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OEO Center Plan Endorsed Here

At the community meeting held last Thursday night in the Memorial Building, a vote was taken and adoption of Office of Economic Opportunity neighborhood center program was approved.

John Hunter of the OEO and Community Action Council office in San Angelo met with interested citizens and answered questions. County Judge Tom Ratliff presided at the election.

The six-member committee who will serve in an advisory capacity will be Ralph Waldron, Dr. J. B. Brame, Mrs. Gloria Rodriguez, Martin Garcia, Mrs. Delia Pina, and the Rev. Toney McMillan.

They will begin to function immediately with their first task being hiring of personnel to operate the program here.

A director, clerk typist, neighborhood aide and part-time custodian will be employed to operate the facility.

A definite need was cited in Schleicher county, as there are some 175 families operating on a yearly income of less than \$3,000.

The OEO Neighborhood Center Advisory Committee met following the meeting and elected the chairman, vice-chairman, and secretary of the committee. The following officers were elected: Ralph Waldron, chairman; Martin Garcia, vice chairman; and Mrs. Domingo Pina secretary-treasurer. The first task of the committee will be to hire a director, clerk-typist, neighborhood aide, and part-time custodian to operate the facility. Applications should be obtained and returned to County Judge Tom Ratliff's office. The deadline for return of the applications is Friday, December 27, at noon.

Qualifications for applicants appear on another page of this paper.

Re-Classifications For Draft Given

The Draft Board met in Sonora Dec. 10, and the following re-classifications for this county were announced by the clerk, Frances Grobe:

George S. Ochsner	-----V-A
Patrick M. Preston	-----III-A
Newell J. Lucas	-----IV-A
Gary J. Turner	-----I-Y
Michael A. Sudduth	-----IV-A
John F. Mayo, Jr.	-----II-S
Ricky G. Buchner	-----II-S
John D. Meador	-----II-S
Gary R. Derrick	-----II-S
Walter R. Davidson, Jr.	-----II-S
Mickey R. Pennington	-----II-S
Roy M. Hawkins	-----I-S(H)
Charles A. Sallee	-----I-S(H)
James A. McGinness	-----I-S(H)

Voter Registration Is Now Under Way

The Eldorado Success and Sheriff Orval Edmiston remind everyone that voter registration for 1969 voting is now under way.

As of Tuesday morning, there had been 517 voters registered.

Remember that you will have to be registered to vote the coming year for school trustee election, hospital trustee election, city council voting, and any special bond or other elections that might be called.

Elderly voters must now be registered to vote, also.

School Turning Out Friday For Holidays

School will dismiss at 2:30 Friday afternoon for the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

Following the lunch hour that day, all the elementary grades will have their Christmas tree parties and exchange of gifts in their respective rooms.

Mid-term exams have been given at the school this week.

TO GIVE

Giving gifts and sending Christmas cards has become a part of our Christmas whether we like it or not. We should not object, because both can contribute to the spirit of the season. In the final analysis, we have ourselves to blame. We have become so involved in the commercial aspects of Christmas that we forget the spiritual aspects.

Post Script

More on the new firearms and ammunition law.

After checking around town it appears several businesses will discontinue the sale of ammunition.

Parker Foods last week boxed up all their ammunition and sent it back to the wholesalers for credit.

Hext Foods had only a small amount of .22 cartridges on hand. They were disposing of these and going out of the business.

McCormick's Grocery reported they will continue to handle BB's—and that will be all.

Glynn Edmondson has never carried ammunition at his package stores but had considered adding it as a convenience for deer hunters. Now with the new law he declares that he darn sure will not.

At Eldorado Hardware Mrs. Ernest Hill has stopped selling ammunition until she can take out a license. This old business has long been regarded as the ranchman's headquarters and they feel obligated to continue the sale of guns and ammunition as a service to their many old customers. As soon as they receive their license they will be back in business.

Western Auto store operated by Buddy White is also applying for a license.

Foxworth-Galbraith Lumber Co. has had a firearms license for years according to Manager Mace. Like others they have sold ammunition to anyone, but from now on sales will be restricted to those over 18. For years the firm has kept a record of every gun sold—serial number, etc., but they do not sell hand guns.

Mace declares that he enjoys the sporting goods business, but some other Fox-Galb. managers in nearby towns do not share his enthusiasm for it.

The law went into effect Monday. No longer can a man send his boy to town for a box of shotgun shells, or have it included on his grocery bill.

In West Texas where every boy gets a gun of his own by the time he is seven, the new law is regarded as a tolerated nuisance.

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Our Christmas Edition

Once again, the Success closes out the year with our Christmas Greeting Edition.

The crew have put in many weeks of special planning and effort and the result is a large Christmas Card for you from your friendly merchants of Eldorado. They have bought space to greet each and every one of you, our readers, and all people of the community.

You will find the Christmas theme carried throughout with special features, stories, and greeting ads, and on an inside page we take a lengthy and nostalgic look at the year 1909.

We remind our readers that we will not publish a separate paper for Dec. 26th. This Greeting Paper is a two-in-one and has the issue for next week combined with it.

The next Success issue will be printed and delivered for Thursday, January 2, 1969.

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New in Eldorado: John Copeland, with Texas Department of Public Safety, in Sam E. Jones house;

Jack Ottaberry, in Mrs. Ottaberry's rent house;

Troy Cowart, in the Westbrook house.

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Who says the Post Office isn't on the job?

A letter written by Col. Paul Davis three years ago was delivered to his sister, Lucille Jackson, just this week!

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New Babies

A daughter, Rebecca Lynn, was born Dec. 9 to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schrier. They have another girl, Joan, age 5.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bethel Jeffrey of this place, Mr. C. C. Schrier of Balmorhea, Texas, and Mrs. Anita Schrier of San Angelo. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Rach Maddox of Alpine, Mrs. J. F. Jeffrey of Eldorado, and Mrs. Fred Reese of Odessa.



The Community Choir Of Eldorado presents

"The Night The Angels Sang"

A Cantata by John Peterson

Sunday, December 22, 1968, at 7:00 p.m. in the

First Baptist Church

Mrs. Robert L. McWhorter, Director

Kathy Robinson, Accompanist

Miss Lux State Winner In Wool Sewing Contest



NANCY LUX State Winner

As a District 5 and 6 winner of the Make-It-Yourself-With-Wool Contest held in Eldorado Dec. 7, Nancy Lux, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Lux of Eldorado, journeyed to Texas Tech in Lubbock to take top honors in the Senior Division of the State Competition. Nancy competed with 18 Senior district winners from the 10 districts in the state of Texas for this honor. She modeled a blue and gold plaid coat made of 100% Stevens wool.

Miss Dana Owens, Schleicher County High School Homemaking teacher instructed Nancy during the construction of her winning garment.

Nancy's expenses were paid while attending State competition and the day was climaxed wonderfully for her when the winners were announced.

Mr. Gene Whitehead, president of the Texas Sheep and Goat Rais-

ers Association, presented Nancy with a \$300 scholarship to be applied to the college of her choice. Nancy also won the all expense paid trip to San Francisco, California, to compete in the National Finals on Jan. 16, 1969.

Nancy and the Junior Division winner, Miss Betty Pruitt from Mercedes, will be chaperoned by Mrs. W. J. Stroman, the new state director for Make-It-Yourself-With-Wool.

They will fly from San Antonio to San Francisco, leaving on Jan. 14th and returning Jan. 19th.

Both girls will compete with Junior and Senior State winners from each of the wool producing states from all over the U. S. A. The winner of the national competition will receive a fabulous all expense paid 2-week vacation trip to Europe this summer. Also college scholarships and scores of other glamorous prizes.

District 5 and 6 Make-It-Yourself-With-Wool, Schleicher Co., Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association and the State of Texas are proud to be represented at National by our own Miss Nancy Lux. Nancy is from a well-known and respected ranching family in our county and is a girl that knows and appreciates our wool industry from the birth of a baby lamb and the rancher's care of this animal to the great and wonderful product of 100% wool.

Nancy is a Senior student in the Eldorado High School, a member of "That green Band from Eagle Land," choral club, Speech club, F. H. A. She is presently serving our F. F. A. chapter with the honor of being elected their 1968-69 Sweetheart and was recently elected Miss Eldorado High School. She plans to attend Texas Tech next fall and major in Home Economics.

Our district is also proud to report that our adult winner, Mrs. Karl'on Kothmann of Mason was also the adult State winner. She was recipient of a beautiful mutton stole. Adult competition does not continue beyond State finals.

Legion Christmas Party Set For This Thursday Evening At 5:00

Santa Claus and local Legionnaires are all set to distribute bags of candy to hundreds of local children at the annual Christmas Party which is set for Thursday of this week starting at 5:00 o'clock at the Memorial Building.

This party is staged each year by the Bev McCormick Post of The American Legion. R. V. Sheppard, post commander, reports that arrangements for the event are complete and the usual capacity crowd of children and parents is expected.

The program will consist of several Christmas selections rendered by Mrs. Stigler's elementary choral students. This program will be presented in the main room of the Memorial Building.

After the program, the Legionnaires and Santa Claus will distribute the bags of candy to children. Those invited are young children through the first six grades of school.

Always a highlight of the Christmas season, this party is well received each year by the county.

The party was financed by the Legion post's sponsorship of the Basketball Schedule placard earlier in the Fall.

Christmas Day And Following Day To Be General Holidays

Most Eldorado business firms are planning to be closed on Christmas Day, Dec. 25th, and the following day, Thursday the 26th.

The Court House and City Hall will close Dec. 25 through 27, so if you have any immediate business to take care of at those places, see to it before next Wednesday.

Plan your shopping in local stores with the holidays in mind.

New Year's Day—Wednesday, Jan. 1st—will also be a general holiday.

Highway Patrolman Stationed Here

John Copeland, patrolman with the Texas Department of Public Safety, is being assigned here.

He and his wife and three children have rented the Sam E. Jones house on Lee Street and were expected to move in this week.

Angelo Firm Awarded Contract For Road Job

Austin, Texas.—A contract for highway construction in the San Angelo district has been awarded by the Texas Highway Commission.

The work will be under the supervision of District Engineer J. A. Snell, and will be in Schleicher county.

F. A. Seidel and Sons of San Angelo was awarded a contract for grading, structures, base and surfacing on 7 miles of Ranch to Market Road 33. Low bid was \$356,732.72.

The project extends from 12.5 miles west of Eldorado, westward 7 miles, Robert H. McCulloch of Sonora is the Highway Department engineer in charge of the project which will take an estimated 130 working days.

S. S. MAN COMING FRIDAY

Jules Gipson, Field Representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his December visit to Eldorado. He will be at the County Courthouse on Friday, December 20 from 10:00 am. to 11:30 am. Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Whitten expect their son, Buff, in this week from California where he has been taking Naval training.

Nearly Finished, But Not Quite

No activity at Mikeska Gin about noon Tuesday except that George and Wayne Mikeska were doing book work at the office and making out reports.

The season's bale total was 2736 at that time with perhaps two more bales expected. This year the season will close before Christmas.

Final Pre-Holiday Lions Meeting Held

The Eldorado Lions Club held their meeting at noon Wednesday of this week with Boss Lion C. T. Humphries presiding.

The club will not meet on Dec. 25 or Jan. 1, which are holidays, and the next club meeting will be held on the 3th of January.

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT

Due to circumstances beyond our control the Schleicher County Historical Survey Committee will not meet this coming Friday night.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all members.—Rep.

Cardboard 10c & 20c. Success

Highlights Of The Holiday Season



THE SANTA CLAUS PARADE staged recently by the local Chamber of Commerce was climaxed with crowning of Miss Merry Christmas of 1968, with that honor going to Elaine Dempsey. She is shown here with Raymon Mobley, C of C president.



JAMES LARRY DAVIS is shown at the recent football banquet with his awards for Most Valuable Player and the E-Club Award.

As This Year 1968 Draws To A Close:

As the year of 1968 is rapidly drawing to a close, here were some of the news highlights.

A Junior Chamber of Commerce, or Jaycees, was organized and immediately started to work on projects. The local Chamber of Commerce continued to work and staged a "Speak Out" session at which community needs were aired.

Ted Short succeeded John Murr as local telephone man, Sam and Gladys Sanders bought Lee's drive-in and took over operation of the establishment.

Penfield Barker bought controlling interest in El Dorado Woolen Mills and moved here from Brownwood to assume management. Other developments in the business district included Don McCormick retiring as manager of the Southwest Texas Electric Co-Op and Elton McGinnes was elected as his successor.

The historical society continued their active program and preserving and marking historical events and sites, and placed new markers for C. C. Doty and the site of Verand.

The world's fair, HemisFair, had a six-month run in San Antonio from April to October and many local people attended. The Eagle Band performed there near the close of the event.

The Eagle Band won Sweepstakes, made a trip to Dallas to march in the parade at the Lions International Convention, and got new uniforms. A fund drive to raise \$5,000 was put on for the uniforms and was oversubscribed.

Sherwood Barker succeeded Ray Morgan as head coach of the Eldorado Eagles football team.

Governor John Connally, who did not seek re-election, made a visit here in the summer with an entourage of dignitaries who were on a Forts Trail tour. He returned recently to select drapery material from El Dorado Woolen Mills.

George McLaughlin won \$1,000 in the Enco contest. Raymon Mobley completed his new Enco service station and put it into operation.

The Success published a paper on Leap Year Day—Thursday, February 29th—something that won't happen again until 1996.

Alan Masloff moved here as new game warden, the Public Housing units were completed and occupied, and the Methodist church had an extensive remodeling program.

It was a political year, with no major upsets locally, but the Republicans won nationally and Richard Nixon is about to succeed Texan Lyndon Johnson as the new

President. Locally, Sheriff Orval Edmiston and Commissioners Weatherly Kinser and Joe Christian were re-elected. Pete Snelson defeated veteran State Senator Dorsey Harde-man, and O. C. Fisher remained Congressman.

Contract was let and work got under way on the new medical center, consisting of hospital and convalescent wing. Dr. Brame moved here and started his local practice. Some of the hospital staff are being lined up, and Lillian Kroeger has just moved here to assume duties as administrator.

