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Santa Claus Parade Set For Monday

report arrangements complete for the Santa Claus parade at 4:00 Christmas cards. this coming Monday afternoon in the Eldorado business district.

organizations will enter floats. Following the parade there will be a drawing for door prizes.

all day Monday for Chamber Day. Complete details are in the ad on page 2 of this Success issue.

4-H County Foods Show Set For Sunday

will be Sunday afternoon, Dec. 12. elementary principal, and the 3rd The 4-H members must have Grade teachers, Mrs. Garlington their food prepared and in place and Mrs. Stigler, for their by 3:00 p.m. Judging will begin operation in furnishing the letters at 3:30 p.m.

The exhibits will be on display for the public at 4:30 p.m. Everyone is invited. The 4-H Foods Groups hope to see everyone Sunday afternoon.

Jesus Minor Dies

Jesus G. Minor, 61, died Sunday in Clinic-Hospital in San Angelo. Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in the Eldorado Catholic Church with burial in the local

He was born Oct. 15, 1910 and nearly all his life.

daughter, Mrs. Isael Perez of Sonfecto De La Rosa of Dos Pallos, ers. children.

Jeff Mund All District At New Braunfels

Jeff Mund, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles (Tart) Mund of New Braunfels, was recently named All District Center for that 4A school's Unicorn team.

To date he has had an offer from Texas Tech for a 4-year scholarship, local relatives report. Jeff is a Senior this year.

Former Eldoradoan, Ben Biggs, Dies At 73

Ben A. Biggs, 73, of 401 Rio Concho Dr., San Angelo, and a resident there four years, died in Baptist Memorial Geriatric Hospital at 3:00 p.m. Saturday.

Services were held Monday afternoon in Park Heights Baptist Church with Rev. I. L. Whetsell of Baptist Memorials and Rev. Bobby Eklund officiating. Burial was in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

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Prior to moving to San Angelo he lived in Eldorado for 30 years. Born July 2, 1398 in Collin county, he was married to Clara Stuckey Aug. 8, 1925 in Eola. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Glenn Biggs of San Antonio and Truman Joe Biggs of Odessa. and Truman Joe Biggs of Odessa; a daughter, Mrs. Robert "Bob" McElroy of Fort Worth; two bro- Sonora 19_____Crowley 12 thers C. D. Biggs of Hobbs, N. M., Whitedeer 18_____ and Clyde Biggs of San Angelo; a sister, Mrs. Tonnie Queen of Ballinger; six grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

Final Play:
Sonora versus Whitedeer at Stamford's "Bulldog" stadium, Sat-

Pall bearers were Harold Lloyd urday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. Biggs, Chester Junior Biggs, Cecil Danford, Harlan MacAlpine, Wesley MacAlpine and Pat Mac- at the Lions Club meeting this Alpine, all nephews.

Post Script

Christmas Editions Coming Up

The Success issues for December 16th and 23rd will be, usual, our annual Christmas Greeting papers.

The crew have already quite a bit of the preliminary work on these special issues. We have a good Christmas Greeting advertising art service to present your message with good taste.

Ad sizes range from as small as \$2.00, up to almost any size, including a page, and they are priced accordingly.

Some individuals, in addition to merchants, buy a small greeting ad in order to send a Christmas Chamber of Commerce officials greeting to their local friends rather than using the more costly

We will appreciate the operation of the public the coming A number of local clubs and two weeks by turning in your news and columns as early as possible.

Also, since Christmas is a highlight of the year for all churches, In addition, several local stores their pastors and reporters are will feature special items on sale urged to turn in news of special services for the Christmas season. Most churches will have their Christmas trees the night of Sunday, the 19th.

In this issue on page 3 we are running the Letters to Santa Claus from the Third Grade pupils in the local schools. These are always read with interest by families and Schleicher County 4-H Food show friends. We thank Mr. Wallis, the for publication.

> Evidently, some people must read this paper!

Last week in this column we recorded the arrival of a small tan and black male puppy which had taken up in the Gilmore yard. If not claimed soon it would be taken to the pound in San Angelo.

On Thursday Mary Hernandez came by and asked for the little fellow, promising she would give it a good home.

Later that day, Bernice Koy phoned Mrs. Gilmore, asking for the little puppy, because it was had lived in Schleicher county just what she wanted for a house dog. Sorry, but she was too late.

ora; three sons, Reuben Minor, ber in the U. S. News and World this coming election year. Ramiro Minor and Rudy Minor, all Report doesn't give much comfort of San Angelo; a sister, Mrs. Per- for Schleichr county cotton farm-

Calif.; a brother, Juan Minor of Temperatures for this part of Dos Pallos, Calif., and 14 grand- Texas are predicted to be BELOW normal.

Rainfall for this area is described as being "near normal." Maybe all we can look forward to is more fog and drizzle. In fact, it was predicted to set in here again by late Wednesday.

With our subscribers: Mrs. K. D. Rusler's new address

is 1235 Hartsdale, no. 115, Dallas Texas 75211.

David Kuykendall is a new subscriber at 5316 Wheaton Drive, Ft. Worth, Texas 76133.

is set for 5:00 p.m. Monday, Dec. weighed 7 lbs. 5 oz. at birth. 20th. Choral groups from school have a part on the program.

Further details will be given in the Success next week.

People moving: Grady Parks to Wilson house.

Voter registrations continue at a slow pace in Sheriff Orval Edmiston's office. In order to vote in '72, you will have to have a new registration.

As of Tuesday afternoon, there were 574 registrations.

Sonora Broncs To

Quarter Final Games: _Albany 0 Where They Play Next in Semi-

Miss Hardin's choral group sang

week. Another group will sing 15th.



The Community Choir of Eldorado will present portions of the cantata

> "The Christmas Messiah" by George Frederick Handel

Sunday Evening, December 12, 1971, at 7:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church

Mr. Pat Ragsdale _____Director

Congregational Singing Included

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Judge Mays Won't Seek Re-Election



JOE L. MAYS 51st District Judge

Announcing last Friday that he would not be a candidate for reelection in 1972 was District Judge L. Mays of San Ange The weather outlook for Decem- will complete 20 years in his job

Making the announcement not to seek another term, the judge simply said that he felt he has served in the capacity long enough and it is time for another man to

take the position. Born in Bell county in 1903, Mays moved to San Angelo in 1929 from Hill county. He practiced law individually before entering public

San Angelo attorney Earl W. Smith has announced his candidacy for judge of the 51st District in the 1972 general election.

Daughter Born To Mr. and Mrs. Rex Enochs

Born, Dec. 6th, to Mr. and Mrs. The party for local children giv- Rex Enochs of San Angelo, en by the American Legion post daughter Lisa Celeste. The baby old eyeglasses. If you have any at Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs.

will sing Christmas carols and Rev. Oran Enochs of Eldorado and the tion box at Southwest Texas Elec-Gordon Garlington, chaplain, will late Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Letch-

worth of Newport News, Va.

New Lab Technologist

Mr. Dub Sims, Registered Laboratory Technologist, has assumed duties of Director of Laboratory Services at the Schleicher County technical skill, proficiency and Medical Center. He will be in charge of all out patient and in patient laboratory and X-ray procedures.

Commonwealth College of Scienc- series of bombing and navigation." He has previous experience at McKnight State T. B. Hospital SAC's newest bomber-will Bacteriology and Mycology and the annual meet. most recently has been Director of Laboratory for the Plaines Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt.

Mr. Sims holds registration certificate in both lab and X-ray, is a member of the Texas State Sociis the current president of the South Plains Chapter of ART.

Mr. Sims and his wife, Carolyn, ler house while searching for a house in Eldorado.

New Vehicles

During November, the following new vehicles were registered in Sheriff Orval Edmiston's office: L. W. Steen, '72 Chev. pick-up;

Haley Transports, '72 Mack truck

tractor: Jim Martin, '72 Plymouth 2-door nard-top;

Charles F. West, Ozona, '72 Ford pick-up; Oliver Teele, '72 Olds 4-door;

Linda Derrick, '72 Chev. coupe; Northern Nat. Gas, '72 Ford

OLD EYEGLASSES SOLICITED

The Lions Club has a current alproject under way of collecting home that are no longer needed. you may take them to the collectrip Co-Op office.

Glasses collected will be turned Great grandparents are Mrs. J. in to a collection point where they A. Enochs of Eldorado, and Mrs. will be reconditioned and sorted Discharges: A. G. Perry of Newport News, Va. land then distributed to the needy.

