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before men began keeping records of time and events who lived in cold countries celebrating a certain day in the middle of winter. We know as the Winter Solstice, when the sun reaches the point south and is due to move northward. The ancients had their own explanations of the practical side of it after the Winter Solstice winter nights got shorter and the days got longer. who had been locked for in the icy grip of winter look forward to the time, a hence, when the earth is warm and flowers bloom

the time of the Roman Em celebration was known as the Saturnalia. often an orgy of dissipa

night in a little town of a which was virtually un to the world around it, a girl gave birth to a child. called him Jesus. Only a few people knew about him. masters at Rome had known, could not have cared. But ar of that child's birth was the divide of recorded

a childhood spent in help- father, a carpenter in Naz- Jesus is believed to have his then-widowed moth- her younger children by me trade. In his late twen- began a ministry among k and neighbors. It was an entional type of ministry. no appointment, office, or dials. He had no church or He just walked from place ce, teaching, healing, and people.

circle of contacts and influ- widened some. We hear of aching in the temple at Je- where he had gone to ob- the Feast of the Passover. probably as far as he ever om home. was always poor, as the views such things; yet he seemed to want for any- He practiced and taught the same Father who fed the and clothed the flowers take care of us if we did art, didn't want too much, trusted him. For Jesus and ve men who had left their and trades to go with him the country, it seemed to

message was that God has shed on earth an eternal om which any person may by repentance, faith and love od and fellowman. Life in Kingdom would begin here ow and continue through E- y. Some understood his mes- about the Kingdom, others at he was working for an empire which, if success- might upset the order of as they were. The latter e his enemies.

us was a normal man in ev- y. He loved to be with peo- he never indulged in any . For the sake of his work ed himself some of the pro- mforts of life, such as wife family. But the women he trusted him and felt at home presence. So did little child- o did the poor, upon whom tional leaders, the Pharisees, with contempt.

least once, some friends who ot understand, tried to force o become their king and lead in a revolt against Rome. esus never allowed violence, o save his life.

azing things happened to who believed and trusted ome who were sick got well. who had been bad became Many who had been afraid the models of courage and late- cepted martyrdom for His

last his enemies arranged his death. Jesus loved life was only after a long and struggle within that he fi- (continued on Page Three)

Installation To Prevent Failures In Gas Service

Empire Southern Installs Equipment to Correct Freezing

By installing approximately \$6,000 worth of additional equipment at the two gas wells providing Ozona's natural gas supply, Empire Southern Gas Company late last week announced it had corrected the conditions which developed to create a series of interruptions in gas service to the city. The recurring interruptions developed from a temporary failure of moisture separating equipment followed by icing conditions from inadequate pressure reduction equipment at the wells. James Isbell, local manager, and his crew worked through most of the early morning hours on the three failure occasions and when it became apparent that the trouble could not be corrected satisfactorily without further engineering examinations, the Fort Worth office of the company was notified.

J. P. Kinney, vice president and operations manager, and Joe Jagers, chief engineer for the company, arrived last week and work began immediately to overhaul the equipment and make the necessary changes to prevent a recurrence of the trouble. Both of the supply wells on the Clayton ranch east of Ozona develop well-head pressures of 3100 pounds. Gas engineers had calculated the required amount of pressure reduction equipment, heaters, extractors, etc., but the development of trouble indicated need for further controls and these were installed.

A new bottom-hole choke which will reduce pressure at that level, where the gas is at 250-degree temperature, to about 1700 pounds. Small chokes at the well head were replaced with large ones, and additional heating equipment to prevent freezing of the lines as the gas is released from high pressure were installed. Also added were new absorbers and mist extractors. The new equipment is now far in excess of engineer's calculations of requirements for uninterrupted gas service an officials of the company assured gas users here that they expect no more trouble from the conditions which led to the recent interruptions.

"Every gas well behaves differently," Mr. Kinney said. "We buy gas from a number of other high pressure wells, but none have the same content or react just as the Magnolia wells on the Clayton ranch do. Therefore, we had to learn just what to expect from them before we could know definitely just what equipment would be necessary to produce them."

"We regret inconvenience to our customers and deeply appreciate the understanding and courtesy which they have shown while we labored to correct these conditions. We can now assure Ozona that so far as the recent trouble is concerned, it has been corrected and we feel sure that no such interruptions in service will occur again, barring unforeseen accidents or conditions."

The Empire Southern Gas Co. has an investment of nearly a quarter of a million dollars in pipelines and equipment to bring a natural gas supply to Ozona from the two big Magnolia wells 10 miles east of Ozona.

Christmas Service at Methodist Church Sun.

The annual Christmas service of the Ozona Methodist Church will be held next Sunday morning, December 21, at 11 o'clock.

The sermon by the pastor, Rev. J. Troy Hickman, and special music by the choir will feature the Christmas theme.

LOST — Long, heavy silk scarf, green with watermelon red, black and yellow gold design. Finder please notify Mrs. Peery Holmsley, Phone 396J.

Football Jackets Awarded 16 Players, Managers, Coaches

Handsome new football jackets, denoting letters earned by members of the 1952 Ozona High School football squad, were awarded 16 players, two managers and three coaches at assembly exercises in the high school auditorium Monday morning. The jackets were awarded by Supt. Lem Bray.

