

The Snyder Signal

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NUMBER TWENTY EIGHT

THIRTY-FOURTH YEAR.

VALIDATION OF TEXAS AND WEST TEXAS CHAMBERS COMMERCE NOT MEETING FAVOR

Stamford, Dec. 20.—The Stamford Chamber of Commerce today unanimously adopted resolutions disfavoring the consolidation of the Texas Chamber of Commerce and the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, declaring that the interest of West Texas are peculiar matters adjustable by a regional organization, and that on all West Texas towns to give full support to the organization.

Resolutions, submitted by Homer Wade, chairman of the board of directors, follows:

Whereas, There is discussion in the sections of the state relative to consolidation or a merger of the Texas Chamber of Commerce and the West Texas Chamber of Commerce; and

Whereas, the Stamford Chamber of Commerce, appreciating the good work that the Texas Chamber of Commerce is doing for the state of Texas, and feels that it has a useful place in the state as a whole. But

submits that the western portion of the state has problems that are peculiar to this section, and hence creates the agitation of the question of a merger or consolidation of two bodies; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Stamford Chamber of Commerce places itself on record as resolutely opposing any movement that looks to a consolidation or a step that will detract from the good work now being done by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

It is a fact, patent and indisputable, that West Texas has interests that are divergent from those of the other sections, such as the establishment of a West Texas A. & M. College, re-districting, live stock and wool, oil, etc.; hence, the impossibility of a consolidation with any organization that comprehends general interests of the state as opposed to regional development.

We, therefore, urge that the West Texas Chamber of Commerce remain intact and pledge our full and co-operation to its splendid program, and express the sincerest hope that all West Texas cities, towns and communities join in the sentiments expressed in this resolution.

Resolved further, that copies of these resolutions be furnished to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, to the Texas Chamber of Commerce and to the press of the state.

The Berean Band.

The Berean Band movement for Scripture memorizing is taking hold in many parts of the country. Branch bands have been organized in twenty-five states. With the rising tide of lawlessness and godlessness menacing the home, school, church and state, even non-Christian leaders are emphasizing the need of knowing the Bible as the only antidote to society's growing evils. The learning of one new verse a week is the chief requirement of the Berean plan.

The 1921 lists of verses are now ready and will be supplied together with full information and other free literature by The Berean Band, The Moody Bible Institute, 153 Institute Place, Chicago, Ill.

MR. MASSEY RECEIVES CAR GOOD SYRUP

Mr. W. H. Hawthorn arrived this week from Whigham, Ga., with his car load of syrup. Mr. Hawthorn is a nephew of J. W. Massey, who has been anticipating the arrival of this syrup for some time. Mr. Massey stated that he sold \$500.00 worth of syrup the first day of its arrival.

Teachers Institute in Session

The Scurry County Teachers Institute is in session this week with a large attendance. There being about eighty five county teachers present with several from other counties.

The interest is good and many good things have been advanced for the helpfulness of the teacher and likewise for the pupil.

They will be in session until Friday.

Rev. J. H. Hicks, Mrs. C. C. Higgins and Miss Jewel Watts attended the district meeting of the Educational Campaign of the Methodist church this week at Sweetwater.

RECITAL BY MISS CLARK'S PUPILS DELIGHTS AUDIENCE

The pupils of Miss Irene Clark gave a musical recital last Friday night at the Methodist church to a large audience which was greatly enjoyed.

The way in which each one performed their respective parts showed evidence of splendid training and the symphony which was participated in by thirty pupils was excellently presented.

The following program was given: "Pizzicat" from Sylvia, Delibes, Norene Harris and Minnie Faye Staveley.

Airy Faries, Spaulding, Luella Brice.

Joyous Feasant, Schumann, Dorothy Strayhorn.

Pixies' Goodnight Song, Brown, Vernelle Stimson.

Lullaby, Bilbre, Brentz Anderson.

Violin, Virgil Jones; Piano, Margaret Dell Prim.

Gavotte, Brown, Vashti Epps.

Ballet, Brown, Lary Beth Waskom.

Judith of 1864, Clara Mae Couch, pupil of Mrs. Hutcheson.

Con Amore, Beaumont, Jaunita Whitmore.

Enchantment, Morrill, Ellen Buice Johnson.

Scale Demonstration.

Scherzo, Schumann, Helen Boren.

Love Dreams, Brown, Ruby Hutcherson.