Lions Of The Week From The Senior Class

Kenneth Hight and Karen Hight

Sgt. Marlar To Compete With Group In Florida



SERGEANT MARLAR

Chicopee Falls, Mass.—U. S. Air Force Staff Sergeant Lloyd T. Marlar, son of R. S. Marlar, Skellytown, Tex., has been selected to participate in the Strategic Air Command McCoy AFB, Fla., Dec. 12-17.

support the B-52 Stratofortress bomber crew from the 99th Bomb Wing at Westover AFB, Mass. He was selected on the basis of his outstanding performance

Two FB-111, 22 B-52 and 30 KC-135 Stratotanker crews from SAC Mr. Sims is a graduate of the and three Royal Air Force (Great Bronte High School and attended Britain) delta-wing Vulcan bomber the University of Texas and the crews will compete in the "world The General Dynamics FB-111 where he worked for two years in making its second appearance in

Each bomber team will fly two scored missions and will be judged on navigation, coupled simulated bombing from both low and high altitudes. Tanker crews ety of Medical Technologists and will fly one mission, vying only for navigation honors.

The wing with the highest point total in combined bombing and are presently living in their trail navigation will win the coveted Fairchild Trophy. The Saunders Trophy will go to the tanker team No. 1 Otis Deal. compiling the most points in navi-

> Accuracy of simulated bomb releases will be computed by mobile radar scoring units located along the bomber route.

Sergeant Marlar is a 1956 graduate of White Deer (Tex.) High 1 Sauer, abandoned March 16, 1954 Southwest Co-Op, '72 GMC pick- School. His wife, Joyce, is the which topped the Ellenburger at daughter of M. C. Nelms, Route 1, 7,128 feet on elevation of 2,413 Eldorado, Tex.

Medical Center

Richard Cheatham Thomas Baker Jacqueline Cleveland, Ch'toval Juanita Gonzales Matilda Boyd Baby Boy Gonzales Jean Merritt Elma Torson, Mertzon Linda Clair Brim, Mertzon Margaret Horn, Sonora Baby Boy Horn, Sonora Oliverio Gomez Joseph Harper, Arlington

Mary E Fater Philip l'eterson Jacqueline Cleveland Juanita Gonzales Baby Boy Gonzales Jean Merritt.

Paula Vacquez.

Bob Halbert To Receive Degree From McMurry

Eldorado will be among 45 Mc-Murry College students who are Elects Officers expected to complete work on

These students will be considered graduated at mid-winter although they will return to receive their sheepskins in the spring commencement exercises.

Graduates include Robert Allen Halbert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Halbert, Jr., of Eldorado, Bachelor of Science in P. E., minor in history.

SALES PADS, just 10c each at the Eldorado Success office.

School Parties Set For Monday Night

The Junior High and High School Christmas parties will be held this coming Monday night, Dec. 13th. The High School party will be highlighted by crowning of Mr. and Miss EHS.

The nominees as of Monday for Mr. and Miss EHS were as follows: Band: Brian Holsey and Rene Scott.

E Club: Ricky Griffin and Gay Lynn Richardson Student Council: Billy Hubble

and Patty Page. GAA: Archie Nixon and Jean Rountree. FHA: Gary Danford and Eva

Stigler. Eagle Enthusiasm Club: Sherry Davis and Terry Clingan.

Miss Lux Winner In Wool Fashion Show

Miss Sherrie Dawn Lux, Route Eldorado, was named co-winner of the Junior division in the Make (SAC) elite Combat Competition at It Yourself With Wool Fashion show held Saturday, Dec. 4th, at Sergeant Marlar is a crewchief Junction, Texas. She shared winon the hand-picked team that will ner's honors with Jane Schwartz of Junction.

Miss Lux and Miss Schwartz will represent District 5 and 6 at the State contest to be held at Sam Houston State University in Hunts-

ville, Dec. 11th. Other Schleicher county winners were Gay Lynn Richardson, 4th place winner Senior division; Patti Lou Olson, winner of Coats and Clark Sewing Book, Senior division, and June Holley, winner of Pendleton Wool, Senior division.

Schleicher Gets Two Wildcats

Western States Producing Co., Midland, will drill the No. 1 Otis Deal as a 7,700-foot Ellenburger wildcat and as a 5/8 mile northwest outpost to the opener and lone producer in the Eldorado, Southwest (Strawn gas) field, of Schleicher county and 10 miles southwest of Eldorado. It is the

Location is 467 feet from the south and 2,200 feet from the east lines of 175-A-HE&WT.

elevation is 2,394 feet. It is also 3/4 mile northeast of a 7,795-foot failure, American Trading and Production Corp., No.

The Strawn discovery, Humble Oil & Refining Co. No. 1 Spencer, was finaled April 17, 1953, for a calculated, absolute open flow of 9.7 million cubic feet of gas per day, plus 206.38 barrels of 64.2 gravity distillate, through perforations at 6,736-870 fet. Slated to 8,000 feet it drilled to 6,978 feet in

Second Wildcat Century Petroleum Ltd., Worth, will drill a 4,200-foot wildcat in northeast Schleicher county, 15 miles north of Fort McKavett, 3½ miles east-northeast of the depleted one-well Upton Ranch (Canyon) field, 41/2 miles north of the F&H (Cisco) field and five miles northeast of the one-well Judyalice (lower Strawn gas) field and it is the No. 1 Boyd.

Location is 467 feet from the south and 2,250 feet from the west lines of 7-C-BS&F.

It is also 3/8 miles west of Tucker Drilling Co., Inc., San Angelo, No. 1 Boyd, a 5,972-foot failure, abandoned June 13, 1954 on elevation of 2,387 feet.

Abilene, Tex.—One student from Ministerial Alliance

The Ministerial Alliance bachelor's degrees at the end of after the Community Thanksgiving the fall semester or January term. service and held annual election. Officers elected were:

Rev. Gordon Garlington, re-elect-Rev. Kenneth Vaughan, elected

ice president; Rev. Fred Cox, re-elected secretary treasurer; Rev. Doyle Oliver, elected publi-

city chairman. The Thanksgiving offering took in almost \$85.00.

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Miss McCalla In ACC Marching Band



MARY LYN McCALLA

Abilene, Tex.-Miss Mary Lyn McCalla of Eldorado was a member of the Abilene Christian College Big Purple marching band which performed recently at Texas Stadium during the Dallas Cowboy-Philadelphia Eagle NFL football

1971 graduate of Schleicher Coun- On sale at The Success.

ty High School, she is a freshman physical education major at ACC. Theme of the halftime show was 'You're A Good Man Charley Brown," with members of the ACC Hilltop Singers performing roles

of the famous Peanuts characters. It was the second professional game to be played in the \$25 million Texas Stadium.

Loeffler Appointed To District Masonic Post

Waco, Tex.2 Dec. 2—Senator Jack Hightower of Vernon, installed today as Grand Master of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas, has announced the appointment of S. M. Loeffler of Sonora, Texas as District Deputy Grand Master of Masonic District No. 55.

Mr. Loeffler, an active Mason in this area, will serve five lodges as the representative of the Grand Master for a one-year period.

In making the announcement, Grand Master Hightower stated: 'I appreciate the fact that Mr. Loeffler has agreed to serve in this important position. His active participation in Masonic and community affairs proves his qualification for this place of service."

Miss McCalla is the daughter RECEIPT BOOKS - Small pocket of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. McCalla. A size; also big ones with 500 sets. Cecil Lewis, Keith McCormack, and Mrs. J. H. Francks of San Angelo,

Marketing Tips

College Station, Tex.—Take advantage of high quality food available this week at economical prices—follow these marketing tips, suggests Gwendolyne Clyatt, Extension consumer marketing spe-

An abundance of food specials in this week's market places pork as a leader in money value among red meat selections. Pork fanciers should enjoy the wide selections available, including semi-boneless hams, cuts from the shank portion of the regular bone-in ham, rib and pork chops, one-fourth loin cut into chops, whole pork loins, and rib and loin-end roasts.

Beef has taken a back position during the holiday season but adequate supplies are available. Some markets are featuring chuck roasts and steaks, rib roasts, boneless rolled roasts, ground beef and beef liver. Scattered features are on porterhouse, sirloin, T-bone, rib and round steaks.

At poultry counters, egg prices are up a bit in some stores and are likely to continue increasing as more holiday baking gets under marked with attractive price tags, since prices have been so low. Fryer chickens are not in much demand, but they are an excellent protein choice, pricewise.

Large displays of apples continue to be in the limelight at fruit the plant should know to keep it fruit and oranges are now larger supplies and are most econand cranberries.

good supply include cabbage, car- able for every gardening interest. rots, potatoes, dry yellow onions, mustard, collards and turnip greens along with several varieties of hard shell squash.

DEN 1 OF CUB SCOUTS met at the cotton gin Thursday, Dec. 2. We went where the cotton hulls were. Mr Homer watched us as we played in them. After we were through playing, we made crepe paper, and foil bells. After there were Billy Charles Gunstead,

Eddie Scott. -Rep

Give A Living Plant

College Station, Tex .- Having trouble with your Christmas shopping? Why not give a living plant that can be enjoyed throughout 1972 and that will increase in value and beauty as time rolls on, suggests Everett Janne, Extension landscape horticulturist.

