



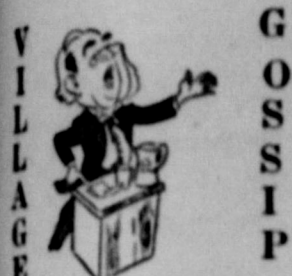
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MR. AND MRS. AMOS PAGE plan to move to Matador shortly after January 1, when he will take over management of the Rogue Theater which the Pages have recently contracted to buy. Mr. and Mrs. Page have been operating the Avalon Theater here. The Avalon will be operated by his mother, Mrs. Madge Page, who now runs the theater at Lefors.



C. B. Chambers Burned to Death In Home at Sand Spur Lake

Charlie B. Chambers, aged 42, an investigation revealed insufficient evidence to make authorities believe foul play was involved, and a verdict of accidental death was returned. Chambers, who had lived at the lake, five miles east and two south of McLean, since 1929, made his home alone. He was seen about 5:30 o'clock Monday afternoon when he got off a bus from Shamrock at the five-mile corner. He bought groceries at the corner, and got into his car, which he had left there, and went toward his home. His car was burned in the blaze which completely destroyed his home. No other cabins at the lake, a membership organization, were damaged. The body was found in the northeast corner of the 10x18 foot building, lying on the floor. The room, used as a kitchen, held two stoves, a wood stove and an oil stove. Another oil stove was in the larger front room. His brother, Bob Chambers of near Iowa Park, stated that Charlie Chambers had complained of heart trouble. One theory was that he had suffered a heart attack, fallen on the stove, and the fire was the result. However, the exact cause of the blaze remains a mystery. Chambers was born in Benton County, Ark., in 1881, and moved from there to Wywoka, Okla., about 1900. He moved to McLean from Hobart, Okla., in 1928, and had been at the lake since April, 1929. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the First Methodist Church in McLean, with Rev. C. W. Parmenter, pastor, officiating. Interment was in Hillcrest cemetery under the direction of the Claborn Funeral Home. Survivors include the brother; a half-brother, M. F. Hanning of Wywoka; a son, George, who formerly lived here but whose present residence is unknown; and a nephew, M. T. Campbell of Shamrock.

J. B. Puckett Of Sayre Dies

J. B. Puckett of Sayre, Okla., owner of the chain of Puckett's Food Stores in Texas and Oklahoma, died in Oklahoma City Saturday afternoon following a heart attack. Funeral services were held at the First Methodist Church in Sayre Monday afternoon, and burial was in the Sayre cemetery. Puckett had been suffering with heart trouble for several years. The pioneer grocer started the Puckett stores about 28 years ago in Sayre in partnership with his brother, the late C. H. Puckett, who formerly lived in McLean. The partnership was later dissolved, and J. B. Puckett continued in the business, expanding the stores to the present chain of 11. The McLean store was one of the early Puckett enterprises, and is one of the 11 stores now. (Continued on back page)

Miss Stubblefield Beauty Winner

Miss Donna Gail Stubblefield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stubblefield, was chosen as winner of the annual Beauty Parade of the McLean High School Press Club Monday night at the program held in the high school auditorium. Miss Stubblefield, a member of the junior class, was selected by out-of-town judges from among the field of 22 girls entered in the affair. She was sponsored by The McLean News. Second place winner was Betty Jo Patterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerrill Patterson. Miss Patterson, sponsored by the Greyhound Drug, also placed second in last year's contest. Third place honors went to Barbara Nell Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Williams. Her sponsor was the Southwestern Public Service company. The winner, Miss Stubblefield, also will represent the McLean Lions Club in the annual Lions Queen contest at the district convention to be held in El Paso early in May.



DONNA STUBBLEFIELD Beauty Winner Jackie Bentley served as master of ceremonies for the contest, and piano music was furnished by Dicky Sligar. Max Willingham had the honor of placing the crown on the winner's head, and also of kissing the queen. Mrs. Myrtle Norman, commercial teacher and sponsor of the Press Club, was in charge of arrangements for the program. Other girls entered, and their sponsors, were as follows: Pat Shelton, Corinne's Style Shop; Betty McClellan, Giddien's Service Station; Virginia Beck, Callahan's; Bethie Mantooh, Cooper's Food Market; June Stubblefield, Bill Day Furniture; Sue Glass, Cooke Chevrolet company; Floella Cubine, Boyd Meador Insurance; Gene Havens, American National Bank; Dortha Chase, Avalon Theater; Pat Patterson, T. and G. Electric; Christine Hunt, City of McLean; Ona Gail McPherson, Stubblefield's Dept. Store; Bonita Bailey, Dysart Motor company; Billie Sue Pettit, Puckett's Grocery; LaJune Chilton, Vera Back Agency; Shirley Allison, Brown's Drug; Ticie Glenn, McLean Implement company; LaRue Pettit, Andrews Implement company; Peggy Duncan, Brooks Dry Goods.

Santa Claus to Be Here Saturday

Guy Beasley Turns First Sod For New Grade School Building

Construction on the new elementary school building for the McLean Independent School District is now officially underway. Guy Beasley, vice president of the school board, turned the first sod in a ground-breaking ceremony held at the school site Wednesday afternoon. Beasley acted in the place of President Milton Carpenter, who was unable to be present.

