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#### **New Director For** Hospital Board

Following the recent resignation of Oran Enochs, the other six members of the hospital board of directors agreed that a competent woman should have a place on the board, and offered it to Mrs. Mort Mertz. She has accepted the appointment and will be formally sworn in at the next regular meeting on Monday, January 5th.

A member of a prominent ranch family Mrs. Mertz is known as an experienced business woman who will be a valuable addition to the board.

Her term of office will expire in April along with that of Ed Meador and Elton McGinnes.

By the end of February the Schleicher County Medical Center will have completed its first year. Leased by Medica Diversified, Inc. headed by Dr. J. B. Brame, the institution has been under his complete control and responsibility. His original lease was for one year with an option of five additional years. How successful his first year has been is demonstrated by the fact he has already informed the board that he will exercise the

five-year option. Ever since the hospital opened last spring it has been crowded and in need of more rooms. The board has already had tentative plans drawn for an addition to the hospital wing and it is very possible have been a few overlooked. that some time in the coming year will see some action along this in our New Year's edition for Tine. Tight money and high inter- January 1st, 1970, which will be est rates have kept the board from printed and delivered early next family in Dallas. taking any action up to this time.

Makes Regional Band

DANNY BOYER

year in EHS.

January 25th.

Wood cemetery.

great-grandchildren.

Clinic To Be Closed

Emergency patients will

10:00 (Dec. 24). You need not be

present to win.

handled through the hospital.

be

doll and Johnny Lightning set. Monday night was citing the bare

Wells.

Funeral Held For

Archie Blakney, 89

#### HOSPITAL AUXILIARY TO MEET JANUARY 8TH

The Schleicher County Medical Center Auxiliary will not meet on Thursday, January Because of the New Year holiday they will meet the following Thursday, Jan. 8.

#### Post Script

Our Christmas Papers This is the second of our Christmas Greeting Papers and it is being mailed early in the week to reach our readers shortly before Christ-

The public-spirited merchants here have bought advertising space to wish one and all the best of everything for the holidays.

By now you should have gifts purchased, cards mailed and respend Christmas.

It is our hope that you have a and loved ones.

Were you missed for a Christmas

greeting ad? to contact each and every one for a greeting message, but there may

You can have a greeting message

Christmas Is General Holiday day Christmas Day.

will be closed all day; some closed weather. part time, depending on help being available that day

eredge and Mobley expect to be county. open part time and Griffin Gulf probably the same.

SOME place.

will find Eldorado's business dis- 1937 class Most Popular Boy. trict doing business as usual. The First National Bank will also be

Next year Christmas Day will come on Friday and no doubt many

The Year's Highlights In Brownwood recently, Danny Boyer was named to the All-Regional Band as the contest was held. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. highlights

The major acquisition Schleicher Korean war. Ray Boyer and is drummer in the Eagle Band. He is a Senior this county gained was the new Medical Center. Open House was held in been a building contractor in Dal- Economics department, is visiting February in the establishment and las and in recent years an aviation here for Christmas with his parents, Danny will participate in the Area Band Contest in Austin on that was when it opened for bus- executive. iness and started receiving patients.

In the business district, Billy Gene Edmiston established Handy Hardware Store in the timehonored Eldorado Hardware building after that establishment was find registering their motor vehi-application, the clerk will need only

closed out. Atlantic-Richfield established a Archie Blakney, 89, of Eldorado died Friday in the local hospital. headquarters office in the former system devised by the Texas High- registration number and other data Funeral services were held Sun- clinic building on the Mertzon way Department. day in the Antioch Baptist Church highway.

Celebrities who passed on durwith graveside rites at the Camp ing the year included former film Mr. Blakney was born in Reagan star Judy Garland, whose 30-yearold characterization of Dorothy in there will be several new wrinkles. their vehicles in person until April Survivors are a step-daughter, the Wizard of Oz still enthralls Mrs. Dee Shipman of Eldorado; children on T-V; Sonja Henie, forfive brothers, Robert Blakney, John mer skating and film star; and Ro-Blakney, Jess Blakney and Tinse bert Taylor, who also was in the Blakney, all of San Angelo, and movies some years ago. They all S. S. Blakny of Christoval; a sister, saw the year 1969 come in but cations will be mailed to every If the vehicle owner wants his advertising rate (4c a word). The party Sunday afternoon for patients Mrs. Della Whitkey of Dallas, three failed to see the year out.

grandchildren and a number of This has been the year of the demise of the Saturday Evning Post and General Eisenhower.

President Nixon was inaugurated, the Paris peace talks are continuing with no major headway, and This is Your License Plate Re-Over Christmas Holiday the stock market has endured a newal Application." The Clinic will close at noon 200-point loss. Wednesday, Dec. 24th, remain clos-

We will hav a more detailed tions printed on it. It is a three- residence address on all three parts For County Judge: ed through Christmas Day, and be review of the year 1969 early in part form which should not be of the application. open at 2:00 o'clock on the 26th. January.

As the Success goes to press early this week, we are having take the application—and the fee way Department's motor vehicle The Eldorado Ladies Pumper bright, clear and cold weather. Team are still selling chances on a One weather news commentator

These toys are on display at Too- possibility of a white Christmas ter's Beauty Shop. The drawing for this area, but that remains to cate of title or the last year's for filing and registering motor will be held Wednesday morning at be seen. If we did get it, it would be the

first one for us since 1927.

## Decorating Contest Larry McGinnes To

A secret committee appointed by

Prizes, \$10 each, were won by: Domingo Pina, best decorated! Bill McWhorter, most attractive

window Jack Bell, best decorated door. West Texas Utilities was cited as

#### John Clement Sought After Plane Missing

John L. Clement, star tailback ceived, dcorations in place, and and all-around athlete in the Eldothe company here who plan to rado High School class of 1937, and in recent years an aviation executive who made his home in Dallas, most enjoyable holiday with friends has been the object of a search in Tennessee and Kentucky after his Cessna 210 plane failed to report in when expected in Tennessee.

It was the week end of December 11 and 12 that Clement boarded We tried all during this month his plane with purpose of flying to Knoxville, Tennessee, and from there home to Dallas. He was in the Southeast on business and was alone in his plane.

Ed Meador, a close friend, has been keeping in touch with the

The Civil Air Patrol in Tennessee has had planes out combing the rugged and wooded Tennessee Except for some of the filling area looking for signs of the Cessna stations, Eldorado business houses but as of this week there was no will be closed tight as a drum all sign of the craft. Search efforts are hampered by the rugged ter-As for the filling stations, some rain and by some spells of winter of this week for the Christmas holi-

Mr. Clement has visited here at school homecomings and at other From reports Monday we were times, and was here about a month told Lum Davis station will be ago. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. open all day Chritmas, George Wil- E. (Lefty) Clement formerly residliams will be closed all day, Eth-ed at Humble Station A in this

Johnny is remembered as a running and passing Eldorado back- taxes for the current year. At any rate travelers coming field man, a basketball player, and through will be able to buy gas a high jump ace whose 6 ft. 2 in. lean while here was a state record However, Friday and Saturday for several years. He was voted the In 1938-40, Johnny was a varsity

nals before entering the Air Force of Christ here in Eldorado. businesses will take a long week where, for five years, he was a As the year of 1969 draws to a years as a halfback for the Pittsclose, here were some of the news burgh Steelers and then was recalled by the Air Force during the

registered during the year and

vehicle registration renewal appli-cles.

reflective white background.

begin as usual on February 1st.

