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Joe Oberkampff to Retire After 30 Years in Business

J. L. Ratliff, Eldorado, To Assume Property On January 1st

After 30 years in business in Ozona, Joe Oberkampff will retire on January 1.

A deal was closed this week whereby J. L. Ratliff of Eldorado, who operates clothing and notions stores in Eldorado, Sonora, and Big Springs, and who is opening a fourth such store in Ozona, has purchased the entire stock, fixtures and equipment of the Joe Oberkampff store here and leased the building. He will take over operation of the store and allied services, including undertaking and ambulance service, plumbing and electric shop, butane gas systems and other services.

Mr. Oberkampff has announced plans for the future other than that he is going to "spend more time fishing." He had established similar businesses in Sonora and Anderson and had sold both within the past year.

Mr. Oberkampff first set up shop in Ozona on the site of his present business — in a little sheet iron shack, he termed it, the business being devoted exclusively to plumbing service. The business was gradually expanded to include sale of other merchandise and moved to larger quarters in the corner building on the corner now occupied by Baker's Food Store. A fire in 1925 destroyed the building and stock, but Mr. Oberkampff has soon done business again in temporary quarters in the old Meinecke building now occupied by Ramirez Boot Shop. He had arranged for construction of the present Oberkampff building and as soon as it was completed, moved from the Meinecke building to the new structure. With the advent of butane gas tank systems, Mr. Oberkampff again expanded and brought this service to a large segment of West Texas counties.

4-H Club Formed Here for Study Ranch Problems

Group Names Officers County Agent Stuart Directs Club

Organization of a 4-H Club drawing its membership from among a group of High School boys was completed this week with the election of officers, County Agent Sammie Stuart announced.

Sam Ferner was named president of the Club, with Max Word as vice president, Bernard Lemons secretary-treasurer, and Mike Friend program chairman.

Enrollment cards have been distributed and membership in the club will be determined when the cards are turned in. Between 25 and 30 boys have been attending the club sessions, Mr. Stuart said. Meetings are held each Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the high school building. The boys are launching out on a study of beef cattle, the discussion on selection of type, body conformation, etc. Mr. Stuart said. It is planned a little later to engage in some practical judging of local herds. After the study of beef cattle, the boys will take up the study of sheep.

W.C.S. CIRCLE MEETS

The Bluebonnet Circle of the W.C.S. met Tuesday afternoon at the Methodist Center for a worship program and business session. Rev. A. A. Carter talked to the group on "The Church," giving a brief history of the various denominations.

Present for the meeting were Mrs. W. T. Stokes, Mrs. L. T. Patterson, Mrs. Tommy Harris, Jr., Mrs. Jack Wilkins, Mrs. George Baker and Mrs. James Baggett. Mrs. Stokes, chairman of the circle, is leaving this week to make her home in Big Spring. A new chairman will be elected at a meeting sometime in the near future.

Lonesome Texas Convict, "Destitute of Friends Or Relatives," Appeals For Human Contacts "Outside" At Christmas Time

Written from within the gray walls of the state penitentiary by a prisoner who describes himself as "destitute of friends or relatives," comes a unique appeal, addressed to the editor of the Ozona Stockman, for an opportunity to experience in some measure the joys of Christmas, to be remembered by somebody "outside," or the privilege of "even hearing my name at mail call even if it were only a letter or card."

Explaining the selection of Ozona as destination for the letter, the writer declared: "I believe in the good nature of the people in and around Ozona because I once was an inhabitant of your city."

The letter, neatly written and dated, Snipe, Texas, December 12, reads as follows:

"It is with reluctance that I write these lines, but if I may have enough of your time to read this, I pray, you shall be blessed by the hands who are in power to do so.

"I have never allowed myself to ask alms of anyone, but I hope this will be my first and last.

"Please let me first make a few true statements of my life. Being deprived of parents in my early life, I grew up by instinct to do the best I could for myself. However, the time came some seven years ago when I was placed where there is very little a man can do for his own everyday needs.

"I was at the crossroads back in those years and thru the wrong environment landed in the state penitentiary. From that day my honor began to fall; consequently friends began to drift and today I write you destitute of family or friends. For that reason I wonder if you might donate me a small place in your paper for this letter. I believe in the good nature of the people in and around Ozona because I once was an inhabitant of your city and a reader of your wonderful paper. Except for the past years of confinement which have blurred my memory I would recall your name. However, I expect some to recall my name from

years gone by.

"Please, sir, as a child I ask for this favor only at this season of the Yuletide when we all live in the nature of One who gave us a Christmas Day. I know there are many who still live in that forgiving nature, even to a convict.

"My cause for writing this has developed in the past years as I've sat and watched others in their get-togethers of joy over the gifts from relatives and friends. To avoid the shame of an empty hand I've usually sat by and thanked God for those who have someone who still cares after their acceptance of a number instead of a name.

"To anyone who may see this I frankly state I'm not asking for money as we can't spend money here. It's the pleasure of receiving and being able to participate in the joyous festivals of eating which urges me to finish this letter. Of course, we are given ample food for our bodily health, but the luxuries of fruit, candy, cakes, etc. are only seen at this season. Naturally we need a few small items of clothing such as socks, handkerchiefs, gloves and these things, but unless something of this type were suggested, I'm not urgent.

"Of course, sir, you know this letter is censored, so I've made no mis-statement of facts. Otherwise I wouldn't be allowed this privilege. I would honor the privilege of even hearing my name at mail call, if it were only a letter or card.

"Thank you deeply for your time and even if you do not print this I'll feel better than I have in past years when I sat by and tried nothing.

"Respectfully I am
Ely Shahan,
R.S.F. — Snipe, Texas."

The lonely prisoner is held at one of the state prison farms near Snipe, Texas, south of Houston. Stockman readers who might wish to respond to Shahan's appeal may address letters or packages to the address as given in the signature

Special Christmas Service Planned by Methodists Sunday

Special Christmas services will be held by the Methodist Church at the regular 11 o'clock Sunday morning, Rev. A. A. Carter, pastor announced this week. The service will be on the Christmas theme in hymns, special music, Scripture and prayer, offering and sermon, the pastor said.

The church is extending a cordial invitation to all students home from college and to all military personnel, discharged or still in service, to be special guests in the Christmas service. Rev. Carter said. The pastor also announced that the church would receive the annual Christmas free will offering for the support of the Methodist orphans home at Waco at the Sunday morning service.

"We are concentrating our interest and preparation on this one service as our Christmas program in the church," Rev. Carter said. "A cordial invitation is extended everyone to attend and participate in this service in commemoration of the birth of Jesus, our Lord and Savior."

Davidson Entertains With Two-Day Roping Matches at Ranch

Joe T. Davidson was host last week-end at a two-day roping show at his headquarters ranch which brought together the top talent in the rodeo business of West Texas. Ropers and spectators were guests of Mr. Davidson for two days, barbecue dinners being served ranch style to the satisfaction of all.

Toots Mansfield, Ted Powers, Babe Dolan, Walton Poage, Vic Montgomery, Allen Holder—these are some of the top hands who participated in the two days of jack-pot and matched calf roping, team tying and other events.

Ted Powers topped the roping (Continued On Last Page)

Baggett Resigns As Head of Local Red Cross Chapter

Chapter Officials Set Jan. 7 as Date for Annual Meeting

J. M. Baggett has announced his resignation as chairman of the Ozona Chapter, American Red Cross, a position which he has held the past four years. The resignation was made effective immediately.

