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WHAT? NO SANTA CLAUS!

Published for the Juveniles

(Editorial in the New York Sun, September 21, 1897)

We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great satisfaction that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of the Sun:

Dear Editor—I am 8 years old.

Some of my little friends say there is no SANTA CLAUS.

Papa says, "If you see it in The Sun it's so."

Please tell me the truth, is there a SANTA CLAUS?

VIRGINIA O'HANLON,
115 West Ninety-fifth street.

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, VIRGINIA, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a SANTA CLAUS. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no SANTA CLAUS. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in SANTA CLAUS! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas eve to catch SANTA CLAUS, but even if they did not see SANTA CLAUS coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees SANTA CLAUS, but that is no sign that there is no SANTA CLAUS. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No SANTA CLAUS? Thank God! He lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."



THE NEW YEAR—1933

The New Year is about here and we are standing on the brink of what may be a record breaking, history making set of days numbering only 365 short days.

Before us there are 365 days that will be ours to do with almost as we will. The year that is just about gone contains the history of our deeds and accomplishments. After all, old Father Time was lavish in a way, for neither was the number of the days diminished nor the length of the days and nights. The question is, did we make good use of the year just passing, the year of 1932? Undoubtedly most of us fondly imagine we did fairly well, but the question is—DID WE?

The thought presents are any of us going to be presented with hero awards for the manner in which we have utilized the past twelve months that came to us just as clean and promising as will the new years date, January 1, 1933.

Too many of us have listened in on the fellow who said it couldn't be done—consequently it wasn't done. Let us enter the New Year, the year of 1933, with a determination that it CAN BE DONE. If we passed up opportunities in 1932, it is more than probable that we can do the same easier, perhaps this coming year, than last year. It is a habit we get into all too easily of agreeing with the other fellow, and when he says it can't be done, well, we just DO NOT TRY, that's all.

The new year of 1933 is about here and unless we can change our attitude from cowed pessimism to smiling optimism, we will be again listening in on that old man who told us so last year.

AND, AGAIN, REMEMBER, IT CAN BE DONE.

Early New Year's Traditions

To open a bank account on New Year's was considered lucky in Old England, the custom growing probably from the belief of many centuries that whatever you do on the first day of the year will be an indication of what will happen during the months to follow. So deep seated was this superstition in the minds of men that even after the festival was declared a general holiday, many clung to the old-time belief, and to insure work for the coming year would set the pace by spending at least an hour or two in some useful pursuit.

The first day of the year has been more generally observed than any other holiday, and over a longer period of time, as well, its observance dating back to the Druids in England and to ancient Babylon when it was made an occasion for a celebration lasting from ten to twelve days. With every nation this holiday has been considered a time for the expression of good will and the renewing of old friendships. The effort to demonstrate the kindly spirit led to the custom of making gifts, often very expensive jewelry and large sums of money. But it was not necessary to remember one's friends in that lavish way for custom made it possible also to express good wishes in a fitting and very humble manner.

Almost every nation has welcomed the New Year with some form of ceremony, not, however, on the same date or in the same way. The Druids celebrated the New Year on the shortest day of the year, the time, in their belief, when the sun, which journeyed away from earth during the cold months, turned homeward bringing with it sunshine, light, warmth and good cheer. The superstitions that cluster around the day began away back in the time of these sun worshippers when the priests led the people to the forests of the gods for a small sprig of mistletoe which would bring them health and prosperity for the year. So important was the event the people marched in processions to the groves, led by the priests, selected for the sacred duty of cutting the mistletoe, being armed with sickles of gold. And just as primitive man made his plans for the beginning of a New Year the Mexican, Japanese, Chinese, Persian, Turk, in fact, every nation in the globe followed in his footsteps, each celebrating according to his own ideas and customs.

Omens of good and bad luck have always been associated more or less upon the belief that supreme power was vested in an unseen deity who could bring good luck if properly appeased or mete out punishments. The Romans named their New Year in honor of Janus, the two-faced god, who had the power to look back over the past, and also in a prophetic way could look into the future. He was represented with a key in his hand symbolizing his power to open doors and gateways, and this holiday was one of great gaiety lasting several days. The festival was not observed in midwinter, but in the spring, when Roman year began, and had only ten months. Later when two months were added to the calendar, January and February were placed at the beginning of the year. New Year was celebrated on the first of January.