L. L. Palmer Rites Are Held At Alanreed

Funeral services for Luby Lamar Palmer, pioneer resident of the Panhandle area, were held Friday afternoon at the First Baptist Church in Alanreed. Conducting the rites was Rev. Vernon Henderson of Phillips, assisted by Rev. L. P. Fort of Pampa and Rev. Steve Greenwood of Alanreed. Burial was in the Alanreed cemetery under the direction of the Claborn Funeral Home of McLean. Palmer, 74 years of age, died at his home near Alanreed Wednesday morning of last week. He suffered a stroke early Wednesday, and a subsequent heart attack proved fatal. He had been in McLean only the day before his illness. Pallbearers were Clyde Patterson, Olin Stapp, Bill Stubbs, Robert Bruce, Clovis Bible, and Aubrey L. Jones. Palmer was born January 11, 1871, in Fairburn, Ga., moving to Van Zant County in 1891. He and Miss Cora Riley were united in marriage November 26, 1900. The couple moved to Donley County in 1907, and lived there until coming to Gray County in 1918. They settled on the present family home on McClellan Creek, seven miles north of Alanreed. Shortly after moving to McClellan Creek, Palmer set out fruit trees, including many apple trees. Residents from throughout the Panhandle soon learned of the fine apples, peaches, and cherries his place began to produce, and his farm became known as "The Orchard." Survivors include his wife; two sons, Herschel of Sanford and Coy of Pampa; three daughters, Mrs. H. G. Gull and Mrs. B. L. McKee, both of Pampa, and Mrs. J. P. Elms of Dubbock; two brothers, Fred and H. M. Palmer of Grand Saline; and six grandchildren.

Stores Planning Two Days Rest December 25-26

Area residents were reminded this week that most retail establishments in McLean will close both Christmas Day and the day following, December 25 and 26. The two-day holiday will be observed by all three grocery stores, as well as most other downtown stores. The three cleaning and pressing plants—Master Cleaners, Bentley Cleaners, and Clett Cleaners—will be closed Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, reopening for business again Thursday. The McLean News will be closed Monday through Thursday, opening for business Friday morning. The two gins in McLean—Paymaster and McLean—will be closed Monday. The gins will shut down Saturday night, and reopen for business Wednesday morning.

Judges to Pick Best Decorated Homes at Night

Santa Claus is coming to town! The genial old gent, who makes the hearts of children glad, will arrive in McLean on one of the local fire trucks at 3:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon, J. C. Claborn, chairman of a committee in charge of Santa's visit, said. The visit is being sponsored here by the Lions Club, the American Legion, and the Junior Chamber of Commerce. Santa will hand out candy to all the children who are on hand for his visit. The candy will be striped canes, and there will be plenty for each child to receive one. It is likely that some of the Lions, Jaycees, and Legionnaires will have to aid Santa in handing out the candy to the large crowd of children expected. Santa's visit is one of the highlights of the Christmas activities being sponsored by the three organizations. Funds for the activities were collected recently from business men and other individuals of the area. Among the activities was the lighting and decorating of the downtown streets, the lights going on last week. Another feature of the activities is the home decorations and downtown decorations contests. Three prizes of \$10, \$5, and \$2.50 will be given in the home decorations contest for the best-decorated homes. One prize of \$10 will be given to the best-decorated business firm. Out-of-town judges will be used in selecting the winners. Both the homes and the businesses will be judged Saturday night, some time between the hours of 7 and 9 o'clock, Claborn stated. All residents who have homes which are decorated are urged to have their lights on at that time.

Funeral Rites Are Held Here For Mrs. Bowen

Funeral services for Mrs. Mattie Alice Bowen were held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the McLean Methodist Church, with Rev. C. W. Parmenter, pastor, conducting the rites. Interment was in Hillcrest Cemetery under the direction of the Claborn Funeral Home. Mrs. Bowen died at her home in McLean Friday. Pallbearers were James Noel, Finis Dalton, Jesse Roberts, O. K. Lee, Wib Fowler, and Felix Jones. Mrs. Bowen was born September 2, 1872, and was 79 years of age at the time of her death. She was born in Rockwall, and had lived in this community for the past 35 years. She became a member of the Methodist church at an early age. Her husband, E. W. Bowen, preceded her in death in 1942. Survivors include three grandchildren, Mrs. Clifton Shirley of Kellerville, Mrs. Rex Clark of Amarillo, and W. N. Bowen of Pampa.

Former Sheriff Dies at Keene

Ernest S. Graves, former Gray County sheriff, died at his home in Keene Sunday, it has been learned here. Graves' death was due to a heart attack. His health has been failing for about a year, and he had been seriously ill for about four days. Graves entered public life as a county commissioner in 1919, and after serving one year, he was elected sheriff and tax collector. He held that office until January 1, 1931, when he retired. Lincoln was nominated for the presidency in Chicago on May 18, 1860. President Garfield's term of office was completed by Chester A. Arthur.

McLean Girl Cagers Win First In Tournament at Shamrock

The McLean girls basketball team captured its second tournament title in two weeks last Saturday night when the Tigerettes downed Kelton 46-30 in the finals of the Shamrock Invitational tournament. Taking top honors for the boys was the Shamrock team, winning a 23-19 game over Briscoe in the Saturday night finals. The local girls fared well on the all-tournament team rankings, placing four on the squad of 12 chosen. Making the all-tournament team from McLean were Bonita Bailey, Sue Lively, Joyce Bruner, and Mary Graham. Others on the team were Jean Williams and Virginia Giddings of Allison; Joanne Shaffers, Viola Burrell, and Glenna Addison of Kelton; Janice Jaco and Wanda Topper of Wheeler; and Glenda Thompson of Shamrock. Eddie Reeves was the only McLean boy to make the all-tournament team. Others making this team were Don Fagan of Pampa; Clarence Whittenburg of Wheeler; Troy Jones of Allison; Kenneth Richardson of Kelton; Jimmie Doom of Lefors; Mac Terry and Van Pennington of Shamrock; and Tom Helton and Noble Daugherty of Briscoe. The McLean boys team lost in the opening round to Briscoe 39-30, placing them in the consolation bracket. Then they dropped a hard-fought battle to the Pampa Guerrillas 43-42 Friday night, eliminating the Tigers from further play in the tournament. The local girls, in coping the Shamrock title, walloped the Lefors girls 55-23 and ousted Shamrock 43-15. The Tigerettes had taken first-place honors in the McLean tournament the week before.