Players receiving the coveted awards were Tom Piner, Charles Garlitz, Charles Hale, Sam Martinez, David Price, Wilburn Conklin, Buddy Whitley, Don Cooper, Bill Maness, Graham Childress, Scott Hickman, Ronnie McMullan, Baldomero Ramon, Jimmy McMullan, Bill Schneemann and Kenneth Phillips. Managers Carl Conklin and Ignacio Perez, and Coaches Larry Wilkins, Swede Pelto and Chick Womack, also received jackets.

South Elementary Parents Add To Improvement Fund

Group Stage Benefits For Milk Fund and Grounds Work

A group of more than 100 parents of South Elementary School pupils have formed an association and by means of donations out of their own pockets and through entertainment features they sponsor have raised a considerable sum of money which is being used to purchase milk for children in the kindergarten, first and second grades and for beautification of school grounds.

Approximately \$135 was added to the fund Tuesday night when a Christmas program was presented at the school. An electric coffee maker was given away during the evening, the winner being Austin Moore. This project made a net profit of \$105.55, and receipts for admissions and sale of coffee and cake totalled another \$29.50. W. H. Stockard, principal, reported. A shower for the Catarino Cervantez family, which recently lost all household and personal belongings when the home was destroyed by fire, was also a feature of the evening's program.

A grounds committee from the parents' group is sponsoring a program for planting pecan trees and otherwise beautifying the grounds. Members of the committee have contributed \$5 each to the funds and are seeking donations and sponsoring money-raising events. The grounds committee realized the \$105.55 profit on the coffee percolator award. A \$94 profit went into the grounds fund from the recent bingo games at the school.

A new Christmas lighting and decorating display will be ready for the public to view tonight, when the lights are to be turned on for the first time. The parents are decorating the outside of the building, and installing lights and the children and teachers are decorating the interior and the windows.

WTU Advertising Head Addresses Rotary Club

R. E. Kennedy, head of the advertising department of the West Texas Utilities Co. in Abilene, spoke to members of the Ozona Rotary Club and their guests at the club's luncheon here Tuesday.

Mr. Kennedy spoke on public relations and personal relations, declaring that every individual needs to strive for good public relations as well as the business man or the big corporation. Good public relations, he said, is just good personal relations, and he pointed out some of the common courtesies that go toward building such relations both for business and for individuals.

A Christmas Pageant will be held at the Ozona Community House, Friday, December 19, 7:30 p. m. All members and friends are cordially invited.

Lions Knock Off Rankin 45-41 In Torrid Session

Locals Bounce Back For Second Half Winning Spurt

Coach J. A. Pelto's Lion cagers staged a last half rally to come from behind to beat the strong Rankin Red Devils 45 to 41 in a sizzling game on the Davidson gym court here Tuesday night.

The Lions trailed 16 to 22 at halftime, but put on a blistering attack in the final two periods to ring a total of 29 points. Bill Schneemann led the Lions in the scoring department with 10 points while Maness of the locals was a close second with 9. Hickman accounted for 7, Garlitz and Piner 6 each, Kuykendall 5, and Cooper and Conklin one each.

B Goodwin for the visitors chalked up 17 points to lead his teammates, with J. Yocham second with 9.

In a curtain raiser, the Ozona B string crew lost a close one, 34-31, to the Rankin B. Jimmy Swank was top scorer for the Lions with 10.

The A game box score:		
Ozona	FG	FT Pts.
Schneemann	4	2 10
Garlitz	3	0 6
Piner	2	2 6
Hickman	3	1 7
Cooper	0	1 1
Conklin	0	1 1
Kuykendall	2	1 5
Maness	2	5 9
	16	13 45

Rankin		
FG	FT	Pts.
Yocham, J.	3	3 9
Trower	1	2 4
Munselle	0	5 5
Yocham, N.	1	4 6
Goodwin	7	3 17
	12	17 41

The Lions go to Del Rio for a return match with that team tonight. Del Rio won a 43-38 decision over the Lions in their first meeting here December 9.

Deep Wildcat On Floyd Henderson Ranch Scheduled

Midland Operators to Drill to 8,700 Ft. Near Ozona

United States Smelting, Refining & Mining Co. of Midland has filed application to drill its 1 F. R. Henderson, a wildcat, 4½ miles northwest of Ozona in Crockett county. The test will be drilled with rotary to 8,700 feet. Drilling was begun Dec. 15.

Location, on a 324-acre tract, is 1,980 feet from the north and 660 feet from the east lines of 69-OP-GC&SF.

The prospector is 2¼ miles southwest of Standard Fryer 1 Baggett, plugged and abandoned Feb. 18, 1951, at a total depth of 8,212 feet. The Ellenburger was topped at 8,067 feet on elevation of 2,644 feet.

It is 2¼-mile east-northeast of Sinclair 1 Henderson, plugged and abandoned April 1950 at a total depth of 8,540 feet. The following tops were reported on elevation of 2,551 feet: San Andres, 1,297 feet; Simpson, 8,050 feet; and Ellenburger, 8,008 feet.

The test is also 4½ miles south of Pure-Bean field which produces from the Grayburg at about an average of 1,482 feet, and the Queen sand at an average of 1,143 feet.

O. B. Trap Co. Stockholders Hold Annual Meet Dec. 20

Stockholders of the O. B. Trap Company will meet in the annual stockholders meeting here next Saturday, December 20, at 3 p. m. The stockholders meeting will be held in the district court room and all stockholders are urged to be present for this important meeting. Notice of the meeting has been mailed by R. A. Harrell, manager.