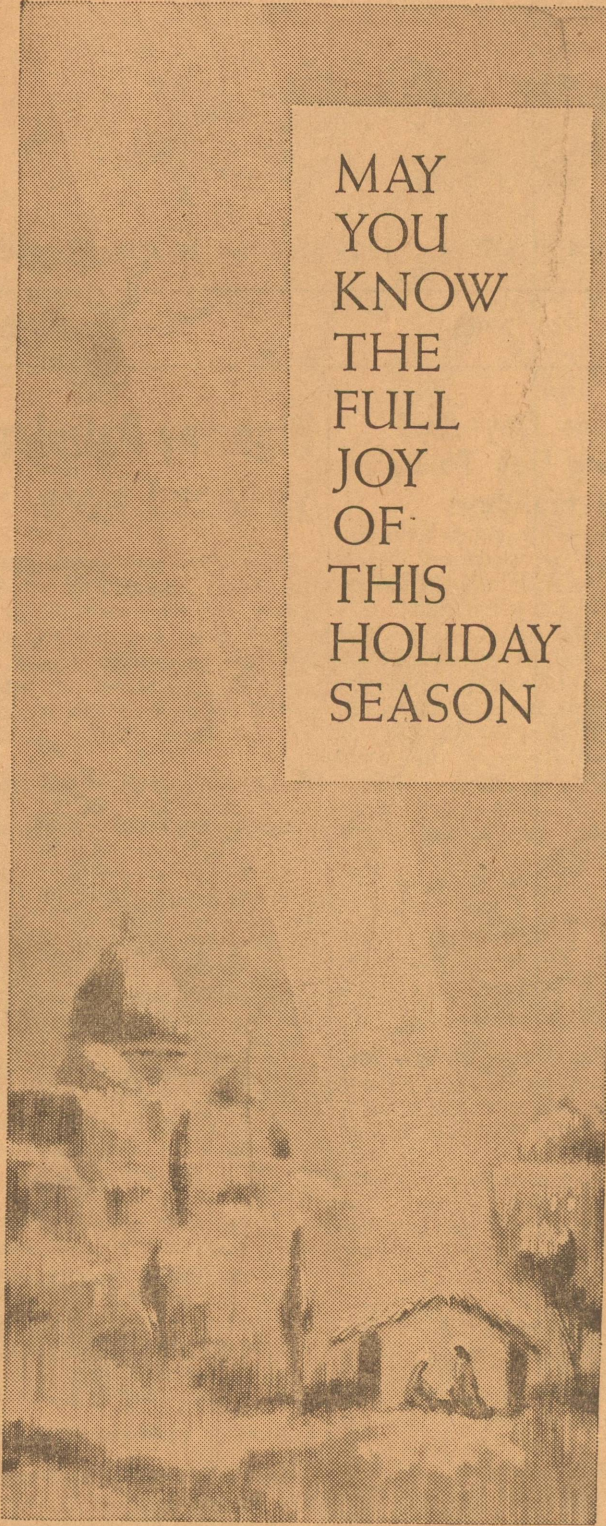
We lost a number of long-time residents by death, including Frank Van Horn, Mrs. Sam McGinnes, W. R. McCravey, Mr. and Mrs. Will Isaacs, Mrs. Lou Hazelwood, Granny Mund, Ernest Hill, P. K. McIntosh, Mrs. Grace O'Harrow, Mrs. Frances Mund, Bob McKee, Edwin Childers,

L. Kent, Mrs. Jerry Clay Burleson, Mrs. Ora Davis, E. T. Davis, Mrs. Kenneth Cheek, and John Stigler. Celebrities who passed on included Edna Ferber, whose novels of the American scene have been read for the past two generations; Harold Grae, creator of the "Little Orphan Annie" comic strip; Helen Keller, famed for her life-long struggle over the handicaps of being blind and deaf since the age of 19 months.

Also, there were the assassinations of Dr. Martin Luther King, famed for his civil rights work, and Senator Robert Kennedy who was struck down as he was campaigning for the Democratic nomination for President.

All saw 1968 come in, but failed to see the year out. (Note: The Success will publish a more extensive year's review early in January.)

MAY YOU KNOW THE FULL JOY OF THIS HOLIDAY SEASON



MIKESKA GIN

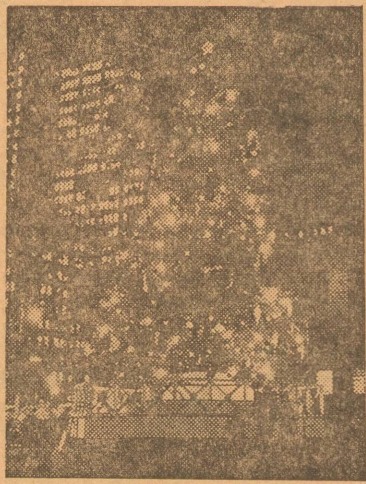
Your Business Appreciated

Christmas Question

For some reason, most of us have come to look upon the first day of the year as the ideal time for examination of conscience and for the setting up of a new set of ideals. Would not Christmas be a much better time? What better time than Christmas for all of us to ask this question of ourselves: "What am I contributing to my fellow man; to Christianity; and to the world in which I live?"

Mighty Mistletoe

Perhaps the reason that most young ladies do not object too strongly to paying the penalty for standing beneath the mistletoe stems from an ancient superstition—that the maiden who was not kissed at least one time beneath the mistletoe at Christmas would not be married in the following year. In olden times, a berry was plucked from the mistletoe with each kiss.



ATTRACTION . . . There's something about a Christmas tree, burning brightly in the night, that warms the heart, no matter how chilly the weather may be. Reflected against a background of city lights, this tree is a colorful reminder of the significance of this great holiday season.



That prized holly tree you have been nursing for years can probably stand heavier cuttings for holiday gifts than most home owners realize, horticulturists report.

Tests show that English holly especially can be cut rather severely over a period of years without reducing total yield or damaging the tree. Appearance of the tree, rather than possible damage, can pretty well dictate the extent of pruning.

In addition to cutting holly for gifts, the home owner may often be approached by professional holly cutters wishing to buy holly.

Properly done, this pruning can serve to improve the shape and maintain the size of the tree.

Owners should be cautioned, however, to be sure the cutters are professionals.



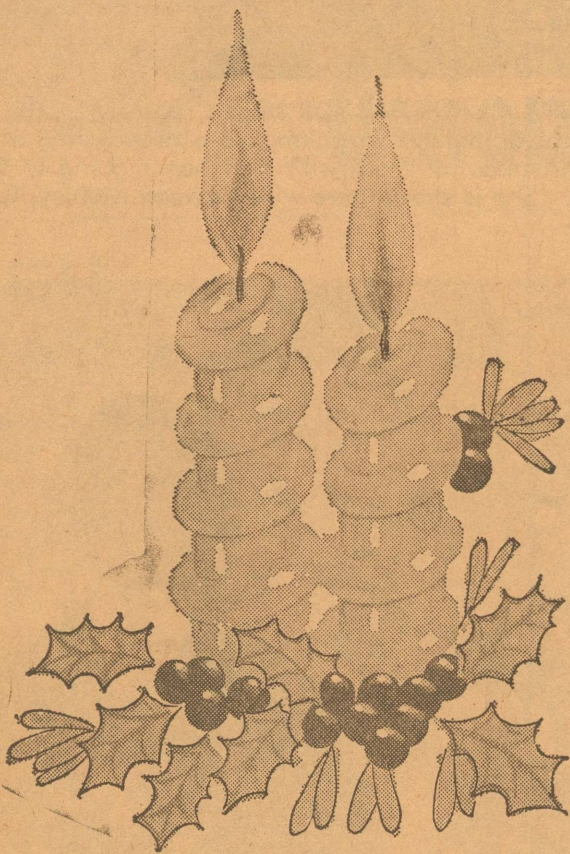
It is Christmas Let us humbly rejoice

Foxworth-Galbraith Lumber Company

Eldorado, Texas

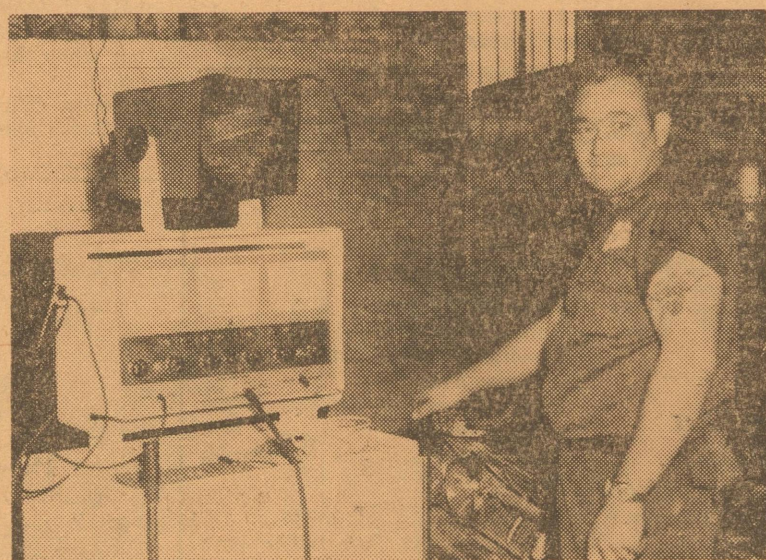
Greetings

"Thanks" to you whose friendliness and courtesies have made pleasant the year just ending. May the good cheer and fellowship of this Holiday Time remain with you throughout each day of a prosperous and happy year.



Meador-Peters Agency

Ed Pete Billie



WHY BE JUST HALF SURE YOUR CAR IS IN TOP-SHAPE FOR THAT CHRISTMAS VACATION TRIP?

Let Me Check It Out On My Allen-tronic Elect. System Tester

This eliminates guess-work, and spots small troubles before they become big ones.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL! Closed Xmas Day & New Year's

ENGDAHL GARAGE

On South Main

S. C. Engdahl

'Way Back In 1909

Memory, not clothes, make the man.

Memories mold us to what we are. Take away a man's memories and you take away his character, in fact his very identity. He becomes a vegetable without any individuality.

Memory gives man his sense of continuity, and makes him feel a kinship to eternity, and a neighbor to immortality.

You've had quite a feast yourself at life's banquet if you can look back nearly six decades and remember the year 1909.

That was the year William Howard Taft was inaugurated President, succeeding Teddy Roosevelt in the White House, and the Panama Canal was being built.

Here in Schleicher county, we had the magnificent total of about nine motorcars registered, promoters were trying to get a railroad here, the stagecoach and freight wagons were in operation, and the town of Eldorado was about a decade old.

Thus the background of the year we are spotlighting this year for reminiscence . . .

January, 1909—The Success started the new year by promoting a new school building, a railroad, and a better highway.

An ad from the Eldorado State Bank listed capital stock of \$15,000 and surplus of \$3,000. Officers were Robert Bailey, president; W. L. Aldwell, vice president; Wade V. Barbee, cashier; and directors were Robert Bailey, W. L. Aldwell, E. M. Barbee, R. F. Halbert, and L. J. Wardlaw.

Payne Robinson returned to Baylor at Waco after spending the holidays here with his mother.

Among those at a social at the Wylie Brooks ranch were: Misses Maudie Hext, Ima Bearce, Claudie Anderson, and Mrs. Angie McCormick. Also Van McCormick, Ruby Davis, Currie Brooks, and George Anderson.

A baby boy was born Jan. 13 to Mr. and Mrs. John Fletcher.

Officers of the First National Bank were: M. B. McKnight, president; Wm. Bevans, vice president; J. B. Christian, cashier; C. C. Doty, bookkeeper; and Wm. Murphy, Sol Mayer, and J. F. Isaacs, directors.

A cemetery association was formed with Mrs. W. M. Whitfield, president; Mrs. A. T. Wright, vice president; Mrs. G. L. Lewis, secretary; and Mrs. DeLong and Mrs. Dismukes, soliciting committee.

Alma McCartney and F. H. (Pomp) Watson were married.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Whitten on Jan. 21, a fine baby boy.

February, 1909—On the 1st, a 10-lb. girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Farrington.

John White has almost completed the front of the B. E. Earle drug store and the building shows up fine and is a credit to the town.

Effie Spears became the bride of Claude Riley in a ceremony at which Judge J. A. Whitten officiated.

Born, on Feb. 5, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bruton.

Claude Meador left for Dallas where he attends Metropolitan college.

John Griffin and Quilla Evans made a business trip to San Angelo.

While E. P. Sweatt was driving near the H. Mills ranch, his team became frightened and ran off with the buggy. The buggy turned over and was badly torn up, but Mr. Sweatt managed to keep the team from getting away and borrowed a hack from Mr. Mills to bring the remains of the buggy to town.

Allen Palmer was promoting the idea of a fireproof court house for Schleicher county.

On the 28th of February, a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Spencer.

Tax Assessor W. H. Finley began to assess the people for the new year.

March, 1909—An Eldorado Trades Display was coming up at the WOW and K of P hall for benefit of WOW Circle, Grove No. 802. Representatives of the various businesses included: Misses Lizzie McCartney, May McCormick, Lottie Hill, Cora Ellis, Maud Cozzens, Lillie Berry, Isabel Benson, Olga Benton, Bertha Holland, Nellie Earle, Ima Bearce, Dollie Murphy, Gladys Patton, Cecile Elder, Vashti Foley, Sybil Bennett, Cora Tisdale, Odessa Swift, Fannie Johnson, LaVetta Christian, Gladys McKnight, Ruth Jones, Ida Conner, Claudie Anderson, Bertha Williams, Maudie Lohmann, Lillie Enochs, Susie Williams, Imogene Moore, Dora Frazier.

Representing Mrs. J. B. Smith's music class were Ruby DeLong, Ellen Tisdale and Emma Hill, and from Mrs. Moore's class were Ruby Patton and Annie Doty.

Others working on the Trades Display event were Sybil Jones, May Williams, Mrs. G. L. Lewis, Mrs. Dave DeLong, and Mrs. Ota Smith.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gattis on March 10, a daughter. The

Gattis lives about 17 miles north-east of town.

Evans St. John, Arthur Goodson, and H. C. Bullion attended an entertainment Saturday night in Christoval.

W. A. Spencer, Tom Green and Alford Stevens were here on business.

Sam Nicks, Jr., has taken charge of the livery stable he recently purchased from P. I. Elder.