Crockett Sells Cleaning Plant To Wolford

The Master Cleaners plant has been sold by Emory Crockett to Alton B. Wolford of Clarendon. It was announced last week-end, and the new owner took over management of the firm Monday morning. Crockett has operated the plant since it was first established. All unpaid accounts under the old management will be payable to Crockett, it was explained, and may be paid at the shop or to Crockett. The new manager of the business comes to McLean from Clarendon, where he has been engaged in the cleaning business. He was born in McLean, however, in a covered wagon, although his family did not live here for long. He was reared in Donley County, and has lived there some of his adult life. His experience in the cleaning and pressing business extends over a period of 25 years. He has operated plants in Claude, Amarillo, Denver, and Dallas, in addition to Clarendon.

Bentley Agency Sold to Meador

Announcement was made this week of the sale of the insurance agency of the late M. D. Bentley to Lloyd Meador. Meador stated that all policy holders with the Bentley agency should be notified by mail of the change of ownership, and that the Meador insurance firm would assume all outstanding policies. Policy holders will also be notified as their policies expire. The Bentley agency has been cooperative since the death of Mr. Bentley November 7. Policies which had expired since that time, however, have been renewed for short periods to protect the policyholders. Martha McChesney Berry was a Georgia philanthropist who founded a group of schools for the children of mountaineers of her native state. Abraham Lincoln died in a small brick house opposite Ford's theatre on Tenth Street in Washington, D. C.

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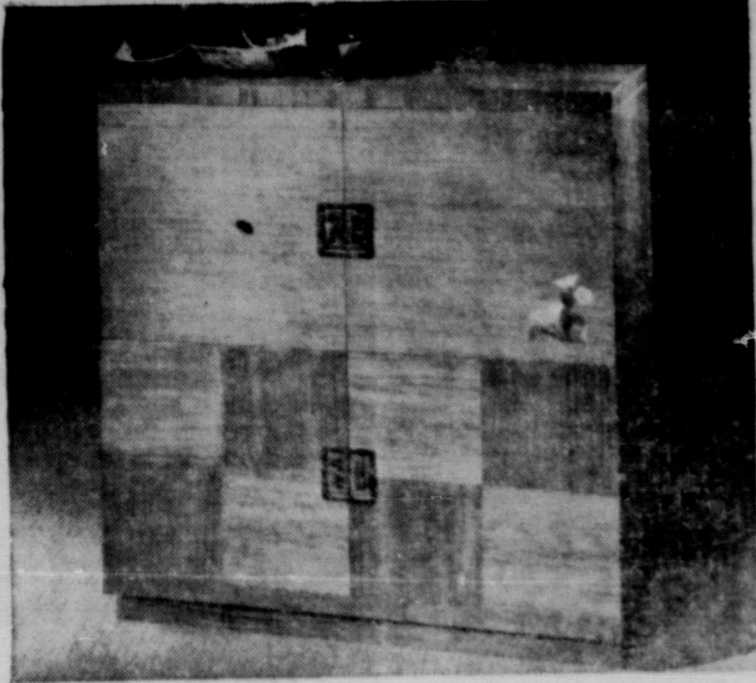
Cpl. Charles Sullivan of Fort Hood is here on a 15-day leave visiting his mother, Mrs. Ada Sullivan.

Abroad the aircraft carrier USS Bon Homme Richard when she arrived in San Diego, Calif., after nearly a year in Korean waters, was Adrian L. Smith, seaman, USN, son of Mrs. J. N. Smith of McLean.

Recommissioned from the Pacific Reserve Fleet, the Bon Homme Richard has operated on the firing line off Korea's east coast continually for more than six months.

Pfc. Marion R. Littrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Gray of McLean, has recently reported to Keesler Air Force Base to begin training in electronics fundamentals, an integral part of the "Electronics Training Center of the World" located only a few hundred feet north of the Gulf of Mexico, at Biloxi, Miss.

Housing the 3380th Technical Training Wing, Keesler is also known as the "Push-Button College of the Air Force." Here, incoming students will attend one of 16 different schools, offering over 55 separate curricula. The training he receives in this school will extend over approximately a 22-week period. When graduated he will be assigned to field duty or to another school for advanced training.



A combination desk and chest can save space and be a beautiful piece of furniture at the same time. The example shown above, designed by Michael Hallward, is distinguished by a moderately bold checkerboard pattern of wood veneer squares. Designs like this show why hardwood veneers of selected wood grain figuring are invaluable in modern furniture manufacture. Complicated wood grain patterns cannot be achieved in solid wood.

Donley County— SOIL NEWS

Reseeding unproductive land to nutritious grasses is one of the most efficient practices for increasing range productivity in the Donley County Soil Conservation District.

Areas which need reseeding include worn-out crop land, highly erodible farm land, abandoned crop land, and some areas of seriously depleted range land.

With exception of the latter class, these areas are potentially the highest producing range land in the district. They are highly profitable units when converted to adapted grasses.

Reseeded pastures in the Donley County district have yielded two to three times as much beef gain per acre as adjacent native range.

Grasses recommended in Donley County for reseeding include weeping lovegrass, blue panic, K R bluestem, sideots grama, Indian grass, switch grass, blue grama, buffalo, sand bluestem, and little bluestem. Madrid sweet clover may also be used in some grass mixtures.

Spring seedings give optimum results for most grasses in this area. March and April are probably the best months.

A few hard-seeded grasses, including sand lovegrass and switch grass, are promoted in germination by freezing temperatures and must be sown early for best results. Seeding of these grasses may be begun immediately.

May and June seeding dates for blue panic have given best results. It appears that the soil should be fairly warm before planting blue panic.

Seeding with a drill especially designed for planting grass is superior to any other method. The Donley County district owns

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with
DANGER**
Starring
ALAN LADD and **PHYLLIS CALVERT**



Many employed wage earners over 75 years of age have applied for old-age and survivors insurance benefit payments, according to John R. Sanderson, manager of the Amarillo Social Security office.

While Sanderson is greatly surprised at the comparatively large number of insured persons in this age group, his office has no way of knowing the total number. The reason for this lack of information is that many insured workers who have passed their 75th birthday have not applied for benefit payments. "They do not yet realize that they and their dependents can now qualify for these monthly payments," he says.

