



By Ed and Mendy

Howdy Folks: Well, it looks like we are on the right track to get readers for our advertising. Several folks have mentioned the opening column.

One man offered us a good joke to use in the write-ups. That's the kind of co-operation we like and appreciate.

He said every man liked to see a broad smile, especially if she's smiling at him.

Say, what do you call a fella who saves souls—a parson? Well, we'd just about come to the conclusion that B. J. "Micky" Gould comes under this classification. It will be amazing the soles he will be able to save, once he gets his new shoe shop functioning.

Not bad, and we are glad to tell this bit of news. Already we are wondering if we will be able to do as well every time we sit down to write this column.

We want to Welcome Homer and Howard Haggerty, who will manage the new Shell station, when it opens. Those guys are tops, fellas, and we hope they will have plenty of Gas and Air to hand out. Welcome, Homer and Howard. Hope you make a million, too!

We'll keep on trying. We have heard that the pen is mightier than the sword, that is, if we could get all the criminals into it.

We're mighty anxious to meet more of you good folks who have not tried our Gas and Air. There is something you are sure to like.

Hope you have your Christmas shopping all done. We are glad to point out the various good local firms who have good stuff.

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## NONSENSE - Sense And Some



By Denver

Next week will be Christmas again, time when we will practice a doctrine for a day, which would be better practiced the year around. For one day in the 365 we will forget selfishness, and act as it as intended that all of us should act at all times.

Think what would have been accomplished at there nineteen hundred years if the spirit of Christmas had been foremost in thoughts of men. Try to figure out what civilization would have been today, had the spirit of Christmas settled all human differences down through the ages.

They tell us in history that the U. S. Civil war, fought in 1861-65, was finally paid after the beginning of this century. World War 1 has never been paid, and who can guess when the last war will be paid? The average human has not numerical conception to permit him to imagine what civilization could have accomplished had the money been spent for construction instead of destruction, down through the ages.

There is another factor which cannot be computed by an mathematics—that of human hatreds generated by wars. There never will be, it seems, a method of bringing together peoples of all languages, races, colors and creeds to have them see the folly of this method of living. Yet, Christmas, for one day, seems to halt all this and bring happiness.

This Spirit of Christmas, then, or the Christian religion, must be the answer to world problems. It is safe to assume, then, that Christianity must be practiced throughout the world, if peace is ever to be with us for long. There must be, by this token, a revival of that faith set forth by Jesus Christ, who gave his life on the cross that the world might live.

What plans have you made for 1947, for betterment of this community? Have you ever thought of aiding the local chamber of

commerce in its endeavor of making a better community? A lot of talent could be used if the talent would only permit it...

Right now the chamber of commerce has a plan to inaugurate new crops in this area, thus to make the community more prosperous. To complete this work, more people must become interested in community work ahead of the purely selfish interest. It might be well to remember that the individual will prosper as the community forges ahead. Work in the chamber, then would certainly result in self gain.

Proper co-operation among the people of this community might see the chamber of commerce financially able to do many things of a civic nature this coming year. Certainly a swimming pool would be acceptable in the vicinity. Playground equipment at the school could be purchased—and there is a plan by which this may be done, were the entire community interested.

Have you made your contribution to Brookings' Candy Fund? These contribution boxes are placed in every business house about town, asking for donations. You will see the card, rising above the box, saying "Give for the Children's Christmas Tree Fund."

Several have said, "I'd have given, had I known it was for Brookings." "Who will handle this fund, once it is raised?" and such quesations. Yes, that has happened, right here in Brookings. I realize it is hard to imagine, but nevertheless that is true.

To straighten these questions—here's the facts: This fund is being raised to buy candy for the children of Brookings-Harbor vicinity, to be given at the Christmas party, staged by the Firemen, Azalea Garden Club and Azalea Festival Association. These organizations are responsible for the handling of the fund.

Since this has been cleared up, let's fill those boxes full several times this week with the loose change from purchases made at

these places of business. Certainly these dimes will bring plenty of joy to the youngsters.

## While Out Shopping

By Grace Polley Stevenson

Christmas spirit is much in evidence in this area. It is noted at Moore's Variety by an interesting display of practical gifts for men, women and children. Outstanding among these are transparent lucite comb and brush sets. The nylon bristles are the best. There is also a variety of dusting powders. Purchased and priced last June, the Moores have put up an interesting display of toilet soaps. The bars and guest cakes are in all tints and an amusing variety of shapes. There are soap animals and toys for the children, spruce pine soap for men, and "string" soap for different individuals. Best of all is the real castile animal soap display for the baby. Those who are wise will make the best of this variety showing.

Old Santa has made a delivery of beautiful and practical gifts for the home at the Chetco Home and Auto Co. store. Any lady would love their trays, many-tinted and in hand-bent glass. Most pleasing are their percolators, bowl nests, and teakettles in two sizes, all in the most popular stainless steel. Any one of these pieces as a gift would thrill a Brookings homemaker.

The Christmas spirit has inspired Mildred Foltz as decorator

at the Chetco store. Among her emblems of Christmas gaiety are elaborate displays of Christmas cakes and Christmas candy. There are Christmas boxes for your display may be seen of corn in quart and gallon glasses.

There is an unusual Christmas announcement from Moore's at Brookings Market. He has a good stock of bacon and smoked meat for the days. One of the most popular services in town is the frozen foods at the market, find peas, corn, carrots, vegetables, green beans, strawberries, raspberries, pineapple and pie crust, all and frozen ready for use. So have frozen gryers, broilers roasters.

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