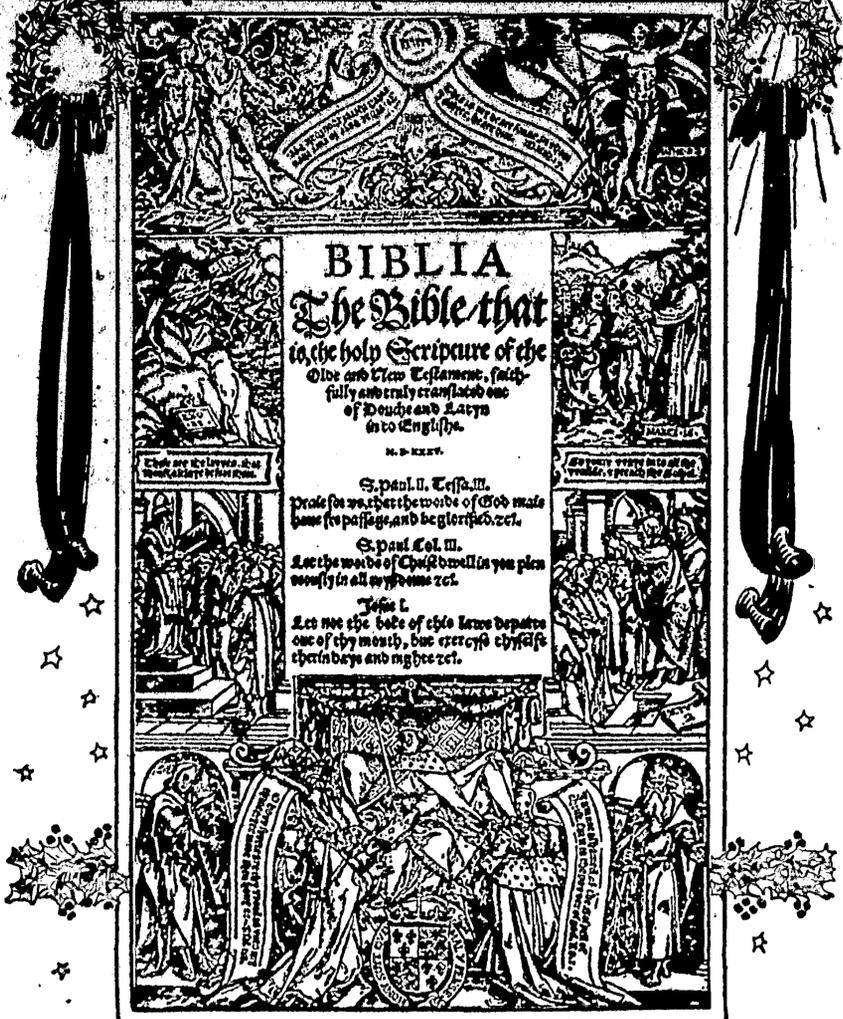


Christmas and Bible



Title Page of First Complete English Bible, 1535

Now when Jerus was born in Bethlehem of Judah in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem.

Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold and frankincense, and myrrh.

By JOHN DICKINSON GHERMAN

GOES in part the story in the King James Bible (1611) of the birth of Christ and the adoration of the "Three Kings of the Orient"—Magi, who men—so told by St. Matthew. The Bible is "The Book" for every day in the year, as shown by the fact that it is incomparably the world's "best seller." But it is especially "The Christmas Book," for it is the very fountain of the Christmas inspiration and of the Christmas spirit.

Christianity is the driving power of the world. Skeptics may point to the World War as evidence that Christianity has failed. Churches and sects may quarrel among themselves. Fundamentalists and modernists may fiercely dispute about the authority of the Bible. The Reds may predict the decline and fall of Christianity. Nevertheless, Christianity, after nineteen centuries still remains the driving power of the world. And the central fact of Christianity is Jesus Christ—His life, His person, His teachings. So the Bible is the Christian Epitome.

The four verses from St. Matthew's account of the birth of Christ are given exactly as found in the modern printing of the King James Bible, which is still the accepted text with many churches, notwithstanding the many versions which the centuries have brought. It is often called the "Authorized Bible," for the reason that it had the sanction of both the English king and of English scholars.

The King James translation had its origin in 1604 at a conference at Hampton Court. It was then determined that a translation should be made which could be accepted as fundamentally correct. Forty-seven translators were named from the foremost scholars of England. The first draft was completed in 1609. Two years were devoted to revision. It was printed in London in 1611 by Robert Barker.