Under the amended law, a worker over 75 years of age may engage in any kind of self-employment and have benefit payments regardless of the amount of his earnings. Between the ages of 65 and 75, the insured person may now have \$50 a month in work covered by social security.

Sanderson urges all insured workers aged 75 or older, and who have not yet applied for benefit payments to do so without delay. Back payments can be made for as many as six months, but failure to make application may result in the loss of one or more months benefit payments to the worker and his dependents.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of expressing our most sincere gratitude for all the acts of kindness extended in the donation for Grandma Bowen, who died last week. Your genuine friendship will always be remembered. May God bless each of you, is our prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Jones

IN MEMORIAM

In loving remembrance of our dear father and grandfather, J. A. Haynes, who passed away one year ago, December 19.

Though death may part us for a while, it can never erase the memory of a loved one's smile.

Or of a dear one's face. For memories will always stay as years go passing by, and there is comfort in the thought

That love can never die.

The Family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bailey and daughter of Pampa visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bailey, Sunday.

Mrs. Luke Henley returned last week from Watts, Okla., where she has been visiting relatives.

Mrs. J. B. Pettit visited in Clarendon Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mertel visited friends in Amarillo Sunday.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Carter and children visited in Clarendon Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Howard and children and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Roberts of Pampa visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Smith visited her brother and family in Borger Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Peabody visited in Clarendon Sunday with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Mertel and girls visited in Pampa Sunday evening.

W. T. Eldridge, who is working in Amarillo, visited his family in McLean over the weekend.

Mrs. Jack Bailey and children were in Pampa Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Osborn and daughter of Pampa visited Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Shaw Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Simpson visited Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Allen Sunday in Amarillo.

Mrs. E. H. Kramer went to Pampa Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Barrett visited their daughter Barbara in Borger Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Clett were Amarillo visitors last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dalton of Skellytown visited his mother, Mrs. Betty Dalton, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Baker and family of Pampa visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Baker, Sunday.

Miss Mary Ann Back of A. C. C. Abilene, is home for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. R. B. Jones, Cpl. and Mrs. Elmer Gudge, and Pvt. Richard Griffin were in Pampa Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hunt and children of Shamrock visited in McLean Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Fosdyck and son Jimmy of Amarillo spent the week-end with Mrs. Fosdyck's mother, Mrs. Ada Sullivan.

Mrs. Hershel Smith and Mrs. J. E. Smith were Amarillo visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bentley had as their guests Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bentley from Magic City.

Mrs. W. T. Eldridge and girls and Mr. and Mrs. Woody Wilkerson were in Amarillo Friday and Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Williams and sons visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bailey near Wellington Sunday.

We Will Close

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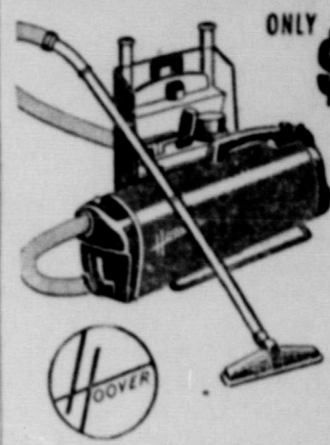
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Pascal
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ORANGES 2 lb 25c

Georgia
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40 Years Ago— IT HAPPENED HERE

Taken from the Files of The
McLean News, December, 1911

Mothers Club to Entertain
The officers of the local Mothers Club announce that they will give another of those delightful musical entertainments at the high school auditorium at the night of Friday, February 2nd, the proceeds to be used in defraying expenses of building a new school house and placing the new school power and the program for well. As yet the program for the affair has not been announced but it is stated that some of the best local talent will be on the list, including several numbers by the "Bundy-Hodges Quartette."

The usual admission of ten cents will be charged and the public is invited to attend, being assured that they will not only be of aid in the furtherance of a good cause but will get their money's worth and more. Remember the date, Friday evening, February 2nd. A full program will be printed in our next issue.

Agent Salmon Has Resigned
It is authoritatively announced that Mr. T. U. Salmon has resigned his place as local agent for the Rock Island and will turn the office over to his successor as soon as that man can be secured. Mr. Salmon has been

agent here for three years and has made many friends who regret to see him leave.

Some difference that arose between him and large shippers is said to be the cause of his resignation, but the general public has found him to be the best man who ever occupied the station in many ways. He was thorough and efficient in his work and he not only took a lively interest in the railroad's affairs but was a live booster for the town and community. McLean will indeed be fortunate if she gets as good agent as Mr. Salmon to take his place.

Grain Moving Lively Now
The grain market has opened up with increased activity since the passing of the severely cold weather and many cars are being loaded and shipped out each week. The price at the present is ranging high, maize selling as high as fifteen dollars per ton.

Other grain and feed stuffs are also moving and there promises to be at least another month of rushing business in this line. Many of the farmers have yet to gather their corn and in some instances the kafir and maize has not been all gathered.

Up to the present time there have been about 150 cars of kafir and maize shipped and it is believed that the total number will reach the 200 mark before the present crop is moved.

Preparations are already being made for the next season's crop which, it is being predicted, will outstrip any produced here for a number of years.

Homes-ekers are looking this way in earnest and before the end of planting time it is believed that hundreds of new people will have identified themselves with us.

You are invited.
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reeves of Amarillo visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cousins Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Callahan visited in Childress Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Margaret Callahan.

Dick Andrews is home for the holidays from New Mexico A. and M. College, Las Cruces, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Reeves of Pampa visited in the Charles Cousins home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lee and children of Pampa visited relatives in McLean Sunday.

Bill Mounce, who is attending New Mexico A. and M. College at Las Cruces, is home for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. W. C. Shull went to Shamrock Monday on business. Mrs. Shull and son Neal were in Pampa Saturday.

E. L. Price visited in Amarillo Sunday.

"No Room at the Inn"—A Christmas Classic Greatest Story Ever Told On Television



The story of The Nativity, as told in "No Room at the Inn," which has become a Christmas tradition in radio through its annual broadcasts on "The Greatest Story Ever Told" program, will be seen on television this Christmas for the first time. The telecast will be on Sunday, December 23, 7:00 to 7:30 p.m. (EST), over the ABC-TV network. The radio program, heard at 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. (EST) on the ABC radio network every Sunday, will air the same story that day.