A meeting of citizens interested in local Red Cross work has been tentatively set for Monday January 7, for the annual election of officers. An appeal was issued by chapter officials for a good representation of the citizenship of Crockett county at this meeting for the reorganization of the chapter for the coming year. The annual drive for funds to carry on the Red Cross work will be launched March 1 and new chapter officers will be charged with responsibility for organizing for this campaign.

"It is with deep regret that I deem it necessary to tender my resignation as local chairman of the Crockett County Red Cross chapter," Mr. Baggett wrote national headquarters in St. Louis. "However, due to personal reasons I must forward my resignation at this time.

"I should like to convey to you and to all of the Crockett County officers my sincere appreciation for the excellent cooperation that I have received through the past four years I have served as local chairman. I thoroughly appreciate the necessity of this program continuing as it has in the past, and with the annual drive just before us, I feel you should immediately elect new officers."

FOUND — Discharge button. Owner may recover same by calling at the Stockman office.

Lease of West Lands Sell for \$412,000 Bonus

\$100 an Acre, \$1 Rental Consideration in Oil Lease Deal

For cash bonuses of \$100 an acre or \$412,000 and a like amount to be paid out of oil, if produced, W. E. West, Ozona ranchman now residing in San Angelo at Hotel Cactus, in two deals has sold commercial oil and gas leases on approximately 4,120 wildcat acres in northeastern Crockett county, it was learned recently. Annual rental will be \$1 an acre.

The consideration is near the top for West Texas leases so distant from production in a year of high prices. The tracts, adjoining, are about 1 mile slightly north of east of the Todd Deep field and 12 miles north of Ozona. The land is in an area where seismograph surveys are said to have indicated a promising structure.

In one transaction West sold to Stanolind Oil and Gas Co. leases on Sections 21, 22 and 23, block AB, approximately 1,920 acres, it was learned from sources believed reliable. The sale was neither confirmed nor denied at Stanolind's district office at Midland. It was understood to have been made through J. Ralph Stewart, San Angelo oil lease and royalty broker.

Paul Davis, Midland oilman, was credited with acquiring from West leases on the north half of league 1, Runnels county school land survey, containing around 2,200 acres, reportedly for a major company. The three sections leased by Stanolind adjoin the acreage leased by Davis on the east.

The West land involved is about four miles southwest of the block of 2,507 acres for which Stanolind paid the University of Texas a cash bonus of \$265,000 at the university auction at Austin Nov. 2. Stanolind assumed an obligation to drill a wildcat to 6,500 feet unless production is obtained or sulphur water is encountered in the Ellenburger at a lesser depth. It must start the wildcat within 180 days.

The block purchased by Stanolind at the university auction, north half and the southwest quarter of section 12, the north half and the southwest quarter of section 19 and the north half and southwest quarter of section 20, all in block 39.

The West sales are subject to examination of titles, which it was understood, now is under way.

Kerry Tandy, 14, Hurt in Explosion Of Firecracker

Lad Suffers Mangled Hands, Face Injury In Accident

Kerry Tandy, 14, son of Dr. and Mrs. H. B. Tandy, suffered serious injuries Tuesday afternoon when a giant firecracker exploded in his hands.

Young Tandy's hands were badly lacerated and burned and he suffered burns about the face and a deep cut in his cheek. The thumb on the left hand was broken by the force of the blast and the flesh was badly torn.

The boy was given emergency treatment by his father and then was taken to a San Angelo hospital Tuesday night for further treatment. It was feared for a time that the lad might lose one or more fingers, but surgeons in San Angelo indicated that there was a good chance to save the members.

BAPTIST W. M. U.

Mrs. Walter Clendenen taught a chapter of the book "Service to Service" when the Baptist W.M.U. met Wednesday afternoon at the church. Present were Mrs. T. J. Bailey, Mrs. O. C. Cobb, Mrs. Clifton Tension, Mrs. Clendenen and Mrs. S. L. Butler.

Winter's Coldest Weather Settles over West Texas Area

Winter's most prolonged and coldest spell of weather settled on the West Texas area, and the nation as a whole for that matter, this week. Temperatures have hung around 20 and below the past two nights and for the first time this weather held below the freezing point throughout the day yesterday.

The lowest temperature was recorded last week, however, when a low of 17 was registered one night. Predictions of continued cold are made by weather forecasters for the area.

Crockett Goes Over Quota in Victory Loan

"E" Bond Sales Top \$70,000; Over-All Quota Is Doubled

Crockett county has made its final successful effort in support of the nation's war financing program and this week Scott Peters, county war finance chairman, announced that the Victory Loan quota had been oversubscribed.

Sale of "E" Bonds to yesterday had reached a total of \$73,081.25, barely but over the top on the county quota of \$70,000 in "E" bonds.

The over-all quota has been oversubscribed for several weeks, and yesterday stood at nearly double the assigned quota of \$215,000. Over-all sales of bonds of all classes during the Victory Loan which officially closes December 31 was \$423,281.25 in this county.

Mr. Peters, as war finance committee chairman throughout the war, has directed eight successful (Continued On Last Page)

Friend Funeral Services Held Here Sunday

Resident of Crockett County 55 Years Died Saturday

Funeral services were held here at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon for Mrs. Athelia Friend, 76, a resident of Crockett county 55 years, who died at her home here at 8 o'clock Saturday morning. Mrs. Friend had been in failing health the past two or three months.

Services were held from the home of a son, Mike Friend, by the Rev. A. A. Carter, pastor of the Ozona Methodist Church. Burial followed in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Pallbearers were Max Schneemann, Houston Smith, Hubert Baker, M. E. Corbell, Hugh Childress and George Russell.

Mrs. Friend was born September 30, 1869, at Gonzales, Texas. She was married to S. W. Friend on January 4, 1893, in Taylor county. Mr. Friend died here on January 3, 1903.

Surviving are two children, Mike Friend of Ozona and Mrs. Sol Jones of San Angelo, three grand children and two great grand children. Two sisters, Mrs. E. L. Richardson of Canyon, Texas, and Mrs. W. N. Stewart of Albuquerque, N. M., also survive. Both of the sisters were unable to attend the funeral services on account of illness.

Subsidy Payment Applications Must Be Made by December 31

Crockett county ranchmen are reminded that applications for subsidy payments on sheep and lambs sold from August to October 31, inclusive, must be made not later than December 31. Miss Betty Bratcher, AAA administrative officer, asks that all ranchmen who have not yet signed applications for payment do so at once. Miss Bratcher also called attention to the fact that all sales after November 1 must be filed within 60 days from date of the sale.

Mexican Dies Of Knife Wound Through Chest

Rafael Cardenas Stabbed; Jose Flores Held on Murder Count

Rafael Cardenas, about 50, died within a few minutes after suffering a stab wound from a long butcher knife through his chest early Monday morning in the backyard of his combination meat market and home in the Latin-American settlement here.

Jose Flores, about 37, is held in the Crockett county jail on a charge of murder in connection with Cardenas' death. No motive for the slaying had been determined by investigating officers.

Flores, who is said to have fled the scene of the killing, taking off on foot over the hill south of the settlement. He was later captured by Basilio Ramirez and Jose Leal, who brought him back to town and turned him over to the sheriff's department.