April, 1909—A crowd of young folks composed of Misses Fannie Johnson, Johnnie Alexander, Olga Benton, Lottie Hill, May McCormick, Lillie Berry, Dollie Murphy, and Allis Poole, and Messrs. John and Orval Conner, Herman West, and Steve Wright all went to the Honig ranch for a picnic.

Success advertisers included S. H. Andrews, carriage shop; Arthur Goodson, tailor; Tom Holland, windmill work; Nicks Bros., livery and feed stable; T. L. Benson Co., dry goods; J. N. White, carpenter; Henry Bullion barber; W. M. Bearce, hardware and groceries; B. E. Earle, druggist; W. L. McWhorter, general merchandise; and the Eldorado State Bank and the First National Bank.

Miss Feta Palmer was working in the office of Silliman, Campbell and Evans as stenographer.

Susie Bailey became the bride of Oscar Gibson, with Justice Bates officiating at the ceremony.

The San Angelo to Sonora stage line was sold to "Dutch" Wardlaw and J. S. Allison, by Clarendon and Robbins.

Alma Luckey became the bride of Howard Johnson in a home ceremony.

A son was born April 17 to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Gay. A daughter was born the 19th to Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Putman.

Tom Sims, one of the oldest settlers on the South Concho, was here on business. He was accompanied by T. Z. Williams, a prosperous farmer near Christoval.

John White has completed a new house for Alvis Beavers and Frank Bissett is painting it.

May, 1909—Mrs. G. C. Crosby and Miss Lena Whitfield were in from Mayer attending the Eldorado Grove.

G. S. Dabney and wife, father and mother of our prominent ranchman, Brice Dabney, came in on the auto Saturday and are now visiting on the Dabney ranch.

G. A. Neill and Earle Cozzens bought the city meat market from J. L. Mackin.

On May 10th, a 10-lb. daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Bates, Jr.

J. F. Nixon was in from the Bevans headquarters ranch near Fort McKavett, attending to business.

A daughter was born May 12 to Mr. and Mrs. Bert Page.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Barbee, Mr. and Mrs. Ota Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Beavers and family left for a fishing trip at a point 35 miles below Juno.

Little Dora Anderson who has been confined to her bed for two weeks with pneumonia, is much improved. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Anderson.

Born: sons to Mr. and Mrs. John Earnest and Mr. and Mrs. Will Luedicke, and a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Mack Phillips.

Those who attended the W.O.W. unveiling in Christoval from here were: Van McCormick, Frank Bissett, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Wright, H. C. Bullion, Sam Nicks Jr., Oliver Bailey, J. B. Smith, Willis Keeton, Orville Cowsert, and Joe Patton.

June, 1909—Leaving for Memphis, Tenn., were Allen Palmer, Dr. C. H. Murphy, P. H. and Don McCormick, and Misses May McCormick and Estelle Elder.

Mrs. C. C. Doty and daughter Annie spent the first of the week visiting Mrs. D. E. DeLong on the ranch.

Included on the school closing program were Rev. W. R. Chandler, Gladie McKnight, Agnes West, Stoke Williams, Houston Smith, Johnnie Isaacs, Ernest Ford, Emma Hill, Isabel Benson, Dollie Murphy, Essa Alexander, Bertha West, Ida Conner, Sybil Bennett, Joab Campbell and M. B. McKnight.

Miss Dee Shepperd became the bride of Frank Chapple with Rev. Walker of the Baptist church officiating.

Bert St. John of Centerville is visiting his brother Evans St. John and his uncle, B. E. Earle.

G. M. Brown left for the Fayette Murreh ranch in Crockett county to do some surveying.

E. M. and W. W. Barbee returned from San Angelo where they delivered the 500 steers sold to A. Z. Wallas.

Local Baptists called Rev. T. W. Boynton to fill the pastoral vacancy caused by resignation of Rev. P. D. Swift.

C. C. Doty presided at a community meeting at which plans for a July 4th celebration were made.

On June 13th, a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Guess.

July, 1909—A \$20,000 bond election for new school building was coming up.

Mrs. J. B. Christian and daughter, Miss LaVeta, returned from a few weeks' visit to Round Rock where they were guests of Mr. J. D. Robertson, father of Mrs. Christian.

Funeral services were held for Mrs. J. E. Jones.

On petit jury were J. H. Lohmann, T. G. Chaney, V. G. Tisdale, J. Riley, D. W. Berry, Frank Douglass, J. S. Humphrey, A. A. Williamson, J. T. Clements, Brice Dabney, Jack Wooten, and S. H. Hill.

While loading cattle on cars at Red Rock, Okla., W. B. Silliman was kicked on the knee and sustained a broken knee-cap.

Prof. C. A. Womack was employed as teacher of the Bailey Ranch school.

The school bonds were approved by a vote of 77-0. P. A. Williams of San Angelo was contractor submitting low bid of \$16,800 for building the new red brick structure.

Mrs. E. M. Barbee's funeral was held.

A son was born July 18 to Mr. and Mrs. Alford Freeman.

J. E. Conner returned home after attending the Normal school at Denton.

Mike Nicks had his face skinned while trying to ride a bucking horse on Main street.

Born: sons to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Douglass and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bramblett, and a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Maulding.

August, 1909—Fred Millard and two sons were in from the ranch Saturday. While here Mr. Millard rented a house and will move his family here before the opening of school.

T. L. Benson left for the eastern market to buy his fall and winter goods for his dry goods store.

School was to open Sept. 6 with J. B. Smith as principal and J. F. Conner, May McCormick, Fannie Johnson and Florence Womack as teachers.

Saturday evening a crowd of Eldorado Masons went to Sonora for a meeting, but owing to several break-downs they never reached Sonora in time for the lodge, but enjoyed a supper at the hotel. The crowd was composed of Judge J. A. Whitten, C. A. Spencer, W. C. Benton, J. M. Peden, W. M. Hollnrad, Roy Whitfield, and C. C. West and son.

W. W. Barbee, cashier of State Bank, bought an auto this week. The car is a small one and is a perfect beauty. It is a two-passenger Maxwell, said to be the best that is made. This is the ninth car to be registered in the county.

Wright & Foley advertised: "We have our market screened in now so that the flies cannot bother our meat and we ask a liberal patronage from the people."

F. C. Bates Jr. bought from Irve Ellis of Menard about 2,000 head of sheep for Thomson & Bates.

On August 22, a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. McClain.

September, 1909—M. B. McKnight, president of the board of trustees of the Eldorado Independent school district, made a trip to Austin on behalf of the school board.

Carpenter John White went to San Angelo to purchase lumber for the erection of five houses for Dr. C. H. Murphy to be built in Eldorado.

G. W. Anderson died at age of 85.

W. M. Bearce and daughter Miss Irby returned from San Angelo where they had been on business.

A 10-lb. girl was born on Sept. 4th to Mr. and Mrs. Brice Dabney.

Schleicher county was turning to farming operations. Facts brought out in a feature story included fact that last year the county produced 652 bales of cotton, the county property tax valuation was \$3 million, Eldorado was the county seat and thriving town of 800, or about half the county's total population, and that a \$20,000 school building was going up.

"Morgan Jones To Build To Eldorado" was headline in the Success about a railroad promoter. (He didn't.)

Beavers & Sweatt sold for J. P. Sewell and Sol Mayer 4080 acres of land at \$4.25 per acre to Dr. Hoover of Pontotoc. This ranch lies about 20 miles southwest of Eldorado and is a very desirable piece of property.

On an Epworth League program were Joab Campbell, May McCormick and Eleanor Peden.

October, 1909—Claud Lohmann, an Eldorado boy, was reported playing a good game of ball in San Francisco after serving in the Army in the Philippines.

W. E. Selman of Rudd brought in the first bale of cotton.

A Santa Fe rail line from Brady west to Eldorado was being promoted. (It never got here, either.)

Wright & Foley are erecting a new building between the livery stable and the Beavers & Sweatt land office. The meat market will be moved there as soon as completed.

T. L. Benson Co. rented the lower store of the W.O.W. and K. of P. hall.

Twins, a boy and a girl, were born to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Baker of the Elder Ranch neighborhood. The boy did not live and was buried in the Eldorado cemetery.

On Oct. 7 a boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Will Montgomery of the Rudd neighborhood.

E. M. Dabney of Granbury was visiting his nephew, Brice Dabney.

J. D. Ramsey sold his 640-acre stock farm eight miles west of town to T. K. Womack for \$4,250 bonus.

Miss Ruth Parks became the bride of T. F. Green with Rev. Boynton officiating.

J. A. Canterbury announced plans to open a saddle and repair shop here.

November, 1909—At a mass meeting over \$80,000 worth of Orient bonds were subscribed for getting a railroad here. "Eldorado Wants and Will Have the Orient Railway by July, 1911" said the headline. (But it would be two more decades before our town was finally served by Santa Fe.)

Mack Phillips was in from the Bearce ranch buying supplies.

B. G. Hill and R. W. Rodgers, two of Christoval's nimrods, passed through on their way home from the Beaver Lake country.

Tom Johnson's new residence was nearing completion.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Spencer and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Stevens visited old friends at Harper.

On Nov. 12, a 12-pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cozzens.

A. O. Beavers bought the E. M. Barbee residence for \$2,000.

R. M. Murray was planning to open a new barber shop.

Fred Millard bought a lot from C. C. West on which to erect a new house.

M. B. McKnight, president of the First National Bank since its organization, resigned and W. B. Silliman was elected as his successor.

December, 1909—Santa Claus was to make his annual visit here, with the T. L. Benson Co. as his headquarters.

The First National Bank listed capital and undivided profits as \$36,767.71.

Silliman, Campbell, & Evans sold the old Murchison ranch to Mr. Willoughby of Brady. The 16 sections brought about \$80,000.

V. G. Tisdale and J. A. Whitten received their new 30-horsepower 4-cylinder Studebaker autos. The cars are beauties, run smoothly, and cost the near sum of \$1425.

A. T. Wright, Pomp Watson, A. C. Lohmann, and John White were elected officers of the IOOF Lodge.

On Dec. 9, Miss Lizzie Smith became the bride of John Luedicke.

On a BYPU program were Ima Bearce, Jettie Whitten, and Joab Campbell.

Funeral services were held for Mrs. S. H. Andrews.

Miss Bertha West returned from Austin where she had been attending school.

Miss Essa Alexander came in from Brownwood to spend the holidays with her parents. She was met in San Angelo by her father and sister, Miss Johnnie.

On the 20th of December, a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Watson.

Judge Whitten officiated as Miss Bessie Alexander became the bride of Ruby Perry.



Best Wishes for Happy Holidays
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR
FROM
**YOUR SHERIFF,
TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR**
Orval — Charlene — Jack — Fenna — Dorothy

We Are Now Giving S&H Green Stamps
On Cash Sales and Accounts Paid By 10th
Your Continued Patronage Appreciated
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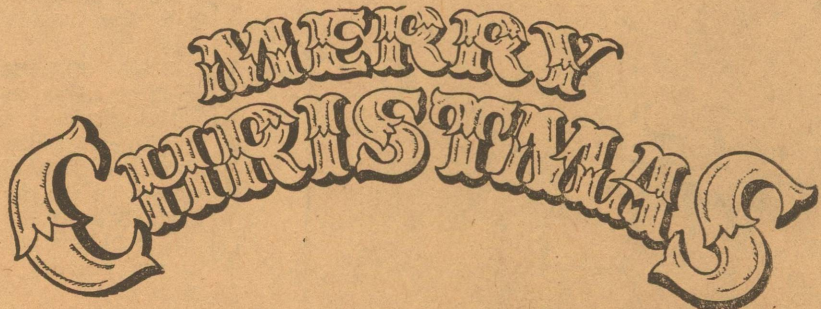
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To our many friends and customers, we take the opportunity of this holiday season to say, "Thank You" and wish for you and yours the Joy of Christmas, today and every day throughout the New Year

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IN
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6-ply stock, size 22x28 in.
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We would like to use this way of trying to say thank you to so many people for all the many things that have been done for us during the past year — especially the past few weeks.

Your generosity has been overwhelming! The response to our sale has been tremendous.

We wish for each of you a Happy Christmas and May God bless each of you.

**Mrs. John Stigler, Eva, Jerry
Johnny and Linda**

Redlands, Cal.—Monday, March 18, 1968, began as an ordinary day for Elizabeth Lurene Ernstein when she left home for classes at Moore Junior High School in Redlands, California. But this Monday on the 18th of March was not to be an ordinary day.

Elizabeth's school day passed without incident. She attended her last class, then left school at 4:30 to walk home, a two-mile route through blossoming orange groves. She never arrived home. Somewhere along the lonely street, Elizabeth Ernstein vanished.

There are no clues to her whereabouts, or even to what happened to the 14-year-old girl, other than a report from a Redlands businessman who was driving through the area. He thought he saw a girl resembling Elizabeth walking toward the corner of the street on which she lived.

To her parents, Norman and Ruth Ernstein, the months of uncertainty and anxiety over their missing daughter "are the deepest anguish a person can go through. It is a shock so deep you become wooden," the mother explained.

The Ernsteins are appealing nationwide for help in locating their daughter. Ernstein, a chemical engineer at Lockheed in Redlands, and his wife, a psychiatric social worker, have posted a \$5,000 reward for information that will solve the mystery of their daughter's disappearance. They have vowed, "We will not rest until we know."

Neither parent has rested since that first long night when their young daughter failed to come home. They have tracked miles through orange groves, fields, foothills, and canyons in and around the Redlands area. They have followed every lead, no matter how slight, in the search for Elizabeth. "I can face the daytime better

Missing California Girl Is Object Of Search



LIZ ERNSTEIN

than the night," the distraught mother said. "At night I find myself saying, 'Is she safe? Is she warm? Is she fed? and finally . . . is she alive?'"

When Elizabeth, nicknamed Liz by her friends, left for school that March morning, she had only 25¢ with her. She was dressed in a blue dress with white flowers, tennis shoes and a dark-olive corduroy coat. Around her neck she wore a small gold chain with a pendant gold and blue star. En route home, she carried a red algebra book and a blue looseleaf notebook. Neither has been found.

Elizabeth is five feet, five-inches tall, weighs 105 pounds and had brown hair and brown eyes. She is one of five Ernstein children. The family lost one of these, a son, to polio in 1952.