That this translation was an impor-

tant undertaking is shown by the address to King James of the translators, of which the beginning and fourth paragraph are as follows:

To the Most High and Mighty Prince James, by the Grace of God, King of Great Britain, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, etc. the Translators of the Bible into English, Mercy and Peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

There are infinite arguments of this right Christian and religious affection in Your Majesty, but none is more forcible to declare it to others than the vehement and perpetuated desire of accomplishing and publishing of this work, which now with all humility we present unto Your Majesty. For when Your Highness had once out of deep judgment apprehended how convenient it was, that out of the Original Sacred Tongues, together with comparing of the labours, both in our own, and other foreign Languages, of many worthy men who went before us, there should be one more exact Translation of the holy Scriptures into the English Tongue; Your Majesty did never doubt to urge and to excite those to whom it was committed, and that the business might be expedited in so decent a manner, as a matter of such importance might justly require.

This James (1566-1625) was the son of Lord Darnley and Mary Queen of Scots. In 1567 he became James VI of Scotland and in 1603 succeeded Queen Elizabeth as James I, king of England, Scotland and Ireland. He was said by his contemporaries to be the "wisest fool in Europe."

The King James version is by no means the first English Bible. That honor probably belongs to a manuscript translation of about 1250 by John Wycliffe, the famous preacher, from the Latin Vulgate. Incidentally, it is of interest to note that in his preface Wycliffe wrote, "The Bible is for the government of the people, by the people and for the people"—which is suggestively similar to Lincoln's famous utterance in his Gettysburg Address. How many manuscript copies of Wycliffe's translation were made is not known; eight of his time are still in existence. It is known, however, that these manuscript copies were in semi-secret circulation in England down to the end of the fifteenth century.

Now we come to the first complete English Bible, the title page of which is herewith reproduced. Its date is 1535—1535—as the fact itself shows. It was not a translation from original Greek and Hebrew texts, from the "Doubt and Latyn" as the title page sets forth. The names of translator and printer are not set forth. But they are known. The translator was Miles Coverdale (1478-1539), and the printing was done in Switzerland, probably in Zurich. It is

considered a scholarly version. No perfect copy is known to be extant.

Much of the lettering of the illustrations can be read. The upside-down scroll in connection with Adam and Eve and the serpent in the Garden of Eden reads:

"In what daye so ever thou eatest thereof thou shalt dye."

Note the "v" which is used for "w," which is not followed in the center lettering. In old English v and w were practically interchangeable; hence v was literally double-u. The conventional verse of the second chapter of Genesis in the King James version reads:

"But of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die."

A significant piece of decoration on this title page is that at the bottom between the two scrolls. It quite evidently represents King Henry VIII, to whom the translation was dedicated by Miles Coverdale, presenting this first complete English Bible to church and civil dignitaries. Henry VIII (1491-1547)—Blunt King Hal—the king of many wives—procured in 1534 the passage of the Act of Supremacy which severed the connection of the English church with Rome and appointed the king and his successors the protector and only supreme head of the church and clergy of England. So it was quite in order for him to bring out a new version of the Bible.

An odd bit of decoration for the title page of a Bible is the suggestion of the Order of the Garter, with its famous motto. This is the highest order of knighthood in Great Britain, and its membership is about 60, including the sovereign, the Prince of Wales and 24 knights companions. It was established by Edward III (1312-77) about 1343. The legend of it is that at a state ball the Countess of Salisbury lost her garter, which Edward picked up and placed on his own knee. His courtiers thereupon sneered, whereupon the king exclaimed (as we now write it) "Honi soit qui mal y pense." This literally means: "Shamed be he who thinks evil of it." We now translate it: "Evil to him who evil thinks."

Suppose we put the king's utterance conversely thus: "Good to him who good thinks." That is not so very far from "Peace on earth to men of good will," as the Roman Catholic Donay version of the Bible translates the Christmas message.

NEW MEXICO STATE NEWS

Raton Elks staged their annual show Dec. 10 and 11.

The Eddy County Game Protective Association was formed at a meeting of sportsmen held in Carlsbad.

Judge J. A. Tucker, of Royal Oak, Mich., has been engaged as judge at the annual poultry show in Bernalillo county to be held Dec. 10 to 19 in Albuquerque.