Select good quality trees, shrubs or house plants from your local florist, nursery or garden center as gifts for your gardening friends.

Evergreen plants or potted plants

make very attractive gift items, especially if the base is wrapped with Christmas paper and tied with a colorful ribbon, says Janne. Some of the ornamental plants that will make attractive gifts include: Yaupon, Possumhaw, Burford Holly, American Holly, Juni-per, Deodar Cedar, Pyracantha, Pittosporum, Nandina and Japan-

ese Yew. For plants to be used in the home, Janne suggests the following: Poinsettia, Azalea, Camellia, Jerusalem Cherry, Christmas Pepway. Nevertheless, eggs are still per and Chrysanthemum, as well as the multitude of foliage plants that are available.

Be sure to select a plant that is adapted to the area in which it will be grown, he adds. In case of inclement weather, the recipient of counters. Many varieties are avail- in a cool place where the oil ball able for eating out-of-hand, gene- or container will not become too ral cooking or baking. Texas grape- dry until it can be placed in its in | permanent location.

For that distant relative or friomical when bought by the bag. end that is interested in garden-Other good fruit choices include ing, how about a useful gardening bananas, tangelos, tangerines, pears tool or a copy of a good garden book for a Christmas gift, proposes Traditional fall vegetables in Janne. There is something avail-

While you are selecting gift items, why not choose a plant for your own home? A living Christmas tree can provide enjoyment the entire year, assures the horticulturist.

In Raymondville, Texas, during the week end were Mrs. R. I Pearce of Fife, and Mrs. F. M. wreaths out of coat hangers, string, Bradley, to help celebrate the 38th birthday of their brother, Robert that we had refreshments served Kay Finley, Jr., on Friday. Mrs. by Keith McCormack. Members Pearce and Mrs. Bradley were accompanied by their daughters, and Mrs. Robert F. Frost



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Lions Of The Week, December 1st Meeting





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December 13th

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Parker Foods Gold Medal Flour

5-Lb. Bag ____ 39c

With \$5.00 Purchase excluding cigarettes. WITH EACH \$5.00 PURCHASE REGISTER ONE TIME FOR CHRISTMAS STAMPS

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Monday, Dec. 13th Only

Third Graders Letters To Santa Claus

(The Success thanks Mr. Wallis, i elementary principal, and the 3rd Mrs. Garlington, for their cooperation in providing these letters for publication.)

player and a tape recorder. friend, Nancy Kay Hastings.

would like a 22 rifle. My brother wants a basketball. I would like a pet bird. I would like some moccasins. I hope my father gets a shot gun. I want my mother to get a dress. I am in the third grade. bie Doll. And my little sister wants Your friend, Ronnie Hall.

and you come to my house, I want grade. Your friend, Joan Schrier. a bicycle, and my little sister wants Baby Tender love. I think my big brother wants a bebegun. And my little brother wants a cowboy suit

Dear Santa Claus, I want a hot pictures of the reindeer. Your friend, Jeanne Redwine. I am in third grade. I think school friend, Julia Belman.

Dear Santa Claus, I want a pair of boots and pants and vest. My father want's a 410 rifle. My Moboots and pants and vest. My little brother wants some car's and truch's. My teacher wants you to come and see the class. Your friend, Rhonda Lynn Watson.

Dear Santa Claus, I want a b-b gun and a watch and my brother wants a tape recorder. And my little niece wants Barbie Doll. And am in the 3rd grade. You friend, Andy Bosmans.

Dear Santa Claus, I want a watch, an a billfold. An a microscope and then I want clothes and a mini-

cowgirl suit and record player and tape recorder. And I want a ribbit. I want this at school. I'm in third

Dear Santa Claus, My sister wants a big doll for Christmas. I want pellet-gun an a Rock 'em sock em robots an a game and a Microscope refill kit chemsitry. My Daddy wants a pool table. Mother wants a new dog. I am in the third grade in Mrs. Garlington's class. Your wants a new dog. I am in the third grade in Mrs. Garlington's class. Your friend, Deanna Clark.

| Mystor of the chemsitry of the control of the control of the control of the control of the chemsitry of the control of the chemsitry of the chems grade. Your friend, Clay Adams.

would you please bring me a Crissy live action football game friend, Lou Ann Turner.

ear Santa Claus, I wrote to you! Grade teachers, Mrs. Stigler and my brother and I want for Christ- or two and I want a pet rabbit, and rase car set, and a football game mas. My little brother wants some boots and I want a cowboy suit. I and will you give my sister a doll shoulder pads and a football jer- want a pool table and I want a and give my mother a dress and shoulder pads and a rootself jet sey. And last of all he wants a shotgun to. My sister wants some give my dad a shirt. —You friend, football kicking tee. And now I dresses. I want lots of clothes. I'm Bobby Lozano. Dear Santa Claus, For Christmas want to tell you what I want for in the 3rd grade. I want a tie and I want a bicycle and a recorder Christmas. I want a kite and a nife to. I will be seeing you at I microscope refill kit and a chem- Christmas. Your friend, Billy Char- wants a new home and my daddy would like a Barbie-doll. Your istry set. I also want a few packs les Gunstead. of b b gun b b's and a mouse trap game. And some tapes for my tape Dear Santa Claus, I want a mini recorder and a acquarium glass so bike for Christmas. My Brother and I would like a pool table. I turtle named Harvey. And that is all I can think of that I want for Christmas so good by for now Your friend, Mark Wallis.

Dear Santa Claus, I want a Barsome moccasins. My Mother wants a dress. Please bring them all. I Dear Santa Claus, If I be good am 8 years old. I am in the third

little brother wants a cowboy suit. and a electric football game and friend, Mario. a pellet gun. I also want a miniis fun. I am glad we have a Santa bike. My brother wants a tapere-Claus. I hope we can giv somthing for Christmas. Your want a gun holster. I also want a gun holster. I am in the third grade. Your friend, Cecil Juan Arispe.

Dear Santa Claus, I want a minibike for Christmas and a bicycle. ther wants a new ruge. My sister My brother wants a motorcycle and want's a pair of pants. My brother a race set. And my sister wants a wants a 22 rifle. I want a pair of doll. An my othe syster wants a bicycle and a doll. And my other little sister wants a bunch uv dolls. Your friend, Floyd Fay.

Christmas a bike and a B-B son. gun and my father wants a hat and boots and clothes for Christmas and my Mother wants dresses and shoes for Chrismas and my bring all the boys and girls everybring my mother some dresses. I brother wants for Chrismas sum where something. I would like boots and hats to. See you at Baby Tenderlove if there is enough Scott.

bike. And shorts and a .22 rifle. table to. My cousin wants a b-b friend, Lori Bell. Your friend, Jeff Tacker, 3rd grade gun and a microscope to. And a Tape-recorder. And a mirro-magic to. My sister wants a mohply game. Dear Santa Claus, I want cowgirl And I want a Hot Wheel set. Your

> Dear Sata Claus, My sister Cleva wants a bicycle and a record play-

Dear Santa Claus, If I be good Christmas, and I want a pro bowl friend, David Wills. doll and a girl game. Margaret my Christmas also. And I want a Dear Santa Claus, I want a 5000 sister wants a cowboy suit and taperecorder and I want an air Ford tractor, and a Cassette Recorsome play dough. Belinda my oth gun with a scope on it. I am in der, and a watch, and a super Dinger sister wants babby love light. I the third grade. Sorry Santa but I A-Ling set, and a F G Pit Row am in third grade. There will be don't know what my brothers want Special race set, a Coke machine cookies and cocoa for you. Your so good by. Your friend, Keith Mc- and a Helster outfit. Your friend,

cause I wanted to tell you what Dear Santa Claus, I want a game and a Dallas coy boy suit. And a

Dear Sant Craus, Would you bring me a bicycle and a B-B gun. And would you bring a watch and a cowboy suit. I am in the third grade and I want a football suit. Also my sister wants a Barbie doll. And I want a tape recorder. Your friend, Javier Robles Silva.

Dear Santa Claus, With this few ines, I'm going to write you this

Dear Santa Claus, For my Christmas presents I want a B B gun and

Dear Santa, I whant a trane and foot ball and I hope you will have a very Merry Christmas. —Juan

Dear Santa Claus, I want an airplane and a train and will you give my mother a dress? And I

Dear Santa Claus, How are you? I'm fine. How is Mrs. Santa? Please school. Your friend, Ram Buitron, to go around. May everyone have a very Merry Christmas and all the children have plenty of food. Dear Santa Claus, I want a mini- Merry Christmas to you and Mrs. bike fore Christmas. And a pool- Santa and all of the Elves. Your

Dear Santa Claus, My mother needs shoes. My daddy needs a tv. Dave wants a bike. John wants a boots and some gogo boots and a friend, Tommy Martinez, 3 grade. ball. I want some sheep. —from Paul Jones.