When the registration period be-

can order his plates by mail.

registration receipt.

torn apart.

## Winners Announced Preach Here Sunday

First United Methodist the Lions Club and the Chamber Church will have Student Recogniof Commerce judged Christmas tion Day this coming Sunday and residences and businesses Sunday Larry McGinnes will preach at the morning service which starts at

10:45. Rusty Meador will have charge of

Larry is a Senior this year at Texas Tech and will enter seminary next year to study for the minis-He is the son of Mr. and having the most attractive business Mrs. Albert McGinnes, former Eldorado residents who now live at Sterling City.

The Sunday School will start Sunday morning as usual at 9:45. There will be no night service.

The Rev. and Mrs. Bobby Palmos this week visiting his mother, Mrs. George G. Palmos at Hearne, Texas.

#### Gin Reports 1768 Bales As Of Monday

Mikeska Gin as of 5:00 o'clock forward to 2,000 for the season.

The plant is now operating on an 10% across-the-board pay hikes. every-other-day basis, according to veather conditions in the mean- not seek re-election.

#### City Hall Closed For Three Days this Week

The City Hall offices are closed Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday

Next week they will be closed Jan. 1st, New Year's Day. Lum Burk, city secretary,

minds tax payers that this month of December is the final month to take the 1% discount if you have not already paid your city

#### Gospel Meeting Set At West Side Church

With Portis Ribble of San Angelo

Services will be held at 7:30 each pilot in the Training Command, hight at the church and there will Precinct 4. attaining the rank of Captain. Af- be dinner served at 12:00 noon

David Steen, who is on the faculty of North Texas State Univer-Since that time, Clement has sity at Denton, where he is in the Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Steen.

and hand over the 1970 plates.

Some vehicle owners may find it

Although owners can register

The new registration renewal

Initiation of the new system

vehicle registrations. Motorist con-

system is the product of an exten-

New Registration For Motor Vehicles

cles for 1970 easier than ever be- to receive the fee, affix to the

fore, thanks to a new registration application a sticker showing the

The Department expects more even more convenient to go thru

First, license plates will have a 1, there is a March 1 cutoff date

The application itself has instruc- cle owner should print his correct

gins, the vehicle owner need only sive computerization of the High-

With the application, he will no means Texas now has one of the

If he decides to go to the county venience will be one of the greatest

tax office or a substation, he will dividends of the new system.

longer need to present his certifi- most efficient systems in the nation

to the county tax office. Or he registration records.

new color scheme—light blue on a for mail registrations. This allows

than seven million vehicles to be the registration process by mail.

## **Political Year Gets Under Way Next Week**

column shown below this article a year. is awaiting candidates' announcements. It will start running in the Eldorado Success issue of January 1, 1970.

Note To Candidates: Since next week's Success issue must be printed and delivered early, those who want their announcements to come out Jan. 1st must have them in no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, December 29th . . .

The upcoming year 1970 is a and family are spending part of political year and there is already interest being shown in the various races which will come up for contest. These are on both the local and higher levels.

cials and employees were voted General Election.

Wayne Mikeska. They will be gin- Ratliff, is completing his initial year, Congressman's pay was hiked ing Wednesday, then take off for term of office. He emerged tops from \$30,000 to \$42,500 a year. Christmas and then resume either in a 6-man race in 1966, after the Friday or Saturday, depending on incumbent judge Dick Bearce did Odessa and a slice of San Antonio,

> In September of 1968, the Commissioners Court set judge's salary at \$8900 a year, with \$6300 being paid by the county and \$2600 by the county school board. The latter amount is for the side job of ex-officio county school superin-J. P. Enochs, County and Dis-

ent since that time.

Last year the clerk's salary was which pays a salary.

in 1958 and has not had an oppon- against him. ent since. Since 1968, the job has paid \$6930 a year.

come up on the ticket next year. the coming months will tell the backfield star at SMU in Dallas. in charge, a three-day Gospel L. E. McCalla is completing his story.

After graduation, he played pro- Meeting will start the day after second four-year term is Commis- Both County Democratic Chairfessionally with the Chicago Cardi- Christmas at the West Side Church sioner of Precinct 2, and Lawrence man Dick Preston and County Refour-year term as Commissioner of and their respective committees,

ter WW II, he starred for three Sunday at the Memorial Building for a slice of votes in the town Jan. 31st deadline, so that they ers voted to re-district the four elections which will be coming up precincts to corner in the town, in 1970. They voted this past summer in order to comply with the Supreme Court's one-man one-vote edict.

year plus \$300 travel allowance, for a total of \$3600.

second four-year term as Justice of the Peace for Justice Precinct No. 1, which takes in all the town of 1970: Austin, Tex.—Texas drivers will find shorter waiting lines. With the

#### Political Announcements

County Offices \$20.00 Commissioners Justice of the Peace, Prct. 1 \$20.00 State and Congressional \_\_\_\_\$25.00 Fiderly Honored With Federal Offices \_\_\_

Note: The above prices include party Sunday 30 days for delivery before 1970 one (1) write-up of not exceeding Second, for the first time, motor plates must be displayed on vehi- 250 words; additional wording will vehicle owner in Texas during Janu- plates mailed to him, he should price does not include subscription of the nursing wing of the hospital. ary. The registration period will send his registration application to to this publication. No refund to Wool corsages and Santa Claus tie his county tax collector, with the candidates withdrawing.

The renewal application will registration fee plus \$1, which is The Eldorado Success is author- favors. arrive in the mail in a slender envelope marked, "Important—— and postage. the statutory charge for handling names of candidates for office, subapplication is incorrect, the vehi-Primary May 2, 1970:

For County and District Clerk:

For County Treasurer:

For Commissioner, Precinct 2:

For Commissioner, Precinct 4: For Justice Of The Peace

Justice Precinct No. 1: For Associate Justice, Third Court Of Civil Appeals:

The Political Announcements of Eldorado. The job pays \$3300

(All foregoing salary figures compiled from latest available from Commissioners minutes and Success files for 1968.)

It remains to be seen how much interest develops in higher level

Hilary Doran of Del Rio is presently serving as our representative in the State Legislature and presumably will announce for re-

election. W. E. Snelson of Midland defeated Dorsey Hardman for State Senator two years ago; since that term of office is for four years it will not be up for contest this year.

O. C. Fisher is serving in Con-Local officials are now elected gress from the 21st District, which for four-year terms and deadline has been greatly expanded in area for them to file and get their since he was elected to his initial names on the ballot for the Demo- term of office in 1942, when he cratic Primary is the first week defeated the late Charles South. Monday evening had tagged 1768 in February. In the summer of bales and they are still looking 1968 the bulk of the county offi-

The job paid \$10,000 a year when The present County Judge, Tom he was elected in '42. Earlier this

The 21st District now includes as well as San Angelo, and any campaign for Congressman will have to be conducted over the entire 350-mile distance from Odessa to San Antonio. Republican Jack Alexander of Odessa ran against Fisher two years ago.