Baptist Choir to Present Christmas Music Sunday Night

The Christmas music of the First Baptist Church will be presented Sunday night at 7:30 by the choir under the direction of their new director, Dewey Fulgaar of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary of Fort Worth. Mr. Fulgaar has a rich background of experience in church music having served three churches in Louisiana in the capacity of music and youth director. He received his Bachelor's degree in music education at Louisiana State College and is working toward advanced degrees at the seminary in the same field.

The choir will present the story of the First Christmas as recorded in prophecy and then in fulfillment. The adult choir, robed in new robes, will be assisted by the Junior choir which will sing "Timothy's Carol."

Other features of the program will be a trio composed of Mrs. H. A. Gustavus, Misses Darene and Jeannene Thompson. In addition Miss Darene Thompson will sing a lullaby while Miss Jeannene Thompson will also do solo work.

After the program a reception will be held in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

Humble Completes Wyatt Gas Strike; Wildcats Slated

Deep Test Spotted in Lancaster Area; Shallow Wildcat

Humble Oil and Refining Co. 1 Shannon estate, Ellenburger gas strike in the Wyatt field of Crockett, has been completed for 20a a gas flow of 685,000 cubic feet daily.

The project flowed nine hours on a ½-inch choke and made 27.1 barrels of fluid, 80 per cent of which was basic sediment and water and 20 per cent of which was condensate with the above gas flow.

The flow was from perforations in 5½-inch casing between 6,996-7,000 feet which had been acidized. The casing was set at 7,470 feet and plugged back to 7,280 feet. Total depth was 7,575 feet.

The gas strike is one location south of Lion Oil Co. 1 Shannon, Ellenburger discovery on the north west side of the Wyatt field. It is 1,980 feet from the south and 810 feet from the east lines of 46-UV GC&SF.

Two wildcats have been spotted in Crockett county, the deeper of which is an Ellenburger test to be drilled by McElroy Ranch Co. of Fort Worth three miles north-east of Fort Lancaster.

The test is one of four projects being drilled by McElroy Ranch Co. under an operating agreement with Gulf Oil Corp. The project will be drilled to 8,700 feet. Associates in the project are Arkansas Fuel Co., Shreveport, and San Joaquin Drilling Co., Los Angeles.

It is on a 1,122-acre tract and 2½ miles southeast of the shallow Lancaster Hills (Grayburg) field.

Location is 660 feet from the southeast and southwest lines of 4-E Ruiz survey, Abstract 787

Moore Exploration Co. of Midland has filed application to drill its 1-2 Maggie S. Neal, a wildcat, (Continued on Last Page)

Child Playing With Fire Caused Blaze Which Destroyed Home

A child playing with fire caused the blaze which recently destroyed the Catarino Cervantez home in the Latin-American sector of Ozona, firemen reported this week. The cause of the fire was first announced as the probable explosion of a gas stove.

One of the Cervantez' small children was engaged in lighting bits of paper from a gas stove and when one burned short in his fingers he pitched it into a closet filled with clothing. The blaze was out of hand when discovered.

Plans Shaped For Sixth Annual 4-H Club Show Jan. 10

23 Club Members Will Show Fat Lambs in Annual Event

Plans are all set for the Sixth Annual Crockett County 4-H Club Livestock Show to be held Saturday, January 10, according to Miller Robison, general superintendent of the 1953 show.

Placing of fat lambs by James A. Gray, Sheep and Goat Specialist of the A & M Extension Service, will start at 10 a.m. At noon the Ozona Butane Co. will be host to all visitors and participants with a big barbecue dinner.

Following the judging at 2:30 p. m. an auction sale of fat lambs will be held in which 23 lambs will be sold, one for each participating 4-H Club member. Nelson Johnson of San Angelo, who has cried every auction sale of the Crockett County 4-H Club, will again be on the rostrum wielding the auction hammer.

The annual county livestock show, sponsored by the Ozona Lions Club, business men of Ozona and Nathan's Jewelry of San Angelo, will award ribbons, rosettes, banners, trophies and plaques to the prize winning animals of the show.

Pete W. Jacoby, county agent, who is supervising the 4-H Club lamb feeding program, said the 130 fat lambs now on feed are doing exceptionally well and according to comments of 4-H Club members and interested adults, the 1953 show should surpass all past in finished show lambs.

Two former county agents of Crockett county, Bill Bergfeld and Paul Newton, each commented on the quality and condition of the lambs recently on a visit to the 4-H club barns.

All events of the show will be held at the 4-H Club barn and club members hope that all Ozonians will come out to the show and shows in finished show lambs. See their fat lambs on exhibit in the show ring.

Boys From West Texas Boys Ranch In Program Here

The Ozona Woman's Forum met Thursday, December 11, at the Country Club, with Mrs. Hugh Childress, Jr., and Mrs. C. O. Walker as hostesses.

Mrs. D. B. Pettit and Carl A. Cahen, the executive secretary of West Texas Boys' Ranch, introduced four boys from the ranch. The boys told of their life at the ranch, and how they spend their day and duties assigned to them. Members of the Forum brought Christmas gifts for boys at the Ranch.

Guest speaker for the day was Rev. Bill Brown of the Ozona Church of Christ. Roll call was answered with Christmas decorating ideas.