Cardenas was engaged in skinning a goat in his back yard for his meat market when he was fatally wounded. Cardenas' own knife, which he had been using in butchering the goat, was plunged through his left breast. After being wounded, Cardenas walked some ten steps to a neighbor's house calling for help. The neighbor looked out his window in time to see the wounded man fall at his door. Alejos Lara and Mariana Garcia ran to Cardenas' assistance and carried him into his own home where he died in a few minutes.

Antonia Cardenas, the dead man's daughter told officers that she ran out of her house when she heard the commotion and that Flores was in the yard with a knife in his hand. The man ran at her in a threatening manner, she said, and she ran back in the house.

The sheriff's department was notified of the altercation and Deputies Woodard and Dickey were searching for Flores. The alleged attacker, however, was captured by Ramirez and Leal in a pasture south of the Mexican sector. Ramirez was armed with a rifle, but Flores offered no resistance. He carried a bloody butcher knife and a butcher's sharpening steel. Witnesses declared that he left the scene of the slaying stroking the knife on the sharpening steel.

Flores had been employed as a ranch hand on the Ralph Watson ranch for the past 16 years. No hearing had been held yesterday. Judge Randolph will convene the adjourned session of the 112th district court here this morning and it was thought likely that the grand jury would be summoned back into session to investigate the slaying.

Athey Assault Trial Scheduled To Start Today

Special Session of District Court to Hear Transferred Case

A special sitting of the 112th District Court was scheduled for 9 o'clock this morning in the district courtroom here to hear the trial of W. B. Athey of McCamey, charged with assault and rape of a 3-year-old girl at McCamey on October 21.

The case was set for trial in the court here on November 12 on a change of venue from McCamey. The trial was postponed, however, on plea of defense attorneys, appointed by the court, for more time in which to study the case and prepare a defense.

Members of the regular jury panel for the fall term of court have been summoned for possible jury service in the Athey case. At the November trial date, a special venire of 64 additional men had been summoned to make a panel 100 men from which to select a jury of 12 men. If a jury can not be selected from the panel of 36, a special venire probably will be summoned for the case this time.

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THURSDAY DEC. 20, 1945

POSTED - All my ranch buildings in Crockett County Trespassing positively forbidden. Violators will be prosecuted. James Baggett, 1-47

Junior Woman's Club Christmas Program

Mrs. P. L. Childress was hostess for the annual Christmas program of the Ozona Junior Woman's Club last Thursday.

The Christmas spirit was evident as guests were greeted by the hostess and conducted into the rooms made festive with a brightly lighted Christmas tree laden with colorfully wrapped packages.

Mrs. H. A. Gustafson, program leader, introduced Mrs. Jesse Marley, who reviewed many interesting customs observed during the Christmas season in foreign lands.

Mrs. W. E. Bissett, musical director for the program, introduced Miss Mildred Cooper and Mrs. Guss-Gower, who gave special music. Miss Cooper sang "O Holy Night," accompanied by Mrs. Gower, then the two musicians gave their own arrangement, a medley of "White Christmas" and "I'll Be Home for Christmas."

Gifts were then exchanged from the glittering Christmas tree amid

exclamations of happy surprise. When the last gift had been unwrapped and admired, the hostess invited the guests into the dining room for refreshments. The table was beautifully decorated with white linen cloth and a gray centerpiece of tall red candles banked with cedar and shiny red baubles.

Members and guests included Mrs. James Baggett, Mrs. T. A. Bailey, Mrs. George Bunger, Mrs. Joe Clayton, Mrs. Fred Hagelstein, Mrs. Dempster Jones, Mrs. Ralph Jones, Mrs. Joe Ripple, Mrs. Miller Robison, Mrs. W. T. Stokes, Mrs. C. O. Walker, Miss Wanda Watson, Mrs. Landon Hill, Mrs. Clifton Tennison, Mrs. Lowell Littleton and Mrs. R. E. Hardberger.

Ellenburger Topped At 7,222 Feet in Moore Half-Bivins

Moore Exploration Co. of Midland and others' No. 1 Half-Bivins, western Crockett county wildcat, was drilling early Friday at 7,287 feet, in Ellenburger lime, the top of which was picked by the operators at 7,222 feet, 5,039 feet below sea level. No shows had been announced.

The test is 660 feet out of the southwest corner of section 65-1-H&GN, 2 1/2 miles west and slightly south of the most southerly shallow producer in the Noelke field. It is 3 1/2 miles southwest of

Ledge No. 1 Bouscaren. Clear Fork discovery in the Noelke pool. The Pecos river forms the west boundary of section 65.

Three miles northeast of No. 1 Half-Bivins, Moore Exploration Co. and Olson Oil Co. No. 1 Half-Bivins, in section 68-1-H&GN, topped the Ellenburger at 6,740 feet.

It was abandoned dry at 6,977 feet. There were slight oil shows in the Ellenburger and better shows in the Tubb zone and in some other parts of the Clear Fork above the Tubb.

Magnolia No. 1-A Shannon estate, wildcat C NE SE 24-Q-GC&SF, 3 1/2 miles east and slightly

north of the Shannon pool, was trying to shut off water from the upper sand that broke through the casing. Total depth was 2,125 feet.

LOST - Pair green woolen mittens. Finder please call Mrs. Babe Phillips.



AS the light of Christmas again brightens our faces and lightens our hearts, we turn our thoughts from ourselves to help others. For this is the spirit that first saw the light of day in a stable at Bethlehem, two thousand years ago, and which has endured ever since. May God bless and protect you and your dear ones and bring happiness to your home this Christmas season.

J. H. Williams & Sons "YOUR GROCERS"



CHRISTMAS IS THE TIME for friendliness, for the open house and the open heart. It is the time, too, for us to greet our friends, to thank them for their consideration of us, and to wish them all a very Happy Christmas.

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Today's grownups are only yesterday's children who once stood before a fireplace on the Christmas Eves of the past, or who, just before Christmas, were as good as they could be. The heart of the Christmas season is friendship and eternal youth, and we could not ask for finer friends than ours. It makes us happy to greet all our friends this Christmas season of 1945 with the best of Yuletide-wishes.

DeWitt's Cafe Successors to Hancock's Cafe



YULETIDE HAPPINESS

At this time when Christmas trees are beginning to glow in the windows everywhere, and the holly wreaths are going up, we want to send you our best wishes for a very Happy Christmas. You have made 1945 a very pleasant year for us, for which we are duly grateful.

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BUBBLES SEZ - Illustration of a girl washing clothes. Bundles from heaven, yes... but bubbles take twice their weight in wash! And it's awful hard to get the soap! Where there's fat, there's soap, remember. So keep saving USED PATS to help make it.