Members of the Border Game Protective Association held their annual banquet in Deming. A feature of the program was a movie of wild life in the woods.

Owing to the rush of holiday business in the Artesia postoffice, plans are under way to establish a branch office in the downtown district during the month of December.

Congressman Morrow has wired State Commander Jesus Baca of the American Legion that the commissary at Fort Bayard will be kept open. Orders were issued to close it Nov. 30.

Apples, pears and peaches have filled an important place this year in Mesilla valley diversified farming returns. Over seventy-five car loads of apples were shipped from Las Cruces alone, bringing an average return of \$850 a car.

Two Vollace brothers were killed and a third brother was injured when the automobile in which they were riding turned over about a half mile from Central near Fort Bayard. Ed Vollace was killed instantly and Hoyce Vollace died in a Silver City hospital.

R. G. Taylor, of the Interior Exploration Company of Wyoming, is now in Springer making plans for the first test well which will be drilled on the Logan farm east of that city. The well will be drilled to the Pennsylvania sands, but it is thought that production will be found at a depth of 1,700 feet.

M. E. Balsh of the Mallamar Oil and Gas corporation was elected president of the newly formed New Mexico Oil Men's Association at a meeting of the organization held in Artesia. M. O. Danziger of the Danziger Oil and Refining Company was elected vice president and William McGinn, secretary and treasurer.

Over 200 bales of cotton stored in the yards of the Durning cotton ginning plant were destroyed by fire and the loss is nearly \$20,000, partly covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown, and due to the lack of water little could be done to check the flames. The stalling house was saved by the firemen.

High records for sheep shipments are reported by the sanitary board for the past four months, the total from July 15 to the last of October being 264,577. The figures show that 104,127 ewes, 4,252 wethers, 31 bucks and 1,153 goats left the state. This brings the total number of shipments to 474,153. Most of the shipments were from Chama, Magdalena and Vaughn sections and the destination was to eastern points for feeding.

The mystery well which has been located so much speculation recently, located in section 8-10-27, near Roswell, is truly a peculiar but magnificent sight. The brown spray shoots 100 feet into the air, with a terrific force, and forms a mist covering an acre of ground. The water comes up irregularly in heads, sometimes throwing up stones weighing as much as two pounds. It is the consensus of opinion of some oil men who have watched its antics, that if the water could be controlled, and the drill cut to a greater depth, a good oil well would be encountered. Just what will be done with the well is not yet apparent.

At a meeting of the city council of Hot Springs last week the \$32,000 city water bonds were sold to Hazler & Keller, of Pueblo, Colo., at par. The bonds will draw 3 per cent interest and will mature in thirty years. The money will be available at once and the sale means the first step in providing the city with a modern water system, plans for the system now being prepared by the city engineer. A move has already been started for a new electric plant for the city.

Interest has been aroused in Carlsbad over the discovery of an ancient cave containing a saddle with a plate bearing the date of June 10, 1493. Hunters trying to head off a flock of turkeys found the cave high on a cliff. The cave had been fitted for habitation, but most of the articles fell apart when touched. Coffee grains crumbled when the cave was opened. The leather on the saddle dropped apart when a hunter attempted to pick it up. Several pictures were found, one of a heavily bearded man, but all were dim. On the wall of the cave was written "John Hawkins, Novembris." As many of the articles as possible have been brought here for exhibition.

Addition of a "record of performance" class has added immeasurably to public interest in the annual show of the Matricula County Poultry Association, to be held at Glendale on Dec. 20 and 21, and Jan. 1 and 2.

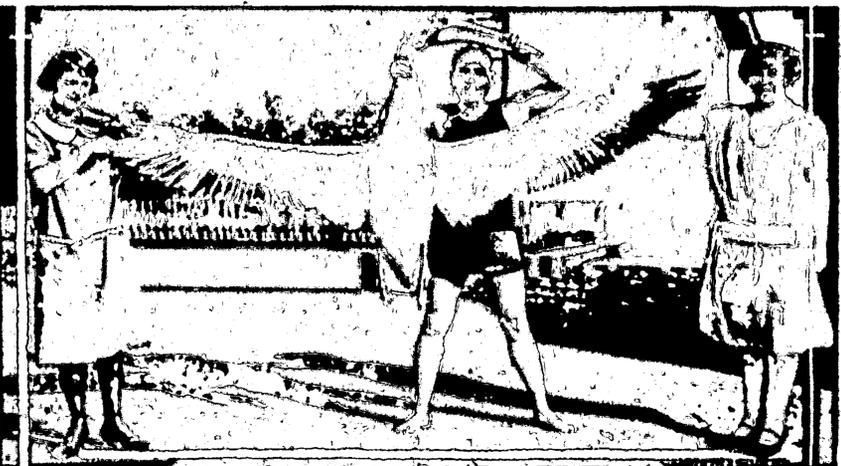
G. L. Grover, who has been attached with the Cook's Peak mining district for many years, arrived in Deming recently where he purchased material for the reopening of the mine. Mr. Grover is now working on the Great Eastern claim which he states appears to be rich in silver and lead.