Pvt. and Mrs. Richard Griffin left Sunday for Joplin, Mo., to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Griffin.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Price were called to Fort Worth last Thursday due to the death of her brother, William R. Pittman.

Mrs. Milton Carpenter has returned from visiting her daughter, Mrs. Dickie Everett and family at Tulsa, Okla.

Jimmie Graves of New Mexico College visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Green, last week-end.

Personals

Mrs. Frank Reeves and Mrs. Bill Reeves were Amarillo visitors Monday.

Mrs. O. V. Smuler and Mrs. W. M. Tibbets were in Groom Wednesday.

Mrs. J. M. Brown and Mickey of Pampa visited her sister, Mrs. George Orrick and family Sunday.

Miss Margaret Glass visited in Amarillo over the week-end with her niece, Mrs. Frances Purdy.

Mrs. Lois Roan of Pampa visited her mother, Mrs. Lady Bryant, Monday.

Mrs. Ethel Cantrell of Amarillo visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Green, over the week-end.

Mrs. Jo Burrows visited her son, Ernest and family, in Eldon, Mo., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cooke and Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Carpenter visited in Hart Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cooke and family.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Shelton and son of Amarillo visited Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Wesley Sims and baby of Shamrock spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brawley.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cash of Lefors visited Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Phillips Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Reynolds and son of Amarillo visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Guthrie.

**McLean
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Tuesday, 12:05
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Second Student: Theorems.
First Student: Studying geometry, huh?
Second Student: No, meditation.

A Scotchman awoke one morning to find that his wife had passed away during the night. He leaped from the bed, ran out in the hall and called downstairs to the cook: "Mary, come to the foot of the stairs quick!" "What is it?" she cried, "what is it?" "Don't boil but one egg for breakfast," said the Scotchman.

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POLITICS

"SENATOR Robert A. Taft is as confident a candidate for nomination and election to the presidency as experienced observers have seen since the early Roosevelt campaigns," writes Doris Fleeson in one of her Washington columns. "The senator's attitude shows that he believes what his managers contend: That he is far out in front of his rivals for the Republican nomination and that the Truman administration, largely because of the tax scandals, is in real trouble."

The Ohio solon's faith in his own destiny, at least as far as gaining the nomination is concerned, is certainly justified. No other candidate, actual or potential, has anything remotely resembling Taft's efficient and politically-astute organization. No one else has done so much solid groundwork, or has made himself so clear on the major issues which will dominate the next campaign. And no one else has so formidable an array of backers who will control state delegations at the GOP convention.

That General Eisenhower has been a disappointment to his followers, goes without saying. To quote Miss Fleeson again, "So far, the Eisenhower campaign is not off the ground; perhaps it cannot get off until the general makes some overt move to encourage his supporters. Right now it has produced more personal publicity for its managers than anything else; something is lacking to give it momentum and bite." The general's position grows more and more equivocal as time goes on. He has steadfastly refused to commit himself politically, which is certainly understandable in the light of his present position. Yet his statements have been so phrased that his backers still have logical grounds to hope that he will be available for the race after all. In any event, it is clear that he cannot wait much longer if he wants to be summoned; before much more time passed Taft could be in control of enough votes to make an Eisenhower nomination unlikely.

The formal entry of Governor Warren into the tussle was not unexpected. The governor has been a tremendous vote-getter in his own state of California—in the last campaign he won so handily as to make it virtually no contest. He is a middle of the roader—what some call a "New Deal Republican." He is strongly opposed Taft, and his declaration is in part based on a "Stop Taft" philo-

sophy. At the same time, he could very well be tapped for the candidacy if the Taft and Eisenhower forces deadlocked and prevented the nomination of either man. This isn't likely now, but it's a far cry from impossible.

Once more, reports are making the rounds that President Truman has definitely decided not to run, and will so state around the first of the year. His choice for the Democratic nomination, the reports continue, is Chief Justice Vinson. Fly in this ointment is that many influential Democrats are very cold to the Vinson idea. Another fly is that Justice Vinson may be well-satisfied with his lifetime position as chief of the highest tribunal in the land, and so may not want to take to the unpredictable political wars.

LES TALK

By LESTER

Today's paper will be placed in the mails today—Thursday. Next week's issue will come to you much, much earlier than you expect, for it will be placed in the mails Saturday. The News office will be closed until Friday, December 28, so that we can take a brief rest from our regular duties. Thanks for allowing us this period of recreation.

Incidentally, we are proud of our Christmas edition. I sincerely think that a Christmas edition is essential to a town, for it carries with it the many friendly greetings of those people in business. It carries numerous letters to Santa Claus from the children. And it carries wonderful Christmas stories. We hope you enjoy the paper.

This year I expect to have the most wonderful and most joyful Christmas I have ever had—and probably ever will have. For this year daughter Chris will give us more pleasure at Christmas than I ever expect her to again. She is just at the right age to enjoy it, just the right age to radiate the happiness which only Christmas can bring to a child.

She is trying to hard to be a "good girl" until Santa Claus gets here. The other night she promised Santa that she would not suck her thumb if he would bring her what she wants. And she really goes after those thumbs at times, so that alone will be a big sacrifice—if she is able to keep her promise.

I sometimes wonder if parents do the right thing when they use Santa Claus as a threat for a month or two before Christmas, but at least it seems to work pretty good. And I can't say that its use on me as a small child has caused me to have any mental trouble in later life (no comments, please). So perhaps it may be all right. So I guess we'll do like all other parents—use Santa as a threat as well as something wonderful.

Anyway, Chris can hardly wait until Christmas—as a matter of fact, she's as jumpy about it as I am. We have a few packages wrapped up at our house, and

Chris wants so, so badly to get into them, regardless of whether they are hers or not.

Guess you are getting tired of reading about Chris so much lately, but this Yuletide season reminds me of her more and more.