To bring good luck one must wear something new on the first day of the year, according to an old English custom.

In some parts of England and Scotland it is supposed to be unlucky to leave a house until some outsider has first entered it.

There is also an old superstition concerning the weather told in an old legend as follows:

"If New Year night wind bloweth south,
It betokeneth warmth and growth;
If west, much milk and fish in the sea;
If north, much cold and storms there'll be;
If east, the trees will bear much fruit,
If northeast, flee it, man and brute."

It was considered unlucky also for one to make a present on New Year's until one had first been received.

Take out and take in,
Bad luck is sure to begin,
But take in and take out,
Good luck will come about.



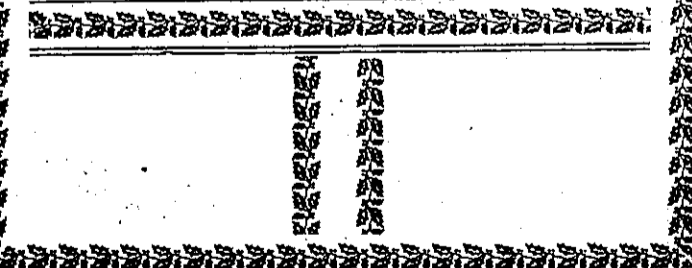
No Booster Next Week

Before The Booster comes to you again both Christmas and New Years shall have passed by. Following a custom that about ninety-five percent of the weekly papers of Texas have been following for so many years The Booster will not appear New Years week.

Way back yonder it was customary to make a list—about seven yards long—of resolutions for the New Year. Back yonder and now, however, are two different stations of time, and the avenue of approach is so different. In olden days just so we arrived was about all that was necessary. Today in this season of rush we have to be careful as to which avenue we use. And that's all because everybody is in as great or greater hurry than we are. Now-a-days we take scarcely time to eat and sleep. We gap and swallow and pick our teeth on the way back to work. Fact of the matter it this, the whole world is speeded up. There is little time for reading, studying. Sometimes, about the first of the month it's safe to do neither—reading your bills and studying on how they can be cut down during the year. However, we guess it doesn't make much difference how we go—just so we arrive. Still, there is no harm in just planning for an improvement for the New Year—and the other day we read the following little saw and we guess it's all right for us and the balance of the world: "Live every day so you can look each person you meet squarely in the eye and know they have nothing on you." That and the Golden Rule should make up a list great enough to do for the whole year—the NEW YEAR OF 1933.



You'll
Not Think
us boastful, we
are sure if we tell
you that our busi-
ness has gained rap-
idly in popular favor
with the people of this
community during the
past year. It has left us
with thankful hearts and
a strong determination to
more completely merit your
confidence, your friendship and
your good will. And if our wish
for you, our friends and patrons,
comes true, this will be a Christmas
filled with CHEER and nothing but
good fortune during the New Year



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THE SEASON'S GREETINGS

1933

May Santa's Pack Contain Its Full Quota of the Good Things of Life For You and Yours Through A Joyful Christmas and a Happy 1933

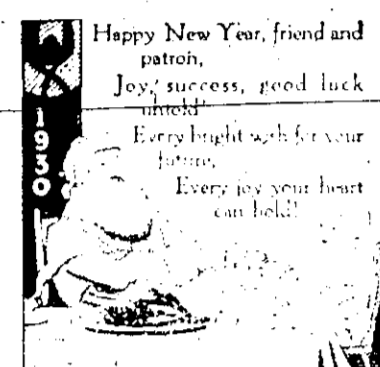
«« Merry Christmas »»

«« Happy New Year »»

CHRISTMAS comes each year with the same glad message for one and all. It singles out neither the rich nor the wise, the proud nor the great, when bestowing its favors. Its giving is universal; it plays no special favorites, but carries the same joy to all. In every land the bells ring out with the same joyous sound, and the music of the carols has the same happy ring. Christmas sends its joy into homes of rich and poor, and its beautiful spirit fills every heart with the same incomparable happiness. All the disappointments and cares of years are forgotten in the truth and beauty of the messages it brings; for we feel and know that the Star is still shining and all that is well with mankind.