Schleicher County is in the Third Court of Civil Appeals area which must elect a new Associate Justice trict Clerk, was elected to his ini- this coming year. The Success has tial term of office in 1952, the year already received one announcehe defeated the late H. T. (Dogie) ment, from Bob Shannon of Austin. Finley. He has not had an oppon- and it will be run in our issue next week

U. S. Senator Ralph Yarborough set at \$6930, and he also has comes up for re-election in 1970 side job of veterans service office and is expected to draw opposition from Conservative Democrats as A. G. (Mack) McCormack is com- well as from the Republicans. The pleting his third four-year term of Republicans are already talking of office. He was elected to the office putting up George Bush of Houston

some of the top state jobs, Gover-Two County Commissionrs will nor, Land Commissioner, etc., and

Dannheim is completing his initial publican Chairman Ford Oglesby, have urged local residents to be Both of these will have to work sure to register to vote by the of Eldorado, since the Commission- will be eligible to vote in ALL

#### Commissioners are paid \$3300 a IMPORAL DEES FOR or a total of \$3600. B. L. Blakeway is completing his Political Year 1970

Here are some significant dates in the upcoming Political Year Feb. 2. Candidates' filing dead-

May 1. First primary. June 6. Second primary. Sept. 15. State party conventions. Nov. 3. General election.

The Schleicher County Medical be charged for at regular reader Center Auxiliary held a Christmas clips were passed out to guests as

A musical program was present-

guests by auxiliary members and enjoyed by over 100 people.

scene and passed out gifts to each patient. Christmas carols were sung by everyone to end to lovely party.

The committee in charge of the Christmas party included Granvil Hext, Mrs. Henry Moore, Mrs. James Page, Mrs. T. P. Robinson Jr., Mrs. E. H. Nimitz, Mrs. W. C. Parks, Mrs. Jerry Jones, Mrs. E. W. Brooks, and Mrs. Elton Mc-Ginnes.

#### names of candidates for office, sub- ed by Rusty Meador, Martha Sue If the address on the renewal ject to action of the Democratic Page, Billie Gayl and Steve Blaylock and Susan Hill. Refreshments were served to the Santa Claus then appeared on the



## Christmas Blessings

May this holy season of Christmas, with it's message of love and peace, enrich your lives with many blessings.

Williams Fina Station No. 18

Mr. and Mrs. George Williams & Employees



Alvin, Ruby Nell, Timmy and Barbara Farris

Christmas Greetings

This message is warm with friendliness and filled with My good wishes for Christmas

THE GUNSTEADS Bill, Charlene, Gwendolyn Rae and Billy Charles Miss Kay Peters' Engagement To Mr. Heflin Of Hawaii Announced



KAY FRANCES PETERS

Honolulu, Hawaii.

Miss Peters, a graduate of Eldo-rado High School, received her The couple will be re-Bachelors Degree from North Texas State University in August, 1969 where she was named to the Dean's List. She has served as personnel chairman of her Sorority, Chi Omega. She was secretary of the Student Education Association and recording secretary of Sigma Alpha Eta, national fraternity in speech and hearing therapy. Miss Peters is presently a graduate assistant at North Texas State University where she is a realist week for Borger where they will spend Christmas holidays in the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smithey. where she is working toward her Master's Degree.

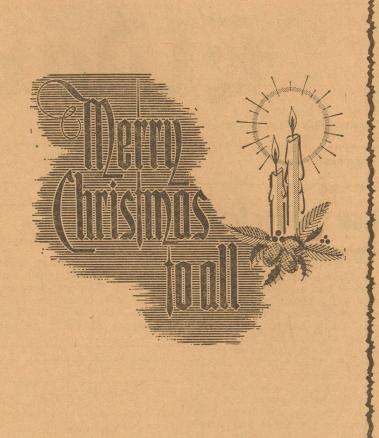
Mr. Heflin graduated from Iolani High School in Honolulu,

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Peters of Hawaii, and graduated from North Eldorado, Texas, announce the en- Texas State University in 1968. He gagement of their daughter, Kay served as secretary of his frater-Frances, to Mr. Neal Heflin, son nity, Phi Kappa Sigma. Since of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Stansky of graduation Mr. Heflin has been employed by Georgia-Pacific Cor-

> The couple will be married on Saturday, March 28, in the First United Methodist Church here in Eldorado.

> Mr. and Mrs. George Long left last week for Borger where they

Bob Page returned recently from a 10-day stay in Methodist Hospital in Houston.



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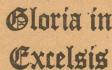
TO MY MANY FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS IN REYNOLDS COMMUNITY AND SCHLEICHER COUNTY

We wish to express our appreciation for the many thoughtful deeds of kindness you have done: the flowers, gifts, cards, prayers, and

I wish I could write each of you a special card, but my hands are unsteady and I tire so easy I can't. The children, Owen & Ann, Bobby & Carolyn, Frank & Claryce, and

Billy appreciate what you have done as much as I do. We wish health to each of you

and a very happy Haliday. Mrs. J. Tom Williams

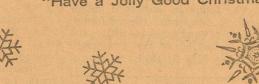






hat's our Yuletide Wish for you. You have loyally and generously allowed us to serve you, and we are enormously grateful.

As in times past we're glad to offer the ageless and 4 familiar greeting of the season to you as we say: "Have a Jolly Good Christmas"



First National Bank

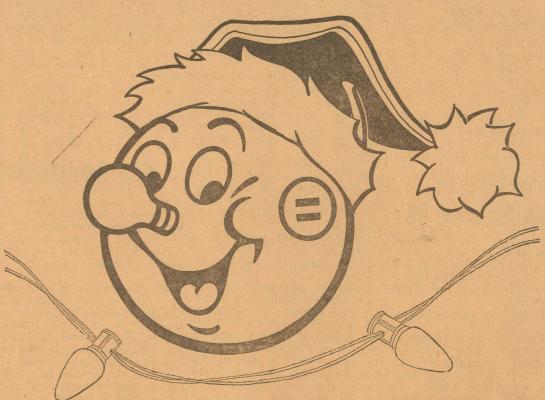
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The Gift of Light Makes Christmas Bright



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own

#### Eldorado-Divide District News

Flexibility In Stocking

By Bill Rountree District Conservationist

Just as sure as rainfall fluctuates -forage production will fluctuate on our rangeland in the Eldcrado-Divide Soil and Water Conservation District. This being the case, the grazing pressure by livestock should

to widely fluctuating forage pro- tually come to realize the need for

Many Thanks

To Earn,

To our Faithful Old Friends,

a Happy New Year.

To Our Cherished New Friends,

And To Those whose friendship we hope

We wish you a Very Happy Christmas, and

DAVIS FINA STATION

Mr. and Mrs. Lum Davis

blessed with rainfall. To achieve efficient use of his range each year and truly become a conservation rancher, the rancher should understand the need for flexibility in adjusting stocking rates, as well as when and how adjustments should be made. This could very well be the first step toward becoming a successful rancher.

It is very questionable as whether or not a person could be called a conservationist when he duction. With our erratic rainfall managing their forage production

"... when the fulness of the time was come, god sent forth his Son,..."