Present were Meses. Charlie Black, Jr., N. D. Blackstone, Joe Clayton, George Bunker, Hugh Childress, Jr., John Coates, Ele Hagelstein, Fred Hagelstein, Martin Harvick, Dempster Jones, Jess Marley, Beecher Montgomery, Joe Sellers Pierce, III, W. T. Stokes, C. O. Walker, Charles Williams, Jr., Jack Williams, Joe Tom Davidson, Carl Apple, and Brock Jones.

Santa Claus Due in Ozona 4 p. m. Today

Santa Claus is due to arrive this afternoon for his annual before-Christmas visit with Ozona youngsters.

According to announced plans, St. Nick is due to land at the Dick Henderson airstrip at 3:55 and be wheeled to town in the big fire truck for a tour around the square handing out candies and listening to Christmas demands from the small fry. The Lions Club is cooperating with the Volunteer Fire Department in sponsoring Santa's visit.

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Classes of Baptist Sunday School Enjoy Christmas Social

Two Sunday School classes of young adults met at the First Baptist Church Tuesday night for their Christmas social. A committee composed of representatives of the classes planned the party. Members of that committee were: Mr. and Mrs. Ivy Smith, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Gould, Gerald Vest, Mrs. Bill Holden and Mrs. Blake Woolbright.

Those attending the social were: Mr. and Mrs. Roger Nielson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Noe, Mr. and Mrs. Dillon Merritt, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lowrey, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Vest, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Strickland, Mr. and Mrs. Ivy Smith, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Bill Holden, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gee, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Forester, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Woody, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. John-

son, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thompson, Mrs. Blake Woolbright, Mrs. C. C. Wilkerson, Mrs. M. L. Tinsley, Mrs. Bounds Martin, Carl Thurman and Tommy Good.

Pecan pie a la mode and coffee were served to the guests after the playing of season games and the exchange of gifts.

LADIES GOLF ASSN.

Members of the Ladies Golf Association enjoyed a covered dish luncheon followed by regular golf play at the country club Tuesday.

Winners in golf play were Jane Black, Lois Hicks, Marge McMullan, Jonsey Williams, Velma Marley, Dorothy Montgomery, Mary Clayton, Bonnie Thomas, Wilma Friend, Lilly Baggett, Wanda Stuart, Jean Scheuber, Emma Adams.

Other golfers included Martha Millsbaugh, Helen Wilkins, Nettie Holt, Mary Friend, Gladys Pierce, Katy Jones, Lois D. Kirby, Jeanie Williams, Pauline Montgomery, Dorothy Pierce, Louise Bunger, Ada, Pierce and Rachel Childress.

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accepted the fact that God's will for him was the cross. His disciples fled from the scene and scattered. It seemed the cause was lost. But in a while one of the "strangest" in history happened. Numbers of men and women, who had known him in the past, declared that to them he was still a living Presence. The group took new courage. Fifty years after the cross, at a time of Pentecost, a crowd of them gathered together in Jerusalem to share their tremendous experience of Presence which gave them courage and power. They went where preaching his gospel, as he had done. They felt that his Spirit had somehow come to be with them. This was the birth of the Church. Two and a half years later the Church was born, still stands as a testament to the fact that Jesus is spiritually alive. His Presence is still today a great strength, joy and command and inspiration of his true followers.

There have been other great men, both before and since. We honor them for what they were and did. But we think of them as only men. Today, after centuries of sober reflection and active experience, millions are convinced that Jesus was something more than a man. That thing more we are convinced, is Divine. Somehow the life of Himself dwelt and dwells in us, whom we call the Christ.

The little handful of Christians went out from Pentecost to a fierce and hostile pagan world which could find no pleasure in the celebration of the Saturnalia, its drunkenness and selfishness. And so they began to celebrate the birthday of Jesus at the same time that the Romans and other non-Christian peoples celebrated their own Winter Festival. This was done in spite of the fact that the scanty records we have to indicate that Jesus was born in what is now the month of August.

The years went by and many of the people who had been parts of the old Roman Empire migrated where to live. Of course, they brought their customs and habits with them. The time our forefathers began to come to the New World, the Winter Festival as it was being

celebrated in various European countries was a mixture of secular and religious practices. In this country they continued to do the things they had learned in the old countries. Some of these customs were national or racial, some were Christian. It came to pass that we have in America what we call Christmas (Christ-mas) observed on the twenty-fifth day of December. And the American Christmas is a blend of the old Winter Festival and the birthday celebration of Jesus the Christ.

That is why children in Sunday School hear the old story of the babe in the manger, the new star in the sky, the shepherds, the wise men, and the angel chorus who sang, "On earth peace, and good will toward men." It is also the reason we use snow scenes on our greeting cards. The typical Christmas scene in picture and song shows evergreen trees, old Saint Nick with his reindeer and sled traveling over frozen earth. The two traditions are so intertwined that it would be difficult now to separate them and tell where one begins and the other leaves off.

It is sometimes a little confusing to children. Some of it is hard to explain. For one thing, the country where Jesus was born and lived rarely ever has a snow. In surface look and climate it is much like this part of West Texas. Little wonder that children sometimes ask, "Whose birthday do we celebrate at Christmas?"

While any part of the Christmas celebration which brings real happiness to people is good, it seems that Christians have an opportunity and duty to observe Christmas in such a way that it will be clear whose birthday it is.

