many people in the world today are living corpses. Their bodies are alive; but their souls, their real selves are dead, because they have been cut off from the breath of life which God supplies.

God's breathing life into the soul is not accomplished once for all time. It is a continuous process, and the soul cut off from God dies as quickly as the body cut off from oxygen. But there is a difference. The body, once dead, cannot be brought back to life by any method we know. But the soul is alive again whenever the connection is restored, so that God can breathe new life into it.

Jesus came in order to restore and keep vital this connection with God, so that the soul may have more abundant life. "The soul that sinneth shall die"—automatically so, for sin cuts it off from its life. But "in Christ shall all be made alive", who will let him renew the connection. "The wages of sin is death", spiritual death; "but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord".

THE Little Christmas Mother

By B. B. in Baltimore Sun.

SHE has a little apron on,
She has a little smile;
She has been up since break of dawn,
She's gone full many a mile—
Full many a mile about her task
Of baking, kneading—Oh!
The little Christmas mother wears
A most enchanted glow.

She sends the children out to play,
She sends them soon to bed;
And then her busy fingers busy
With needle and with thread;
Clothes for dolls and everything,
And so much yet to do—
Christmas comes before you know,
And mother must get through!

But all the while upon her face
That soft and gentle gleam,
And in her eyes a light of grace
That glows the Christmas dream.
Oh, life is her heart with song,
And in her soul there lies
The motherhood of all the world
Descended from the skies.

Hot School Lunch Found Practical

A hot school lunch in a rural school has been found practical and popular at Eliasville in Young county where the womens' home demonstration club has cooperated with Miss Naufleet Grimes, home demonstration agent, in supplying a hot mid-day meal to between 50 and 80 children daily. Each child pays just ten cents for a meal consisting of vegetables, milk, two slices of bread and fruit pie or raw salad.

Two women are paid \$1 each to prepare the meals; cooking utensils and furniture were donated by neighbors; and each child furnishes his own dishes and silverware. The entire community is well pleased with the arrangement and local authorities believe it will mean much for the health of the children.

Every member of the seven women's home demonstration clubs in Scurry county and 89 club girls besides have grown gardens this year. As high as 78 varieties of vegetables were displayed in the spring garden exhibits in that county and 103 varieties in the fall garden shows. Gardens pay, these folks believe, for as Ena Crabtree of Ira remarks: "It surely does reduce the grocery bill to have lots of fruits and vegetables. Our garden has given the family fresh vegetables all summer and now I have 300 containers of canned stuff for the winter." Ena is a fourth year club girl.

In spite of the 20,000 dairy cows in Collingsworth county good farm butter has been hard to buy in the markets there. Miss Veda Swafford, county home demonstration agent says. A butter judging contest staged in that county last year started as a joke but has ended up in a wave of enthusiasm on the part of farm housewives who are now learning what constitutes good butter and how it is made. Similar contests are underway all over the state.

Pure line milo maize seed obtained from the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station two years ago has given E. B. Hale of Mitchell county a yield of 3500 pounds per acre which the county agent says is almost twice the average yield of the community. Mr. Hale and another pure seed demonstrator furnished seed last year to fifty Mitchell county farmers who are reporting excellent results.

pure line seed on hilly black land and made 3690 pounds of heads per acre besides a heavy tonnage of fodder fed to cattle and mules and not given a value. He declares the yield would have been much larger had it not been for the extremely dry weather in the growing season.

For every hour spent in raising a crop of negari this year, B. M. Francis, a club boy of Falls county has earned \$1.60. He used

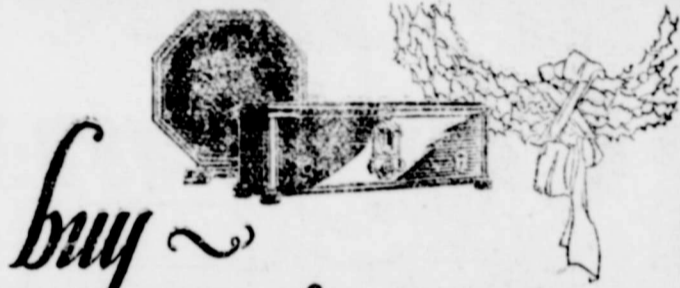
H. Edward Lee of Midland was a visitor here Thursday.

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When you want to pay a bill or Purchase Something do you Pay Cash? Or do you give a Check? Cash is a risky way to handle Money. Errors in Change are always possible. Receipts are very easily lost A Bank Check is proof that you have paid. We welcome new Checking Accounts.