The love and good will and happiness that covers the earth gives us the happy assurance that He who came into the world on that first Christmas is still with us, and will be with us until the end. So with the perfect confidence of little children we partake of the happiness that Christmas so generously bestows, and renew our faith and trust and youth each time that the Christmas bells ring out.

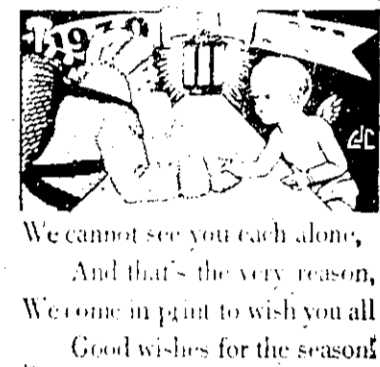
—Katherine Edelman



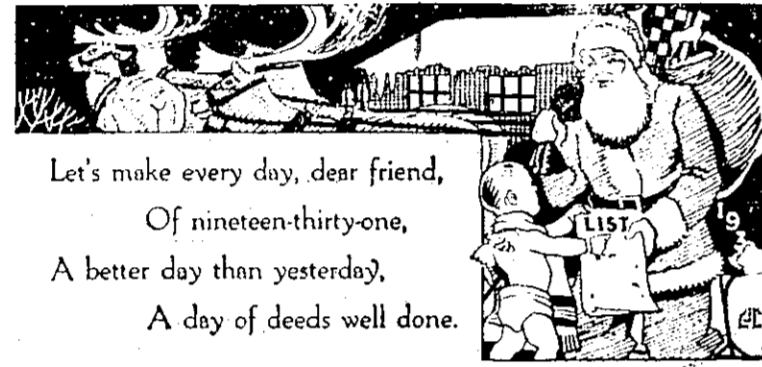
T. & N. O. Railroad



KELLEY'S I. G. A. STORE



City Garage



J. B. BEST



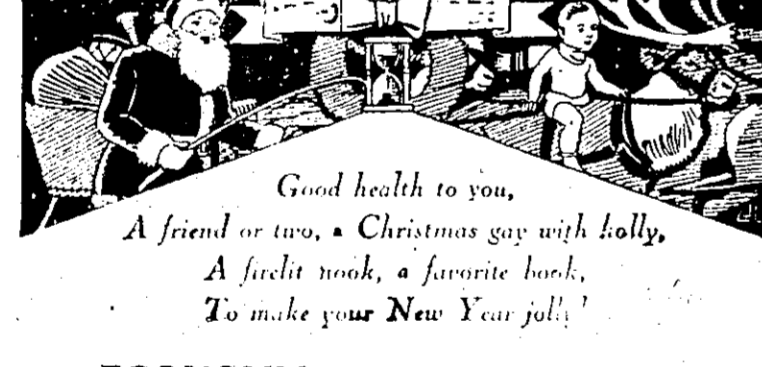
Mrs. J. A. Williams



COBB LUMBER COMPANY



Dr. F. V. Smith



ECONOMICAL DRUG STORE



Woodville Tailor Shop
PHONE 8



T. C. ROCK