Dear Santa, I would like to have grade. Your friend, Mary Eveyn er. My Brother Bill wants a bi- a watch for Christmas. And leave cycle and a B-B gun and some a pair of cowboy boots for my trucks. I want a Mouse Trap game, sister. And for my mother leave Yahtzee, Sorry game, Mystery Date her a pair of pajamas. And my game, Dip a flower kit, candle mak- daddy a box of foot powder. And ing kit, a whatch, a pendent my brother a littel leather pouch.

> my brother a shot gun and my father a new football game. For Dear Santa Claus, How are you Mother new coffee pot and my doing? I want a G. I. Joe for room at school a new clock. Your lad, plain white cake, chocolate

> > John Paul Joiner.

Dear Santa Claus, I want a football. A cowboy suit. And a watch for my brother. A puzzle for my brother. And a football game for me. Your friend, Ray Garcia.

Dear Sante, I want a football

Dear Santa Claus, My Mother wishes his Jd tractor would stop breaking down and Kurtis wants a new gun and I wants a babytenderlove. Love, Kara.

Dear Santa Claus, I would like a Rock Polishing Kit. And I would like an Astroscope. And another thing I hope that no one is sick at Christmas time. And thank you for the things you gave me last year. Your friend, Jay Cash.

Dear Santa, I want a biedoll and letter and telling you what to a babytender Love. My brother oring me. I want these things, cow- Mike wants a motorcycle, helmet boy suit, Indian suit, football suit, and mohowk haircut. We want a

Dear Santa, Here I'm writing these few lines just to say hi and to tell you what I want for Christmas. I hope it's not cold at the for my sister a doll. Your friend, North Pole. How are your reindeers? I hope it's not cold on Christmas Eve so you can bring me what I want for Christmas. What I want is a set of dishes and a little playing stove. And for my little brother some boots. -Love, Bonita Aguilar.

Dear Santa Claus, I would like for train Christmas. I would like want a camera and a horse and a a wagon for Christmas and I would Dear Santa Claus, I want for police suit. Your friend, Trey Jack- like a chair Christmas. Your friend, Grafiel Martinez.

> Dear Santa, I would like a football and a train set and a football uniform and a BB gun and a lamp for my mother. Your friend, Eddy

School Menus

(All meals served with buttered rolls and milk.)

Thursday, Dec. 9: Turkey pot pie, buttered English peas, waldorf

salad, rice pudding. Friday, Dec. 10: Fish fillets, macaroni & cheese, harvard beets, cream style corn, ice cream cups. Monday, Dec. 13: Lasagna casserole, mustard greens, blackeyed

peas, canned fruit. Tuesday, Dec. 14: Fried chicken and gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, tossed green salad, plain grape jello.

Wed., Dec. 15: Hamburgers, lettuce and tomatoes, potato chips, Dear Santa Claus, I want to buy fresh fruit cup, sugar cookies. Thursday, Dec. 16: Roast beef & gravy, creamed potatoes, waxed

icing. Friday, Dec. 17: Salmon croquettes, macaroni and cheese, can-

died carrots, stewed prunes, chocolate pudding.

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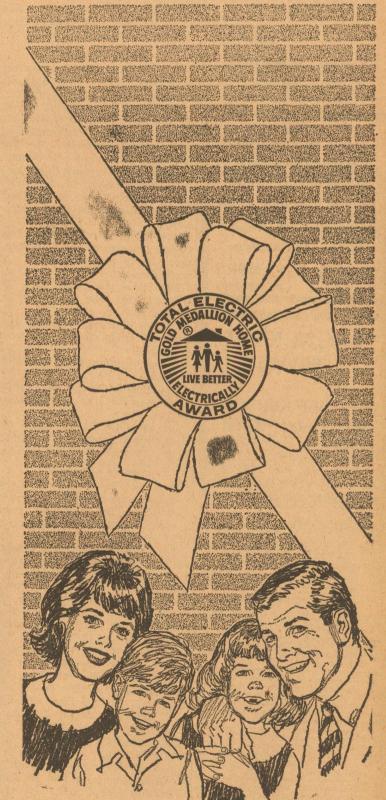
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pairs. —Truett Stanford. D 2-9* WANTED: A RIDER to California the first week in December. —Mrs. Lester Nixon, 2307.

In Those Days

Compiled From Success Files ONE YEAR AGO

Dec. 10, 1970-Kathleen O'Harrow was crowned Miss Merry Jr. High Christmas parties. Christmas in the C of C parade. Sue Ann Morris was first runnerup and Leslie Nixon was second runner-up.

W. R. Bearce announced he planned to retire his post as OEO dir- meets 12:05, Memorial Building. ector and the Neighborhood Center board was calling for new appli- for Christmas luncheon.

Robert A. Evans, Jr., died at

FIVE YEARS AGO

Dec. 8, 1966—A Public Notice ado Restaurant. was run in the Success as first legal step toward getting the proposed county hospital. It notified citizens that a bill would be introduced in the Legislature authorizing setting up of a hospital district and authorizing voting of bonds.

Former local resident, Otis Buie, died at Llano. He was 66 and a retired Shell employee. Funeral services were held here

for Anna Florence Page, 54. Mrs. Laman Hazelwood broke her

arm and was treated in Clinic-Hospital in San Angelo. Lum Davis was re-elected fire

chief and B. L. Blakeway 1st as-Miltia Hill attended a Texas Historical meeting in Ft. Worth. A shower was being given for TWO BICYCLES for sale Marilyn Glover, bride-elect of Phil-

Attending Southwest Texas State | Call 853-2909. College at San Marcos were Ray L. Ballew, Paula J. Mace, and Rita

Bennie Patton, local barber, was called to Menard where his father, Ben Patton, died at the age of 84.

12 YEARS AGO

Dec. 10, 1959—Funeral services were held for Mrs. D. C. Hill, 89, sioneer resident of this area.

Mrs. Oliver Teele was presenting an operetta, Merry Christmas Mr. Snowman, with a large number of grade school pupils in it. It was the P-TA program for December.

Jack Mund was going to work as parts man for Eagle Chevrolet Co.

ketball tournament and Guy Whit- Texas 79410. aker was in general charge of arrangements.

Oklahoma for John W. Ogden, 59, addressed stamped envelope brother of Keno Ogden.

Boy and Kathy Sauer was Gold Star Girl.

A new bank was being chartered at Traan. The Howard Payne A Capella Choir was due here for programs

on Dec. 21st. Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Martin Sr. were being honored with Open House on their Golden Wedding.

50 YEARS AGO

Dec. 9, 1921—Bush-Smith Company announced Dec. 23rd as date for a New Five Passenger Ford Touring Car to be given away in a drawing.

The Christoval Observed reported that John O'Harrow had drilled well on his place and reported indications of oil. The well was 20 miles northeast of Eldorado.

Will Holland of San Antonio was here this week visiting his parents,

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Holland. A play, "Home Ties" was presented night of Dec. 9th with admission 25 and 50 cents. The cast of characters included O. W. Evans, B. J. Bruton, Paul Hinyard, A. F. Luedecke, Mrs. B. J. Bruton, Miss Ruby DeLong, Mrs. O. W. Evans, Miss Dell Bearce, and Miss

Mattie Whitten. T. C. Sproul received a message Wednesday morning that his brother Frank Sproul of Ft. Davis had died Tuesday night at his home

Let The Success order that new

Wall Paper. The Ozona Stockman reported that that city sustained a large fire with loss estimated at about \$40,000. Razed were three houses belonging to Tom Brumley, an old garage building belonging to T. W. Patrick, and the plant and stock of the Ozona Lumber Company.

E. C. Parker and W. H. Parker made a business trip to San Angelo. Bro. W. A. Nash, Presbyterian pastor, was here Sunday to fill his regular appointment and had a well filled house at both services.

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Community Calendar

Dec. 9, Thursday. Merry Makers 42 Club meets for luncheon in the home of Mrs. Zelma Henderson.

Dec. 9, Thursday. Senior Citizens party, 2:30 p.m., at Mem. Bldg. Dec. 9, Thursday. Masonic Lodge. Dec. 12, Sunday. 4-H Foods show

3:00 p.m. Dec. 12, Sunday. Community Choir cantata and congregational singing service, 7:00 p.m., First Baptist church.