"This, the second tragedy in our lives, is even greater because of the uncertainty," the desperate fa-

ther said in his appeal to end the nightmare. "I can accept anything, even the worst, which I'm resigned to, but I must know."

Any information concerning young Liz Ernstein should be reported promptly to Capt. Charles Callahan, San Bernardino County Sheriff's Office, San Bernardino, California, phone (714) 889-0111.

PAR-TEE

Christmas came early this year. Zelia Baker gave the golf club a refrigerator and Nathan's Jewelers a wall clock. We say THANK YOU to these two very generous Santas.

We had about 40 persons to attend the covered dish supper at the Golf House this past Saturday night. We had lots of good food—an excellent film—and good conversation. We express our appreciation to the Social Committee (who are Gladys, Agnes and Dale) for this enjoyable entertainment.

A belated HAPPY BIRTHDAY wish is extended to Mary Waldron (Dec. 15) Dot Ratliff (Dec. 15) and Mark Calk (Dec. 16).

I hate to say this, but "they" say "Tell It Like It Is." Rose Doyle beat me on the first six holes last Tuesday. I know if I don't put this in the news Vernon Rogers will never let me hear the end of it. Come to think of it I wonder how Vernon found out about this. Rose said she wouldn't tell a soul, and you know I didn't. Must have been Morris Whitten since he was the one playing with us that day.

I must get word to Burro that the supply of Alka-Seltzer is gone! But MAYBE the steps are finished by now. Haven't checked since Saturday.

Duplicate Bridge is this Thursday night—Dec. 19 at 7:00 p.m. Be sure to make your plans to come.

The Mixed Team Play is scheduled for Sunday, December 29th. We play on the last Sunday of the month so you might circle the date on your calendar right now.

Eldon Calk brought his movie camera out this Tuesday and got some pictures in motion of the girls playing golf. I doubt that we will have a "public" showing of this film. In fact the husbands may not even get in on the sneak preview.

Just a few more shopping days until Christmas. In the confusion don't forget to SHOP IN ELDORADO first! Our merchants have a good selection of gifts so let's all TRADE AT HOME this year. . . Happiness is the smell of Christmas Cooking!

In Those Days

Compiled From Success Files

ONE YEAR AGO
Dec. 21, 1967—"Rural Areas Temporarily Paralyzed By Ice Storm" was headline. Phone and power lines were down out in the county and would not be fixed for many weeks.

Sherry Yates was Miss EHS and Buff Whitten was Most Popular Boy as the High School Christmas party was held.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Joyce were called to East Texas to the funeral of her sister, Elizabeth Cobb.

FIVE YEARS AGO
Dec. 19, 1963—The American Legion annual Christmas party for county school children was set; Billy Frank Blaylock was commander of the post.

Carl A. Stevens died at the age of 47.

C. J. Hahn presided at the final pre-holiday meeting of the Lions Club.

Sidney Maxfield retired Dec. 1 from Sinclair and moved to Henderson.

Mrs. L. T. Wilson left for California to spend the holidays.

The Wackiest Ship In The Army, Flipper, Savage Sam, Just For Fun, and Donovan's Reef were movies set for the holidays by the Eagle Drive-In.

A daughter was born in the Sonora hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Dean Day.

Leslie Baker was elected new president of the First National Bank, succeeding the late Ed Hill.

12 YEARS AGO
Dec. 20, 1956—A. P. Fambrough and family were moved here from Lamesa to be new Chevrolet dealer. His building on the Angelo highway was nearing completion.

L. D. Ochsner, Santa Fe agent, reported that business over the line had picked up considerably since the Huldale gasoline plant began operations.

D. C. Greer, State Highway Engineer, reported that \$18,000 was slated for improvements to Schleicher county roads in the coming year of 1957.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Gausemeier of San Angelo. Little Santos Pina, Jr., age 5½,

visited here from Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation to spend the Christmas period with relatives.

35 YEARS AGO

Dec. 22, 1933—Forrest Alexander, local agent for Southwestern Life Insurance Co., attended the state meeting in Dallas.

A daughter was born Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Wood.

Jolly Sample was operated on for appendicitis at the Pennington Sanitarium. Jolly was son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Sample who operated Sample Dairy.

Patsy Ballew was honored with a birthday party given by her mother, Mrs. Lewis Ballew, at the home of her aunt Mrs. Van Mc-

Cormick. Four candles were on the cake. Those present included Hal and Jo Chan Whitten, Mary Rebecca Muller, Howard Parker, David Williams, Ora and Bert Ballew, Luke Thompson Jr., Worth Lawhon, Donna Mae Mullett, Bobby Barber, Beatrice Wright, and Gardner McCormick.

Judge C. L. South of Coleman was here shaking hands with friends. He was candidate for Congress.

W. I. Marshall was in the city Wednesday buying fruits and nuts and candy for the Christmas program at the Reynolds school house.

He was accompanied by Ray Brunt, one of his school students. Christmas greeting ads were run

from: City Drug Store, Lone Star Theatre, Leaman's Dept. Store, The Ratliff Store, Humphrey Hardware Store; O. E. Conner, sheriff; W. N. Ross, say, Clerk; Cash Service Station, J. N. Davis; West Texas Cafe; Don McCormick, tax assessor; F. M. Bradley, county judge; Jones Motor Co., John R. Jones & Ray Jones; City Barber Shop, W. C. Doyle, H. T. Finley, L. Stockton; Gulf Service Station, Ira Wood & Bill Sweet; Sample Dairy; Eldo Beauty Shop, Mrs. Tom Kent; The Recreation Club, J. C. Crosby & Leslie Galbreath, and the Eldorado Auto Laundry.

While returning by car from Ft. Worth, Aubrey Baugh ran into the J. A. Parson car near Ballinger.

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To All Our Friends:
**MERRY CHRISTMAS!
HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

Just as year by year this season
Grows more precious, so do friends
As we come to greet each other
When another old year ends.

Mrs. L. M. Hoover Mary Hoover
and Miss John Alexander

**CHRISTMAS
MAY ITS HAPPINESS
CONTINUE THROUGH
THE NEW YEAR**

JERRY'S T-V SERVICE
PHONE 853-2314 — ELDORADO

As Christmas approaches . . .

. . . all of us see many changes in this world of ours. But the relationship with the people we serve remains unchanged . . . for we can progress only as we earn your friendship. The Christmas season, dedicated to good-will among men, is an appropriate time for us to voice our thanks, and to tell you how much we have enjoyed serving you. All of us here at General Telephone wish all of you and yours a very

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Calling long distance to express a very personal Holiday Greeting?

Wonderful idea, to say "Merry Christmas" and a "Happy New Year" via long distance. More and more people are doing so, now that long distance costs so little. To insure your calls going through promptly, make them BEFORE the Holiday, for your friends or relatives will welcome your voice any time at all. So call early — BEFORE the Holiday!

GENERAL TELEPHONE



THE TOP PACKAGE STORE

Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Edmondson
and Employees

Reynolds H. D. Meets For Christmas Party

Friday, Dec. 13, 1968 at 2:00 p.m. was the date for the Reynolds Home Demonstration Club to meet for the Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Bascom Hartgraves.

Mrs. Lawrence Moore, Mrs. Henry Moore, Mrs. Leonard Lloyd, Mrs. Bascom Hartgraves, Mrs. Jack Wade, Mrs. Cecil Williams, Mrs. J. Tom Williams, Mrs. Jack Reynolds, Mrs. H. A. Belk, Mrs. Arden Poole were the regular members present, also Mrs. Vida Kreklow, our county agent, and Mrs. Earl Lloyd, Master Jimmie Lloyd and Mrs. Perry Mittel attended as guests.

After a short and informal meeting, games were held and then we exchanged gifts by the Christmas tree.

Our hostess Mrs. Hartgraves served refreshments, hot coffee and spiced tea with a buffet of various confections, and we all enjoyed our afternoon visit in the Hartgraves' lovely new home, decorated in the traditional Christmas style.

As club reporter, I want to take this opportunity to act as spokesman and to wish for all a delightful and prosperous holiday from the members of the Reynolds H. D. Club. —Mrs. Arden Poole, rep.

Doyle-Keefe Wedding Held In San Angelo

Miss Kathy Doyle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Doyle of San Angelo, and PFC Donald Roy Keefe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Keefe of Monahans, were married Saturday night, Dec. 14, in Assembly of God church in San Angelo, by the Rev. Cecil Vaughn.

Music was played by Mrs. Vaughn. Solo singing was by Gailyn Kinsey.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Ray Doyle.

Best man was Billy Ray Doyle. Bridesmaid was Miss Joyce Doyle.

The reception was in the home of the bride's parents.

The three tiered wedding cake was served by Mrs. Jerry Doyle.

Mrs. Ruby Damron was at the coffee service.

Mrs. Bessie Doyle registered guests.

The young couple will leave soon to go to Fort Eustus, Va., to make their home.

CANTATA REHEARSAL SET

The Community Choir will rehearse their cantata Thursday night of this week in the Baptist church, where the presentation is set for Sunday night. The rehearsal will begin at 7:00.

Mrs. Robert L. McWhorter is director and Kathy Robinson is accompanist.

BRANHAMS HONORED SUNDAY

Following the services last Sunday night in the First Baptist church, a get-together was held in the church basement honoring Mr. and Mrs. Duane Branham.

The Branham family are moving soon to Brady where he has purchased a farm.

All-District Band Tryouts Held In Brady

Try-outs for All-District Band were held in Brady Saturday. Over 200 students from 20 schools participated. Ninety students were selected as All-District and presented a concert Saturday evening.

Jimmy Mercer made All-District from Eldorado and was 2nd chair in the Baritone section.

All-Region tryouts will be on January 6 in Brownwood.

OBSERVE SILVER WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Albert McGinnes of Sterling City observed their Silver Wedding Anniversary Tuesday of this week. They are former Eldorado residents.

It was on Dec. 17, 1943 that Marie Brooks of Tension became the bride of Mr. McGinnes in a ceremony in San Angelo with Rev. Hamner officiating. The bridegroom was then serving in the armed forces.

Mr. McGinnes is now manager of West Texas Utilities at Sterling City. His father, Sam McGinnes, still lives here in Eldorado.

R. V. Sheppard was ill at home early this week with flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerrv Doyle and Joana, Mrs. Ruby Damron and Mrs. Bessie Doyle attended the wedding of Miss Kathy Doyle in San Angelo Saturday night.

The Rev. J. C. Hancock was here Monday morning visiting friends.

He is former pastor of the First Baptist church here and is now pastor of the church in Sonora.

The Rev. D. G. Salter and family of the Methodist church expect to spend some of the holiday period with relatives at Sulphur Springs and other East Texas points.

Mrs. Ruby Fowler of El Paso will be in during the holidays to visit the Harpers, Steens, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Boyer expect as holiday visitors their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Carothers and family of Waco.

The L. V. Newport family expect to spend part of the holidays visiting relatives in Commerce, Texas, and in Oklahoma.

GREETINGS TO ALL AT THIS HOLY SEASON



Our store will be closed on Christmas Day and on December 26th and New Year's Day

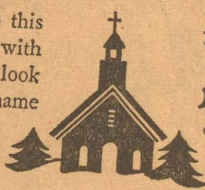
Watch for announcement of our early-January Clearance Sale

THE RATLIFF STORE

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Glad Tidings

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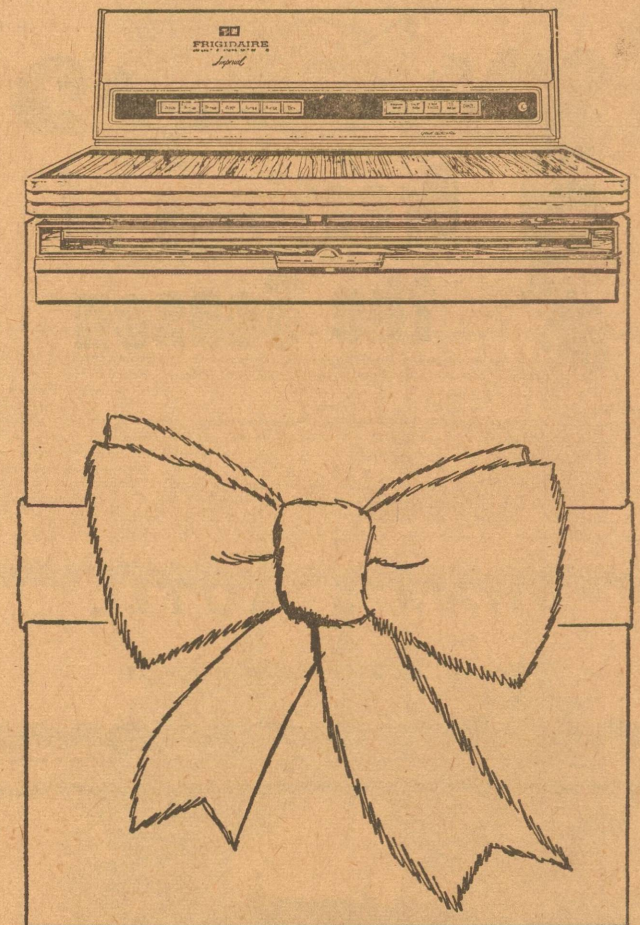
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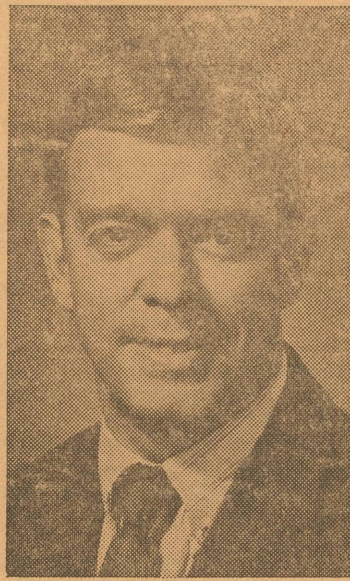
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Assist. Press Secretary Announced By Smith



JERRY CONN

Governor-elect Preston Smith recently announced the appointment of Jerry Conn of Austin as his assistant press secretary. Conn, 30, has worked for Lt. Gov. Smith since July of 1967 and served as publicity director in Smith's campaign for governor. He has served as publicity director in several other state political campaigns and formerly worked as a newspaperman.

aren't so cold as they once were and summers aren't as hot. And you wonder what the younger generation is coming to.