It is good that scattered families come together for a few days of enjoyment and love at Christmastime. But it is a tragedy that the highway at this time of the year are often smeared with the blood of people who were trying to get home.

It is good that we show our affection for each other by sending presents and greetings, but it is a pity that sometimes our gifts are so mechanical, so much a matter of duty, and that sometimes we think more of what we get than of the giver.

Gaiety and good cheer are quite in place at Christmastime, but it seems unfortunate that so many feel they cannot be gay unless they are also tipsy. The people who run institutions for alcoholics say that their highest influx of new patients always comes during the

weeks following Christmas.

Public safety agencies point out that such things as the crime wave, the suicide rate, and the fire and injury-by-accident rates all jump to peak positions during the Christmas holidays.

Anxious bread-winners often wonder how the big Christmas bills are going to be paid. Tired mothers sometimes almost collapse after the Christmas jag is past. Harried clerks and postmen and law enforcement officers are usually glad when the tensions and confusion of this season are past.

Perhaps these things are all inevitable parts of the Christmas celebration. But one cannot help feeling that they should not be. Somehow we have missed the mark. A lot of the things that go on at Christmas are out of tune with the life of the Savior whose birth we are supposed to be honoring.

I do not know how we may correct this fact. But surely each of us can help put Christ back into Christmas. There must be some way. It might help a little if each of us tried in his own way to make the most of the inward

side of the occasion, of the spiritual factor, rather than just the material. Love may sometimes be shown through material things, but love is always more than just giving and getting. And that "more" is the heart of the matter.

To those who have followed the wanderings of this column through the years, and have often been encouraging with your remarks and appreciation, we wish a very happy Christmas. May God bless you.

NEWS AND VIEWS OF CROCKETT COUNTY HOSPITAL

By C. A. Woody, Administrator

We have certainly enjoyed our deer steaks which Ira Carson brought us and we still have a little more to eat on Christmas Day.

Those new arrivals which I mentioned in my last article have been delayed, I guess because of the Christmas rush but in due time they will be announced. That I am sure of.

We plan on having a Christmas party for the employees of the Crockett County Hospital, the doc-

tors and a few closely related friends who work in the building. This will be held Friday afternoon at 3:00 in the Hospital. We have a nice little tree and the Christmas decorations were loaned to us by Mrs. Charles Williams and a few others.

Mrs. Cecil Walley was brought in by ambulance Tuesday about 4:30 p.m. with a very badly hurt ankle, which she received from falling off a ladder while decorating her house. Dr. Perry Byars, orthopedic specialist from San Angelo, was called and arrived it seemed minutes after. Mrs. Walley was given an anesthetic and her ankle manipulated by Dr. Byars. She is resting fine now.

Patients admitted since 12-10: Jim Harkey, Atley Joyner, Arlen Sikes, Marvin L. Beaver, baby David Siegfried, Placido Borrego, Mrs. Carmen Vargas and Mrs. Cecil Walley.

Patients dismissed since 12-10: Mrs. J. J. Hollingshead, baby Victor Cardena, Jim Harkey, Atley Joyner, Arlen Sikes, baby David Siegfried.

BAPTIST W. M. U.

The Baptist W. M. U. met at the church Wednesday morning for the monthly Bible study program. Mrs. Ben Williams, president, opened the meeting with prayer. Mrs. Frank Noe, Bible study chairman, introduced the program with Mrs. J. T. Patrick, Mrs. Gerald Vest and Mrs. Jack Brewer giving parts.

Mrs. Frank Noe and Mrs. Coy Whisenant served coffee and rolls to Mrs. O. C. Webb, J. T. Keeton, Jake Stricklin, Gerald Vest, Coy Whisenant, Ivy Smith, Jr., J. T. Patrick, Jack Brewer, Frank Noe, Ben Williams, H. R. Mock, Blake Woolbright, H. A. Gustavus, Ross and Bill Holden.

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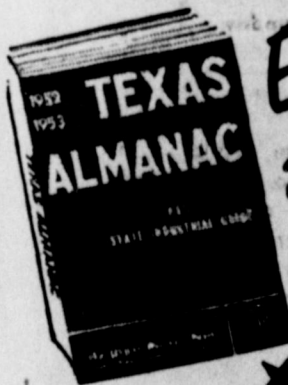
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SPANISH NOTES

Although this is the time for "Noche de paz, noche de amor." Christmas songs, you probably wouldn't recognize them. (Continued On Page 5)

BACK THE CHRISTMAS DANCE

**COME ONE!
COME ALL!
To the High School
CHRISTMAS
DANCE**

Friday, Dec. 19 — Girls Gym

By Carl Conklin
The Student Council of OHS is presenting a Christmas dance for all high school students at eight o'clock Friday the 19th in the girls gymnasium. The admission fee will be one dollar per couple. Stags will also be charged one dollar.

The famous orchestra, Brother Bones and His Five Shadows from San Angelo, will play for the dance.

The decorations will be of the true red and green Christmas colors with cedar, mistletoe, big, big Christmas tree and all the Christmas decorations.

Don't forget Friday night, the big night of the Christmas dance.

Lakeview Chiefs Nose Out Lions 46 To 45

By Carl Conklin
The Lake View Chiefs took the Lions for a third straight defeat Friday night in Lake View in a wild finish. The Lions had the lead in the last few seconds by one point when two free throws were sunk by the Chiefs which put them ahead 46-45, with a few seconds left to play. Garlitz was high point man for Ozona.