Distributor Gulf Refining Company Products



CHRISTIAN CHURCH



BAPTIST CHURCH



METHODIST CHURCH SOUTH



M. E. CHURCH



TEXAS-LA. POWER COMPANY



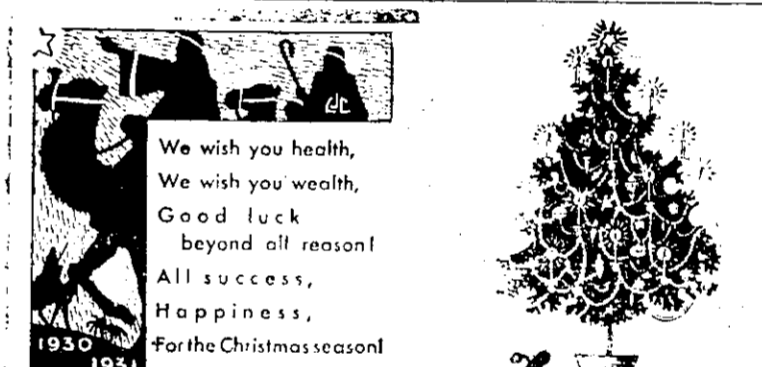
Wisenbaker Barber Shop



WOODVILLE AUTO COMPANY



People's Garage



SMITH & SANDLIN



Palace Barber Shop



JOHN A. HUNTER



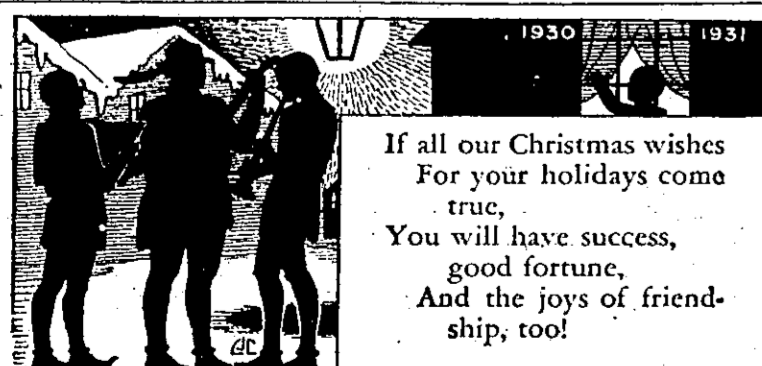
Majestic Electric Shop



S. B. OWENS



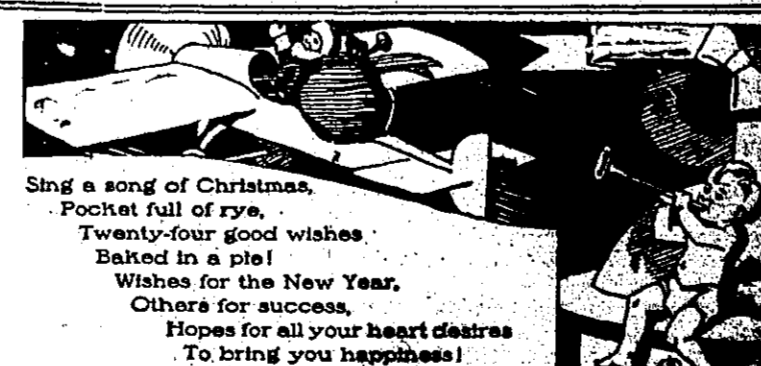
J. E. Sturrock



J. E. WHEAT



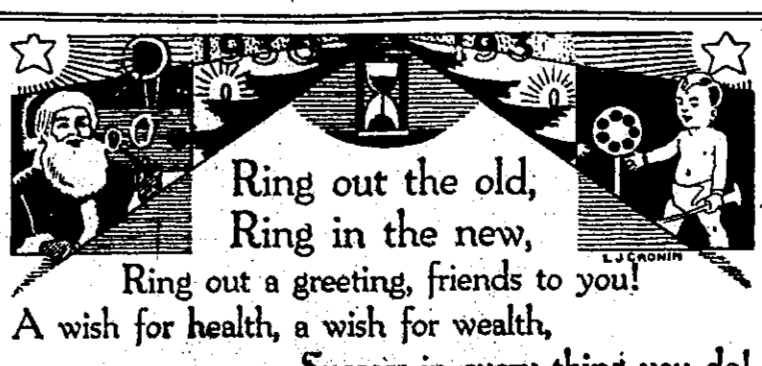
J. H. FAIN



GROVER C. LOWE



EZRA EAVES



TYLER COUNTY DRUG CO.
J. T. STRYKER, Mgr.



SUTTON-FAIN CHEVROLET CO.

LEGAL NOTICES

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
State of Texas vs. Sallie A. Peterson
In the County Court of Tyler County, Texas.