As you go through life your outlook and opinions are changed by time and tempered by experience. One thing that changes little is the good and gay and gracious atmosphere of Christmas.

The world is a pleasant place on Christmas. Everybody has been generous, everybody thoughtful, and everybody is kind. All the world is happy.

So put your heart in tune with Jingle Bells and Silent Night and have the merriest Christmas ever. And may 1969 be a safe, happy and satisfying year for you and yours.

There is nothing one should regret in life, except not having lived it.

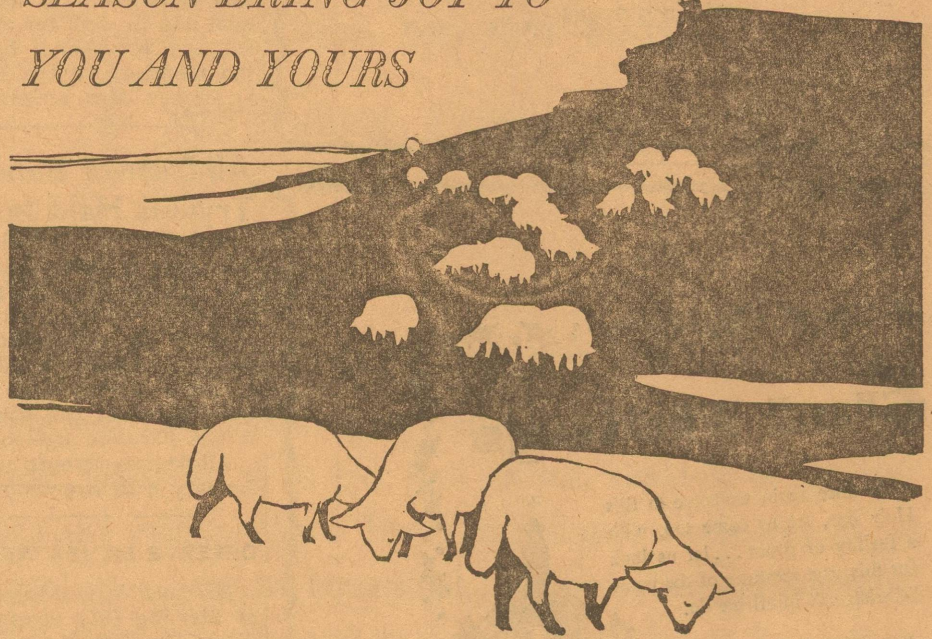
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on hand, for your Christmas Selection. All our Eldorado friends are invited to drop in and see them when in Sonora.

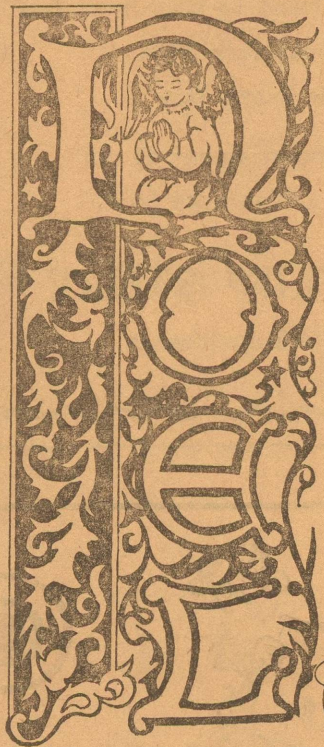
Cowboy Boots from \$22.00 to \$35.50. Also Wellington boots, \$15.00 to \$16.50.

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May Peace Be Your Gift at Christmas

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Lorene Scott

AGED RESIDENT TAKEN TO HOSPITAL MONDAY

Mr. J. H. Emmons was taken by Sheppard ambulance to Shannon hospital about noon Monday when he became ill. Sam Dannheim drove the ambulance.

Mr. Emmons is 99 years of age and is the oldest resident of this county. He will be 100 late in January of 1969.

County Extension News

W. G. Godwin, Co. Agent

Christmas means many things to many people, but to most it means a time when thoughts are turned to the birth of Christ, to family, and to friends.

To youngsters—it may mean more joy than any other time of the year, a time filled with trees and lights, ribbons and wrapping paper, Santa Claus and surprises.

To Mother and Dad—Christmas may mean shopping and greeting cards, neighbors and family gatherings. And most of all, the wonderful experience of seeing happy, excited children.

To grandparents it may mean warm memories of old friends, helping out at church, preparing the traditional Christmas dinner. But more importantly it may mean having the children and grandchildren home again.

But to Christmas the world over—no matter how young or old—Christmas is really a day kept in memory of the birth of Christ Jesus nearly 2,000 years ago.

It is a day when millions turn their thoughts to the Source of all that is good, and are reminded of the truly important things of life.

May the real meaning of Christmas and the blessings of Christ, be with you and your families and bring you happiness the year around.

They err who think that Santa Claus comes down the chimney. He really enters through the heart.

As you grow older the time between the first snowfall and the first robin grows shorter. Winters

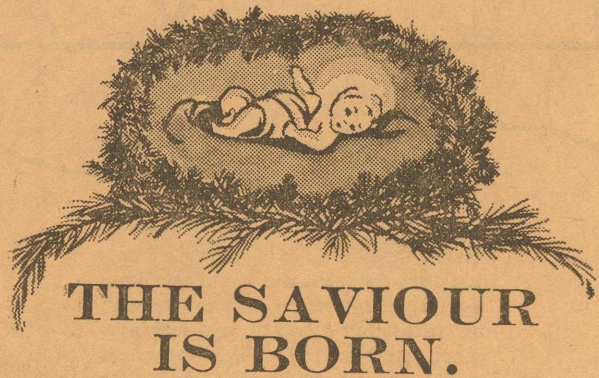


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Mrs. C. N. Shaw and Employees



We hope Christmas will be an inspiration to you throughout the year.

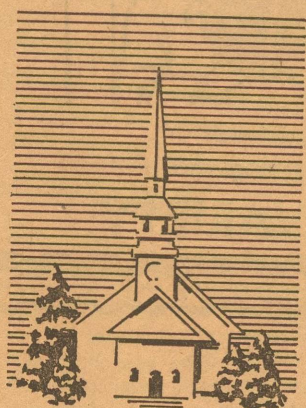
MR. AND MRS. LAWRENCE DANNHEIM
Carl and Mark



THE SAVIOUR IS BORN.

We extend Christmas Holiday Greetings to one and all. Thanks for your patronage of the past year and we look forward to continuing to serve you in the New Year to come.

BELK'S BUTANE
H. A. — Dixie — Allen — Jim



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The Spirit of Christ be with you
And bless you mightily
As you celebrate this Christmas
And the year that is to be.

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Mrs. Sadie Davidson and Bud Davidson

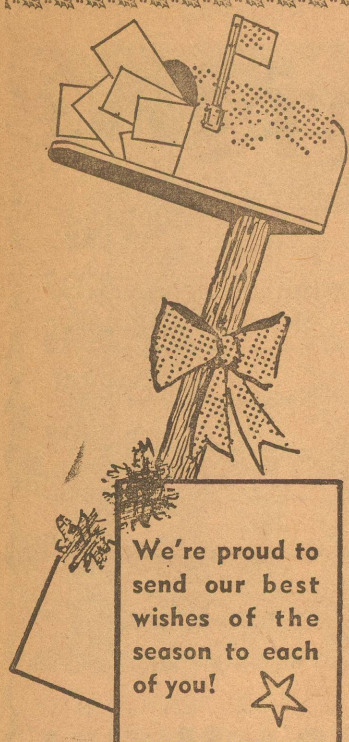


Our thanks... and our best wishes

May the Love, Hope, and Peace of Christmas abide with you now and throughout the year

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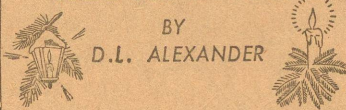
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BY
D.L. ALEXANDER

MARY WENDELL stood at her bedroom window scratching at the frost on the glass. It was bitterly cold outside, with a hard wind blowing. Deep snow covered the ground and clung to the leafless trees, and the birds who had neglected to return to the warmer south huddled in such shelter as could be found.

Mary's face wore a look of sorrow and dejection, and a sob rose once in a while to relieve the tension that otherwise threatened to engulf her.

She had tried to save a little money for Christmas, but after paying her bills she hadn't a cent left. Christmas's hadn't mattered much because Donnie had been too young to know about such things. This year he had heard people talk about Santa Claus and had asked questions.

It was the day before Christmas, a time of cheer and good will. But there was no cheer in her heart. Life had been trying for her since she had left Concord and cut herself off from her friends of former days. Sickness and the loss of one job after another had kept her on the edge of destitution.



"May I come in," he inquired.

"Mommie, will Santa bring me something?" Donnie had asked when she had put him to bed the night before.

"I don't know, darling," she had answered, knowing she couldn't buy him even a stick of candy.

She raised her head and looked at the crib where he was sleeping. He was well covered and warm. She left the window and went into the sitting room where a cheery fire dispelled most of the cold. She went to the window and pulled the shade down as if, unconsciously, she could dispose of the black mood that assailed her.

In the center of the room she fell to her knees. "Oh, God," she prayed in anguish, "please lift my burden from me. I know I did wrong, but I know You have forgiven me by allowing me to keep my little boy. Please, God, provide me with the means of making this a happy time for him, in recognition of Your Son's sacrifices for us. Amen."

Visitor

A knock on the door brought her to her feet. She glanced that way but didn't cross the room until it was repeated. Then she opened the door to confront a tall, blond man in army uniform who stood in the dimly lit hallway. She recognized him instantly.

"Why, Donald Bruce," she cried hoarsely.

"May I come in?" he inquired. She was too startled to answer, so he laughingly brushed her aside and entered.

He took a quick look around the room and noticed the evidences of poverty. "Why did you quit writing?" he inquired.

"There wasn't much to say," she answered weakly.

He went to the doorway of the kitchen and looked inside. Then he crossed the room to the bedroom doorway, saying: "It seems to me there could have been a lot to say."

His eyes took in the crib and the baby in it. He hurried across the room, Mary following him. He looked down and studied the face of the sleeping child for a few minutes, and then turned to Mary with an unspoken inquiry in his eyes.

"That's why I left Concord—to avoid the talk and gossip," she said.

He looked again at the child searchingly, and then said: "Why didn't you tell me?"

"I didn't think you would care."
"Good Heavens, woman, do you think I'm heartless? Do you think I'd have left you to face all this alone without my help?"

He held his arms out to her, and she flew into them, the tears coming freely.

A voice came from the bedroom. "Mommie, has Santa come yet?"
"In a little while, dear, and He's going to bring you a new papa," she answered.



Christmas

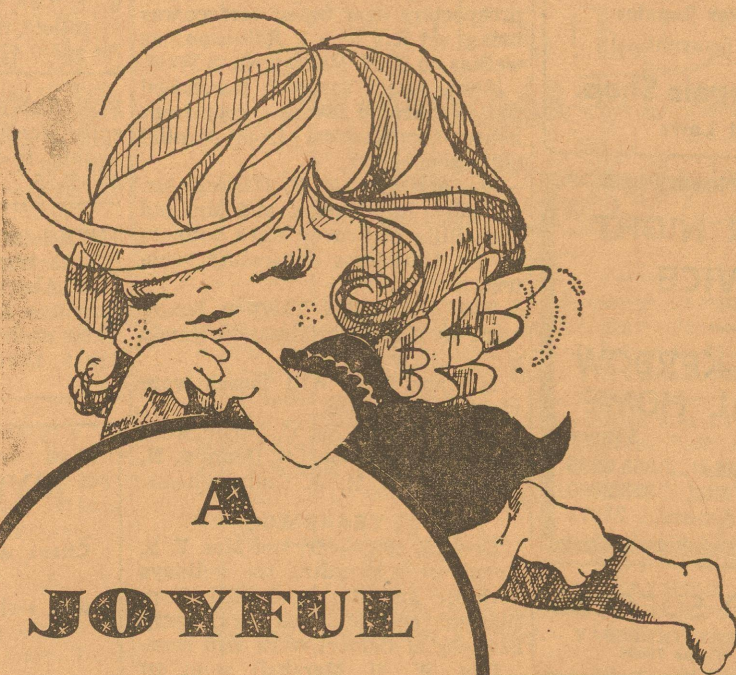
Christmas is indeed a joyous time . . . a time when we think of the many good things the year has brought to us. We relax from our busy schedules, our unfinished jobs and the continuous round of duties. It is a time for saying "thank you."

May this holiday season be an especially joyous one for you and your family . . . filled with the associations and friendships which mean the most to you. And may the New Year bring happiness to you in all areas of your life.

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THANKS

We want to thank all of our wonderful friends, for so many, many kindnesses, they have done for us, during our several months of illnesses, and especially during this time of surgery; our friends who came to just stand by, and as we waited for her (Mrs. Hoover, my sister) to come through. Also for the cards, flowers, food, toiletries, letters, and above all your constant prayers, at all times. Respectfully and in love, May God bless you all.
Mrs. L. M. Hoover
Miss John Alexander (c)

—GARAGE SALE advertisements must be paid in advance. No phone orders, please. —Success.

In Those Days

Compiled From Success Files

ONE YEAR AGO
Dec. 23, 1967—The Pina, Blake-way, and Humphries residences were winners in the decorating contest for the Christmas season.

W. L. (Pop) Taylor died at the age of 82 and his funeral was held here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Carlman were reported in Florida taking a training course for the Peace Corps. They were subsequently assigned to Northeast Africa to teach.

FIVE YEARS AGO
Dec. 26, 1963—Following the disastrous fire which destroyed three businesses in Christoval, citizens of that town donated \$150 to the Eldorado Fire Department.

Mrs. Marie Windham, 48, died in Hendricks hospital in Abilene. She was the sister of H. W. Scott of this place.

The Make-It-Yourself With Wool Contest was held in Del Rio. Participating from here were Mrs. C. J. Niblett, Mrs. H. A. Belk, Mrs. W. W. Kessler, Genelle McCalla, Helen Tuckness, Eileen Kent and Betty Kessler.

Mr. Storrs' 5th grade pupils were planning a people-to-people exchange with a school in Canada, of pictures, writings, letters, etc.

Kathy Robinson and Peggy Hill were announcers at Mrs. R. Q. Harris's piano pupils staged a recital.