The Lake View B took a victory over the Lion B in a thriller. It was very evenly matched through out the game but the Chiefs B surged ahead in the last minute.

Graham Childress was high point man with 15.

A LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:
When you visit the McMullans' house, please remember the four nice boys who live there.

We have all been very good this year and we think you ought to bring us what we want. We also study very hard.

First of all we need four good looking girls with all the trimmings. Charlie needs a car that wont go over 40 M.P.H. Ronnie wants a peace contract between him and Roe. And for Don, he would be satisfied with just a girl for Kenneth Phillips, so he will leave everybody else's alone.

Thank you very much,
Don, Gert, Don, Jim.

Editor - Marion Meck
News Editor - Doris West
Sports Editor - Carl Conklin
Society Editor - Mary Beth Eatherly
Humor Editor - Kenneth Phillips

Ozona Downs Rankin On Home Court Tues.

The Ozona basketball team showed us what they could do Tuesday night in a last half rally and a 41 to 45 win over a strong Rankin team.

Trailing 23 to 17 at half time Ozona swished through 28 points in the last half to push ahead and win. High scorer for Ozona was Bill Schneemann with 11 points. Bill Maness was close behind with 9. Rankin's B. Goodwin took home the scoring honors with 17. Ozona improved considerably from a 45 to 46 licking from Lake View.

The Ozona B lost a close 34 to 31 game to Rankin B. Jimmie Swank was high man for Ozona with 10 points. J. Schlagal and Garner each dropped in 10 for Rankin.

The Lions will journey to Del Rio Thursday for their final game before the Christmas holidays.

DRIBBLES FROM HENDERSON

You should have smelled what we smelled Friday around third period. That smell would make a glue factory smell like 5 dollars an ounce perfume. Some of the naughty senior boys mixed something up in chemistry and, by piecing rubber hoses together, piped it down to the main floor. Well, they didn't succeed in running the teachers out but the school did get a good airing.

I hear Charles Garlitz and Ronnie McMullan have quit going steady, but I think they will be fooled because I don't think Sandra and Rosie will come crawling back. But you never can tell; those new football jackets really are pretty.

You know, I think some of these boys up here are crazy. Here it is Christmas and they're still going steady. Now my grandpa told me, and I figger it's pretty good advice, to always quit your girl before Christmas and make up with her after Christmas is over. You may not realize it, but those dames can be expensive at Christmas time.

Now in Don Cooper's case, he goes with two of them. You could buy a pair of shoes strings and give one to each of them, Don.

Have a Merry Christmas, all you cheerful readers. See you soon.

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Football Jackets Are Here, Girls!

Monday morning in assembly the new football jackets were awarded to the sixteen lettermen, the two managers and three coaches.

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The boys helped design this year's jackets. They are reversible with a water repellent lining. The lining of the jackets is gray this year. They are extra special and the boys say they (or the girls) will enjoy wearing them.

MR. & MISS PERSONALITY

La Von Henderson was the lucky guy who won Mr. Personality contest. La Von, looks like your humor and wit got you some place. Congratulations are in order! La Von really received an honor by getting Mr. Personality this year. Usually a person who has been here just one semester doesn't catch on to the school kids, Ozona and their ways. But Von did!

Miss Personality has a runoff between three girls. Alena Faye Powers is a very few points ahead of Vivian Trotter and Marion Mock who are tied. We will have to have a run-off between the three girls, which is very unusual. Good luck, girls!

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Lions Roar
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"Silent Night."
With the approach of the Christmas season and the holidays just around the corner, everyone is a little restless. So instead of the regular grind of bookwork, the Spanish class has been singing — in Spanish, of course. They've even got around to "Hermano Juan," "Brother John," to you north of the border linguists.
And to add more spice, the class divided itself into two parts. There has been a contest nearly every day for the past month over lessons, vocabulary, etc. The losers gave a Christmas program Thursday for the entire group.
Not to be outdone, the class also went as a group to dinner Monday evening at Little Mexico. "This Spanish food is delicious," said Odom, "but what am I eating, anyway?"

This is only a "taste" of the fun and foolishness everyone has in Spanish.
Let us wish you readers a "Feliz Navidad."

Fads and Fashions

By Jane Adams
Sorry we didn't give you a report on who wore what to the football banquet, but we weren't there, and when we asked, "What did so and so wear?" one person would say she looked like a dream and another would say she had been known to look better. One person would say that she wore red net just loaded with sequins and another would say it was red organza with one little bunch of sequins. So the only things that seemed to be agreed on about the special way a girl looks at a party were: That Betty was a beautiful queen; that Shirley's gold and high heeled dancing shoes made her dress look twice as pretty; that Carol Blackstone's dress made the most of her brunette beauty; and, that, of course, every boy thought his girl was the best looking one there.

Christmas is almost here (as if that is news!) and it is the time for eating lots and going to lots of parties, so it might be a good idea to skip a few cokes and Hersheys now so you can eat and eat all the good Christmas things and still have a belt that will buckle on some other than the last hole, when school starts again. During the holidays somehow you just don't get to bed on time very often, so try to get a lot of rest now, or you'll have cave-y eyes and the feeling that going to P. E. class for a quick basketball game is just more than you can stand.