THE LION'S ROAR

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ME 10 OZONA, TEXAS, THURSDAY DEC. 20, 1945 NO. 12

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CLAMATION
 hereby proclaim and ane to all that will listen that Max Schneemann and Mrs. Robison are the most won people ever! They were the eses to a marvelous formal et just for us Monday night. enty-eight of us sat at a sin- ble decorated with holly and ndles, and we ate until we old no more. We had chick- ad spaghetti, candied yams, salad, hot rolls, iced tea and e-meat pie — so now, when ys rave about their football et we can rave too!
 ank you again and again, Mrs. emann and Mrs. Robison.
 The Ozona Pep Squad

WERE SANTA
 I were Santa Claus I would Mary K. a blonde boy and Davies more chocolate candy. Kerry wants a beautiful et and Bill W. wants a Pow- model to draw his picture by. yes! Little Jack R. wants a us B-B gun and a cage of rows for targets and Mrs. ett wants a talent for making ys harder.
 B. wants the answers for rld history for the next sem- and I would give Sue M. a ed stocking full of crayfish.
 ll now, Nat R. needs a way eeing awake during algebra ad of dreaming of a junior and Don C. wants a loud le so he can whistle at all rls.
 ould import from Brooklyn a -dupes "thug" to teach Sue w to cheat without being de- d. To Virginia I would wish- give that great big hunk of Bernard Lemmons. Twang! only I were Santa Claus.

TERS TO SANTA
 est Santa,
 ave lost a paratrooper some- y in Germany. Please return to me-if you happen to see cause he's the only thing I want for Christmas.
 yes. He answers to Leo. If only do this I'll believe in forever.
 Billie Rose
 ole boy,
 ten, Santa our friend. If only spread a little spell this district and let us win basketball championship, we'll you an honorary member of "O" Club.
 The Basketball Team

ase send me a list for deten- names about a mile long — nd period study hall.
 erness knows I'll use it in
 Yours,
 Mary Nan Davis
 a, dearest,
 ease, please, wrap Gordon up rty for me 'n' send Be me else to occupy her time.
 u do this I'll have — oh, so y a Christmas.
 Love,
 Dale

hon,
 ave a marvelous idea. On your ack from Mississippi, why u pick up my Fred and rop him at my house as you through Ozona.
 Love,
 Dorothy S.
 r Santa,
 I want you to do for me this tmas is to grant Dale's wish- y thing, I wish I were twins ould be in Be's stocking, too!
 Your friend,
 Gordon.

a, chum,
 hat I want you to do shouldn't ard. Do you think you could g Jackie down on Christmas ? Oh, yes, Santa, remember, mine — I hope!
 Joe Ross

ase send my way some nice, person (with a good car) who a to take me to Houston. Say! on you could come back in sleigh on New Year's Day?
 Faithfully,
 L. B. T. Sikes
 r Santa,
 want you to transform my ique into the 90 m.m. type — ge my looks to Van Johnson's

brand 'n' most of all give me the power to "send" the girls like Robert Cummings does. If you do all this, I'll not only worship you but also be at your command.
 Always,
 Bill W.
 Dearest Santa,
 Would you please do something to keep Bob from always getting his face messed up? He doesn't look nearly so good with scratches all over his face — besides people think I do it!
 Love
 Lillian

Santa,
 I would like very much for you to put a new floor in my Racer and do you think you could talk to the motor? It simply won't start. —
 Rossie

Santa,
 Do you think you might talk to the "O" Club and persuade them to let me be their bouncer. I think I would make a perfect one.
 "Huff"

Santa, ole boy,
 All I want are about fifteen more days to spend at home. Reckon you could — h — talk to the Navy?
 Jimmy R.
 (He didn't get them! — Ed.)

Say, Santa,
 I want (Yeah! You guessed it.) I want that dream bait of a Kelly but Billy Shurley will do — —but definitely!
 Sue

P. S. 'N' Santa, please do some- thin' to make Kelly forget he e- ven knows anyone in Sonora.
 Dearest Santa,
 I'm a girl of few words — I want Kerry!!
 Yours forever,
 Mary K.

Santa, my love,
 Do you suppose you could make what the Ouiga Board said come true for me? Please, no switches this year — I've been a good girl honest I have.
 Love 'n' kisses,
 Baby

HOMEMAKING CLUB
 The Homemaking club meets on Wednesdays of every other week. Last week was our first meeting. The club elected officers and a program committee.
 The officers elected were: president, Billie Rose Schwalbe; vice president, Sue Meinecke; secretary, Virginia Stark; reporter, Rosalie Friend; and program chairman,

Virginia Stark. On the program committee are Edith Lou Piner and Rosalie Friend.
 After the election the members discussed plans for the Year Book.

THE CORNER KEYHOLE
 Peeking through key-holes, way- laying notes, and eavesdropping was quite a fad this week and a lot of fun. Luck was with us and we didn't get caught, so we'll pass on to you what we found out a- bout certain inmates of OHS.
 Sue, Muggs, Jo Nell and Be were having the time of their lives in Sonora — breaking down cars, blowing bubbles and other things. Lillian was out of this world Thursday night after the football banquet. Who wouldn't be, with those two goodlooking Sophs, Jack and Bob, with her at one time?
 Comes the time in every boy's life when he wishes he could dance. What did you say, Red?
 Bob B. and Rosalie F. make a nice couple don't they? Never mind, you needn't answer.
 Bill and Ann seem to like each other. When Bill isn't hitting Ann over the head with a book, Ann is stabbing him with her pencil. (By the way, Bill, those pictures you draw are . . .)
 Corinne's slumber - party was quite a success, wasn't it, Baby?
 That certainly is a pretty pin you're wearing, Billie Rose. Joe Whitehead from Fredericksburg is a little bit of all right, huh?
 Be was with Gordon Saturday

night and Sunday night. Doing pretty good for herself!
 Mike F. has the flu. Hope you get well soon, Mike.
 Be and Corinne are going to Fort Stockton Friday for a big dance. Have fun, kids.
 The road to Sonora is pretty hot — coming and going. If you don't believe us, just ask some of the girls.
 Edith Lou Piner went to An- gelo Saturday Christmas shopping.

Charles Snyder is quite a bask- etball player. Why haven't we heard more about this, Charles?
 Baby and Carlton have broken up — again.
 Jo Nell was supporting the Navy, Walter Sharp. Baby was with Ma- rine Buster Odom and Sue Beasley with Army Billy Shurley, Sunday night. The armed forces must have their moral kept up.
 The girls certainly had a nice
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TWO HOLIDAY DANCES AT SONORA - Christmas Night - New Year Eve

Music By
ALLEN'S ORCHESTRA
 of San Angelo, Texas
 Sponsored By
SONORA WOMAN'S CLUB
 Sonora Wool & Mohair Warehouse
 9 p. m. to 1 a. m.
 \$2.00 Admission



GUESS WHAT THEY WANT FOR CHRISTMAS!

Men like these bought victory with years of youth . . .
 Men like these bought victory with their lives and limbs—a million and a quarter of them!
 Men like these are still overseas, waiting to be brought home . . .
All they want for Christmas is a fair chance to start right in the land their victory made safe and powerful.
 That includes such common decencies as care for the wounded, protection for the families of those who fell; education, loans—and those other provisions of the G.I. Bill of Rights.
VICTORY BONDS can help buy what THEY want for Christmas!
Buy extra Victory Bonds—safest investment in the world today!
 Buy all you can—keep all you buy!

GIVE VICTORY BONDS FOR CHRISTMAS!

This Advertisement in Behalf of the Victory Loan Drive Sponsored by the Following Ozona Business Firms:

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Conoco 19 Todd Rates 1,272 Bbbls. In Ellenburger Strike

Extending the most westerly Ellenburger production in the Todd Deep field in western Crockett county a quarter mile south and a

quarter mile west, Continental and others' No. 19 J. S. Todd estate has been finished at 5,986 feet with a natural daily flowing potential of 1,271.64 barrels of 41.5 gravity oil.