The Buster Gunns had as visitors Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Carlan of Snyder, and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McKeever and baby from Austin.

12 YEARS AGO
Dec. 27, 1956—"Shallow Field Activities Continue To Spread Out Here" headlined the Success, in regard to the West field, and two prospectors near town. Surface was being set on No. 1 Robinson, as well as on R. H. Murray No. 3 West.

Arnie Lee Westbrook purchased the old frame Bearce apartment house for removal from Baptist church property.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Harkey, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phelps, and Mr. and Mrs. Billy McCravy were winners in the Christmas decorating contest.

The Albert Ray Thigpen family were spending Christmas in Hondo with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Isaacs were visiting in Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Doyle were spending Christmas at Deming, N. M., with the M. J. Cunninghams.

35 YEARS AGO
Dec. 29, 1933—Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Goens were spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hill. Tom Blasienz and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Blasienz of Calvert were also here.

Rev. W. H. Marshall went to Temple for an examination.

Ray Willoughby leased the 17,000-acre John Bailey ranch in the northeastern part Crockett county.

Calvin T. (Tobe) Sproul, one of this county's earliest settlers, died at the age of 81. He was born in Austin in 1852 and came to Tom Green county in 1882.

Roy Nance was in from Station A Tuesday trading and meeting friends.

The Success was advertising A Brand New Remington Portable Typewriter for \$34.75.

Luther Parker turned his car over Sunday night smashing all the glass on one side, but he escaped unhurt.

Joe M. Christian, Albert McGinty, and Fred Williams were all spending the holidays here from Texas Tech, Lubbock.

Eddie Mae Finley and Doll Weatherly of Fort Worth are visiting relatives and friends here through the holidays.

Roberta Milligan and Mrs. Willie Ruth Johnson were here for the holidays from the State University.

Rev. J. L. Ratliff officiated at the marriage of Delert Sanders and Miss Cleone Morgan.

Other weddings reported: S. E. Etheredge Jr. and Miss Ethel Enchs, Orland A. Harris and Miss Dorothy King, H. W. Linthicum and Miss Katherine Berry, and Mary Bess Norwood and Karl Kerr.

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No. 890 — A. F. & A. M. Stated meeting 2nd Thursday in each month, at 7:00 p. m. from Oct. 4 to April 1, and at 8:00 from April 1 to October 1. Visiting brethren welcome.

Boys Ranch Deer Hunt Held On Local Ranch

The Eldorado Jaycees along with a group of local men took 12 boys age 10 to 14 years of age hunting on the Figure 3 Ranch Saturday, December 14. The boys were from the Boys Ranch at Tankersley. The hunt was a complete success with each boy getting at least one deer. A total of 29 deer were killed. A barbecue was held at noon and was enjoyed by all. A special thanks to Bethel Jeffrey who cooked the meat and Orval Edmiston who donated the goat. The men and the boys met at the Court House at 6:00 in the morning and arrived back at 7:00 that night tired, hungry and happy. The deer were delivered to San Angelo that night to be processed and sent to the Boys Ranch.

The local men who helped were the following:

Jack Jones, Richard Jones, Marvin McAngus, Jack Gartman, Ronnie Griffin, Eugene Bradshaw, David Blakeway, and B. L. Blakeway. E. H. Topliffe and Walter Powell helped the Jaycees above with the hunt.

The Jaycees were: Allen Masloff, Sam Dannheim, Lawrence Dannheim, Glynn Hill, John Meador, Billy Williams, Jackie Hefferman, John Pitts, Allan Dinsmore, Pat Wester, Ronnie Mittel, and Rony Kerr.

The Christmas Message

The message of Christmas in 1968 of peace on earth is as many years old as the figure you have just read. Strangely enough, mankind has not been able, in almost 2,000 years, to attain peace in the world. Even today, young men of America and other countries are dying and fighting, and the hope behind this sacrifice is to bring peace and freedom to one part of the world.

The message of Christmas may never be caught by the world as a whole, at least not in our time. But the message which was brought by the Prince of Peace can be received even this Christmas by men all over the world who are willing to listen to its sublime concept.

There's a long way to go before all people's of the world can relax their struggle for survival, which breeds strife. But man, who was created in the image of God, can rise above this strife, and, everywhere, he must listen to the message of Christmas.

And finally, the divine wish of "peace on earth, good will towards men" will be reached as we realize more and more that we are not only "our brother's keeper, but our brother's brother."

If we are celebrating Christmas to honor the Babe of Bethlehem, we can do Him no more honor than to follow this simple truth, which He spent His entire life teaching.

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Community Calendar

Dec. 19, Thursday. DAR meets.
Dec. 19, Thursday. Am. Legion Christmas party for county children; Santa Claus to visit.
Dec. 19, Thursday. Judging 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. in decorating contest.
Dec. 20, Friday. Social Security man at Court House here, 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.
Dec. 20, Friday. School dismisses 2:30 p.m. for Christmas holidays.
Dec. 22, Sunday. Christmas Cantata, 7:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church presented by Community Choir.
Jan. 6, Tuesday. School reconvenes following holidays.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF SCHLEICHER Sheriff's Sale

Whereas on the 21st day of October 1968, in case No. 1202, in the District Court of Schleicher County, Texas, wherein State of Texas, County of Schleicher, City of Eldorado, and Schleicher County Independent School District were Plaintiffs and recovered judgment against Carmen Aguirre, et al, defendant, for taxes, penalty, interest, and cost against the hereinafter described property;

Whereas by virtue of said judgment and said Order of Sale and the mandates thereof I did on the 20 day of November 1968, seize said described property, situated in Schleicher County, Texas, to-wit:

Lot-Block-Addition	Owner
3 4J Christian	Carmen Aguirre
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6 4A Christian	Carmen Aguirre
5 4 O.T.	Carmen Aguirre
1 14 O.T.	H. H. Murchison, et al
9 4F Christian	Bias Alvares
10 4F Christian	Bias Alvares
8 4N Christian	Pedro Barrera
9 4N Christian	Pedro Barrera
1 M O.T.	W. J. Hilyard Estate
3 M O.T.	W. J. Hilyard Estate
2a 85 O.T.	Benedum & Emch
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2c 85 O.T.	Benedum & Emch
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1, 3C 85 O.T.	Benedum & Emch
1, 3D 85 O.T.	Benedum & Emch
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14 4R Christian	Antonio Flores
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4 4F Christian	Miguel Flores
5 4F Christian	Miguel Flores
4 3 Keeney	Jessie Smith
5 3 Keeney	Jessie Smith
10 4H Christian	Gregorio Valdez
4 G Keese	Jim Smith
8 4L Christian	Fernando Adame
10 4K Christian	Saledad Cardona
10 4L Christian	Cruz Cortez
Section 70, Block M, 80 acre, Abstract 1840	J. R. Marmion

And I will on the first Tuesday in the month of January, 1969, the same being the 7 day of said month, proceed to sell all the right, title and interest of the said defendants in and to said property at the Court House door of said county in the city or town of Eldorado between the hours of 10:00 A. M. and 4:00 P. M. to the highest bidder for cash, provided, however, that none of said property shall be sold to the owner of said property directly or indirectly or to anyone having an interest therein or to any party other than a taxing unit which is a party to this suit for less than the amount of the adjudged value of said property or the aggregate amount of judgment against said property in said suit, whichever is lower, subject also to the right of the Defendant to redeem same in the time and manner provided by law and subject also to the right of the defendant to have said property divided and sold in less division than the whole.
Dated at Eldorado, Texas, this the 20 day of November 1968.
Orval N. Edmiston, Sheriff of Schleicher County, Texas
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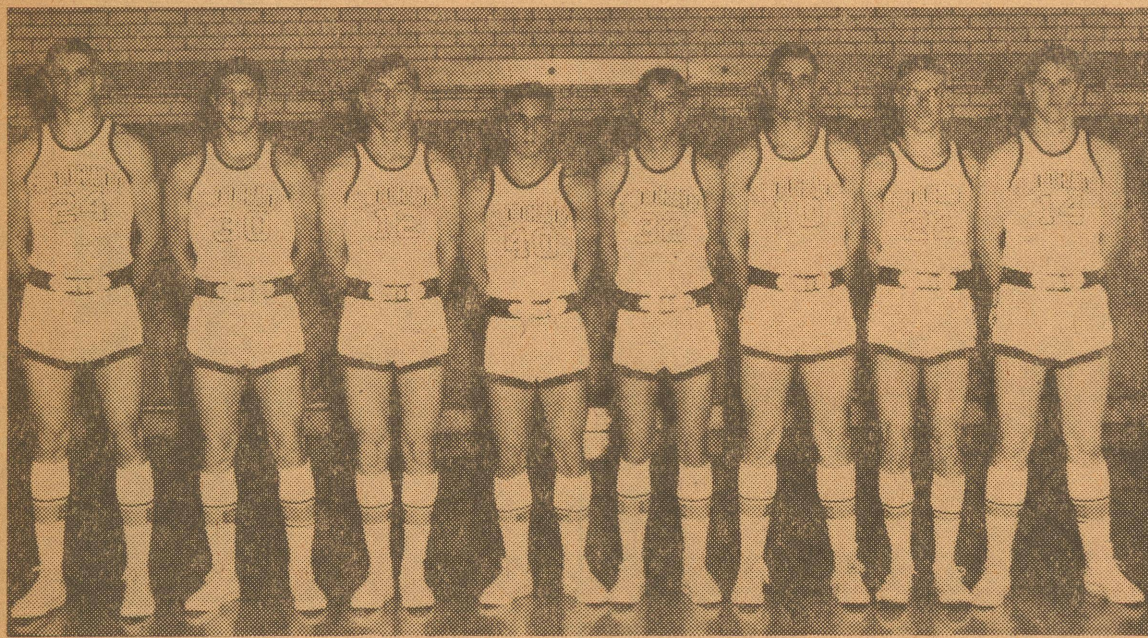
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COLONIAL CHRISTMAS
Little is recorded in the histories of Christmas in Colonial Times. This is because the history is more often concerned with wars and politics. The colonists in Virginia, Maryland and Georgia brought over the English customs whereas in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Delaware, the customs came from Holland, Sweden, and Germany. The quakers near Philadelphia did not observe holidays, and in New England, the whole idea of Christmas was frowned upon.
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Mrs. Emma Bradshaw *
MANY THANKS
for the cards, letters, flowers, etc., while I was in the hospital recently.
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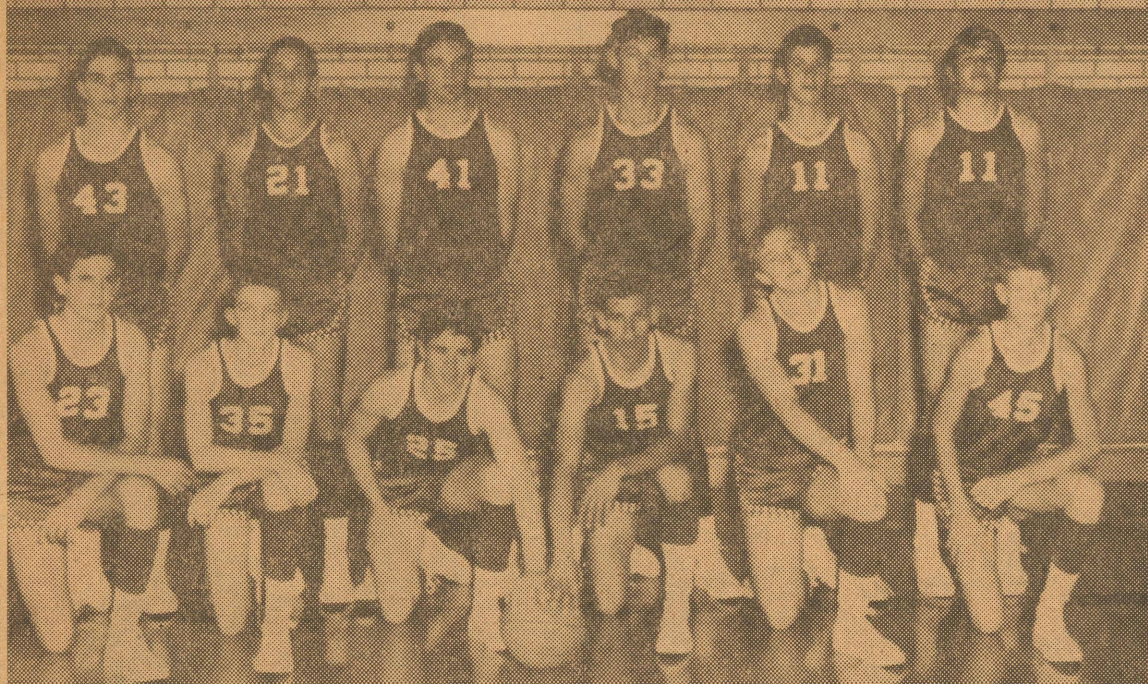
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Here Are This Season's Basketball Teams



THE ELDORADO EAGLES "A" BASKETBALL SQUAD — Left to right are: Paul Page, Mickey Clark, Wayne Doyle, Charles Adams, Bob Page, Sam Oglesby, and Ross Whitten.



THE ELDORADO EAGLES "B" BASKETBALL TEAM — On front row are Robert Wilson, Steve Sykes, Bob Whitten, Joel Muzquiz, Robert Hibbitts, and Norris Sauer. On back row are Bobby Sykes, William Tampke, Roy Jones, Jerry Batey, Billy Dock Hubble, Jimmy Martin.

Eaglettes At H-SU

Hamlin, a Class AA school with an always better than average team, welcomed Eldorado to the Hardin-Simmons Tournament last Thursday and finally bested the Eaglettes 53-46. However, the Pipers had to resort to a stall with four minutes to go in the game to insure victory.

An important milestone was the fact that the unsure forwards realized that they could hit against very good guards. The leader in that area was Kathleen O'Harrow with 25 points and Dale Montgomery added 13. Other scoring included Randy Yates 5, and Peggy Hill 3. Lisa Whitten was the leading rebounder with 7.

The game was very close all the way with Eldorado ahead at the end of the first and second quarters. Hamlin took the third quarter lead and it see-sawed back and forth during the fourth until the pressure got to the inexperienced Eaglettes.