On this 20th day of November, A. D. 1932 Austin O'Brien, J. T. Lindsay and J. P. Mann, special commissioners appointed by the court to assess damages of the State of Texas by reason of the construction and opening of State Highway No. 40 upon certain lands owned by the defendant...

Being a strip of land 20 ft wide of the West end of lot 10, block 10, Colmeson on the Wm. Campbell Survey, Abstract No. 9, D. 10, which is recorded in Vol. 92, page 276, Deed Record, Tyler County, Texas...

Another son of TYLER COUNTY GONE
Because of head trouble and illness of the late C. P. Fortenberry, the report of the death of Mr. Chumbley...

WOODVILLE LOCALS
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COURT NEWS
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WHAT A SERMON IS
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FOR SALE BY THE TYLER COUNTY DRUG CO., WOODVILLE
And other good dealers everywhere, of end 1125 to LEE'S LABORATORIES, INC., 354 Peachtree Avenue, Atlanta, Ga.

Thoughts We Thought You Thought
About the Existing Weather
Remember back yonder when it was so dry forest fires were keeping the heavens aglow? Well, we get oceans of rain. Colds—the human kind—seem to be most everywhere...

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Deaths
DEATH OF S. H. PEDIGO
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ASPIR-MINT advertisement with image of a person and text: 'I was suffering from a bad Cold... Dr. Miles' Aspirin-Mint relieved me...'

FOURTH OF JULY FOODS advertisement with image of a picnic scene and text: 'EAT THREE SQUARES A DAY...'



Better Breakfasts

In the South, where they know what to do with cornmeal, they make a most delicious creamy stuffy mash...

Here is a menu including this famous Southern dish...

PLEA MADE FOR WILD FLOWERS

A plea for protection of wild flowers and wild areas...

Woodville Local

Mr. Jones, father, points out that the legislature recently passed a bill providing for protection of wild flowers...

WOODVILLE TAILOR SHOP PHILLIPS & BEST Proprietors CLEANING PRESSING ALTERING Laundry Agency

TO A MERRY LITTLE GIRL by Lawrence Hawthorne. Oh, little girl with eyes of blue and heart so merry, kind and true...

TALES of the TRIBES By EDITH L. WATSON

The Skidi It is not every tribe which can boast of being organized by the stars...

TEN GOOD REASONS Why every respectable thinking man should swear just as often and as hard as he can...

NEWSPAPER READERS PERSIST

Out of the present business depression, which ranks as one of the most severe in history...

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Mr. and Mrs. Stewart of Livingston enjoyed Sunday lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Pope...

Salmon Saga. Did you ever stop to think how the salmon and the can get together? Canned salmon costs so little that we are inclined to think cans grow on bushes...

THE LITANY OF THE POLICE. We hadn't seen it reprinted for a long, long time...

Sudan Grass Certified Seed. 2 cents per pound while this shipment lasts. ALSO ALL VARIETIES OF SORGHUM, VELVET AND SOY BEANS FOR SEED FERTILIZER AT LOW PRICES

J. B. BEST STORE. WOODVILLE, TEXAS. "What is the rod of affliction?" the Sunday school teacher asked...

Tyler Co. Future Farmers Activities Sponsored by A. D. CARSON, W. C. J. FIELDS, O. O. MILLER

PROJECTS SELECTED BY CHESTER VOCATIONAL AGGY PUPILS. The two classes in vocational agriculture in the Chester High School...

Table with columns: KIND OF PROJECT, No. of Projects, Size and Scope. Rows include Cotton for Lint Production, Corn for Grain Production, etc.

initiative and skill in his training in agriculture. After studying the local farming situation for some time...

Of two things, one is certain: Either you're mobilized or you're not mobilized. If you're not mobilized...

HOUSTON COUNTY IS OPPOSED TO DIPPING. Despite the fact that 75 per cent of the 42,500 head of cattle in Houston county have been cleaned of fever ticks...

LIVE AT HOME PROGRAM. Putting into practice a live-at-home program when he bought his 50-acre farm in Marion county three years ago...