But you have lots of Christmas presents to get that have you stumped. Some things girls always like are: Perfume or things to match perfume, like cologne or bath oil. Or she might like a subscription to "Seventeen" or "Mademoiselle." And any girl can always use more little silk scarves to tie at the neck of a sweater or hang from her belt.

And for boys there is something new in the old stand-bys, handkerchiefs and ties. The handkerchiefs have the monogram straight across the top edge and when he folds it in the breast pocket of a coat just the square initialed edge instead of the usual points, shows. And a boys always likes to get ties, especially Dejoinville shaped ones, because they are newer and smarter. Or he might like "The Best Sport Stories of 1952," or if he's less of the athletic type he might like a book of science fiction or the biography of some famous person he likes.

But after all, it's the friendship behind the gift that matters more than what it is. We hear that all the time but everyone forgets it so often. So, be your gayest, and look your prettiest, and try to let some of your Christmas spirit rub off on to theirs, and MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!

OFTA IN THE NEWS

What — more teachers?
No, not more, but maybe in the future. The Future Teachers of America Club enrolled twenty-one new members from Ozona last Friday in its formal initiation at a called assembly.

Mr. Claud Kelley of the N. T. S. C. faculty brought four members of F.T.A. from the North Texas campus to install the club. They were Delbert Gibbs, Misesa Betty Jo Wall, Jean Couch and Pat Lyle.

Members lighted candles and received the club colors during the initiation.

The purposes of the Ofta Club are to investigate the life of a teacher, to create a teacher's personality, and to help members decide whether they'd actually want a teacher's job.

Christmas Spirit Invades High School

Everyone is getting in a Christmas mood, buying presents and sending out Christmas cards.

The school is even getting in a Christmas mood, too. There is a small tree in the library which has been decorated very prettily. This adds to the library and also gives more spirit.

Also decorated is the large tree in the front yard. It is decorated even at the top and everybody has been wondering how someone managed to do it.

Since everyone is in the Christmas mood, what does Christmas mean to you? It should mean that you would rather give than receive. When you give something you shouldn't feel that you have to but give it because you want to. Remember it's not the gift, but the giver that counts.

CLASSIFIED ADS

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Wanted — Following boys to go with certain girls. (Girls names withheld upon request.) Jody J., Wayne K., Charlie B., Jimmy S., Mike C., Bill S.

Wanted — One nice, new purple jacket in exchange for an older one. Ann R.

Lost — One tall, lanky, preferably senior, boy. Return to Bobbie F.

Lost — One Charles Garlitz. Return to Sandra B. Reward for recovery.

Found — The need of one small, dark wig. Kay S. Believed to be lost in station wagon.

Lost — One small, cold, beating heart. Return to Bobby W.

Misplaced — A Tadpole with a much wanted football jacket. Return to Carole B.

Lost — One blonde cadet with crew cut. Last seen near Kerrville. Return to Janice S.

Phillips Gives Gory Details of Operation

Miss any face around the OHS halls! Well, it's none other than Kenneth Phillips' who underwent an operation Saturday morning in Shannon Hospital in San Angelo.

How is he getting along? Well, by the looks of this letter that he wrote to four certain boys, he is still up to par.

The letter read, and we quote, — "Death Cell 8"

Dear Boys and Jimmie:

Well, I don't have anything to do but get operated on so I thought I would scribble out a couple of lines. First, I would like to tell Charlie and Hi that I miss their little pats on the back with a claw hammer, next, to tell Jimmie how stunning he looked at the football banquet dance with shoes on, and, last but not least, I would like to ask a favor from dear old Cooper — to drop dead or go to Korea, one or the other. Charlie, will you tell Mr. Leath I am studying his old play and not to panic.

Last night I shared a room with some crumb who had a fight with a locomotive or something and has a very bloody nose. He sniffed the thing all night long.

I finally got off to sleep this morning about 3:30. Then my idiot nurse came in at sunrise and told me I have my choice of eating the stuff they served here or getting shot. I ate.

Boy, I was tired. I bet there wasn't a bird within 10 miles up. Mean old nurse. Then came the worst blow of all. A real pretty blonde nurse comes in holding something behind her back. Is it flowers? No, an eight-foot needle. They want a little blood. But I fooled them all and all she got from me was fruit juice. Well, I gotta go to sleep now so I will grow up and be big and strong.

Bleedingly yours,
Pluribus aliae Phillips
P. S. Please tell all the girls hello for me and Cooper to keep going with "Coon." Tell Joe and Mr. and Mrs. Ashby hello too.

GOSSIP

- Nick Names
- Tommy S. — 8-by
- Barbara F. — Greenie
- Vivian T. — Trot
- Alena P. — Fat
- Ann R. — Rat
- Sandra B. — Sewer
- Charles H. — Tadpole
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 — Ma
 ne T. — Tromp
 n C. — Pussy
 — Smokey
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 — Jerb
 — Coop
 F. — Thrill
 aro R. — Baldy
 — Fat
 W. — Weed
 P. — Con
 E. — Mert
 n M. — M. T.
 — Hippo
 S. — Snuzy

Buster T., Vivian T., and L. were seen at show Sunday. Did you all have fun? A. is still going with and Sammie with Dean. them together quite a lot. Carrier says liking some- instinct rather than emo- r. Wagner won't give his

seems to have a little with Mr. Pello. Could have ing to do with her eating

why don't you know all health rules? Too busy talk- Kay and Ann?

in what was so funny about stures you found?