It's going to be such a fine Christmas for Chris, and for me, and for Martha, too.

By the way, after next Tuesday, there will be only 366 days until Christmas. So start your shopping early.

Read the other day where some fellow was talking about Christmas shopping. He said that he, like most other people, waits until the very last thing to do his shopping. But, he added, it's nice that New Year's comes so soon after Christmas, for that gives him an opportunity to make a resolution to do his Christmas shopping early the next year.

Perhaps there are certain items which you want to buy which cannot be bought in McLean. But it's only fair to give the local merchants a chance. Some of them may not have their merchandise displayed as well as the bigger stores in Amarillo, but they try to do their best on a smaller scale.

I have never harped much on trading at home since I have been running this paper. I attempt to do my trading at home, however, because I feel it is the proper thing to do and usually the least expensive. I do not intend to harp on trading at

home now, either. But I would like for you to give your local merchants a chance. Then if you don't find what you want here, feel free to go elsewhere.

Had you ever thought about it? Every town has its trading at home worries. We worry about possible customers of ours trading at Shamrock, Amarillo, and Pampa. Shamrock worries about McLean, Wellington, Pampa, and Amarillo. Pampa worries about Amarillo and Borger. Amarillo worries about Pampa, Borger, Dallas, and Oklahoma City. The bigger towns worry about New York, Chicago, and Philadelphia. And then those great big cities worry about their overhead expenses.

No wonder everybody is so worried these days.

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If you don't see me out of this office much in the next two days, it will be because we are rushing to get the Christmas paper out Saturday. 'Twill be quite a feat for us—two papers out in two days time. But thank goodness we don't have to do it every week—Eunice and I would not

only go crazy, we'd go berserk (if that's the way you spell it). We will enjoy that few days however.

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ANNOUNCING New Ownership of Master Cleaners

I have bought the Master Cleaners from Emory Crockett, and took over management of the business Monday. This is to invite your continued patronage of the plant, and also to assure you that you will always receive the best in cleaning, pressing, and tailor craftsmanship. I have had 25 years of experience in this type of business, and feel qualified in every respect to do the work. Come in and get acquainted.

Mont B. Wolford

THANKS for Your Patronage

My genuine thanks to all of you who have given us your cleaning and pressing work since the plant was established. This fine patronage enabled us to increase our volume of business throughout the months, and I will never forget the many friends I have gained.

Mr. Wolford, the new owner, is thoroughly experienced in the work, and it is my hope that you will continue taking your work to the Master Cleaners. He comes here from Clarendon, and has also operated plants in many other localities. Thanks again for your past patronage.

Emory Crockett

Society

Miss McPherson, Glenn W. Farmer To Wed Sunday

The engagement and approach to the marriage of Miss Oma Bell McPherson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McPherson of McLean, and Pfc. Glenn W. Farmer of Fort Sill, Okla., son of Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Farmer of Cactus, was announced.

The vows will be read in the First Baptist Church in McLean Sunday afternoon, December 23, at 5 o'clock by Captain Clayton, former pastor here and now chaplain in the U. S. Army at Fort Sill.

Friends of the couple are invited to attend the ceremony.

Mrs. T. B. Saylor of Bertram is visiting in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Amos Page.

Mr. and Mrs. Cabot Dysart and daughter Kathy visited last week in the home of his father, J. L. Dysart. Lt. Dysart has been stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, and was en route to Minnetonka, his new station.

Johnnie Taylor of Sherman visited his aunt, Mrs. J. E. Smith, Sunday.

Senior Music Club Meeting Is Held In Boyett Studio

The Senior Music Club met in Mrs. Willie Boyett's studio Monday evening, December 10.

Barbara Ruth Carter was presented in repertoire. She played the following numbers: The Third Movement of Sonata No. 1, by Clementi; Minuet, by Bach; Siciliana, by Schumann; H. M. S. Pinafore, by Gilbert and Sullivan; Thoughts at Twilight, by Louise Wright; Waltzing in Old Vienna, by Stanford King.

Honor roll students for November were Barbara Nell Williams and Dicky Sligar. A honor roll: Barbara Ruth Carter, Glenda Switzer, Frankie Tucker, Sue Glass, B honor roll; Mollie Erwin, Bobby Decker, C honor roll.

Pat Shelton and Pat Keller were welcomed as new members. Refreshments of sandwiches, Christmas cake, and Cokes were served by Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Sligar.

Will Lister of Gainesville is visiting in the home of his sister, Mrs. J. L. Bidwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hodges of Galveston are visiting in the home of Mrs. J. L. Bidwell.



The thrill of making her own clothes has paid off doubly for Gloria Dawn Watson, 29, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. She has entered Colorado Woman's College on the \$500 scholarship she won last year in the "Make It Yourself With Wool" Home Sewing Contest for exceptional proficiency in sewing. The 1951 contest is now nearing its climax.

Baptist Juniors Annual Christmas Party Is Held

The junior department of the Sunday School and Training Union of the First Baptist Church held its annual Christmas party last Friday evening at the church.

Games were played under the direction of Mrs. Granville Boyd. The children exchanged gifts from a lighted Christmas tree, and the teachers and officers furnished treats for each child. Twenty-nine boys and girls and nine officers and teachers were present. Guests were Rev. Buell Wells, Donna Joyce Boyd, and Eddie Kunkel.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of expressing our most sincere gratitude for all the words of sympathy and acts of kindness at the death of our loved one. We are very grateful for the flowers and food that were brought in. May God bless each of you.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Shirley
Mr. and Mrs. Rex Clark
Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Bowen
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bird
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clay
Mrs. Norma Bowen
Mrs. Annie Bowen

Visitors in the Olen Davis home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Brock and Francis, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Brock, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brock, W. J. Haidru, Karen and Mike, Mr. and Mrs. Noble Brock, and Mrs. Randell, all of Chillicothe; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Arnold and Kay, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Tvedder and Roger, Mrs. Horace Brock and Bennie, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brock, Dan, Robbie, and Kelton, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Davis, all of Berger, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cash of Pampa; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brock and Dan, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Brock, Glenda, Linda, Judy, Douglas, and Rebecca, of Lefors; Ernest Tedder of Long Beach, Calif.; Mrs. Tom Tedder and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Simmons of McLean; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shore of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Allred and Ronnie and Mae, of Buna Vista.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Smith and son Frankie, and Mr. and Mrs. Truitt Stewart attended the wrestling matches in Amarillo Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Russell from Amarillo visited Mr. and Mrs. Gay Hibler Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Thorman and son from Amarillo visited Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Hancock Sunday evening.