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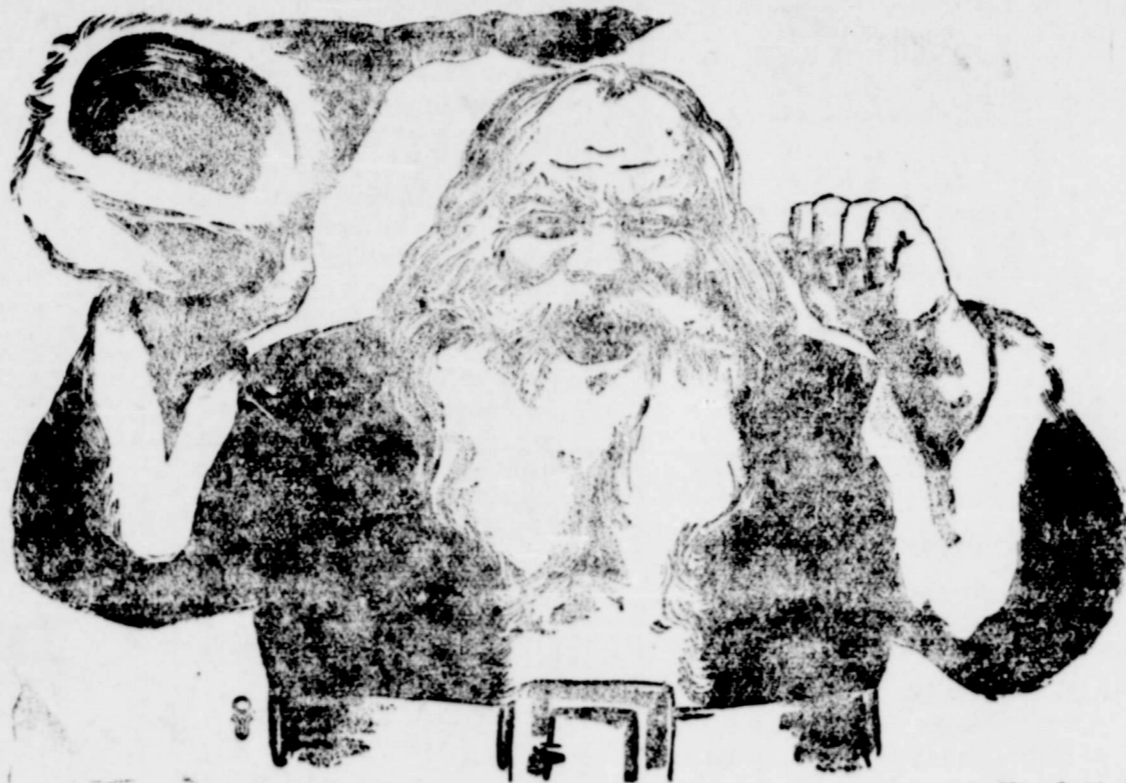
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Merry Christmas Is Coming--Merry Christmas To All.

May We Make A Few Suggestions:

Pull Toys, Teddy Bears, Tank Trucks, Stage	tion, Savage Rifles,	Electric Toasters,	Floor Lamps, Bridge-
Airplanes, Toy Phones, Busses, Mechanical-	Recoil Pads, Gun-	Electric Griddles,	Lamps, Living
Pistols, Air Guns	Cases, Hunting Coats,	Carving Sets, Roasters	Room Suites, Bed
A. B. C. Blocks,	Gun Oil, Gun Grease,	Dinner Sets, Tea Sets,	Room Suites, Odd
Story Books, Games,	Flashlights, Thermos-	Coffee Sets, Choco-	Chairs, Odd Dressers,
Dolls, Doll Buggies,	Jugs, Dinner Pails,	late Sets, Bridge Sets,	Dinning Tables,
Dishes, Pianos,	Diston Saws, Stanley-	Salad Sets, Silver-	Kitchen Tables
Electric Trains, Wind-	Planes, Rose Trowls,	Sets, Tea Pots, Vases,	Simmons Beds,
Up-Trains, Rockie	Krauters Pliers,	Wall Pockets, Candy,	Floor Coverings,
Horses, Horse and	Lufkin Rules, Lufkin-	Jars, Cake Covers,	Feli Rugs, Bruns-
Wagon, Walking Dark-	Tapes, Wiss Snips,	Pyrex Ware,	wick Radio, Bruns-
ie, Racers, Hy-Lo Rail-	Sand Levels,	Butcher Knives,	wick Panatropes,
ways, Dump Trucks,	Yankee Tools,	Shears, Towel Bars,	Brunswick Portables,
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Church Notices

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service.

Wednesday:

Women's Missionary Society Bible Study, 3 p. m., at the home of Mrs. J. W. Robbins. All ladies of the town and community invited.

Prayermeeting, 7 p. m. Come and make your religion a continuous, vital matter.

Citation

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
TO THE SHERIFF OR ANY CONSTABLE OF UPTON COUNTY—
GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED That you summon by making Publication of this Citation is some newspaper published in the County of Upton if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published, one in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, Lee Cady Who is a Non-resident of this State, and Thomas Brown whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. County Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the County of Upton on the 1st Monday in January, A. D. 1929 at the Court House thereof in Rankin, Texas then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court, on the 28th day of September A. D. 1928, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 66, wherein L. P. Yocham is plaintiff and W. W. Donnelly, Thomas Brown and Lee Cady, composing the partnership, Brown, Cady & Donnelly with offices at Ft. Worth, Texas, defendants. The nature of Plaintiff's demands being as follows: Being a suit for the collection of a balance of \$530.03 due on a certain promissory note, executed by said defendants on April 10th 1928 and due 60 days after date to plaintiff at Rankin, Texas, together with interest thereon from July 20th, 1928 at the rate of ten per cent per annum, and for further recovery of a balance of \$146.03 due on an account due said plaintiff by said defendants, all of which said sums are past due and unpaid, together with all costs of suit, and attorneys fees, wherefore plaintiff prays court that defendants be cited to appear and answer in this cause and that plaintiff for judgment for amounts asked for in his petition filed in this cause.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, And have you before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this Writ with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Rankin, Texas this, the 10th day of December A. D. 1928.

Maggie Taylor
Clerk County Court Upton County, Texas.

By J. D. Starnes Deputy

Phone 5 for Want Ads

Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.
Thirty-Fourth District

The regular quarterly dividend of one dollar and seventy-five cents per share on preferred Stock will be paid on Tuesday, January 1, 1929, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Thursday, Dec. 20, 1928.
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