GALATIANS 4:4

ay Christmas

bring you

many blessings

perhaps it poses a greater problem on the basis of each season's properhaps it poses a greater problem on the basis of each season's prohere than in areas more favorably duction, our ranges will continue to go on a downward trend.

influence forage production would lead one to realize that there just isn't a safe constant normal carrying capacity when forage production has been known to vary in rest home near Dallas. Mrs. Faust this district over three consecutive years as follows: 1300 lbs., and only 350 lbs. per acre. By stockto ing at a rate considered to be "normal" in this case would surely bring on disaster in years of low be flexible if we wish to maintain has only applied one or more conhigh forage production on our servation practices, such as cross August in this section, when norfencing or brush control, with no mally most of our seasonal forage Granted, ranchers have a prob- plan or thought of follow up man- production will have already been lem of adjusting livestock numbers agement. If ranchers do not even- made. However, if we did not re ceive our normal rainfall in peak grass growing months of April, May and June, or if production has been overused at this time; then the wise rancher needs to begin reducing his breeding herd in July or August. This can be done either by sellling off a larger than usual number of older breeding stock, or else not keep the usual number of replacement stock. If normal rains have not come by mid-summer in this area, the chances are very good that we will not be able to grow enough grass in the fall to make up for the earlier lack of grass production. By ignoring this condition at this time the operator is inviting abused ranges and the resulting excessive feed bills.

Rainfall records for Schleicher county reveals that an average of 3.70 inches of rainfall is received during the month of September. This moisture at this time of year causes the grasses to turn green and look pretty, but generally there isn't enough time between then and frost to grow a lot of grass. At least not as much as can be grown in the spring and early summer when moisture is sufficient. Generally if rain isn't received by mid September, and the forage is seemingly short, the range manager should begin making plans fo rreducing numbers if he wishes to avoid abusing his rangeland and excessive winter feed bills.

In summation making adjustments in livestock numbers soon enough to prevent over-use grassplants when production low, and how to keep income as high as possible when the grass crop is so variable are two problems confronting ranchmen in this area from year to year. In years of low rainfall ranchers make some adjustments in stock numbers, but often adjustments are made too late to avoid losses in animal weights, damage to grass plants, and costly feed bills. Conservation ranchers in the district have found that with flexibility in stocking rates they can grow more pounds of grass per acre and produce more pounds of livestock, which is the key to a successful

#### METHODIST NOTES

ranching operation.

As of this past Sunday, \$91.75 had been received for the Waco Home, and \$84.00 for the Mission

Last Sunday evening, which was the Sunday just before Christmas, the Candlelighting Service held and there was a reception afterwards in the parsonage.

This coming Sunday, Dec. 28th, Larry McGinnes will preach at the morning service. He is attending Tech at the present time and is a ministerial student. This is also Student Recognition Sunday

## In receiving all the factors that Died December 7th

Mrs. Keno Ogden received word this week of the death of Mrs. F. B. Faust on December 7th, in a was in her 80's. She was the widow of the late Rev. F. B. Faust who served as pastor of the Methodist Church here in Eldorado from 1941 to 1948.

Survivors include a son, James Faust of Washington, D. C., and a daughter, Mrs. Earl Ralston of Richardson, Texas; and two grand-

For benefit of friends who might ike to write the family, Libby's

Mrs. Earl Ralston 1208 Cherokee Drive Richardson, Texas 75080

#### Alva Lee Harris Finishes **Border Patrol Course**

Alva Lee Harris, 33, of Ozona, Texas, was graduated recently from the United States Border Patrol Academy at Los Fresnos, Texas, and will perform duties as a Patrol Inspector in the Chula Vista, California Border Patrol Sector.

Patrol Inspector Harris was member of the 94th Session of the Border Patrol Academy and was one of 98 new officers successfully completing the intensive academy course in Immigration and Nationality laws and regulations, Spanish language, duties and authority to act, court procedures, civil rights, physical training, and other studies involving the duties of patrol offi-

Patrol Inspector Harris is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Orland A. Harris of Route 1, Eldorado, Tex. He attended Eldorado Elementary School and is a graduate of Eldorado High School.

Harris is married to the former Jane Ann Amacker of Poplarville, Mississippi. The couple have three ehildren.

Before his appointment to the Border Patrol, Harris was a Lineman for the Southwest Texas Electric Co-Op, Inc., and was stationed in Ozona, Texas.

Harris was appointed from a register compiled in a nationwide competitive civil service examination offered periodically in local areas for prospective candidates for career service with the U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service.

#### THE TEX-MEX NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Tis the Night before Christmas and all through the casa

Not a creature is stirring: Caramba, que pasa?

The stockings are hung con mucho cuidado

In hopes that Saint Nicholas will feel obligado To leave a few cosas aqui and ali

For chico and chica (y something for me) Los Ninos are snuggled all safe in their camas

Some in vestidos and some in Their little cabezas all full of good They're all esperando que Santa

will bring. Rusty Meador is home for the holidays from SMU at Dallas, visit-

ing his parents, the Ed Meadors,

and other relatives and friends.

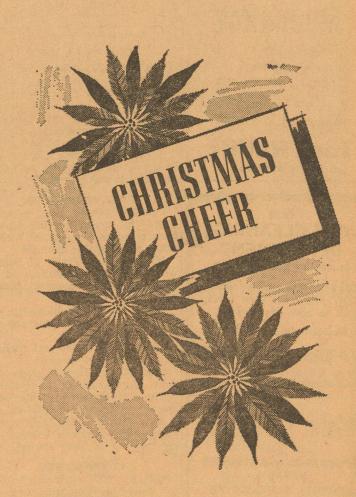
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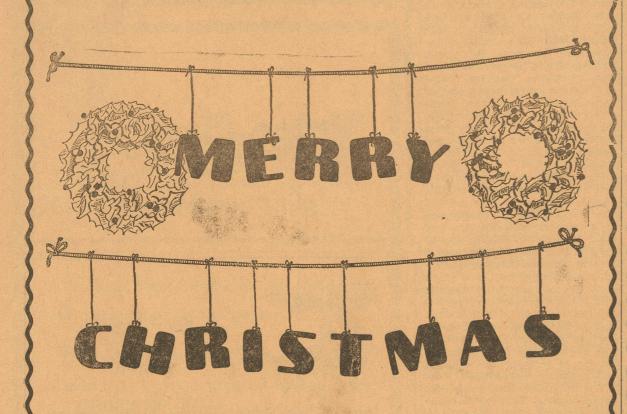


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#### These For Sale:

John Deere 70 and 720, 8-16 grain drill, 9-N Ford tractor, and International shredder. Also 4-row planter and cultivator.

Will do tractor mechanic and farm machinery work and also car tune-ups.

> Farris Nixon Phone 853-2996

LOST: Rear-end gate for 1959 Chev. pick-up, 9 miles on Farm 2129, Bailey Ranch; lost Dec. 16th while returning home. Call V. G.

CLEANINGEST carpet cleaner you eve rused, so easy too. Get Blue Lustre. Rent electric shampooer for \$1. Foxworth-Galbraith Lumber Co., Eldorado, Texas.