National Amateur Golf Cup Destroyed in a Fire



The national amateur golf championship cup, which Robert T. Jones took back to his club at Atlanta, Ga., was destroyed by the fire that ruined the East Lake Country clubhouse the other day. The ruins of the building are shown above. The lost trophy was thirty years old.

Bagged Huge Pelican With Her Motor Car



A photograph of the large pelican with an eight-foot wing spread which Miss Mabel Green (right), well-known San Francisco swimmer, ran down recently while motoring on the Pacific coast. The bird, squatting in the middle of the road, was invisible to her around a curve, and her car hit it before it had a chance to rise in flight.

Gift of France to N. Y. Cathedral



Emile Dacachner (right), the French ambassador to the United States, and Bishop Manning of New York, with the Sevres vase presented to the Cathedral of St. John the Divine by the French government.

POSTMAN NEEDS AID



Uncle Sam's mail carriers will enjoy Christmas day, free from work, as there will be no deliveries that day. The public is asked to do its Christmas mailing early so the postman can do his work with comparative ease.

WIN A FINE TRIP



Miss Irene Mitchell at Chicago (left) and Miss Geraldine Dyson of Springfield starting on a trip around the world which was awarded them in connection with the Illinois Products exposition of 1925.

Plane Crashed; Eight Injured



Eight persons were injured, none seriously it is thought, when an airplane made a nose dive in South St. Joseph, Mo. The plane was on its way from Kansas City to Excelsior Springs.

Tradition of a Plant

The little wild cranebill known as Herb Robert, and which flowers in the hedges and ditches of the Old Land from April 20 onward, was of considerable consequence to one simple-minded ancestor. It cured rashes, ulcers, scrofula, gout, and repelled lice. It figures in the most ancient herbals under the name Radix. It is supposed to have come into existence through Mohammed spreading his shirt to dry

Risks Life to Save Lamb

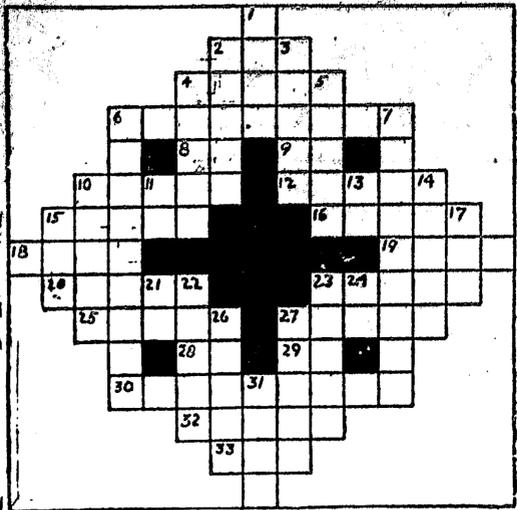
Holiday-makers at Harmondsworth were spectators of a thrilling (attempted) rescue recently of two lambs which had been stranded on the dangerous slope of a local quarry belonging to the

urban council, says the London Daily News.

The police appealed for volunteers to rescue the sheep imprisoned on a ledge 200 feet down. Among the volunteers was Thomas Williams, a farmer.

Lowered on ropes after three hours' labor in the blazing sun, Williams succeeded in rescuing one lamb. The other fell from the ledge over the precipitous slope. Williams' act was a risky one, as the descent is shaky and dangerous.