Eldorado, wanting desperately to get in four games for the tourney needed to win the second game against Roby. The Eaglettes rose to the occasion and blasted them 61-31 behind another 25 point performance by Kathleen O'Harrow. However, Dale Montgomery had 11, Loretta Schooley 11, and Linda

Derrick 10 and Peggy Hill 4 helped considerably. All the guards got between 2 and 6 rebounds and Eldorado hit 61% from the free throw line.

The third game at 8:30 Saturday morning saw Eldorado have difficulty getting started and finally fell to Baird 46-59. Kathleen netted 26 points but no one else could manage double figures. The brightest spot was the 80% from the free throw line and Donna Davis pulled in 13 rebounds.

In the consolation 3rd place game Eldorado gave an experienced Aspermont team a scare before dropping it 59-64.

Kathleen wound up for 33 points, Dale 11, Peggy Hill 8, Randy Yates 6, and Linda Derrick 1. Claudia Meador was the leading rebounder with 8. Again the Eaglettes hit 74% on free throws.

The tournament was the best possible experience and Eldorado performed well under pressure.

The girls' record is 4-6 now but they will be trying to improve that this week-end during the Eldorado Tournament.

Box Scores	
Hamlin 53	Eldorado 61
Eldorado 46	Roby 31
Baird 59	Aspermont 64
Eldorado 46	Eldorado 59

—Receipt Books at The Success.

Basketball Tourney Starts Here Friday

The 11th Annual Eldorado Girls Basketball Tournament will get under way Friday afternoon at 4:00 with a game between Wall and Winters. From that point there will be games both Friday and Saturday with schools representing Center Point, Rankin, Rocksprings, McMurry and both Eldorado A and B participating.

Eldorado has reigned as champion for many years but this year will probably have a tough fight to repeat. Though this club is young and somewhat inexperienced they are not short on desire and after competing in the Hardin Simmons meet they are not too short on experience either. The guards are strong and good in number with no set group designated as "starters". The forwards though plagued in early games with inability to hit the basket both from the floor and the free throw line are now hitting around the 53 point per game mark against very good competition. The free throw department was something to behold as the group hit 80% during the past tournament and really seemed to come alive. Thus if anyone is counting the Eaglettes out they may have a rude awakening.

Not too much is known about the Center Point club or the Rankin and McCamey teams but they wanted to come and were willing to face good competition therefore must have better than average teams. Wall has been doing a good job in previous games this year and the Eldorado "B" girls have only played two games both against a very powerful Winters "B" team.

The Rocksprings Angoras are an up and coming team and have played in two tournaments already winning second to Lake View in their own meet and championship at Junction. They hold a previous win over the Eaglettes. The real power of the tournament should be the Winters Blizzardettes who have now won the championship of two tournaments this season, their own and the Lake View Meet. They are ready to come back to Eldorado and avenge a loss to the Eaglettes from last year's tournament finals and make a clean sweep. They hold two wins over the Eaglettes.

The eight team meet should be a good one with some fine close games.

Friday Schedule
4:00—Winters vs. Wall.
5:20—Eldo. "B" vs. McCamey.
6:40—Rankin vs. Rocksprings.
8:00—Eldo. vs. Center Point.

Saturday
8:00 a.m.—9:20 a.m., 10:40 a.m. and 12:00 noon.
4:40 p.m.—7th-8th place game.
6:00 p.m.—Consolation Finals.
7:20 p.m.—Third Place Game.
8:40 p.m.—Championship game.

Woman's Club Stages Christmas Party

The Eldorado Woman's Club held their annual Christmas party Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 in the home of Mrs. Granvil Hext with Mrs. W. A. Van Dusen and Mrs. Keno Ogden as co-hostesses.

Mrs. J. L. Neill acted as leader during the absence of Mrs. Jess Blaylock. Mrs. M. H. Woodward and Mrs. Bascomb Hartgraves read Christmas prayers after which the group sang Christmas carols led by Mrs. Vernon Rogers.

Fourteen members were present for the Christmas gift exchange and were served refreshments.

DAR Luncheon Set For Noon Thursday

Mmes. William Gunstead, J. B. Montgomery, V. G. Tisdale, the Social Committee of the DAR, Eldorado Chapter, will be hostesses for the Christmas Luncheon on December 19, 1968 at Java Junction.

The menu will be baked turkey with all the trimmings served on a beautiful Christmas-decorated table.

Following the luncheon, the regent, Mrs. Ernest S. Goens will preside. Mrs. W. N. Ramsay, chaplain, will open the meeting.

The National Defense Report will be given by the chairman, Mrs. Elizabeth Rae Powell. The regent will present the Christmas message from the NSDAR President, Mrs. E. F. Seimes.

Mrs. V. G. Tisdale will give the program—A Christmas Story.

Beep Cain Named Mistletoe Beau

San Angelo, Tex.—Cathy Abernathy of Andrews and Bedford (Beep) Cain of Eldorado were elected Mistletoe Belle and Beau by Angelo State College students. The two were honored when ASC staged its annual Mistletoe Ball in the ASC Student Center Dec. 14.

They were chosen by popular vote in an election highlighting the pre-holiday season for Angelo State students.

Miss Abernathy, a junior in ASC, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Abernathy of Andrews. She graduated from Andrews High School in 1966. She was active in student council work, the Christian Union and Spanish Club in high school and is affiliated with the Baptist Student Union at Angelo State.

Cain, a senior, is president this year of the ASC Student Association and also is a member of the Angelo State and West Texas Historical associations. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Cain of Eldorado, he graduated from Eldorado High School in 1965. As a high school student, he was a member of the National Honor Society, the "E" Club and Student Council.

Cain was elected to Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities this fall.

Library Notes

Some books added recently for the children are: Ricketty Racketty Rooster, Corduroy, Two Hundred Rabbits, Lucky Ladybugs, Widdowomb Fair, and Willie O'Dwyer in the Fire.

New Guild books for adults are: The Horsemen, True Grit, Among Thieves, The Hurricane Years, The Wine and the Music, A Small Town in Germany, and The Arms of Krupp.

These are the newest memorials: Holiday Flower Arrangements in memory of Mrs. Mary Farris by Mrs. Ford Oglesby, The Book of the American West in memory of John Stigler by Willwood Meador; The Life of the Mountains and Poor Richard's Almanacks in memory of Olga Benton Meador by Willwood Meador.

For light reading we have Cattle Range, Lost Valley, The Silver Bell, Island Doctor, Career for Jenny and a new Zane Grey which is a collection of Stories, Blue Feather, etc.

Some books early teens will like are Miracles on Maple Hill, Calico Bush, Allison's Girl and A Child Went Forth.

We had a very successful summer reading program and issued 31 reading certificates. The little folks really enjoyed the story hour that we had for 10 weeks. This makes the seventh year we have had reading program and the third year for the story hour.

The librarian attended a district library workshop in San Angelo on Sept. 13th. —Ruth Baker, librarian.

SHINE ORNAMENTS

Old Christmas tree ornaments can be bright and glossy. Spray them with clear lacquer from an aerosol container. The lacquer also gives them protection against breakage. Push button artificial snow is also very good for added trim to ornaments.



NOW WHEN JESUS WAS BORN IN BETHLEHEM OF JUDAEA 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 Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: For thus it is written by the prophet, and thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, are not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people of Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young Child; and when ye have found Him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship Him also. When they had heard the King, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. 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 and 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. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their country another way.



CHRISTMAS CLASSIC . . . Shown above is the miracle scene from Gian Carlo Menotti's beloved Christmas opera, "Amahl and the Night Visitors." The opera has been presented 17 times on network television during the Christmas holiday seasons.

THE YULE LOG



The yule log is an old and honored Christmas tradition. It has almost vanished from our holiday celebration.

The Vikings introduced the yule log to Great Britain. They burned it to honor the God Thor. The custom was adopted by the English as part of the Christmas festivities.

The very best log that could be found was brought into the house and placed in their large fireplace. The fire was lit and the servants of the house gathered with their master. The coming of Christmas was celebrated with much singing and celebrating.

The custom of those days was to celebrate the holiday season twelve full days and the log burned the entire time.

At the end of the twelve days any fragments of the log that remained were carefully collected to be used again the following year to kindle the new Yule log.



TEA PUNCH . . . Like to offer your holiday guests something a little different when it's time to pass the punch? Make it with tea, using your own recipe or the one below.

HOT TEA LEMONADE (Makes 8 - 12 servings)

- 3/4 cup cold water
- 3/4 cup granulated sugar
- 2 quarts freshly drawn cold water
- 3 tablespoons loose tea or 9 bags
- 12 whole cloves
- 1/2 cup lemon juice

Make simple syrup by combining 3/4 cup water and 3/4 cup granulated sugar in a saucepan. Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer 10 minutes. While syrup is simmering, prepare tea by bringing two quarts freshly drawn cold water to a full rolling boil. Immediately, pour water over tea. Let stand for 3 to 5 minutes. Strain into a chafing dish or other serving container. Add simple syrup, cloves and lemon juice. To serve, place a lemon slice speared with an additional whole clove in each cup and fill with tea.

It is Christmas
Let us be reverent.



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Greetings To All

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea 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 Herod the King had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.—

And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.—

And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judea; for thus it is written by the prophet,—

And thou Bethlehem, the land of Juda; are not the least among the princes of Juda, for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people of Israel.

Then Herod, when he had privily called the Wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.—

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

And when they were to 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 him gifts, gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.—

And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.—

MATTHEW 2:12

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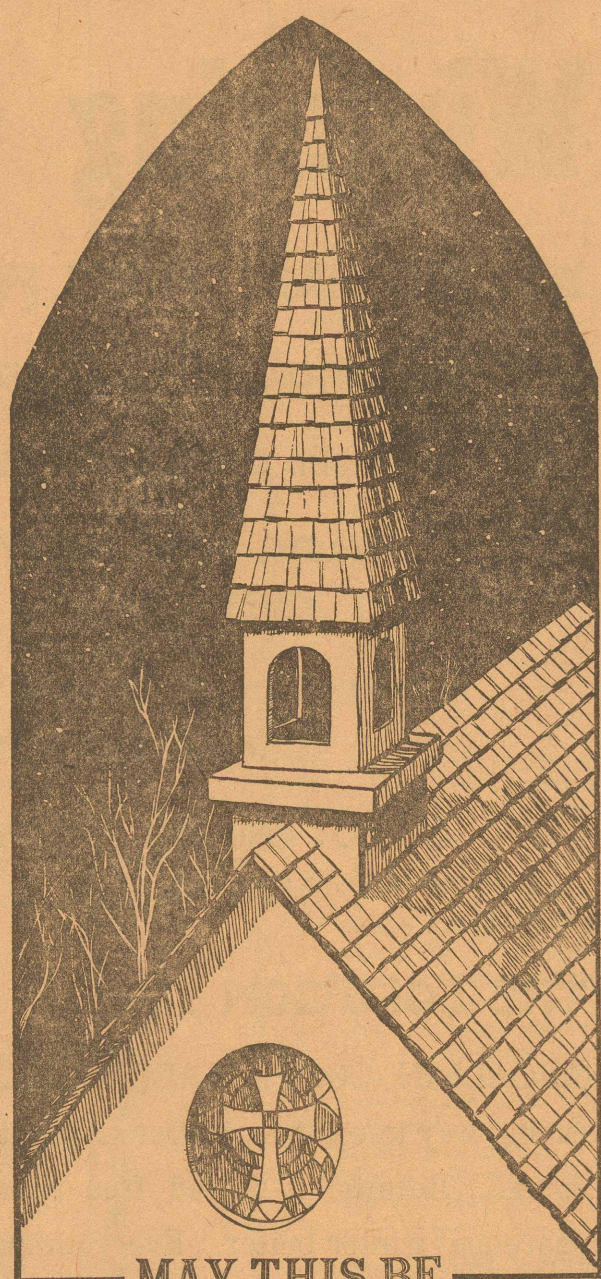
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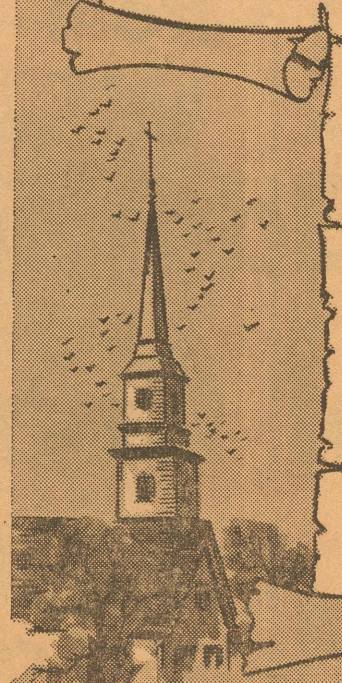
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with prayers of thanks.



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CAC Job Descriptions

Director: Multi-Purpose Neighborhood Center

The Director will assume full responsibility for the operation of the Multi-Purpose Neighborhood Center in accordance with the policies established by the Community Action Council's Area Board of Directors. He will report directly to the Area Executive Director of the Community Action Council and work jointly with the local advisory board.

The Center Director will be responsible for the supervision of all program development within the zone designated for the Multi-Purpose Center, unless such programs have been delegated to other groups for local supervision. In consultation with the Executive Director, Board, representatives of public and voluntary agencies, and citizens at large, he will create, stimulate, and develop program ideas within the neighborhoods serviced by the Multi-Purpose Center. All program proposals submitted by community meetings will be cleared by the local advisory board and the Executive Director representing the Area Board of Directors. Such proposals will move from the Executive Director to the appropriate committee for action.

Qualifications: The Center Director's education and experience should include the equivalent of a Bachelor's Degree in administration, social work, education or a related field, plus experience in community organization and program planning.

Specific Duties: The Center Director is specifically concerned with (a) Official relations with the Community Action Council, (b) Program adjustments with analysts and evaluators, (c) OEO policies and CAC policies, (d) All proposal developments, (e) Fiscal matters involving his Center, (f) Supervision.

Neighborhood Aides

The Neighborhood Aides will assume the responsibility for encouragement of neighborhood participation in program planning and execution. They will report directly to the Multi-Purpose Center Director. They will identify and work with neighborhood leaders to assemble small group and neighborhood meetings to discuss the value of OEO programs. They will assist residents in identifying neighborhood needs and correlate programs. Aides will receive and execute assignments from the Director's office and report their progress.