FOR RENT: Modern 3-bedroom house, newly painted. Call 853-2355.

#### In Those Days

Compiled From Success Files

ONE YEAR AGO

Dec. 26, 1968-Nancy Lux was winner in the state Make It Your-self With Wood contest held at Lubbock.

Steps were being taken to set up an Office of Economic Opportunity neighborhood center here. A going-away party honored the

Duane Branham family as they prepared to move to Brady.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Dec. 24, 1964—A virus epidemic swept this area, lowering attendance at school. Dr. Ernest Vernezobre was treating patients. Mr. and Mrs. Frank O'Banion

were called to San Antonio on account of the death of his father, Guy Frank O'Banion Leslie Baker, B. L. Blakeway, and

Jimmy Harris were winners in the decorating contest. Gloria Jean Talley and Richard

denn Kent were married. Mrs. R. Q. Harris's piano students were presented in recital. The Bill Rountree family were spending Christmas in Dallas. Army Pvt. Robbye Waldron completed eight weeks of infantry ba-

sic training at Fort Gordon, Ga. 12 YEARS AGO

Dec. 26, 1957-Officials of General Telephone Company were requesting an across-the-board increase in their rates here.

Orland Harris was commander of the American Legion Post here as it staged its annual party for school cihldren.

David Rutledge was on the job as mechanic at George Humphrey The Joe Andrews family were

spending the holidays visiting in

In Milwaukee, Wis., Brig. Gen. Jim Dan Hill was honored at the dinner meeting of the Wisconsin Society, Sons of the American Revolution.

Tom Turkeys were 35c a pound, and a 3-lb. can of Star Hams cost \$2.99 at Parker Foods.

35 YEARS AGO

Dec. 28, 1934—Funeral services vere held on Christmas Day for Mayor J. N. Davis. He died in Shannon hospital from an attack of pneumonia.

Thorpe Parker became manager of the Red & White Store, replac-ing B. Hamilton who accepted a position with an oil company, to work out of San Angelo.

R. A. Evans announced plans to 1 Year, Elsewhere \_\_\_\_\_\$4.00 have the old Silliman building remodeled into a residence. Joe Williams was also having his house remodeled.

Mary Erskine was recuperating in San Angelo following a stay in the hospital. She was a teacher

Judge J. A .Whitten, chairman of admission is made, obituaries, cards of thanks, resolutions of respect, and all matters not news will be charged for at the regular rates. ed plans well under way to help put the state of Texas over for the Announcements of revivals for churches put the state of Texas over for the are considered advertising and charged for upcoming 1936 Centennial of Texas regular advertising rates. as Independence.

Mrs. Cora Putman announced the marriage of her daughter, Annice, to Mr. Herman H. Murchison. Joe Muller Christian and Albert

McGinty were home for the holidays from Texas Tech at Lubbock. Home from the University of Texas were Garnett Luedecke, Mrs. Willie Ruth Johnson, Roberta

Milligan, and Bell Sample. Two loaves of bread cost 15c, a no. 2 can of peas was 15c, homemade sausage was 16c a pound, a 25-lb. bag of sugar cost \$1.21, and two pounds of ground meat were 15c, at Self-Serve Grocery store.

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#### Community Calendar

Dec. 29, Monday. Chili supper at Golf Club House, 7:00 p.m. Dec. 30, Tuesday. Invitational Snowflake Ball, Memorial Bldg. Jan. 5, Monday. School resumes

following holidays. Jan. 8, Thursday. Hospital Aux-

Jan. 8, Thursday. Bank shareholders' meeting, 3:00 p.m. at bank.

#### Use Color Scheme

If you choose one color scheme and stick to it, your packages will look more individual and you won't have ribbons and papers

that don't match each other. It is also much less expensive to buy one very large roll of paper, than to invest in costly packaged. Often the packaged papers turn out to have two square these bases are to have two square these tables. sheets which usually are too large or too small for your

size package.

At the same time, it is wiser to buy large yardage bolts of ribbon and cheaper in the long run than ribbons measured in feet.

#### Christmas And Bells

Many poet and musicians have been inspired to write music and verses concerning bells, and bells have been associated with religion for

John Pierpont, a lawyer who was not happy practicing law, became a clergyman and wrote verses to
"Jingle Bells" in about 1857.
He called it "The One Horse
Open Sleigh", and it is sung
all over the world at
Christmastime.

#### HAPPY . HOLIDAYS





from your Mobil Consignee and butane dealer:

Jack Halbert, Jr. and Family

#### NOTICE

We are devoting all our time to selling and servicing heating, cooling and refrigeration appliances. Let us check your heating system before

Topliffe Gas & **Electric Service** 

#### ELDORADO LODGE

#### Grandparents Like Practical Gifts

College Station, Tex.—Grandparnts are practical. They want Chirstmas present such as gift certifi Jan. 7, Wednesday. Lions Club cates, staples and postage stamps. meets 12:05, Memorial Building. They don't want bric-a-brac to They don't want bric-a-brac to catch dust.

> Gift certificates could be for a local restaurant, the movies or the beauty parlor, suggests Minnie Bell, Extension specialist for aging. She says the elderly often do not have extra money for such outings.

If they get money as a gift they might save it but a person can make a "mad purchase" with a gift certificate, she adds.

Miss Bell, a specialist at Texas A&M University, has other suggestions: send staples for the kitchen. or a case of assorted soups and small boxes of crackers, or gourmet foods such as sauces, cheeses and

Give a pot plant instead of cut flowers—it will keep. Or give something the grand-children have made or a framed

picture of the family Tickets to a good play is a unique gift. Include money for hotel and travel if necessary, Miss Bell sug-

A wig, brightly flowered pillow cases and sheets, greeting cards with postage stamps and miniature casserole dishes and cooking pans for one or two are other ideas for Christmas gifts.

#### Eldorado-Divide District News

The year 1969 was a good year in the Eldorado-Divide Soil and Water Conservation District for applying and maintaining soil, water & plant conservation practices. Level closed end terraces continue to rank high among needed conservation practires applied and maintained, states Lloyd B. Johnson of the Soil Conservation Service. Level closed end terraces constructed to date total 642 miles in the Schleicher County portion of the Dis-

trict. The method of terrace construction has kept pace with the change in farming operations. District cooperators have constructed terraces with many different kinds of implements. Terraces constructed by farmers, using their own farming equipment, contributed to a good percentage of the total miles constructed

"The amount of terraces already constructed in the District is indicative of what land owners and operators think of terraces. Also, the maintenance of terraces already constructed is concrete evidence taht the importance of terraces is recognized by farmers in the District," Johnson stated. Some of the first terraces constructed in the District are as good or better

than when they were completed. Terrace maintenance should be considered equally as important as terrace construction. Some farmers consider the maintenance of terraces to be of more importance than terrace construction. The damage seen on fields, without proper terrace maintenance, is why they consider terrace maintenance to be more important than terrace construction.