Dec. 13, Monday. Christmas parade, 4:00 p.m., by C of C. Dec. 13, Monday, High School &

Dec. 14, Tuesday. Woman's club. Dec. 14, Tuesday. Reynolds Home Demonstration Club meets with Mrs. R. W. Reynolds, 2:00 p.m. Dec. 15, Wednesday. Lions Club

Dec. 16, Thursday. DAR meets

Christmas party for children, 5:00 final period. 56 and his funeral was held here. p.m. at Memorial Building. Dec. 20, Monday. School Faculty

Christmas dinner party at El Dor-Dec. 20, Monday. Judging in Christmas decorating contest. Dec. 22, Wednesday.

dismisses 2:30 p.m. for Christmas and New Year's holidays. Dec. 23, Thursday. Teacher work

Dec. 30 Thursday. Social Security man at Court House, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Ball, Memorial Building. Jan. 3, Monday. School reconvenes following holidays.

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CENTRAL SOPHS WIN MONDAY mores took a 54-48 victory over ing on a 4th quarter rally. The Dec. 20, Monday. Am. Legion Sophs trailed 41-39 going into the

> D. Holland paced the Sophs scoring with 14 points while Archie tax consultants on complex tax Nixon had 14 for the Eagles. The Sophs B-team routed the Eldorado B-team 54-29.

Oil News

Two More Wildcats Fortune Drilling Corp., San An-lessary. from that pay and as a 2,046-foot the year.

northeast of Eldorado.

vation is 2,315 feet. The 4,500-foot gas opener, For the probable adjusted gross intune No. 4 Cheaney, was finaled come. April 7, 1970, for a calculated, ab-

ations at 4,495-509 feet. Canyon oil area of the Fort Mc able income.

Fort McKavett. Location is 2,000 feet from the until next year.

depth is 4,300 feet. Skelly Oil Co. will drill the No. through the year. new building on the Sonora high-acres, some cotton and grain al- 3 C. M. Bell as a 1/2-mile west outlotment. Contact Northa West post to Canyon "A" gas production for each dollar of expense you fail county agricultural agents. The Eagles were hosting a bas-Brummett. 3705 27th, Lubbock, in the Eldorado, North multipay 1* field of Schleicher county, eight

miles northwest of Elderado. Location is 1,320 feet from the

Contract depth is 6,700 feet. Confirmer Completed

A Schleicher County field gained a confirmer. The Camar, Southwest (multipay Strawn) field of Schleicher gained its current 4th Strawn producer with completion of Greathouse & Pierce, Midland, No. 3 Thornburg, 19 miles east of Eldorado, for a daily pumping potential of 15 barrels of 34 gravity

oil, plus one barrel of water. Production was through perforations at 4,2841/2-2911/2 feet, which had been acidized with 1,000 gallons and fractured with 9,800 gallons and 10,000 pounds of sand. Location is 1,980 feet from the north and 660 feet from the west

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County Ag. Agent's Column

By Jerry Swift

4-H'ers Attend Snelson's Governor For A Day Events

Kim Ray, Janet Oglesby, LeAnne 1971 income taxes. Cawley, Tim Edmiston and Roy Gene Llovd represented Schleicher county 4-H in Austin last Saturday

Kim, Janet, LeAnne, Tim and nor For A Day.

Before Jan. 1, Schleicher county take of the tree. farmers should check with their

problems. ington indicates that a new 7% Investment Credit Act will likely be passed by Congress. And it may

be retroactive to April 1. some investment decisions if nec- trical circuits.

gelo, will drill the No. 10 Cheanay | First determine the income from

southeast outpost to the seven-well | Determine expenses to date and accidentally topples, make sure it Strawn oil area of the Cheaney estimate the probable expenses won't block a passageway or touch field of Schleicher county, 25 miles for the remainder of the year. A something that could be ignited. quick way to estimate the probable Location is 990 feet from the depreciation is to use last year's er lighted decorations on while no south and 1,980 feet from the east figure plus depreciation on new one is home. The longer the tree lines of 38-8-TW&NG. Ground ele-litems bought this year. From is kept in the home, the more these figures, you can determine combustible it becomes.

If the preliminary check indimight buy needed machinery or ½ mile west and slightly north buying certain supplies for next any dangerous mishaps. outpost to the eight-well lower Can- year. Income averaging and adyon oil area and one location west vance payment of interest on loans and slightly south of the six-well will also reduce this year's tax show has been scheduled for

Kavett, North field of Schleicher | If the indicated taxable income | wood Plaza Shopping Mall, accordcounty, eight miles northwest of is low, you might delay buying exling to Ray D. Siegmund, District pensive machinery or equipment Agricultural Extension Agent.

north and 660 feet from the east Successful tax management is said classes have been set up for lines of 8-8-TW&NG. Contract based largely on complete records all named varieties.

kept regularly and carefully all Persons interested in exhibiting

to record if your taxable income is between \$3,000 and \$4,000 after eductions and exemptions.

The exact amount depends wh ther you file a joint or a separete return. The tax rates gradually increase. For example, on a joint return, it reaches the 25%

bracket at \$12,000. It is not too early now to do some thinking and planning about

Christmas trees will soon be the orter of attraction in many homes Dec. 4 to honor Pete Snelson, Gov- and the problem of keeping them safe becomes vital.

The base of the tree should al-LIKE NEW 4-piece suit for teen- Ray along with other 4-H members ways be placed in water. A Christage boy, for sale. —Mrs. Bob Joyce from West Texas helped serve mas tree with its base immersed in cookies and coffee at the Recep- water has for less potential to tion. Schleicher County 4-H mem- catch fire. Furthermore, this pracbers cooked 38 dozen cookies for tice preserves the fresh greenness the Reception and other counties of the foliage. Check the water le-The San Angelo Central Sopho- also baked cookies for the event. vel frequently. The tree may re-We are proud these outstanding quire as much as a pint of water Eldorado here Monday night rely-4-H members attended the Gover- per day. Adding aspirin, sugar or any other substances to the water does not increase the water up-

Keep the tree away from all sources of heat, such as fireplaces or heating units. Use a fire screen Latest information from Wash-to contain flying sparks which

might ignite the tree. The lighting system should be in good working order. Inspect and discard wires with frayed insula-Thus, you should bring your records up to date so you can make connections. Don't overload elec-

If needles on the tree touch a as a 4,800-foot wildcat, a 1/2-mile sale of crops, livestock and live- bulb, they dry out and a fire could Dec. 30, Thursday. Snowflake south outpost to the 4,500 Strawn stock products to date. Then esti-start if the contact is for long sand gas opener and lone producer mate the income for the rest of periods. Keep the base of the tree free from combustibles. If the tree

It's best not to leave tree or oth-

By removing cumbustible Christmas wrappings as soon as possible, another potential cause of fire can olute open flow of 19,572,100 cubic cates an unusually high income, be stopped. Burn them at a safe feet of gas per day, with gas-liquid you may take steps to reduce the location in an incinerator or place ratio of 125,000-1, through perfor- taxable income for 1971. You them in a covered metal trash can. By following these precautions, Skelly Oil Co., Midland, will drill equipment if the Investment Cre- a fresh, attractive tree will prothe No. 2 John F. Webster as a dit Act is passed. Also, consider vide a holiday season free from

The West Texas Regional Pecan Dec. 16-18 in Midland at the Dell-

Siegmund, the show chairman,

pecans from this year's crop may It will cost you shout 17 cents obtain further information



MAINE TREAT . . . How about a hot entree for the holiday season? There are a variety of ways to prepare Maine sardines and a popular recipe is reprinted below. The little fish are rich in high-quality protein and, because they are packed in polyunsaturated oils, there seems to be no danger

of increasing the cholesterol level in the blood stream. Try Sardine Recipe For Treat

MAINE SARDINES RAVIGOTE

-a hot entree-1-3 cup consomme or dry white wine

1/4 cup cider vinegar
1 small white onion, minced 1/4 cup butter or margarine 1/4 cup flour

2 cups milk 1/4 cup heavy cream teaspoon minced chives salt and pepper to taste cans (4 oz. ea.) Maine

package frozen peas cooked 1/2 cup grated Parmesan

Sardines

sauce by melting butter or margarine, stirring in flour and cooking until mixture bubbles. Add milk and stir until mixture thickens. Stir hot cream sauce into hot wine mixture. Simmer gently for about 4-5 minutes. Whip heavy cream very slightly to give it body and stir into sauce. Add chives. Season with salt and popper to taste. Drain sardines and place in casserole. Pour sauce over sardines. Garnish with peas and grated cheese. Place in hot oven (450 degrees F.) for 10 minutes until cheese is bubbly. Yield: 4 servings.

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wine, vinegar and onion. Sim-

mer until reduced to about 1/3

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The parade will form on the street on the east side of the Memorial Building. Upon completion of the parade Miss Merry Christmas will be crowned, announcement of 1st, 2nd and 3rd places for the float contest, the best child's costume for pre-school children and best costume for school age children 1st through 3rd grades and best decorated bicycle. Following this a drawing will be held for a Model 340 Savage 222 Rifle, a True Tone 8 track car stereo with speakers, and a proctor-silex 8 speed blender. Anyone making a \$1.00 donation to the Chamber of Commerce is entitled to a chance on these prizes.