The potential was based on a flow of 211.94 barrels in four hours through a three-quarter

inch choke on 2 3/8-inch tubing set at 5,962 feet. Gas-oil ratio was 665-1. The oil came from open hole pay topped at 5,930 feet. Five and one-half inch casing had been cemented at 5,915.

Flowing casing pressure was 525 pounds, flowing tubing pressure 125 pounds. The well is in the

C NW NE 28-WX-GC&SF, 1,320 feet south of F. A. Callery and others No. 5 estate and the same distance east of Continental and others' No. 16 Todd estate, both Ellenburger producers.

E. C. Saunders is in a San Angelo hospital receiving treatment for a fracture of the left hip, suffered when he fell at his home Sunday night. He was carried to San Angelo in an ambulance Monday afternoon.

Mr. Saunders is reported to be resting well and doing nicely, although he will have to remain in the hospital for some time yet. — Sonora News.



MERRIEST Christmas OF ALL 1945

And now comes another Christmas to be added to your store of memories. We hope this Christmas of 1945 will be a very enjoyable one—a truly happy one—filling all the fine traditions of Christmas.

Accept our hearty thanks for the pleasant business associations of the past year. Once again we say

Merry Christmas!

Baker's Food Store
AND FROZEN FOODS LOCKER



Joyous Christmas
1945

That best part of a good man's life—
His little, nameless unremembered acts
Of kindness and of love.

—WILLIAM WORDSWORTH



Christmas is the season of the open heart
and the open door. Let none stand out in
the cold or be unremembered.

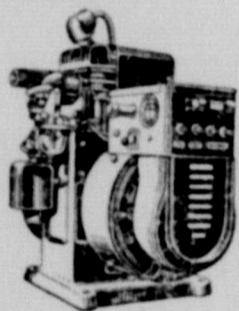
In this community of good fellows,
where each helps share the other's happiness
and all do their part towards making
the Christmas season enjoyable for each
and everyone, it is a privilege to be in a
position to serve you. We take great pleasure
in wishing you a Merry Christmas.

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Modernize Your Ranch Light Plant

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America's finest, built by the nation's oldest makers of WinPower can save you money — furnish abundant power and light for all farm uses, gasoline or Diesel engine powered — always dependable.



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B. W. Stuart, Division Manager



Wishing All Our Friends
A Merry Christmas
And A Prosperous
New Year



TEXAS' OWN.. IMPERIAL SUGAR 100% PURE CANE

LION'S ROAR

(Continued from Page 3)
 at Lillian's dinner. Who was

it for? The pep squad, girls!
 Jo Neil, Baby and Be went over
 to Be's house to dance with those
 "men" again, after the dinner.



Christmas Greetings to all

TOWERING ABOVE A CARE-BOUND WORLD IS THE CAREFREE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS. INDEPENDENT OF TIME, INDEPENDENT OF PLACE, INDEPENDENT OF CIRCUMSTANCE, IT EMBRACES ALL. NONE CAN ESCAPE ITS MAGIC SPELL.

FOR YOUR MANY EVIDENCES OF GOOD WILL IN 1945 WE SINCERELY THANK YOU.

Ozona Boot and Saddlery
 "Cowboy Outfitters"
 Oscar Kost

Christmas 1945

Ours to Cherish—The Precious Gift of Peace

Once again the world can fully enjoy the true Christmas spirit.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



San Angelo Telephone Co.

It won't be more than a few days until Christmas and lessons are lagging badly.

Red likes to take company along on his dates. (Besides the girl!) Patsy is still going with Thomas. If you don't think he likes her, just ask what she got for Christmas.

Here's wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

PUPPETS

Puppets is and always will be a magic word. It spells laughs and fun. But let's take a look back-stage. A puppeteer's life isn't always merry. First the puppeteer must obtain a play; usually he writes one. Second, he must decide on what puppets to use. Third, he must rehearse. Fourth, he must spend hours and hours getting the stage ready for the play. So now, you know about the puppeteer's life back-stage.

O CLUB

The O Club called its first meeting on Wednesday, December 11. The following officers were elected; Carlton Smith, president; Bill

Wilkins, vice president; Joe Perry, program chairman; and Gordon Bufford, secretary-treasurer.

The membes are Joe Ross Huffstetler, Joe Perry, Ira Yancy, Bill Wilkins, Carlton Smith, Nat Read, Max Word, Don Cooke, Charles Ratliff, Bill Hoover, Bud Hoover, Bob Bissett, Joe Corbell, Bernard Lemmons, Jack Coates, Kerry Tandy, Lin Hicks, Sam Perner, Chris Perner, Charlie Davidson, Bill Forehand, Marshall Sweeten, Ray Piner, Armond Hoover and Gordon Bufford.

The next meeting of the club will be called after the Christmas holidays.

4-H CLUB

The 4-H Club of Ozona had its first meeting on December 11. The meeting was opened with the election of club officers for the year. Officers are: Sam Perner, president; Max Word, vice president; Bernard Lemmons, secretary and treasurer and Mike Friend, program chairman.

Mr. Stuart, the county agent, discussed plans for the next meetings. We are going to discuss beef cattle at our next meeting on Jan-

uary 8, in room 120 in the high school building.

FOOTBALL BANQUET

The Ozona Lions of 1945 are a thing of the past; they met for the last time as a group last Thursday night. This marked the termination of a successful season; the team which was slated to win only two games lost only two.

The guests of honor were not announced, but it seemed as though everyone knew who they were without any word being spoken. Every one seemed to realize that these boys who had played their last for Ozona High School were being especially honored. The leaders, the pacemakers, the boys most responsible for this successful season occupied the seats of honor — the seniors.

The banquet began with the invocation by the principal of the Latin-American school, Mr. C. L. McDonald. Then came the "eats."

The boys claimed the meal was served by candle-light so they couldn't see what they were eating, but all the plates were relieved of their burdens.

After they had gorged themselves to the limit of their ponderous capacities, they sat back to listen to an after-dinner speaker everyone enjoyed. It was Coach Sikes with his "Season's Review." This talk drifted back over the whole of a very successful season. It brought to mind the little things and the big things about the season to remember — all the fun gone by before the finished, all the boys were staring at the flame of the candles, reminiscing, lost in silent cogitation. They were so lost that complete silence followed his talk.

The spell was broken by Toastmaster Bill Wilkins announcing the "Crockett County Hot Shots," Hubert Baker's, George Senne's, (Continued on Page Six)



to one and all 1945
Christmas Cheer

Again may you know the fragrance
 Of hemlock, pine and holly.
 Again may friendly voices call
 A greeting warm and jolly;
 And again may the meaning of
 Christmas,
 Deep and still more true
 Bring faith and hope and gladness
 To the hearts of yours and you.

Smith Drug Co.

Gertrude Perry, Manager
 Phone 40

BRINGING BEST WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS



TO OLD FRIENDS AND NEW

We are quite old-fashioned over here — old-fashioned enough to know that to merit the confidence of the entire community every transaction we make must rest upon the solid foundation of full value given.

May good old-fashioned Christmas cheer brighten for you the hours of this glorious Yuletide season.

POPULAR DRY GOODS

Sam Martinez, Prop.

WE'RE THANKFUL AT CHRISTMAS

As we look about at this glad season of the year, we find many things for which to be thankful.