Our Cross Word Puzzle



- Horizontal.**
- 1—Unhappy
 - 2—Protective covering for a dress
 - 3—Tending to incite rebellion or revolt
 - 4—Loutenant (abbr.)
 - 5—Castle asperations on
 - 6—Howls
 - 7—Preserves
 - 8—Ornament for hair
 - 9—River in England
 - 10—Stable
 - 11—Sinks the tooth into
 - 12—Material from which hose is made
 - 13—That thing
 - 14—One who sells a yacht
 - 15—Unhappy
 - 16—Thing (legal term)
 - 17—When the correct letters are placed in the white spaces this puzzle will spell foul.
 - 18—When both vertically and horizontally.
 - 19—The first letter in each word is indicated by a number, which refers to the definition listed below the puzzle.
 - 20—A I under the column headed "horizontal" defines a word which will fill the puzzle.
 - 21—The letter which will fill the white squares to the next black square, except proper names.
 - 22—Abbreviations, slang, initials, technical terms and obsolete terms are indicated in the definitions.
- Vertical.**
- 1—Two-wheeled wagon
 - 2—Twirl
 - 3—Small piece of linen
 - 4—To love
 - 5—Short letters
 - 6—Quality of being healthful
 - 7—Act of saving
 - 8—One of a Hamitic race of Somaliland
 - 9—Note of musical scale
 - 10—Number under nine
 - 11—Unruly crowd
 - 12—Distress signal
 - 13—Nova Scotia (abbr.)
 - 14—A place out of
 - 15—To conspire
 - 16—Maiden loved by Zeus
 - 17—An anesthetic
 - 18—In an orbit, the point at which the distance of the body from the center of attraction is either greatest or least (astron.)
 - 19—Woody plant

HOW TO SOLVE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

When the correct letters are placed in the white spaces this puzzle will spell foul. When both vertically and horizontally. The first letter in each word is indicated by a number, which refers to the definition listed below the puzzle. The "A I" under the column headed "horizontal" defines a word which will fill the puzzle. The letter which will fill the white squares to the next black square, except proper names. Abbreviations, slang, initials, technical terms and obsolete terms are indicated in the definitions.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Jim Mauldin of San Patricio was here on business Monday.

Billy Sevier made a trip to Carrizozo the first of the week.

Put Christmas seals on your packages and letters—they help a good cause.

J. W. Ezell and Antone Andrews were Carrizozo visitors Tuesday.

Misses Ellen Herron and Fannie Forden and Mr. Mapes, all of Roswell, spent the week-end with Capitan friends.

L. R. Lamay, Marshal West, Monroe Howard and Ed Peters were here this week shipping some calves and yearlings.

P. G. Peters and J. H. Kingston made trip to the county seat yesterday on business, returning same afternoon.

The merchants report doing a big holiday business so far, with the prospects of the coming week exceeding it.

Coffee and refreshments will be served at the Novelty & Gift Shop Saturday afternoon, by Mrs. G. S. Hoover. Drop in and take a cup.

The little child of Mr and Mrs J. W. Ezell suffered a very painful wound Monday while playing with a manicure scissors. The little one was rushed to Fort Stanton, where the wound was attended to and pronounced not dangerous.

Cattle shipments still continue brisk. On Tuesday seven cars of prime yearlings were shipped from this point to the markets for the holiday trade. There were approximately 400 head in the shipment. The train pulled out at about 11:00 p.m.—a dangerous trip over the switch back on the Indian Divide, night or day. But the stock had to reach the markets on time.

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Charges to be Cleared Up in the Harry Norman Case

Charges against Harry G. Norman, former treasurer of Lincoln county, are expected to be cleared up shortly, according to First Assistant State Comptroller Wagner.

The National Surety company, on his bond, has already made a payment of \$14,000. At the time of this payment claims totalling \$1,200 were left unsettled, for the reason that supporting evidence was lacking to show that the county had suffered any loss. Since then the comptroller has been able to adduce what is believed to be sufficient evidence to justify the payment of \$2,800 of the claims.

"The balance of the claims we were compelled to withdraw," said Wagner, "on the grounds that the taxpayers in most instances had ignored our correspondence, relative to furnishing the original evidence of payment."

The surety company has agreed to pay at least \$2,800, holding one item amounting to \$500 under advisement, and Wagner expects a remittance from it in a few days.

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Fort Stanton Items

The play presented by the Pine Arts Club Thursday night was a grand success. This is the third series of plays given by the club. Each is better than the one preceding, and it is hoped the club will soon give another.

Miss Florence Greene has just returned from a week of visiting and shopping in El Paso.

Senior Surgeon J. C. Perry has been inspecting this post for the last week.

Mr. Burnett Robinson has left for home to spend the holiday season.