Following the drawing Santa Claus will be present to talk with all the children.

The parade will be led by that going band from Eagle Land.

Nursing Home Notes

Out-of town guests this past veek were Mr. and Mrs. Cris Haines of El Paso visiting Mr. Will Haines, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Moore of San Antonio visiting her father, Mr. Bob Whitley, Mr. E. R. Kinser of Ozona visiting his wife, Faye and Mrs. A. A. Bizet of San Angelo visiting Mrs. Katie Striegler. Maria Paredes and Mrs. Dora Avendono of Sonora visited Mr. Candelario Paredes. Mr. and Mrs. Albert McGinnes of Sterling City visited with Mrs. Ruth McGinnes. Mrs. Beulah Neill was also here visiting Mrs. McGinnes.

Local visitors were Mr. Sam Mc-Ginnes, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Mc-Ginnes, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mc-Calla, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Teele, Miss Effic Parker, Mrs. Mike Moore and children, Mrs. Nancy Dannheim, Mrs. E. H. Dannheim, Mrs. Susie Faught, Mrs. Dixie Belk, Mr. Richard Jones, Mrs. N. G. Hodges, Mrs. L. D. Mund and Mrs. Jay Hal-

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Oct. 23, 1966-Contour farming, terraces, conservation cropping system and other good farming practices; 124 bales of cotton-114 acres actually planted land. Schleicher county average rainfall for 1966: 18.85 inches.

July 29, 1966: Farming across what was once a good terrace

servation practices used by farm- Service. ers in the Eldorado-Divide Soil and Many things connected not changed.

ready for next year's crops. Prep- will remain so forever. -GARAGE SALE advertisements aration of the land for a crop can must be paid in advance. No phone play a big part in the conservation of rainfall received for crop use. Farming operations carried out CARDBOARD 10c & 20c, at Success following the contour (level) guide lines always assures the farmer that more water will be held for crop use, than when farming operthe water and give it time to Midland. Senator Sherman will soak into the soil. On the other serve as chairman. hand rows that run down the slope

production off the land. an important soil and water con- (Reggie) Brewer, Baytown. compared to benefits received.

farming cost, it is usually the first Mr. Muckleroy is Mayor of Nacogconservation practice put to use doches. Mr. Brewer is Vice Presiby farmers.

farming should always be prac- Company, Diboll. ticed. Contour guide lines should be run on the true level (contour) R. 1168, shall study the movement with good engineering equipment. of Texas youth from rural to urban Also, someone qualified to do a areas, and the increasing ecological good job should assist in running and sociological problems in the contour lines. The proper vertical urban areas. interval, that is determined ways be used.

contour farming. However, regard- January, 1973. less of all the good that is done by contour farming, all the needed soil and water conservation practices needed must be applied and maintained to attain maximum pot-

Farming on the contour contin-|ential production," states Lloyd B. ues to be one of the essential con- Johnson of the Soil Conservation

crops planted each year, with very ed since the first Soil and Water few exceptions, are farmed on the Conservation District was organcontour. Since contour farming ized in Texas. Today throughout all was first used in Schleicher county the state of Texas along with all there has been many changes in the other states, the objective of farming operations and farm equip- | Soil Conservation Districts | has ment. The need to conserve all not changed. One of the objectives Melissa O'Harrow and Flora Hub- rainfall received for crop use has has always been to hold the rain drop where it falls. The fact that Farmers in the District have it's the water you keep that counts already started getting their land remains to be true and probably

Sen. Snelson Named To Population Study Group

Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes has announced the appointment of three Texas Senate members and six lay memations are carried out with rows bers to the Senate Interim Study running down the slope. Each fur. Committee on Texas Population row and bed, on fields farmed on Distribution. Those Senators apthe contour, help hold the water pointed are Max Sherman of Amarwhere it falls for crop use. Each illo; Lindley Beckworth, Gladewafurrow serves as a basin to hold ter; and W. E. (Pete) Snelson of

The six lay members are Profesdrain the water needed for crop sor Harley L. Browning of Austin; H. M. Baggerly, Tulia; Stanley E. The fact that most all farmers Wilkes, Arlington; Bob Muckleroy, in the District farm on the con- Nacogdoches; Arthur (Buddy) Temtour, is proof they recognize it as ple III, Diboll; and E. Reginald

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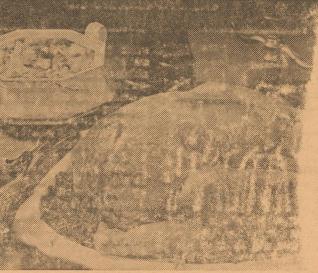
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A plump, beautifully browned turkey is the highlight of man festive dinners, but often it is the stuffing that di holiday bird. Today's Sausage-Apple Stuffing is an old fashioned corn bread dressing delightfully seasoned with onion and sars. When planning your traditional holiday dinner, be sure to include this exceptionally good stuffing for the turkey.

SAUSAGE-APPLE STUFFING

For one 10 to 12-lb. turkey plus a 1-1/2-qt. cassorole One pan corn bread,

- crumbled* 8 slices regular sliced white bread, lightly
- toasted and cubed 2 teaspoons salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper 1 teaspoon sage

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- 1 lb. bulk pork sausag
- meat 2 cups chopped onion
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine
- 1 cup chicken or tuinev

Combine crumbled corn bread, bread cubes, salt, pepper and sage. Fry sausage until red color disappears crumbling with fork. Drain on absorbent paper. Add to bread mixture. Light saute onion in butter. Add to bread mixture with apples. Stir stock and eggs. (Add more stock for more moist dressing.) To blend well. Stuff into neck and body cavities of turkey. True to blend well. Stuff into neck and body cavities of turkey. Roast according to standard roasting directions. Cook e dressing in ungreased covered 1-½-qt. casserole in prehe slow oven (325°F.) about 1 hour.

*CORN BREAD

Makes one 9-inch corn bread

- 1.1/2 cups enriched corn meal 2 tablespoons sugar 1/2 cup sifted all-purpose
- 1 egg, beaten flour 2 teaspoons baking powder 1 cup milk 1/4 cup vegetable oil

Heat oven to very hot (450°F.). Sift together corn meal, flour, baking powder, salt and sugar. Add egg, milk and oil. Pour into greased 9-inch square baking pan. Bake in preheated oven (450°F.) 20 to 25 minutes. Cool

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After 230 Years, Handel's 'Messiah' Is Still Popular Christmas Selection

sent portions of Handel's "Messiah" oratorio in a community musical service Sunday night in the First Baptist church. In addition, they will join the congregation in several other selections of familiar Christmas music.

Most local churches will dismiss their own services Sunday night in order for their congregations to attend this joint service, which starts at 7:00 p.m.

Mrs. James Page will accompany the choir as pianist, and the cantata selections will be directed by Mr. Pat Ragsdale.

Of all the music associated with Christmas, perhaps no composition as well embodies the spirit of the holiday as Handel's "Messiah." The great oratorio has enthralled countless audiences.

George Frederick Handel was lowed. virtually a has-been in 1741. London had grown tired of him and once he had barely escaped being his health was beginning to fail.

Then came a commission from the governors of three charitable institutions for Handel to conduct a series of charitable concerts. He began to compose a new piece for

Handel was not an especially religious man, but something seemed to possess him as he worked. For some 23 days he kept to his study, refusing to see visitors, leaving food untouched, and working on through the night. Now he played the harpsichord, now he sang, then back to his writing. His servants thought he was going mad. Often they found him in tears. When he finished the "Hallelujah Chorus" he declared, "Now I did think I did see all Heaven before me, and the great God himself."

On April 13, 1742, 700 people crowded into the Dublin music hall for the premiere of "Messiah". It was a resounding success.

At the first English performance a year later, King George II was so overwhelmed by the "Hallelu-

First Baptist Church

Bring fruit and canned foods to the church kitchen to make up baskets for the needy at Christmas. The Prayer Croup met with Mrs. Wanda Rogers Tuesday morning

at 9:00. Don't forget the associational school of missions December 12-19. Sunday night at 7:00 is our community Christmas music program. The program will feature tradi tional Christmas music and selected choruses from Handel's "Mes-

The Community Choir will pre- | jah Chorus" that he rose from his seat and stood throughout the section. The audience of course followed the example of their king, and so began a custom that survives to our day.

The "Hallelujah" will be the concluding cantata selection given by the Community Choir Sunday.

Methodist Notes

The WSCS had their Christmas party on Tuesday, Dec. 7, at 3:00 o.m. in the home of Mrs. Lawrence

District Conference was held late Sunday in First Church, San Angelo, with the Rev. and Mrs. Fred Cox and a few others attending from here. The mission rally fol-

All youth of all churches are to meet following the cantata Sunof his Italian operas. More than day night to go caroling. Otherwise the youth groups will not meet in thrown into debtors prison, and December, but will meet together in January.