Hicks is wondering how got into her pocket answer- out her knowing it. It was do wasn't it???

amon and Lucretia seem to in world history and you to see Guadalupe and Sera- in English II.

leath said Herman C. ought w his gum wrappers in the scket instead of wading in. The rest of the class agrees ess they have some of their

le M. was seen with a cute the show the other night. work, M. M. E.

urn C. seems to enjoy his jokes more than anyone else. But they are cute, Wilburn. younger brothers and sis- P. Cooper, B. Fields, A. R. Walley, D. Alford got

more applause than all the rest. Favoritism? Nan P. and Alena P. helped make noise, too.

What this we hear about Tom P., Charles G., Jimmie Mc, Wilburn C. and Ronnie Mc? You're what?

Bill M. seems to have a lot of trouble keeping Helen B.

Marion M. manages to exchange smiles with a certain boy in band. Doesn't she, Buddy?

La Von has been telling untrue things. Uh-huh, Von!!

What has happened to Jody and Vivian? Don't give up, Jerb.

Kost and Maribeth have been spending a lot of time in San Angelo. Could it be because of Kenneth?

Pat C. says the new boy, Jimmie Swank, is "not bad."

What's this about changing clothes so many times, Kay? Band trips, or what?

Who was hollering at your window Sunday night, Coon?

You'd better be good, Ronnie. Santa Claus is coming.

Carolyn seems a little lonesome now that Dwight is gone for a while.

Sonny H., non-footballer, swapped jackets with R. McM. in study hall. Pretty good fit, Sonny?

Bill S. has a secret flame but we promised not to tell.

Hugh R. has set his eye out for Carol F. but we all think she's got hers on Charles G.

Tom P. gave Sandra a new nick name, Grandma. Why, Tom?

Robbie K. was taking Tadpole somewhere Monday afternoon.

Why not let him walk, Robbie?

Martha B., have you received any letters from Kerrville?

Viola, who were you with Sunday night? He's cute!

There seems to be a new romance — Greenie and Tadpole. Where's Carol B.?

Did Cooper get pushed out the door by Marion M. Saturday night?

We have a new gossip in OHS — this time a boy.

Was there one person or two in a certain green Packard Sunday night after Fellowship?

MMMM, what pretty football jackets! Is there one your size, Coon?

Kent and Della are still getting along fine, but we're wondering why Lynn P. doesn't go with Beverly D.

Everyone will be glad when Kenneth P. gets back. Why? To see how much he said about them while he was under that dope.

Jan J. was seen with Hugh and Sonny. Which one was it, Jan?

Is Scott still carrying a torch for Susie? Ann and Benny are still together but Graham and Georgiana are having troubles.

We love the way Tadpole shoves out that front tooth that looks so much like a plate.

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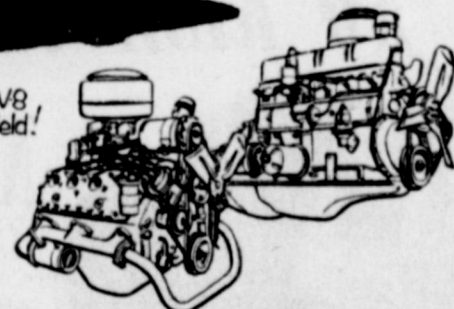
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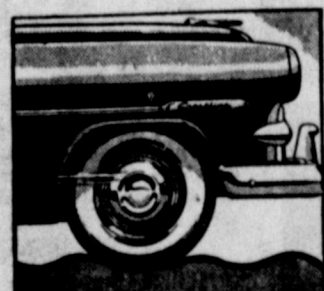
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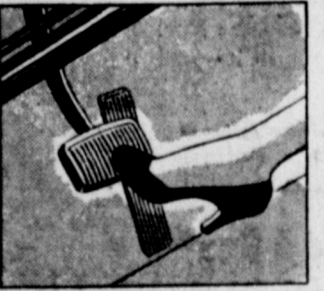
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Ralph Lowe 1 Neal, wildcat 6-10-GC&SF, was drilling below 440 feet in redbeds.

Sinclair Oil and Gas Co. 1 Friend, wildcat, Barrera survey 6, was drilling below 10,547 feet in lime and shale.

Sun Oil Co. 1 Mitchell, wildcat, 111-1-J&GN, was picking up drill-pipe.

Continental Oil Co. 28-A Shannon, 22-UV-GC&SF, Elkhorn (Ellenburger) field, was drilling below 6,906 feet in lime and shale. Conoco 32-A Shannon, 23-UV-GC&SF, Elkhorn field, was drilling below 3,072 feet in lime.

Kenneth Phillips, son of Mr. and Mrs. Babe Phillips, underwent an appendectomy in a San Angelo hospital last week.

Phone News to the Stockman

Lowell Littleton, active vice president of the Ozona National Bank, is able to be out again after a recent attack of pneumonia.

Mrs. L. B. Cox, Jr., is recuperating at her ranch home after undergoing surgery in a Temple hospital recently.

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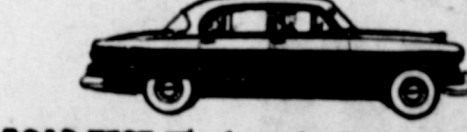
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