Cutting from "Seventeen," Booth Tarkington, Sarah Wright (pupil of Mrs. Hutcheson).

Prelude, Rachmaninoff, Margaret Yoder.

Music Box, Liebich, Edwena Harpes.

Selection from Il Trovatore, Verdi, Minnie Faye Staveley.

Symphony of Christmas Carols, by thirty pupils, assisted by Mr. Alexander, cornet; Forte Kely, violin.

Dermott News.

Miss Myrka and Cecil Solomon spent Sunday with their friends Vernett and Ruby Sanders.

Mr. Wiley Martin of Slaton is visiting his parents here this week.

Miss Anna Sanders spent Sunday evening with her friend Mary Ruth West.

Miss Lillian Boss spent last week with friends in Snyder, Texas.

Mr. Jeff Cargile spent last week end with his parents at Polar, Texas.

Mrs. Bob Scribner spent Wednesday with her friend Mrs. W. T. Rhea.

Mr. Key of Justiceburg was in Dermott Monday.

Mr. Sanders and wife made a business trip to Snyder Monday.

Mr. W. T. Rankin left last Sunday for Burk Burnett, Texas, on a visit with relatives.

Mrs. Carroll of Foeb, Texas, is visiting her husband here.

Rev. Tate lectured at Bookout last Sunday night, there was a large attendance and was greatly enjoyed.

Mrs. Neva Sligh spent Sunday evening with her friend Miss Mary Ruth West.

Ellis Sanders spent Sunday with his little friend, Buford Browning.

Mr. H. C. Greenfield made a business trip to Snyder Monday.

Mr. J. I. Burroughs made a business trip to Fluvanna last Tuesday.

Mr. Gardner Martin of Snyder is visiting his parents here this week.

Mr. Milton West and wife spent Sunday with Mr. Greer West and wife.

Our Sunday school is progressing nicely.

Hoping everybody will have a nice time Christmas.

Little Sunshine.

Snyder, Texas, Dec. 12, 1920.

Dearest Santa Claus:

I am a little boy seven years old. I have been a good little boy, and will you please bring me a little car, air gun, fruits and nuts? I will close, hoping to see you Christmas Eve night. Wright Moore Womack.

Snyder, Texas, Dec. 20, 1920.

Dear Santa Claus:

The things I want is a sky rocket, roman candles, fire sparklers, fire crackers, knife, Arkansas Black apples, candy, nuts, grapefruit, coconuts. Your friend,

Robert Lee Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Lyles are here this week from Roscoe.

TO SANTA CLAUS

By James Whitcomb Riley

*Most tangible of all the gods that be,
O Santa Claus — our own since infancy! —
As first we scampered to thee — now, as then,
Take us as children to thy heart again.*

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*Be wholly good to us, just as of old;
As a pleased father, let thine arms enfold
Us, homed within the haven of thy love,
And all the cheer and wholesomeness thereof.*

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*Thou lone reality, when O, so long
Life's unrealities have wrought us wrong:
Ambition hath allured us, fame likewise,
And all that promised honor in men's eyes.*

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*Throughout the world's evasions, wiles and shifts,
Thou only bidest stable as thy gifts: —
A grateful king re-ruleth from thy lap,
Crowned with a little soldier-cap:*

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*A mighty general — a nation's pride —
Thou givest again a rocking-horse to ride,
And wildly glad he gloweth as the grim
Old jurist with the drum thou givest him:*

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*The sculptor's chisel, at thy mirth's command,
Is as a whistle in his boyish hand;
The painter's model fadeeth utterly,
And there thou standest, and he painteth thee: —*

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*Most like a winter pippin, sound and fine
And tingling-red that ripe old face of thine,
Set in thy frosty beard of cheek and chin
As midst the snows the thaws of spring set in.*

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Take us as children to thy heart again.*

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Dearest Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 3 years old and have tried to be a good little boy, so I hope you will be able to bring me a few little toys. I want a little car and little train and rubber ball. The best little pair you can find. I guess that will be all I need, so I'll close, hoping to see you at our little Christmas tree Christmas eve.

Stanley Aucutt.

P. S.—And lots of candy and fruit.

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Dearest Santa Claus:

I am a little girl nine years old and I am in the fourth grade. Will you please bring me a doll, doll buggy and doll trunk, set of dishes, and fruits, candy and nuts? I have been a nice little girl this year, and everything you bring me will certainly be appreciated.

Lovingly,
Faynell Aucutt.