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Personals

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Mrs. J. A. Sparks was in Shamrock on business last Wednesday.

Mrs. Lucille Parker and daughter Rosemary of Phillips visited

Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Simpson and children of Pampa spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Simpson.

Barney Fulbright and son James of Abilene visited their mother and grandmother, Mrs. M. M. Newman, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Windom are visiting in Estancia and Albuquerque, N. M., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Burrows and Earl Gassage are spending the holidays with Mrs. Burrows' daughter, Mrs. Carnie Stidham and family, at Las Cruces, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Boyd spent the week-end with his parents,

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Boyd, at Henrietta.

Mr. and Mrs. John Haynes and Mrs. J. S. Morse were in Pampa Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ercy Cubine were in Pampa Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Sharp were Shamrock visitors Monday.

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All policy holders who were insured by Mr. Bentley will be notified by mail in the very near future. Those with policies expiring will be notified to that effect also.

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PUMPKIN 2 1/2 Shurfine for pies	21c
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Brach's 1 lb box CHOCOLATE CHERRIES	49c
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Puckett— (Continued from page 1) operating in Texas and Oklahoma.

About six years ago, Puckett retired from active management of the stores, turning them over to his sons, Blaine and Ralph Puckett. The brother, C. H. Puckett, died in Amarillo of heart trouble about a year ago.

R. T. Dickinson, manager of the local store, and J. P. Dickinson, in charge of the meat department of the store here, are great-nephews of the pioneer grocer.

Mr. and Mrs. Finis Dalton were in Pampa on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Cousins were in Clarendon Sunday visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Mitchell of Pampa visited in the Hal Mounce home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harvest of Amarillo visited in the E. C. Bragg home over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Dyer were in Shamrock Monday on business.

J. D. Brock of Dimmitt is visiting in the A. R. Clawson home this week.

Mrs. J. H. Jenkins and Mrs. A. C. Tannahill were in Pampa Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Shadid and children visited in Canyon Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bud Gray.

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MERRY XMAS MERTEL'S STORE

Society

Mrs. Eimer Gudgel Is Given Shower At Baptist Church

A bridal shower was given at the Baptist church parlor Friday evening, December 14, for Mrs. Eimer Gudgel, the former Patsie Jones.

The hostesses were Mesdames Homer Abbott, Raymond Smith, W. W. Edwards, Buell Wells, John Caudill, and Howard Williams.

Mrs. Paul Miller furnished the music and Mrs. Howard Williams gave two readings, "Home," and "Suggestions for Home Site," Mrs. Frank Simpson presented the gifts.

The following brought or sent gifts: Mesdames Arnold Sharp, W. W. Shadid, Glenn Jolly, Oba Kunkel, Paul Kennedy, Josh Chilton, Paul Miller, Frank Howard, Boyd Meador.

Mesdames Homer Smith, John Caudill, Bill Moore, Gladys Smulcer, W. W. Edwards, C. E. Cooke, Luther Petty, Reo Heasley, T. G. Richardson, R. L. McDonald, R. L. Appling.

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Misses Norma Watson, LaJone Chilton, Eunice Stratton, Janice Stafford, Margaret Glass, Pat Patterson, Oma Bell McPherson, Faye Glenn, Betty Jo Patterson, Nadine Lee, Evelyn Lee, Bonita Bailey, and Betty Gudgel; and John Sublett, J. A. Sparks, and N. A. Greer.

Mrs. Alexander Is Hostess to Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian Church met Tuesday for their annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Don Alexander, at the Warren camp.

Mrs. H. E. Franks presented the Advent Tryst, assisted by Mesdames Haskell Smith, Travis Stokes, Albert Smith, C. O. Goodman, Jess Kemp, and Mattie Graham.

Refreshments were served from a lace-covered table centered with a beautiful Christmas scene. Gifts were exchanged from a lighted Christmas tree.

Enjoying the occasion were Mesdames S. R. Jones, T. E. Crisp, Wm. Albert Smith, Travis Stokes, Bill Ferguson, Mattie Graham, H. E. Franks, J. B. Hembree, Kid McCoy, Jess Kemp, C. O. Goodman, Haskell Smith, C. E. Cortis, Cort Meyers, and the hostess.

Betty Dickinson Named Honoree At Birthday Party

Betty Ruth Dickinson was honored at a birthday party Sunday afternoon by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Dickinson.

Favors of Christmas candy canes were presented to each one present. Various games were played.

Refreshments of angel food cake and ice cream were served by the hostess and the honoree's grandmother, Mrs. Nancy White of Amarillo.

Attending were Rolena Chase, Patricia Wiggins, Monta Jean Kennedy, Arta Lee Patterson, Gayle Mullanax, Frankie Smith, Tommy Willis, Pat Miller, and Bob Stubblefield.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Page were in Matador Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Graham of Pampa visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Graham over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Horne visited in Amarillo over the week-end with relatives.

Miss Evelyn Smart Becomes Bride Of J. E. Langham

J. E. Langham of McLean and Miss Evelyn Smart of Fort Sumner, N. M., were married December 15 at Clovis, N. M. Rev. Maddox, Baptist pastor, read the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Sadie R. Potter, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Langham.

After the Christmas holidays, the couple will make their home on the McMurtry ranch, where Langham is employed.

Christmas Parties Are Held by Baptist Groups

Three groups from the First Baptist Church held their annual Christmas parties this week.

Beginning Monday night, the Kingdom Seekers Sunday School class met at the home of their teacher, Mrs. Leo Gibson.