W. O. Pitts spent the last week of his leave in El Paso.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mining Man Here

Mr. A. J. McGarry, a prominent mine owner and operator of Florence, Ala., is here inspecting his large interests in Lincoln county. Mr. McGarry is interested in mining properties with Samuel Wells and other local men, being part owner of a large number of holdings along both sides of the Capitans and the Hicarrillas.

Nothing at this writing was given out for publication, as it will take several days to inspect the properties. However, we believe Mr. McGarry's visit of inspection is a forerunner of mineral development on a large scale in this county.

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Chemical Cure for T. B.

A chemical cure for tuberculosis—the pot at the end of the rainbow for which medical scientists have sought for years—may result from experimental work done in Denver during the last two years by a New Mexico specialist, says the Denver Post.

The specialist is Dr. Dwight Allison of Las Cruces. In the chemical with which his experiments on rabbits in a series of preliminary results would indicate, the world's first satisfactory chemical treatment for the white plague has been discovered.

Although his home and his practice is in New Mexico, Dr. Allison has for two years been doing periods of research work at the National Jewish Hospital for Consumption in Denver. On the eve of departing for Las Cruces he discussed his work as follows:

"In the first place I have nothing to sell. What work I have done has been at my own time and expense, and has been done because I am interested in research for itself. All I want to know is to make sure that my treatment is a success, and if such proves to be the case, to interest leaders in the profession in its use.

"All I can say about the treatment itself at this time, is that it is a chemical preparation which I discovered several years ago and which I have been experimenting with since. So far it has been used with animals only. It is administered by intravenous injection.

"In the experiments I have just completed at the research laboratory of the National Jewish hospital, a number of rabbits were inoculated with tuberculous germs. Half of them were given my chemical treatment and half were not. After four weeks the subjects were killed and an examination made of their internal organs. The efficacy of the chemical treatment was then read from the number of active germs remaining in the treated animals as compared in those which had not been treated."

Dr. Allison has been practicing medicine for more than 15 years and has returned to Las Cruces.

Merry Xmas and Happy New Year
Capitan Mountaineer

Las Vegas and Roswell Banks Pay Dividends

The following news items comes from Las Vegas:

A creditors dividend of 15 per cent which will total approximately \$255,000 will be paid on December 15 by the defunct First National Bank of Las Vegas according to the receiver.

The Citizens Bank of Roswell last week made a 10 per cent dividend, with another on the way, it is said. It is small, but will help a little during the holidays.

The Vegas Savings bank, another of the defunct banking institutions, will also pay a dividend on Dec. 15, probably about the same percentage as that of the First National, although its receiver, P. P. Delgado, has not officially announced the amount, pending a further conference with the state banking department.

Crazing Permits for 1926

If you desire to make application for a permit on the White Mountain, Potosi or Tucson Grazing Districts for any part of the 1926 season please arrange to meet me at one of the following places:

- Carrizozo—Eating House, Jan. 4, 5 and 6.
- White Oaks—January 7.
- Ancho—January 8.
- Capitan—Bank Bldg., January 11 and 12.
- Meza Ranger Station—January 13 and 14.

R. B. EWING, Forest Ranger.

Vence A. Thomas, Forest Ranger, will be at the following places on the dates set:

- Baca Ranger Station—January 4 and 5.
- Merchant Ranch—Jan. 6.
- Arabela—Jan. 7.
- Lincoln—Jan. 8.
- Capitan—Jan. 9.
- Baca Ranger Station—Jan. 11.

Christmas Tree at Church

Plans are being made to have a Christmas Tree and skit program at the church on the Thursday night before Christmas.

December 25, the date kept in commemoration of the birth of Christ, should be honored above all other legal holidays.

It seems fitting that the people of this community get together for one service in honor of this occasion. All are invited to bring presents and participate in the Christmas Tree.

Church Notices

Sunday school at ten o'clock every Sunday morning. Sunday school work is going well, but you can help make it go better.

Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7:15 p.m. each Sunday. Everyone will receive a hearty welcome at these services.

Do you believe that church services are a benefit? Then why not come and receive your share of this benefit.

The Pastor.

Do You Know

How to fix up a non-freezing compound for your radiator?

The advertising department of the Ford Motor Co. sends out the following information that may be of interest to auto owners.

A mixture of 20 per cent alcohol and 80 per cent water gives a freezing point at 13 above zero. 50 per cent alcohol and 70 per cent water freezes at 5 above.