The frequency of terrace maintenance varies with the use given terraced fields. This is because some farming operations are carried out with or parallel to the terraces, and some farming operations cross terraces. Row crop farming should always follow terraces or contour. However, drilled or broadcast crops can be planted following field boundaries and across terraces. Whichever farming operation is used, terrace maintenance should be carried out when needed and as frequently as

Most terrace maintenance is carried out by farmers with their farming implements. The one-way plew has probably been used more for terrace maintenance than any other implement. This is due to the fact that most farmers have a one-way plow and that a good maintenance job can be attained. Also, if fields are broken frequently with a one-way plow and terraces are followed, needed maintenance is done in the same operation. By tarting at the top of each terarce vith the plow moving dirt toward the top of terrace, needed height and width can be maintained.

Terrace maintenance work does not necessarily have to be done each year, but should be done as often as needed. To determine if terraces need maintenance, checks can be made following a big rain. High water marks along the terrace ridge or water going over top of terraces indicate need for added height. Difficulty in planting and plowing terraces with equipment normally used on farm indicates more base width needed.

Level closed end terraces are constructed for the purpose of conserving soil and water. If terraces No. 890 — A. F. & A. M. Stated meeting 2nd Thursday in each month, at 7:00 p. m. from Oct. 1 to April 1, and at 8:00 from April 1 to October 1. Visiting brethren welcome.



TO EACH AND EVERYONE

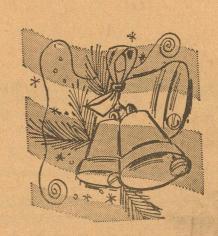
#### SCHLEICHER COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Orval and Charlene

Jack — Fenna — Dorothy

"The Lord reigneth: let the earth rejoice." PSALM 97:1





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D. T. Yates & Employees

good wishes for a Merry

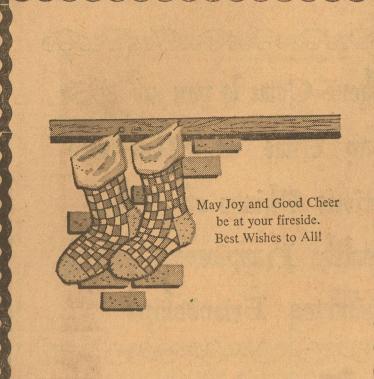
Christmas

Wealth and Happiness 00 Christmas wrapped for YOU

Joy - Health

McCORMICK'S GROCERY

BEE AND HOLLIS



## James Williams

CAR MARKET & REAL ESTATE



## Jerre's Drive - In

The Jim Holley Family



I would like to thank all my customers for their trade in the past.

We will be closed the 25th and 26th for Christmas, and we wish all of you from all of us a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

## Handy Hardware

The Billy Gene Edmistons and family

#### Jan. 7 Sef As 'Rub Ouf Rubella' Day

The first German Measles vaccine will be available soon for a county wide program to immunize all children between the ages of one and ten years. Rubella, or German Measles, also called the "three day measles" is a mild disease that can produce deformities in infants if the disease is contacted by the nother during pregnancy. In 1964, here were 30,000 miscarriages and stillbirths and some 20,000 children bern with defects ranging from mental retardation and heart disease to blindness and deafness in he United States.

The vaccine is now available for organized immunization programs hrough the Texas State Health

Department. The State Health Department will provide the vaccine for all school age children, grades, prechool through the fourth children must have signed permission slip at school by January 7th in order to take the vaccine.

Ages from one to pre-school will be given the vaccine at the Medical Center emergency room starting 2:00 o'clock January 7th children must be accompanied by parent. In order to totally eradicate the disease, all children in the county between the ages of one and ten years should receive the vaccine. This portion of the program is to be sponsored by civic Mobley, 1st; Childers and Porters, organizations in Schleicher county tied for 2nd; and Barfields, 4th. headed by Beta Sigma Phi. carpool will be furnished.

Any questions will be answered by calling Mrs. Ronnie Griffin at 2601 or Mrs. C. F. Dacy at 2814. Help us set up January 7th as "Rub Out Rubella" Day.

#### Destroy Unwanted Credit Cards

Cut and destroy unwanted credit ards, advises Linda Jacobsen, Extension home management specialist at Texas A&M University.

This eliminates keeping track of them and running the risk of a stolen card. By keeping the credit card, you have accepted the terms under which it was issued, even though no formal agreement was

Unsolicited credit cards may arrive through the mail from many ources: banks, oil companies or department stores.

#### Ceviche Recipe Spices Holidays

Austin, Tex.—If the usual chips and dips don't seem enough for a special holiday house party here's a favorite snack dish from Mexico which can be ladled up in small bowls and served with plastic

It's called "ceviche" and it's cooked in a traditional manner with citrus juices instead of heat, notes the Texas Parks and Wildlife De-

The basic ingredient is fish, virtually any species of fresh or saltwater fish. Most Mexican chefs use anything that swims. Whatever the choice, the fish should be in filet form (so that no bones get into the ceviche) and it can be diced in half-inch or one-inch chunks.

The first day, place one pound of diced filets in a baking dish and add the juice of five limes and one lemon. Cover with sauterne wine, if desired, and refrigerate 24 ours or more.

On the second or third day, add he following Two medium-size onions, finely

Five scallions, finely chopped, in

luding green tops: One No. 2 can of tomatoes. Re-

move cores and chop up residue; One 8-oz. can of tomato sauce; Two tablespoons of capers;

Half-cup salad peppers, chopped

One teaspoon oregano; One teaspoon sweet basil;

One teaspoon coriander: Half-cup cilantro leaves, chopped available in some Mexican groo stores), or, if not available, add more coriander;

One tablespoon Tabasco sauce, or to individual taste.

Add to fish, stir thoroughly and refrigerate. This will last 10 days o two weeks, and makes aproximately a quart and a half.

Before serving, stir in one teaspoon olive oil per pint. Serve as snack, appetizer or light meal with crackers or hard-crusted

R. E. Corbell left early this week for New Zealand where he will work with off-shore drilling.

New Babies

Mr. and Mrs. George Draper, Jr. are parents of a daughter born Dec. 11 in a San Angelo hospital. The new baby has been named Erica Shawn, and she weighed

lbs. 12 oz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. eorge Draper, and Mr. and Mrs. John Olive of San Angelo.

## OPERATION MOTORCIDE CHRISTMAS 1969

**DEC. 28** 

The Texas Department of Public Safety estimates that 54 persons will be killed in traffic accidents during the Christmas holiday period from 6 p.m. Wednesday, December 24 to midnight Sunday, December 28. DPS officials are joining with the Governor's highway safety program in urging Texans to "Drive Friendly" during the holidays and stay alive for the seventies.

BRIDGE WINNERS

Recent Eldorado Golf Club bridge

**DEC. 24** 

Dec. 11: Ralph Waldron and Delert Taylor, 1st; Susie Martin and Melissa O'Harrow, 2nd; and Blakeways, 3rd.

Dec. 18: Ethel Olson and Jan

There will be a chili supper at the club house for all members and their families on December t 7:00 p.m. All urged to be

The Ben Fatherees plan to leave Wednesday on a trip to Oklahoma to visit parents and relatives. Ben's brother will be home after serving a year in Labrador with the Air

#### Santa Is Placed In Nativity Scene

In years, actually centuries, it has always been Joseph, Mary, the infant Jesus, a couple of sheep and perhaps the shepherds and three wise men who were depicted in

Nativity scenes.