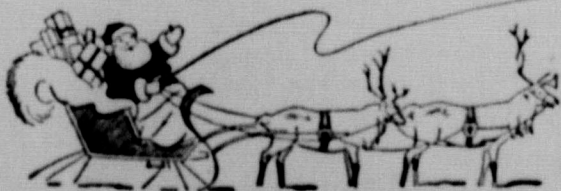
First, we are glad that we are Americans, free to enjoy life, and live in a land where freedom is the heritage of everyone. We are grateful for this privilege.

Thankful are we that have friends whose associations we treasure immeasurably. It is comforting to know these are lasting friendships, cemented by the experiences we have had together, in times that are good and in times when it is difficult to express one's feelings in order that we might share the disappointments and sorrows of our friends.

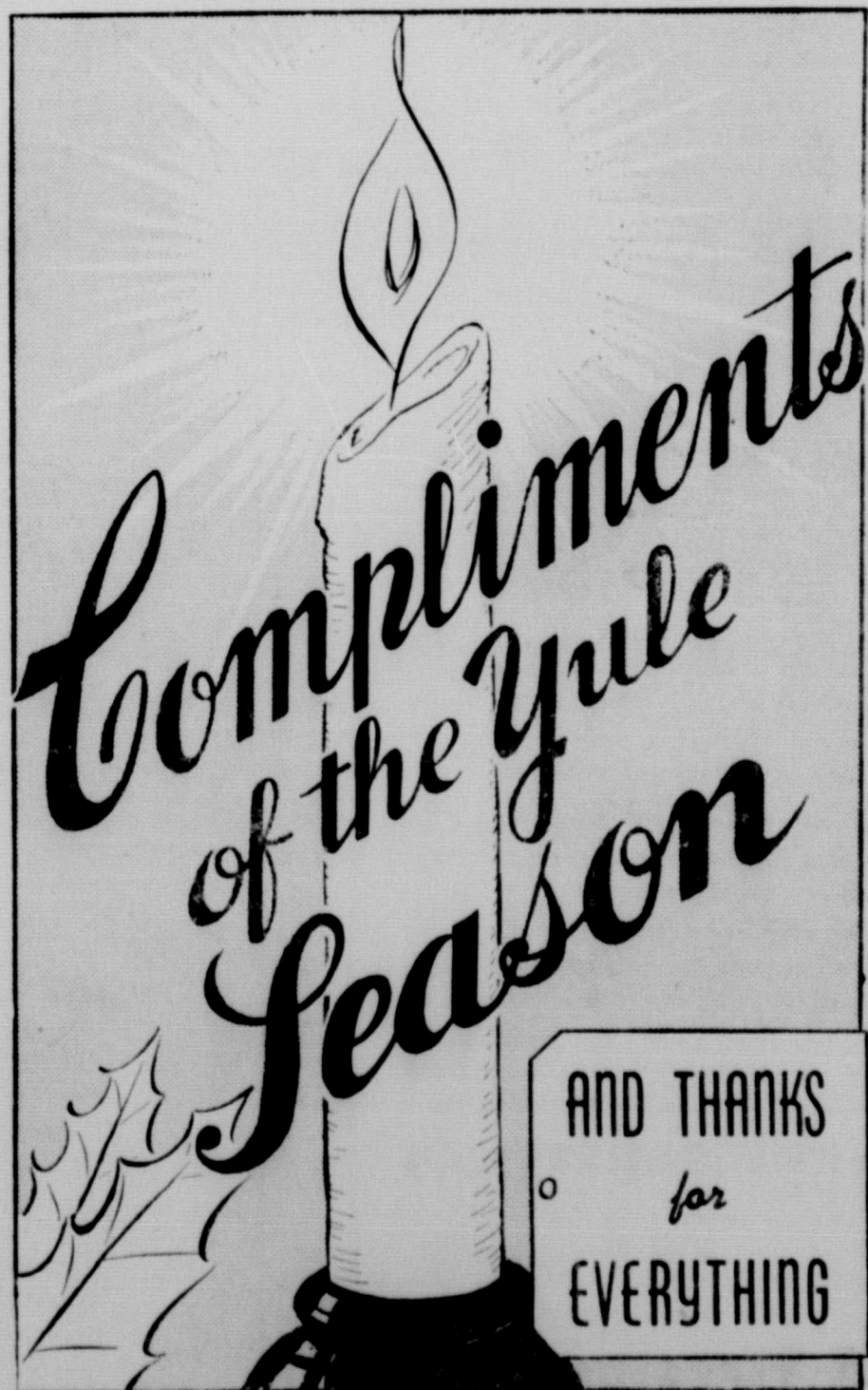
It is gratifying to be a part of this community, to participate in its progress and to watch its forward development.

We are thankful for the patronage you have given us, ever mindful of your consideration and your understanding of our efforts to serve you, even though conditions sometimes make it difficult for us to maintain the high standard that has always been our policy.

We are glad it's Christmas and trust yours will be one of happiness and rejoicing.



OZONA LAUNDRY
 And Dry Cleaning



AND THANKS for EVERYTHING

JAMES MOTOR CO.
 Dodge-Plymouth Texaco Products

LION'S ROAR

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and Richard Miller's old time melodies (and antics) made even the walls shake with laughter. The refrains of "San Antonio Rose" and "The Oklahoma Hills" and many others shattered the gloomy silence along the corridors of O. H. S. This program concluded a happy, yet sad evening's entertainment. On behalf of all the football boys (and everyone else present) many thanks to Mrs. Bartlett and the Homemaking Department for the food and fun.
The boys went on out and the Lions of 1945 drifted into the past.

COMMERCIAL CLUB

The Commercial Club met Tuesday in the commercial room to elect officers. The following officers were elected: president, Jerry Leatherwood; vice president, Betty Martin; and secretary-treasurer, Dorothy Hayfield.

A committee was appointed to draw up the club constitution. Those on the committee are: chairman Muggs Davidson and Betty Martin, Baby Hokit, Jo Nell Coose and Be Phillips. The program chairman is Sue Beasley and her co-workers are Baby Hokit, Be Phillips, Dale Clendenen and Betty Jo Thompson.

Mrs. Hallmark is sponsor.

DREAM TREE

Last night I dreamed up a Christmas tree! How do you think it would look?

I would have Rosalie as my white angel, even if it is a little out of her line! And for tinsel I'd string out great strands of Sue Beasley's hair. Then I'd take Kerry's and Bob's curly locks and inter twine them in the branches for

that wavy angel's hair. Be's and Corinne's costume jewelry I would swipe and string around. Let's see now — we need some lights. Mr. Sikes, I think I'll use your glowing personality.

There, how does it look? It needs a little something else. What is it? Oh yes, we forgot the little blue and green and red balls. For those I will take Lillian's and Marshall's blue eyes and Jan's and Bill Forehand's green ones. For the little red balls, I'll use Chris' and Lin's red hair. Now, I'll finish it off with a touch of good ole school spirit. There! How do you like it now?

NOVELTY TRIO PLAYS OZONA

The novelty trio, consisting of Al Conners, Mrs. Conners and Musical Mac, entertained Ozona at the high school auditorium Friday afternoon. The program consisted of various acrobatic and tumbling stunts by Mr. Conners, a unique performance on several musical instruments by Musical Mac, and a dog act by Mrs. Conners and her four dogs.