40 per cent alcohol and 60 per cent water freezes at 20 below.

It might be better to go to a store that deals in auto supplies and get a gallon of denatured alcohol and glycerine, use it according to directions, whether 50 above or 50 below, and you'll be safe. Avoid experimenting. But if you should happen to be caught away from the source of supply a half a bottle of undistilled moonshine, it is said, will give good results, and won't hurt the radiator.

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Sunday School Lesson

(By REV. F. B. FITZWATER, D.D., Dean of the Evening School, Moody Bible Institute, 1925, Western Newspaper Union.)

Lesson for December 20

CHRISTMAS LESSON

LESSON TEXT—Matt. 2:1-15.
GOLDEN TEXT—"For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Wise Men Visit the Baby Jesus.
JUNIOR TOPIC—Wise Men Follow the Star.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—The Christmas Spirit.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Prince of Peace.

Note: For this Sunday's lesson the lesson committee has given us an option of a Christmas lesson or a summary of Paul's life. It is presumed that most teachers will prefer the Christmas lesson since Paul has been the central figure for six months.

1. The Wise Men Seeking Jesus (vv. 1-2).
These wise men who sought Jesus were either Arabian or Persian astrologers, students of the stars. The appearance of an unusual star attracted their attention. Perhaps they were acquainted with the famous prophecy of Balaam (Num. 24:17). Doubtless through the influence of the Jews who remained in Chaldea, or the direct influence of Daniel extending to this time, they had become acquainted with the hope of a Messiah. The light they had was dim, but they lived up to the best they had. We learn from them:

1. That All True Wisdom Leads to the Savior, for He is the Fullness of Wisdom.

2. That God's Word Shall Not Return Unto Him Void (Isa. 55:11).
The seed cast upon the Eastern waters brought forth fruit after many days. This ought to bring confidence to many ministers and Sunday school teachers who have not as yet seen the fruit of their labors.

3. The Grace of God Calls Men From Unexpected Quarters.
Some who have the least opportunity give the greatest honor to Christ, while others, blessed with the richest opportunities, shut Him out.

4. Herod Seeking to Kill Jesus (vv. 3-8).
The news brought by the wise men struck terror to Herod's heart. He was not alone in this for all Jerusalem was troubled with him. A glimpse of the selfish cunning in and about Jerusalem is that day will enable us to understand why this news brought uneasiness to the people. They were living in the greatest luxury. Beautiful apparel, sumptuous feasts, palatial houses, etc. led to gross immorality. We can thus readily see why Herod and all Jerusalem should be troubled. They did not want a Savior who would save them from their sins; they would prefer to continue in them. Herod demanded of the priests and scribes in Jerusalem as to where Christ should be born. They were not able to tell him. These people had a technical knowledge of the Scriptures, but had no heart for the Savior as set forth therein. Conditions much like these prevail today. This rejection of the Savior shows that perseverance of heart is the cause of so many being indifferent to Christ, and of their opposition to Him when His claims are presented. It is true today that the luxuries of wealth, the frivolities of the fashion-lovers, and the gross immorality to which these lead, make Jesus Christ unwelcome in many quarters.

5. Jesus Found (vv. 9-12).
The wise men, having obtained the desired information, started humbly to find Jesus. As soon as they left the city the star which had guided them from the East appeared again to lead them on—not that it had disappeared from the sky, but no doubt the city buildings cast its light. The star guided them to the place where Jesus was. When they found Him they worshiped Him. In this they displayed true faith. They did not see any miracle, only a babe, yet they worshiped Him as king. Blessed are they that have not seen and yet have believed (John 20:29). Note God's overruling providence in all this. Many hundred years before the prophet had said that Christ should come from Bethlehem (Micah, 5:2). God so ordered affairs that Mary should be brought to that city to give birth to Christ. Let us be assured that nothing can thwart the divine purpose. God so ordered that these men should depart another way, thereby defeating Herod's wicked purpose. Through these wise men the Lord gave gifts into the hands of Joseph and Mary before their going to Egypt. Doubtless this served a good purpose in meeting their expenses during their stay there. Truly all things work together for good to them that love God (Rom. 8:28).

Life
Life is but a day, and the hours flee. Soon it is high noon, then afternoon, evening, night, when all service ceases.—H. P. Anderson.

Simplicity and Purity
"Simplicity and purity are the two wings by which a man is lifted up above all earthly things."