Last year the Queen of Angels Catholic Church in Port Angeles, Washington, added a new figure — Santa Claus.

It was explained that many Christians depend upon Christmas sales for their livelihood, "and they ought to be able to consecrate this part of their lives to God". A priest said, "We must get rid of this dichotomy, unless we're still laboring on the false idea that the body and the soul are seperate. And a reverent Santa in the crib scene, he continued, follows the message that the church must incorporate the world".

Accepting Santa for the symbol of commercialization and then including him in the religious scene will help the church get its message across that man's whole life is permeated with religion.

TYPEWRITER RIBBONS, for Royal, Underwood, and Remington -available at the Success.

EVA



SHOWER GAL . . . With her own tub and shower unit, this little doll can be showered and shampooed, shows enjoyment by bobbing her head back and forth.



#### L. R. HANUSCH

Water Well Drilling and Services Submersible Pumps Eldorado, Texas

LeRoy\_ — Betty \_ — and The Girls



We want to try to say 'Thank You' to all the people of Schleicher County who have been so wonderful to us the past 22 years.

In business, in sickness, and in sorrow we have appreciated your friendship and your patronage. May God bless each of you during this Christmas Season.

MRS. EVELYN STIGLER

JOHNNY LINDA JERRY and COLENE



Peace On Earth Good Will To One And All

## TOPLIFFE GAS & ELECTRIC SERVICE

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Topliffe & Family



The blessed peace of Christmas . . . may it be yours.

#### ETHEREDGE TEXACO

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Etheredge and Employees

## ITS CHRISTMAS

and we are proud to take this opportunity to say, "Thank You" to all our good friends. May the season be filled with happiness for one and all!



## ANDY NIXON WELDING & CONSTRUCTION CO.

The Andy Nixon Family & Employees

#### Home Demonstration Agent's Column

Ah- Sweet Christmas. The time of joy, anticipation and a universal engulfment of love for our fellow man.

The time of simple pleasures and complicated failures. The time of unexpected fulfillment, the time of a sense of loss because we have lost the mystery and glow of childhood. A time of sensing a cosmic peace; the great peace and a time of knowing failure for the peace makers. A time of the changing mood. A time of hearing a child's voice sing in its own high little pitch, "Sleep In Heavenly Peace," and have it ease the aching of muscles which have done too much for too long.

May your time be a happy time, and the best time of all is my Christmas wish for you.

Even though I wish this for everybody each year I reserve a special thought for some who might need a little extra brand of consideration.

So I says Merry Christmas to all . . . .

—Men who get lavender-striped ties from their mothers-in-law. —Wives whose husbands brought

in a crooked Christmas tree.

—Those whose tree lights burned out about 6:30 on Christmas Eve, after the stores had closed.

—Those who ordered gifts that have not come and who know that they never will come in time for Christmas.

—Whose popcorn balls would not

stick together.

—Whose fudge didn't get quite

firm enough.

—Whose turkey needed another 40

minutes in a slow oven at 2:00 p.m. on Christmas Day, and everybody at the table.

—Who will find out from some well meaning "friend" that the

Christmas card they sent cost everybody who got one an extra 6 cents.

—Whose Christmas tree had lost all its needles (and a lot of its

thread) by Christmas Eve.

—All those who are soon to discover that the "main big" toy runs by battery and no battery was included in the box. (Stores again

—All those who simply can't find the one address they have looked for all week.

—All those whose fruit cakes got just a little browner than was intended.
—All whose peanut brittle was a

little scorched but who hope that no one will notice.

—For all who got gloves about

one half size too small.

--To Louise and Dr. Edward Dyer, away up in Kremmling, Colorado,

who have a new Ski Mobile and up until Dec. 14 NO SNOW!

—Who will discover a small hole on the corner of the Christmas tablecloth after it is too late to do

anything about it.

—To all who got a beautiful diamond but secretly wished for a new dishwasher.

To all who have worked and slaved over the Christmas dinner only to find that by the time the food is on the table they are too tired to get

To all whose baby pulled the Christmas tree over on Christmas

—To those who did not get the outside decorations up on the house before the judging committee came

To Mrs. Carl F. Matthews who lives in Potwin, Kansas, and who sent the most delicious pepper-nut cookies I ever tosted—because Mrs. Matthews once lived in our county and still loves to come home.

To a special pair of little boys who always wave when they see

—And to Dr. and Mrs. Jack Mowrey in Arizona whose town will soon have a new hospital, nearly like ours.

ike ours.

—And if I've missed anybody and you feel you deserve an extra thought just remember—you are

included.

I love this little story which a friend declares is true.

At her family's rendition of Silent Night she noticed something sounding different. On listening carefully she realized that several children kept singing, "Round John Virgin, Mother, and Child." Finally the Mother stopped playing the piano and asked acidly, "Now who is this 'Round John Virgin'?"

Her children piped up in unison, "He was one of the Twelve Opossums."

That's a child for you. May Christmas mean to you what it means to a child. They may have something we have never heard about.

\* \* \* \*
Happy New Year—World.

CAREFUL SHOPPING

Don't be in such a hurry to do your shopping. You may be able to save money and disappointment by taking more time.

Shop only at reliable stores. Don't be blinded by bargains—they are not always good buys. Shop and compare prices. Prices can be extremely differnt for the same item.

*ಹಾರ್ಡಾರ್ಯಾಕರ್ ಕರ್ನಾರ್* 

May there Come to you at this Koliday Time an Abundance of the precious Things of Life;

Realth Kappiness

and Suduring Friendships

WE WILL GIVE OUT DRAWING TICKETS 'TIL 2:30 P.M. DEC. 24TH

Be Sure To Attend The Drawing at 3:00 p.m.

## **Mobley Enco Service**

Mr. and Mrs. Raymon Mobley & Employees



We Will Be Open Christmas Eve.

Come Claim Your Lay-Aways

## West'n Auto Associate Store

The Buddy White Family & Employees

WITH THE LIGHTING OF THE



At this season of good cheer, may they signify joy and gladness to fill your heart for many days to come.

All of us in this firm extend to all of you in your home, Holiday Greetings.

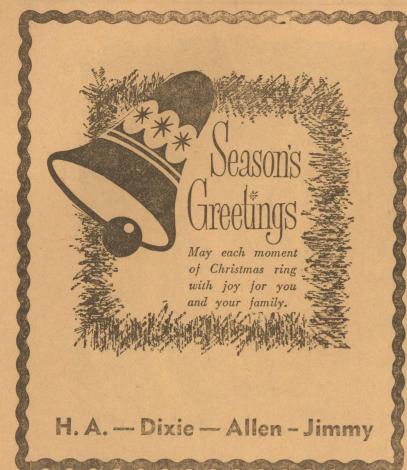


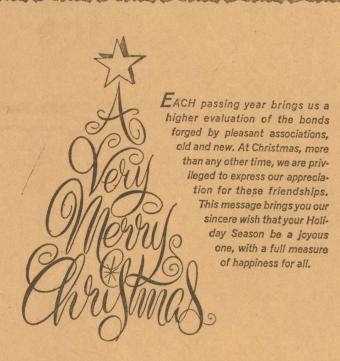
We Will Give Out Drawing Tickets Until 2:30 P.M. Wed., Dec. 24th

——DRAWING WILL BE 3:00 P.M., DECEMBER 24TH——

### HEXT FOODS

Granvil Hext, Jack Hext, & Employees

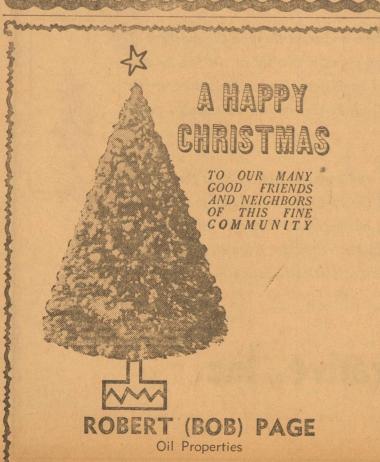




Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Dannheim

Carl and Mark







Austin, Tex.—Highlight of the Holiday Season at your State Capitol always is the annual Christmas party for employees and state officials, held in the House of Rep-

Featured at this year's festivities was a children's Life Corps Choir from Mexico City and Texas.