The first person on the program was Mr. Conner. He rode a one wheel bicycle, with collapsible front wheels, and showed us how the girls in Sonora ride. Then he showed how the girls in Ozona ride. Quite a difference, eh, girls? Mr. Conners also showed us a new dance step on his bicycle but I do not believe any of the dancers around here will try it.

The funniest part of the program was the dog act. They could jump through a barrel, roll a barrel, walk tight wires, and run pretty fast, too. The dogs names were Dottie, Scottie, Sport and Ting. Musical Mac was musician of

the group. (What a coincidence!) The first thing he played was a saw. The next thing he played was an orchestra (Spike Jones Special). He was supposed to have played six instruments at once but I don't believe he did. He did all right, though, and we enjoyed him.
The novelty trio will stay in Ozona a few days and then go on to Crane Monday morning to Iraan Monday afternoon and to Rankin Monday night.

BASKETBALL IS HERE

Yes, it's getting about that time — when it's too cold to play football or baseball. So, we move indoors and play (or try to play, in my case) basketball. Just as in football, this excellent sport promotes better co-ordination and swifter thinking. Only ten men

can play at a time — five on each team, and you can bet your boots that this is the cream of the crop.

Many of the fans enjoy this swift sport more than football or baseball because it's easier to understand. It's much easier to tell when a ball goes through the basket than to tell whether or not a man is across the goal line when twenty-one others are scattered all around just to obstruct the view (spectators' viewpoint of the men without the ball).

The Ozona Lions opened up their 1945-46 basketball season in a rather queer way. Over in Sonora last Friday night, the second string downed the Sonora second team by a comfortable margin of 24-12; but the first string went down in the books as four points behind when the last horn blew. Ball-playing-fool, Red Harri-

son, was the hero and high point man of the second team game. During the game, he socked up a total of ten points for the B squad. This young demon is quite a basketball player.

The final score in the A squad game was 12-16; and from the spectators' viewpoint, it possessed everything necessary to make a good basketball game except the infatuation which comes only from winning. It was fast, smooth, and bitterly contested. Until the last whistle blew, the Lions were determined that 16-12 would not be the final score. They would have liked to have kept on playing but they couldn't.

There were four boys on the court for the first time during a game and they started it. Gordon Bufford, long, lean, hard-fighting

center; Charley Snider, steady playing senior; Joe Ross Huzar, a dead shot; and Don Cook, all-district sophomore end.
The tight score proves the point that the Ozona Lions basketball team of 1945 is a team to be watched.

THANKS!

We, of the pep squad and football team, want to thank you for the delicious barbecue supper. It was really nice of you to think of us in such a manner.

The barbecue was wonderful and the potatoe salad went perfectly with the meat.

To Billy Hannah, Mr. Hufschler, Mr. Baker and Mr. Corbell, we owe a million thanks for entertaining us royally.



Noel! Adeste Fideles!
Holy Night!

Hark! The Herald Angels sing. Once again the air is filled with song and music... the music of the spheres. Once again it's Christmas with all that this sacred holiday implies.

We hope that this Christmas of 1945 will be a truly happy Christmas for you and yours.

HUMBLE OIL AND REFINING CO.
Kirby Moore, Agent



WHEN we see little boys and girls shaking hands with Santa Claus this thought comes to mind:

We would like our expression of appreciation for your patronage to be a hearty shake of the hand for each of you. As we seem to be denied this opportunity, please accept this, while a substitute for a handshake, as no less sincere in wishing you a

HAPPY CHRISTMAS



MILLER Firestone SERVICE

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OZONA, TEXAS



West Texas Utilities Company



THE QUEST OF HAPPINESS

has ever been the ultimate goal of human beings. Some find happiness in one way, some in another; and many never find it at all. Whatever road you may have been taking in your pursuit of happiness, may your fondest hopes be realized during this Christmas season of 1945.

One other thought: we want everyone of you to know that we deeply appreciate everything you have done for us during the past year.

OZONA THEATRE
The Best in Motion Pictures

Exactly 10 of these famous pen and pencil sets!

EVERSHARP
"Sixty Four"
THE SET \$64
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A handsome design combining 14 Karat gold with rich colored plastics

Don't put off getting your set... because we know they'll be snapped up before the day is over! Buy "Sixty Four" today and cross off a favorite name on your shopping list.

Magic Point writes so smooth you can't even hear it write. Beautifully streamlined. Smart military clips gleam and reflect the light... and remember, service on both pen and re-peater pencil is Guaranteed Forever.

PHIL BAKER CBS SUNDAY NIGHTS IN "TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT"

LAST MINUTE GIFT SUGGESTIONS

- Just received new shipment of 10K GOLD PINS
- Parker Fountain Pens \$8.75 - Wearever \$1.00
- Yardley Toiletries - Wrisley Soap
- Falson Cameras, \$4.00
- Compacts - Earscrews - Watches
- Dolls - Toys - Games
- Scotch Tape Dispensers, \$2.50
- Ozona Drug Store**
Gordon G. Aikman, Prop.
Phone 256



Christmas is All of These

Christmas is the good will shared at the family hearth; the carol sung together; the candle in the window, the glowing faces gathered around the festive board. And it is much more — ever so much more!

We cannot begin to put into words all that Christmas is, nor begin to express how ardently we wish for you the complete enjoyment of Christmas. So, all we can say to you, kind friends, is Merry Christmas To You.

W. B. GRANNIS Del Rio, Texas
C. B. GUTHRIE Ozona, Texas
Representing C. J. Martin & Sons Livestock Medicines

Centennial Stamp to Be Issued December 29

Master General Robert E. ... has announced the issuance of a special postage stamp commemorating the one-hundredth anniversary of the admission of Texas to statehood. The stamp will be of the 3-cent denomination and will be placed on first-day sale at Ozona on December 29, 1945. ... Winn, artist of Wimberly, Texas, has a ranch-studio, designed the stamp. ... first sheet of 100 stamps is reserved for the Centennial Commission, Karl Hoblitzelle, ... collectors and others desiring an official Centennial of Statehood first-day or later cancellation of the 3-cent Texas stamp should send their orders for as many envelopes as they desire, accompanied with remittance for postage to be affixed plus five

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cents for the cost of addressing each envelope desired, to the Headquarters of the Texas Centennial of Statehood Commission, Austin, Texas, or to A. Garland Adair, Curator of History, Texas Memorial Museum, Austin. The Texas stamp will be .84 by 1.44 inches in size, arranged horizontally with a single line border.

The central design comprises the American flag with a ray shining from the twenty-eighth star to the single star of the Texas State flag. On the left side in a vertical panel is the word "Texas" in white face Gothic on a shaded background. The wording "United States Postage" appears in a panel across the bottom of the stamp

on a dark back ground. To the left of the center, above the bottom panel, there appears in dark Gothic lettering "Statehood" and the dates "1845-1946" in two lines. In the upper right corner is the denomination designation "3c" in

dark Gothic. Pvt. Henry Patrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Patrick, is home for a Christmas furlough. Patrick is stationed at Warrensburg, Mo. He was accompanied home by a bud-

dy, Pfc. James Herring of Rockport, Texas, who will visit a few days in the Patrick home before going to his home.

Buy VICTORY Bonds!

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Gulf Service Station

Shorty Pridemore, Prop.