A Wrong Deed
A wrong deed should be immediately repented of and confessed.

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SCHOOL NOTES

Wm. H. Rittenburg, Supt.

Corona came here for basketball games with Capitan and Lincoln last Saturday. Both Lincoln and Capitan were victorious in the contests. Our boys won by a score of 30 to 16.

We had a good time at the combination literary society program and box social Friday night. The whole program was good, but the Delta Rho society did especially well. From the sale of boxes, \$623 was cleared for the library fund. We appreciate the way the community helped.

Friday night is the time for our regular parent-teachers' association meeting. A good program has been arranged, and it will be made up of numbers from the school, some from the people of the town and a speaker from out of town.

The 7th and 8th grades will sell candy at the parent teachers' meeting. The proceeds will be used towards the purchase of an organ for their room.

At a meeting of the boys' basketball team on Tuesday, Percy Parker was elected captain. From now on Mr. Louis Cummins is to be coach. Arrangements have been made for the two periods of practice, which the state allows, during school hours. Both boys and girls will have this practice.

The 7th and 8th grade girls are arranging a game with San Patricio to be played here soon.

Bridge Party

Mrs. George A. Titaworth entertained with two tables of bridge Saturday night. Those present being Misses Ellen Heron and Paule Fardon of Roswell; Mesdames Garwood and Provine, and Mesdames Heron and Garwood. The hostess made the highest score, after which delightful refreshments were served.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior
U. S. Land Office
Las Cruces, N. M.
Dec. 12, 1925.

NOTICE is hereby given that Francisco Analla, of Tinnie, N. M., who, on August 4, 1920, made Add'l Home-Steal entry, Roswell No. 045749, for SW¹/₄SW¹/₄, SANWA, NAWA, SW¹/₄SW¹/₄, SW¹/₄SW¹/₄, Section 9, Twp. 10-S., Range 17-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Roswell, N. M., on the 22nd day of January, 1926.

Claimant names as witnesses: Filimon Cordova, Frank Pucella, Procopio Gastamante, Juan Mirelez, all of Tinnie, New Mexico.
K. D. Stoes, Register.
12-13 to 1-22

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NOTICE is hereby given that Filomon Cordoba, nephew and heir of Santos R. Lopez, deceased, of Tinnie, N. M., who, on December 20, 1920, made Additional H. E., Roswell No. 046638, Las Cruces, No. 026117, for SANWA, SE¹/₄SW¹/₄, Sec. 31, Township 9-S., Range 18-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before Dan C. Savage, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Roswell, N. M., on the 22nd day of January, 1926.

Claimant names as witnesses: Francisco Analla, Juan Mirelez, Felix Torres, Procopio Gastamante, all of Tinnie, N. M.
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NOTICE is hereby given that Procopio Gastamante, of Tinnie, N. M., who, on August 4, 1920, made Hd. Add'l. S. R. Entry No. 039697, for SE¹/₄SW¹/₄, Sec. 9, Twp. 10-S., Range 17-E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before L. L. Beard, U. S. Commissioner, at Capitan, N. M., on the 23rd day of January, 1926.

Claimant names as witnesses: Juan Mirelez, Rinaldo Moya, Paz Moya, Felix Torres, all of Tinnie, N. M.
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Department of the Interior
U. S. Land Office
Las Cruces, N. M., Nov. 14, 1925

NOTICE is hereby given that Della Starkey, widow of Ernest R. Starkey, deceased, of Ringling, Oklahoma, who, on June 17, 1919, made Orig. Hd. entry, No. 045472, for NE¹/₄Sec. 8; NW¹/₄Sec. 9; and on Dec. 17, 1920, made Add'l Hd. entry No. 045473, for SANWA, WJSWA, Sec. 4, EAS¹/₄ and SINE¹/₄ Sec. 5, Twp. 6-S., Range 14 E., N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year homestead proof to establish claim to the land above described, before J. P. Wade, Notary Public of Jefferson county, Ringling, Okla., and that of her witnesses before U. S. Commissioner, at Carrizozo, N. M., on the 30th day of December, 1925.

Claimant names as witnesses: Fred P. Cleghorn and Robert A. Crenshaw, these of White Oaks, N. M.; and Mack Weaver and Elbert J. Strawbridge, these of Jearilla, N. M.
K. D. Stoes, Register.
11-20 to 12-18

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