Climax of the revelry always is the group singing of Christmas carols around a giant Christmas tree, erected in the rotunda. This year's tree is 32 feet tall, and decorated with brilliant, colorful lights. It is so huge and so heavy that a crew of workmen had to hoist it into place with guide ropes ecured to the second floor balcony. Watching them erect it got every one in the holiday spirit.

After the giant tree went up, Lady lighted the Mansion tree—a 22½-foot lace cedar. It was donated The table was centered with a beauby a retired Central Texas couple, tiful Christmas floral arrangement. Mr. and Mrs. George Doss Sr. of Gay Hill near Brenham.

Thousands of Texans make the annual pilgrimage to the statehouse to admire the beauty of the capitol building and the matching attractiveness of Congress Avenue and the Governor's Mansion.

#### Safe Driving Urged

Governor Smith has appealed to Texas drivers to use "utmost caution" during the coming holiday

Department of Public Safety estimated traffic crashes in state during the Christmas-New Year period may claim as many as 87

Both the governor and the DPS said that this tragic toll can be averted if Texans will "drive safely and realize that no one is immune to a traffic crash."

Smith declared "a State of traffic safety emergency"

#### Public School Education

A group of private citizens is distributing an 8-page booklet summarizing the results of the controversial report of the Governor's Committee on Public School Education (COPSE).

Booklet includes a rundown of the accomplishments to date and those that became law even in a modified sense. It also advocates action on the "additional improvements proposed by COPSE which are still needed to give Texas a first-class public school syste Included in that section are the proposals for tax equalization and consolidation of smaller schools that raised so much furor during the legislative session.

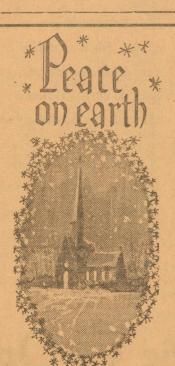
Short Snorts . . . State Rep. Bob Armstrong of Austin has announced that he will run for Land Commissioner against the incumbent Jerry Sadler, who plans to seek re-election.

Harris, Dallas and Lee counties have been placed under federal quarantine for hog cholera as a esult of an outbreak of the swine

Texas Supreme Court has licensd 251 new attorneys.

Sen. Criss Cole of Houston, the only blind member of the Texas Senate, will be Governor for a Day

Nearly half of Texans eligible to vote-about 1.5 million-already have registered, according to the State Democratic Executive Com-



Lowe's Repair Shop

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Lowe and family

#### Former Postal Employee Now Border Patrolman

Jimmie W. Harris, 30, of Eldorado and Marfa, Texas, was graduated last week from the United States Border Patrol Academy at Los Fresnos, Texas, and will perform duties as a Patrol Inspector in the

Patrol Inspector Harris was a member of the 94th Session of the Border Patrol Academy and was one of 98 new officers successfully completing the intensive academy

Marfa, Texas Border Patrol Sector.

Patrol Inspector Harris is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Orland A. Harris of Route 1, Eldorado, Texas. He attended Eldorado Elementary School and is a graduate of Eldorado High School. He attended Texas Technological College in 1957-58.

Harris is married to the former Bell Sutherland of Monahans, Tex. The couple have three children. Before his appointment to the Border Patrol, Harris was an employee of the Post Office in Eldo-

#### Ten Attend DAR Christmas Luncheon

On December 18, high noon, at Java Junction, Mmes. William Gunstead, Luke Thompson, and J. E Gov. Preston Smith and the First Hill were hostesses at the traditional DAR Christmas luncheon Mrs. Walter Ramsay gave the

invocation, and later opened the Chapter with appropriate Scripture and prayer. Mrs. Ernest E. Goens, regent, pre-

sided. The minutes were read by Mrs. Luke Thompson, secretary.

It was the pleasure of the Chapter to invite Mrs. Octavia Palmer. Mrs. P. K. McIntosh's guest, to membership in the El Dorado Chapter Daughters of American Revolution. Her name was presented to the Chapter Board in September.

The Christmas message of the Prsident General Mrs. Erwin Frees | County Greetings and Best Wishes Seimes was given by Mrs. Goens. The program, I Remember Christ- coming New Year. mas, was presented by Mrs. Ernest

It is a changing world but Christmas does not change. A young world greets Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ray Stanford and family of Vista, Cal., are here to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Truett Stanford, and other relatives and friends.



Dessie Clements & Employees



MRS. E. T. DAVIS

sends all of her friends and loved ones in Eldorado and Schleicher for the Holiday Season and the

She will be happy to hear from any and all of you.

Her present address is:

8415 Delwin

Houston, Texas 77034



MANY THANKS

I want to thank each and every one of you for the many nice cards, flowers, and visits during my 39 days in the Shannon hospital.

Love from your neighbors and friends shines through when sickness occurs.

We are staying with our daughter in San Angelo, whose address is 321 E. 47th, so drop in for coffee when you are in town. Our sincere thanks.

The A. P. Thigpen Family

## Gospel Meet

STARTS FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 26th AND CONTINUES THROUGH SUNDAY DECEMBER 28th

Meetings Begin At 7:30 o'Clock Each Night

## Portis Ribble

Of San Angelo

WILL CONDUCT THE GOSPEL MEETING

Dinner At Memorial Building On Sunday At 12:00 Noon

## WEST SIDE Ghurch Of Christ

Eldorado, Texas

EVERYONE CORDIALLY INVITED



# Onc Solitary Life

He was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He grew up in still another village, where he worked in a carpenter shop until he was thirty. Then for three years he was an itinerant preacher. He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never had a family or owned a house. He didn't go to college. He never visited a big city.

He never traveled two hundred miles from the place where he was born. He did none of the things one usually associates with greatness. He had no credentials but himself. He was only thirty-three when the tide of public opinion turned against him. His friends ran away.

He was turned over to his enemies and went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While he was dying, his executioners gambled for his clothing, the only property he had on earth. When he was dead, he was laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend.

Nineteen centuries have come and gone, and today he is the central figure of the human race and the leader of mankind's progress. All the armies that ever marched, all the navies that ever sailed, all the parliaments that ever sat, all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man on this earth as much as that

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