The group attended the beauty parade at the high school and then returned to the Gibson home where games were played and refreshments were served to Jo Ann Turner, Sammie Wood, Rosie Lee Smith, Glenda Smith, Arta Lee Patterson, Harlene Moore, and Laura Brown, and a guest, Mrs. Buel Goldston.

Tuesday afternoon, members of the W. M. U. held their Christmas program at the home of Mrs. George Colebank.

The following attended: Mesdames H. W. Finley, Homer Abbott, Bunia Kunkel, Oba Kunkel, R. L. McDonald, Luther Petty, T. A. Langham, and Colebank.

Mrs. O. L. Tibbets was hostess Tuesday evening to members of the Dorcas Sunday School class and guests, at her home.

A Christmas program was given and refreshments served. In addition to the exchange of gifts, birthday gifts were presented to Mrs. Etta Carmichael and Mrs. John Biggers.

Attending were Messrs. and Mesdames F. E. Stewart, Homer Abbott, Raymond Smith, Edgar Smith, Leo Gibson, Bill Boyd, Boyd Reeves, H. W. Finley, Ross Colbie, Luther Petty, George Colebank, E. C. Lisman, and O. L. Tibbets.

Mrs. John Biggers, Mrs. R. N. McMahan, Mrs. Velma Betshan, Mrs. Etta Carmichael, Miss Eunice Stratton, E. L. Price, Sherry Biggers, Maxie Lisman, Vernon Kennedy, and Ray Dilbeck.

Bridal Shower Given in Honor Of Mrs. Billingsley

A bridal shower was given for Mrs. Edd Billingsley Thursday, November 13, in the home of Mrs. W. R. Maxwell.

Those present were Mesdames Carl Baker, J. W. Hornsby, W. R. Maxwell, Forrest Switzer, Lucy Peavler, Howard Loyd, J. N. Smith, Vergal Smith, J. L. Billingsley, Luther Petty, Ernest Erwin, and Laura Stratton.

Sending gifts were Mesdames C. P. Callahan, E. J. Lander, J. L. Andrews, J. H. Kritzer, S. J. Dyer, Boyd Meador, W. W. Shadid, Edgar Smith, A. E. Carpenter, Elmer Gudgel, Emory Smith, Truitt Stewart, Joe Willis, Pat Herndon, A. H. Jones, Gladys Smulcer, Herman Hunt, George Preston, J. E. Smith Jr., Marvin

Hindman, W. M. Rhodes, Frank Goolightly, Jim Back.

Mesdames H. W. Brooks, Elton Johnston, Fred Bentley, J. A. Meador, Jim Stevens, Bill Bailey, C. B. Lee, Kenneth Simpson, J. D. Coleman, R. B. Jones, R. W. Bailey, Buddy Smith, Jim Simpson, Hershel Smith, Bill Boyd, R. N. McMahan, Bryan McPherson, Bill Moore, Boyd Arnold Sharp, Fred Smith, W. C. Kennedy, Jack Bailey Frank Simpson, and Velma Betshan; Misses Mildred Carpenter, Margie Goolightly, and Dora Mae Bailey; and Beulah Masterson from Texola, Okla.

GROWING PAINS In Gray County By FOSTER WHALEY

A total of 2,263 bales of cotton had been ginned at the two gins in McLean Tuesday. This compares to the total of 876 bales ginned at both gins last year. There is still a small percentage of cotton to be ginned yet. Mechanical cotton strippers are getting the last of the cotton out at a pretty rapid pace.

Preparations are getting well underway for the annual Top of Texas Hereford Breeders Show and Sale and the Junior Livestock Show and Sale, which is held in Pampa annually. It will be held on February 4 and 5, 1952.

The junior show includes five counties—Gray, Hemphill, Carson, Wheeler, and Roberts.

Several exhibits are expected from Vernon Gibson's vocational ag. boys, and also the McLean 4-H Club boys. Last year, Joel Wilson, McLean 4-H Club boy, walked away with the grand champion pig ribbon.

Some of the Hereford entries from the McLean area for the 1952 show include those of Faris Hess, C. M. Carpenter, and W. O. Simmons.

Faris Hess is chairman of the catalogue committee, of which I am also a member. Much preliminary work goes into the organization of the show.

In a meeting of the Hereford breeders last Monday, it was voted to put a 12x32 foot extension on the new barn. The extension would be used for a wash rack that would feature both hot and cold running water. I'm sure both the Hereford breeders and the 4-H Club boys would appreciate this nice improvement.

Due to new court rulings concerning the capital gains provision of the income tax law affecting breeding stock of cattle and new laws affecting the subject, it would be a good idea for all farmers or ranchers to check with the proper authority in deciding whether the female offspring sold in 1951 are to be taxed at the full sale price. This is a rather complicated provision of the 1951 farmers income tax law, but every farmer or rancher should be familiar with it. It will save you money.

Mrs. Callie Haynes and Mrs. Frank Rodgers and children were in Pampa Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Giddens were in Amarillo Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kingston and family and Mr. and Mrs. Norris Cunningham and family plan to spend the Christmas holidays in Haskell visiting their parents, brothers, and sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Cunningham of Haskell are here visiting in the homes of their children, Mr. and Mrs. Norris Cunningham and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kingston. They plan to return home this week-end.

DANCE Saturday Night, December 22 to the Music of Amarillo Air Force Base Musicians American Legion Hall, Clarendon Adm. \$1 per couple 8:30 'til Proceeds Go to the Donley County USO Fund

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Mr. and Mrs. Dickie Everett of Tulsa, Okla., are the parents of a girl, born December 5 at Tulsa. She weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces, and has been named Jennie Lee.

Major and Mrs. Judson Tibbets of Honolulu, Hawaii, are the parents of a girl, born December 12. Major Tibbets is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Tibbets of McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kennedy of Los Angeles Calif., are the parents of a daughter, Cynthia Kay, born December 3. She weighed 9 pounds and 2 ounces. Grandparents are Mrs. W. E. Kennedy and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Carnes of McLean.

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