Mrs. J. W. Warren is visiting at Fort this week.

HARRIS SELECTED TO SUCCEED HAMON.

Oklahoma State Chairman Recommended for National Committeeman.

Oklahoma City, Dec. 20, 1920.—James A. Harris of Wagoner, Republican State Chairman, was recommended by the Republican State Central Committee here late today to succeed the late Jake L. Hamon of Ardmore as National Committeeman from Oklahoma.

The recommendation was made on the first ballot, Mr. Harris receiving forty-nine votes, and Mrs. Jake L. Hamon, widow of the millionaire oil man, 27 votes.

The delegation from Cimarron County did not answer the roll call.

Following the committee's action, Mr. Harris announced he would resign his present position as State chairman as soon as the National Committee approved the recommen-

dation of the State Committee.

W. H. Hill of Enid placed Mr. Harris in nomination, the seconding speech being made by Ed Fry of Sallisaw. Mrs. Hamon was placed in nomination by Roy Johnston of Ardmore. The seconding speech was made by Alva MacDonald of El Reno.

Former Editor Here.

O. F. Hardy is being visited by his father, J. S. Hardy, until recently editor and publisher of the Snyder Signal.—Amarillo Daily News.

Misses Rhoda Martin, Bessie Taylor, Josie Key, Janie Martin and Bessie Rhea, all teachers attending the institute were pleasant visitors at the Signal office Wednesday.

D. C. Barton was arrested here Sunday charged with selling intoxicants. He made bond.

I. B. Wade has bought an interest in the W. G. Ralston grocery store.

CANVASS OF VOTE SHOWS TWO AMENDMENTS CARRIED.

Austin, Texas—Canvass of the vote cast in the general election in November on three proposed amendments to the constitution was completed today by the State Election board, and shows that two amendments, one allowing cities and towns of 5,000 population or less to increase the total tax rate from one-fourth of one per cent to one and one-half per cent, and the other removing tax limitation of \$1 on each \$100 valuation on independent and common school districts, were carried by substantial majorities.

The third amendment, sought to empower the legislature to fix the compensation of certain state officers, was defeated.

The vote on all the various amendments was as follows:

To increase total tax of cities and towns of 5,000 population or less: For, 173,920; against, 146,031.

To remove school tax limit: For, 221,223; against, 164,602.

To fix salaries of state officers: For, 149,324; against, 164,602.

The canvass of the vote for state officers is now in progress and probably will not be completed until tomorrow. In the canvass of returns on amendments to the constitution there were four counties missing, as follows: Chambers, Collingsworth, Kinney and Nolan.

Merry Christmas Makers.

The Merry Christmas that we make for others is the one that does us most good. No person enjoys a selfish Christmas. Giving to those from whom we expect a gift in return is only bartering and does not constitute a real gift. When we give to persons who are unable to return the gift and from we expect no return we are really giving as Christ would give and as the real Christmas time suggests. This real giving is the source from which we truly receive a blessing and makes a merry Christmas in our own hearts. Many orphan children, dependent and neglected, need homes, clothing and food, just the ordinary necessities of life. A small per cent of the Christmas luxuries will provide home for hundreds of suffering children. An opportunity is offered to make an investment in the comforts for children and in future citizenship of our State by making a good Christmas offering to the Methodist Orphanage, Waco, Texas. Every cent invested here will give returns to the present time and to eternity. One hundred and fifty children are now asking for admission to this institution and must be refused because there is no room; there are now two hundred and thirty-five children in the Home to be provided for. What an opportunity to make a real Christmas offering!

What kind of monument are you erecting for yourself? Is it one of stone, cold and inanimate? Is it something that does not give happiness? Or is it a part of some work that will never die, and will forever remind men and women that when you lived you were a part of a great world movement for humanity?

Money sent to the Methodist Orphanage will be invested in real child life. Send an offering and make one real Christmas gift.

W. F. BARNETT, Mgr.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Fuller have returned from an extended visit to New York city.

The Epworth League gave a very interesting program Sunday night at the Methodist church.

Miss Irene Clark is visiting home folks at Corsicana.

Mrs. P. A. Taylor left Sunday for Dallas to spend the Christmas holidays.

Misses Lois and Lila Curnutte of the Texas Woman's College, Fort Worth is spending Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Curnutte.

Mr. C. S. Forkins, Jr., left Wednesday for Little Rock, Ark., to join Mrs. Perkins, who has been visiting her parents. They will spend Christmas there.