BETRAYED OF FIRST GERMAN GAS ATTACK SENTENCED TO PRISON. For betraying the first German gas attack to the enemy in the World War...

ASK HIM ABOUT A SWISS CHEESE. The visitor was examining the class. "Can any little boy tell me what a fish net is made of?" he inquired...

QUALITY PRODUCERS. The Vicar—"So you like country life. Are your hens good layers?" Mabel (fresh from town)—"Topping! They haven't laid a bad egg yet..."

CONSIDER THE PREACHER—HIS WORK AND LIFE. The Monroe, La., World is credited with this editorial, which presents the preacher. And it is a good editorial...

I AM THE FARMER. I am the Provider for all mankind. Upon me every human being depends...

CHAPLAIN PROGRAM. The Synagogue had elected the Rev. Dr. J. H. ...

THEY ARE SPOOFING US. What a magnificent opportunity leads to the when these aristocrats...

WILL PAY TO PATCH UP THE OLD HEN HOUSE. At the present price of eggs a good hen house will cost at least 100 hens to pay their owner at least \$10 to \$15 more this winter than they could if kept in a poor house...

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SCHOOL NEWS. Supt. Lee A. Taylor of Colmesneil High School is ill.

CIVIC CLUB MEETS. A special meeting was held Friday evening by the members of the board by the president of the Civic Club...

CHAPLAIN PROGRAM. The Synagogue had elected the Rev. Dr. J. H. ...

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Electrical Gifts ARE SURE TO PLEASE. TOASTERS \$2.95 WAFFLE IRONS \$5.95 PERCOLATORS up to \$3.95. Warming Pads \$3.95 up Electric Irons 2.95 up Space Heaters 5.95 up Vacuum Cleaners 15.00 up Corn Poppers 2.50 up Electric Clocks 7.95 up Bed Lamps 2.50 up Everhot Cookers 7.95 Food Mixers 18.75 Tree Lights, set 1.00 up. OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

I'm All Through Being Depressed

For the past three years I have lived a horrible life. There has been nothing the matter with me except that I have been scared stiff. After three years of fright, during which none of the things I was afraid of happened it is high time I changed and began to live like a normal human being once more.

Father and Son Banquet by the Doucette Scouts A Success Scouts to be Santas to 181 Boys and Girls Under 12 Years

Last Monday, December 12, the Doucette Boy Scouts put over their second anniversary and this time the troop entertained with a father and son banquet.

R. J. Charlton, scribe; Marvin Nicholson, bugler; J. H. Kenesson, grub master; Ora Swearingen, quartermaster; Buell Bankston yell leader.

Woodville Locals

Joe Wickline joins his wife in Houston for the holidays. She has been there the past ten days, visiting relatives.

Woodville Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wheeler plan to spend Christmas with her people in Kountze.

Representative Dies On Right Track

A sweeping economy bill which would abolish many bureaus and commissions and consolidate departments was introduced Thursday by Representative Martin Dies of the Orange District.

Tyler Co. Historical Plan Takes Root

Woodville, Tex., December 16, 1932 would get off to a flying start. Of Hon. J. H. Kirby, Houston, Texas.

Woodville Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shillings and little daughter will spend Christmas in Colmesland with home folks.

Woodville Locals

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Rock, Mrs. J. R. McCombs, Attorneys J. E. Wheat and Marlin Sandlin, Judge J. E. Sturrock.

SHOCKING WASTE OF LIFE

Lou Hawley, deputy game warden, estimates that South Dakota hunters shot down at least 2,000,000 peasannts during the 30-day season.

NEW PIPE LINE PROPOSED FROM EAST TEXAS FIELDS

Dallas, Dec. 12.—The Dallas News says plans for construction of a pipe line from East Texas to terminal facilities at La Porte on the Houston Ship Channel, by the Ocean Oil Transport and Pipe Line Company have passed the tentative stage.

Advertisement for Eaves Bakery Goods. Includes a large illustration of a bakery interior and text: 'Holiday BAKERY GOODS', 'THE BIG QUESTION', 'Why wear yourself out with Christmas Baking? Buy your Cakes and Puddings and Pies, your Cookies and Gingerbread at Eaves Bakery.'