Sunday night, Dec. 19th, will be the lord lieutenant of Ireland and the Christmas program with white gift service in the church sanctuary when offerings for the Methodist homes in Waco and San Antonio will be presented. Afterwards, all will go to the educational building where Santa Claus will distribute

Dr. Tom Shipp of Lovers Lane Methodist Church, Dallas, has been engaged to conduct a four-night Revival service here the second week in May of 1972.

Presbyterian Notes

The Church sponsored the devotional service at the Medical Center last Sunday afternoon.

Circle meeting will be December 13th.

The Sunday School Christmas Party will be held the night of Sunday, December 19th, announces Rev. Gordon Garlington, pastor.

Our deepest sympathy is extendd to the family of Mrs. S. E. Jones, Sr., charter member of this church, who died Nov. 24, 1971.

Recent guests in the homes of the R. L. Ballews and Mrs. F. M. Bradley were the Sherwood Barkers of Temple.

The Rev. Bobby C. Palmos and his eldest son, Charles Earl, were here Saturday on a hunting trip, from San Angelo.

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First Assembly Of God Church Menard Highway Doyle Oliver _____

9:45 A. M. Sunday School Morning Worship ____ 11:00 A.M. Evening Worship ____ 7:30 P. M. Sunday School ____ 10:00 A. M. Wed. Bible Study ____ 7:30 P. M.

First Baptist Church Kenneth W. Vaughan ____ Pastor Wed. Night Service ___ 6:30 P. M. W. Gillis Ave.

Sunday School _____ 9:45 A. M. Morning Worship ____ 11:00 A. M. LI Paso St. & Concho Ave.
Union Youth Fel. ____ 6:00 P. M. Sunday School _____ 10:00 A. M. Church Training ____ 6:00 P. M. Sunday Services ____ 11:00 A. M. Evening Worship __ Sunday Evening Choir

First Christian Church

First United Methodist Church Fred S. Cox ---109 N. Divide Sunday School _____ 9:45 A. M.

Joint Methodist & Presbyterian Evening Service 7:00 P. M. Wednesday Evening Choir

Practice ______ 8:00 P. M. United Pentecostal Church

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Church Of Christ-Mertzon Hwy. A. C. Knight Sunday School _____9:45 A. M. Morning Worship ____ 11:00 A. M. Morning Worship ____ 11:00 A. M. Youth Fellowship ____ 5:00 P. M. Evening Worship ____ 6:00 P. M. Wednesday Service ___ 7:30 P. M. Dinner on the Ground Each First Sunday Ladies Bible Class each

Tuesday Morning _____ 9:30

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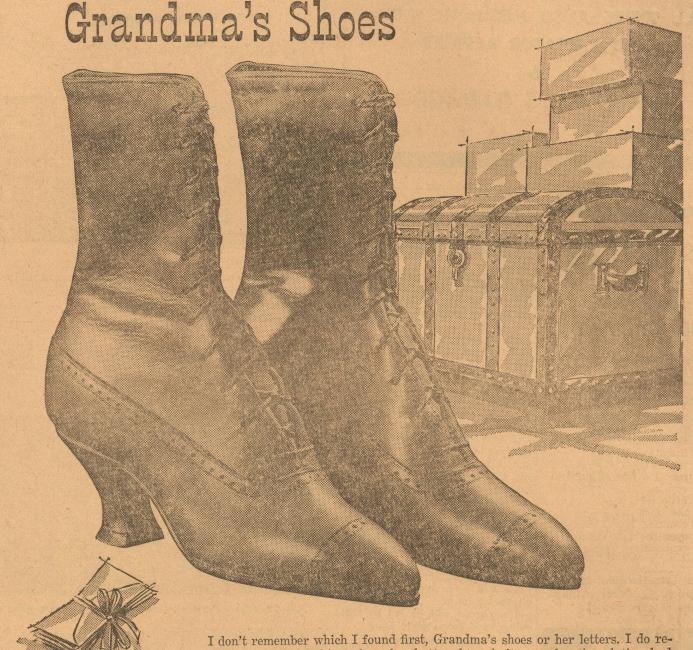
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Isaiah 53:1-6

Monday

Jeremiah 33:1-9

call, that as I lifted things from her battered trunk, it seemed as though time had slipped backward. Suddenly, the lady in the faded family tintype became real

Nicely polished and laced, her tiny shoes revealed that she was a petite person, neat and particular. A faded nosegay indicated a sentimental heart. "My dear son," her letters began, and as I read her words to that long-ago boy, my Dad, the reality of her love seemed present in the sun-drenched room. Outside the dusty window, a bee buzzed, and in that quiet moment I became acquainted with her

Often, God reveals Himself to us in just such a way. By the beauty of His world, in the truths within His Bible, through the ministry of His Church, He discloses the fullness of His love.

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The Story of Old Scroone

ADAPTED FROM A CHRISTMAS CAROL IN PROSE BY CHARLES DICKENS



With a wife and three children to support, Bob Crachit hardly made enough money as a clerk in the firm of Scrooge and Marley. When Marley died, Scrooge, his sole administrator, retained the firm's name and continued the business. Scrooge was tight-fisted and grasping. He was also untrusting. One particular Christmas Eve, as Crachit sat busily copying letters in his cold, drab little corner, he was mindful of the fact that Scrooge, in his counting room nearby, had left open the door in order to keep a cautious eye on his employe.



Scrooge, ill-tempered as usual, seemed annoyed when his nephew entered with a cheery greeting. "A Merry Christmas uncle! God save you!

"Bah," said Scrooge. "Humbug!" So much as the nephew tried, so hard did Scrooge resist the it and wouldn't say a good word about it or about anybody or any-



"Christmas a humbug, uncle? You don't mean that, I'm sure."
"I do," said Scrooge. "Merry Christmas! What reason have you

to be merry? You're poor enough." What Scrooge failed to understand is that being rich or poor isn't the most important thing in the world.

The friendly nephew said, "Don't be cross, uncle."

But Scrooge continued: "What else can I be when I live in such a world of fools as this? Merry Christmas! Out upon Merry Christmas! What's Christmas time to you but a time for paying bills without money; a time for finding yourself a year older, but not an hour richer? Bah! Keep Christmas in your own way and let me keep it in mine."



The friendly nephew left and went out into the fog and darkness. It was very cold. Workmen repairing gas-pipes had built a fire and stood around it to warm their hands.

The shops were still bright and holly sprigs and berries were in the windows. Merchants were busy as everyone prepared for

The Lord Mayor in his Mighty Mansion gave orders to his fifty cooks and butlers to keep Christmas in a proper way.

The little tailor busied himself stirring tomorrow's pudding while his wife and baby went to the market to buy the beef.



When the hour for closing arrived at the counting-house, Scrooge grumpily stopped his money-counting, dismounted from his stool and told his clerk, Bob Crachit, that work was ended for

Scrooge didn't approve of the holiday, but he had to recognize that it existed. "You'll want all day tomorrow, I suppose?"

"If quite convenient, sir." Look all the more unpleasant, Scrooge said: "It's not convenient, and it's not fair. If I was to stop half-a-crown for it, you'd think yourself ill-used, I'll be bound? And yet, you don't think me illused, when I pay a day's wages for no work."



Tactfully as he could, Crachit reminded his employer that Christmas came but once a year.

"A poor excuse for picking a idea of Christmas. He denounced man's pocket every twenty-fifth of December!" said Scrooge. "But I suppose you must have the whole day. Be here all the earlier next

Buttoning his greatcoat to the chin, Scrooge growled to himself as he walked out the door. He was hardly out of sight before the clerk had closed the office and headed homeward to Camden Town. Because it was Christmas Eve, he paused long enough to go down a slide on Cornhill, twenty times, behind a lane of boys.



Scrooge took his usual lonely dinner in a melancholy tavern, read all the newspapers in the place, then turned homeward to bed. He lived in chambers that once had belonged to his deceased partner. It was a dreary place. No one else lived there, although some rooms were let out

The fog lay heavy and the yard was dark, but Scrooge knew every stone and soon was putting his key into the door lock.

There was, upon the door, a huge knocker. There was nothing unusual about it except, at this very moment, it appeared not as knocker but to the startled Scrooge as the face of his late partner. Marley's face, plain as



Scrooge felt a terrible sensation within himself. He had never had such a feeling before. He stared until the sight before his eyes became only a door knocker again, turned the key and let himself into the room. Once inside, he paused, looking behind the door as if he expected to see Marley standing there. He closed and, before Scrooge knew it, he



Satisfied with his search, Scrooge locked himself in double-locked himself in, which 'was not his custom. Strange sounds were in the air, and strange things happened. A disused bell hung near his bed. It began to swing slowly, then rang loudly, as did every other bell in the house. Scrooge listened intently. Another sound began when the bells ended. It seemed someone was dragging heavy chains over the wine merchant's casks in the cellar below.