Greetings at Christmastide

When Snow Lies Softly on the Hill

Now, when the fir trees wear white collars, when the birds make tiny stitches in the snow and our footprints hurry towards the warmth of home and the companionship of loved ones, it's time to wish all our friends the fullest joys of the Christmas season. So, hello everybody . . . and Merry Christmas!

OZONA WOOL & MOHAIR CO.

MELVIN BROWN, Manager

OZONA, TEXAS

PHONE 60

A Merry Christmas



★ Stealing over the countryside is the blessed peacefulness of Christmastime. The very air seems charged with it. Even the birds—what few remain—appear to share in the general rejoicing that has come over the world.

We earnestly hope that this Christmas season of 1945 will bestow unusual blessings upon you and yours . . . that it will bring to your home the soft glow that even Christmas tree lights cannot bequeath—the full joy of Christmas seasons long past but forever remembered. May such a Christmas be yours!

Ozona National Bank

A Good Bank In a Good Town
MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION
MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM
Ozona, Texas

Christmas Joy

PEACE ON EARTH · GOOD WILL
... TOWARD ALL MEN ...

EVERY holiday has its significance, but none can compare with Christmas. It is the one time of the year when self-seeking gives way to selflessness, and all are united in one common attitude of good will towards our fellowmen.

Our entire personnel joins in wishing Christmas joy to those whom we have served, and to others as well. Accept our sincere thanks for the privilege of being of help in making this Christmas of 1945 truly merry.



NORTH MOTOR COMPANY

OLDSMOBILE-CHEVROLET

OZONA, TEXAS

Notice to Taxpayers

YOUR LAST CHANCE

To Save Money on Your 1945 Taxes

1 Percent If Paid In December

Except on Poll Taxes, on which no discount is allowed

Taxes paid during the month of January earn no discount and become delinquent after February 1.

No Discount on Poll Taxes

FRANK JAMES

Sheriff, Assessor and Collector of Taxes—Crockett Co.

Davidson Rodeo -

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field for the two-day average, with Vic Montgomery and Toots Mansfield in second and third order respectively. Allen Holder and Kay Black held the best team tying average, with John D. Holliman and George Teague, second, and Andy Bodie and Kay Black, third. Various fast matched events were run off during the two days to the vast entertainment of good crowds of spectators.

Victory Loan -

(Continued from Page One)
war financing drives in Crockett county and yesterday with conclusion of the last effort took occasion to express his thanks to the people of Crockett county for their cooperation in each drive. Crockett county people have demonstrat-

ed their loyalty by meeting each war loan quota and more. Mr. Peters said, and he expressed appreciation for such loyal and generous support of the various war financing effort.

To the following out-of-town corporations who have liberally supported each war loan drive by allocating a liberal portion of their total bond purchases for credit in this county, Mr. Peters also expresses his thanks: Foxworth-Galbraith Lumber Co., West Texas Utilities Co., Humble Oil & Refining Co., Southwestern Life Insurance Co., San Angelo Telephone Co., and Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway.

WANTED - Woman to take charge of Baptist nursery each Sunday during morning and evening services. For particulars see Mrs. S. L. Butler at Crockett Hotel. 36-2p

Woman's Club Has Christmas Program

The Ozona Woman's Club featured its Christmas program in the traditional way with a Christmas tree and exchange of gifts Tuesday afternoon. The Joe Pierce home was the setting and Mrs. Bascomb Cox and Mrs. Neal Hannah were hostesses. Miss Mildred Cooper sang "Oh Holy Night," accompanied by Mrs. Gail Gower. Little Ruth Crenshaw, from the fifth grade read, "Twas the Night Before Christmas," and Mrs. Gower accompanied the reading with music. The group sang Christmas carols.

Gifts from the lovely tree were presented to the club members and guests. Refreshments carrying out the Christmas theme were served to the following members and guests, Mrs. John Bailey, Mrs. W. R. Baggett, Mrs. Hubert Baker,

Mrs. A. A. Carter, Mrs. Ira Carson, Ms. Lee Childress, Mrs. Carl Colwick, Mrs. N. W. Graham, Miss Elizabeth Fussell, Mrs. S. M. Harvick, Mrs. J. W. Henderson, Mrs. A. C. Hoover, Mrs. B. B. Ingham, Mrs. Lowell Littleton, Mrs. Hilary Phillips, Mrs. Stephen Perner, Mrs. Joe Pierce, Mrs. Victor Pierce, Mrs. P. T. Robison, Mrs. O. L. Sims and Mrs. Charles Williams.

Daphne Meinecke, daughter of Mrs. Coralie Meinecke, attending business college in Lubbock, is home for Christmas. She was accompanied by her roommate, Betty Jo Stinson of Kermit.

Home for the Christmas holiday season from Texas Tech in Lubbock this week are Lowell Sweeten, Bill Womack and Bill McWilliams, the latter here for a visit before going to Austin to spend Christmas with his mother.

BROADCASTS CAROLS

Benny Gail Phillips, as chairman of one of the Commissions and vice president of the Youth Fellowship, Methodist Church is sponsoring broadcasts of Christmas carols over a loud-speaker set from her home each night until Christmas. The young people hope that the broadcasts will be enjoyed by the community.

This nation's imports of black pepper reached about two million pounds last summer. Before the war the total imports usually ran 60 million pounds per year.

Texas' pecan crop in 1943 was only 19 million pounds. Forty-three million pounds were harvested in 1944.

Buy War Bonds and Keep Them

Joyce West and Barbara Webb students at SMU in Dallas, are here to spend the holidays with their respective parents.

Marie Williams, attending Baylor University, Waco, arrived today to spend the holidays at her home here.

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Next Meeting Jan. 7

NOTICE OF REWARD
I am offering
\$500 Reward
for apprehension and conviction of guilty parties to every theft of livestock in Crockett County - except that no officer of Crockett County may claim the reward.
FRANK JAMES
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It is easier to keep good eyes good with proper glasses than to make bad eyes better!
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To Our Friends at
CHRISTMAS
1945

A GOOD WAY to keep Christmas well is to bring joy to everyone we can. This, we believe, is the spirit of this community... one of the important reasons why living here affords such genuine pleasure.

To you who have stood by us so faithfully during the year 1945 we wish a whole world of happiness pressed into this Christmas season. Merry Christmas to you and to every member of your family.

Kenyon Auto Stores
Associate
Ross Dickey Cecil Laxson

Old-Fashioned
CHRISTMAS GREETINGS
1945

THERE are a thousand and one ways of extending the season's greetings to you, but no words we can put into writing, no words we can frame with our lips, ring with more sincerity than the old-fashioned greeting—

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU

Fine FEED for Fine HORSES
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Phone 176

1945
Merry Christmas one and all

A Salute
to our friends and a big, hearty Christmas wish to you all, this merry, merry Christmas season.

Looking back over the year calls to mind our greatest source of pleasure has been our contact with folks like you.

BUTLER'S CAFE
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Butler

a Jolly Christmas

To One And All
CHILDREN looking out of the window at a desolate landscape try to catch a glimpse of a mythical sleigh drawn by mythical reindeer. But there is naught that is mythical about the spirit of Christmas that transforms the commonplace. That Christmas of 1945 may be for you the happiest Christmas of all is our sincere wish.

RAMIREZ BOOT SHOP
Makers of the Famous Ozona Boots
Jose Ramirez, Prop.

ENJOY A WEEK-END TRIP TO ROMANTIC OLD MEXICO AND VISIT
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