Neighborhood Aides will be expected to work a minimum of forty hours per week and maintain a time and activity ledger.

Qualifications: Neighborhood Aides should be able to communicate ideas and explain OEO programs to residents of target areas in a manner easily understood by residents. Preference should be given to area residents. She must know and accept the principle of confidentiality. She must know about the basic common needs of people. She must have good understanding of dignity, and respect of others. She must at all times keep neat and clean. This not only gives the Aide a good outlook for herself, but also to those she represents.

Clerk-Typist:

The Clerk-Typist will perform the general duties including typing, filing, information service, record keeping, and correspondence. The Clerk-Typist will be directly responsible to the Multi-Purpose Director.

Regular clerical positions should require general typing ability, a working knowledge of filing systems, shall be responsible for incoming calls, messages, giving directions to office visitors, typing, filing, etc. The clerks should possess a friendly personality and be generally skilled in meeting and dealing with the public.

The Clerk-Typist will type from written, printed, or similarly prepared copy that is in rough draft, corrected, or finished form.

Qualifications: The Clerk-Typist must be able to type accurately 45 to 50 WPM, with prior office experience desired. Must be able to carry out the directions of her Supervisor and show initiative and ability to assume higher positions. The Clerk-Typist should be proficient in typing, a good command of spelling, punctuation, and grammar. The ability to understand and comprehend instructions without constant supervision. Must be able to pass a typing test given through TEC or Civil Service. Bi-lingual requirement when necessary.

On All-District Team

Announced recently to District 8A All-District football team were the following from Eldorado:

First Offense, End, Paul Page; First Defense, Linebacker, Bobby Sykes;

Second Offense, Guard, Bobby Sykes;

Second Defense, Safety, Paul Page; and End, James Larry Davis.

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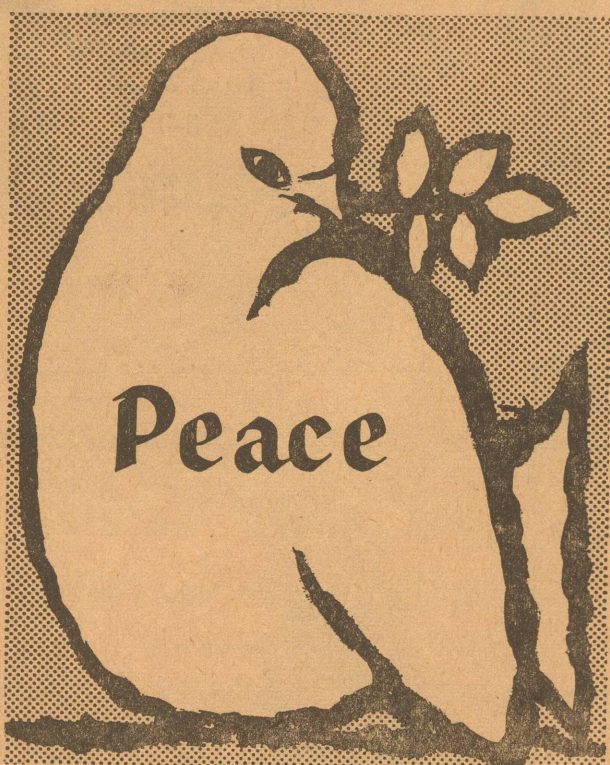
WARM greetings and wishes for a JOYOUS CHRISTMAS

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 To Our Cherished New Friends,
 And To Those whose friendship we hope
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 We wish you a Very Happy Christmas, and
 a Happy New Year.

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**Judging Set Tonight
 In Decorating Contest**

Judging will take place tonight, Thursday, in the Christmas Decorating Contest of local residences. All people who have decorated their premises are asked to please have them lighted between the hours of 6:00 and 10:00 p.m. in order for the carload of judges to go completely over town. The slate of judges are kept secret.

The three prizes to be awarded are:

- Most attractive doorway, \$10;
 - Best decorated yard or roof, \$10;
 - Most attractive window, \$10.
- Co-sponsors of the contest are the Eldorado Lions Club, the East-side Lions Club, and the Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce.

**Home Demonstration
 Agent's Column
 By MRS. VIDA KREKLOW**

Ruth Harper gave me a very good roll recipe which she got from her daughter, Emily Ann Ainslie of Irving, Texas. Ruth says that the rolls are exceptionally good and easy to handle after the dough is made and in the refrigerator. Along about now anything that can be made before time for Christmas dinner will be helpful and most welcome and they keep for days.

Refrigerator Rolls

1 cup shortening (makes rolls tender)
 1/2 cup sugar
 3 teaspoons salt.
 Mix shortening, sugar and salt. Pour one cup boiling water over the mixture and let cool.
 2 beaten eggs.
 Add to cool shortening mixture.
 1 cup warm water
 2 packages dry yeast.
 Add yeast to warm water, stir until yeast is dissolved. Add to egg mixture.
 6 cups flour; blended into egg mixture.
 Place dough in large covered bowl and place in refrigerator. Let stay at least four hours.
 Use portion of dough as needed. Shape into rolls and let rise 2 1/2 hours. Bake 12 to 15 minutes at 350 F. Makes 5 dozen rolls.

One of the outstanding confections on the refreshment table at the Christmas party for senior citizens was Alma Lloyd's Date Nut Balls. These Christmas goodies have a lot in their favor; wonderful taste, easy to make, easy to handle and store and they keep a long time.

Date Nut Balls

1 stick butter or oleomargarine, melted
 1 cup sugar
 2 eggs, beaten
 1/2 pound pitted dates.
 Mix these four ingredients, and cook over low heat until dates have dissolved; about 7 minutes. Let mixture cool.
 When cool add:
 2 cups rice crispies
 1 package coconut
 1 cup pecans
 1 teaspoon vanilla
 1/3 teaspoon salt.
 Mix well, form into balls and roll in shredded coconut.

Frosted fruit can be worked into an elegant table decoration for Christmas dinner. The table decoration can be a bit of a problem sometimes, get it too big and it not only keeps people from seeing across the table, it takes up too much room. Fruit is flexible, you may use a lot or a small amount may be very effective. Now remember that I am talking about frosted fruit and the how to do it will be given below.

The container will make a great deal of difference. Use a tray, a silver bowl, a glass fruit dish or a tiered cake stand. Bunches of grapes can be tied to the cake stand with narrow velvet ribbon and even enhance the arrangement.

Frost all fruits except bananas; they don't arrange too well. Use small fruits if you have the choice. Lemons, tangerines, apples and grapes are the easiest to work with. The nice part about this decoration is that the fruit may be washed of its frosting and eaten three or four days later. Not many centerpieces can be eaten.

Frosted Fruit

2 egg whites
 2 tablespoons water
 2 or 3 bunches grapes and other fruit; crushed sugar cubes. (I put cubes of sugar in doubled brown paper bags and crush with rolling pin.)

Beat egg whites and water together until frothy. Caution, don't beat until dry. Dip fruit into egg whites making sure to coat each grape and all the peel of the other kinds of fruit. Place dipped fruit on cookie sheets and sprinkle with crushed sugar. (The crushed sugar sparkles better than granulated.) Let stand overnight in cool dry place. Sugar will have crusted and fruit may be handled safely but should be done with care.

Have a Merry, Merry Christmas and may the New Year bring only the good things of life to you.

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**LAST MINUTE
PRESENT**

BY F. L. ROWLEY



ELAINE glanced up at the clock. Fifteen minutes more and the doll would be hers. Mr. Rogers had promised to let her have it at half price if no one bought it before closing time. Ever since she was a little girl Elaine had wanted a baby doll—just like this one.

For the third time in ten minutes she arranged the few items left on the toy counter. These last minute shoppers were so messy. All except that charming man in the tweed coat. He'd been the only bright spot in a hectic day.

"Well, did you buy yourself the Christmas present?"

Elaine turned to see Helen Smith grinning at her. Helen was in cosmetics.

"Not yet, Helen. Mr. Rogers says I can take the doll off the shelf at exactly five o'clock. Isn't she adorable? I hope no one runs in to buy her at the last minute."

"Not at that price!" scoffed Helen. "Unless your prince charming returns."

"Prince charming?"

"Don't kid me. That chap in the tweed coat. Now there's MY

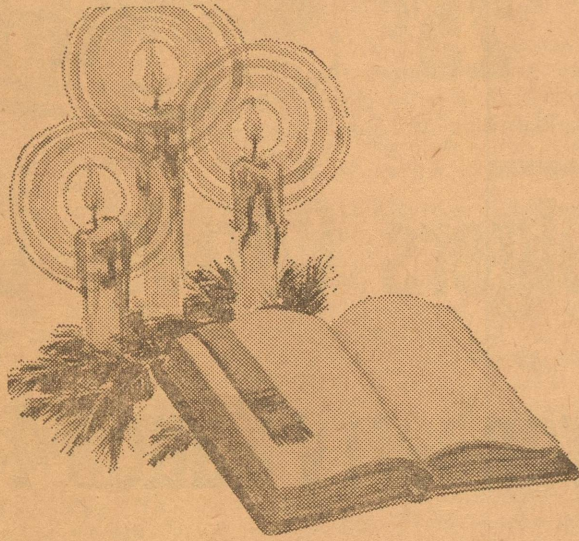


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"That doll would make a fine present for some little girl."

idea of a Christmas present! He was in at least twice today again—wasn't he?"

"Three times," said Elaine, blushing. "He's been my best customer."

"And greatest admirer, if you ask me."

"Oh cut it out! Judging from the toys he bought he must have a dozen kids. No one's given me a second look in twenty-nine years. I don't think they're going to start now."

"Really? Well take a peek at who just walked in the door!" Helen scurried away.

Elaine held her breath. The man in the tweed coat was heading straight for the toy counter. For a second Elaine had a wild urge to hide the precious baby doll. He was upon her before she could move.

Back Again

"Hello again!" he said gayly. "Say, you've done a land-office business since I was here last. Not much left, is there?" His gray eyes studied the counter and the shelves behind Elaine. "That doll would make a fine present for some little girl."

Elaine's heart sank. "It's—it's more for a big girl," she stammered. "Besides—it's so expensive."

His eyes were sharp. He looked at her for a long moment, then said: "I'll buy the doll."

"Yes sir," said Elaine, turning quickly. She regained her composure while wrapping the doll. "Is it for one of your little girls?" she asked.

"For THE little girl."
"Oh—and those other presents you bought?"

He leaned across the counter. His eyes twinkled. "There's eight boys," he whispered confidentially.

"Eight?" Elaine stepped back.

"Goodness—what a big family!" The man in the tweed coat was laughing. "Yes, isn't it? Too bad they're not mine. I'm just an uncle."

"But the little girl—she's yours?"

Surprise

He stroked his chin thoughtfully. "I sincerely hope so. This morning I asked Mr. Rogers what she wanted most for Christmas, and he said: 'The baby doll on the shelf over her head.' To me it seems like an odd present, but I guess you know what you want." He held the box out to her.

Elaine gasped. "Me—you mean me?" The clock struck five. "Oh, but you—I mean we—could have saved—"

"YOU could have saved. And if you'd bought the doll it wouldn't have been a present from me, would it? And then I wouldn't be able to ask a favor of you."

"A favor?"

"To have supper with me. And to have Christmas dinner with me tomorrow if you're not tied up."

"I'll get my coat," said Elaine breathlessly.



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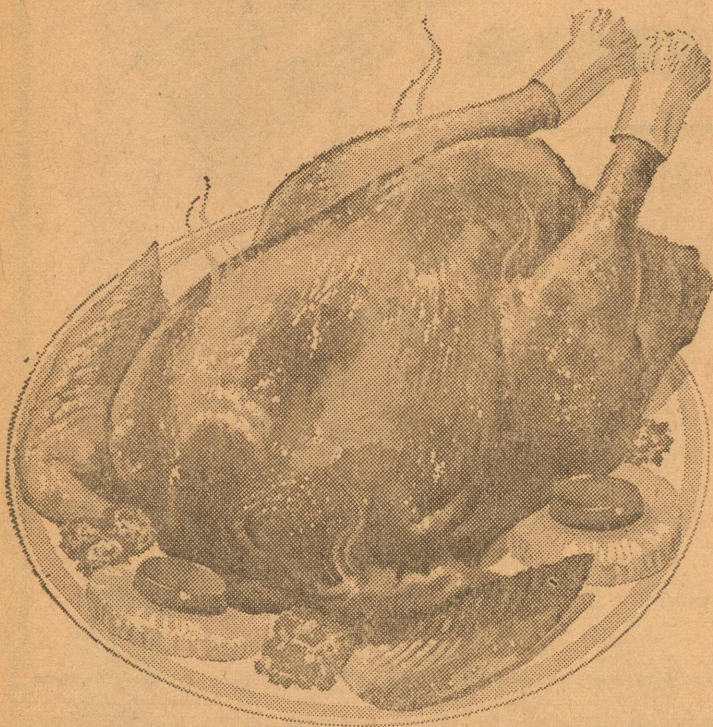
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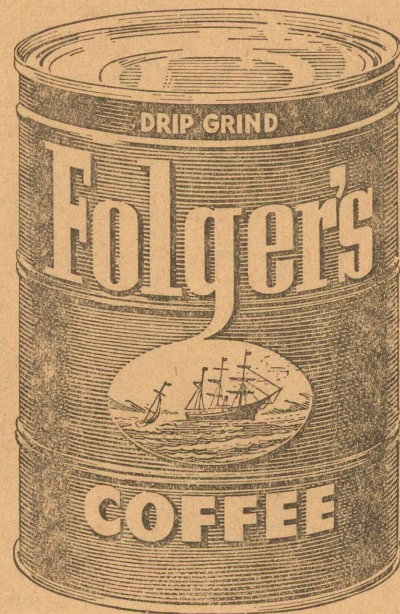
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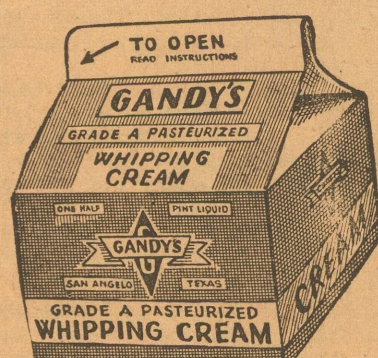


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