The sound grew nearer and nearer. And then, within the "Why, it's old Fezziwig! Bless his room, he stood. Marley, with his heart, it's Fezziwig alive again." pigtails, his waist-coat, tights and As they looked, Old Fezziwig was made in steel, but resembled heavy purses.



It was a ghost, no doubt, for Scrooge could see right through the waistcoat, the two buttons on Scrooge that the chain represent-Scrooge, was fashioning his own chain, a heavy weight that would cousin, the baker. bear upon him when he was dead.

throughout the night. Three spirits in all would come, each with message of importance. If Scrooge were wise, the ghost cautioned, he would listen carefully



When the ghost vanished. Scrooge checked his door. It was still double-locked. Wearily he ally fell asleep. He awoke, not still dark. The curtains beside himself no longer, he reached face was smooth as that of a



The visitor told Scrooge that he was the Ghost of Christmas Past

of them were sad, for he was a fused to recognize were therelonely boy, but others were jolly. people in the streets, greeting Scrooge was amazed as events of one another, the smell of good the past flew before his eyes. food and fruits, the church bells Times and people that he had calling good people to church and known and many of them long chapel. Scrooge and the jolly ago forgotten. The best of these he had not forgotten and he felt pleasure when the spirit took him to a warehouse where he had served as an apprentice.



When they peered into the window, Scrooge saw an old gentleman in a Welsh wig, sitting at a high desk and he exclaimed, "Why, it's old Fezziwig! Bless his

As they looked, Old Fezziwig boots. The chain he drew was laid down his pen. He looked at wrapped around his middle. It the clock. "Yo, ho, there! Ebenezer! (that's me, thought Scrooge),. the Crachits busily prepared their familiar things—cash boxes, keys, Dick! (Ah, Dick, Wilkins, to be padlocks, ledgers, deeds and sure), no more work tonight. Christmas Eve, Dick. Christmas, Ebenezer. Let's have the shutters



In came a fiddler, who sat on a the back clearly visible. A ghost that talked. The ghost told came Mrs Fizziwig and the three came Mrs. Fizziwig and the three Miss Fizziwigs and six young foled all the misdeeds and unkind lowers. In came all the young acts of a lifetime and that he, men and women employed in the business, the housemaid, with her

The party began. Scrooge re-But, all was not hopeless, the lived every moment of it. Yet, ghost reminded. He told Scrooge ever-conscious that the Ghost of that other visitors would follow Christmas Past still had eyes upon him. Other scenes of his past life were re-lived, until at last he felt he could bear no

Scrooge cried out, "Leave me! and see clearly all the visitors Take me back. Haunt me no longer!" Again, he was in his own bedroom, exhausted, drowsy, and eventually to sleep.



Again, in the dark, Scrooge put himself to bed and eventu- found himself awake. No vision appeared within the room. He knowing the time, to find it was waited. When he could restrain his bed were drawn back by a for his slippers, put them on, and hand and the first vision appear- walked cautiously to the door. As ed. It was a strange figure, like a he reached for the lock, a voice child, and yet again like an old on the other side called his name man. It's hair was white, yet the and bade him enter. He complied.

It was his own room, no doubt, child. It held a branch of fresh but it was changed. It was gaily green holly in its hand and, in decorated, with holly, mistletoe, contradiction, its dress was trim- and ivy. In the center of the med with summer flowers. Strang- room, heaped together to form a est of all, however, was a bright, throne, were turkeys, geese, game, clear crown of light that sur- sausages, mince pies and much more. In the center of the room, too, a jolly giant. "I am the ghost of Christmas Present. Look upon



the door with a bang, and the was taken back in spirit, many Suddenly, the two of them sound echoed like thunder weary years, to his boyhood stood in the city streets on throughout the house. The Christmases of his Christmas morning. All the sights Suddenly, the two of them youth paraded before him. Some and sounds that Scrooge had regiant went on, invisible, through the streets, to the very door of Bob Crachit's house. Scrooge stood in awe as the Spirit blessed the small dwelling. Inside, Mrs. Crachit, her daughter Belinda and Martha, and son Peter, awaited the return of their father. In he came, carrying Tiny Tim upon his shoulder. Tiny Tim, bearing a crutch, and his limbs supported by an iron frame.



Scrooge continued to watch as small Christmas feast. Everyone joined in preparation of the meal. Excitement mounted as they gathered about the table and Mrs. Crachit approached the roast goose with a carving knife. A murmur of delight arose and even Tiny Tim shouted Hurrah! A pudding, much to small for so large a family, was a wonderful treat Dinner over, the family gathered round the hearth. Bob Crachit raised a toast: "Merry Christmas to us all, my dears, God bless us." The family re-echoed the sentiment and Tiny Tim, the last of all, said "God bless us every one!"



Scrooge felt an interest he had never known before. He asked of the Spirit if Tiny Tim would live. The Spirit replied, "I see a vacant seat and a crutch without an owner, carefully preserved." Scrooge hung his head. He felt worse when he heard Bob Crachit propose another toast and Mrs. Crachit respond that she did not wish to drink a toast to Mr. Scrooge, "such an odious, stingy, hard, unfeeling man." But, she did, and the children drank after her, while the Ghost of Christmas Present took Scrooge to visit here and there about the town. showing him both misery and happiness along the way.

And soon thereafter, Scrooge was face to face with another

"I am in the presence of Christmas Yet to Come?" said Scrooge.



The robed spirit seemed to incline its head. It quickly showed Scrooge how his own death might be, with on one to mourn his loss; in fact, some seemed happy at his passing. It also showed him how Tiny Tim might die and leave countless friends to mourn and sorrow for him.

Scrooge assured the Spirit that he was a changed man, and that the shadows that had passed before him had altered his life: He said: "I will honor Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all the year. I will live in the past, the writing on this stone!"



When the third Spirit had gone, Scrooge kept the memory of the sight of his own name upon a tombstone, and no mourners in sight. When he awakened, he renewed his promise, "I will live in the past, the present and the future.'

Scrooge dressed in his very best and went into the streets. People were everywhere. Many of them he had seen during the time of his visit with the Ghost of Christmas Present. Scrooge looked so pleasant that people spoke to him and, afterwards, he confessed, their voices were music to his ears. One gentleman, only days before rudely refused when he asked Scrooge for a donation to a fund for the poor, was surprised when Scrooge presented to him a healthy sum of money.



Scrooge journeyed on, to his nephew's house. He passed the door a dozen times before he had the courage to knock. Then he made a dash to the door, and did

"Fred," he said when his nephew appeared. "Why, bless my soul!" cried

"It's I. Your Uncle Scrooge. I've come to dinner. Will you let me in, Fred?"

He was made so heartily welcome. He thought his nephew would shake his arm off. He was perfectly at home within minutes.



Next morning, Scrooge hurried to the office, much earlier than usual... he wanted to be there before Bob Crachit, to catch Crachit coming late to work. He did. Bob was nearly twenty minutes late. He had his hat in his hand, awaiting the wrath of Scrooge. It never came.

Instead, Scrooge greeted him cheerfully-and told him that he was to receive a raise in pay. Crachit was amazed. But he knew. finally, that Scrooge was sincere. The old man patted him on the back. "A Merry Christmas, Bob! A Merry Christmas—a merrier Christmas, Bob than I've given you in many a year.'



In the years that followed, Scrooge kept his word and his promises. Tiny Tim did not die and to the gentle lad Scrooge became a second father. He also became as good a friend, a master and a man as the city ever knew. A few people laughed to see the change in him, but Scrooge let them laugh and paid little heed. His own heart was laughing, with joy and happiness, and he gave joy to all who knew him.

Scrooge never encountered another Spirit. And, long years after, it was often said of him that he truly knew how to keep the Christmas. May that be true the present, and the future . . . of each of us and, always, as Tiny Oh, tell me I may sponge away Tim observed, "God bless us



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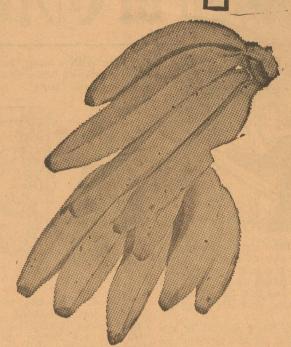
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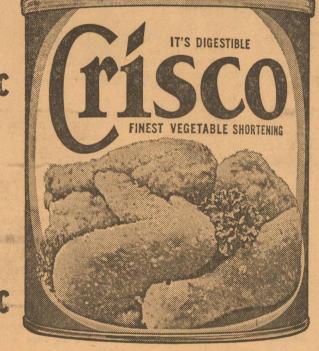
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